

A LIVE MAN IS NEW PUBLICITY AGENT

To The Advertiser He Says He Can Boost Industry In London.

COMING MONDAY NEXT

Has Had Much Experience In A Big Way in the Newspaper Advertising Line.

The appointment of Mr. J. Grant Henderson, Hamilton, as commissioner of industries, is creating much favorable comment, and the majority of the citizens are hopeful that London will enter upon another era of industrial prosperity this year that will excel any experience of the past.

There are splendid opportunities here for the right sort of a man, and in Mr. Henderson, Ald. Spittal and the Committee are of the opinion that they have secured the gentleman needed for the position.

If experience counts he should do well. During the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo he had a responsible position in promoting the Canadian section, and his work was recognized as being of much value.

For some years he was advertising expert with a number of Toronto publications, among them being Gagner, Limited, McLean Publishing Company, and others.

Work in Hamilton.

In July, 1911, he was named industrial commissioner for Hamilton. Mr. Henderson was instrumental in securing thirteen industries in the eight months he was employed at this work, among them being the Gravel Chemical Company, a million dollar concern, the Standard Underground Cable Company, who have already erected a plant costing half a million dollars, and many other large manufacturing establishments. He is a newspaperman of much experience, his specialty being municipal advertising. Mr. Henderson has done a great deal of this work, and has attracted wide-



MR. J. GRANT HENDERSON.

spread attention because of this. He will commence his duties on Monday next. His resignation was accepted by the Hamilton Board of Controllers, to take effect on Saturday. He will arrive here some time Saturday or Sunday, and will report to Mayor Graham Monday.

The Hamilton papers speak well of Mr. Henderson. The Hamilton Herald says: During less than a year Mr. Henderson has succeeded in inducing a number of industries to locate in Hamilton. He followed up the work of his predecessor with energy and earnestness, and although clashing with the controllers on several occasions for various reasons, he has given strict attention to his department, which is run on a progressive policy.

A Talk With The Advertiser. In conversation with The Advertiser over the long distance phone today, Mr. Henderson stated that at 1 o'clock on Monday he would be at the city hall here ready for work.

"I am confident that we can make a success of the department in London," he stated. "I have made a reputation during my ten years at this kind of work, and I am positive that I can add to it, and at the same time do good things for the City of London."

"The prospects are good. You have a fine city, and there is every possibility of doing work that will tell. Your council look like clean-cut business men, who will readily grasp any situation that may arise. They are the cleanest-cut lot of aldermen I have met with in my experience."

"I have not formulated any definite policy as yet. I am working on a number of schemes, but they are not in a sufficient state of development as yet to make public. I will be measured by returns, you know, and we will work for results from the start."

\$100,000 for Industries.

The proposition to raise \$100,000 for industrial purposes appeals to me as particularly good. It will develop, and will produce excellent results. There are details of the proposition to be worked out, and we will get together on them. As soon as I arrive I will meet the city representatives and we will outline work for the season. There are many details, and as I am new to local conditions in London, it will take a little time to get going properly. With the hearty cooperation of all the citizens we will secure excellent results. I am sure."

PROF. HUTTON WILL SPEAK ON IRELAND

Canadian Club Will Hold St. Patrick's Luncheon on Saturday Next.

A special "St. Patrick's" luncheon will be held on Saturday evening next by the Canadian Club in the Tecumseh House, at 6:15. Professor Hutton, of Toronto University, will be present and give an address on "Ireland."

THE ADVERTISER THERMOMETER

The Advertiser has just received an absolutely high-grade and thoroughly-tested and accurate thermometer, which has been placed in front of the office. Citizens who are interested in obtaining the correct temperatures may do so by walking up Dundas street and viewing the instrument.

MINE DISPUTANTS BREAK DEADLOCK

Another Conference Under Aegis In Effort to Settle Strike.

WELSH ARE STUBBORN

Much Difficulty Is Found in Getting Them to Modify Their Demands.

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 12.—The disputants in the British coal war, which since the beginning of the month, has involved the throwing out of employment of over two millions men in England, Scotland and Wales, and has caused the greatest distress among the population, met again today in a round-table conference.

The meeting was a momentous one, as it established the fact that the long-standing deadlock had been broken. It took place at the foreign office at 3 o'clock this afternoon under the presidency of Premier Asquith. The coal owners of the federated district, which comprises the purely English collieries who had already signified the concession in principle of a fixed minimum wage for miners, found no difficulty in accepting the miners' invitation. They had, however, to wrestle strenuously with the Welsh and Scottish coal masters in order to induce them to modify their opposition to the conference with the men, at which the miners had expressed their willingness to accept the principle of a minimum wage.

There are still many difficulties in the way of an immediate settlement of the dispute, but the fact that the two parties have again come together and that negotiations are proceeding has served to brighten the atmosphere and bring about a feeling of hope.

BLOODY FIGHTING AT CANTON CITY

Revolt Under Brigand Chief Trying to Oust the Government.

EUROPEANS ORDERED OUT

Gunboats Off the City Are Cleared For Action—Fighting Has Been Going On For Days.

[Canadian Press.]

Hong Kong, March 12.—The situation at Canton city, where a revolt under a brigand chief, is continuing to oust the local and provincial governments, is regarded by the consular authorities here as most alarming. European missionaries have been ordered to quit the city at once and all available river vessels are being pressed into service to bring the refugees to this city. The Honan yesterday brought 1,700 passengers, and the Russian carried 1,300 more.

Several British vessels are waiting at their piers in Canton today, on account of the danger of sudden trouble, they are keeping up steam, ready to depart on the instant of necessity. The gunboats stationed off Canton are cleared for action, and even the stokers are armed to the teeth.

The fighting at Canton began with an attack by brigands several days ago, and has continued constantly ever since in various parts of the suburb. The attack began to assume serious proportions, when the soldiers in the Bogue forts suddenly mutinied and surrendered the forts to the brigands.

The invaders forthwith equipped themselves from the arsenal, and with modern guns and ammunition took possession of the admiralty building. The number of persons killed or seriously wounded thus far is placed by refugees at between 100 and 350. The followers of Luk are meeting with stubborn resistance, and one of their chiefs has been captured by the loyal troops.

WRECK VICTIM IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Robert Wilson, of Fergus, Had Ribs Smashed and Also Sustained Severe Internal Injuries.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Fergus, March 12.—Mr. Robert Wilson, who was injured in the recent Grand Trunk wreck at Varney, is in a very critical condition at his home here. Mr. Wilson had several ribs fractured, sustained severe injury to his back and internal injuries. He is travelling for a Hamilton grocery firm.

CUT HIS THROAT.

Kingston, March 12.—Henry Watts, of this city, who last Friday cut his throat while on a visit to relatives at Glenora, died this morning. His wife died a couple of years ago, and since then he had been despondent. The deceased was father of H. Watts, a prominent local building contractor.

NEARLY PERISHED IN MIDNIGHT FIRE

Whelehan Block at St. Marys Was Completely Guttled In Destructive Blaze.

THE CAUSE IS UNKNOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Did Not Awaken Until Flames Were Sweeping Through Whole Building.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Marys, March 12.—Fire, which was discovered shortly after 1 o'clock this morning, completely destroyed the Whelehan Block, and for a time threatened the business district of St. Marys. The brigade made a quick response, but when they arrived found the fire sweeping through the premises occupied by Shaylor's restaurant, and spread quickly into the stores occupied by Crozier's barber shop and Mrs. McLaren's grocery store.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, who conduct a clothes cleaning and dye works above the stores, had a remarkably close call from being burned to death. They did not awaken until the fire had started to lick up the whole structure, and barely had time to get out of their rooms in their night clothes. They lost everything, as the flames spread so rapidly that they did not have time to take any more than part of their clothes.

Mrs. McLaren, whose store was completely wiped out, kept a grocery in the same spot continuously for more than fifty years.

The fire department did splendid work in keeping the fire from spreading to adjoining places. The Whelehan Block, however, is a complete wreck. The loss at present is unknown, and there is comparatively little insurance.

TEA MEETINGS ARE PROHIBITIVE

Owing to the High Cost of Eatables, Churches Can't Put Them on for a Quarter.

BANQUETS ARE SCARCE

Caterers Cannot Provide as Good Meals Now for the Money as They Could in the Past.

The increased cost of common necessities is becoming apparent in a score of places where the average citizen never noticed it before. As a result of the high prices of eggs and butter, many confectioners and manufacturers of various lines of pastry are reducing the size of the cakes and pies that they offer. Apple and other pies that it used to be an easy thing to purchase in the stores for from ten to twelve cents are now sold at from eighteen to twenty cents, and housewives who buy dozens of them are much thinner than the pies of other days.

Societies and other bodies, who are accustomed to provide banquets, claim that they cannot begin to get from caterers anything like the prices that they used to get for the same money. The caterers, they say, state that they simply can't buy the things and provide as they did and make any money.

Tea Meetings Prohibited.

It is stated that there have not been anything like the usual number of church banquets and socials this year, and again the high prices are blamed, as it is claimed that the ladies found it impossible to give anything like a satisfying meal for 25 cents.

One of the places most affected by the high prices that have prevailed is Victoria Hospital.

Heretofore the Advertiser has mentioned that an advance in price of 50 per cent over the figures of five years ago. The recent jump in the prices of potatoes will cost us \$300 more than we usually pay. We will not come out so badly on butter and eggs, although if we hadn't had contract prices for both at flat rates we would have. We get our eggs for 25 cents a dozen, our butter for 25 cents a pound. The grocer who has the contract will, of course, make up what he loses on these prices by getting the same rates in the spring and summer when prices lower, if they ever do.

Just Read This. It seems rather a peculiar fact, but even surplus supplies show an advance of from 25 to 30 per cent. We use about \$7,000 worth of these every year, so it is quite an item. Drugs and medicines are much dearer also than formerly, in fact, everything is up.

DR. J. H. TENNENT MADE INVESTIGATION

A Number of Dogs in the Vicinity of Rabies Scare Ordered To Be Killed.

Dr. J. H. Tennent, veterinary inspector for the Dominion Government, returned yesterday from Middlemarch, where he was investigating the case of rabies that was reported from there a couple of days ago, when a dog from the village was chased into St. Thomas before it was killed. Dr. Tennent ordered a number of other dogs that had been bitten to be killed and several suspected of having been in contact with the rabid animal are under quarantine.

ON THE ROCKS.

San Francisco, Cal., March 12.—The tank steamer Rose Crans, of the Associated Oil Company, which left here on the 10th of March for Honolulu, under the command of Capt. Johnson, is on the rocks at Oatula, near Santa Barbara, Cal., according to a message by the Merchants' Exchange. It is not known whether any lives were lost.

Car Which Rolled Down Hill in G. T. R. Wreck at Varney



This interior view of the Grand Trunk railway coach, which rolled over a fourteen-foot embankment at Varney, when the train was derailed on Friday last by a broken rail, shows something of the trap in which the fifteen or more passengers were hurled about, and seriously injured. The coach, which has been brought to London for repairs at the east end shops, was one of the first-class, with steel framework throughout, and this fact alone saved the entire party from death. The steps and vestibules at either end were knocked off and crushed, and the doors are twisted off, and the solidly-constructed seats thrown about in general confusion. These were piled about with the passengers in the somersaults and crushed racks and skylights in the roof as they were churned through the coach in the wreck. The neck of a flask in one spot, a couple of playing cards in another, the bowl of a pipe, and again the 'War Cry,' are spread about the floor.

SCENES OF HORROR AT PEKIN CITY

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 12.—That a thousand decapitations have taken place at Peking and Tien Tsin in the past week, is officially admitted, says a Peking dispatch to the Daily Telegraph. Only the brush of Gustave Dore could do justice to the hideous picture the streets present. Bodies lie in groups in agonized attitudes, the heads, literally hacked off, lying where they rolled. The very mules and ponies snort and refuse to approach the terrible objects, over which the rabble stands and gloats.

LETTER CARRIERS ARE DISAPPOINTED

Post-Master General Overlooked Them in the Matter of Salary Increases.

NEW MEN ARE APPOINTED

Two Liberals Are Let Out and Six Conservatives Appointed—Beats Revised.

By reason of the revision of the routes of mail clerks, four additional men have been chosen, and are now on their beats. These, of course, are the appointees of Major Thomas Beattie, M. P.

Frederick and Freeman, appointed by the Liberal Government, have been relieved and their places have been also filled by Mr. Beattie's appointees.

The failure of the postmaster-general, Hon. Mr. Peile, to raise the salaries of the letter-carriers, is creating a great deal of dissatisfaction.

The wages fixed by Hon. Mr. Lemieux some years ago, \$1.75 minimum and \$2.75 maximum, have not been interfered with, although many requests were forwarded to the present Government to grant an increase. All the other employees in the postoffice were granted good increases.

The letter-carriers, however, were overlooked, and in consequence are not in good humor. Thirty-eight or forty men here are affected.

"It is simply a case of greasing the fat pig," said one letter-carrier. "The men who need it worst do not get it. The present administration is being compared with that of Hon. Mr. Lemieux, much to the discredit of the former."

WILL BUDGET CONTAIN BOUNTIES ON STEEL

May Be Introduced, But Not Until After Budget Debate.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, March 12.—Will there be steel bounties in the budget? Several people are trying to find the answer to this question, but so far, their efforts have only developed confusion. Some people who should know, say that there will be an announcement of bounties made by the Finance Minister in his budget speech tomorrow.

Others, who should know, say that the Government is hesitating to grant bounties for fear of incurring resentment of consumers in the east, and still more so in the west. There is another group of different opinion, which claims that there will be bounties, but that the announcement will not be made until after the budget debate has been disposed of.

The British Columbia members have been pressing for closer interpretation of the tariff against partially dressed lumber, and have served notice on the Government that if they do not get what they want for their big lumber mill they will vote against the bounties.

The Government has seriously considered this, and has decided that it has done enough to irritate the farmers of the West without raising the price of their lumber, and has told the British Columbians that the best it could do would be to refer the tariff schedules on lumber to the supreme court for interpretation. This is not satisfactory to the lumbering interests.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW — FAIR AND COLD.

Forecast.

Today—Northeast winds, with light snowfalls.

Wednesday—Northwest winds; light snow.

TEMPERATURES.

Following are the readings of the thermometer and state of weather for the 24 hours previous to 12 o'clock this morning:

High.	Low.	Weather.
London.....24	11	Snow
Calgary.....30	10	Cloudy
Winnipeg.....26	—	Fair
Port Arthur.....22	4	Clear
Parry Sound.....28	20	Snow
Toronto.....22	24	Snow
Ottawa.....23	18	Fair
Montreal.....26	20	Cloudy
Quebec.....24	10	Cloudy
Father Point.....24	10	Cloudy

THE WEATHER NOTES.

The weather continues cold throughout the Dominion. The disturbance that was west of the lower Mississippi Valley yesterday, is now moving across the Middle States, and is not unlikely to develop considerable energy near the Atlantic coast. Light snow has fallen in Southern Ontario.

DESPERATE FIGHT WITH CONVICTS

Four On the Way to Kingston Make Sensational Break For Liberty

AT THE TORONTO DEPOT

Police Manage to Club Them Into Submission After a Prolonged Battle.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, March 12.—Four daring criminals made a desperate attempt to regain their liberty when the G. T. R. train was about to pull out for Kingston at 9:10 o'clock this morning.

They were long-term convicts, and were heavily handcuffed and shackled. They were being transferred to Kingston Penitentiary from Stony Mountain, Manitoba, where they worried the authorities by their frequent attempts to escape.

"Please send three officers and a patrol wagon to meet the train from South St. Marie, as there are four long-term men aboard bound for Kingston Penitentiary," was a telegram that the police received yesterday afternoon. Inspector Duncan sent down Detectives Sackett and Miller this morning to see that the men left Toronto all right.

Constable Hunt went through the train before the prisoners arrived, and cleared out the passengers who were sitting in the smoking compartment of one of the cars. The four prisoners were then put on the train.

"Do you want a cigarette, Brown?" asked one of the guards of one of the prisoners.

"Yes," replied the prisoner. When the guard put his hand in his pocket, the prisoners jumped up as if on a prearranged signal, and struck the guard on the head. The prisoners were then turned out of the smoking compartment and the noise and immediately gave the alarm. Back came Constable Hunt, closely followed by the two detectives.

Guard Badly Beaten.

By that time one of the guards was badly beaten. His head had been banged several times by the men raising their hands and bringing the metal ornaments down with their full weight on his skull. The police rushed in and struck right and left with their batons. The convicts were fighting madly, and in face of overwhelming odds put up a battle until they were battered almost into insensibility.

The prisoners are long-term men, and undergo imprisonment for violent crimes. Brown is in for 10 years for shooting a Winnipeg police officer, and a companion, named Kelly, is doing 17 years for the same offence. The third, named Bonner, is under sentence of 8 years for horse-stealing, and the last of the quartet is the man whose ill-treatment of a Manitoba teacher caused such an uproar several months ago, and earned him a term of 17 years.

STORY WAS MADE OF WHOLE CLOTH

Nothing In the Yarn That a Mail Carrier at Nipigon Was Eaten By Wolves.

A press dispatch some days ago told of the death of a mail carrier at Nipigon, Ont., the man having been eaten by wolves.

Mr. A. Falcumier, of Sydenham street, whose uncle, Mr. Robert W. Falcumier, is a mail carrier at Nipigon, became alarmed, and he at once wired for particulars to the postmaster at Nipigon.

He was given a reply saying that the story was absolutely without foundation. How it got into print is a mystery to the postmaster.

HAROLD A. RICHARDSON AGAIN A CANDIDATE

Former Londoner Is Carrying a Conservative Banner in England.

Mr. Harold A. Richardson, son of Archdeacon Richardson, rector of St. Luke's Church, Broughdale, is again a candidate in the Conservative interests in Stockton-on-Tees, England.

At the last election, Mr. Richardson carried the Conservative banner against Mr. J. A. Samuel, Liberal, and was defeated by a vote of 5,510 to 4,840.

Mr. Richardson has again been placed in nomination to oppose Mr. Samuel at the next election, and is already delivering addresses throughout the constituency. He spends a portion of the year with his family in the riding, and is much praised for his financial generosity. He is well known in this city, where he was born, and five years ago resided for some months on Dundas street, near Adelaide street.

GOOD NEWS FOR KEYMEN

G. T. R. Telegraphers To Get Extra Pay for Sunday Work.

[Berlin Telegraph.]

Montreal, March 12.—The Grand Trunk authorities here announced this morning that they had decided to accede to the demands of their railway telegraphers for extra pay for Sunday work. The exact amount of the extra pay will be decided later.

GEO. G. M'CORMICK IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Well-Known Manufacturer Was Taken to Victoria Hospital Last Night.

Mr. George G. M'Cormick, of the M'Cormick Manufacturing Company, was removed to Victoria Hospital last evening. It is feared that he may have to undergo an operation for appendicitis. Dr. Wishart is attending him.

ORANGEMEN WILL DISCUSS NE TEMERE

Lt. Col. Belcher Has Drafted a Resolution to Go Before the Grand Lodge.

BLACK KNIGHTS MEET

Convention of Members of Ontario West Was Opened This Afternoon in the Duffield Block.

The annual convention of the Royal Black Chapter, Black Knights of Ireland opened this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Duffield Block, with over one hundred delegates in attendance. Practically every preceptory in Western Ontario, from Ottawa to Fort Frances, was represented.

Dr. Hunter, Orangeville, grand master of the Black Knights, presided. He gave a short resume of the work accomplished during the past year. A number of new preceptories had been established, the most noteworthy being Fort Frances. The finances of the organization were reported in good condition, and the membership steadily growing. Dr. Hunter usually referred to conditions in which the Orange order were interested, and stated that they would be considered later.

The report of the grand registrar, Bro. E. A. Fennell, Toronto, was presented. It gave a detail of the membership, the receipts, etc. The brethren expressed their pleasure at so favorable a statement.

The Ne Temere Decree.

Lt. Col. Belcher, of Toronto, past grand master of the Black Knights, stated that it was his intention to bring a resolution to the attention of the convention relative to a number of important matters of public interest today. One was the Ne Temere decree. The Nationalist movement in Quebec was among the other matters mentioned, and it is expected that other questions of a similar nature will be dealt with.

"I am not at liberty to give out the

resolution I have drafted," said Col. Belcher to The Advertiser. "When it is presented to the grand lodge, it will probably then be given out. In general it deals with subjects of great moment to the Orange body of this province."

Col. Belcher also announced that Hon. J. S. Duff, minister of agriculture, would be present on Wednesday. It was also expected that Hon. Dr. Pyne, minister of education, would be in attendance. A large delegation is expected to be on hand. Hon. Samuel Hughes would be present on Wednesday also. Harry Lovelock, grand master of the Orange Lodge, arrived Monday night, and is preparing the work of the lodge.

The Black Knights are meeting in Duffield Hall and will finish their work on Wednesday morning. The Orange Lodge will immediately afterwards in the Auditorium.

The Drendnought Club.

The "Drendnought Club" of Toronto, a social organization in connection with the Orange Order, brought down a large delegation to the Black Knights' convention. Headed by Mr. Continued on Page Nine.

ICEBOATERS MAY BE DROWNED IN LAKE ERIE

Eight Men Have Been Missing From Cleveland, and Were Last Seen at Conneaut.

[Canadian Press.]

Erie, Pa., March 12.—It is feared that two iceboats, each with a crew of four men, have been lost in Lake Erie. They left Cleveland yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in an attempt to make Erie in record-breaking time, and nothing has been heard of them since they passed Conneaut, Ohio. It is thought they raced into one of the open spaces in the ice. Searching parties are being organized here.

A RESIDENCE FOR JAILER JAMES CARTER

Joint Meeting Will Be Held on Friday to Consider the Question.

The question of whether or not a jailer's residence will be erected on the court house property this summer for the use of Governor Carter is to be decided at a joint meeting of the city and county representatives, at the county buildings on Friday evening.