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LINER WITH A ROYAL PARTY ASHORE IN MEDITERRANEAN

The S. S. Delhi, Bearing the Princess Louise, the Duke of Fife and Their Daughters, In Perilous Position Near the Straits of Gibraltar—Cruiser Rushing to the Spot.

[Canadian Press.]

Gibraltar, Dec. 13. — The Princess Royal and her daughters have been safely landed from the Delhi at Cape Spartel.

Gibraltar, Dec. 13.—The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company's steamer Delhi, from London for Bombay, conveying the Princess Royal Louise Victoria Alexandra Dagmar, sister of King George V., with her husband, the Duke of Fife, and their daughters, with many other passengers on their way to Egypt, has gone ashore to the south of Cape Spartel on the Moroccan coast, at the entrance to the Straits of Gibraltar. Several tugs have gone to her assistance. Her position is considered so perlious that the British cruiser Weymouth has also been ordered to leave here for the scene with a detachment of artillery in charge of a life-saving apparatus. Very rough weather prevails.

London, Dec. 12.—The admiralty has ordered a rocket apparatus to be sent by land to assist in the rescue of the passengers of the steamer Delhi, which is ashore at Cape Spartel.

Gibraltar, Dec. 13.—Neither the lifeboats nor tugs have thus far been able to approach the Delhi in consequence of the heavy swell and the boiling surf. The passengers are safe.

Tangier, Dec. 13. — The French cruiser Friant, which was immediately dispatchtd by the naval authorities here to the assistance of the Delhi, landed women and children from the stranded vessel at this port.

REAUME'S PLURALITY SHRINKS RECOUNT TO BE DEMANDED

Windsor, Dec. 12. — Hon. Dr. Reaume's plurality dwindled to a pitiful seven votes today, and a recount which will be demanded either tomorrow or Thursday is expected to turn a Conservative victory into a defeat, according to the statements of prominent Liberal leaders here tonight.

Mr. Severin Ducharme, Liberal candidate, in a statement today, concedes Dr. Reaume's election by a small margin, but is confident he would have been the winner but for the fact that the country roads were almost impassable in many places, thus holding the vote down to considerably below the normal figure.

The total returns as given out tonight show that 5,728 votes were polled.

CHARLES BOWMAN IS CRITICALLY ILL

Member-Elect for North Bruce Has a Severe Attack of Pneumonia.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Southampton, Dec. 13.—Mr. Charles Bowman, member-elect for North Bruce, is very critically ill at his home here with pneumonia. He has been ill for several days, and has grown steadily worse.

MARCH SEVENTEENTH TO REMAIN HOLY DAY

St. Patrick's Day, However, Will Not Be Subject to Law of Fasting.

[Canadian Press.]

Rome, Dec. 13. — As a result of a decree of the Pope, issued in July in reference to holy days, St. Patrick's Day was struck off the list of obligatory holy days, on which Catholics are called upon to hear mass and abstain from unnecessary work. On the request of the Irish Catholics, however, the holy see has just issued another decree which is most important for Irish people throughout the world. According to this the feast of St. Patrick will continue to be a holy day, without, however, being subject to the law of fasting or abstinence.

OTTAWA CAMPAIGNS ON CRUEL DRIVERS

Mass Meeting Will Be Held to Arouse Public Feeling in the Matter.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, Dec. 13. — To put a stop to fast driving and inhumane treatment of horses, the Ottawa Humane Society will ask the city council for a bylaw providing that every man who drives a horse in the city should be required to have a license and number, the latter duly entered with his name at the city hall, and that he should be required to have his number whenever he is driving in the streets. The city council will also be asked to fix an age limit, lower than which no boy will be allowed to drive.

An attempt will be made to enlist the Boy Scout organizations in the city in a great campaign against cruel drivers. To this end a mass meeting will be held during Christmas week.

SUTHERLAND HAD MAJORITY OF 27

A Mistake of Seven Votes Was Made In the Count on Monday Night.

A revision of the figures for East Middlesex show that Mr. Robert Sutherland has a majority of 27 votes, not 20, as announced election night. A mistake of seven votes was made in Dorchester Township, making the majority 50, instead of 43.

The majorities by municipalities were as follows:

	Neely.	Sutherland.
W. Nissouri	52	...
London Township	294	...
N. Dorchester	...	50
Westminster	...	323
Totals	346	373

Majority for Sutherland, 27.

GRAND JURY CONSIDERS DRUGGIST'S FATAL ERROR

Charge of Criminal Negligence Against Lucknow Pharmacist Now Being Heard.

[Canadian Press.]

Goderich, Dec. 13.—The case of J. Garnet Armstrong, druggist, of Lucknow, charged with criminal negligence in dispensing drugs, is now before the grand jury at the general sessions for the county of Huron.

The case is one of general interest to pharmacists. In August of 1910, Miss Margaret Murray, of Detroit, who was visiting at the home of her uncle, Daniel Murray, in Ashfield Township, near the village of Lucknow, purchased at Armstrong's store what was supposed to be rochelle salts. After taking a dose of the drug, she became ill, and died the following day. It was discovered that tartar emetic had by a clerk's error, been placed in the stock bottle labelled for rochelle salts, the abbreviated trade names of the two drugs being somewhat similar. The crown authorities immediately took action, but for one reason or another the trial of the case has been delayed from time to time.

CHEAPER RATES FOR THE MANITOBA PHONES

Govt. Commission Makes New Schedule of $4 a Month With 1200 Free Calls.

[Canadian Press.]

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 13.—The Manitoba Government telephone commission today announces a new schedule of rates, the essential features of which are as follows:

The old rates and method of charging for service will be abandoned.

No more payments of six months in advance.

All bills in future will be paid monthly.

Twenty thourand telephones are now in use in the city of Winnipeg, but with the new low monthly rates 10,000 more places should have telephone connections as fast as they can be installed.

All that is necessary for anyone wishing to have a telephone installed in house or office is to call Garry 1700, and ask for city contract department, and give name and address. The department will attend to the rest

Old rates will remain in force for present subscribers up to April 1, 1912. New rates apply to all new subscribers after Jan. 1, 1912. The rate for business phones will be $4 a month which includes 100 calls free, or 1,200 a year. Additional calls will be charged at the rate of 2 cents each. The rate for residence phones will be $1.50 a month, which includes thirty calls free. Additional calls 2 cents each, or $4 a month unlimited calling. Party lines are abolished. All service will be on one line, one subscriber, one line within the three-mile area, unless the subscriber contracts for more than one line.

Party lines will be permitted beyond the three mile area.

CANON TROOP CELEBRATES.

Montreal, Dec. 13.—The twenty-fifth anniversary of Rev Canon Troop's incumbency of St. Martin's Church, was celebrated by a reunion of the congregation and other friends of the rector, which was held in the lecture room of the church last night.

Canon Troop was the recipient during the evening of a purse of gold and an illuminated address. The presentation was made on behalf of the congregation, in the absence of the Bishop of Montreal, by Mr. J. R. Meeker, the rector's warden.

A BOY IN WINTER-TIME.

By John T. McCutcheon.

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"Look, Ma! See how much wood we carried in, and you didn't haf to ask us to, either. And we watered the plants, too."

New Legislature By Professions

By professions the members of the new Legislature will line up as follows:

Lawyers	29
Doctors	11
Veterinary surgeons	2
Merchants	14
Manufacturers	7
Farmers	14
Lumbermen	5
Accountants	3
Undertaker	1
Editors	2
Insurance men	4
Contractors	3
Mechanic	1
Financiers	2
Teacher	1
Real estate	1
Civil engineer	1
Apple buyer	1
Cattle dealer	1

RIOTERS BREAK UP PEACE TREATY MEETING

Organized Demonstration as Protest Against Ratification U. S.-British Pact.

New York, Dec. 13.—An organized demonstration by disaffected Irishmen and Germans stopped the mass meeting held in Carnegie Hall last night under the auspices of the Citizens' National Committee, in support of the ratification of the general arbitration treaties with Britain and France, routed Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, who took the field against them in a vain attempt to restore order, and finally shut down the meeting with Andrew Carnegie yet to speak.

It was the wildest Carnegie Hall has known in a long time, and the man whose name the hall bears was sitting in the front row, hearing the peace policies, of which he has been so ardent an advocate, hooted by a gallery full of rioters.

A VETERAN DEAD.

Hamilton, Dec. 13.—John McArthur, a well known stationer, and a veteran of 1366, died suddenly late last night after returning home from his store. Paralysis was the cause.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow--Not Much Change.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Dec. 13—8 a.m.

Today—Light winds, clearing, with not much change in temperature.

Thursday—Fair.

TEMPERATURES.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock this morning:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
LONDON	46.5	34	Clear
Victoria	42	38	Cloudy
Calgary	40	18	Cloudy
Winnipeg	24	22	Cloudy
Port Arthur	28	20	Cloudy
Parry Sound	40	28	Fair
Toronto	56	34	Cloudy
Ottawa	48	32	Snow
Montreal	52	34	Snow
Quebec	44	32	Rain
Father Point	44	34	Rain

WEATHER NOTES.

The unsettled weather has continued from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces, with falls of rain in most localities and snow and rain in the Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence valleys.

There has been little change in temperature in the Western Provinces.

A SUBWAY WILL BE CHEAPER FOR ADELAIDE ST. CROSSING

Owing to Cost, a Bridge Is Said To Be Out of the Question.

It is now said that a bridge at Adelaide street crossing the C. P. R. tracks to provide for a cross city street car line will be out of the question, owing to the cost, and that a subway will be much better for all parties concerned and will not be so expensive.

It will be necessary, if a bridge is built, to provide 22 feet 6 inches headway for trains. This will make it imperative to take the approaches a considerable distance north and south of the tracks. Land damages under such circumstances will be very heavy, in all probability, although the C. P. R. own much of the property there.

For a subway it would require but 14 feet 6 inches for street cars, and it will not be necessary to carry the approaches any considerable distance, thus avoiding the possibility of land damages and incidentally reducing the cost of construction.

Raise the Tracks.

It might be possible to raise the C. P. R. tracks a few inches, thus making the construction much easier, and reducing the expenditure.

"I do not think a bridge would be feasible over the C. P. R. at Adelaide," an engineer stated to The Advertiser. "It will be rather expensive, and the land damages would probably be serious. A subway with but 14 feet 6 inches of headway could be built at much less cost, and there would be little or no danger of land damages. A level crossing will be out of the question, as I doubt that the Dominion Railway Commission will for one moment consent to such an arrangement."

City Engineer Wright stated that he was working on his report at the present time, and would not make any statement as to what he will recommend.

CITY HALL GOES TO ROYAL BANK ON THE FIRST OF JANUARY

Deeds Are All Ready and the Council Will Decide Rent Matter.

The city hall will be turned over to the Royal Bank on Jan. 1, it is expected.

The deeds are all prepared, and ready for the signature of Mayor Beattie and City Clerk Baker, but the representatives of the city have decided that they will do nothing until the council disposes of the question of rental.

At the next session on Monday night, the recommendation of the special committee fixing the rental of the hall, with the exception of the offices now occupied by City Clerk Baker, Dr. Hutchinson, M. H. O., Inspector McCallum and the Mayor, at $3,800 a year for two years, with the option of re-leasing it for a further period of six months, will be considered.

That being settled, the deeds will be signed, and the bank given possession on Jan. 1. That is the present desire, although something might happen to delay the matter a month. Nothing of such a character seems possible just now, but it may happen.

SIGNS INCREASING OF AN ELECTION

Candidates Are Opening Up Committee Rooms and Issuing Cards.

The first evidence of an election on Jan. 1 is the appearance today of cards.

Many of the aldermen who are seeking re-election have issued cards and circulars, showing who they are and what they have stood for during their term of office.

Others seeking fame in the municipal arena are also getting theirs ready, and in a day or two the city will be flooded with literature.

Both the candidates for the mayoralty are settling down to work. Ald. Eckert is canvassing the city. Mr. C. M. R. Graham has opened up committee rooms at 110 Dundas street, where Mr. Geo. W. Neely, ex-M. P. P. had his headquarters for the recent elections.

Nomination day will be Friday, Dec. 22.

THE LAW'S LONG ARM.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Joseph Richard, found guilty of receiving stolen goods, after being a fugitive from justice for nearly a year, was today sentenced to two years and one month in Kingston Penitentiary. He was located and arrested in Montreal.

IMMIGRANT SPECIAL WRECKED IN MAINE

Smssh-Up on Grand Trunk in Which Several Passengers Were Hurt.

[Canadian Press.]

Portland, Me., Dec. 13. — A special train, bringing several hundred immigrants to sail for Liverpool tomorrow, was wrecked today at West Parish, on the Grand Trunk Railway. Several passengers were hurt, but none was killed.

West River, Vt., Dec. 13. — The engineer and fireman of a northbound freight train on the Connecticut and Passumpsic division of the Boston and Maine Railroad, were killed a short distance south of here early today, when their locomotive struck a large rock that had been dislodged by a blast and thrown on the tracks.

REYES' MOVEMENTS.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 13.—It was reported from a reliable source today at Laredo that General Bernardo Reyes was entrenched with an insurrecto army in the mountains near Galeana, Nuevo Leon States, and expected to be in Monterey by Sunday.

TAX RATE MAY BE CUT SOME

Reports Being Prepared Show That There Will Be Quite a Civic Surplus.

NIAGARA POWER FIGURES

There May or May Not Be a Slight Surplus—How the Other Boards Stand.

The auditors are busy at the city hall these days preparing statements of receipts and expenditures for the year now closing.

The water commissioners will have their report ready for both the electrical and waterworks departments by the end of the week. They will be presented at the next meeting of the commissioners on Thursday, Dec. 21.

The waterworks will show an increase of about $10,000 over the estimated receipts, giving the council a good start for the coming year.

This is due to the fact that the receipts from customers have risen to $120,000 or thereabouts—more than $10,000 greater than last year. Two years ago the receipts were $98,000, but since the wells have been added the receipts have rapidly increased, and will probably continue to do so for the next few years.

The expenditures have not increased, in fact, have been reduced considerably. The installation of electricity has cut the expenditures at Springbank owing to the fact that not so many men are needed to handle the system, and use of the energy also reduced the cost of fuel, etc.

The Horton street plant cost less to operate than the temporary pumping plant did a couple of years ago. Taking it altogether, the expenditures will be lighter than last year.

Electrical Figures.

In the electrical department, Superintendent Glaubitz informed The Advertiser that he expects that they will break even. He is not clear as to whether or not the city is charged for the sinking fund on the transmission line, and today wrote to the hydro-electric commission for positive information on that score.

It is understood, in fact Mr. Beck has stated, that the sinking fund will not be charged for five years.

The amount at stake will be about $10,000, and will make some difference as to whether or not the electrical department will show a surplus or a deficit. If the sinking fund is reckoned in the price of power furnished the city by the commission, it is possible that there will be a slight surplus. If not, then there will be a deficit which will have to be met either now or some time in the future.

Other Boards.

The majority of the departments of the city are in good shape. The library board will have a surplus of about $1,500. The board of health will also show a favorable balance of $1,000. The hospital trust will break a little better than even.

The board of education will have an overdraft of $4,000, owing to the increased cost of installing the heating system in the Rectory street school. This will have to be met out of the general rate.

The city council will have a big surplus of its own. The board of works will not expend their approbation, having $10,000 to the good. The finance committee have expended little. On one item alone, that of rental for the city hall, $5,000 will be saved. The revenues have also been more than estimated.

There will be no overdraft in No. 3 committee. It is not likely that there will be much in the treasury to their credit at the end of the year, but there will be a little in any event.

The police commissioners have a little to spare. The incoming council should have from $25,000 to $30,000 to commence the year with.

May Cut Tax Rate.

With the increase of assessment, which will bring in an equal sum, the chances are bright for a reduction of the tax rate next year to 22 mills, probably 21½ mills.

DETROIT TO VOTE ON THREE-CENT FARE

Settlement of the Street Railway Problem Will Be Put Up to the Public.

[Canadian Press.]

Detroit, Dec. 13.—The Thompson suit for the settlement of the street railway problem, passed its third reading in the city council last night, and was referred to a committee with instructions to have a date set for a special election.

At this election the voters of Detroit will decide the fate of the ordinance which promises to grant the Detroit United Railway a franchise in the city until 1924, on the railway company's promise to grant three-cent fares, complete a schedule of improvements and to sell the entire Detroit holdings to the city at or before the expiration of the proposed franchise. The ordinance says the purchase price shall be decided by arbitration.

COMMITTED ON A CHARGE OF THEFT

Richard Evans, of London Township, Appeared Before Squire Chittick, and Judge Macbeth.

Richard Evans, of London Township, was Tuesday committed for trial by Squire Chittick, on a charge of theft. It is alleged by the plaintiff, William H. Gilmore, that Evans stole a road scraper and parts of a harness, together with other small articles, the property of the late Jas. H. Gilmore. The alleged theft, the plaintiff claims, was committed some time in October or November last.

Evans appeared before Judge Macbeth this morning and elected trial by jury. He was allowed bail on his own security for $200 and two others, Richard G. Perkins and Josiah Rumball, for $100 each. He will appear on the first Tuesday in June, 1912. Mr. F. H. Greenlees appeared this morning for the defendant.

BELLEVILLE MAN IDENTIFIES BODY

Woman Who Cut Her Throat on Tuesday Died in Victoria Hospital.

A FORMER LONDONER

David G. Jones and Mrs. Jones at One Time Resided on William Street South, This City.

David G. Jones, of Belleville, a man well advanced in years, arrived in London from his home on No. 1 express on the Grand Trunk at noon today, and identified, before the coroner's jury, the body of the woman who on Tuesday slashed her throat at the Grand Trunk depot, as that of his wife, Elizabeth Jones.

It also developed that Mr. and Mrs. Jones lived in this city six years ago. They took up their residence on William street south after coming here from Toledo, Ohio, he being then employed by the London Rolling Mills.

Mr. Jones was not aware of the rash act of his wife until he was met at the station and informed by Coroner Dr. Maclaren. He was visibly affected, but a little later proceeded to Ferguson's undertaking parlors and identified the remains officially.

The Husband's Story.

"My wife left home Tuesday morning at 4 o'clock on the Grand Trunk," he told The Advertiser as he left the train. "She had her ticket through to Detroit, and intended to purchase her fare on the interurban from that point to Toledo, where my son, David, keeps a hotel. Elizabeth had been in her usual good spirits, but was returning to Toledo to undergo an operation for the removal of a cataract from her eye. The same surgeon had treated her when we lived in Toledo."

He stated that she had never been morose or melancholy, and never intimated to him that she contemplated taking her life. Mr. Jones stated that he is in poor financial circumstances, and told the railway officials that he had to borrow the money to come to London in response to the telegram sent Tuesday evening.

The body will be taken on to Cleveland, where the family burial plot is located.

The Inquest.

The jury, which convened at Ferguson's at noon to view the body, adjourned to meet at the Carling street police station tomorrow evening. The jurors are Ed. Lowe (foreman), James Ryan, Charles Fish, John Barned, William McKeough, Leonard Walker, Elzerd Lortie, James S. Brown, and John Taylor.

Mrs. Jones' baggage, which was checked through to Detroit yesterday, was returned to London today, and searched for means of identification before the arrival of the husband in this city. It contained only a few articles of clothing and three pairs of spectacles, which Mrs. Jones had used under different conditions.

Died at Night.

The wounds inflicted by Mrs. Jones on herself left little doubt as to the outcome from the time she was discovered at noon in the office of the stationmaster at the depot.

The knife had been jabbed into her throat in three places, and she was pulseless through loss of blood when the physician arrived. She was unable to communicate with any person at that time, but later at the hospital she rallied sufficiently to tell her name in almost inaudible tones.

However, the authorities directed a message to Belleville in the hope of locating her husband, and his arrival here at noon today made her identification absolute.

Mrs. Jones' death occurred at the hospital at about 7 o'clock, and the remains were thereupon delivered to Mr. Ferguson, the inspector of anatomy.

BUILDING PERMITS ARE IN DEMAND

Total for December Thus Far is Over $50,000—Prospects Bright.

Building is booming in London at the present time, the fine weather giving an impetus to construction work generally. As a result permits are moving rapidly, the total for the year so far exceeding $900,000.

Among the permits already issued in December are those to T. E. Mara, for a store on Dundas street, to cost $20,000; T. F. Kingsmill, store on Dundas street, $22,000; McGaw & Winnett, alterations to Tecumseh House, $3,500; Lawson & Jones, sprinkling system, $1,900; W. T. Brown, residence on Colborne, $1,600; G. T. R., brick building, Egerton street, $1,500, and W. J. Blaikie, residence on Cheapside, $2,500. These total over $50,000, and together with many permits issued for smaller amounts bring the amount to nearly $60,000.

Several plans are in Mr. Nutter's office for consideration, among them the Masonic Temple, $45,000, and Darch & Sons' addition, $16,000.

EYE WAS INJURED BY EXPLODING BULB

L. Graeme Suffered a Painful Accident in a Local Printing Office This Morning.

L. Graeme, a compositor employed at A. Talbot & Co.'s, had his right eye severely injured this morning, when an electric light bulb on the case before which he was working exploded. Eighteen minute pieces of glass entered the eye, and the ball was cut. He was taken to the office of a physician. He may lose the sight of his eye.