

EXPERT FOR THE CITY

In the Arbitration With the Street Railway.

Council Appointed Robert A. Ross, of the Firm of Ross & Holgate, Montreal—His Charge Will Be \$75 Per Day With Expenses.

On the recommendation of the light, heat and power committee, the city council, last night, appointed Robert A. Ross, of the firm of Ross & Holgate, consulting and supervising engineers, Montreal, as the city's expert, for the proposed arbitration with the street railway company, re the cost of power. His charge will be \$75 per day, with all expenses. The appointment was given a lengthy discussion at a meeting of the light, heat and power committee, held on Tuesday afternoon, and when it was presented to the city council, last night, it formed the chief topic of discussion.

Ald. Graham opened the discussion on the question, by asking that Mr. Ross's letter be read to council. The letter was then read by the city clerk, and the contents were that Mr. Ross would charge at the rate of \$75 per day, with expenses, for his services. It would be difficult for him to say just how long it would take to complete the work, but he would venture to say that if all the information was readily available, it could be closed up in a day or so. If, on the other hand, it required some time to ascertain the information necessary, longer time would, of course, be required.

Ald. McCarty spoke as a member of the light, heat and power committee. The appointment of an expert, for the city, he said, came up at a recent meeting of the committee, and that at that time he moved that Prof. Gill be appointed. The chairman and the other members of the committee were of the opinion that the superintendent of the plant should be the man appointed. The speaker now considered it rather strange that the committee should appoint Mr. Ross, at such a high figure. He considered that the appointment should not go outside the city. It was his belief that there were just as many, as in any part of the Dominion, Prof. Gill would be a good man for the position. He looked upon the appointment of an outside man as a piece of extravagance. Chairman Elliott, of the light, heat and power committee, had negotiated very hard all through the negotiations between the city and the street railway, and he wished to give him all due credit, but he thought that the chairman should have considered more favorably, the appointment of a city man.

Ald. Craig said that he would assume, from the committee's report, that the members had come to the conclusion that Mr. Ross should be appointed. By their action, he was of the opinion, that they were breaking into the question broadside. He wanted to know why the arbitration was being entered into, and asked the chairman for information. Ald. Elliott said that in so far as himself and members of committee were concerned, that they would have preferred to have the street railway take up the city's first proposition, that of taking all the information the city had to give, regarding the production of power, with the main cost report, etc. The street railway, however, would not accept this proposition, claiming that it would not be fair, and asked that experts be appointed, the city and railway to each appoint a man, these two to appoint a third. The speaker had his own views on the matter, but after consulting citizens and some of the aldermen, had, later on, decided to accede to the request of the street railway. In the arbitration, as proposed, there would be nothing binding on either side. It was his belief that the council should show every consideration to the company, so as to keep the street cars running. If the question of power had to be considered, the best possible man should be secured as an expert. This was only

THE WARTFUL DOODGER SWINDLED PRETTY WIDOW ESCAPES FROM POLICE.

A Man Said to Be From Boston Leaps From Moving Train in Nova Scotia. Sydney, N.S., Aug. 25.—D. J. Smith, giving his station as his home town, who had been stopping at the Grand hotel for some time past, disappeared from the city, Wednesday last, leaving a board bill behind him which totals up \$100. During the latter part of his stay in the city he paid daily visits to the post office, in quest of a \$1,000 cheque which he said he expected from friends in his home town. Finally the money arrived, and almost immediately the recipient disappeared.

While awaiting the arrival of the funds, the visitor improved the time by paying ardent attention to a pretty young widow, who was to be married on Wednesday and the wedding was to be celebrated on Thursday. The woman gave him her watch and a considerable sum of money to keep for her. It is held that the fugitive pawned the timepiece and squandered the money.

Chief of Police McEachern was notified and the man was captured at Truro. Provincial Constable John J. McDonald went up the line and the prisoner was handed over to him.

Nearing Tracadie and while the train was moving along at a fast rate, Smith asked permission to go to the lavatory. Three inside he locked the door, and forcing open the window made good his escape.

STRANGE CURE

A Woman of Chelsea Found Relief. MENTAL TREATMENT GREAT STEP TOWARDS BLOODLESS SURGERY.

Former Brampton Preacher Performs Somewhat of a Miracle—Paralyzed Limbs Restored to Use. Boston, Mass., Aug. 25.—Rev. Dr. W. J. Stewart, a Baptist minister from Brampton, Ont., who three months ago gave up preaching to tend all his energies, in the direction of mental healing, and Dr. William B. Hadden, of Boston, yesterday, successfully performed a scientific experiment which, it is declared, constitutes the greatest step yet taken toward bloodless surgery. The doctor and the minister restored to Mrs. Mary Zief, of 12 Ash street, Chelsea, the use of her limbs with which, since Mrs. Zief's frightful experience in the great Chelsea fire, have been doubled up and practically paralyzed.

For some weeks Rev. Dr. Stewart sought to prepare this patient to enter the experiment yesterday afternoon by a carefully thought out system of mental suggestion.

Mrs. Zief was sent into a quiet and peaceful slumber by the use of chloroform, but before this she was given a strong series of suggestions as to what would occur while she was unconscious. She was told that when she opened her eyes the use of her limbs would be restored to her, and as the suggestions had been methodically given her each day for a considerable time, Mrs. Zief firmly believed she would wake up with her limbs restored, and that is what happened.

AT THE D. R. A. MEET.

Royal Rifles in Quebec—Laurier at Ranges. Special to the Whig. The Caron cup of \$20, and the second prize of \$10, were won, respectively, by first and second teams of the 8th Royal Rifles, Quebec. Ottawa, Montreal and Hamilton ran them close for second place. The governor-general's match is being shot this morning. Sergeant Russell, of the G.G.F.G., Ottawa, at the ranges yesterday, made twenty-nine consecutive bullseyes.

ALUMINUM ALLOY

SECRECY SURROUNDS BUILDING OF AIRSHIP. War Machine 500 Feet Long Being Constructed For the British Government. London, Aug. 25.—The strictest secrecy is being observed with regard to the dirigible airship which is being built for the government, as Mr. Halldane announced, at the works of Messrs. Vickers Sons & Maxim, at Barrow-in-Furness.

BARBAROUS TORTURES. Perpetrated Upon Captured Foes of Sultan.

London, Aug. 25.—A despatch from Tangiers says the British consul, at Fez, has protested against the barbarous tortures inflicted by order of Sultan Mulud Hafid on the followers of the rebel leader El Toghji, who were captured in a recent fight and taken to Fez. It is stated a number of women prisoners had all their teeth drawn, while the men's hands were lopped off from their bodies, slashed and salted. There were a number of other atrocities, even the children did not escape torture.

REPORTED AGAINST. The Daylight Saving Measure Not Approved.

London, Aug. 25.—The select committee of the House of Commons on the daylight saving bill has ended its sitting, but has not yet issued its report. It is known, however, that the report pronounces against the bill on the ground of the great diversity of opinion on the subject and the serious doubt as to whether the object could be secured without much inconvenience.

AIRSHIP INVASION. David Lloyd George Does Not Apprehend Danger.

London, Aug. 25.—David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, has returned from Rheims where he went to witness the exhibition of aeroplanes. "As to the use of the aeroplane in warfare," said the chancellor, "it appears too frail and flimsy to be taken seriously and I apprehend no danger of any airship invasion."

A LAUNCH IN DISTRESS. Strangler Took Her in Tow to Gananogue.

Gananogue, Aug. 25.—Mrs. James Donevan, wife of Mayor Donevan, with her niece, Miss Violet Britton, and her son, Keith Donevan, left for Kingston on Tuesday morning, in Mr. Donevan's launch Imogene, which, on the return of the Strangler to Gananogue, about six o'clock, last evening, was found in difficulty, near Caden's wharf, and was towed down to Gananogue by the obliging captain. The party had only gone nine miles on their intended trip. Unsuccessful attempts had been made earlier in the day by telephone to let help from Gananogue.

The Gananogue branch of the Bank of Toronto, through the manager, C. V. Ketchum, purchased from the Brophy estate a few months ago, a site for a new bank building on the south west corner of King and Stone streets. It purposes erecting a handsome new bank there at an early date. Plans and specifications for the building are in the hands of the manager and local contractors are figuring on the job, which it is expected will be let in a short time, and work begins on the removing of buildings from the property early next month.

The crop conditions throughout this section are the best known for several years past, the hay crop, which averaged not more than half a ton to the acre being the worst of all. Potatoes give promise of being by far the best known for years. Oats, barley and other grain, cutting on some of which has already begun, show a splendid crop and also superior quality. The late rains have brought the straw crop up to a far better condition.

Mrs. John O'Neil, resident of the town for many years, shipped her household belongings to the Limestone City, yesterday, where she will in future reside on property owned by the late Dr. MacCannion, Mitchell and Wilson, contractors, of this town, have been awarded the contract for a handsome addition to the island cottage of Mrs. D. J. Reid, Tremont Park, work of which will begin at an early date.

IMPERTINENT SWINDLER. Poses As Lawyer; Victimized Many.

Paris, Aug. 25.—A swindler of more than ordinary impudence and daring was sent for trial yesterday. Louis Beisette made a specialty of masquerading in cap and gown in the passages of the Paris law courts. There he used to make acquaintances, who, if they were foolish enough to confide their cases to him, very soon became his victims.

PEARL ROBE OF EX-SHAH. Treasure to Value of \$35,000,000 Discovered.

Paris, Aug. 25.—The jewels of the deposed shah have been taken possession of at the Russian legation at Teheran by a special commission, re preventing the Persian government, but there was sufficient to fill several large strong boxes. The jewels include the celebrated diamond "Ocean of Light," a costume entirely covered with pearls, the shah's diamond-studded epaulettes and a gold globe set with many thousand precious stones representing the countries of the world.

HATS TO BE SMALLER HUNT FOR FASHIONS AT NOTED RESORTS.

English Costume Makers Seek Ideas Abroad For Autumn Wear. London, Aug. 25.—A summer's incessant rain has proved disastrous to the wearing of elaborate toilettes out of doors, and the dictators of fashion have, therefore, devoted even more ingenuity than usual to designing the beautiful gowns which may be worn in safety amid the flowers and palms of the casinos and kursalas of the continent.

It is well known in the workrooms of the West End that the toilettes worn at the fashionable continental watering places during the brief but brilliant August season are the fashions of the autumn in embryo, and consequently an invaluable help to the great army of dressmakers and milliners not in the privileged inner circles of fashion.

LATEST NEWS

Dispatches From Near And Distant Places

THE WORLD'S TIDINGS

GIVEN IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

Matters That Interest Everybody.—Notes From All Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

A new pest has been found in the spruce forests of Ontario. Great forest fires are raging in Idaho, near the Canadian border. A Unitarian minister in Massachusetts claims to have grown a bug-proof potato.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has returned to Ottawa, and the cabinet will meet this week. In the aviation contest at Rheims, M. Paulman's aeroplane attained a height of 500 feet. A Philadelphia Zoo agent has been buying horses in Altoona, Pa.; to feed lions, tigers, etc.

Ashtabula, Ohio, expects to have the largest shipbuilding and dry dock plant on the great lakes. Lord Strathcona received a very warm welcome from the citizens of Winnipeg, on Tuesday night. A frog was found alive in the masonry wall of a house more than fifty years old at Bloomington, Ind.

The text of the naval establishment bill, which sanctions the transfer of Halifax and Esquimaux, navy yards to Canada has been issued. At Appleton, Wis., standing erect and with a shovel in his uplifted hands, the body of Leo Alesch was dug out of a gravel pit which had caved in.

An insane negro who had wounded twenty-one citizens of Monroe, Ga., in a mad rush through the town, was killed and his body burned in a public square. W. T. Jerome will contest for the district attorneyship of New York, as an independent. By petition of 2,000 electors his name will go upon the official ballot.

When a fourteen-foot shark caught at Pensacola, Fla., was cut up, its stomach was found to contain the backbone, two rings and portions of the skull of a man. President Taft has been insistent on big reductions in the United States army estimates for 1911, and the army officials have been casting about in every conceivable way to effect a saving.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 25.—Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence: B. a m.—Moderate to fresh, southeasterly, windy, generally fine and decidedly warm to day and on Thursday.



SCHOOL BOYS.

It may be hard to decide what to buy from our great offering in this section there's so much to choose from, but whatever you do buy will be well worth all you pay for it.

Boys' Stockings

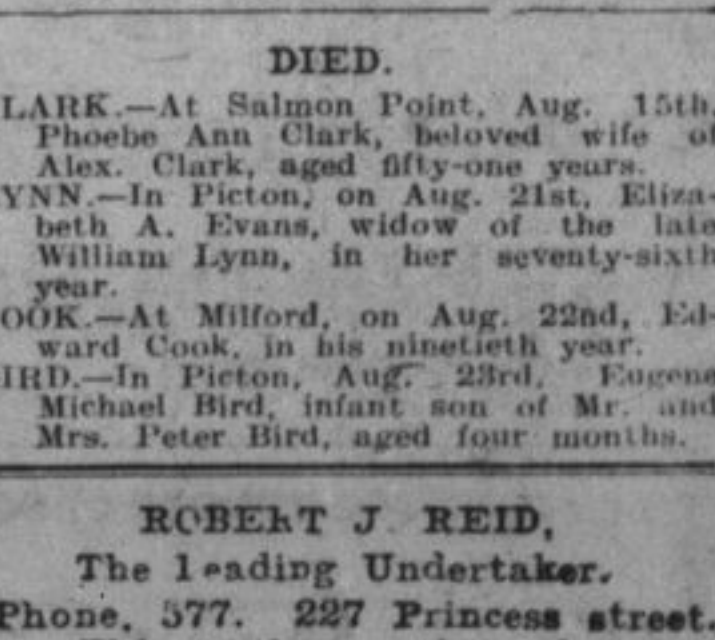
Good strong Fast Black Hose, with 2 and 1 ribbed double legs and applied heels and toes. Sizes 6 to 7, at 20c. Sizes 8 to 10, at 25c.

Ribbed Hose

For Boys or Girls, 1 and 1 ribbed, fine hse, with applied sole and double heels and toes, guaranteed Fast Black. Sizes 7 to 10. Special, at 25c.

Special Black Ribbed Hose

For Boys and Girls, 1 and 1 ribbed, Fast Black, good lengths. Sizes from 5 to 10. Special Prices, 10c. to 20c.



MARRIED.

FERGUSON-WALLACE.—In St. Mary's Cathedral, on Monday, Aug. 23rd, 1909, by Rev. Fr. Hanley, Joseph M. Ferguson, Syracuse, N.Y., to Miss Gertrude Maud Wallace, daughter of the late John Wallace, Gananogue.

DIED.

CLARK.—At Salmon Point, Aug. 15th, Phoebe Ann Clark, beloved wife of James H. Clark, aged fifty-nine years. LYNN.—In Pictou, on Aug. 21st, Elizabeth A. Evans, widow of the late William Lynn, in her seventy-sixth year. COOK.—At Millford, on Aug. 22nd, Edward Cook, in his ninety-third year. BIRD.—In Pictou, Aug. 23rd, Eugene Michael Bird, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bird, aged four months.

ROBERT J. REID, The Leading Undertaker.

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