

ESSEX  
TERMINAL  
RAILWAY

# USE ENGINE IN ROBBERY

Engine in Canadian Town  
Used in Robbery  
in Hand

August 2 1922

# BEER THIEVES TAKE ENGINE N' EVERYTHING

Real "Movie" Tactics  
Used By This Rob-  
ber Gang

Commandeer Locomotive  
To Transport Stolen  
"Wet" Goods

One of the most audacious robberies on record in this district was so successfully carried out by a band of thieves 10 days ago, that police working on the affair admitted today that they are unable to get any results from their investigation.

The robbery was this! Thieves, presumably employes of an unknown railway, commandeered a locomotive, drove it to the sheds of the Essex Terminal Railway, Walkerville, and coupled to it a freight car containing approximately 1,000 cases of Kuntz beer, which had been consigned to United States points from Waterloo. The car was driven six miles over Essex Terminal tracks to an open spot in the country. There, the box car was broken into and 71 cases of the beer taken out.

What astounds police is that the robbers brought the car containing the remainder of the beer back to the spot where they had found it. The locomotive then left the yards.

The robbery was not discovered until the following day. When employes were questioned they recalled that a locomotive had taken a box car from the yards the previous night, but they believed that the car was being taken under railway orders, and therefore did not interfere. Police believe that the men responsible for the theft are employes of one of the local railways, but so far have been unable to find any clue that would point to any direct railway crew. They believe that the stolen beer was loaded into autos and hurried away. Not wanting to arouse too much suspicion, the robbers then decided to bring the beer-laden car back to the freight shed.

Provincial police and special officers of all the railways running into the Border Cities have been working on the case.

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**Essex Terminal Ry.**—Good progress has been made with the purchase of the right of way; specifications are being prepared by the Chief Engineer, and it is expected that contracts will be let at an early date (Aug., pg. 451.)

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**Essex Terminal Ry.**—A company with this title was incorporated by the Dominion Parliament in 1902, for the purpose of constructing a line from Walkerville to Amherstburg, Ont., with power to connect with the various railways approaching the International boundary between these points, and to provide for interchange of traffic between them. An amending act was obtained in 1904, by which the provisional directors were stated to be: J. A. Auld, F. A. Hough, Amherstburg; W. Pope, G. F. Porter, Walkerville; S. A. King, Windsor. The company has been making application to the Railway Commissioners for approval of location plans. (Mar., pg. 131).

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**Essex Terminal Ry.**—The by-law passed by the taxpayers of Windsor, Ont., May 2, authorized the raising of \$20,000 by debentures to purchase 40 acres of land along MacDougall St., on the southwesterly side of the city, for factory sites. The E.T.R. proposes to build a spur 1.25 miles from its main line, either along MacDougall St. or further west, to tap this site and furnish railway connections with the trunk lines running into Windsor. The company's line is at present in operation from the G.T.R., east of Walkerville, to the C.P.R., three miles, and crosses the Pere Marquette Rd. at Walkerville. The right-of-way is all purchased, grading completed, and material on the ground for the extension.

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