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1. DATE AND TIME 10-8-1896 1430 LOCAL

2. LOCATION OR PATH (attach map)
AMHERSTBURG

3. PATH LENGTH NOT KNOWN <1mi; 1-4mi; 5-10mi; 11-50mi; LENGTH IF >50mi

4. PATH WIDTH UNKNOWN 5. TORNADO PART OF SQUALL LINE? YES; NO; UNKNOWN:

6. ANY UNUSUAL COLORATION? YES; NO; UNKNOWN

7. ANY UNUSUAL SOUND? YES; NO; UNKNOWN

8. IF ANSWER TO 6 OR 7 YES, ELABORATE;

9. LIST ANY ASSOCIATED PHENOMENA (Such as hail, vivid lightning heavy rain, no rain, etc.)
GOLF BALL SIZE HAIL REPORTED AT WHITE OAK (NEAR LONDON)

10. TOTAL DAMAGE ESTIMATE \$ UNKNOWN 11. TOTAL DEATHS NONE

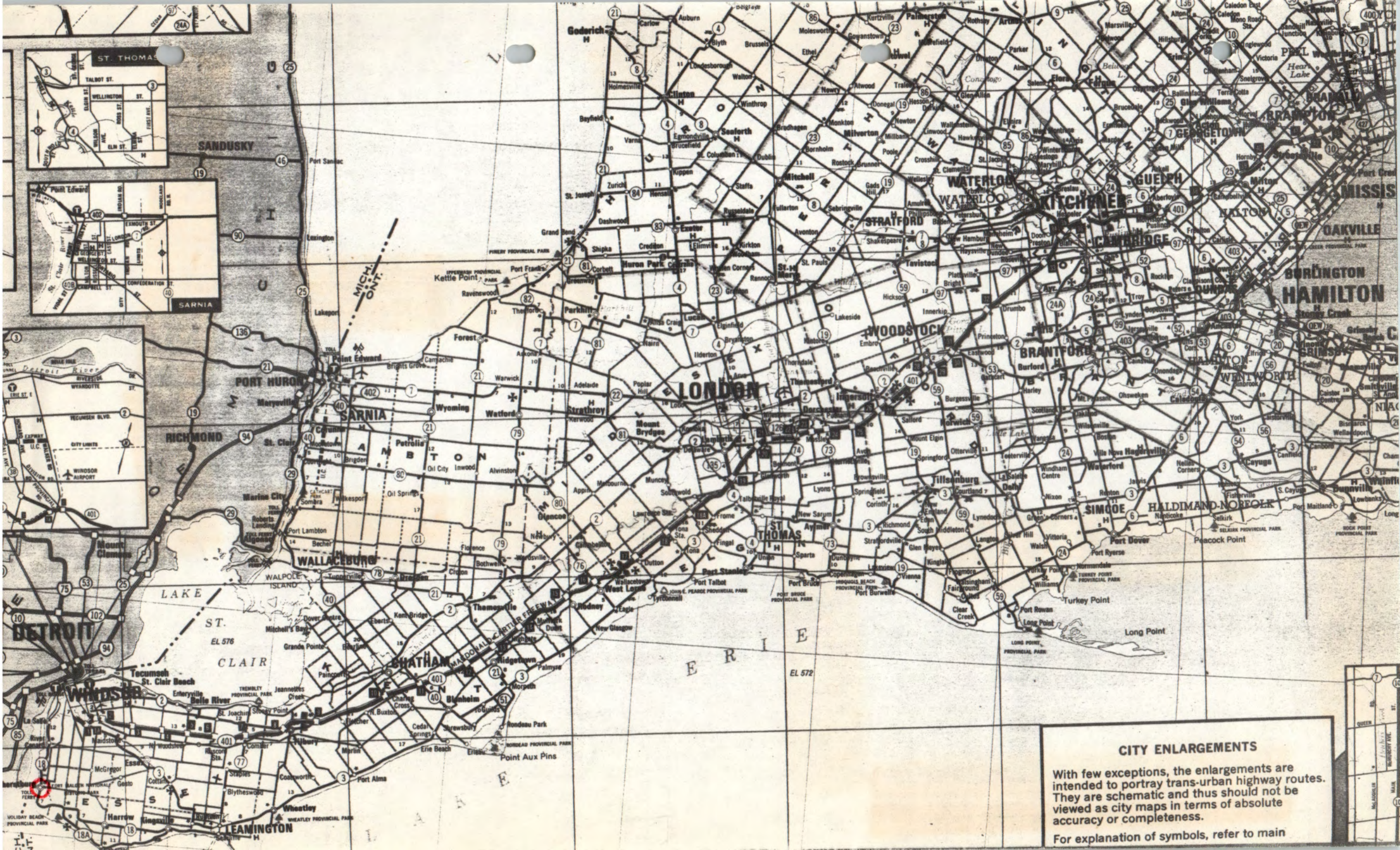
12. TOTAL INJURED NONE 13. TOTAL HOMELESS NONE

14. LIST ALL REFERENCES
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15. SUMMARIZE REMARKS PERTAINING TO (a) FUNNEL; (b) INTERESTING OR CAPRICIOUS EVENTS.

(a) a funnel shaped cloud came down the river with great velocity.

(b) the roof of the Lake View House carried across the street as an ordinary wind would pick up a piece of paper. A number of pleasure boat capsized in the river.



CITY ENLARGEMENTS

With few exceptions, the enlargements are intended to portray trans-urban highway routes. They are schematic and thus should not be viewed as city maps in terms of absolute accuracy or completeness.

For explanation of symbols, refer to main

TORONTO GLOBE AUGUST 11TH 1896

A CYCLONE IN ESSEX.

AMHERSTBURG AUG 10th.

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LONDON AUGUST 10TH.

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TERRIFIC STORMS.

Many Fires Caused by the Lightning.

A CYCLONE IN ESSEX.

Roof of a Hotel Carried Away.

BURNING OF FARMERS' BARN.

Hailstorm Does a Lot of Damage.

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Fruit and Crops Destroyed—Telephones Burned Out—Several Narrow Escapes From the Lightning.

Waterloo, Aug. 10.—About 10 o'clock last night this town was visited by one of the most fearful thunderstorms witnessed here for years. Lightning struck the G. N. Telegraph Company's office in Snyder's drug store, and no doubt a great fire was avoided by the promptness of a couple of young men who happened to be near by at the time. They burst the door open and subdued the blaze, but not before the fire had consumed some stationery and goods in the show window.

Waterloo, Aug. 10.—Another terrific storm broke over this town about 6 o'clock this evening. Lightning struck and tore the roof off Mr. Moore's large hop house; also greatly interfering with the street car service.

Zurich, Aug. 10.—During a thunderstorm last night a large barn, with contents, also a driving shed, belonging to Mr. Peter Bender of the Brownson line, Hay, was struck by lightning, totally burning everything.

Cornwall, Aug. 10.—(Special.)—Wheeler of St. Andrew's, John A. Armstrong of Roxborough Township and Nehemiah Carkner of Winchester and had their barns burned in the recent thunderstorm. In each case the entire hay crop and part of the grain crop was destroyed. The buildings owned by Wheeler and Armstrong were insured in the Royal.

A big fire was seen to the east, but its location is not known.

London, Aug. 10.—(Special.)—The lightning last night set fire to the grand stand in Tecumseh Park, but Caretaker Erwin put out the blaze. While Mrs. Thomas Jeffery of Dundas street, West London, was sitting on her doorstep watching the storm last night her arm was partially burned by a flash of lightning that almost blinded her eyes. She is suffering from the shock.

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IN MICHIGAN. AUG 9

Saginaw, Mich., Aug. 10.—A terribly destructive wind and electrical storm swept over this city about 2 o'clock this morning. The spire of the Jefferson Church, 100 feet high, was struck by lightning and levelled to the ground and a portion of the edifice was unroofed. The works of the Bartlett Machine & Illuminating Co. were unroofed and the power house of the Union Street Railway Co. suffered in the same manner. Erd's piano factory, Wickes Bros' boiler shop, Melz Smart & Company's warehouse, Palmerston's wooden-yare works, the Saginaw basket factory and Bliss & Van Aughen's mill were unroofed or otherwise damaged. Hundreds of chimneys were blown down and thousands of trees uprooted and lumber piles scattered. The Vincent Hotel was struck by lightning and slightly damaged and John Peterson's residence was struck and destroyed. Nine electric light towers were blown down. No casualties have been reported. The damage will reach \$100,000.

Ionia, Mich., Aug. 10.—During this fearful wind storm last night the car repairing shop of the Detroit, Lansing & Northern Railway, a brick building 260 feet long and 40 feet high, was blown over into the street and completely wrecked. All the machinery was ruined. The walls of the engine and boiler room were blown in. The total damage approaches \$50,000 and 200 men are out of work. The night watchman escaped unhurt from the building, he cannot tell how. The roof of Haberstumpl's brewery was blown off, entailing a loss of \$5,000. Many small buildings around town were overturned and trees snapped off.

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Windsor, Aug. 10.—This city had its share of the recent storm. Two barns were burned south of the driving park. A large fire was noticed about three miles down the railway track, east from Walkerville, and one in West Sandwich. Nearly all the telephones in the outlying districts have been burned out, and it is impossible to get details. In the immediate vicinity of Walkerville no less than 20 telephones were burned out by lightning. One of the heaviest losers is Robert Shiel of Sandwich South. He lost his barns and stables, and it was with the greatest difficulty he saved his horses. The whole of this year's crop, so far as it was harvested, is lost and all the harness and outbuildings.

The heat proved fatal to Richard Riley, farmer, residing at Tecumseh road and Mercer street, who was suffering from heart disease. He was 63 years of age and leaves a widow, four sons and four daughters. It is somewhat curious that the storm did not touch the southern portion of the country at all, although the people summering along the shore of Lake Erie could see it plainly. The temperature was the highest known in 37 years.

Chatham, Aug. 10.—(Special.)—The loss sustained by farmers throughout this county during the prevalence of the storms of Saturday, yesterday and to-day will reach probably \$75,000 on buildings, harvested crops, implements and horses. Besides the ruin wrought by the lightning, the rains have destroyed an immense acreage of corn, barley and beans. Victims of the electric storms number two score, the losses averaging \$2,000. In forty years there has never been the like of these frightful thunderstorms in this district.

NARROW ESCAPES.

Simcoe, Aug. 10.—(Special.)—The barns of Mr. William Thomson of Lynn Valley were struck by lightning last night and were totally destroyed, with all their contents. Two buggies containing young people were just coming to drive into the barn out of the storm when the lightning struck. They were dazed by the flash, but escaped uninjured. The roof of the grand stand at the bicycle track was carried away by the wind and a portion of the high fence blown down.

Apples were blown from the trees, covering the ground as they fell. Branches were broken off and standing oats and corn were levelled to the ground. Reports of the storm's ravages are coming in from the country, but no details of damages are to hand.

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