

FIFTEEN BURNED TO DEATH IN C. P. R. WRECK AT CHAPLEAU

Nine Adults and Six Children Perish and Forty Are Injured in Accident to Through Train.

WELL-KNOWN LONDONER IN WRECK BUT ESCAPES

Two Cars of an Express From Montreal Overturned and Consumed by Flames, Unfortunate Passengers Being Pinned Helpless Beneath the Wreck.

LIST OF THE DEAD.

WILLIAM DAY, London, England
WINNIFRED HORTON, London, England
SUSAN HORTON, London, England
C. H. GOLDING, Palistow, England, his brother, his brother's wife and two children
MRS. AUGUST DJORKLUND and two children, Worcester, Mass.
MRS. R. B. HAMPION and baby
MRS. R. DAVIDSON and baby

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Montreal, Que., April 11.—According to the official statement made by the management of the C. P. R. today with reference to the terrible disaster to the C. P. R. westbound express yesterday, near Chapleau, there were 15 lives lost, or, as the wording of statements puts it, that number are missing. Nine adults and six children went down to their death, and their remains were cremated.

Their names are:
William Day, London, England.
Winnifred and Susan Horton, Charting Heath, Kent.
C. H. Golding, his brother, and his brother's wife and two children, of Palistow, Essex, Eng.
Mrs. August Djorklund and two children, of Worcester, Mass.
Mrs. R. B. Hampion and baby.
Mrs. R. Davidson and baby.
A number of passengers were injured, but it is stated that they are not seriously hurt.

According to the official statement, the train was running at the usual speed, about 22 miles west of Chapleau, being the regular Transcontinental train, which left Montreal on Tuesday morning, when it was partly derailed by a broken rail. Five cars ran down an embankment and caught fire, said to have been from the cooking range.

It is believed that most of the dead were occupants of the tourist car, and were pinned down in the wreckage, and were either killed outright or cremated, as the fire consumed the wreckage. It will be seen from the list of dead that women and children were the principal victims, there being only three men mentioned in the loss of fifteen.

Fort William, Ont., April 11.—Information of an accident on the C. P. R., east of Chapleau, reached here yesterday evening, but it is impossible to secure anything like a detailed account. The information is to the effect that when No. 1, the through train from Montreal, had reached a point 20 miles east of Chapleau several cars left the track, and at least two were overturned into the ditch. By some means the cars caught fire, and as quite a number of passengers were underneath, an awful scene ensued. Just how many lost their lives it would be difficult to state, but it is known that 11 persons were burned practically to cinders, and as all identification papers were consumed with them, it will be some time before it can be determined who they were. Great excitement is manifest in town, as several citizens had friends on No. 1, and they are anxiously awaiting particulars. There must be a large number of passengers on the injured list, but information as to their identity is unavailable.

Londoner in Wreck.

A Londoner and an ex-Londoner were among the passengers on the C. P. R. express which was yesterday afternoon wrecked a short distance east of Chapleau, in the Sudbury district, involving the loss of several lives.

The Londoner is Mr. Fred W. Smith, senior member of the firm of Smith, Threlkeld & Co., of 350 Richmond street. Mr. Smith left the city early in the week on a business trip to Winnipeg, and on Tuesday afternoon started from Toronto on the through train for the west. The first news of the wreck to reach the city was contained in a telegram sent by Mr. Smith to his wife. The message stated that Mr. Smith had escaped unhurt, but that

he feared that his baggage, which included a number of sample cases, had been lost. Mr. Smith resides at 695 Talbot street.
Mr. Wm. Prodder, a C. P. R. engineer, residing at 555 Pall Mall street, also received a telegram this morning announcing the safety of a party of four relatives and friends who were passengers on the ill-fated train. They were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill, of Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Ford, of Exeter. Mr. Hill, who is a brother-in-law of Mr. Prodder, is a job printer, and for several years was employed in this city, where he is known to many of the typos. Of late, however, he has been working in Toronto. Mr. Ford is a brother of Mrs. Hill. The party were en route to Regina, near which place Mr. Hill is taking up land.

PHONE FRANCHISE ABOUT SETTLED

Finance Committee Includes in Estimates \$4,000 Item From Bell Co.

It appears a certainty that the finance committee of the city council will recommend to the latter body Monday night that the exclusive franchise enjoyed by the Bell Telephone Company in this up to the first of the year be renewed for another period of three or five years.

Chairman Beattie, Ald. Scariett and Ald. Stevely appear to be decided on this matter.

Ald. Stevenson, it is expected, will stand out for competition. In the draft of the estimated receipts for the year, appears an item of \$4,000 from the Bell Company for the franchise, which shows that No. 1 committee has practically made up its mind on the matter.

BIG GIFT FOR MCGILL.

London, April 11.—Mrs. Grace Redpath, widow of Peter Redpath, of Montreal, who died here recently, left \$150,000 to McGill University, Montreal.

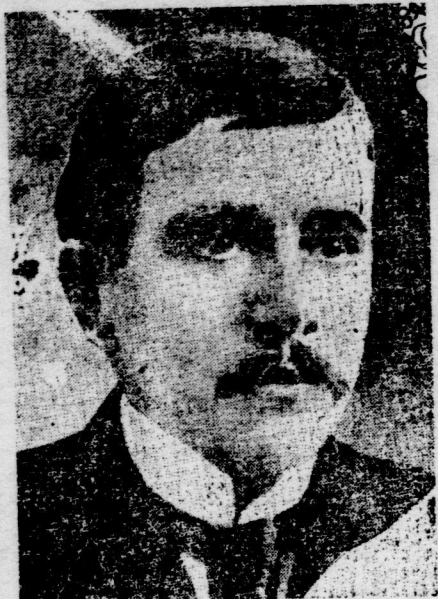
G. T. R. SHAREHOLDERS

Semi-Annual Meeting Unanimously Adopts Report of Board.

London, April 11.—The shareholders of the Grand Trunk Railroad of Canada at the semi-annual meeting today, unanimously adopted the report of the board of directors, and re-elected the retiring members of the board. The president, Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, reviewed the accounts and the work accomplished in the extensions of the road.

MARLBOROUGH ILL.

New York, April 11.—A dispatch from London says: Considerable alarm is felt over the condition of the Duke of Marlborough. He is under the watchful care of doctors, who are afraid that there is a recurrence of the heart trouble which so seriously affected him two or three years ago. The Duke has brooded deeply over his matrimonial troubles, and has been interned for several weeks, with trained nurses in daily attendance.



HARRY K. THAW.
The Millionaire Slayer of Stanford White, Whose Fate Is Now in the Hands of the Jury.

35 PER CENT. IS INCREASE SHOWN

Clearing House Returns for the Week Largely Exceed Those of Year Ago.

The report of the London clearing house for the week ended today shows a very large increase over the corresponding period of 1906.

The clearings for the week totaled \$1,422,646, an average per week of nearly \$240,000.

For the week of April 11, a year ago, the clearings amounted to \$1,076,475, showing an advance for the past week of \$356,170, or nearly 35 per cent.

This has very seldom been equalled in the history of the institution.

STRATFORD WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH

Mrs. Harriet Dewing Meets a Terrible End in a Mysterious Manner.

Stratford, Ont., April 11.—Mrs. Harriet Dewing was burned to death early this morning. In the absence of her wife she had been keeping house the past two weeks for Leopold F. H. Koeller, 106 Romeo street. Koeller expected his wife to return from Chicago at 4:30 this morning, and Mrs. Dewing had an alarm clock set for 3 o'clock to call him, in order that he might meet her. Koeller, who slept downstairs, was aroused shortly after 3, hearing Mrs. Dewing moaning, and, proceeding upstairs, found her standing in the middle of the floor, all ablaze. He extinguished the flames, and called for medical assistance, but the woman died shortly after the doctor arrived. The case is somewhat mysterious, as it is understood the woman was fully dressed, with an unlighted lantern in the room, though a half-burned match was found, which may account for the fire. An inquest will be held.

CONDUCTOR LONG KILLED

Brother of a St. Thomas Lady Victim of Accident in the United States.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Thomas, Ont., April 11.—Mrs. Ray, of this city, today received word of the killing of her brother, Arthur Long, a conductor on the Chicago, Illinois and Southern Railroad, in an accident. The remains were taken to Bridgeburg for interment.

LICENSE SECURED FOR G. T. R. DEPOT

Rumor That Privilege of Collins House Has Been Purchased.

Rumors of important changes in local hotel licenses were prevalent today. It was stated that a move is on foot to purchase the license of the Collins House, corner of York and Talbot streets, and transfer it to Mr. James Butler, of the Grand Trunk depot restaurant.

It is said that the commissioners are favorable to the move.

In this event, the Collins House will be closed.

It was also rumored that Mr. W. S. Lashbrook, formerly proprietor of the City Hotel, has practically concluded arrangements for the purchase of the Brown House, corner of King and Talbot streets.

Inspector Galpin, when seen by The Advertiser today, would make no statement in regard to either rumor. Tuesday afternoon next the commissioners will hear the arguments of those who are opposed to licenses being granted, and also the arguments of those seeking transfers, etc.

DEAD IN HIS SHACK.

Toronto, April 10.—An old man whose name could not be ascertained was found dead this morning in a shack at 433 Clinton street, where he had been living by himself all winter. By his side was an empty bottle, that had contained carbolic acid. The old man evidently committed suicide. He was found by a bartender employed at the St. Alban's Hotel, who called on the old fellow frequently. Dr. E. B. Hardy, of Euclid avenue and Bloor street, was called in, but could render no assistance, as the man had been dead about three hours.

Close Call for the Grant for a Hygienic Institute

Misunderstanding Cleared Away at Last Moment, and \$50,000 Went in Estimates.

It would appear that the city of London had a close call in regard to the grant of \$50,000 which the Ontario Government has at last consented to include in the estimates for a hygienic institute here.

It was not until Tuesday that the grant was brought down in the House, and then it appeared in the supplementary estimates.

It appears that there was a hitch between Mr. Whitney and the men behind the scheme for a hygienic institute for the west, but that at the last moment, the slight misunderstanding was cleared away.

In addition to the \$50,000 grant, the Government agrees to contribute \$5,000 annually toward the cost of maintenance.

The city of London has already arranged for a site for the institute. It is on Ottawa avenue, just west of the Nurses' Home.

This site will be handed at once to whatever body is constituted to take over the institute.

Government of the Institute.

It is not known at present just how the place will be governed. There is some talk of placing it under the control of the hospital trust, or of having the city nominate a board to look after it.

At present, though the Government has placed the figures for the grant in its supplementary estimates, there is no body constituted to receive it.

The matter will likely come before the city council shortly, as that body is interested up to the point of having provided the site.

The greatest satisfaction is expressed at the fact that the Government has finally made good its promise, and that the institute will soon be built in London.

Local physicians say that the institute here will make London a center for the doctors of the entire western district, and it is predicted that within one year after the institute is established, London's hospital accommodation will be totally inadequate.

Paying patients from all over the peninsula will be sent here, where medical attendance and scientific treatment will be on a par with that obtainable in Toronto.

LORD CROMER RESIGNS

Limits Egyptian Position and Is Succeeded by Sir Eldon Gorst.

London, April 11.—Foreign Secretary Grey announced in the House of Commons today that Lord Cromer, the British agent and consul-general in Egypt, has resigned his post for reasons of ill-health, and Sir Eldon Gorst had been appointed to succeed him.

INSPECTOR OPPOSES ABOLITION OF HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMS.

STUDHOLME, TIMEKEEPER

Finds Some Legislature Members Are Making \$100 Per Hour.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, April 11.—One hundred dollars an hour is fairly large remuneration even for a statesman, and yet it is said that it is the indemnity received by one member of the Legislature figures it out pro rata of hours of attendance. It is said that Allan Studholme has constituted himself a sort of official timekeeper for the House. During this first session the labor member has scarcely missed an hour himself; it is also understood that he has quietly kept tab on the other members, and has been dividing their \$100 indemnity by the number of hours of attendance. The result is many cases has been interesting, showing how in some cases members are getting far beyond the union scale of wages. On the whole the average attendance has been very good.

Mr. Studholme, it is said, may reserve his observations for future use.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND MILD. FORECASTS.

Thursday, April 11—8 a.m.

Today—Fresh northwesterly winds; fair and cool.

Friday—Fair and a little milder.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	24	24	Clear
Winnipeg	23	23	Snow
Port Arthur	24	22	Cloudy
Parry Sound	14	20	Clear
Toronto	32	30	Fair
Montreal	24	30	Fair
Ottawa	40	30	Clear
Quebec	24	22	Clear
Father Point	32	26	Cloudy

The first column in the above table records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, while the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

Thaw's Odd Note

New York, April 11.—Harry K. Thaw today sent this note to the newspaper men:

"I am told that it is impossible to tell what any jury will do, so I am attending to my ordinary affairs and preparing for the best, as it is simpler to unpack my things if necessary, than it would be to return here for them if the verdict is favorable."

"I had a very good cold bath. The bathroom always is filled with fresh air in the early morning, the same temperature as outdoors. Next I had weak coffee and rolls as usual. These details must have interest plus, as they are often mistold."

"(Signed)."
"HARRY K. THAW."

STORMY SCENE IN THE COMMONS

Fowler and Foster Use Unparliamentary Language and Calls Names.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 11.—There was quite a scene in the House about 1 o'clock today. Mr. Fowler was speaking on the insurance report when he said a statement made to him by Mr. McIntyre, of St. Marys, who was sitting alongside, was false and untrue. Fowler's language was objected to and he refused to withdraw it.

Mr. Foster said that Mr. Fowler had the right to say that the statement was false and untrue and scandalous as he did.

The deputy speaker said that the language was not parliamentary and should be withdrawn, whereupon Mr. Foster added that the statement made by Mr. McIntyre was a lying assertion.

Mr. Aylesworth demanded that the language of Mr. Foster be withdrawn, whereupon Mr. Foster yelled "conspirator" at Mr. Aylesworth.

The deputy speaker said that the statement "lying" was not parliamentary, but as it was 1 o'clock he would leave his chair.

Mr. McIntyre explained what he had said was speaking generally of misapplication of trust funds.

NO VERDICT IN THAW CASE AFTER BEING OUT 18 HOURS

Fate of the Millionaire Slayer of Stanford White Is Still in the Balance.

JURY IN COURT TO EXAMINE THE EXHIBITS

Defendant Confidant That Delay in Bringing in a Verdict Foretells a Disagreement—Entire Evidence of Case Being Once More Laid Before Jurors.

New York, April 11.—After deliberating for more than eighteen hours, without being able to reach an agreement, the jury into whose hands the fate of Harry K. Thaw was given at 5:17 o'clock yesterday afternoon, reported before Justice Fitzgerald at 11 a.m. today and asked permission to examine many of the exhibits introduced during the trial and also asked to have read to them the testimony of several of the eye-witnesses to the tragedy.

Among the exhibits called for were the letters which Harry Thaw wrote to Attorney Longfellow shortly after it is alleged that Evelyn Nesbit told him in Paris the story of her relations with Stanford White, and the will and codicil which Thaw executed the night of his marriage in Pittsburgh on April 4, 1905. The letters and will were introduced by the defense to show the mental storm which it is claimed was brought upon the defendant by the narrative the girl related.

The jury also asked for the diagram of Madison Square Roof Garden as it was the night Thaw killed White. This diagram was held up before them as the court stenographer read from the official record of the testimony given by James Clinch Smith, the brother-in-law of Stanford White, to whom Thaw talked for half an hour or more the night of the tragedy; the evidence of Meyer Cohen, the music publisher, who Mr. Delmas had quoted in his summing-up address, as saying that Thaw, after he had sent White to his death, held out his arms in the shape of a cross, as a priest might do at some sacrificial ceremony; the testimony of Henry S. Plaise, of Paul Brudl, the fireman who disarmed Thaw; of Warren Paxton, the engineer of the roof garden, and other witnesses.

The action of the jury in asking for the testimony of the eye-witnesses of the tragedy led to many conjectures. One of these was to the effect that the jury wanted to fix in its mind either the question of deliberation and premeditation on Thaw's part, or else the rationality or irrationality of his acts.

The Thaw jury retired to the jury room for luncheon at 1:30 p.m.

New York, April 11.—After what is believed to have been a fruitless night of discussion and balloting, the jury in the case of Harry K. Thaw was liberated from its conference room at 7 o'clock this morning and taken out to breakfast. The night had been a hard one for many of the jurors, and the strain of the long trial and the longer hours of deliberation upon a verdict plainly showed on their pale faces and reddened eyes.

No Comforts.

A jury locked up to consider a case is given no comforts. The Thaw jurors have been a cheerful body of men, but today their countenances were the serious look of men at issue with one another. There was nothing in their demeanor to note that they had reached any sort of conclusion.

Justice Fitzgerald's charge yesterday gave the jury the choice of four verdicts, and it was said this morning that the disagreement of the jurors may have had to do with the degree of their verdict as well as with the

GROCERS HAVE A VIGOROUS KICK

Want Peanut Men Prevented From Selling Fruit on Street.

The Retail Grocers' Association of London held its annual meeting in Duffell Hall last night, when the business of the year, including the election of officers, was disposed of. There was a large attendance of members, and the meeting was very harmonious.

Considerable discussion took place regarding the question of holding a half-holiday on Wednesdays during the coming summer. A vote was taken, and it was decided to observe the half-holiday during June, July and August.

A committee was appointed to wait on the city council and endeavor to have the peanut and pushcart men prevented from selling fruit on the

broader question of guilt or innocence. Members of the Thaw family began to arrive at the court shortly after 10 o'clock. In one automobile were Mrs. Wm. Thaw, the Countess of Yarmouth, Mrs. George L. Carnegie, and Ed Thaw. They went at once to the witness room adjoining Justice Fitzgerald's chambers. The judge arrived a few minutes later. He was told that no word had come from the jury room. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw appeared within fifteen minutes after the other members of the family had arrived. Through the heavy black veil she wore it could be plainly seen she was unusually pale. She walked slowly as though much fatigued.

The Public Excluded.

At 10:33 the newspaper men were admitted to the courtroom, but the public was excluded. District Attorney Jerome and the lawyers for the defense were summoned.

Jury Want Exhibits.

A few minutes later the jury asked for some exhibits, and a messenger delivered to the officer in charge of the jury all the district attorney's exhibits, including the large photographs of Evelyn Nesbit, which she identified as having been taken the day she said White assaulted her.

The Jury Called.

At 10:53 the judge took the bench, and the jury was called. A minute later an officer was sent to the Tombs to bring Thaw to the courtroom. The jury asked the judge to give them six of the exhibits in the case, including the plan of the roof garden. The jury asked that the testimony of Meyer Cohen, one of the eye-witnesses to the killing be read to them, and Justice Fitzgerald ordered that this be done.

The following exhibits were asked for:
Plan of the Madison Square Roof Garden.

The letters from Thaw to Attorney Longfellow.

The Thaw will and codicil.

The Comstock letter.

Delmas' hypothetical question.

Jerome's hypothetical question.

Meyer Cohen is the witness whom Mr. Delmas asked as having testified that Thaw threw his arms out in the figure of a cross after killing Stanford White.

The jury also asked that the testimony of Harry S. Plaise, another eye-witness of the tragedy, be read to them and this was ordered done.

As to the exhibits, Foreman Smith said the jury desired the originals of Thaw's letters, will and codicil, as well as the typewritten copy. All were furnished.

May Reach a Verdict.

The jury's action is taken to indicate that there is still a possibility of a verdict being reached, though not soon.

The testimony of Paul Brady, the fireman who took the revolver from Thaw immediately after the killing, was read to the jury. The testimony of Gordon Paxton, the engineer of the roof garden, was also read.

Smith's Evidence Read.

The jury then asked for the testimony of J. Clinch Smith, White's brother-in-law, who had a long conversation with Thaw on the roof garden a few minutes before the shooting. Mr. Smith's evidence was read.

The cross-examination of Doorman Barry was read to the jury, and that of Officer Thomas F. Lynch, of the nineteenth precinct, was also read.

streets during the summer. The grocers claim that they suffered greatly from the opposition created by the peanut vendors last summer, and they feel that something should be done to prevent their doing so during the coming summer.

The telephone question was discussed at some length, and it was finally decided that the association had done all within its power to let the city council know that it considered the rates at present charged by the Bell Company to be too high, and that it would not be in favor of the council giving the company another charter unless better rates were offered.

There are at present several grocers in the city who do not belong to the association, and the secretary, Mr. Hayes, was instructed to call on them and endeavor to get them to join.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President—Harry Rananah.

First Vice-President—Thomas Shaw.

Second Vice-President—W. T. Mullins.

Secretary—C. Hayes.

Treasurer—Ed Ryan.

Executive Committee—J. Haskett, R. A. Ross, C. Lea, Thomas McCormick, G. Drake and W. E. Vanderveer.