

News From All Parts of the Province of Ontario

Niagara Falls Peace Bridge is Discussed

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Chatham Gambling in Galt Petition to Railway Board

WELLINGTON COUNTY BONDS ALL TAKEN LOCALLY AT PAR

Issue Amounted to Twenty Thousand Dollars — Body of Unknown Man Found on G. T. R. Tracks at Guelph — Attempted Suicide.

(Special to The Toronto World.) GUELPH, Dec. 8.—The body of a man, apparently about 40 years of age, dark complexion, smooth faced, about five feet six inches in height, shabbily dressed, whose name is as yet unknown, was found on the Grand Trunk Railway track, a little more than a mile west of the diamond crossing, this morning by a little boy on his way to school. The body was terribly mangled, but was still warm when the official arrived.

A search of his clothing revealed the fact that the man had no money, but a small red pass book was found in his pocket. In this were several entries. On the first page was the name of T. Johnson, 348 Leslie street, Toronto. On another page was a list of the towns between Toronto and Berlin, with the number of miles between each place, and on still another page were the names and addresses of a number of girls in different parts of England, thus giving point to the idea that he was an Englishman.

Whether the unknown was hit by a passenger train or was riding off the bumpers of a freight and fell off has not been determined.

Wellington County Council is in session. One of the important questions to be settled will be the appointment of a permanent treasurer. Miss Reynolds, daughter of the late county treasurer, having been appointed for only one year.

The warden, in his address, announced that the whole issue of \$20,000 debentures, issued in connection with the erection of the new jail and the residence, and the erection of new county bridges, was subscribed locally at par, with accrued interest to date of sale, which is considered a very satisfactory transaction under existing circumstances of the money market.

John Lynd, an employee of the Robert Stewart Co., attempted suicide at 5:30 this afternoon, when he jumped from the second storey window of the factory to the cement sidewalk below. He was lucky, getting off with a broken nose, a cracked forehead, and cuts about the face. Lynd had been acting strangely of late, but was not under surveillance. He was removed to the general hospital.

The Johnston referred to in the above item is not the man who resides at 348 Leslie street, Toronto. When a reporter called at this address he saw Mr. Johnston personally, and the latter was naturally very much surprised to hear that he was supposed to be dead. When the situation was explained to him, he was at a loss to account for the mistake, as he had never been in Guelph. He was of the opinion that the man found in Guelph had at some time procured his address and had written it in his pass book for reference.

ENGINEER WANTS AN INVESTIGATION

Kingston City Official Asks Inquiry Into Charges Preferred.

(Special to The Toronto World.) KINGSTON, Dec. 8.—Mrs. O. Freese of Milwaukee, mother of Julius Freese, a prisoner who died in Port Arthur Penitentiary on Aug. 27, 1912, has come to Kingston and give evidence before the prison commission. The claim of the mother is that her son was not treated well while confined in prison. He died on the day of his release. Mrs. Freese may be called by the commission.

City Engineer R. J. McClelland will ask for an investigation into the charges made against him by Ald. McKinnon. The latter supplied the engineer with a copy of them. Mr. McClelland wants his side of the matter heard either by council as a body, or by a special committee of council, or by a judge. He sees nothing in the charges that bear on his professional qualifications, and he states that all charges can be refuted or explained in a manner that will relieve him of any blame.

RAILWAYS ARE ASKED TO PROVIDE SUBWAY

Galt's Petition to Dominion Commission—New Milk Bylaw—Hunters' Licenses.

(Special to The Toronto World.) GALT, Dec. 8.—Three railway tracks, the Grand Trunk, Grand Valley and L. E. & N., combine to make a dangerous crossing at the East River road entrance into the town, and as a result of a farmer's narrow escape at the spot, a petition has been presented to the railway board, asking that the railroads be compelled to put in a subway.

Word has been received from the minister of agriculture that Galt's petition has been approved. The most important feature of the new bylaw is that it makes it compulsory to put milk into bottles.

During the past hunting season many farmers have had stock killed by careless hunters, and in consequence the hunters' privileges will be greatly curtailed. A law will be enforced requiring all hunters to carry a license and many farmers express their determination to prosecute all trespassers.

CANADA TO SPEND AN EQUAL AMOUNT

With the United States in Celebration of Peace Centenary.

A BRIDGE ACROSS RIVER

Niagara Falls Likely to Be Location if Only One Structure Built.

(Special to The Toronto World.) NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Dec. 8.—E. H. Scammell of Ottawa, Canadian organizer for the century of peace celebration movement, was the principal speaker at a mass meeting held in the city hall tonight to discuss the celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the signing of the treaty of Ghent.

He held the peace celebration conference in Richmond, Va., last week and of conferences with Secretary of State Bryan and the house foreign affairs committee.

Mr. Scammell said that Canada would spend dollar for dollar with the United States in appropriations for the peace celebration. He stated that if only one peace bridge was built across the Niagara River, he thought Niagara Falls would be selected as its site.

Other speakers were Mayor C. C. Cole of this city, Peter A. Porter of North Tonawanda, and E. T. Williams of Niagara Falls, N.Y.

A mass meeting similar to the one held on the Canadian side is being planned for Niagara Falls, N.Y., in the near future.

MAY BE THE WEXFORD.

Unconfirmed Report of Finding of Wreck Near Bayfield.

GODERICH, Dec. 8.—A report reached here this morning that the wreck of the Wexford had been located. Below the identity of the ship could be learned for certain Sunday's cable interview.

An effort will be made to identify the boat as soon as the heavy seas subside.

Two bodies, supposedly from the lost ship, were found ashore this morning at Inverhuron and Gobeil's Grove.

SISTER IDENTIFIED

Man Dead 3 Months

His Tiepin Proved That Wm. Annany Was Killed by Train.

After having been buried three months an inquest held, and full details published in the press, the body of a man found on Sept. 3 on the railway tracks at Abell street, was identified at the morgue yesterday as that of William Annany, 140 Euclid avenue, by a sister.

Coroner Mason's jury, on the death of the unknown man, returned a verdict of accidental death, but the features were disfigured by the train wheels. Proper identification was never made up till yesterday. Calling at the morgue office, the sister explained that her brother, three months ago, had shipped his trunks to Cobalt, where he intended to go for work. A man in the morning office, she discovered that he never arrived at his destination. As her brother was of a roaming nature she was not especially worried, but eventually not hearing from him, she made enquiries, and learned that the day after he left the body of an unknown man was found on the railway tracks. Identification, at the morgue was finally made by a horse-shoe tie pin, which had been retained for the purpose.

NOVA SCOTIA COAST IS SWEEPED BY HEAVY GALE

LOUISBURG, N.S., Dec. 8.—(Can. Press.)—A heavy southerly gale raged along the coast last night and this morning, and some damage has resulted to shipping. The schooner Bravo, Captain Smith, bound from Sydney to Shelburne with a load of coal, dragged her anchor, and is ashore near the coal pier.

The damage to the schooner is not yet ascertained, but she is pounding heavily, and part of her false keel has come ashore.

MILLING MAN DROPS DEAD.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 8.—(Can. Press.)—Alexander G. McCormick, district agent for the Lake of the Woods Milling Co., dropped dead in his office here this morning. Death was due to heart failure. He was in his 66th year and had been agent for the Lake of the Woods for the past 20 years.

Courtship in Bohemia often lasts fifteen years. Beer-drinking dogs are quite common in Germany.

C. N. R. NOT PROPER BASIS FOR RATES

Pitblado Suggests That Stock May Contain Proportion of "Water."

SHOULD INVESTIGATE

Unfair to Make Public Pay Interest on Inflated Capitalization.

OTTAWA, Dec. 8.—(Can. Press.)—Isaac Pitblado, K.C., counsel for the Winnipeg Board of Trade in the western freight rates case, registered a strong objection during his argument this afternoon against the proposal that the board of railway commissioners accept the C.N.R. as the standard road in fixing a new schedule of freight rates for the west.

"There are a number of things the board should consider in connection with the C.N.R.," warned Mr. Pitblado. "Is there any water in the stock? I say if there is, the public will be asked to pay the interest on it. If the board is going to take this road as the standard road it cannot divest itself from the responsibility of making further investigation into the capitalization and financial standing of the company."

"Do you mean that the board should make a further inquiry?" asked Chairman Dwyer.

"Yes, that is what I do mean if you adopt the C.N.R. as the standard road, as has been suggested. That is what the order-in-council specifies," answered Mr. Pitblado.

Commodity Rate Tariffs. The existing local mileage rates on coal, cement, live stock, etc., should be reduced, Mr. Pitblado said.

Commodity rate tariffs should be established where they do not exist or raw materials so as to encourage business in home markets.

The new rates should be such as to encourage development of the country and the home industries.

Mr. Pitblado said he was not one of those who feared that it would mean blue ruin to adopt lower rates in the west. "I am good a prophet as Sir Thomas Shaughnessy was when he wrote that blue ruin letter. That development, which Sir Thomas with all his pre-occupation could not see, will continue and the railways will continue to do business in the west at a profit."

J. G. McPhillips, K.C., counsel for British Columbia, has deferred his argument until F. H. Chrysler for the C.P.R. has concluded his argument, which he began yesterday evening.

THEIR LONG TRIP TO ARCTIC CIRCLE

Four Hudson Bay Employees Will Journey Over Two Thousand Miles.

CARRYING MAIL BAGS

All Experienced Men—Packet for Stefansson Included in Collection.

EDMONTON, Alta., Dec. 7.—Four trusted employees of the Hudson Bay Company, which has operated in this country since 1870, accompanied by two dog teams, each carrying three hundred pounds of mail and provisions are on the way to Fort McPherson, 2100 miles north of here, on what is conceded to be the longest overland mail trip in the world.

The trip from Edmonton to Athabasca, 100 miles, was made by train the first day, after which the party started on the lonely trail which follows the windings of the Athabasca, Slave and Mackenzie Rivers. One of the teams, with two men, is destined to Fort Smith, the other going to Fort McPherson. The "mushers" are experienced river and woodsman, who have passed years in the north country.

Included in the mail is a small packet for Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, to be delivered at Herschel Island, the most northerly mail point in Canada. The original plan was to push on to the far outpost, but advice just received are that the supply ship Belvedere, which sailed from Nome last July, has not yet reached there. In the event the ship does not arrive soon, the detachment of Royal Northwest Mounted Police stationed on the island will fall back on Fort McPherson. Otherwise the mail carriers will continue their journey 200 miles farther north.

AND THE WORST IS YET TO COME

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WELLAND'S GOOD ROADS

(Special to The Toronto World.) WELLAND, Dec. 8.—Welland County this year has spent \$33,242.15 on its good roads system. Eleven or 12 miles of macadam road was built in Stamford Township. A thousand feet of concrete pavement was put down on one of the roads at a cost of a little over \$4000. This is the first stretch of concrete road built in Ontario under the provincial aid system.

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Little is known of Hillman locally, but it is believed he was the victim of despondency. He had been employed with the Thomas Organ & Piano Co. until Saturday morning last. That the suicide was premeditated was shown by a letter found in the dead man's pocket.

YUKON RIVER A MIGHTY STREAM

Great Empire Lying Beneath the Northern Lights is Well Watered.

If any one has an idea that the Yukon River is a puny stream fed by glaciers trickling away to the sea, the opinion should be dismissed. Writes Edgar Allen Forbes in Leslie's Weekly, for the river is so mighty that it can be spread over a width of sixty miles of great 2100 miles—two-thirds of the distance from New York to San Francisco. Add to this the navigable water of its tributaries—370 miles on the Innoko River, 230 on the Iditarod, 620 on the Koyukuk and 282 on the Tanana—and one will begin to have a fair idea of what a big river there is in the great empire beneath the Northern Lights.

The valley drained by this wonderful river system of the north is the hope of Alaska. The wealth of the past and of today has come from mines and fisheries, and the lifetime of all mining regions is brief even than human life. It has been only a few years since the Klondike was the most active mining camp in the world; today it is a valley long since deserted by the individual miner and turned over to two big dredging companies, which work the low grade tailings. And these also must shortly pass.

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Durable shoes are now made with a plug of rubber in the soles to prevent slipping.

GUARANTEE BONDS OF NEW RAILROAD

Government Pledged to Aid the Alberta and Great Waterways Line.

EDMONTON, Alta., Dec. 8.—Official announcement has been made in Edmonton by J. D. McArthur, president of the Edmonton, Dunvegan & British Columbia Railway Company, that two parties of surveyors are in the field on the route of the Alberta & Great Waterways Railway, and that construction work will begin in a few days at a point 12 miles north of this city, where the line to Fort McMurray will branch to the main line of the Edmonton, Dunvegan & British Columbia road.

Mr. McArthur will build the Alberta & Great Waterways line, the bonds having been guaranteed by the government of Alberta for a road of 260 miles, the plan being 260 miles.

It is further announced that trains on the Edmonton, Dunvegan & British Columbia road will be in operation as far as Mirror Landing on Jan. 1, 1914. It is planned to reach the Peace river country next summer and the line is to be completed next fall.

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"First, that countries such as Germany, Great Britain and the major portion of the British colonies refuse to receive any letter with any stamps on the face of it other than the postage stamp of the country of origin, and of such stamps are placed on such letters they return them to the sender, thus the dead letter offices of the different countries;

"Second, that no matter how much the department may sympathize with the charitable object of the stamps, its first duty is to the man who sends the letter and pays postage thereon, and anything that is likely to lead to confusion or delay should, as a matter of good faith, be prohibited.

"Furthermore, it has been found in Canada that several of these letters have in other years been sent through without postage stamps, and have been received with these stamps alone, with the result that they have been sent to the dead letter office and the people who placed these stamps on, believing them to be postage stamps, have had their correspondence delayed and the people with thru the dead letter office. The consequence in such cases is that the department is seriously blamed by those whose correspondence is dealt with in this way.

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Today he was questioned by Dr. Miller, but was unable to tell his name or where his home is. A picture of two children, a girl about five years old and a boy about three years old, a Toronto street car transfer, dated Nov. 29, and a Buffalo and Niagara trolley conductor's receipt, found in his pockets, were shown to the man, but none of them awakened his memory. The man is about 26 years old, 180 pounds in weight, 6 feet tall, light complexion, well dressed.

DEATH OF FORMER TORONTO RESIDENT

Hugh J. Craig, Who Passed Away in Montreal, Was Prominent in Local Masonic Circles.

(Special to The Toronto World.) CORNWALL, Dec. 8.—The funeral of the late Hugh J. Craig, who died in Montreal, took place yesterday from the residence of his brother, J. R. Craig, Glen Walter, to Salem Church Cemetery, Summerstown, and was conducted by Cornwall Lodge, A. F. & A. M., at the request of Zetland Lodge of Toronto, of which deceased was a past master and a life member.

The late Mr. Craig was connected with the Grand Trunk in Toronto for many years, but of recent years had been stationed in Montreal. He was prominent in Masonic circles, having been a member of King Solomon Chapter, No. 8, R.A.M.; Geoffrey De St. Aldemar, Preceptory, No. 2, Knights Templar; Ramesses Temple of Mystic Shrine, all of Toronto, besides his connection with Zetland Lodge.

"BLIND PIGGER" FINED.

BELLEVILLE, Dec. 8.—(Special.) Police Magistrate Mason this morning imposed a fine of \$100 and costs on Frau Julia, a foreigner, who conducts a boardinghouse at Point Anne. The accused was convicted of selling liquor without a license in a local option municipality.

C. N. R.'S FIRST TRAIN.

BROCKVILLE, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The first C. N. R. train to run from Brockville to Ottawa was the trip yesterday via Brockville Junction. The round trip of nearly 200 miles, was covered in seven hours, including stops.

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