

NORFOLK NEWS

BUTTON WILL NOW RING FIRE BELL

Change in System at Simcoe—Other Simcoe News.

(From our own correspondent.)
Simcoe, Sept. 5th.—The fire alarm car now being turned on by the push of a button at the telephone office. The equipment was installed and connected up a few days ago. The only danger now possible would result from the pushing of the electric button while the bell was being rung by the rope. The raising of the alarm harness while the bell is swinging is quite apt to throw the bell off its bearings, otherwise the system is up to the minute. With this exception, that there should be several stations about the town from which the alarm might be turned in.

Lady in Bad Runaway.
A bad runaway occurred just before noon yesterday when a horse attached to a buggy, and standing at the E. H. Jackson store, took fright, dashed east on Robinson St. to Culver St. thence to Water St. and out to Norfolk St., and swinging wide crashed into the rear of A. B. Evans' auto. Mr. Evans had just arrived from Tillsonburg and his lady passengers had alighted from the car. The buggy struck the

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spare tire on the rear and smashed over into the car. The buggy was badly smashed. Mrs. Jack Brown, who was in the vehicle throughout the animal's mad career was picked up unconscious and taken to the office of Dr. McGilvray and for hours did not revive.

Acting Crown Attorney T. J. A. Gar was in Delhi yesterday attending a case launched by the office of the Children's Aid Society. Geo. Heath is making good progress on his new brick bungalow in the north ward.

Press Photographs.
Mrs. J. S. Cullimore has returned from a three months pleasant stay in Hamilton.

Mr. Geo. S. Frogley has on the usual smile—a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Evans of Tillsonburg were in town yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Abram Leask reached home before last night's rain storm after a weeks visit with friends in Toronto. They were accompanied by Miss Norma DeCout.

Douglas Porter will leave for Halifax on Monday to undergo training for the navy.

WEATHER

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Coffey or Thomas, 3b. Deal, 3b.
Schang, c. Killifer, c.
Mays or Vaughn or Bush, p. Tyler, p.

Vaughn for the Cubs and Mays for the Red Sox were considered the mound possibilities. Manager Mitchell was expected to put his best bet foremost by starting his giant left-hander, while it was thought Barrow would start Mays and hold "Bullet" Joe Bush under wraps for use later on in the coming crisis should they develop.

Visiting magnates were unanimous in the verdict that the present series is demonstrating beyond all doubt that interest in professional baseball has waned for the duration of the war at least. There was a conspicuous absence of men of military age on the bleachers. Predictions from a financial standpoint assert that this world's series will not equal its former successes.

Out of town delegates this year were smaller than ever before. Illustrative of the argument that

baseball is proving an unpopular war-time sport, Phil Ball, president of the St. Louis Americans, said compliance with the suggestion of President Johnson would have saved his club \$8,200. He said his losses on the Browns' last eastern trip totalled that amount.

WILCOX WINNING.

By Courier Leased Wire
Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 4.—On the face of returns received from about one-half of the State early today, State Senator Wilcox has defeated Governor Philippe for Republican gubernatorial nomination in the primary election held yesterday. Wilcox made his effort on a straight "win the war" platform. Governor Philippe's alleged effort to prevent a declaration of war against Germany and the fact that he opposed conscription are regarded as factors in his loss of votes.

KILLED BY FALLING CRANE

By Courier Leased Wire
Quebec, Sept. 5.—Joseph Laviole, aged 32, of Petite Riviere, St. Francis, was killed yesterday when a steam crane, at which he was working, broke and crushed him to death. J. C. Lyons, a fellow workman, had a thigh fractured in two places. The former is survived by a wife and five children.

AUSTRIANS FACING CROP CATASTROPHE

Climatic Conditions at Helm of Government, Says an Austrian

Zurich, Sept. 5.—"August brought to the Austrian agriculturist directly and to all Austrians indirectly an immeasurable catastrophe, because climatic conditions were at the helm of Government here."

So said today an Austrian just arrived from Leoburg. "To-day in Austria you would vainly seek winter sowings which have not been ruined by rain and neglect," he continued. "While there is not enough barley or oats for the farmers to sow, let alone feed the people. Besides, the floods of last six weeks and the lack of labor have contributed to the catastrophe."

"The Brest-Litovsk peace deprived the Austrian farmers of the labor of Russian prisoners, although curiously application was made to the military authorities for soldiers to work in the fields and also carpenters, blacksmiths and saddlers in the provinces ravaged by Russian invaders."

The waiters and clerks are utterly incapable of farm work. "Where peasants own most of the land, I saw entire districts in which the meagre harvest lies rotting in the fields because the unhappy owners have no horses or carts to carry it away. But the land proprietors are worse off, for they can get labor only in return for grain, the laborers refusing money."

Plague of Mice
Besides this, the rotting crops have brought an unprecedented plague of mice, which the farmers are bravely trying to stamp out. "Ninety per cent of the farmers even lack granaries, for the Government has not yet sent wood and workmen to rebuild those destroyed in the Russian invasion. Last spring came too early, and the winter and spring sowings with the clover all flowered together. Then followed torrential rains. Combine this with the lack of labor, manure and machinery and you have a fair picture of the disaster. Austria is utterly incapable of feeding her population while Hungary refuses to help, saying she has only enough grain for her army and must import it for her civilians. Even potatoes, although they looked well at the beginning, are rotting."

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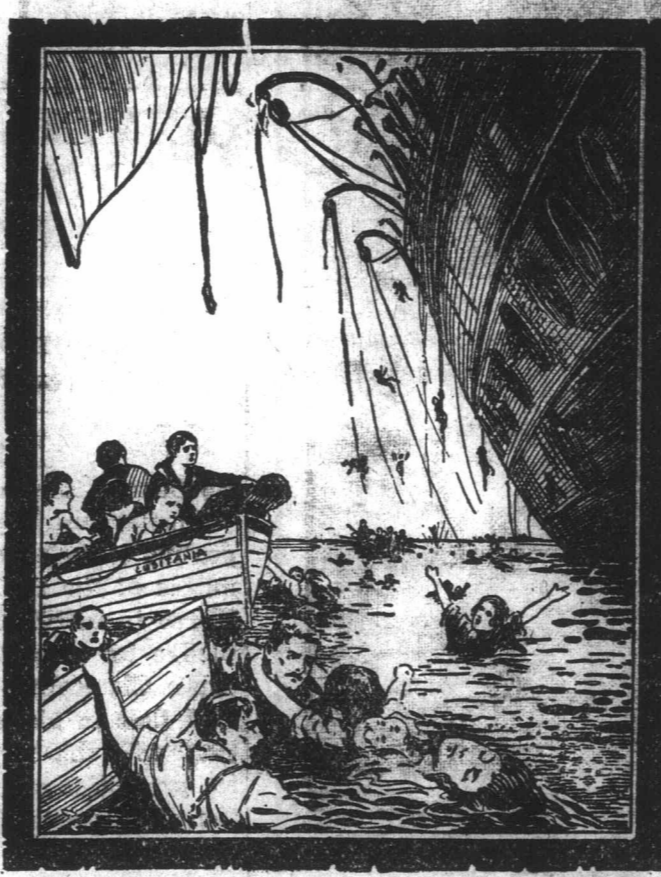
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The horror is very fresh in the minds of the widows and orphans of the heroic crew.

To their mental distress is added the torture of threatened poverty. Governments do not make recognition of their needs,—makes no allowance as in the case of dependents of the men of the Army and Navy.

The widows and orphans must rely on your benevolence, as do the families of 15,000 merchant seamen lost in the war, victims of the U-Boat and the floating mine.

Surely no life was ever more nobly given than by these unsung heroes who go down to the sea in ships.

What shall be said to their dependents? Let your cry be "They shall not want!" and make your offering as large as a worthy sacrifice will allow.

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