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CAUSE OF EXPLOSION STILL A MYSTERY.

Machinery In Glazing Mill May Have Become Overheated From Friction.

Indiana State Militia in Control---Condition of the Injured.

Fontanet, Ind., Oct. 16.—The residents of this, village of 1,000 persons when they take this morning encountered a much different situation than they had been accustomed in the past. Instead of a quiet country town and pleasant scennet country town and pleasant scenery to greet their eyes, desolation was at hand. Soldiers of the Indiana State were on hand and had stood guard all through the night.

Details as to what caused the terrible tatastrophe of yesterday when the Dupont Powder Mills blew up, killing probably 35, and injuring some seriously, about 100, were lacking. No one conwith the Powder Company could ascribe any reason for the explosion Several rumors were current, one of most probable being that the machinery of the glazing mill became overheated from friction, and set fire to loose powder. The glazing mill one of the first to blow up. The sections of the plant followed in

further victims of the disaster. A number of coffins were received to-day from Terre Haute, and the bodies of those recovered were buried to-day.

The total number of dead will probably never be known, and it will be several days before the exact amount of property can be figured out.

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Terre Haute, Ind., Oot. 16.—Of the 50 victims of yesterday's disaster at Fontanet cared for at St. Anthony's Hospital here, 14 are in critical conditions. Five of them died, and little hope is entertained for the recovery of nine. The others are expected to survive. One of the seriously injured is Miss Susan Bishop, a school teacher, who was caught in the collapse of the school house.

Assistant Superintendent Chus. Nash, of the powder company, is at his home. He is dangerously injured, but probably will recover.

some loose powder. The glazing mill was one of the first to blow up. The other sections of the plant followed in rapid succession.

A number of the residents were able by patching up their houses to pass a lairly comfortable night. The remainder were accommodated with sleeping room as cots placed in tents brought here by orders of Governor Hanley. Systematic fiorts are going forth and within a hore time it is thought most of the touses will be repaired in such a manear as to permit reoccupancy.

The officers of Company, B, Indiana National Guard, which were brought iere last might, announce that the night leve last might, announce that the night passed without disturbance of any kind. The soldiers were distributed so as to guard as much of the town as possible.

It is understood the State authorities

ARE TROUBLING THE NIAGARA FRUIT SECTION.

Influx of Penniless Immigrants Who Seem to be Unsuited to the Work.

Beamsville, Oct. 16 .- Perhaps during his past summer, more than any other, is the influx has been the greater, have e people of the peninsula wrestled with the immigration question, and paricularly that of the penniless immigrant (in most cases an Englishman) and his always numerous small family. As usual with this class, in coming nto the country district, poor and misrable as they may be, and having to spend on the crust of a neighbor, your orrespondent has found them proud and arrogant; slighted down to their coots because they have not been infeed to every social event that goes on a the neighborhood, no matter what the vent may be. They generally manage o make a week's wages with an effort, and spend two on pay day. The sympoms of patience and laziness in nearly lifty per cent. of them is so nearly alike that it would bother a good many people the are not acquainted with these peuliarities, to tell which disease they are the most of. Not one in twenty a partial to farming or fruit growing, deking, etc.—the work is too degrading with the immigration question, and par-

prespondent come across, or been able of ind on a Niagara district fruit farm a Englishman who was possessed of ren the first rudiments of farming. A urge number of these single fellows, too, re addicted to the drink habit, though the with families are of a more sober

The condition of one large family that came into the Beamsville district not long ago was pitiable in the extreme. For quite a long time they occupied a deserted shack near the railroad, cooking whatever they could pick up in a large iron pot suspended over a fire in the open. This family had not the smallest article of furniture or bedding. The father has, however, obtained a fair job, and, with the help of kind neighbors, the family is gradually nearing a civilized state. This is only one of a dozen or more cases that the ministers of the local churches have come in touch with this year, and some of them think the worst is yet to come.

While the West is getting the cream of the immigration—the men with a little money—the Niagara district being nearer the centre of distribution, gets the culls. The territory between Winona and Jordan has suffered more in this

and spend two on pay day. The sympoms of patience and laziness in nearly alke hat it would bother a good many people who are not acquainted with these peuliarities, to tell which disease they are the most of. Not one in twenty partial to farming or fruit growing, icking, etc.—the work is too degrading lobt all right for the colonials, you mow. The question arises, what are hey to work at?

Those who have come this year have, a small way, been a God-send, during few of the busiest months, to the fruit ren. Not once, however, since the tide this year's immigration began, has the orrespondent come across, or been able a find on a Nigara district fruit faw.

After a careful summing up of the sit-uation and a personal knowledge of these people almost every day, they have been found wanting badly in indus-try and sobriety. They are more of a hindrance than a use in this Niagara

SYNOD COMMITTEE.

ney all Invested and Interest Paid Promptly.

The Standing Committee of the Synod Niagara met yesterday afternoon at Synod office. There were 26 mem of the committee present. The bus s transacted was of a routine charactorily invested, and that the in-was being paid punctually. The ittee on Missions recommended grants be made to four students re training for the ministry. These were approved. All parishes and ns in the diocese are filled with ions in the diocese are filled with exception of one that is being pro-l for by a student. A committee appointed to devise some plan by h the apportionments of the dio-and the M. S. C. C. could be collect-

MULLEN-LAZIER.

he marriage of Dr. Huerner Mullen Miss E. az Lazier, daughter of S. F. Lazier, K. C., took place this moon at 4 o'clock in Centenary noon at 4 o'clock in Centenary ch. Rev. Richard Whiting officiat-the presence of a large gathering

ab!" exclaimed the Socialist.

tey is filthy lucre." "Well, I've
the best I could to-day," replied the
who dabbles in stocks. "I cleaned
the same dollars."

INVENTOR DEAD.

Once Wealthy, and Was Crank Flying Machines.

Chicago, Oct. 16.—David Redfield Proctor, 81 years old, a cousin of United States Senator Redfield Proctor, of Vermont, was found dead yesterday in cheap lodging house in South Clark street. He had been in straightened cir-

cheap lodging house in South Clark street. He had been in straightened circumstances for several years, although he made a fortune from the sale of royalties on an igvention which he patentied in the early seventies—a device which arrested and extinguished the sparks from the funnels of locomotives, making the kindling of prairie fires by passing trains an impossibility.

He was known as "Inventor Proctor," and when his lifeless body was found in the dingy room in which he had lived and dreamed his dreams of astounding inventions for the last six years, the narrow little bed was simply festooned with tiny hand carved models of flying machines, which he had guarded as embodiments of secret discoveries he claimed to have made in the field of aeronautics.

Another Kick.

(Brantford Courier.) The Hamilton football team, known as the Tigers, were going to eat the Montreal team claws by claws, but the event did not eventuate according to schedule, owing to reasons over which they had no control.

MALONEY FAILS TO FIND ELOPERS

Philadelphia Millionaire Cannot Get Any Trace of Runaway Daughter in London.



MISS HELEN EUGENIE MALONEY, WHO ELOPED WITH SAMUEL CLAR KSON.

Miss Maloney, daughter of Martin Maloney, a Standard Oil millionaire, eloped recently with a young Englishman named Samuel Clarkson and the couple were married by a notary public in Montreal, it is said Arthur Herbert Osborne, a New York broker, declares that he and Miss Maloney were married at Mamaroueck, N. J., on Dec. 28, 1905.

London, Oct. 16 .- Martin Maloney, 1 him. the father of the eloping American girl, spent another anxious day at the Hotel
Ceell without news of his daughter. Mr. Maloney has not yet learned the whereabouts of the elopers. Mr. Richie's whereabouts of the clopers. Mr. Rienle's quest in Paris has been equally fruitless. The mystery of the case is why the clopers are avoiding the father when all the newspapers in London published the fact that the father was anxious and willing to forgive and bless the pair. That the father is deeply distressed by his inability to find his daughter is obvious to all who have seen

him. At Clarkson's old lodgings to-night the servants said Clarkson had not

Paris, Oct. 16.—Enquiry at the hotels in the city have failed to reveal the whereabouts of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Clarkson. Neither could Mr. and Mrs. Clarence B. Ritchie be discovered in Paris. The supposition is that the couple are in this city under an assumed name. Mrs. Ritchie is Mrs. Clarkson's sister, and came here from London to find her. It was said late last night that Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie had returned to London.

DUNDON'S PEOPLE.

St. Matthew's Avenue.

The police have discovered the mother of Wililam Dundon, whom they were seeking to deliver a message of the drowning of Dundon to. She is Mrs. Hughson now, and lives on St. Matthew avenue. Her daughter, who was also wanted, lives near San Francisco, but Dundon has other relatives in this city, including an aunt, Mrs. T. B. Peckham, living at 154 Charlton avenue west. Mr. Peckham, the young man's uncle, left to-day for Cleveland to identify the fe-mains and to bring them here for burial. Deceased had his wife with him on the boat on which he was travelling as stew-ard, but the despatch does not make any reference to her.

GOING TO WINNIPEG.

Rev. Edgar E. Shields Accepts Pastorate There.

Rev. Edgar E. Shields, who is at pres ent residing with his mother at 91 Jackson street west, this city, has received ani accepted a call to Nassau Street Baptist Church, Winnipeg, and will leave for that city about the beginning leave for that city about the beginning of next month to enter upon the duties of pastor. Mr. Shields' last church was in Kincardine, but he has been living in this city for a few months. To-day he is attending the Ontario and Quebec Baptist Conference in Woodstock. Rev. Mr. Shields is a brother of Rev. T. T. Shields, of London, formerly pastor of Wentworth Street Baptist Church, this city.

A Satisfactory Store.

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Many are the pleasing comments heard this season relative to the superb assortments of newest autumn and winter goods carried by The Right House. Stocks are broader in scope and more comprehensive than ever before.

But new goods and immense varieties are not the only inducements at The Right House. Value-giving and reliakility on hand in hand, and are bringing to the Thomas C. Watkins store this season an immense increase in business.

Visit the store to-morrow or any day this week and note the freshness of everything, the good qualities, the vast assortments and the little price. For details of to-morrow's offerings read the big Right House ad, in this paper.

English Shag Tobacco.

W. D. & H. O. Wills, of Bristol, are the manufacturers of the celebrated superfine English shag tobacco. It is sold in this city for 20 cents a tin at gence's cigar atore, 107 king street east

CASSIE CHADWICK.

Drowned Man's Mother Lives on Six Prominent Woodstock Men Pall Bearers at Funeral.

-Six prominent men of Woodstock low ered the body of Mrs. Cassie Chadwick into its last resting place in the Epis-copal Cemetery this afternoon at half past two. They were Mayor John But ler, R. E. Butler, Dr. J. Welford, ler, R. E. Butler, Dr. J. Welford, Dr. Odlum, J. G. Karn and T. L. Dent. Rev. F. W. Thompson, pastor of College Avenue Methodist Church, conducted the services at Mrs. D. A. Campell's, a sister's residence, in presence of the immediae relatives and friends of the deceased and her family. Those who occupied the mourners' carriage were Mrs. Campbell and her daughter. Miss Campbell, Mrs. McDonald, of Florida, another sister, Emil Hoover, of Cleveland, her son, and Daniel Bigley, of Cleveland, a brother.

NOT WORTH NICKEL

That Million Dollar Estate Will Never Pay Anything.

Mrs. Fraser, 109 Wilton avenue, To ronto, one of the claimants of the mil-lion dollar estate in Wilmington, Del. to which Miles Springer, of Thorold, and his sister, Mrs. Ferguson, both formerly

his sister, Mrs. Ferguson, both formerly of this city, were yesterday said to have fallen heir to, laughs at the idea of any of the "heirs" ever receiving one cent. "They've been fighting over it for years" she said. "The estate is one of many which were left with clouded titles after the American civil war. Years ago the Springer family subscribed a lot of money, and my father among the rest, and retained the best lawyers in the United States and Canada to fight the title clear. But they couldn't do it; and they can't do it now. We'll never see a cent of it. "They used to come around to me," continued Mrs. Fraser, "to try and get money to keep up the fight, but I never had anything to do with it. The chances of getting any of it are not worth five cents."

New Arrivals.

Farde dates, new table figs, new table raisins new cooking raisins, new orange lemon and citron peel, Caminbert cheese, new French peas, beans, macdioines, Boston head lettuce, grape fruit, pineapples, sycle pears, Long Point ducks, pigeons, Long Island Sound oysters, ciscoes, haddie, etc. Bain & Adams, 89 and 91 King street east.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables, at the TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

The Man In Overalls

The Police Commissioners must have been looking for a sharp man when they picked George Sharp for a policeman. Can you tell me how it is that the la dies always serve coffee at tea meetings:

Beattie Nesbitt now asks Whitney what he is going to do about it. And Whitney doesn't know.

After all, it seems to be pretty hard to give anything away in this city. Even the Flatt Park is going begging.

The Japs are still flocking into Van-couver just as if they had never heard of the Canadian Club meeting. Perhaps Geo. Hope could get the Parks Board to take over the Coal Oil

Inlet and make a lagoon with gonout of it.

Yes, Maude, the York Loan depositor are to be pitied.

To be sure, the Board of Works could raise a little money on a chattel mortgage, if it had the chattels.

Toronto may as well know it now as any other time that Hamilton will rather die in the last ditch than allow the Queen's Own to capture it on Thanksgiving Day and carry the Mayor away into captivity.

Taft will have to tell the Mikado an other funny story by way of apology for the latest San Francisco Jap outrage.

Britain may not have many railway accidents, but when she does have one it's usually a corker.

Now would be a good time for Sir Wilfrid to bring on his elections. The farmers are all smiles.

Have the Japs been agitating for the exclusion of the white man from Japlan!, or do they view with alarm the white peril? Then, again, there may be no white peril. The night schools for young men and young women are now open. Are you going?

Still, after considering all the arguments advanced as to the amount of Beattie Nesbitt's salary, I should suppose he ought to know how much he is certified for that sinceure. getting for that sinecure.

I shouldn't like to be the alderman wio has to go down to Toronto this year to ask permission to borrow money to pay the overdraft.

Now that the Parks Board has been reconstructed, I should imagine that the Dundurn bears will get a holiday now and again.

Common sense should teach young fel-lors that they are only bringing trou-ble upon themselves by interfering with the police in the discharge of their

Possibly the Con. Club will pass a vote of censure on the Mayor for that Parks Board appointment.

I was talking to a Beach resident this morning. He said there were as yet no signs of the Ferris wheel or the loop de loop at the Lakeside Park. All was as still as death, except for what the wild waves were saying every once in a while.

I would like to form a motor-bus company to run a line of cars up the Jolley Cut. I see good money in it in the good old summer time. It would make a great belt line around by the reservoir, None but principals dealt with.

SAW IT IN THE TIMES?

Well, you may be assured that

it is all right. If it was news, it's trust-

worthy. If it was comment, it's fair. If it presented a policy, it is for the public good.

If it was literature, it is clean. If it was sentiment, it is

It is the paper of the family. Father and mother read it. Sons and daughters read it. Everybody reads it. That's why it is so effective

as an advertisement medium. See the point? Is your ad. in it?

CHURCH MEETINGS.

Methodists and Baptists Hold Con ventions in Woodstock.

Woodstock, Ont., Oct. 16 -- (Special)-The meeting of the Board of Managa ment of the Women's Missionary Soci ety of the Methodist Church this morn ing was devoted to the reception of very satisfactory reports from various of th conferences represented, showing evi dences of growth and development.

The following Hamilton ladies are in attendance: Miss J. Cartmell, Mrs. Gay fer, Mrs. James Harrison, Mrs. W. E Ross, Mrs. E. S. Strachan and Miss Mar

Ross, Mrs. E. S. Strictina and Mrs. Salar-garet Keagey, Dundas.

By night fully five hundred Baptist delegates to the annual convention of Ontario and Quebec will be in the city. The convention opens this evening and promises to be one of the most interest-

Quality.

When you talk quality in rubber goods you must have the goods to back up your assertions. We have a reputation of handling the best rubber goods in the city, and also the largest assortment to choose from, so come with the crewd, and buy your rubber goods from Parke & Parke, druggists.

SEES GOVERNOR.

Boston, Mass., Oct. (Special)—The members of the Ontario Labor Commis-sion here, investigating labor conditions, called on Governor Guild to-day.

THINK THE REQUEST MEANS NEW TRACKS.

H. & D. Cars Are to be Taken Off James Street, Anyway.

Aldermen More Skeptical Than Ever of the Hydro-Electric Scheme.

Some of the Board of Works aldermen think they see, in the Hamilton Street Railway's proposal to have the James street work, between King and Main street, laid over until the spring, a plan to reopen negotiations with next year's Council for a settlement of all the disputes with the city. From the tone of a letter received from General Manager Hawkins, Ald. McLaren is satisfied the company has in view some scheme for relaying all the tracks on James street south next year. It has been having considerable trouble lately, he says, with the Dundas cars, going south on James street, and once or twice has found it necessary to bring the cars back on King street and send them around by way of Locke street. Mr. Hawkins' letter is as follows:

follows:
"I view of the conversations which have taken place I am inclined to think that the work on James street, between King and Main streets, might conveniently stand over until part year. The that the work on James street, between King and Main streets, might conveniently stand over until next year. The Dundas cars will shortly be taken off that portion of James street, and that will reduce the necessity of any immediate renewal, and, in case of any general scheme being agreed upon between the city and the company regarding the renewal of James street tracks and paving, it will be better that this bit of the street should not, in the meantime, be taken up. We will therefore be just as well pleased if the city will agree to let the work stand-over until the spring, in fact we prefer it, and if the city is of the same view, no doubt a consent order could easily be obtained from the Railway Board."

On the whole the members of the committee did not see any objection to measure the recommendation of the same view, and of the committee did not see any objection to

mittee did not see any objection to granting the request, provided the city's interests were safeguarded. The matter was, however, referred to the City Soliciter to report on.

A sub-committee from the Board of Works will look into the question of extra lights for the southwest end of the city. It appears as if there would be some difficulty getting either the American Street Lighting & Supply Co. or the Cataract to install the necessary lights. When the contract was let to the gas company it was stipulated that it was for two hundred and fifty or more lights at \$25 each. The company claims, however, that the contract for extra lights was to be let before May. It wanted \$10 additional to the original contract price for each new light installed, on account of the short time the contract has to run. A compromise of \$5 was, however, agreed upon, when it was pointed out that the city had extended the time for installing the lights nearly eight months after the contract was awarded. The Cataract Company also objects to install the Normst lights as or. eight months after the contract was awarded. The Cataract Company also objects to instal the Nernst lights, as orobjects to instal the Nernst lights, as ordered by the city, on account of the short time the contract has to run. General Manager Hawkins has written to asy that while the Cataract is willing to meet the city half way, that it is not fair to expect that company to erect lights, to be used only during the balance of the contract term, when the

gross receipts would not pay back the first cost, to say nothing of the value of the current supplied during the interval. The company, Mr. Hawkins says, is willing to overlook the question of getting anything for the power, provided the city will guarantee that it shall receive in gross return the cost of installing the lamus before the termination of the prelamps before the termination of the pre sent contract.

The Fire and Water sub-committee appointed to confer with the township people on the question of a water supply for Barton people living adjacent to the city, had a long talk this morning, but was unable to reach a settlement. Reeve Gage presented the agreement drawn up by Solicitor Duff, of the township, but it proved objectionable to the city, the aldermen protesting particularly against it proved objectionable to the city, the aldermen protesting particularly against the clause which provides that the mains and pipes in the township should be under the control and settled by arbitration in the event of annexation. Chairman Clark and his colleagues, in view of the engineer's and solicitor's warnings about the shortage of water now, were rather doubtful if any action should be taken. They agreed, however, to make a recommendation of some kind to the Fire and Water Committee, which will hold a special meeting on Friday night to consider the question of repairing the sandsucker. ing the sandsucker.

The insurance on the celebrated sand-sucker, which was scorched by fire sev-eral days ago, has at lase been adjusted and the work of fitting it up again, so that cleaning operations can be resumed at the filtering basins, will be proceeded with at once. The loss has been ad-justed at \$2,850, of which \$1,712 is for the frame work and the balance for machinery and furnishings. The total insurance carried was \$3,900. City Clerk Kent says the settlement is perfectly Kent says the settlement is perfectly satisfactory from the city's standpoint.

satisfactory from the city's standpoint.

More murmurings of the doubt among the aldermen and city officials of the possibility of the Hydro-Electric Power scheme ever being carried to a successful issue were heard in the City Hall to-day. "I would not bank on it to supply power for the pumps," said Chairman Clark, of the Fire and Water Committee. Alderman Peregrine added that he had faith in the scheme a year ago, but was skeptical now. City officials explain to-day that in connection with the estimates provided by Chief Engineer Sothman that while provision is made for the dutes to accommodate power for lighting purposes, the cost of carrying it is not estimated. The original estimate for the overhead system provided by the commission's engineer wis \$121,724, or \$43.56 per light.

Chairman Online and he Roberts Med.

Chairman Quinn and Dr. Roberts, Medical Health Officer, will likely attend the annual convention of the sanitary officials of the State of New York, held

MINISTER WANTS TO KNOW ABOUT SUNFIELD CASE.

Chief Justice Falconbridge Had An Anonymous Letter About Mrs. Radzyk's Testimony.

Chief Justice Falconbridge this morning received an anonymous letter from Thessalon, but as it was from "A minister of the church" and concerned a state of the church and concerned a A Winster of the Church. ister of the church" and concerned a life or death question, he gave it his

life or death question, he gave it his attention. The letter was as follows:
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Your Honor.—I may be misinformed; concerning Sunfield's trial, but one who makes such a stirring appeal to truth cannot be silenced until proved untruthful, I therefore write to ask if the woman Radzyk is living and if she has been

LIBERAL LEADER HERE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

Hon. A. G. M'Kay Will Give An Address in the Local Club Quarters.

vember 2, and will give an address in ing of that day. This will be one of

Hon. A. G. MacKay, leader of the Op- party in the Ontario House, and will position in the Provincial Parliament, have something of moment to say about will be in Hamilton on Saturday, Nother platform and prospects of the party. He has not been in Hamilton in recent the Liberal Club quarters on the even- years. His address will be given in the large hall, Areade building, which will, the most important political events of no doubt, be crowded, as it will be free the year. Mr. MacKay has just been to all, of whatever political stripe. There elected to the leadership of the Liberal | will be two or three other speakers.

BROKE HER SKULL

Aged Foreigner at Beamsville Had a Bad Fall.

An aged woman employed by the Pre serving Company at Beamsville, a Pol-ock, fell down two flights of stairs in the company's large boarding house there this morning. When picked up

she was unconscious, and was thought to be dead. Dr. Fairfield was hastily summoned, however, and found her to be still breathing. Later she recovered con-sciousness. It was found that she had sustained a fracture of the skull, and that two ribs were broken, besides being covered with cuts and bruises.

-Mr. James McIlroy and sister, Mrs. Ellen Onyon, of Gilroy, Cali-fornia, are in the city, visiting rela-tives and renewing old acquaintances, after an absence of 35 years