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ON
Wednesday, Sept. 20

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TRAGIC COINCIDENCE OF DEATH FROM STR. CITY OF CHATHAM

Anniversary of Sailor's Death Sees Same Startling
Summons Sent to Successor—Tragic Drowning
of Delbert Richmond Before Sunrise
on Sunday

Is the steamer "City of Chatham" ill fated? A striking coincidence would tend to show that it is.

In the early hours of the morning of September 17th, 1904, James Larkin fell to his death from the boat while at her moorings at the Rankin dock. He was found in the river the next day, dressed in trousers, shirt and socks. Just before the tragedy is supposed to have occurred a companion saw him leave the sleeping quarters. This was about two o'clock in the morning.

Sunday morning, September 17th, 1905, Delbert Richmond, fireman on the same boat, met a death, precisely similar in its tragic details.

Dressed in exactly the same manner, in trousers, shirt and socks, he was seen by his bunk mate sitting on the edge of the bank about 2.30 a. m. That was the last seen of him. It is supposed that, attempting to go ashore for some purpose, he was drowned.

The tragedy occurred at Detroit. The boat arrived there Saturday night on its trip from Chatham. Richmond left the boat when it tied up. At nine o'clock he was seen in Windsor in company with a young lady from Walkerville.

It is supposed that he spent the evening in her company and took her to her home. After this he returned to the wharf where the "City of Chatham" was moored. The night watchman on duty on the wharf saw him and put him on the boat. This was about two o'clock Sunday morning.

About a half hour later some of

the members of the crew who were awakened saw him sitting on the edge of his bunk, clad in the sparse garb mentioned. He was seen to leave the sleeping quarters. Since that time he has not been heard of.

The steamer was not at her regular moorings, having gone to a strange dock to let another boat have her regular quarters. The mooring was not a snug one and, as a consequence, the wharf was some distance away.

The strange surroundings coupled with this last circumstance may have confused the deceased man and led to his tragic end.

It is hardly possible that he got on the wharf and went up to the city as he was not seen by the wharf watchman or any of the police on the neighboring beats, all of whom were notified. His half dressed condition would have attracted attention.

The unfortunate young man was in the prime of life, being only 27 years of age and of fine physique. His parents live on the 6th concession of Dover. He has been in his present position for three years. The body has not yet been recovered.

The full force of the coincidence of the two drownings cannot fail to appeal to the reader. On the same day, a year apart, two men, dressed in exactly the same manner, met watery graves, by falling off the same boat—the hour of the tragedy being the same in both cases.

No wonder the question is raised "Is the 'City of Chatham' fatal to its crew?" Is it possessed of a malevolent spirit which lures ill-fated victims to a ghastly end or are these tragedies merely coincidences?

HAS RESIGNED

Walter Dolman, the Talented Young
Organist of Christ Church Ten-
ders His Resignation

It will be a source of deep regret to music lovers in the Maple City to learn that Walter Dolman, the accomplished young organist of Christ Church, has tendered his resignation on account of ill health.

Mr. Dolman is a young Englishman and an exceptionally talented musician. For the past eighteen months he has presided at the Christ Church organ, during which time the musical services have made wonderful advancement, the new organ has been installed and the now famous surplice choir formed. A large share of the credit for this splendid progress is due to the untiring efforts and ability of Mr. Dolman.

From his boyhood the organ loft has been his home, and for several years in England he presided at the musical services in the Midland has, moreover, studied with many of the old land's masters.

Mr. Dolman's regrettable resignation has been forced upon him by failing health, and his many Maple City friends devoutly hope the rest he contemplates will fully restore him to his wonted activity.

MUST WAIT

Chatham to be Given Game Here
With Pilgrims After Oct. 7—Mr.
Laurie Interviews Eng-
lishmen

Yesterday afternoon the English Pilgrims passed through Chatham, via C. P. R., enroute to Detroit. They were met, by arrangement, by a committee from the local club, consisting of F. D. Laurie, H. Flowers and H. W. Anderson, with a view to securing the Kent County game in Chatham.

Mr. Laurie, accompanied the Pilgrims to Detroit for the purpose of closing arrangements. Here it was found that the advance agent has mismanaged the dates in such a way as to call for departure to St. Louis on Wednesday morning, leaving both Chatham and Toronto unaccounted for.

After considerable wiring and consultation Mr. Laurie was successful in securing assurance that on completion of the American schedule on Oct. 7th the Pilgrims will return to play at Buffalo, Toronto, Seaforth and Chatham.

The tourists' management were profuse in their apologies for the postponement and the players heartily expressed their desire to see Laurie to come to Chatham. The Toronto dates had also to be postponed, the management stating that the long travelling in this country was killing the players.

The Chatham club has been put to considerable expense and inconvenience to arrange for this match. Players had arranged for absence, etc., but the later game, it is hoped, will give our boys better opportunity to get in shape for the great game.

"FILTHY BIBLE"

J. W. White so Designates the Good
Book Used for Division Court
Swearing

"I would like to see The Planet call attention to the filthy Bible used for swearing witnesses in Division Court," said Barrister J. W. White, of the three S's (Sprinter, Shar-beg pardon—Solitor, and Singer) to this great home journal this afternoon.

"It is absolutely a disgrace," the gentleman continued. "To think that a book filthy with dirt and microbes should be handed out to be kissed by pure lips. I shall absolutely refuse in future, and swear only by the uplifted hand. It is a discredit to the whole Court procedure. If Earl Gray came there and they handed him that book, what would he think? I tell you he'd feel as bad as I do."

"There is no reason why a new Bible should not be supplied, unless the Court is too penurious, and that is something a whole-souled generous sportsman cannot tolerate. I wanted a Bible once and I bought one for three cents—and didn't beat the fellow down either—and I think the Court should surely get a new one. They cannot expect us to pollute our lips any further."

GOOD WORK

Gama Warden Wigle Working up the
Border and Assisting Deputies
to Enforce Laws

Game Warden Wigle was in the city this morning en route to Mitchell's Bay, where he intends to start a reorganization of work along the border and help the deputies in mapping out their work.

Mr. Wigle is making a distinct advance on the old and loose way of enforcing and looking after the game laws. His regime has been characterized by an energy and efficiency which is being universally complimented by all interested in the preservation of our game.

"A number of Americans are asking for shooting licenses," said the Game Warden to The Planet this morning, "but the number will be lessened, owing to the fact that this is a close year for quail."

HIGH WIND

Ex-Reeve Campbell, of Tilbury, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Campbell reported that the wind accompanying the previous day's electrical storm did great damage throughout Tilbury and Raleigh. The zone of devastation continued as far as Charing Cross. Chimneys were blown down, windmills toppled over and fences torn up.

The storm reached Blenheim also, where chimneys were the principal sufferers—those on the Byram, Pardo and Collar mill being blown down. In addition to this the windmill on the Town Hall was blown down and shade trees throughout the town were uprooted.

Fortunately, as the crops were all in, no damage was done to them.

HIDDEN MONEY WAS STOLEN

Crown Expects Startling
Developments in Rob-
bery From Raleigh
Homestead

\$175 Was Placed in Box and Hidden
—It Strangely Disappears—
Rich. Gill's Loss

The Crown is to-day busily investigating a case, from which the Crown Attorney anticipates somewhat startling developments.

Richard Gill, of Raleigh, recently sold cattle for which he received the sum of \$175 in cash. This amount he carried around for some days in his pocket, but on Friday last he placed it in a box where other valuable papers were kept, and replaced the box in a private place known only to himself and his family.

Yesterday (Sunday) morning about ten o'clock, at the front gate of the homestead he unexpectedly found the box filled with old receipts, etc., but minus the money.

The matter was at once reported to the Crown authorities, and a very interesting and somewhat startling investigation is in progress. As to the character the Crown Attorney declines, at the present time, to give out anything for publication.

WARNING

Police Officer Tom Groves says he will be at the Police Station to-night between the hours of half-past six and nine, to receive poll tax. Those who have been served with notices had better pay up to-night, as costs will be added on them in the morning.

SIX MONTHS

Henry Allnis Better Known as Deneen
Will Not Steal Fruit Again Dur-
ing the Next Half Year

Henry Allnis was given six months in the Central for stealing some jars of fruit from the house adjoining Christ Church.

Allnis is better known as Henry Deneen. He says Deneen is a nickname given him, as people cannot remember the name of Allnis. When asked where he was born, he first said in the States, then changed it to a place on the St. Lawrence River, and finally said he was born in England. Then he tried to make out in his explanation that Quebec was in England and Battle Creek was in Quebec, on the St. Lawrence. He evidently has not got a full or even fair portion of the common sense that belongs to a sane and sensible man.

He tried to explain the stealing of the fruit by saying the man had moved out of the house and left the fruit, and so he thought he might as well have it; so he took it, thinking the owner had no further use for it.

Oliver Toulouse was fined \$1 and costs, \$5 in all, at the Police Court this morning for being drunk and disorderly.

ATTEND CHURCH

Members of the 24th. Regiment At-
tend Divine Service in
Christ Church

The first church parade of the season was held yesterday when the boys in red attended divine service in Christ Church. Owing to the unfavorable weather there was not as large a turnout as there would otherwise have been. Over a hundred men were on parade, however. They marched on the sidewalks and dispersed with the bands.

Before commencing his sermon Mr. McCosh, who is the chaplain of the Regiment, took occasion to welcome the boys to the church on behalf of himself, the wardens and the congregation. He hoped they would always remain the prosperous organization that they are at present and that they would grow and prosper with the erection of the new armories. Chathamites are proud of the splendid 24th.

The music by the vested choir under the able direction of J. W. Wilson, was of a special nature and was very much enjoyed. It was marked by two special numbers—a solo by Miss Gertrude Potter, and a selection from the Christ Church male quartet, composed of Messrs. Wilson, J. R. Smith, Wilf Smith and Angus.

Upon the return to the barracks votes of thanks were passed to the choir and rector of the church for courtesies extended.

Mr. Watson H. Walker signed a contract to-day with the Pioneer Music Publishing Co. of Chicago and New York, to publish his compositions on the royalty plan. The first piece is a concert mazarinka entitled, "The Maple Leaf," for piano.

Fall Wall Paper

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sant and attractive
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Fresh mixed Biscuits, 3 lbs. 25c. Ceylon Green Tea, 20c lb.

Brooms, 15c each. Best Flour, 12 lb. sack 32c; 25 lb. sack 63c.

Two cans Salmon 25c. Grand Soap, 4c per bar; 8 bars for 25c.

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