

CONFLAGRATION IN KINGSTON

Destruction of St. George's Cathedral.

Only a Portion of the Contents Saved—Two Firemen Hurt—A Woman Drops Dead From Excitement Incident to the Fire.

[G. N. W. Special to The Advertiser.] Kingston, Ont., Jan. 1.—St. George's Cathedral was burned this morning. The fire was discovered about 5 o'clock, and in a few hours the fine building was a mass of ruins, the interior being completely gutted. An explosion of gas in the furnace room is supposed to be the cause.

Firemen, policemen, soldiers and citizens worked hard in weather 12 degrees below zero, and all were soon coated with ice.

When the roof and dome fell in the flying embers spread fire along King street, doing special damage to the residences of Very Rev. Dean Smith and George H. Allen. Both homes were flooded before the fires were extinguished.

The cathedral was built in 1825 and remodeled in 1840 and 1893. It is probable that \$1,000,000 has been expended upon it. The authorities carried a debt of \$30,000. The insurance was \$25,000 on the building and contents.

A portion of the records and vestments were saved. The church will be restored.

John Sands, fireman, had his head laid open by a falling slate, and John Burns, fireman, was rendered unconscious by being struck by a falling brick.

Mrs. Margaret Arnold, 243 King street, opposite the church, dropped dead at noon as a result of the morning's excitement. She was about 75 years of age.

BURNED TO DEATH. Alvinston, Dec. 31.—The 4-year-old daughter of Lachlan McNeil, of this place, was burned to death yesterday afternoon. She died last night, after suffering intense agony. The girl's mother had gone out for a few minutes, leaving the children in the house, and it is supposed her clothing caught fire from the stove. When first seen she was running through the yard towards her mother, completely enveloped in flames.

ANOTHER CHURCH BURNED. Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 1.—The Third United Presbyterian Church, on Diamond street, was almost completely destroyed by fire last night. Loss about \$60,000; well covered by insurance.

BAD MINING ACCIDENT

Six Men Meet a Instant and Terrible Death.

Three Others Were Injured—The Killed Fell 600 Feet.

Ishpeming, Mich., Jan. 1.—The worst mining accident in Ishpeming and Kalamazoo for years happened at the K shaft of the Lake Superior mine yesterday morning at 6 o'clock.

THE KILLED. Matt Tumminsen, Takka Mikkala, T. J. Kujanpaa, T. W. Paavala, Alfred Sivio, John Henrik Kyamhanus.

Three men were injured. The men were coming up at 6 in the morning, having finished work on the night shift.

Joseph Maloney, one of the company's best engineers, was handling the drum controlling the cage. At about the 400-foot level in the shaft there was a jar, but after that the cage came along smoothly until within fifteen feet of the surface, where it jammed tight.

On investigation it was found that of the nine men in the car only three had reached the surface, and they were badly injured. The other six had by some unknown means been hurled to instant death at the bottom of the shaft. The affair is involved in mystery, and the most experienced miners cannot explain the accident.

Capt. James Treblelock and Mining Inspector Tremmoning immediately entered the shaft with a band of miners, and found the six men piled in a heap at the bottom. They fell from the great distance and death must have been instantaneous.

It was impossible to remove the bodies through the shaft, and they were transferred underground to the lake shaft, 200 yards away. The corpses were so badly torn that it was necessary to sew them in blankets and strap them to planks before they could be moved.

K shaft is 514 feet deep. The cage now stands fifteen feet from the surface.

BAZARS FORBIDDEN. Montreal, Jan. 1.—Archbishop Bruchési yesterday issued a mandament forbidding the holding of bazars in future for any purpose whatsoever. He has also cautioned the French-Canadian newspapers not to publish any more pictures of murders, or murderers, and to publish merely the outlines of the cases in future.

PUTTING UP COAL PRICES. New York, Jan. 1.—It was announced in Wall street yesterday that beginning in the new year, the anthracite coal will advance prices 25 cents a ton.

This follows a price advance made affecting western mining with the new year, and means that the output will be reduced to a greater extent than ever before. The colliers here are to be worked only three days a week, instead as at present, producing all the coal that the companies can get cars for.

DRUNKENNESS DIMINISHED. Ottawa, Jan. 1.—J. K. Stewart, provincial license inspector, gives some interesting information about the liquor consumption in Ontario. He says that

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the temperance feeling in Ontario was never stronger than at present. As an indication of the decrease of drunkenness, Mr. Stewart says that ten years ago the convictions for drunkenness numbered 7,050. This year 2,465 convictions were made. Ten years ago, 4,700 people were committed for drunkenness. This year 1,707 were committed. These statistics apply only to Ontario.

OHIO TOWNS ARE SHIVERING

Supply of Natural Gas Has Been Cut Off.

Hundreds Go to Bed in Order to Keep Warm—Temperature Near Zero.

Lima, O., Jan. 1.—There is great suffering here and in other towns supplied with natural gas from the Red Key, Ind., pump station, which was destroyed by an explosion Saturday morning. Wapakoneta, St. Marys, Celina, Cold Water, Fort Recovery, Hume and a number of other towns are on the line, and are probably worse off than this city, as the source of reserve fuel supply is not as great as here. The mercury is hovering near zero, and the gas is out in nearly every instance, and only burning a blaze as large as a candle light, and is growing smaller.

Few consumers had preparations for a sudden shut-out, and the demands on coal and wood yards and every available team is such that all cannot be served until tomorrow, even with the teams and wagons running all night, as will be the case. Hundreds of families have not had a warm meal since breakfast, and there is no likelihood of being able to get better gas before Monday evening.

The demand for plumbers is so great that those who have succeeded in getting fuel cannot get the full benefit of it, as they are unable to get their burners arranged, the plumbers having more than they can do, and what wood and coal that is being used gives poor results on top of the gas burners.

Hundreds of people went to bed as soon as they got through work last evening, in order to keep warm, and many of them will stay there for some time, owing to the intensely cold weather. In some houses the temperature is as low as 35.

The natural gas company received word from Red Key that part of the pumps would be running by Monday evening. This may improve the supply somewhat, but the drain is so heavy that it will probably be several days before it is restored. In the meantime the suffering cannot help but be intense.

KIPLING'S WASTE BASKET.

The Anglo-Indian Genius Speaks Some Very True Words in a Recent Interview.

Dr. Leon Kellner has succeeded in getting an interview with Rudyard Kipling. Here are some of the characteristic remarks of the Anglo-Indian genius:

"I do my daily task conscientiously, but, not all I write is printed, most of it goes there." (Pointing to his well-filled waste basket.)

"I am very distrustful against praise, very distrustful against fame. You know the fate of eighteenth century English literature—how many 'immortal' poets that profligate time brought forth, and yet how much of this 'immortal' poetry still lives in our times?"

"To name only one—who reads Pope nowadays? I often run over the volumes there" (pointing to shelves of "Edition de Luxe" of his works published by Macmillan) "and think to myself how much of that which is printed is so beautiful paper ought never to have seen the light. How much was written for the mere love of gain, how often has the mere love been in the house of Rimmon?" (A favorite expression of Kipling's.)

Kipling has been all over India, South Africa, Labrador, Nova Scotia, Japan, the United States and Great Britain. When he was asked where he obtained the material for his wonderful story of the "White Seal," in one of the "Jungle Books," he answered, "I have seen it all with my own eyes."

"All thoughts is abortive speech," declared Kipling.

"I perfectly understand the difference of taste, and therefore of judgment on one and the same poet by two different people. I only wonder that now and then agreement does exist," said he.

"We write, it is true, in letters of the alphabet, but, psychologically regarded, every printed page is a picture book; every word, concrete or abstract, is a picture. The picture itself may never come to the reader's consciousness, but deep down below the unconscious realm: the picture works and influences us, and that is where the difficulty lies."

"It is rather to be wondered at that any nation can at all understand the poetry of another, and still the time is rapidly approaching that the nations will understand one another."

"The annexation of one white nation by another, I regard as the greatest crime that a politician can commit," said Kipling.

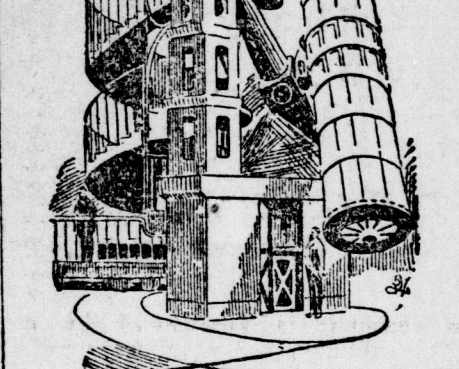
"How about the blacks?" he was asked. "I am against slavery," was the answer, "if only for this reason, that the white man becomes demoralized by the slavery."

Asked about Cecil Rhodes, whom he knows, Kipling said, "He is greater than his work."

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The city position as one of the great scientific centers, its university and kindred institutions having witnessed many of the developments of the sciences and the discoveries of modern times, and particularly so in the science of astronomy, the observatory of Paris being recognized as one of the centers of astronomical work, its astronomers having from the commencement been associated with the history of the sciences; the observatory has, in fact, seen the science of astronomy emerge from its primitive stage of two centuries ago into the remarkable condition of development which we find at the present day.

The foundation of the observatory dates from the middle of the 17th century, at



THE GREAT REFLECTOR.

which period the Academie Royale des Sciences decided to create an establishment devoted to physical research and astronomical work. The observatory lies on the southern side of the Seine. The great instrument with the staircase, called the reflector, was installed in 1875. It is completely inclosed by a metallic cupola, not shown in the picture, which slides upon a system of rails. The movable part weighs 20,000 pounds; the instrument is provided with a clock movement having a Foucault regulator. The mirror deserves special mention; the casting of the mirror was entrusted to the works of St. Gobain, and the mass of glass as delivered by the works weighed 1,000 pounds, which weight was reduced to nearly half by the optical work. The diameter of the mirror is 1.20 m. The mirror is generally resilvered every year.

CAMELS AS FARMERS.

They Have Acted for Centuries in This Useful Capacity in Arabia.

Camels are familiar to us in almost every capacity which a beast of burden can fulfill, except that given in the illustration.

Mongolian camels carrying chests of tea; African camels carrying men of all sorts and colors up the Nile; Turkish and Arab women inclosed in little square boxes of cloth, with peepholes in them; lion cubs and young rhinoceroses in cages slung between a pair of Somali camels on their way to the coast; Indian camels of old-fashioned rajahs, with swivel guns fitted to saddles on their backs, or drawing carts carrying secluded in their interior bejeweled Hindoo ladies—all of these are no longer novelties. But the camel as agriculturist appears in a new part to us.

He has, however, been used in this capacity for centuries in Algeria, where this view was taken. The plow is of the prehistoric kind, such as has been in use in the east long before historic times began. The peculiarity of the arrangement is the immense yoke by which the two camels are fastened, and from which they draw the plow. The yoke rests on pads where the camels' necks join their shoulders, and to this the pole is attached by ropes of esparto grass. The peculiarity of this arrangement is that the plow can be shifted along the yoke, and all the wide space between the pair of camels is plowed in a line across the plain. The plow is then lifted and another set of furrows are run parallel at a distance of

some yards. The clods are far too rough for the soft-footed camels to walk on until they have been broken up with the hoe. After this the camels are brought back and plow up strips of ground between them. They are used, just as we use a cultivator here, to break up hard-baked soil, for their draught power is equal to that of three or four yokes of oxen. It is not generally known that in some of the Ceylon tea gardens elephants are used for plowing.

INOPPORTUNE DEATHS

Of Great Men of History Whose Fate Affected Nations.

Julius Caesar was assassinated when he had almost completed the task of consolidating the administration and domination of the Roman Empire, and his death opened the way to that despotism and corruption which ultimately undid his work. Henry of Navarre was killed when he had almost healed the differences between Catholic and Protestant, which subsequently rent not only France, but Europe, and William the Silent also fell when he was on the point of uniting the Netherlands Provinces into a compact barrier against the encroachments of Spain.

In English history Lord Clive died at the moment when he was the one man who could have saved the American colonies and kept the Anglo-Saxon race united. But there is the case of Mirabeau. He was literally the one man in France who could have averted the horrors of the revolution, saved and reformed the monarchy, and so spared Europe the murderous career of Napoleon and all the devastation it brought. If he had lived ten, or even five years longer the history, not only of France, but of Europe and the world, would have been different. It is, in fact, sufficient to say that he would have made both Robespierre and Napoleon impossible.—Pearson's Weekly.

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G. E. Kerr, of Fort Dodge, Iowa, says: "I had some experience. She says: 'I was taken with severe pains in my back and was so weak I could hardly walk.' I tried several physicians and before I had consumed. Before I had a first bottle of Dr. Epps' Golden Medical Discovery, I was very much better. I feel better and have not yet had any of the 'five o'clock' blues. I am probably cured."

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