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LOOKS LIKE CLEAR ATTEMPT AT MURDER

Italian Frightfully Cut In Dundas Quarry.

Police Searching For Two Tramp Foreigners

Antonio Rieszo, the Victim, Has a Chance.

Apparently a clear case of attempted murder, and one for which there is not a sign of a motive came to the ears of the Dundas Police Chief last night. The scene of the assault was the Doolittle & Wilcox quarry on the mountain brow above Dundas, where a number of foreigners were in a shanty waiting for their evening meal. As a result of the fracas Antonio Rieszo is in the City Hospital here with a gaping wound in his abdomen, and Calgero Mindala is bruised and otherwise injured. The men who committed the assaults are alleged to be brothers, Giuseppe and Bruno Greco, and the police believe the first named used the knife. The last heard of the assailants was when they walked through Lynden on the G. T. R. track, and the police and G. T. R. officers are on their trail.

The men at the quarry above Dundas are nearly all foreigners, and little of the English language is heard there. They work, eat and sleep at the quarry, where large shanties are erected to accommodate them. The camp is a fairly large one, but there has been little or no trouble, in fact, the company prided itself on getting good workers and peaceable men. Last night, however, the supper was being cooked the door stood open, and two men walked up to it. They were the Greco brothers, Rieszo and Mindala went to the door to see what they wanted, and the rest of the men took little notice of the confab, as they were busy with their hard earned supper. Suddenly excited and angry voices and then a shriek of pain, and the inhabitants of the camp were just in time when they rushed to the door, to see Giuseppe Greco brandishing a bloody knife and Rieszo fall to the floor with blood spurting from his abdomen, where a big cut was visible through his torn and cut clothing. Bruno Greco was wrestling with Mindala, and took a blow in the face, and the two men, seeing the crowd rushing for them, took to the ties and went west on the G. T. R. The men in the camp followed them only a short distance, and then returned to the injured men. With the exception of a few bruises, Mindala was unharmed, but Rieszo was lying in a pool of his own blood on the doorstep where he had fallen. The police and a doctor were quickly called, and the injured man was rushed to a place where his injuries were attended to. He seemed to be sinking, however, and at 11.15 he was placed in a coffin. (Continued on page 14.)

HOUSE SAT TILL MORNING; GOVERNMENT MAJORITY 56.

Travellers' Insurance---A. O. F. Bill---Old Age Pensions---Inquiry Into Timber Berths.

Ottawa, Ont., March 13.—(Special).—The House sat until 2:30 this morning discussing a resolution moved by Mr. Perley, of Argenteuil, in supply, who charged the Government with extravagance in the matter of expenditure upon public works of more than doubtful utility.

The vote stood 43 for the amendment and 99 against, majority for the Government 56.

Travellers' Life Insurance. The bill regarding the Travellers' Life Insurance Company of Canada passed the Banking and Commerce Committee to-day. There were objections to the name by the American Travellers' Association, but it was decided that the United States company had no monopoly of the word "traveller."

Ancient Foresters. At the Banking and Commerce Committee to-day a bill was passed in regard to the Subsidiary High Court of the Ancient Order of Foresters. The bill gives the order the right to effect contracts for life insurance, to grant, sell or purchase life annuities, endowments, etc. The bill will be subject to any amendments in the Insurance Act.

Old Age Pension. The special committee to consider old age pensions met to-day. Rodolph Lennox presided. Among the first witnesses to be heard will be Prof. Mayor, Toronto; Prof. Shortt, Queen's University; and D. J. O'Donoghue, Parliamentary agent of the Trades and Labor Council. Mr. Ralph Smith suggested that a royal commission, with extensive powers, should be appointed to deal with the matter. The matter could not be properly inquired into by a Parliamentary committee. Mr. Pringle said that the New Zealand system had been originated by one man, the late Richard Seddon.

Timber Berths. At the Public Accounts Committee to-day, J. W. Greenway, Commissioner of Dominion Lands, was examined in regard to the awarding of timber berths.

Room for Millions.

St. Louis, March 13.—Redman P. Robin, Premier of Manitoba, and Minister of Agriculture, stopped in St. Louis yesterday on his way to Oklahoma and Texas for an outing after the close of a long and arduous session of Parliament. In talking of the farming possibilities of Western Canada he stated that "the prairie Provinces of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan have room for twenty million Americans as fast as they can be conveyed there by the railroads." He said: "These three Provinces ten years ago had fewer than 400,000. They have now passed the million mark."

MUNICIPAL BRIBERY

Says Col. Hendrie, But the Clause Passed All the Same.

Toronto, Ont., March 13.—(Special).—"This is a case of practical legalized municipal bribery," said Col. Hendrie at the Private Bills Committee this morning, when the bill respecting the city of Fort William was being considered. One clause of the bill provides for a bonus of \$50,000 and a guarantee of \$30,000 a year for the Fort William Car Co., a branch of the St. Louis Car Co. "That seems to be a wholesale encouragement for manufacturers," remarked Col. Hendrie, who pointed out that the company had once failed. On a vote of 8 to 5 the clause passed.

BROOKS SENT UP

For Trial With His Alleged Partner Haynes.

Arthur Brooks, charged with complicity in the theft of about half a ton of coal from the C. J. Myles Coal Co. for which offence William Haynes was sent up for trial last week, was committed for trial at the police court this morning. The evidence in the case was similar to that given at the Haynes trial, and was that the two men, Haynes and Brooks, loaded a wagon with stove coal and delivered it to Mrs. Chrysler Brooks' mother, and made no return to the Myles company. Brooks declined to testify, and was committed to the House of Correction. William James, Park street south, said he did not remember whether he saw Brooks on the night last night, but he said he saw him on the night of the trial, and at 11.15 he was placed in a coffin. (Continued on page 14.)

FULL TEXT OF STREET LIGHTING AWARD.

"Whereas by an agreement made between the said company and the said city corporation dated the 30th day of June, A.D., 1899, for the lighting of the city streets, it was mutually agreed by paragraph 10 of the said agreement "that if, in the opinion of the city council the cost to the company of supplying such has been or can be materially reduced, owing to new discoveries or advances in the electric art, the city corporation may upon or after the first day of July, 1904, give notice in writing to the company asking for a reduction, at the end of six months from giving of such notice," and in default of agreement between the parties the question of such reduction shall be left to be settled by arbitration as in said paragraph 10 is provided. And whereas the said city corporation on the 21st day of December, A.D., 1904, gave to the said company notice under said paragraph 10 that in their opinion the cost to the said company of supplying lighting as agreed has been or could be reduced materially owing to new discoveries or advances in the electric art; and claiming a reduction of \$25.00 on each lamp from and after the 21st day of June, A.D., 1905. And whereas the said company did not enter into an agreement with the city corporation granting any reduction within three months after receiving said notice nor at any time since. And whereas under and by virtue of the said agreement and of "The Municipal Arbitrations Act" it has been referred to me as official arbitrator for the city of Hamilton to determine the amount of reduction in price of the cost for each lamp per annum which the said company has made or could have made, if any, owing to new discoveries or advances in the electric art. Now I, Colin G. Snider, of the said city of Hamilton, official arbitrator, having taken upon myself the burden of this reference and having heard and considered the witnesses and evidence and argument of counsel for both parties award and determine of and concerning the recited matters, as follows:— 1. I award and adjudge that the inclosed arc lamp now in use and on account of which the said city claims a reduction of about \$7.00 per lamp per annum as being a new discovery since 1899, is not a new discovery since that date, and no reduction can be made on this account. 2. I award and adjudge that important improvement in insulation in generators, transformers and on the transmission line, improvements in switches, lightning arresters, circuit breakers, and other minor improvements have been made since 1899, and before the 21st day of June, 1905 (not including nonaging iron), whereby a material saving in the loss of power, avoiding expensive breaks and interruptions in service, increasing the carrying capacity of the line, and reducing the operating charges whereby the cost to the company of supplying such lights has been or could have been materially reduced since 1899 (30th June). 3. I find and award that these improvements are "advances in the electric art," within the meaning of paragraph 10 of the said recited agreement, which have been made since the agreement was entered into. 4. I award and adjudge that the reduction of cost which the said company could have made by means of such advances in the electric art on each lamp per annum is \$15.50 and that for the time between the 21st day of June, A.D., 1905, and the 31st day of October, 1907, the corporation of the city of Hamilton is entitled to be repaid by the Hamilton Cataract Power, Light & Traction Company, Limited, on this account the sum of \$16,169.29. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 12th day of March, A.D., 1908. COLIN G. SNIDER. Signed and published in the presence of E. W. Thomas.

RESCUED CREW.

U. S. Revenue Cutter Saves Eleven and Will Go After Others.

Seattle, Wash., March 13.—The revenue cutter Thetis has returned here, having rescued the remaining eleven of the crew of the Satsuna Maru, a Japanese schooner, wrecked in Yakutat Bay, Alaska, Nov. 5th last. The vessel was blown ashore at the base of the Malaspina glacier. Owing to the furious surf running they were unable to get away from the spot for three months, subsisting on provisions, chiefly of rice. In January Captain Fuji and four men managed to reach the outside and the Government sent the Thetis to rescue the survivors. A bar about 100 yards from shore made the undertaking hazardous, owing to the gales that have been blowing all winter. The other orders to return to Alaska to rescue 13 survivors of the fishing schooner John F. Miller, said to be starving on Unimak Island.

RAILWAY MEN

Make Requests of Government—Redistribution Committee.

Toronto, Ont., March 13.—(Special).—A deputation composed of railway employees from St. Thomas and Niagara Falls waited on Hon. Mr. Whitney, the Prime Minister, and Hon. Mr. Hanna, the Provincial Secretary, this morning and laid before them two suggestions. They considered that the compensation for injuries to employees is too small. Under the workmen's compensation for injuries act employees may demand \$1,500 damages or three years' wages, whichever is greater. The deputation also asked that the exemption of incomes from taxation under the assessment act be raised. At the present \$1,000 is exempted. The first meeting of the special committee on the redistribution bill did not take place to-day owing to the absence of some of its members. It will assemble on Wednesday next.

SPECIAL OPENING SALE

An Event of Great Interest at the Right House.

The big two page Right House, announcement of "opening specials" and new spring goods in to-night's papers should be read carefully by every person in Hamilton and vicinity. There are two full pages of saving news—news of stylish, desirable new spring goods, that everyone needs, at greatly below their real values. Read them carefully and profit by the golden spring buying opportunities they present.

The Right House is showing larger varieties and even better values than ever before.

These are opening days at the store. Visit the Right House to-morrow, study the styles and share the bargains.

Much Suffering

From eczema could easily be overcome by the use of Mack's Eczema Cure, an ointment which is guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. Mack's Eczema Cure has been sold for years, and has seldom failed to effect a cure. Sold at 30c. per box. Parke & Parke, druggists. —Miss Myrtle Dodsworth has returned from a short stay with Mrs. (Dr.) Fairfield, in Beamsville.

THE MAN IN OVERALLS

Who is it that is trying to "quer" the Grit Executive? When the Prince of Wales comes to Canada this summer he will venture no farther than Quebec. He dreads the idea of being fettered at the Toronto Exhibition.

Of course, the Board of Works will claim that electric light money. Better pay off the overdraft first.

Keep off the grass. No short cuts. He is a wise man who advertises in the Times. It's about the only way to reach the Times readers.

If the city had taken the Times' advice earlier in the day we would have got a bigger rake-off from the electric light company than we are getting.

We will soon be making for the shady side of the street. The doctors, I hear, have little hopes of pulling the Con. Club through. General break-up of the system. Went the pace that kills.

If anyone had any doubts as to Adam Zimmerman protecting Hamilton's interests, those doubts must now be removed.

I hope the children's friends are not losing their grip on the public playground proposal.

Did you read that story in the Times last evening how my old-time casual acquaintance, Adam Brown, introduced Canadian cheese into the old country? It reads like a novel.

Now that Ald. Farrar has quit talking for publication, there is not nearly so much excitement around town.

Porch climbers also favor the open window. It's handier to get in without awakening the inmates.

I thought Sheffield was more celebrated for its sherry than its music.

Don't forget that most of the expense connected with securing the Flatt Park goes to the improvement of the same and its environs.

The most of my friends, I notice, are going along their worldly way just as if Lent was not here. Are they utterly callous?

The real estate boom has struck the cemeteries.

The Stewart-Arms-trong feud is at fever heat, and all kinds of trouble are predicted at the next Con. Club meeting. One with the knife and the other with the big stick, and the chairman in a perfect muddle. What the landlord may do is another burning question.

Judge Snider made no reference to the "secret trickery" clause rot. Too childish for notice, no doubt.

Anybody else willing to give the city a piece of the mountain?

Easter brides have now begun to rehearse for the occasion.

Some of my friends are already talking of moving to the Beach. But that does not bring the summer any nearer.

March 13.—C. N. Smith, a brilliant debater, will address the Liberals of Hamilton. A choice programme will be given.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, jewelry, and other valuables. TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

NO INTERFERENCE FROM EMPLOYEES.

Pure Food.

Washington, March 13.—Perhaps the most interesting address to-day before the international congress on the welfare of the child, under the auspices of the National Mothers' Congress, will be that of Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief of the Bureau of Chemistry of the Department of Agriculture, on "Pure Food in the Household." Miss Alice Lahey, chairman of the Food Committee of the National Consumers' League, will talk on "What the Consumers Can Do for Pure Food," and Mrs. Cora Graham, of Syracuse, N. Y., on "Alcohol and the Child." A practical demonstration in cooking was given.

ICE BREAKING UP.

Narrow Escapes From Drowning In St. Mary's River.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., March 13.—The St. Mary's River is breaking up, the earliest of years. Several narrow escapes from drowning are reported. Geo. Black, a well-known business man, broke through the ice, and was rescued with difficulty. Wm. Reich, while crossing the river with a team, went through the ice. He was rescued, but the team and rig were not seen afterwards, being carried under the ice.

AGAINST THE OWNER

Arbitration Over Land For B. & H. Railway.

Judge Monck, as the chairman of the Arbitration Board in connection with the action of Burns vs. The Cataract Power Co., has given his award. The action arose over the refusal of Mr. Burns to accept \$800 as the price of his property, which the company was willing to pay. In the agreement when the arbitration was granted, it was stipulated that if the award should be lower than the offer of the company, Mr. Burns was to pay the costs. If the award was higher, the Cataract would have to pay the costs. The award gave Mr. Burns \$250. The costs of the arbitration amounted to \$327, which will have to be paid by Mr. Burns. Mr. W. A. H. Duff, solicitor for Mr. Burns, has given notice of appeal, which will come before a Single Court Judge in Toronto. Mr. W. W. Osborne appeared for the company in the case.

DEAD IN BED.

Little Boy's Surprise When He Woke This Morning.

Toronto, March 13.—When little Frank West, who lived with his mother and sister in the tenement house at the corner of Dufferin and Queen streets, awoke this morning, he found his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth West, dead in bed beside him. Mrs. West had been poorly lately, having just got over an attack of the grip. Her husband is an inmate of the House of Industry, and she had been working for herself and two little children for some time. She was 51 years old. —Senator Gibson attended the Scottish Rite reunion of the Valley of Ottawa.

SERGEANT-MAJOR PRENTICE GETS FINAL DISCHARGE.

One of the Best Known of Police Officers Died In Guelph This Morning.

Early this morning, about 3 o'clock, a useful life and one given to duty was ended when Joseph Prentice, ex-sergeant-major of the local police force, passed away at the Guelph sanitarium, in which he had spent some months in an effort to regain lost health and to recover the balance of shattered nerves. His death was not unexpected. He became so weak last evening that special care was taken of him, but he passed away this morning, heart failure being the immediate cause of his death.

The late Sergeant-Major had a long life of police duty. He served for six years and ten months in the Royal Irish Constabulary, and was stationed at Belfast all that time. He was born in Killylea, County Armagh, Ireland, about 63 years ago. Coming to this country in 1871, he was in New York for some time, but reached Hamilton in 1872, and joined the police force as a private under Chief Henry on Sept. 3 of that year. On Nov. 1, 1876, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant, and upon the elevation of the present chief from sergeant-major to

Special Committee Has Set Its Face

Against Alleged Action of City Hall Clerks.

Will Advertise For New City Engineer.

The members on the special committee appointed to reorganize civic departments have decided to read the riot act to City Hall employees, who are said to be in the habit of butting in and trying to block any move that does not meet with their approval. Ever since Mayor Stewart put his foot down on salary increases this year the clerks, so it is said among the aldermen, have been after his scalp, and the Mayor's action in demanding City Engineer Barrow's resignation brought it to a head. The Mayor says that several of the disgruntled employees encouraged the engineer to fight, promised him their support, went around boasting that the Mayor had bitten off more than he could chew, and that it would be a sin what would happen to him before they were through. "There has been altogether too much of this going on," said the Mayor this morning, "and we have decided to put our foot down on it. The matter was discussed at the meeting last night, and at our next meeting we intend taking it up again and giving the offenders a pretty broad hint that they will be expected to mind their own business, stop interfering in affairs that concern the aldermen only, and attend to the work which they are paid to do." The Mayor said it was not at all likely that any of the clerks would be on the carpet. The aldermen will content themselves with framing up a warning, which it is expected will make the clerks sit up straight.

The committee threshed out the question of reorganization for two hours or more behind closed doors, and wound up by deciding to recommend the council to advertise for a new engineer. The reporters were present when the meeting began, but were given a gentle nudge to "skidoo." Chairman Peregrine said he thought it was the wish of the members of the committee that the press should not be present. Ald. Dickson waived to know why the public was not as much entitled to the facts about the engineer's department as any other branch of the city's business. Mayor Stewart declared that he was in favor of the meeting being private, because the aldermen would speak their minds more freely. Ald. Dickson and Ald. Sweeney voted to have the meeting open. The rest were against it, and the reporters made a graceful retreat.

Mayor Stewart decided this morning that the meeting was as harmonious as a pink tea. The aldermen, he said, were a unit in deciding to advertise for a new engineer, providing the council authorities it. The aldermen, likewise, he says, were unanimous in favor of retaining Mr. Barrow. If the new man does not understand the waterworks the proposition is to make Mr. Barrow manager of the system. In case the new man desires to leave the waterworks Mr. Barrow will be retained at his present salary as consulting engineer.

The Mayor said the aldermen were satisfied that Mr. Barrow's refusal to hand in his resignation as engineer was brought about by other people interfering, and this was one of the reasons why it was decided to give the City Hall employees a lecture. Mr. Barrow will not be asked to resign now. The changes will be made as proposed, Mr. Barrow (Continued on page 3.)