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CALIFORNIA ALSO SUFFERS FROM SCARCITY OF FUEL

Severe Storms Have Prevailed Recently—Much Damage Caused by a Land Slide—People Ask Assistance

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 10.—A landslide in the Ganton Pass has blocked the through trains of the Santa Fe Salt Lake railroad. The Los Angeles Limited, due here yesterday afternoon, is tied up behind this slide. East-bound trains of both roads were held here yesterday and will leave this morning. On the Southern Pacific a cave-in at Tunnel No. 17, another at the new Tall tunnel and the trouble Tehachapi mountains effectively tied up the valley line so that it is impossible to say just when it will be open to traffic to San Francisco. On the coast line to San Francisco a landslide near Carpinteria and trouble of a like nature near San Luisobispo has blocked travel.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 10.—Unless the coal situation is relieved, San Francisco will suffer severely by next week. There is at present little more than seven days' supply of fuel. There are no colliers on the way to this port. The scarcity of fuel is being felt in cities across the bay. Prices of the fuel are even higher in these places than on this side. There is talk of a movement to ask the Southern Pacific Company to sell half of its reserve supply of coal at reasonable figures to relieve the situation. The railroad company has stored already somewhere about 2,000,000 tons.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 10.—In precipitation, the storm that has drenched Southern California, during the past four days, is the heaviest in eighteen years. Landslides south of Santa Barbara has at last tied up four or five passenger trains bound hither. Four or five lives are known to have been lost from the storm.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Jan. 10.—A country bridge over the Santa Ynez river, near Lompoc, went down yesterday, carrying 20 persons into the water. Two persons were drowned and several injured, none of the injured will die. The dead are Mrs. Sherman Hule and an eight-year-old son of John Lyndiken.

FLEEING TO THE HILLS IN DREAD OF EXPLOSION

Fire in Powder Plant Working Its Way Towards Tons of Explosives

HOLLIDAYSBURG, Pa., Jan. 10.—The explosion at the Standard Powder Company at Borrell station today destroyed by an explosion, caused by a fire. No lives were lost. The damage will exceed \$100,000. A fire is now in progress and the flames are eating their way through a storehouse in which five thousand kegs of powder and two carloads of dynamite are stored. Train traffic has been stopped on the Williamsburg branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad and people in the Frankstown valley are fleeing to the hills anticipating an explosion. Two houses a mile distant were wrecked. The explosion was heard 25 miles away.

WAS AN OLD MAN WHILE STILL A LITTLE BOY

Minneapolis Lad Whose Body Developed so Rapidly That He Died of Old Age in His Twelfth Year.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 10.—A despatch from Minneapolis says: "James Anderson, who died here yesterday aged 11 years and 2 months, was in the opinion of the physicians at least 60 years old so far as the condition of his vital organs determine the age of a man. "When six years old his hair began to turn grey, his eyesight began to fail, and he walked with the deliberate care of a person who is advanced in years. As a young child he was exceptionally bright, but his mental faculties were gradually falling for the last two years, so he was little better than a person in his dotage during the last few months."

TRAIN CREWS MADE MONEY BY SHORTAGE OF CARS

MOOSMIN, Sask., Jan. 10.—The Royal Grain Commission which resumed its session here yesterday brought out rather startling evidence. Several witnesses swore positively that train crews had taken an undue advantage of reported shortage of cars, using this as an excuse for a deliberate hold-up of shippers. He declared that the only way some of the dealers could obtain a car was to bribe crews to side track a car for them and they invariably found there was a plentiful supply at \$10 apiece and several conductors had found this a most lucrative means of adding to their income.

FROM FORTY ABOVE TO SEVEN DEGREES BELOW

Cold Snap Came Suddenly But Will Not Likely Last Very Long.

The thermometer registered below zero today, for the first time this year. The change in the weather came very suddenly. The mercury dropped 47 degrees inside twenty-four hours. The present cold snap started in about three o'clock yesterday afternoon, when a strong wind sprang up from the northwest. It blew on an average of 38 miles an hour. Soon after, the slush on the streets became ice and walking was very treacherous. Towards evening the wind increased its velocity at times, and at six o'clock it blew in gusts about 40 miles an hour. The wind ceased blowing hard at four o'clock this morning. The thermometer then registered 7 degrees below zero. As the sun came up, the weather became milder, and at nine o'clock the mercury was 5 below. At noon it was on the zero mark. The highest temperature yesterday was 40 degrees above. In the morning a few drops of rain fell, which later turned into snow. By nine o'clock last night the mercury had dropped to 14. The indications are that the cold snap will not last long. It is probable that by tomorrow night the weather will be quite mild.

STARTED KITCHEN FIRE, THE HOUSE WAS BURNED

Arthur London and His Mother Made Homeless by an Early Morning Blaze.

The fire department was called out at an early hour this morning by an alarm from box 180, Woodcock, in the house of Mrs. Amelia London at 37 Chesley street. The building was a two story structure occupied by Mrs. London and her son Arthur. It is thought that the blaze started in the kitchen as the fire in the stove had been burning for some time. When the firemen reached the scene the flames had gained considerable headway. The house was badly gutted. The city engineers and apartment owners were called to the scene to draw up plans for the dredging of Navy Island bar. A whelmin named Warnock has applied for an increase of salary from \$35 to \$40 a month. The salaries committee will decide in the matter. The meeting adjourned at noon.

WARSH'S WILL HAVE SUBMARINE BELL SIGNALS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Experiments conducted by the lighthouse board in the United States, the British and the Japanese, have been successful, supplemented by some smaller tests made by Rear Admiral Evans have satisfied the navy department of the value of the system of sub-marine signaling by means of bells to indicate the approach of a ship in thick weather or at night. The system is being adopted by the navy with the proper devices for transmitting and receiving the bell signals under water. It is believed that this will reduce largely the chances of stranding and collision.

THE ELLEN M. MITCHELL WAS DRIVEN ASHORE

NEW LONDON, Conn., Jan. 9.—Two masted schooner Ellen M. Mitchell, hailing from a Nova Scotia port, went ashore on Goose Hummock today, and was hauled off by the wrecking tug Alert of this city. She was towed in here tonight and beached. Schooner Emily Anderson, also British, is ashore about a half mile east of Race Point on the south shore of Fishers Island and an effort will be made to haul her off tomorrow morning. Both schooners went ashore in a heavy fog. They are laden with lumber.

IT WAS FIFTEEN BELOW IN FREDERICTON

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 10.—T. V. Monahan, 15 Woodcock, is in the city today, and it is said he is negotiating for the purchase of the Barker House, with every prospect of satisfactory results being reached. Four desertions from the Royal Canadian Regiment are reported to have occurred on Tuesday last. Mr. S. Dow Simmons captured the old rink medal at the curling rink last evening by a score of 37. Judge Landry is registered at the Queen today. The thermometer registered 15 below the other last night. A strong north-west wind blew making it one of the coldest of the winter.

FERRY WILL SOON PAY FOR ITSELF

This is the Hope of Some Members of the Board.

Report for the Year Shows That Receipts Almost Equalled Operating Expenses.

The ferry committee met at City Hall this morning, Ald. C. B. Lockhart presiding. Those present besides the chairman were Ald. Holder, Bullock and Tully and Council Clerk Wardrop and Supt. Glasgow. The chairman first read the receipts of the ferry collections for the year. The statement was as follows: Collected, \$38,808.33; assessments, \$4,270.04; total expenditure, \$33,945.36; excess receipts over expenditure, \$12,132.99. In addition Chamberlain Sandall has furnished a statement giving the ferry department credit for \$30, which will be charged up to other city departments for the passage of officials and teams. Again there is a likelihood that several thousands of dollars will be paid out for new work in the Ludlow will be transferred to capital account, and thus the ferry will be reported as almost self-sustaining in so far as ordinary operating expenses are concerned.

The indebtedness on the 31st of December, 1906, was \$2,925.12, and on December 31st, 1906, \$3,124.12. This of course, will be further reduced by a revision of the accounts. Several applications were received for increases in salary. Fireman Lewis' application was filed, an increase from \$45 to \$50 a month. Andrew Crawford, a fireman, also applied for an increase. His application was referred to the salaries committee. The Supt. Glasgow announced that the Ludlow was now ready to go on the route. It was decided that she be put in commission on January 16th. It was also decided that the Ounango be kept in good repair so as to be ready to take the Ludlow's place if any mishap should occur to the latter boat.

There was some discussion as to what work on the Ludlow could be charged to capital account. It was decided that Engineer Parks be directed to arrange a statement which would show the cost of the Ludlow. A sub-committee composed of Ald. Holder and Supt. Glasgow was appointed to arrange for several changes to be made on the Ounango. The chief change will be to alter the front of the boat so that she will fit the floats better. It was decided that the city engineers and apartment owners be called to the scene to draw up plans for the dredging of Navy Island bar.

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A RAREBIT DREAM, THE SUICIDE'S COMMENT

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—With a note lying nearby in which he had written that "life is a rarebit dream" the body of Albert A. Chittenden, aged forty, an artist of some note, was found in his luxuriously furnished apartment on West Twenty-ninth street today. He had committed suicide by inhaling gas and had been dead at least three days. Pinned on his waistcoat was the following note: "Life is a rarebit dream, ha, ha, such a funny dream, but a monstrous one, ready to awake to something less ridiculous."

FOOLISH WEST GIRL SHOT BY HER HUSBAND

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—William Igoe, a truck driver, twenty-five years old, shot his fourteen-year-old wife, Mary, when he found her at her mother's home today; then he shot his brother-in-law, William Wehmer, aged 17 years, and himself. Igoe will very likely die but his girl bride and her brother will live. Igoe and the girl met for the first time Thanksgiving Day and were married three days after. They never lived together the girl showing a disposition to remain with her mother, who, they avoid. Igoe moved into a new home. Igoe discovered their whereabouts today. He is a prisoner at the hospital.

ANOTHER RUSSIAN OFFICER KILLED BY REVOLUTIONISTS

RUSSIA. LOZ, Russian Poland, Jan. 10.—Colonel Patko Andrieff, Chief of the Gendarmes, of Loz district, was shot and killed this morning on Poldunowa street, passing infantry patrol fired a volley at the assassin but only wounded several innocent on-lookers. The assassin escaped. Poldunowa street was closed by troops and the police began making a strict search of all the houses fronting upon it. ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 10.—Vice-Admiral Dubassoff, ex-Governor General of Moscow, and at present a member of the council of the Empire, has received notification that another attempt upon his life will be made.

NORTH SHORE MAN HAD LEG TORN FROM HIS BODY

NORTH SHORE GIRLS TO WORK IN COTTON MILLS Fifty Being Brought Here This Week by a Local Employment Agency.

The Cornwall and York cotton mills management have been seeking new hands and excellent inducements have been offered for girls to work in the factories. There were not enough applicants in the city and as a result the National Employment and Shipping Office was called on. For this employment bureau J. F. Seawray is managed and the office according to the business card is at 637 Main street. The card advertises "We ship labour, both male and female, to all parts of the globe." On Monday last the National Employment manager brought into the city thirteen girls. These were sent to boarding houses. This morning seventeen more girls arrived on the early train and there being lack of accommodation in boarding houses the agents sent the factory girls to the Ottawa hotel where they will remain until boarding houses can be secured for them.

The employment agent says that on Saturday next he will have twenty-one additional girls brought here to work in the cotton factory. These girls are taken from their homes on farms in the country districts of Pettit Roher, River du Loup, Bathurst and other North Shore districts, and to use the agent's words, "When I took the girls from their homes I told the parents that they would be protected and placed in good boarding houses." At the present time there are seventeen girls at the Ottawa Hotel and despite the fact that the mercury was below zero this morning, the girls were on the King Square sidewalk, hatless and in summer shirtwaists, and seemed greatly pleased in helping the truckmen to carry in their trunks. This morning's crowd had only been in the hotel for an hour when a ship laborer insulted one of the number, who was ill. The manager of the employment agency was told of the insult and promptly punched the fresh individual. The laborer, who was about two-thirds drunk, was afterwards seen staggering about the King Square sidewalk with his face bleeding, and looking for vengeance.

SEVEN MET DEATH IN FLOOD OF MOLTEN METAL

Charred Bodies of Steel Co. Employees Taken From Pittsburg Plant—A Dozen Others Were Burned.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 10.—As a result of last night's explosion of molten metal at the Eliza furnaces of the Jones & Laughlin Co., the charred trunks of seven men are at the morgue and twelve badly burned and crippled workers are in hospitals, while workers are digging through a mass of steel and cinders for the bodies of several others who are still missing. Of the injured three will probably die. The morgue today was besieged by a constant stream of relatives of the unfortunate. The bodies of the victims were badly burned and almost unrecognizable. However, five of the seven charred bodies were identified. E. L. Meester, the superintendent expressed the opinion that the accident was caused by the loosening of one of the steel bands about the bottom of the furnaces. It fell, said he, making that portion of the shell weak. The great pressure of the steel charge and gas against the weak point resulted in a plate giving way and other places were affected. There were 100 tons of steel in the furnace at the time. The loss to the company will be at least \$50,000.

THE DEATH ROLL

QUEBEC, Jan. 10.—Andrew Thomson, aged 78 years, president of the Union Bank of Canada, president of the Quebec Railway, Light and Power Company and financially interested in many Canadian interests, died suddenly at his residence on the St. Foye Road this morning. His complaint had not been considered serious. Mr. Andrew Thomson was of Scottish descent, was born in Quebec and was the son of the late John Thomson of "Westfield" Quebec. He was educated in the Quebec High School and when quite young entered the firm of Thomson and Co., lumber merchants, of which his father was principal member. He was for some time in charge of the Buckingham mills and afterwards entered the firm of G. B. Hall and Co., proprietors of the Montmorency mills. He was a Presbyterian.

REV. J. DeWOLFE COWIE APPOINTED A CANON

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 10.—His Lordship Bishop Kingston has appointed the Rev. J. R. DeWolfe Cowie, rector of Fredericton, a canon of Christ Church Cathedral. At the regular meeting of the vestry last evening that corporation unanimously decided to grant their rector a substantial increase in salary for the present year.

While in One of the Chatham Mills He Was Caught by an Iron Hook and Met a Terrible Death

CHATHAM, N. B., Jan. 10.—John Burns, an employe at the harking mill in connection with the Miramichi pulp and paper plant here, met a terrible death this morning. He was employed in clearing away the refuse accumulating near the blow pipe, when the rope attached to one of the grappling hooks he was using became entangled in a shaft and the hook was jerked into his right leg, whirling him around the shaft. As the rope was drawn into the machinery his leg was pulled out of the socket and clean away from the body. He was alone at the time and no one saw how the accident actually occurred, but he was discovered when the leg was almost wrenching off, and the machinery was stopped. Dr. Byrne was summoned, but the man died in a few minutes. He was eighty years of age and leaves eight children, two of whom, John and Mark, are living in St. John.

HEAVY SNOW DRIFTS DELAY TRAINS ON I. C. R.

Moncton Hockey Player in Poor Health—Other News From the Railway Town.

MONCTON, Jan. 10.—With the thermometer registering eight and a half degrees below here, Moncton today is experiencing the coldest weather in many weeks, and the cold is especially felt coming so suddenly after a period of spring-like weather. High wind has accentuated the frost and the weather is bitterly cold. Delayed by a heavy snowstorm in Quebec, the Maritime Express due here this morning will not reach this city until about five o'clock this afternoon. The delay occurred west of St. Flavie, the train encountering a number of drifts and being held up by a snow train which was caught in a drift. E. J. Thomson and W. B. Logan escaped death by the narrow margin of a few inches, when a piece of galvanized iron coping loosened from its fastenings on the third story of a main street building, and chanced just in front of them. A high wind had loosened the iron which weighed about seventy-five pounds, and it fell with terrific force, alighting at the feet of the two gentlemen. The Moncton Victorias will be without the services this winter of their clever point player, Frank Brown. He has been ill for some time, but is expected to turn out before the end of the month. Yesterday he underwent a medical examination and was told that he could not play this winter. The water and light committee of the city council met last night and reports for the year showed that the department had made a splendid showing. Collections were over six thousand dollars better than in previous years. The salary of several employees was increased and the committee decided to charge the system of book keeping in the department.

BOSTON ELEVATED CAR NEARLY WENT OVER

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—The last car of an elevated train which was rounding a sharp curve into Washington street tonight, was snapped off and narrowly missed falling from the elevated structure onto the railroad tracks 100 feet below. The car brought up against a switch tower and four persons were injured in the piling up of the passengers when it careened over its side. The elevated train was bound from the Atlantic Avenue spur of the elevated system into the main structure on the corner of Washington and Mott streets. The train was under considerable headway and the rear car was snapped off and jumped the track. It fetched up against a signal tower in the triangle and stopped, but it leaned so far over on the right hand side that all the passengers in the car were thrown into a heap. Twenty feet the other side of the car was the edge of the structure and a hundred feet below it were the railroad tracks with trains passing every minute or two. The accident blocked the elevated road for more than an hour.