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OVERCOME BY ACID FUMES.

Factory Employee Picked Up Nitric Acid by Mistake.

James Anketell, an employee of the Booth Copper Company on East Queen-street, was yesterday almost asphyxiated by fumes from a dish filled with nitric acid.

He was commissioned to carry a vessel containing muriatic acid from the Queen-street works to those on Richmond-street, but in mistake picked up the vessel containing the nitric acid. While walking along Richmond-street, he was suddenly overcome by the fumes, and dropped to the ground, splashing the acid in his face.

Two firemen across the road saw him fall and ran to his assistance. The ambulance was called and the injured man taken to the General Hospital, where, last night, he was reported to be doing nicely. He will be out again in a couple of days.

Nitric acid has on two occasions caused serious illness to city firemen, and one death.

INFANT WAS MURDERED.

Coroner Cotton's Jury Returns Verdict Blaming Person Unknown.

Death by murder, at the hands of some unknown person, was the jury's verdict yesterday afternoon, in the inquest on the child found in the Don on Sunday afternoon.

Coroner Cotton called Constable McKeay, who stated he was telephoned at the police station about the finding of the body. When he went down to the Don where the child was found, he met Oswald Brown of 149 Munro-street, the little boy who discovered the floating body. There was with him David Easlip of 406 Wellesley-street, who had telephoned to the police.

Upon viewing the body he found it wrapped up in a pink flannel cloth, tied around with cord. There was a mark over the right eye, and the child was bleeding from the mouth and nose.

Oswald Brown was next questioned, and said while walking along the bank shortly after dinner on Sunday he saw something in the water near the bank. He went down and found a bundle wrapped in cloth and then covered with brown paper. He pulled the paper off one end and saw the head of a baby.

He then informed Mr. Easlip, who chanced to be passing.

VETOES POWER BILL.

Says Provision to Limit Amount of Water is Meaningless.

Albany, N.Y., May 21.—Gov. Higgins today vetoed the bill passed by the legislature to regulate the amount of water which may be taken from Niagara River for power purposes.

In his veto memorandum the governor points out that the bill "provides that the rights of existing corporations shall be limited and restricted to take from the river a quantity of water equal to the quantity which said corporations can draw under their present charters."

"This provision," says the governor, "is meaningless as being only declaratory of present law or else it doubles the quantity of water which such corporations may lawfully use."

BIG FELLOWS ON THE RACK.

High Officials of Pennsylvania R.R. Are Subpoenaed.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 21.—Subpoenas have been issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission for several important officials of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

They will be asked to testify concerning car distribution and gifts of coal company stock when the commission resumes its hearings here on Wednesday.

The new witnesses will include Sam. Rea, third vice-president, and President Cassatt's two assistants, Robt. Pittman, at Pittsburgh, and W. A. Patton of this city.

First Vice-President John P. Green may also be subpoenaed.

TURKS FIGHT SERVANS.

Salonica, Turkey, May 21.—Turkish troops at Starkofsha, near Kratovo, have destroyed a Servian band of nine men. The Turks lost two killed and several wounded in the fight.

At Spragambur, near Grebena, yesterday, a Wallachian band killed four Greeks.

SHIRTMAKERS COMBINE.

Montreal, May 21.—The latest trade combination announced to be in progress is among shirt makers. The companies concerned are the Standard Shirt Company, A. Hag, Sims & Co., J. P. Black and G. H. Hayward.

The capitalization of the company is placed at \$20,000, with authorization to be secured to issue another million.

U.S.-Mexico Treaty Signed.

Washington, May 21.—Secretary of State Root for the United States and Ambassador Casasus for the Mexican government today signed a treaty regulating the use of the waters of the Rio Grande, which, if approved by the senate, will remove what has been for 20 years past a source of friction in the relations of the two countries.

Estate of H. F. Sharpe.

The estate of the late H. F. Sharpe is valued at \$19,542.08, including \$10,000 in cash, and under the law of administration the sum of \$1000 and one-half of the amount of the estate goes to his wife, and the balance will be distributed between two uncles, H. M. Folds of Hastings, Ontario, and William Sharpe of Chester, England.

Heavy Frost in Vermont.

Rutland, Vt., May 21.—Ice a quarter of an inch thick was found on ponds and pools of water this morning as a result of a heavy frost throughout the state last night.

Killed by Falling Rock.

New York, May 21.—Two unknown workmen, one a negro, the other an Italian, were killed, and two others were injured by falling rock from the Pennsylvania Railroad tunnel under the Hudson River to-day.

KILLS DAUGHTER WITH AX.

Murderer Then Attacks Wife and Ends His Own Life.

Woodcliff, N.J., May 21.—John Cole killed his daughter, Maria, with an ax to-day, attacked his wife with the same weapon, striking her on the head and probably fatally injuring her, and then killed himself with a revolver.

The tragedy followed the departure from Cole's house of a young man to whom, it is said, the daughter was engaged.

Cole was an engineer on a ferry-boat running between Manhattan and Brooklyn, and so far as known to his acquaintances, a model father. He was extremely fond of his daughter, and his action could only be accounted for by the fact that he objected to her marriage to anybody.

OLD FEUD CAUSES BATTLE.

Seven Men in Bloody Fight and Three Get Bad Wounds.

Cincinnati, May 21.—A bloody battle was fought between seven men at the southern depot in Walton, Kentucky, yesterday. In the course of the fight, William Merritt's throat was cut; George Marchant's arm was shattered by a bullet, and Clayton Anderson's skull was fractured by a club. Others have many hurts. The injured men are recent settlers in Walton and came from the mountains.

Citizens of Walton stood aside and watched the fight, fearing to make any attempt to stop it. After the fight it was said by those who took part that the trouble arose over an old feud. No arrests were made.

RELATED TO GALT FAMILY.

Hugh Watt, Ex-M.P., Offers Strange Argument for Release.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.) London, May 21.—Hugh Watt, ex-M.P., Glasgow, recently sentenced to five years for attempting to procure the murder of his former wife, writing to his present wife, Lady Violet Watt, to send a personal petition to the King. Watt suggests among other things that she inform the King: "My late cousins were Canadian pioneers, notably Sir Albert Galt, and Sir Thomas, many years chief justice."

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.

Arcanumites' Supreme Council in Session—Rates Are Confirmed.

Norfolk, Va., May 21.—At the supreme council of the Royal Arcanum of the United States, in session at Old Point Comfort to-day, Howard C. Wiggins was re-elected supreme regent, and the entire list of officers was re-elected. A resolution reaffirming the present rate of assessment was adopted unanimously.

RAISE \$300,000 FOR RELIEF.

Des Moines, Ia., May 21.—The Presbyterian general assembly to-day unanimously adopted a resolution calling on the Presbyterian Church of America to raise \$300,000 for the relief of the churches which suffered from the San Francisco disaster.

SHIP WRECKED; CREW SAVED.

Cape Town, May 21.—The British steamer Oakburn, which sailed from New York April 18, for Sydney, N.S.W., has been wrecked off Dyerks Point, near here.

It is reported that her crew, with the exception of two Chinamen, were saved.

SWEPT BY FIRE.

Dothan, Ala., May 21.—Almost the entire business section of Abbeville was wiped out by fire last night.

The town has a population of 2500, and is the county seat of Henry County.

Will Wed Parry Sound Girl.

Spokane, Wash., May 21.—Dr. George K. McDowell, one of the best known and most popular physicians in Spokane, left to-day for Toronto, Ontario, to be married May 20 at Parry Sound, Ontario, to Miss Jean Dunlop, daughter of Rev. Thomas Dunlop of that place. Before the wedding he will visit his father and mother for a week at Toronto. Before returning to Spokane, Dr. McDowell will attend the meeting of the American Medical Association in June, and will return to Spokane with his bride about the middle of June.

Dr. McDowell has been a prominent member of the athletic committee of the Y.M.C.A. and is a member of the board of directors of the Spokane Amateur Athletic Club, an organization of 1500 young business men of this city. The Bachelors' Club, of which he is a member, tendered him a farewell banquet.

Strikers Attack Mines.

Bloomington, Ill., May 21.—Hottish striking miners, who are in protest against the proposed merger of the shaft of the Cardiff Coal Company's mine at Cardiff, a mining town in Livingston County.

The trouble is due to the attempt of the company to operate their mine with non-union labor.

Tom Murray in the Field.

Ottawa, May 21.—Thomas Murray, ex-M.P., the veteran politician, has foregone his intention of announcing himself as a Liberal candidate for the approaching by-election in North River, caused by the death of Peter Wilson.

Publicity Bill Signed.

Albany, N.Y., May 21.—Governor Higgins today signed the so-called "publicity bill," proposed by the assembly judiciary committee as a substitute for the several bills introduced to compel publicity of campaign contributions and expenditures.

Deserters Arrested.

Belleville, May 21.—Three deserters from Battery B at Kingston, who were arrested here by the police. Their names are Lewis Lawrence, Walter Kenny and Henry Deslie.

Many Immigrants Arrive.

Between four and five hundred immigrants arrived in the city by special train Friday night and Saturday morning. One brought 150, and another 200. Nearly 200 arrived on the regular trains Saturday. The immigrants sailed to Canada on the steamships Sicilian, Lake Michigan and Virginian.

RUMORED RUSSIAN CRISIS PROVES A FALSE ALARM

There Isn't Going to Be a Disturbance Over Transmission of Douma's Reply.

St. Petersburg, May 21.—The threatened storm over the emperor's refusal to receive the delegation from the Constitutional Democrats, after laboring with the hotbeds until the early morning hours, succeeded in convincing them that it would be a fatal blunder to precipitate a conflict upon a false issue, and a resolution was prepared pointing out that the importance of the address consisted in its contents and not in the form in which it is transmitted to the emperor.

The emperor's action in refusing to receive the deputation created much popular excitement, the papers voiced the opinion that it meant a rupture and crowds collected about the Tauride Palace before the opening of the session to-day. While his majesty's act is in strict conformity with the constitution and form which have characterized his career, nevertheless, his failure to seize the occasion to meet the people's representatives directly tends to produce a bad impression in the country.

The radicals in the house wanted to make his refusal a cause belli, but yielded to the persuasions of the Constitutional Democrats, and decided not to present a condemnatory resolution. A pacific issue, therefore, was assured. When President Mourmoutzoff called the house to order to-day and briefly announced what had happened, one member rose and presented a resolution which he supported in a brief speech, urging the necessity for overlooking minor incidents and getting to work on the agrarian question.

When the leader of the extreme left, contented himself with pointing out the obstacles put in the way of harmonious action by the crown.

Dr. Maxim Kovalevsky of Kharkoff concluded the debate by reviewing the procedure in Great Britain and Germany, showing that there was no offence for the emperor to take offence. The resolution was unanimously adopted, after which the house proceeded with the agrarian debate.

The resolution was adopted by the Constitutional Democrats, laying down the general principle that the land belonged to those who tilled it, was formally passed, and the emperor's reply laid aside to permit the organization of committees to examine credentials and investigate the election of members. Eleven committees, including the entire membership of the house, and distributed by lot, were appointed for the purpose. No ministers had been present in the house up to the time of recess.

House Adjourns.

The distinction of making the first remarks in the lower house from the ministerial benches fell upon Charles Von Schwanebach, controller of the empire, to-day, when the house, after recess, called up the interpellation addressed to Interior Minister, Elyshin, May 17, in regard to the imprisoned political offenders. M. Stolypin was not present and M. Schwanebach, in his behalf, stated that M. Stolypin would be ready to reply in a day or two.

After an hour's discussion the house adjourned without fixing any date for the session, which probably will be Thursday.

S. A. Alexandrovsky, the former Russian commissioner to the St. Louis exposition, and later in charge of the red cross field work in Manchuria, has been appointed director of the police department of the empire.

Paku, May 21.—The authorities here to-day discovered that a tunnel had been dug under the military prison. They also seized a secret printing office for anarchist proclamations.

The workmen of the electric plant at Bibeybat have struck and those of the oil factories threaten to follow suit.

WOUNDED BY BOMB.

Kalisz, Russian Poland, May 21.—Count Keller, a colonel of dragons, was severely wounded by the explosion of a bomb, which was thrown at him while he was returning from a review to the city.

His horse was killed and his orderly was injured. The wound he received was a serious one.

For Holiday.

This is a pleasant season of the year for short outing, for which rate of single fare for round trip is in effect via Grand Trunk Railway, good going all trains May 23rd and 24th, returning until May 26th, between all stations, and also to Suspension Bridge and Buffalo, N.Y., Detroit and Port Huron, Mich. Secure tickets at Grand Trunk City Office, northwest corner King and Yonge-streets.

Early Morning Fire.

The west end fire companies, under Deputy Chief Noble, had an hour and a half of fighting the flames in premises 172 to 178 Clinton-street early yesterday morning. The blaze started in S. E. Brent's grocery, which was damaged to the extent of \$1200; contents \$1000. Damage to the adjoining buildings is placed at \$1250.

Noise Spills Business.

Edward Clifford of Stratford, blacksmith, has secured an injunction from Judge Anglin, restraining that city from operating a stone crushing machine in premises adjoining his shop. He alleges that the noise frightens his horses, and he is unable to carry on his work.

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WELLESLEY SCHOOL WINS GREY TROPHY COMPETITION

The final competition for the shield presented by His Excellency Earl Grey, for competition by the companies of the Public School Cadet Battalion, took place on Saturday at the rifle ranges at Long Branch. The shield was won by the Wellesley Company. Dufferin won second place, and the air rifle presented by Col. Delamere. Percy Grant of Wellesley School won the highest individual prize—a medal presented by Inspector Hughes.

\$5 New York and Return.

From Suspension Bridge, Friday, June 15, via Lehigh Valley Railroad. Tickets good fifteen days. Particulars at 19 East King-street.

Win Prizes.

The Daughters of the Empire presented two prizes for the best essays on the British empire for boy and girl. The winners are Elsie Tighe of Grace-street school, and Hugh Baird of Wellesley School.

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