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DEATH REUNITES BRACKEN FAMILY

Mother, Last Survivor of Stricken Household, Has Passed Away.

AN INQUEST IS OPENED

Grim Reaper Has Taken Toll of Husband, Four Children and Wife.

Following hard upon a series of misfortunes such as rarely visits a family, whether in story or in real life, the death of Mrs. Annie Ayling Bracken, 30 years of age, in the Western Hospital last Thursday night bears a peculiar interest in that its cause has yet to be explained. An inquest was opened last night by Dr. R. M. Bateman, and will be resumed at the morgue next Tuesday evening.

Two years ago, in August, 1911, Edward Bracken, with his wife and four little children, lived happily in their home at 213 Brunswick avenue. The father was an engineer in the employ of the Canada Life Company. He was laying out money with which to buy the cottage, which they lived in, and nothing seemed impossible. But during the day when Earl, the eldest boy, then six years old, took scarlet fever, sickness has followed sickness, and death has come close upon death until with the interment this afternoon at Mount Pleasant Cemetery of the body of Mrs. Bracken, not one member of the family will be left above the ground.

The story of the family's misfortunes is a long one. Earl, sent to the Isolation Hospital, recovered from the scarlet fever, but contracted diphtheria, with which disease he infected his sisters after he had been allowed to go home "cured." All but the baby were strong enough to survive off the infection, but her death came in March, 1912, after the diphtheria had prepared the way for a fatal attack of pneumonia.

A Sad Story. Since the beginning of the present year the three remaining children have died, in every case the youngest first. One little boy fell from the banister of the stairs and fractured his skull. The only remaining girl fell a victim to tubercular meningitis. And in the last week of May, little Earl, the eldest, died. Spinal meningitis was the recorded cause of his death.

On Thursday morning Mrs. Bracken, now bereft of all her family, was taken to the Western Hospital. Her physicians called in consultation found themselves unable make a satisfactory diagnosis of the case. The symptoms seemed in some ways to resemble poisoning, and upon her death that evening it was decided to hold an inquest. An inquest was held last night at Miller's undertaking parlors by Coroner Bateman.

LIND'S ARRIVAL AT VERA CRUZ

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Nelson O'Shaughnessy, American charge d'affaires at Mexico City, an absolute confirmation of the Huerta determination that Commissioner Lind will be considered an "undesirable" in Mexico unless he brings official recognition of the Huerta administration.

The statement issued by President Huerta thru the Mexican foreign office was first transmitted to the United States embassy, reaching Charge O'Shaughnessy at midnight Aug. 6. It was received by the state department at Washington and translated out of cipher between 12 o'clock last night and daylight this morning.

The translation was then sent over to President Wilson at the White House. The president summoned Secretary of State Bryan and they were in conference for an hour. Secretary Bryan then proceeded to the state department, where he soon after announced the following message to Charge O'Shaughnessy at Mexico City, with instructions to deliver it in person to the Mexican government:

Not an Unfriendly Act.
 "The statement of the Mexican foreign office for which this government is not responsible. In sending you as ambassador to the Huerta administration, this department will not assume that his going will be regarded as unfriendly or the character of his mission is understood."

As to how President Wilson regards the attitude of Huerta toward Lind versus different views are held by leaders in congress. The president himself has said nothing directly or publicly on the latest developments, but the White House late today authorized a statement that there is no change in the plans of the president to maintain friendly relations with Mexico and to end or endeavor to end strife in that country by friendly means.

President Repentant.
 One report, with no verification, is that he is sorry he has sent anybody on such a mission as Lind is now undertaking.

There is a report in circulation in Washington tonight that the president was so annoyed by the Huerta ultimatum that no plan of action has yet been determined on in the event that Lind is turned back at Vera Cruz and not allowed to land, or if let land, attacked or snubbed at Mexico or on the way there.

BIG TASK TO KEEP MEXICO IN ORDER

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London Spectator Says Success of United States Would Be Worse Than Failure.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—(Can. Press.)—Commenting on the Mexican situation, The Spectator says: "If America gets involved in a Mexican war, she will be lucky if it lasts only three years and stops short of forcing her to raise armies on the European scale. Perhaps, however, the worst aspect of the whole affair is if America succeeded, as no doubt she ultimately would, her success would even be worse than failure. She would find evacuation practically impossible as she would have upon her hands a huge new territory with a large population in permanent revolt."

DEATH OF MRS. J. H. THOMAS.
 Very sad news greeted Mr. J. H. Thomas of 6 Indian Grove on his arrival at the Union Station yesterday morning. Mr. Thomas was returning on the steamer Virginia from a business trip to England and while he was away his wife with four little children was spending the summer at Chippewa. The day after Mr. Thomas sailed from Liverpool his wife was taken seriously ill with acute Bright's disease and despite the fact that no efforts were spared, she died on Tuesday last while her husband was still on the ocean. The funeral, which will be strictly private, will take place from the family residence, 8 Indian Grove, this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

TO LET.
 It was time, thought Mrs. Squirrel, to procure a winter "rent." So a woodchuck to his neighbors "Autumn Leaves" most kindly sent.

To the column headed "Holes to Let" Squirrel Squirrel turned to see what was offered in the suburbs of the town of Acorn Tree. But there nothing seemed to satisfy Squirrel Squirrel's high-bred taste. Till he noticed "Round Hole Villa," and the "id" he read in haste, "It lies close to Acorn Valley, just five jumps to Beechnut Lane. Hickory Park is round the corner, half a minute's ride by train. The lot's free from hawks and weasels, and it has a splendid view."

CAMPAIGN FUND FOR SPECULATION
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 when he deposited a \$5000 cheque of A. E. Spriggs against his indebtedness to Harris & Fuller. On July 9, 1913, he further reduced this indebtedness by selling his 100 shares of Southern Pacific for \$9248. The governor's account with Harris & Fuller, according to Mr. Fuller, was known as No. 63.

After the governor had failed to answer several calls for material, on June 11, demanded a deposit of \$15,000, in default of which it was said his stock would be sold.

NATURE'S PRELUDES.
 "We have both been, enticed during the last few weeks in a most engrossing study—the songs of all the different birds in the garden. In the evenings we sit out on the lawn, and seat under the mulberry tree, listening for the last notes of the blackcap until the sun sets, and the first notes of the nightingale begin."

"Every state of their song we whistle over again. It is astonishing how well we do it nowadays. Diana is much surer of her notes than I am. Georgina could never make a sound between her lips at all."

"When, then, we have repeated it two or three times until she is certain of it, Diana writes down the notes in her note book, and then she reads it out and later renders them with her own proper harmonies into a series of preludes. I believe I have written many preludes—a couple of lines of music, the brief records of thoughts that flashed across my brain. But these to my mind are better than that. They are nature's preludes to eternal life. I cannot bring myself to think of a world where birds will never sing. Diana plays them to me in the evening when all the birds are silent, or when she is tinkling perhaps, but it has a sweetness when the soft pedal is down, and I would not have one of your Bluthners or Bechsteins in place of it. So far as our repertoire, we have the blackcap and the nightingale—the thrush, the blackbird, and the baybird. In time we shall collect them from "The Open Window," by E. Temple Thurston.

Palatial New Liner St. George Now in Service Between St. John, N.B. and Digby, N.S.
 This steamship now leaves St. John, N.B. 12.30 p.m. Atlantic standard time, daily except Sunday, arriving Digby 2.30 p.m. Connecting with Dominion Atlantic "Pique Buenaes" due Halifax 8 p.m. Connecting train leaves Toronto 8 a.m. via Canadian Pacific Railway.

The Forest Hill Railway Given Franchise

The York Township Council last Tuesday decided on a Franchise for the Forest Hill Railway Co.

You will see from the illustration that "THE MEADOWS" is situated on Bathurst street and extends westward to Dufferin street. The railway will pass "THE MEADOWS" at both ends, at Bathurst and at Dufferin street. You remember what effect the Civic car lines had on St. Clair avenue, Gerrard street, and Danforth avenue? How the properties affected doubled and trebled in value and in price? We sold our Kelvin Park frontage on the Gerrard street Civic car line at \$35.00 per foot—in less than a year parts of it re-sold at \$110.00 per foot.

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NEWS OF WESTERN ONTARIO

GUELPH CITIZENS BUY DEBENTURES
 Good Prices Obtained For City Bonds From Local Investors.

GUELPH, Aug. 8.—(Special)—The first experiment of issuing civic debentures locally has met with marked success. At the present time the city has for sale debentures amounting to \$73,148.

The finance committee held a special meeting to consider several offers from local people for the debentures. The waterworks debentures, amounting to \$32,000, were disposed of to a well-known local man at practically par value, which is considered an exceptionally good price, especially in view of the fact that the city has a surplus of \$200,000. The debentures will bear interest at five per cent. It is expected that the balance of the deal being all but closed. The purchasers are also local people.

YOUNG MAN POSING AS BANK CLERK PICKED UP BY SARNIA POLICE.
 SARNIA, Aug. 8.—(Special)—A respectable dress young man, who gave the name of Walter Arthur Green, was taken into custody by the police here charged with obtaining money by false pretences. Representing himself to be a bank clerk from Toronto on vacation, he is alleged to have obtained \$10 from a clerk in the Royal Bank here, and also secured \$25 from a cheque at the Bank of Commerce as a result of persuading a young lady in town to identify him as the bank and endorse the cheque, and it is alleged he also obtained an advance from the C.P.R. agent here to the extent of \$15. Charge has been made against him on the first two mentioned transactions.

He claimed that he would be able to arrange everything satisfactorily by communicating with friends in Toronto and his case was held over until later. In the afternoon when the court met Green had been unable to get any response from the parties he frequented in Toronto. He claimed that the Ontario and Ontario and sisters were in Saskatoon. The prisoner was remanded for a week to give him time to procure evidence.

YORK COUNTY MINISTER AT EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE DISAPPROVES PRESENT CONDITIONS.
 GUELPH, Aug. 8.—(Special)—The rural educational conference and school inspectors' short-course concluded this afternoon.

The Rev. James Anthony of Agincourt, York County, spoke disapprovingly of the present conditions of the rural districts, while Mr. W. L. Smith, editor of The Weekly Sun, thought that the press might give more and better assistance to this movement than it has been giving.

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HIS IRISH DESCENT DEFIES THE DEVIL
 Millenial Dawnist Will Keep on Preaching in Spite of Satan's Works.

BRANTFORD, Aug. 8.—(Special)—While a tent meeting of "Millennial Dawn" adherents on Colborne street was in progress last night vandals set fire to a sleeping tent of the leaders. The fire department was summoned, but could save neither effects nor tent. In the meantime the meeting was continued, the leader, explaining that he was of Irish descent and despite the fact that the devil burnt his sleeping tent he would continue to preach in Brantford.

RECEIVER OF BRANTFORD STREET RAILWAY GETS TWELVE THOUSAND, BUT COMPANY IS IN DEBT.
 BRANTFORD, Aug. 8.—(Special)—Altho the Brantford Street Railway Co. is unable to pay taxes, it was announced here today that the receiver acting for the company receives approximately \$12,000 per year, and the civic authorities were duly informed. The receiver is E. E. Stockdale of Toronto, who draws \$500 per month straight salary and 2 1/2 per cent of receipts and a similar amount on all expenditures. The total, it is conservatively estimated, reaches \$12,000 per annum. In the meantime the company pleads inability to meet ordinary obligations to the city and owe nearly \$28,000 to the civic treasury.

It was announced here today that these matters would be fully presented to the high court next September, when the city will seek to have the franchise cancelled. Considerable indignation is being expressed here that the development of outlying districts

WILL REBUILD STEAMER PECK.
 SARNIA, Aug. 8.—(Special)—The steamer Peck arrived here today in charge of the steamer city of Naples, and was taken to the Reid dry dock. The boat is the one that blew up in Wisconsin some time ago and was purchased by the local company for four thousand dollars. She will be rebuilt and used as a tow-barge in the local trade.

HELD ONLY ON MINOR CHARGE.
 Relatives of John Gallagher, 125 Strachan avenue, who escaped from Clarence street police station on Wednesday night last, and was later arrested, wish it stated that he has never been arrested at any time on other than a minor charge.