

Crowd at Station Greeting Major Morris



Section of the crowd that welcomed London's sole survivor of the Empress of Ireland last night. An Advertiser reporter snapped the picture at 8 o'clock last night, an unusually late hour for such a photograph to be made.

SOLE LONDON SURVIVOR OF ILL-FATED EMPRESS TELLS GRAPHIC STORY OF ESCAPE

Major Morris, of Salvation Army, Gives Advertiser Reporter a Wonderful Description of the Hundreds Who Sat Huddled on Slippery Side Till the Vessel Rolled and They Were Plunged Into Water.

"It was like a great grandstand. The passengers sat huddled on the slippery steel plates of the port side of the vessel. The lights of the Storstad twinkled about a mile away. They were our death-lights. A short interval passed. The silence was punctuated with reports and detonations. Then the ship rolled to port. Like snow from a roof we slid into the sea."

Such, in brief, is the thrilling story told by Major Frank Morris, sole London survivor of a party of 22 of the passenger ship Empress of Ireland, to an Advertiser reporter last night on his return to this city. Major Morris lost heavily in the marine disaster. His brother, Arthur, was sleeping with his wife, were swallowed up in the suction, that drew hundreds of souls to their death. One hundred and sixty Salvationists, many of them intimate friends, were also lost. To him the tragedy is, indeed, realistic.

Awoke Before Accident.
"I awakened about ten minutes before we were rammed," Major Morris continued. "I was lying in my berth. Above me, my brother, Arthur, was sleeping. Major Tarpin and Staff Captain Macdonald, both of Toronto, also occupied the room. Suddenly I felt the vessel quiver. Then there was a muffled sound that was strangely like the noise produced by two ships being struck together in a distant empty room. A fearful ripping sound followed. For a moment all was still."

"There's something the matter," I called to my brother. "I'm going out to find out what it is. That was the last I saw of him. In my night-dresses I hurried into the passage. People were running about in wildest confusion. No one seemed to know what had happened. I pushed my way through the thronging mass to the main stairway. By this time the vessel was leaning badly to starboard. I learned afterwards that it was on that side that we had been struck."

Gained the Deck.
"It was impossible to mount the stairs. The steps were at an angle of more than forty-five degrees. Ascent was possible only through a narrow passage up the side of the deck. Finally I gained the open air. There all was confusion. People were running about and shouting unintelligible things. I asked what had happened. No one knew."

"Then it was that I thought of my brother. I forced my way to the stairway again. It was easier going down than coming up. I gained my state-room. My brother was not there. I called his name. Only the cries of the terror-stricken passengers answered. I sought hurriedly for him. There was no sign of him anywhere. I think now that he went to the lower deck where his wife was, to protect her. Both were drowned."

Saw Commissioner.
"When I regained the stair again I saw Commissioner Rees. I put my arm under his. Together we attempted to get to the deck. When we were a short distance up the ship lurched. I lost my hold, and fell to the floor below. I lay there stunned for a moment by the fall. When I arose, my back, chest and arms ached. Everything seemed blurred. I never saw Commissioner Rees again, although I looked for him when I had regained the deck."

"When I came up again, the ship was lurching to starboard badly. The sea was like a mirror, but the water was lapping in little ripples over the rail. The port-holes on the starboard side were covered with water. It must have been running at an angle of forty-five degrees, and in at a dreadful rate. As many as were able climbed to the rail. The deck was it was impossible to stand upright. More, the vessel rolled uneasily."

"At last she leaned so much that we could no longer cling to the rail. We climbed it, and hung to the other side. Then that position became uncomfortable. As the vessel turned on her side we could see the monster propeller out of water. It was not revolving. At last we were huddled on the steel plates that only a short hour before had been under water."

Cried for Help.
"There, clustered together, cold, miserable, filled with forebodings as to what the next few minutes had in store for us."

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THOUSAND CHEER AS MAJ. MORRIS STEPS FROM TRAIN

Salvation Army and Friends Greet Survivor of St. Lawrence Disaster.

MANY MOVED TO TEARS

Touching Scene Witnessed at Station as Officer Returns.

BANDS JOIN WELCOME

Play the Doxology and "Abide With Me" During Hand-Shaking.

London welcomed a son back from the dead last night. It was Major Frank Morris, of the Salvation Army, who was a passenger on the ill-fated Empress of Ireland. He had scarcely left her listing decks when the Leviathan, staggering in her death throes, plunged headlong below the waters of the St. Lawrence.

During yesterday the news spread as if by wireless that Major Morris was homeward bound and would arrive in London last night on the Grand Trunk at 7:55. The augmented bands of the army were drawn up on the platform and a crowd of at least one thousand people assembled as early as 7:30. Expectancy was written on their faces. Most of them were members of the army.

As the big engine panted into the



MAJOR FRANK MORRIS.

RARE TALENT DISPLAYED BY MISS LITTLE'S PUPILS

Leading London Artists Assist in Artistic Program of Exceptional Merit.

That London possesses exceptional musical talent was again demonstrated last evening, when the pupils of Miss Nora Little gave a recital in St. Andrew's Hall. The hall was well filled, and the audience proved a most appreciative one.

The program was rendered in two sections, Part I consisting of vocal solos, duets and quartets, with several obbligatos by Miss Florence Eggleston. The second half was devoted to the rendition of a cantata, "The Golden Valley," with Miss Edith Fetherston (soprano), Miss Patti MacLaren (mezzo-soprano), and Miss Florence Eggleston (contralto). In the solo parts, as is always the case, Miss MacLaren delighted the audience with her clear enunciation and finished style. In the trio, "O Thou From Whose Throne Above," some very fine voice-blending was displayed.

In the earlier portion of the program those receiving special appreciation were Mr. W. A. Rossiter, whose voice lent a splendid possibility, Miss Eggleston, and Miss Agnes Irwin. The quartet, "Ständchen," Schubert, with violin obligato, was most beautifully rendered. Miss Little and Miss Eulalie Young acted as accompanists.

The complete program was arranged as follows:
Quartet—"Come, All Ye Lads and Lassies," H. Lane Wilson.
Misses Edith Fetherston, Florence Eggleston, Messrs. Howard Fetherston, W. A. Rossiter.
(a) "Soft Thine Eyes," Logan.
(b) "The Year's at the Spring," Beach.
Miss Florence Eggleston.
Aria—"Cut of the Depths," (Nain).
Miss Edith Fetherston.
Miss Leonie Steere (Mount Bridges).
Duet—"Farewell to Summer," No. 1.
Miss Edith Moncur (Exeter), Miss Lizzie Kunz.

Violin Obligato by Miss Eggleston.
(a) Slumber Song, Gerrit Smith.
(b) "Sunlight Waltz-Song," Harriet Ware.
Miss Agnes Irwin.

(a) "I Plucked a Flower," Maxwell-Wyman.
(b) "All Moon of My Delight," (in a Persian Garden), Victor Masse.
Mr. Frank Allen (St. Marys).
Quartet—"Ständchen," Schubert.
Misses Gertrude Walsh, Edith Moncur, Eulalie Young and Bessie Henderson.
Violin Obligato.

(a) "The Lute Player," Allisten.
(b) "Mother's Mine," No. 1.
Mr. W. A. Rossiter.
Aria—"Tarni les lilies," (Paul et Virginia), Victor Masse.
Miss Florence Eggleston.
(a) Since We Parted, Allisten.
(b) "Elegie," Massenet.
Mr. Stephen Street.
Violin Obligato.

Cantata—"The Golden Valley," H. Warner.
Soloists: Miss Edith Fetherston, soprano; Miss Patti MacLaren, mezzo-soprano; Miss Florence Eggleston, contralto.
Chorus: Misses Agnes Irwin, Gertrude Walsh, Gladys Manning, Lillian Morris, May Byron, Florence Woolley, Josephine Cameron, Leone Steere, Edith Moncur, Mahelle Rowan, Belle Wyatt, Florence McMillan, Eulalie Young, Bessie Henderson, Leah Thomas, Muriel Fraser, Lizzie Kunz.

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LONDON MAN HONORED BY SANITARY ENGINEERS

E. H. Russell Elected Vice-President of Canadian Society.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, June 12.—The Canadian Society of Domestic, Sanitary and Heating Engineers closed its convention here with the election of the following officers: President, G. S. Dorman, Moncton, N.B.; vice-president, E. H. Russell, London; secretary-treasurer, W. J. Crawford, St. John. Provincial presidents—Alberta, Joseph, Marr, of Calgary; Manitoba, A. J. Hammond, Winnipeg; Saskatchewan, N. B. Rowntree, Swift Current; British Columbia, S. A. Wye, Vancouver; New Brunswick, D. J. Shea, Fredericton; Nova Scotia, J. E. Godwin, Halifax; Ontario, F. R. Maxwell, Toronto; Prince Edward Island, B. Shaw, Charlottetown; Quebec, John A. Gordon, Montreal. The next place of meeting will be St. John, N. B., in June, 1915.

Returns After Fifty Years; Then Mysteriously Disappears

Wiarion Pioneer, Who Has Spent Half a Century in Montana, Lost on a Three-Mile Trip From His Old Home.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
WIARION, June 11.—John Hodgins, who built the first store in Wiarion, and who left here nearly 50 years ago, and has since lived in Montana, returned here about three weeks ago, and after a short stay left for Oxenden, about three miles away, and has not been seen since. His absence was not noticed till today and immediately the authorities have started a search. No clue has as yet been found.

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"NOISELESS" IS ORDER FOR SCHOOL GROUNDS

Police Notified to Prevent Use of Yards After 6 p.m., as Result of Complaints.

Acting upon numerous complaints made to the board of education, L. H. Martyn, chairman of Committee No. 2, has asked the police to keep all public school grounds in the city clear of hoodlums after 6 o'clock at night.

Residents in the vicinity of some schools have gone as far as to retain solicitors, who have written the board that if some action was not taken soon to prohibit the noise which comes from the school grounds as late as 11 o'clock at night legal steps would be taken to enforce such action.

Practically every school in the city is involved in these complaints, and they will be considered in a general way when the board meets this afternoon.

REV. A. S. H. CREE TO PREACH.
On Sunday the monthly morning service will be held at St. Luke's Church, Broughdale, with holy communion. In the evening the preacher will be Rev. A. S. H. Cree, who is to be ordained on Sunday morning at St. Paul's Cathedral.

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Conclusive Evidence That Dr. Chase's Ointment Cures Itching Piles.

Mr. John G. McDonald, Pictou, N.S., writes: "I used Dr. Chase's Ointment for itching piles, and found that the first application gave relief. After using a few boxes of the ointment I was completely cured, and can recommend it highly to all sufferers from this disease. You have my permission to use this letter for the benefit of others."

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STRUCK BY BELL

Hill Street Girl Injured at Queen's Park Carnival.

Ivy Webb, 14, residing at 753 Hill Street, received a deep gash on her chin at Queen's Park last night, when a large swinging bell struck her on the face. She was rushed to her home with blood trickling from the wound. Dr. Edward Spence, 435 Hamilton road, was summoned. Four stitches were required to close the jagged wound.

Miss Webb was attending the carnival at the park with some friends. Walking along the roadway between the lines of concessions she incautiously approached too near the moving noise maker. As it swung towards her she was struck and thrown to the ground. This morning she was reported to be resting easily.

ST. LUKE'S SUMMER FESTIVAL.

The annual summer festival of St. Luke's, Broughdale, is announced to come off at "Maplehurst," the grounds of Mrs. C. Stockwell, on Tuesday afternoon and evening, the 23rd inst. Among the many attractions to be offered will

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