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LAKE ERIE SWEPT BY HURRICANE \$1,500,000 LOSS IN BUFFALO

Five Vessels Ashore and Thirteen Others in Danger—Miles of Docks at Tonawanda Lumber Market Destroyed and Millions of Feet of Lumber Lost—Lake Rose Three Feet in Three Hours.

POWER HOUSES AT NIAGARA FALLS FLOODED

Buffalo, Jan. 20.—During the last 24 hours this city has been swept by the most destructive windstorm of a decade. Tonight, after day and night of continuous hurricane, the Niagara frontier lies a scene of wreck and destruction in the wake of the storm.

Two lives reported lost so far and a property damage that will aggregate \$2,000,000 when the accounting is made, is the toll of the storm. Lake Erie, a giant mud puddle, with its level higher than has been known for twenty years, has gorged the Niagara River to overflowing its banks, and thousands of dollars' worth of property has been carried down the stream. Miles of docks at the great lumber market at Tonawanda have been destroyed, and millions of feet of lumber have been carried into the river.

The damage to shipping in Buffalo harbor alone is \$1,500,000. Five leviathans of the great lakes, torn from their moorings and run aground, tell that part of the story. Thirteen others, making brave attempts to ride out the storm, may add to it. Wreck and devastation of everything along the whole waterfront is the relic of the storm.

Niagara Falls power was cut off when the cables snapped, and the city is in partial darkness to-night. Damage to homes and buildings is widespread throughout the city, but no case is of particularly serious nature.

The tail end of the storm to-night is sweeping up the St. Lawrence Valley.

The vessels aground are the Hurlburt W. Smith, William Nottingham, J. Q. Middle, Monte C. Smith and A. G. Brower. Most of them are owned in Cleveland. They have cargoes of lumber, and are being towed to the city.

For hours the gale swept the waterfront with unabated fury, tearing loose everything that stood in its path. Docks and wharves were wrecked and carried away. Craft broken from their moorings smashed against the bridges, doing serious damage. Smokestacks and buildings of lighter construction were blown down like paper boxes, but so far no casualties have been discovered.

The water in Lake Erie rose three feet in its many hours. The inner breakwalls have been pounded until portions of them have been torn away. Railroads having tracks along the waterfronts are holding their own with straits of freight cars.

The city has had telephone and telegraph communication with the principal cities of the day and much of the trouble is being remedied. The brunt of the storm seems to be west of Buffalo. Railroad service in and out of the city has been badly disrupted. The streets are being swept by blinding snowstorms.

The fleet that was anchored at the breakwall consists of about eighteen large lake liners. When they started coming ashore in the height of the storm to-day vessels were prepared to see the whole fleet beached, but thirteen of them rode out the gale. No more accurate estimate of the damage can be given until the weather permits the underwriters or vessel-owners to make an inspection. None will venture into the sea now. Old lake men say this is the severest continued storm that has swept the lower lakes in the last twenty years.

Two Drowned.
Dunkirk, N.Y., Jan. 20.—The storm's toll here was two lives and many thousands of dollars' damage to property. Pearl Shear, seven years old, was drowned while some rescuers were trying to get him safely from their home, which was fast becoming flooded. Henrietta Soldwick, 46 years of age, was crushed in the collapse of an ice house and several persons were injured and some of them severely.

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WINNIE SAULS ASKED TO LEAVE

Governor Swettenham Courteously Informs Rear-Admiral Davis That His Assistance is No Longer Required.

DISAGREE AS TO NECESSITY

Admiral Considers There's Still Work to Be Done, But Governor Thinks Otherwise.

(Associated Press)
Kingston, Saturday, Jan. 19.—Rear-Admiral Davis' mission of mercy to stricken Kingston came to an abrupt and painful conclusion to-day, in consequence of Governor Swettenham's objection to the presence of American sailors engaged in clearing the streets, guarding property and succoring the wounded and sick. It culminated in a letter to the admiral preemptorily requesting him to re-embark all parties, which had been landed.

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OLD PARTY (who is getting cold waiting for Mr. Borden to cut ice): "James Whitney cuts all his ice on the river—and he's doing well."

FAMILY OF FIVE FREEZE TO DEATH

Tragedy at Calgary—Man, Wife and New Born Babe Dead and Two Children Are Dying.

Calgary, Jan. 20.—(Special.)—The worst tragedy in the history of Calgary was discovered late Saturday night when it was found that a whole family had been practically wiped out of existence. Father and mother and a new-born babe are dead, while two children aged three and four are dying.

The first known of it was when a telephone message was received at the police station that a family named Ferdinand, proprietor of a tannery, living in an isolated part of the city, had not been seen for several days.

The constable at once went to the house and forced open the door, when he was confronted with the sight of Mrs. Ferdinand, partly dressed, lying dead on the kitchen floor. On searching the house Ferdinand was also found dead in bed, with his two-year-old son alive, but unconscious, his arm around his father's neck. The boy's body was warm, but his legs were frozen almost to the knee.

A new-born child, dead, was also discovered in bed. Mrs. Ferdinand had evidently partied dressed, and was attempting to light the kitchen fire when she overcame. The children have been removed to the hospital, but hopes of their recovery are poor.

There are rumors of foul play. The real cause of death of Ferdinand had not been ascertained, although the others froze to death.

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THAW'S TRIAL THIS WEEK.
New York, Jan. 20.—Harry Kendall Thaw, heir to the fortune of the late John D. Rockefeller, will be on trial this week for the murder of Mrs. Alice M. Brown, the wife of the late John D. Brown, in the trial by jury which will be held at the New York Court House on Wednesday, January 23rd.

\$500,000 FIRE.
Beaufort, S.C., Jan. 20.—The most disastrous fire in the history of Beaufort occurred yesterday. The loss is estimated to be \$500,000, about one-third insured. The fire originated in a building and its spread was rapid, as a high wind was blowing, the waters supply failed and efforts to fight the flames were fruitless.

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WHAT A WORD WOULD DO.
(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)
London, Jan. 20.—Helen Greenough, the Canadian, has just received a letter from a man who would give her \$100,000 if she would marry him.

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Prohibit Power Export Until Ontario is Served

Recommendation of Canadian Section of Waterways Commission, After Summarizing the Affairs of the Various Companies.

Ottawa, Jan. 20.—(Special.)—The report of the Canadian section of the international waterways commission for the year 1906 has been distributed. It contains but little not already included in the interim reports. In concluding the Canadian commissioners say:

"Your commission desire again, as in their former reports, to acknowledge the fair spirit in which all the members of the American commission deal with international questions."

After quoting the Burton Act, recently passed by the American Congress, and the recent award by Secretary Taft as to the quantities of power allowed for export to the three power companies at Niagara Falls, the Canadian section sum up the situation at Niagara thus:

"The Ontario Power Company, through its ally, the Niagara, Lookout & Ontario Co., has built transmission lines to New York State in duplicate, and in branches twenty miles wide at an expense of upwards of \$4,000,000, and for several months has been delivering power at the extreme end of the line."

"This company has not so far made any serious effort to supply the Ontario market."

Paul K. Craveth, representing the Niagara, Lookout & Ontario Power Co., in his address before the secretary of the Ontario Power Commission, stated that his company had entered into a contract with the Ontario Power Company to take increased power to the amount of 180,000 horsepower, which would be the total capacity of the Ontario Power Company's works.

Advancing the Territory
"This company has neglected the City of Buffalo, leaving that market to the Canadian Niagara Power Company, and has extended its lines to Rochester and Syracuse. They are at present developing something under 60,000 horsepower, and it is stated by Mr. Craveth that they have already existing closed contracts for 90,000 horsepower, on the American side."

"The Canadian Niagara Falls Power Company are in a position to develop at present about 55,000 horsepower, all of which will be available."

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A BLACK EYE.
(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)
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CAR OF POWDER WRECKS A TRAIN

Explosion Occurs in Some Way While Passenger is Passing a Side-Tracked Freight.

OVER 20 DEAD; 35 INJURED

Second Accident Within 24 Hours on the "Big Four" With Repetition of Cremation of Victims.

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 20.—Twenty-two charred and mutilated bodies were taken from the smouldering ruins of the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis (Big Four) Railroad, following its destruction last night by the explosion of a carload of powder as it passed a freight train at Sandford, Ind., five miles west of Terre Haute. The number injured will total at least 35.

The cause of the disaster has not been fully explained. The result was terrible. The shock was felt for 30 miles, many believing it an earthquake. The entire train, including the locomotive, was blown from the tracks, the coaches were demolished, the engine was hurled 50 feet and the passengers were either blown to pieces, consumed by fire or rescued in an injured condition.

Some of the injured will die. The most severely hurt are in hospitals at Terre Haute, and at Paris, Ill. Several others are cared for at Sandford. The full extent of the disaster was revealed at daylight, but the debris will not be complete until workmen have cleared the debris, and the injured are out of danger.

Possible Cause.
According to trainmen of the freight train, the explosion of the powder was caused by the concussion of the passenger train, which was slowing down for Sandford. Another theory is that gas escaping from an oil pipe line entered the powder car standing by the pipe and that a spark from the passenger locomotive ignited the gas. Yet another theory is that the disaster was the act of a tramp or an intoxicated man, who may have fired a shot into the car.

The wrecked train and eight freight cars were burned up. The other cars were pulled out of danger. Not a building in Sandford escaped damage. Windows were shattered, dishes and furniture broken and several doors were torn from hinges. The accommodation car was completely wrecked.

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FAIR AND COLD.
Meteorological Office, Toronto, Jan. 20.—(10 p.m.)—The western disturbance mentioned Friday night has since passed over Canada as a severe storm, and is centred to-night in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. It has caused rain from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces, as well as a very heavy gale, and has also been marked by lower temperature changes. The weather remains extremely cold in the western provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:
New Westminster, 32-40; Edmonton, 30 below-10 below; Calgary, 28 below-10 below; Swift Current, 30 below-10 below; Winnipeg, 24 below-14 below; Port Arthur, 4 below-2; Toronto, 10-28; Ottawa, 28-44; Montreal, 28-44; Quebec, 24-44; Halifax, 10-48.

Probabilities.
Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Decreasing winds; fair and decidedly cold; local snow buries.
Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—High westerly winds, decreasing at night; fair and decidedly colder; local snow buries; Tuesday, fine and decidedly cold.

Maritime Provinces—Westerly gales; fair and decidedly colder; local snow buries; Tuesday, fair and decidedly cold.
Lake Superior—Fair and very cold. Manitoba and Saskatchewan—Mostly fair and very cold; a few light local snow-falls.

Alberta—Fair; stationary or slightly higher temperatures.

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