

Killed the Whole Crew of Snowplough

C.P.R. TRAIN CRASHED INTO THE PLOW NEAR LACHUTE, QUE.

Investigation Failed To Reveal The Cause Of The Accident—Inquest Will Be Held To-Day.

MONTREAL, Feb. 27.—Alphonse St. Jean was killed instantly, and Joseph Franc and Leopold Desjardins succumbed later to injuries received today when the Canadian Pacific Railway local, No. 426, from Culmet to Montreal, crashed into a snowplough, about one-half mile from Lachute, Quebec. All three dead men were members of the crew of the plow.

The snow plow had switched into a siding to permit the Calumet train to pass, but the local swung into the same switch and travelling at full speed, crashed into the standing plow. The engine of the passenger train mounted the cab and crushed St. Jean among the debris, also pinning down both Desjardins and Franc. When assistance arrived St. Jean was dead. Desjardins and Franc were hurriedly conveyed by train to a hospital in Montreal, but Desjardins died en route and Franc succumbed shortly after admission to the Royal Victoria Hospital.

C. P. R. Statement.

Investigation to-day failed to reveal the cause of the accident. The snowplow had switched into the siding after having cleared the track at Lachute Mills, and it was headed west. The statement issued by the Canadian Pacific Railway headquarters here tonight indicates the accumulation of snow and ice as the probable cause of derailment of the locomotive. The statement says:

"At 8:30 o'clock this morning the leading wheels of the engine on Canadian Pacific train No. 426 were derailed at a highway crossing a short distance west of Lachute, where snow and ice had accumulated as the result of last night's storm. In consequence of the derailed engine truck, the train headed into a side track and struck the snow plow, extra-west, which was standing in the siding to clear the East bound train."

The statement concludes with the names of the victims and the record of their death.

Coroner McMahon will hold an inquest to-morrow.



"The Birth of a Nation" brings forward David W. Griffith's wonderful art of pictorialized spectacle with music will play at the Majestic Theatre next week. This is the great offering that recently established the remarkable record of playing to over 150,000 people in a two weeks' revival at the famous Capitol Theatre in New York City.

The first half of the spectacle exhibits the salient events of the war between the States. The formation of the Confederacy, Lincoln's call for troops, Sherman's march to the sea, the Battle of Uetersburg, Lee's surrender to Grant, and the awful tragedy of Lincoln's assassination at Ford's Theatre, April 14th, 1865 live before the spectator of the Griffith drama.

In the second half of the South's "second uprising"—this time against the carpetbagger regime—is shown in a thrilling story of Reconstruction days. The romance of the "Little Confederate Colonel," Ben Cameron, with the Northerner, Elsie Stoneman, and that of the Unionist Captain, Phil Stoneman, with Margaret Cameron, the South Carolina lassie, maintains two threads of continuous love-interest throughout the story.

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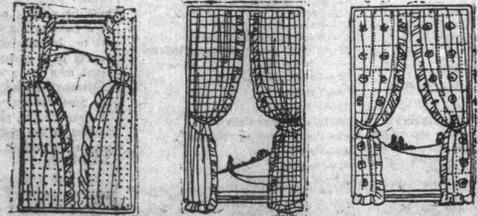
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