

SIX PEOPLE CREMATED.

Awful Fatality Sunday Morning Near Fredericton.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clarke, and Daughter and 3 Jewett Children Were Burned to Death.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Sept. 4.—One of the most shocking fatalities in the history of York county occurred shortly after 6 o'clock this morning, when word reached this city at seven o'clock that no less than six persons had been burned to death.

The McGibbon farm and orchard, situated about six miles above Fredericton, on the Curry Mountain road, in the parish of Douglas, has been for years one of the best known properties in the vicinity of Fredericton.

Not very far from the Jewett home, Mrs. Jewett's sister, Mrs. Edward Clarke, resides with her husband and family, on what is known as the Cavendish road, and it was often the custom for the two families to travel to and from town together.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, with their daughter, a bright young girl of 16 years, drove to town on their usual Saturday morning.

Mr. Jewett had also come to the city and late in the afternoon having transacted their affairs, the two parties started on the homeward journey.

On reaching Mr. Jewett's they turned in. At this time there was a request for downpour and as time went on the storm not abating, the Clarks decided to spend the night rather than drive home.

A happy evening was spent around the kitchen fire and all hands retired early to enjoy a well earned rest.

About 5:15 this morning, one of the neighbors was startled to hear screams coming from the Jewett house and pushing out, found Mrs. Jewett standing in the front doorway clad in her night dress.

Willing neighbors were soon on the scene and Mr. Jewett, who had made his appearance, brought a ladder to the front part of the dwelling and made an attempt to enter one of the upper windows, but the ladder gave way and Mr. Jewett was hurled to the ground, burnt and bruised.

Mrs. Jewett meanwhile endeavored to rescue her children, but it was futile, and she was burnt away with painful burns.

On account of the dense heat and smoke it was found impossible to do anything. The fight was a most harrowing one. All stood around watching the house go up in flames, and in those flames were six loved human beings.

After the fire had subsided a search was made, and all that could be found of those who had perished were some crisp and charred bones.

The only recognition of Mr. and Mrs. Clarke was from the size of the bones. The two eldest daughters' remains were also identified in this way, while the younger children had been burned beyond all recognition.

Those who perished were: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clarke and their daughter, Zella, 16 years; Wesley, 10 years, and Ethel, about 7 years.

when the inquest will begin at 3 o'clock in the hall at Douglas. The sad fatality, quite naturally, is the chief subject of conversation in the city today.

Dr. McNally, who is attending Mr. and Mrs. Jewett, said tonight that the latter was badly burned, but unless complications set in he hoped for recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarke were the parents of nine children, eight of whom are now living. There can be found no explanation whatever of how the fire originated.

One report is that rats and mice were the cause. Mr. Jewett feels positive that the kitchen fire was out on his retiring to bed and it was the only fire in the house during the day. There is no suspicion whatever of incendiarism.

BRAKEMAN PERKINS DEAD. Succumbed to the Injuries Received Last Week at Norton.

SUSSEX, Sept. 5.—Charles T. Perkins, the brakeman who was hurt on the Central Railway at Norton last week, died here this evening.

The doctors amputated his foot and removed the bone in his brain on Saturday afternoon last with the hope of saving his life.

He was only twenty-four years old, leaves a sorrowing wife and three small girls, the eldest only three years, also a father, J. A. Perkins, mother, two brothers and one sister.

The funeral will take place from his father's residence, Lonsdale, on Wednesday at ten o'clock, a. m. Interment in the Church of England burial ground at Sussex Corner. Rev. Mr. Camp will officiate. The Central Railway paid all the doctors and funeral expenses.

PRAYER BOOKS MATCH DRESS. New Practice in British Churches Shocks Clergy, But Pleases the Women.

LONDON, Sept. 5.—The growing fashion among smart women of carrying at church parade prayer books in bindings to match their dresses has terribly shocked Archbishop Diggle of Birmingham, who has been denouncing from the pulpit society women for their frivolity and irreligion.

But the archdiocesan dismay is not shared in Paternoster row, which is the home of the prayer book and Bible warehouses. On inquiry there as to the custom, it was ascertained that no less a person than an Anglican bishop had ordered for his daughter a cream-bound prayer book with silver clasps and monogram in silver.

It was a white prayer book which was first introduced, primarily for the use of brides and bridesmaids. The custom, it may be said, was borrowed not very long ago from America. That rapidly developed into the colored prayer book.

A west end dressmaker who was consulted on the subject said, yes, it was a custom which had found great favor in smart society, is increasing very rapidly, and had come to stay, archbishops and archdeacons notwithstanding.

IRISH NATIONAL FORESTERS. WORCESTER, Mass., Sept. 5.—The biennial council convention of the Irish National Foresters was informally opened at 11 o'clock this morning in A. O. H. hall and was called to order by High Chief Ranger James H. McGiln of Central Falls, R. I., who made a short address of welcome.

Reports were read at the afternoon session, but the principal business of the convention will be done at tomorrow's session. Tonight the delegates were tendered a banquet at the Waldorf Hotel.

LIAO YANG WITH ITS IMMENSE QUANTITIES OF SUPPLIES HAS FALLEN TO THE JAPS.

Fighting for the Time Being Has Been Suspended—Kuropatkin Has Retreated to the Northeast—Stakelberg's Force Which Has Cut Off Has Been Relieved—St. Petersburg is Bitterly Disappointed, While Tokio Rings With Shouts of Triumph.

The only direct news from the seat of war bearing Sunday's date came by way of Tokio in a report from Field Marshal Oyama saying that Liao Yang fell completely in the hands of the Japanese at nine o'clock that morning.

The Japanese inflicted great slaughter, one of Gen. Orloff's regiments losing 1,500 men. No details are given of the escape of Gen. Stakelberg's corps from the clutches of the enemy, but it is believed that it owes its safety to the neglect or the inability of the Japanese to follow their advantage.

Gen. Stakelberg was allowed to cross the river and came up with the main army in time to enable the shattered remnants of Major Gen. Orloff's detachment to retreat. This exploit is likely to condone for Gen. Stakelberg's disobedience, but unless the emperor gives him, he will have to appear before a court martial and probably will lose his command.

The war office is able to make the retreat from Liao Yang did not involve the loss of guns, and also declares that the abandoned stores were set on fire before the Russians crossed the Taitse river.

The following is the full text of Gen. Kuropatkin's report: "Today, (Sept. 3) the greater part of the Russian army, including the First Siberian Army Corps, is occupying positions south of the branch railway from Yental station to the Yental mines."

"The Japanese, although they were in the immediate vicinity of our troops today, confined themselves principally to sniping from the Chinese cornfields. Our troops, which were posted at Liao Yang, are crossed to the right bank of the Taitse river."

"The area of operations is almost entirely covered by growing Chinese crops, which greatly impedes the movements of troops."

"The retreat of Major General Orloff's detachment yesterday (Friday) was largely due to the fire with which the forces were assailed among the corn fields. General Orloff's losses are considerable, one regiment alone losing 1,500 men."

"St. Petersburg, Sept. 4.—It is reported here this evening that General Kuropatkin has arrived at Tieling. Tieling is 12 miles north of Yental on the railroad and 18 miles south of Mukden. Yental is ten miles northeast of Liao Yang."

"St. Petersburg, Sept. 4.—Major General Alexieff, Renenkampff, Gerngross and Pock have been promoted to lieutenant generals for distinguished services and Lieut. General Leninovitch for meritorious services. The emperor has conferred upon Lt. Gen. Mischenko a gold-mounted sword set with brilliant stones and inscribed 'For bravery in repelling the Japanese attacks of July 23, 26 and 27.'"

"Tokio, Sept. 4, 1 p. m.—Field Marshal Oyama, telegraphing at nine o'clock this morning says: 'After the fighting of last night and this morning, Liao Yang fell into our hands. Our casualties are believed to be very heavy. No report has been received concerning conditions on the right bank of the Taitse river.'"

"Washington, Sept. 4.—The Japanese legation has received the following telegram from Tokio: 'Field Marshal Oyama reports that at 9 o'clock on the night of the third of Sept., our central and left armies are still attacking the enemy on the south and west sides of Liao Yang. Artillery buildings near the railway station were burned on Saturday.'"

"Another report says: 'After the holiday in the states. Boston Had a Monster Labor Parade—A Hot Time in Cripple Creek.'"

"Earle Starkey shot. Got a Bullet in the Neck While Playing With Another Boy. Fredericton, Sept. 5.—Earle Starkey, twelve years old, son of Abner Starkey, Marysville, was accidentally shot and seriously wounded today while playing with a young lad named Galtley, son of George Galtley, of the same place."

"The bullet, which was from a 22-calibre rifle, lodged in Starkey's neck. Drs. Atherton and Fisher were summoned and had considerable trouble in stopping the artery from bleeding. The unfortunate lad was conveyed to Victoria Hospital. Some doubts are entertained of his recovery."

"The A. O. H. of this city held a successful picnic at the hermitage grounds this afternoon. BOSTON, Sept. 5.—Twenty-five thousand men representing the various local boards of the central labor union, the building and trades council of the Knights of Labor, joined today in one of the longest labor day parades ever seen in this city."

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ROBINSON WILL DIE TO IMPROVE SCHOOL SPELLING

Cabinet Refuses to Interfere in Sentence of N. S. Murderer.

Railway Commissioners and Mr. Fielding do Not Agree—More Jobs for the Camp Followers.

TO IMPROVE SCHOOL SPELLING. Michael Kelly, the Blind Calculator of St. Martins

Outlines a Plan Which He Thinks Would be Beneficial—Would Hold Annual Contests.

OTTAWA, Sept. 5.—A meeting of the cabinet was held today at which it was decided that the law should take its course in the case of the man Robinson condemned to be hanged on the 12th inst. for the murder of his wife at Canning, N. B., under the most bloodied circumstances.

An order in council appointing P. C. Ryan, formerly of Ottawa, to be secretary of the national transcontinental railway commission has been passed. It is said that all is not plain sailing with the work of the commissioners.

One of the most important tasks facing the commissioners is the appointment of divisional engineers and surveyors. The commissioners, it is said, hold that these appointments should be made by them, while on the other hand Mr. Fielding, it is represented, desires that the government shall control the appointments.

H. S. Scott, commercial editor of the Toronto Globe, has been appointed a special officer of customs in the United States to investigate shipments of goods to Canada under the anti-dumping duty.

Mr. Hixman, chief electrician of the inland revenue department, will represent the department of congress at St. Louis the latter part of this week. The Algoma Steel Co. have notified the railway department that they are now prepared to deliver from fifteen to twenty cars of steel rails per day in fulfillment of their contract.

Canada is to send exhibits to the exhibition to be held by the Confectionery and Grocers' Guild in London, Eng., and also to the dairy show later on.

MAY END TODAY. A New Hope for Settlement of Stock Yards' Strike.

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—Indications tonight are that the stock yards' strike, begun two months ago, may be called off within twenty-four hours. Through the medium of a middleman, negotiations were begun today in an effort to secure an understanding with the packers on which the striking unions can strike as a basis for abandoning the strike tomorrow afternoon.

It was admitted by Secretary Tracy of the allied council, that a message opening such negotiations, had been delivered today to representatives of the packing firms by W. E. Skinner, general agent of the Union Stock Yards Transit Co., acting as middleman.

According to the plant tonight, an answer is to be submitted tomorrow by the packers in reply to the report reported at a special meeting of the allied trades council. This meeting has been called for the forenoon. Special meetings for all the local unions involved in the strike have been called for tomorrow. If the packers give encouraging assurances to the strikers, messengers will be sent at once to the gatherings of the local bodies. The unions it is said, will then vote on discontinuing the strike and their referendum vote will be reported at once to the meeting of the allied trades council.

THREE WOMEN INJURED.

BOSTON, Sept. 5.—Three women were seriously though not fatally injured in a car accident on Beach Street, West Roxbury district tonight. They are Mrs. Mary Mult, left side of face injured; Miss Ruth, McRae, Jamaica Plain, contusion of the brain; Mrs. Martha McPhee, East Boston, injury to back. Four other women received minor bruises. The passengers were returning from the Caledonia games at the Caledonia Grove. The point where the accident occurred is where the track runs along the edge of an embankment 20 feet high. The car was proceeding at a rapid pace when it suddenly left the track, from a broken flange on one of the wheels. The car crashed into a telegraph pole.

TRADES' STRIKE IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—As all the employers' association took advantage of the holiday today to go out of town, no corroboration could be had that the bricklayers have delivered to the employers' association an ultimatum to the effect that they will not work with non-union men. Many of the bricklayers believing that the ultimatum had been sent out and that this presages a lockout, have taken advantage of the situation to obtain positions in other cities.

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