CORPSES FLOAT IN THE STREETS

Terrible Work of Floods in Spain and Portugal.

Whole Villages and Towns Wrecked by the Water.

People Lost and Cattle Die by Thousands.

Seville, Spain, Feb. 19.—The floods which have devasted this city for many days are now rapidly subsiding. Two of the suburbs, Navas and Burgillos, which have been isolated from the rest of the city for over a week, are in a lamentable condition. Many of the inhabitants have been found dying of hunger. The cemeteries have in some cases been undermined by the water and corpses are floating in the streets. Relief stations have been organized and succor is being given to people in distress. The port of Seville has been re-opened, but all the branches of industry are virtually paralyzed.

VILLAGES WRECKED.

Lisbon, Feb. 19.—The subsidence of the floods throughout Portugal has brought to light the extent of the damage, and shows that whole villages and parts of some towns have been entirely wrecked. The provinces of Estremamanda, Algarve, Alementjo and Minho suffered most.

Scenes of havoc and desolation are observed for miles along the course. Houses and other buildings have collapsed and among their ruins dead cattle lie in thousands.

There have been also many human victims. A large number of people have been left homeless and starving. The financial loss is estimated conservately at $10,000,000. The Government has sent 50,000 loaves of bread, 50,000 pounds of fish and 2,000 bottles of wine to the distressed people and more supplies are being forwarded daily.

FELL ON STAKE

Mr. Robert G. Shiers Killed Near Mosboro.

Guelph despatch — Mr. Robert G. Shiers, a pioneer resident of the Paisley Block, near Mosboro, was killed to-day. He had gone out with his sleigh to a wood pile on his farm in the bush, and was turning alongside the pile, when the sleigh gave a lurch on a hummock, throwing him face downward on a sharp stake, which entered his chest, crushing him in, and causing a frrible gash, as well as inflicting internal injuries. Messrs. John Jackson and Ernest Barker were at work at the same wood pile and they carried him to the house, where he lapsed into unconsciousness. He died before the doctors arrived.

"What is a finishing touch?" "Borrowing your friend's last dollar."—Town Topics.

NO MORE "OBEY"

Word May be Taken Out of MarriageService.

London, Feb. 19.—As a result of the recent suffragette wedding at which the bride refused to promise to obey her husband, there is a prospect that the word obey will be stricken from the Church of England marriage service.

The matter come up at a meeting of the lower house of convocation of the province of Canterbury yesterday, and a resolution was adapted recommending that the "scriptural form of the last exhortation in the marriage ceremony be revised."

The Dean of Canterbury objected strenuously to altering "an exhortation which contains passages from St. Peter and St. Paul on the ground that these apostles were wrong."

The Dean of Winchester, however, insisted on the recommendation, and it was adopted with a slight modification. The house also agreed to revise the following collect in the marriage service asking for children for the couple. For this collect the committee proposes to substitute the following words: "Bestow, we beseech Thee, upon these two persons the heritage and gift of children."

ALASKA SENSATION

Seventeen of the Business Men to be Arrested.

Charged With Violation of Anti-Trust Law.

Juneau, Alaska, Feb. 16.—Telegraphic warrants were issued yesterday for the arrest of seventeen business men prominent in affairs of Alaska, and the Pacific Coast on four indictments returned by the federal grand jury that has been investigating the alleged violation of the Sherman anti-trust law in connection with the control of wharf facilities at Skagway.

The following were indicted: J. H. Young, president of the Alaska Steamship Co.; J. C. Ford, president of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co.; C. E. Houston, head of the Pacific Coast Coal Co.; A. L. Berdoe, formerly vice-president and general manager of the White Pass & Yukon Railroad Co.; Chas. E. Peabody, formerly an official of the Alaska Steamship Co.; John H. Bunch, traffic manager of the Alaska Steamship Co.; E. C. Ward, superintendent of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co.; F. D. Wurzbacker, C. E. Wynn Johnson, E. E. Bullinghurst, W. H. Mansen, C. E. Brownson, C. E. Smith, F. J. Cushing, W. B. King, V. I. Hahn and G. H. Higoee.

The grand jury investigation began three weeks ago. The principal witness was Max Kalish, vice-president and general manager of the Humboldt Steamship Co., an independent line.

It is charged that the North Pacific Wharves & Trading Co., the Pacific & Arctic Railway & Navigation Co. formed a combination to monopolize the transportation facilities at Skagway.

PARALYSIS YIELDS TO DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS

MANY FORMS OF THIS DREAD DISEASE ARE CURED BY THIS REMEDY.

Mrs. Ritchie, of Galt, Ont., Says She Believes it Saved Her Life—Doctors Said She Had Not Long to Live When She Began This Treatment—Read Her Grateful Statement.

Scarcely a day passes but fresh proof is offered of the wonderful power of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills over disease. In many of these cases relief and new health comes to the sufferer after the best efforts of medical men had been in vain. One such case is that of Mrs. D. M. Ritchie, of Galt, Ont., who writes: "I feel it is my duty to let other people know what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for me. I was taken sick first in May, 1909, with rheumatism. Treatment at home having failed me, I went to Grace Hospital, Detroit, where I remained for some weeks, but instead of improving I became absolutely helpless as if from paralysis, and could not move hand or foot. I was under the heavy expense of a trained nurse, and the best of medical treatment, but seemed to be growing worse. Finally, about the middle of July, my husband decided to take me home to Galt, where I remained under medical treatment, and with a nurse constantly attending me until October, when I took a turn for the worse. Then the doctors told my husband that it was only a matter of a few weeks, as I could not possibly get better. Up to this time over six hundred dollars had been spent for medical and hospital treatment. In this condition, all hope abandoned, my husband saw a testimonial in a local paper of a cure of paralysis through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I decided at once to try them. In a few weeks there was a little improvement, and from that time on each day showed some change for the better. I can now (March, 1911) walk about the house, do up my room, wash the dishes and sew and mend, but am still a little shakey, as I feel myself growing stronger daily. I give the full credit to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, for I feel they are an instrument under Providence given for the benefit of suffering humanity."

Writing again under the date of August 16th, 1911, Mrs. Ritchie says: "As to my general health I can say that I have not felt so well in years. My stomach is in the best if condition and I can eat things I have not eaten for years. I can walk quite well, but use my cane when I go out, as I have not quite confidence in myself yet. But if you had seen me when I started to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, you would realize what a miracle they have worked in my case. All that I have stated is absolutely true, and I may add that the pills have cured my husband of kidney trouble that other medicines seemed to have no effect upon, for which we are both thankful."

Again under the date of Jan. 16, 1912, Mrs. Ritchie says: "I am fully recovered and able to do all my housework. I shall always recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and trust some sufferer will receive as much benefit by reading this as I did through a faithful use of the pills."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure such apparently hopeless cases as Mrs. Ritchie's, because they make new, rich, red blood, which feeds the starved, overworked nerves, and gives tone and strength to every organ in the body. No sufferer from paralysis, locomotor ataxia, St. Vitas dance, or any nervous disorder can afford to neglect Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, the great blood builder and nerve tonic, which have more remarkable cures to their credit than any other medicine in the world. But be sure you get the genuine pills with the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People" on the wrapper around each box. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

Prince of Wales to Study at Oxford.

All Stratford Dogs to be Muzzled.

North Bay citizens are opposing the Canadian Northern route through the town.

Miss Short, of Charleston, was fatally burned, her clothing catching fire from a stove.

The two Toronto policemen dismissed on Tuesday were arrested on serious charges.

Henri Bourassa is to make a tour of Canada as soon as the Quebec elections are over.

Two more actions for damages have been entered against Mr. David Russell, of Montreal.

Chief School Inspector Jas. L. Hughes, of Toronto, resigned, after thirty-eight years in office.

It is announced that the Prince of Wales will enter Magdalen College, Oxford, in October.

The Buffalo-Ontario Smelting Refining Co. will erect a smelter to employ 300 hands at Kingston.

Notice of a resolution has been given in the Commons to ratify the Collingwood drydock agreement.

Two messengers on their way from the bank were set upon in a taxicab in New York and robbed of $25,000.

Mr. A. W. Wright told the Empire Club of Toronto that Canada must deepen the Welland Canal or lose the traffic.

Stratford dogs will all be muzzled, as the animal that bit two little children there the other day turns out to have had rabies.

Mr. Bonar Law accepted Mr. Asquith's challenge to raise charges of corruption against the Government on a vote of censure.

The late John Helm left $100,000 and the Helm homestead to the united counties of Northumberland and Durham for hospital purposes.

Mrs. Samuel D. Woodruff, the oldest continuous resident of St. Catharines, is dead, after a rather long illness, due to her old age, 85 years.

Kingston has an egg famine, packed eggs selling at 28 to 35 cents, and fresh eggs as high as 50 cents. Hotels have difficulty in getting a supply.

The rabies outbreak has grown serious in Stratford, and as a result a proclamation is under way ordering the muzzling of all dogs indefinitely.

One thousand tubs of butter, each containing 56 pounds, have reached Montreal from New Zealand. It will be sold at the same rate as Canadian butter.

The Dominion Marine Association has protested to Hon. Mr. Monk against allowing any power enterprise that would interfere with the navigation of the St. Lawrence.

On his return from the country John Hoggart, a well-known Peterboro' auctioneer, died suddenly at his residence of heart disease. He was sixty-six years of age.

The German Chancellor referred in friendly terms to the "conversations" between German and British Ministers regarding points of difference between the two nations.

Inspector Alfred Cuddy, of Toronto, is Calgary's choice for chief of police. Out of sixty-five applicants Cuddy was recommended by the commissioners of the prairie city for the position.

Rev. Stanley Norton, now of Maynooth, will succeed Rev. O'Connor Fenton as rector of St. Andrew's Church, Welington. Mr. Fenton will be the new rector of St. George's Church at Colborne. The change takes place next month.

Representative Mott, of New York, introduced in the House a bill providing $250,000 for the survey and estimate of cost of a ship canal to connect the navigable waters of the Niagara River, making a continuous water route between the Five Great Lakes.

The Port Colborne Town Council have forwarded to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board a petition from property owners on the west side of the town, asking to be incorporated with the town. The town will also extend its boundaries on the east side.

MANITOBA HARD

Wheat Will be Known by Old Title.

Ottawa despatch — "Manitoba" wheat retains its name. That was the only concrete result of another afternoon in Parliament discussing the bill. It had been suggested at previous sittings that the name "Manitoba" be exchanged for another more descriptive of the whole wheat-growing west. To lay the discussion was continued. Two alternatives were submitted to the House, both by Mr. Knowles, of Moosejaw, in the shape of amendments to the bill. "Canada West" was rejected by a vote of 72 to 38, Messrs. Robb, Cruise and Molloy voting against the amendment. The subsequent suggestion of "Canada" wheat was voted down by 43 to 31, Mr. Donald Sutherland voting for this change, Mr. Blain declining to vote, and, on the Opposition side, Messrs. Molloy, Cruise, Robb and German voting against Mr. Knowles' proposal. The old name consequently continues.

DOG ALL RIGHT.

Guelph, Ont., despatch: The report of J. S. McCullough, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, on the head of the dog sent from here, shows that it was not infected with rabies. The dog had bitten a boy and the case was under medical care. On the other hand, the head of a dog sent to Dr. McCullough from Hespeler indicated rabies in the worst form.

BETTER FARMING

C. P. R. Special and Lectures on Farming.

The Canadian Pacific Railway has placed a train at the disposal of the Ontario Department of Agriculture for the purpose of giving instruction to the farmers and their families along its lines throughout Ontario.

The train will consist of four baggage cars and three coaches to be used for lecture purposes. The former will be equipped with exhibits, covering:

Fruit Growing.—Samples of fruit, nursery stock, mounted specimens of insects and fungus pests; spraying apparatus and mixtures, tools for pruning, packing outfits, sample fruit barrels, boxes, baskets and nursery stock.

Live Stock.—Bones, showing blemishes in horses, diseased tissues or horses and cattle. Models of horses, teeth, hind legs, feet. Tuberculous specimens, common veterinary instruments, etc.

Field Husbandry.—Samples of oats, wheat, barley, peas, grasses, clovers, corn, potatoes. Germination tests, effects of seed selection. Weeds and weed seeds, etc.

Drainage. — Leveling instruments, tools, tile, soil samples. Charts showing beneficial effects of drainage and proper cultivation, etc.

Dairing.—Pails, strainers, churn, butter work, Babcock tester, cooling equipment. Samples showing effect of dirt in milk. Samples of cheese, butter, boxes, paper, etc.

Feeds.—Bran, shorts, milk-feed, cotton seed, linseed, meal, oilcake, alfalfa meal.

Poultry.—Model poultry houses and appliances, incubators and brooders, egg cases, apparatus for handling eggs, feeds, trap nests, feeding troughs, etc.

Bee-keeping.—Hives, appliances, honey, charts.

Fertilizers.—Commercial fertilizers, charts showing results.

Concrete.—Blocks, bricks, tile, etc. Method of testing moulds.

The growing of suitable crops for the feeding of live stock—dairy cattle, beef cattle, horses, pigs, etc.—will be duly considered, and samples of foodstuffs that are offered for sale upon the Canadian market will be on exhibition, with analysis attached.

One lecture coach will be reserved for the women, boys and girls; and lectures on poultry raising, bee-keeping, growing of small fruits, etc., will be given for their benefit.

There will be a staff of from ten to fifteen lecturers and demonstrators with the train, as well as representatives of the C. P. R. Such men as Professors C. A. Zavitz, G. E. Day, R. Harcourt and W. H. Day have been secured for a portion of the trip.

The farmers should take advantage of the demonstrations and lectures to be given by these and other men on the Better Farming Special.

Thursday, Feb. 29th—Hyde Park, Thamesford, Woodstock.

Friday, March 1st—Belmont, Tilsonburg, Ingersoll.

Saturday, March 2nd—Drumbo, Galt, Milton.

Monday, March 4th—Moffat, Elmira, Milverton.

Thursday, March 7th—Orangeville, Shelburne, Dundalk.

LOST AN EYE,

Toronto despatch—An attempt on the part of the seven-year-old daughter of William Small, of Salisbury avenue, Humber Bay, to utilize an old cheese box as a toboggan resulted in the loss of one of her eyes yesterday afternoon. The father, who is connected with the William Davies Co., had brought home the box to make a rude toboggan. Before the job was completed the child tried to slide down a small hill near her house. The toboggan struck a snag and the front part recoiled, a nail in the wood piercing the girl's eye. Her mother rushed from the house and pulled out the nail, which was buried an inch deep.

MORE PINKHAM CURES

Added to the Long List due to This Famous Remedy.

Glanford Station, Ont.—"I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for years and never found any medicine to compare with it. I had ulcers and falling of the uterus, and doctors did me no good. I suffered dreadfully until I began taking your medicine. It has also helped other women to whom I have recommended it."—MRS. HENRY CLARK, Glanford Station, Ontario.

Another Cure

Harvey Bank, N. B.—I can highly recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to any suffering woman. I have taken it for female weakness and painful menstruation and it cured me.—MRS. DEVERE BARBOUR.

Because your case is a difficult one, doctors having done you no good, do not continue to suffer without giving Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. It surely has cured many cases of female ills, such as inflammation, ulceration, displacements, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, indigestion, dizziness, and nervous prostration. It costs but a trifle to try it, and the result is worth millions to many suffering women.

If you want special advice write for it to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass. It is free and always helpful.

FRANCE'S GREAT AERIAL ARMY

Will Have the Finest Fleet of Airships.

Miinster of War an Enthusiast on Subject.

Paris to Present Six Aeroplanes to Army.

Paris, Feb. 19.—A great national movement is afoot to equip the French army with the finest aerial fleet in the world. The agitation follows upon the action of the Government in setting aside over $6,000,000 for the complete reorganization of the army air corps. Airships and aeroplanes are to be the fourth and fifth arms respectively of the military service.

War Minister Millerand, who is taking every opportunity to encourage the revival of patriotism, is determined that France shall keep the advantage she already possesses in the air over other nations. His speech in the Senate last Tuesday announced the importance of decentralizing the command of the air corps and placing aerial units at the disposal of every army corps. He was able to state that at the end of a year the French army would be able to mobilize 344 machines, with 23 officer airmen, and complete forces of mechanics, sappers and pupils.

Senator Reymand, who, in order to get a thorough grip of the subject, has become an expert airman, and has visited his constituents by aeroplane, has now placed himself at the head of a national committee to supplement the efforts of the Government. He declares that of the 200 aeroplanes now at the disposal of the French army, only about 100 are fit for use, which, with regard to airships, places France behind Germany.

A group of the municipal councillors of Paris has proposed to present six aeroplanes to the army. The vote will doubtless be ratified at the next meeting of the Council.

Douai Council has voted $8,000 for turning La Brayelle flying ground into a military aerodrome.

THE FRUITGROWERS

Listen to Speech by Duke of Connaught

Delegates Advocate Standard Fruit Packages.

Ottawa despatch—"Refrigeration can be made to serve the fruit trade of Canada in the following ways: The use of iced cars for the transportation of fruit in warm weather, the chilling of early apples and tender fruits before shipment in ices cars, and the cold-storage of fruit intended for long keeping."

This statement was made at this morning's session of the Dominion Conference of fruit-growers, by Mr. J. A. Ruddick, Dairy and Cold-storage Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture. The use of iced cars for the carriage of fruit, Mr. Ruddick said, was increasing year by year.

The remainder of the morning session was given up to consideration of uniform standards for the measure of fruit shipments throughout the Dominion. In this connection the British Columbia delegates recommended as a standard apple box for all purposes a box of 10 by 11 by 20 inches. Nova Scotia delegates opposed any change in the dimension of what they claimed was the standard apple barrel, containing ninety-six quarts.

Ontario made the proposal that the Dominion Government should be requested to have forms issued to manufacturers to insure uniform size of fruit baskets. Quebec's proposal, strongly backed, was that all fruit packages, including barrels, throughout the Dominion, should be of standard size, while Prince Edward Island delegates had this proposal:

"That it is in the interests of apple growers and shippers of Canada that there should be only one size of barrel used, and further, that the larger or 112-quart barrel be the only legal one."

The matter was left in the hands of the Resolutions Committee for consideration.

H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught visited the conference this afternoon.

His Royal Highness was introduced by Hon. Martin Burrell, who was presiding officer for the session.

"I believe that the advancement made in the fruit trade of Canada within the last ten years has been most remarkable," declared his Royal Highness. "I had fruit trees at home, and a great deal of trouble and disappointment they used to give me. With care, knowledge and perseverance, I am led to think that you ought to succeed with the fruit industry in this fine climate of the Dominion of Canada. There has been a remarkable increase of late years, not only in the amount of fruit growing, but more than correspondingly in the amount of fruit eating. No one could deny the statement that there are no better apples than those of Canada. I feel convinced that you have a great future before you in an agricultural product that is so much appreciated."

At the close of his address the Duke sat down and listened to a large part of the discussion which centered chiefly around the question of fruit inspection. The Ontario Apple Shippers' Association proposed that the fruit marks act should be so extended that apples be inspected at the point of shipment, and that a sufficient number of qualified inspectors be appointed so that the inspection may be done promptly and efficiently.

Hon. Martin Burrell explained that its adoption by the Government would mean a very drastic reform and very considerable additional expense. Enough fruit inspectors would have to be appointed to attend to all inspection throughout all the fruit districts during the shipping season. This, he thought, would be making the government responsible for an inspection that was in a large measure the duty of the fruit-grower.

The resolution was referred to a committee for consideration.

Another resolution from Nova Scotia, similarly dealt with, asked that the Dominion Government be requested to raise the duty on apples and pears coming into Canada to equal that levied on Canadian apples and pears going into the United States.

CIGARETTE EVIL

Asks Government to Enact Prohibitory Law.

Ottawa despatch — Asking for a Federal law prohibiting the importation, manufacture and sale of cigarettes, a deputation of nearly a hundred ladies, representing the Women's Christian Temperance Union, waited on the Prime Minister, the Minister of Finance, and the Minister of Justice this afternoon The speakers were: Mrs. Gordon Wright, Dominion president; Mrs. McKee, Barrie; Mrs. W. H. Anderson, Ottawa; Mrs. Waters, Hamilton; and Mrs. McLaughlin, Montreal. Rev. J. H. Turnbull and Rev. C. S. Deeprose, of Ottawa, were present and spoke.

The enactment of Dominion prohibitory legislation was asked for on the ground that the enormous consumption of cigarettes in Canada was a serious menace to the physical and moral well-being of the young men of the country. It was stated that the consumption last year amounted to 585,000,000.

The Prime Minister said that his Government had not yet had time to consider the request for legislation to prohibit the importation, manufacture and sale of cigarettes. He pointed out, however, that as long as tobacco was sold in the country it would not be difficult for those who wished to smoke cigarettes to make them for themselves.

Mr. Borden said he had been much impressed by the statements of the ladies as to the extent of the cigarette evil in Canada. "I don't know whether I am right or wrong," he proceeded, "but it does seem to me that the control of parents over their children is not so strict as it was years ago. I should have liked to have seen any of the children of my mother smoking cigarettes at the age of 12 or 14 years. It would not have been necessary to have prohibitive legislation in that instance. (Laughter.) You will realize that we have not yet been able to give consideration as a Government to this question. We shall, however, endeavor to apply to the evil which has been brought to our attention such remedy as may be possible, having regard to the considerations of which I have spoken."

A MODERN MEDICINE FOR THE BABY

What mother cannot remember the times of her childhood when the castor oil bottle was brought into use—the dread with which she looked forward to a dose of it—the fight she put up when forced to take it. Surely all mothers will be glad to spare their little ones this discomfort—this dread. Modern science has banished the bad-smelling, evil-tasting, griping castor oil and given in its place a modern remedy—a remedy pleasant to take, mild, though thorough in action, absolutely harmless and something the little one won't dread. That medicine is Baby's Own Tablets—the only medicine used by thousands of mothers of little ones—the medicine that has forced castor oil and "soothing" syrups out of the home and has taken their place to bring health to baby and joy to the parents. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

ALLAN LINE

To Open Service Between Plymouth and Canada.

London, Feb. 19.—The Allan line has decided to inaugurate a service between Plymouth and Canada. The first steamer, the Sicilian, sails April 19. The service will be fortnightly. The steamship will load cargo at and embark passengers at Plymouth.

This step was rendered necessary owing to the great number of bookings for Canada from south England districts. It will make a materially shorter sea voyage.

VOICE OF LABOR.

London, Feb. 15.—In a speech sounding the keynote of the Labor party, Mr. J. R. Macdonald, in the House of Commons to-day, moved an amendment to the address from the throne, and expressed regret that the King had not recommended any of the measures promiently urged by the Laborites.

Mr. Macdonald said that he greatly deplored the King's failure to support the legislation for a minimum wage regulation, the nationalization of railroads, and those measures designed toward "securing an equal division of the fruits of industry."

HURT BY FALLING TREE.

Guelph, Ont., despatch: While Chas. Rennie, of Eden Mills, Eramosa township, was cutting trees in the bush, a tree became lodged. In trying to dislodge it, he caused it to fall upon him, pinning him to the ground, where he lay for an hour before help arrived. When he was released it was found that his leg was broken in two places and he was brought to the hospital here for medical treatment.