

FALLING WALL CRUSHED 4 LIVES HOUSES FLATTENED BY BRICKS

Seven Others Injured in Winnipeg's Wind-Storm Calamity - Two of Victims Were Suffocated in the Debris.

Winnipeg, July 15.—Four killed and at least seven injured in the record of last night's tornado, when, without the slightest warning, the high brick wall of the former Hoover & Town manufacturing building, located on James-street, near Louise, crashed down on the two adjoining houses, leaving death and devastation in its wake.

The storm is not paralleled in the history of Winnipeg.

It was almost exactly at the stroke of midnight when the rainstorm was at its fiercest, and a hurricane was playing great havoc in the city, that, absolutely without warning, the whole west side of this four-storey brick building fell. The crash could be heard for blocks around, and the frame cottage adjoining was crushed like match-wood, the debris being hurled thru the brick wall and the roof of the next house, occupied by Mrs. Fineran, as a boarding house.

There were in the front room of the cottage at the time Dugald Ferguson, Bert White, Will Steinhoff, and also two young women, who had entered the house but a few minutes earlier to seek a haven from the storm.

On the verandah, with his hand on the door knob, was John Steinhoff. As the eruption of bricks started, the man on the threshold escaped to the street with his life, and witnessed the flattening of his home. Persons who arrived on the scene as much as five minutes later, testify that the brick was flying even then. Steinhoff afterwards was able to give no coherent account of the occurrence, being badly bruised and his system shocked. Of those in the cottage all but Ferguson perished.

Almost Suffocated. While the cottage owned by the

Steinhoff brothers was entirely demolished, the upper part of the three-storey house next west was also wrecked. Five of its inmates narrowly escaping suffocation after the falling of the roof, and one of them, F. Bennett, having the lower part of his body pinned by timbers. This house is owned by Mrs. Dearing of River-avenue, and is kept as a boarding house by Mrs. L. E. Fineran, formerly of the Mansion House. The others were injured more or less by inhaling the dust and are: William Daly, Bert Gledhill, A. McComb, who were all on the top floor, and Kate Dow, a domestic servant, who was sleeping in the attic. Gledhill was removed across the street to the house of Mrs. Kate Stewart, and Bennett and McComb to the General Hospital, while the others took refuge in the boarding house kept by Mrs. J. D. McLeod, next to Mrs. Fineran's. The shed back of this latter house was also wrecked, the property being owned by George Gardner.

Rescuing the Victims.

The gruesome work of rescuing and pulling out the bodies from the wreckage occupied nearly two hours' time, several doctors being hastily summoned. The Reilly sisters, William Steinhoff and Bert White were all dead when their bodies were extricated. Steinhoff's death was evidently due to suffocation, as also the case of one of the Reilly sisters.

The face of one of the girls was battered beyond all recognition. White was terribly mangled. The escape of the other inmates of the houses was miraculous. William Steinhoff was about 24 years of age and had worked for eight years for Hoover & Co. He is a son of Peter Steinhoff, who resides at Brandon, and has two brothers, John, who was also in the catastrophe, and Edward, living at Grand Forks. He had one sister married to R. M. Stewart of the firm of Stewart & Harper.

White worked in Poyntz's drug store. He appeared to be about 35 years of age. He had only recently come to the city.

Of the injured, F. Bennett is a barber, whose home is in Acton, Ont. His lower limbs are crushed. John Steinhoff is badly crushed, and may die. Dugald Ferguson is also seriously hurt.

TRAIN DESPATCHER'S ERROR COSTS THE LIVES OF FOUR

Realized Consequences and Tried to Flag Train, But Was Too Late.

Mount Vernon, Ind., July 15.—In a head-on collision between two freight trains on the Louisville and Nashville Railroad near Upton, Ind., to-day four persons were killed and eight injured. One of the injured will die.

A train despatcher, it is said, mistook the number of the trains and after they had started realized his error.

A number of persons were hastily summoned to flag the train, but the collision occurred before this could be done.

NEW OFFICERS APPOINTED.

Provincial Offices to See New Faces in Their Occupancy.

Announcement is made of the following provincial appointments in The Ontario Gazette:

To be associate coroners: William H. Merritt, M.D., St. Catharines; Charles N. Laurie, Fort Arthur; William Jas. McCollum, Toronto; James Anderson, M.D., Hamilton.

To be police magistrates: William B. Sanders, Stayner, without salary; Thomas W. Saunders, Guolph, without salary; Alfred D. Creasor, Owen Sound.

To be notary public: Edmund J. Scully, Windsor; Charles A. Wright, Toronto, and William Brooks, Theford.

To be bailiffs and clerks: Charles G. Clarke, Kingston, of the first division court, County of Frontenac; Ezra Briggs, Walkerton, the first division court of County of Bruce.

Joseph A. Levis, Sturgeon Falls, of the first division court of District of Nipissing.

James Kenneth MacLennan, Sudbury, to be clerk of the fourth division court of Nipissing.

Johnston Carson, Warren, the sixth division court of Nipissing.

Samuel C. Mooney, Vankleek Hill, of the second division court of Prescott and Russell.

Robert William Sharbot Lake, of the sixth division court of Frontenac.

William Scott, Beaverton, of the sixth division court of Ontario County.

William Shifty, Wellandport, of the second division court of Welland.

William Love, Warkworth, of the fifth division court of Northumberland and Durham.

Frank Ouellette, Mattawa, of the second division court of Nipissing.

Douglas McMurphy, Kenora, of the first division court of Rainy River.

James Craig Nixon, Welland, of the fifth and sixth division courts of Welland.

Jas. Lithgow, Bobcaygeon, to be inspector of licenses for East Victoria.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC HEAVY TWO IMMENSE EXCURSIONS

Railway Men to Buffalo and Home-seekers Going West Enliven Business at Union Station.

The west is calling, and on Saturday more than 2000 of the sons and daughters of Ontario responded to the call, and set their faces toward the setting sun. Down at the Union Station it was in all respects a record day.

Early in the morning the big building was thronged with the employees of the G.T.R. on pleasure bent, with Buffalo as the objective point. It was the annual outing, and three sections, containing 45 coaches, with some 2000 employees, went out.

In the afternoon the home-seekers gathered, and as the hour timed for the departure of trains came near the platform were thronged with themselves and their friends. Drawn from all parts of the province, they were thoroughly representative of the well-to-do Canadian farmer. Many had disposed of their properties in Ontario and turned their backs upon the east, taking with them their families, and determined in future to know nothing but the west.

Probably one-third of those going out were women and girls.

One old gentleman from Chatham said: "My wife and I are going out to secure farms for our two boys. This we cannot do in Ontario; we hope to do it away out at Edmonton. But it is a long way, he sighed."

Thirty-six coaches were required to transport the excursionists, being sent out in four sections at short intervals. Officials at the Union Station declare that Saturday was one of the busiest days they have ever spent, the outgoing traffic, exclusive of the home-seekers and Buffalo trains, being especially heavy.

CUTS OFF THE PASSES.

Kingston, July 15.—(Special.)—The Dominion government has informed the local postal authorities that it has decided to cut off the street car passes heretofore given to letter carriers and postoffice messengers. The price paid was \$360 a year. The local postmen will ask to have the passes continued.

Yonge Street Arcade Restaurant and Lunch Counter Now Open. Regular Dinner in Dining Room 35 cents, other meals a la carte.

EXEMPTION GRANTED.

Kingston, July 15.—(Special.)—Portsmouth Council has agreed to grant the exemption of taxes asked for by the Street Railway Company, but refused to be responsible for the repair of the streets.

Recovering From Typhoid.

R. S. Booth, secretary-treasurer of the Alexander Brown Milling & Flouring Co., who has been laid up with an attack of typhoid for the last eight weeks, is now able to be about again, and hopes to resume the duties of office within a week.

NOT PEACE AT ANY PRICE CZAR'S WORDS TO PROVE IT

Comments of The Sviet on Choice of M. Witte—Russian Plenipotentiaries to Sail July 26.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—The Sviet, which sometimes interprets the views of the military party, to-day indignantly rejects the interpretation put on M. Witte's appointment abroad, namely, that it is equivalent to the acceptance of any peace terms Japan may choose to offer, except leveling the fortifications of Vladivostock. The paper calls attention to Emperor Nicholas' marginal notes on various addresses expressing his determination to continue the war, and especially refers to his majesty's telegram to Lieut.-Gen. L. N. Vitich June 14, which the commander-in-chief read to the army, and which has just been published here, in which the emperor pledged himself to do everything possible to lighten the heavy task of the army, and expressed confidence that all obstacles would finally be overcome, and that the war would end happily for the Russian arms, as proof that the emperor has no intention to make peace at any price.

M. Witte had another long audience with Emperor Nicholas to-day. Investigation in authoritative quarters enables the Associated Press to positively announce that the reports current here late last night, that M. Witte might not go to Washington were incorrect.

Passages Are Booked.

Paris, July 15.—The North German Lloyd Company has received a despatch finally engaging passage on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, sailing from Cherbourg July 26 for the following list of Russian plenipotentiaries and their party: M. Witte, chief plenipotentiary; Prof. D. Martens, professor of international law at the University of St. Petersburg; M. Shipoff, director of trade; Major-General Yemoleff, military attaché at London; M. Samoiloff, formerly Russian charge d'affaires at Peking; M. Korotovit, formerly secretary of the Russian legation at Peking; M. Naboukoff of the foreign office.

Shanghai, July 15.—M. Pokotloff, Russian minister to China, left today for Vancouver, on his way to Washington to attend the peace conference.

Signs of Sincerity.

Paris, July 15.—The evening editions of the Paris papers devote articles to M. Witte's appointment as chief Russian plenipotentiary. The Temps says that it considers that his appointment shows a desire on the part of the Russian government to take the negotiations seriously.

"M. Witte's experiences in the far eastern policy," the paper adds, "makes him the most capable man to conduct the negotiations. He is able to appreciate the exact value of any demands."

The Journal debates also regard M. Witte's appointment as a mark of Russian sincerity, he having always desired peace.

Covert Criticism of Czar.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—A sketch of "A Department Chief," which has appeared in The Slovo, is attracting much attention. Palpably it is a thinly disguised but cleverly drawn portrait of the emperor, painting him as a vacillating chief whose subordinates are always courting his favor but are never of their positions, with the result that there is complete chaos in the "department."

Giving in to the Peasants.

London, July 15.—The correspondent of The Standard at Odessa, asserts that with a view to averting arson and murders are now voluntarily conceding to the revolutionary peasants one-third of their crops, and in many instances, one-third of their live stock also.

A Brick Famine.

Kingston, July 15.—(Special.)—There is a brick famine in Kingston at present, only about 50,000 bricks being burned by local manufacturers this year, and new buildings are at a standstill as a result. Among these are the cavalry stables at the Royal Military College.

An ice cream social will be given on the grounds of the Western Congregational Church, Spadina-avenue, on Tuesday evening of this week, at 8 o'clock. An orchestra will be in attendance, and there will be other attractions during the evening. The ice cream will be dispensed by the young ladies of the church.

INCREASED INDEMNITIES.

Ottawa, July 15.—(Special.)—The resolutions of the government concerning increased indemnity, were not proposed to-day, as had been expected. It is thought they will include: An increase of the indemnity of members of the commons and of the senate by \$500 or \$1000.

An increase in the salary of the prime minister, probably to \$15,000, and an allowance of \$5000 to the leader of the opposition.

A pension, under conditions, for ministers of the crown, when they have gone out of office.

An increase in the salary of the judges.

YANKEE INTENDS TO DRAIN

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gave \$25,000 for his, and he shipped a car load of ore before the last payment was due that brought him \$400,000, and has been offered two millions for his claim. The people at Cobalt are now shipping five cars a week, averaging \$5000 a car and this will continue all summer.

The camp there is unique because it is made up of greenhorns and tenderfeet. Of the 2000 people there there are not 75 miners. Even the prospectors are mostly bushmen.

Fossil is Peculiar Way.

Mr. Kemer came upon his claim in a rather peculiar way. Dozens of prospectors had been over it before him, rooting up the moss on the rocks, which is the great difficulty in the way of the prospector. He saw all this upturned moss and thought that where so many people had been looking there must be something, so he ran a long line and upturned the moss along it and eventually came across a vein into which he put a shot of dynamite and unearthed a fair specimen of ore which he hopes will be better as he goes down.

Mr. Kemer thinks that the government should open up Cobalt town site for settlement. At present there are squatters all over it, but no one can buy a lot in the town site. The nearest place is Halleybury, and the train to Cobalt does not leave before noon, so most people walk.

Mr. Kemer returns on Wednesday with a camping outfit and will delve into his rock to see what is below the surface.

ANOTHER RICH STRIKE.

Vein Four to Six Inches Wide Located on Drummond Property.

Cobalt, July 15.—(Special.)—Dr. Drummond of Habitant fame, is in camp staying at the Canada Iron Furnace Co.'s mine. This property is known as "The Drummond," or "The Wright," and is located about three miles east of Cobalt Station and its prospectors yesterday made a very rich find, which is the talk of the town. The vein is from four to six inches wide of what looks like pure silver. The Jacobs, Lawson and Foster properties are located near the Drummond and all are showing up well.

Engineer Braydon, the electrical expert, who has been retained by the railway commission, paid Cobalt a visit yesterday. He interviewed several of the larger camps with a proposal to supply the mines with electrical power. The railway proposes to develop the power at Howan Chute on the Montreal River and supply all the towns on the line with light and power and probably operate the Cobalt line electrically.

The town site of Cobalt is being laid out and many difficulties will present themselves in the near future. The railway owns the site. The town is being built on a ridge running from the railway tracks on a gradual incline for a distance of about three hundred feet. When the top of the ridge is reached there is a space of about 100 feet fairly level and then an immediate descent into a deep ravine. Pine stumps and mud, instead of shade trees and boulevards are the dominant features of the streets. The buildings have been hastily put up and the streets to-day, if there are any, present the regularity of an old-time rail town.

The squatters expect they will not be disturbed, but are anxiously awaiting the appearance of the surveyors' plans, which are rapidly being completed.

Beautiful Temagami.

Temagami is the home of Dan O'Connor, who has been retained by the railway commission, paid Cobalt a visit yesterday. He interviewed several of the larger camps with a proposal to supply the mines with electrical power. The railway proposes to develop the power at Howan Chute on the Montreal River and supply all the towns on the line with light and power and probably operate the Cobalt line electrically.

Here is the Ronoco Hotel O'Connor spelled backwards and 15 miles down the lake is the famous "Metagami Inn," which presents a combination of the luxuries of the modern palatial hotel and the simplicity of the rustic log house. This combination must be seen and enjoyed before it can possibly be realized or understood.

The latter presents an appearance which is the essence of rusticity, being built entirely of peeled pine logs, but there are spacious verandahs and covered balconies. The early settee never dreamed of. A magnificent rotunda, hot and cold water baths, billiard room and the other appointments of the interior are the familiar adjuncts of the modern hotel.

The Temagami district is famous for other things than the attractions for tourists. Here is a great mineral wealth.

Here is a property showing a surface cropping of magnetic ore 60 per cent iron, Jasper and limestone are also found in the ore. This body of ore extends a distance of three miles and is from 1200 to 1400 feet wide.

Mulock in This.

This is the Mulock and Caldwell claim, recently purchased from Mr. O'Connor. The price paid is said to have been \$40,000. Here is a property showing a surface cropping of magnetic ore 60 per cent iron, Jasper and limestone are also found in the ore. This body of ore extends a distance of three miles and is from 1200 to 1400 feet wide.

The owners are Sir William Mulock and T. B. Caldwell, the millionaire lumberman and proprietor of the woolen mills at Appleton and Lanark. A government drill was working here for some time and got a depth of 392 feet, when they were stopped by a flow of water. F. H. Clergue of the Sault and Dr. Barlow recently visited this property and were greatly pleased with what they saw. Very little work has been done, but this week the superintendent in charge has received a wire from Mr. Caldwell to engage so many men as he can and begin immediate active operations on a large scale.

Two miles across the lake from Temagami Larry Laughlin, who used to be head assayer well, but he is not working it. Another claimholder in this district got out a nugget of solid native silver of 60 pounds, but following the vein found very little high-class ore.

Then there is the Big Dan claim, owned by Mr. O'Connor, but he is reported to have sold it to the Arsenical Development Co. Major Lackie of Sudbury also has a property here. Lack of railway facilities has prevented the development of these claims. It is now expected that through this entire district mining operations on a large scale will soon be carried on.

SUNDAY WEATHER.

The weatherman holds out disappointing prospects. Increasing southerly winds, fair at first, but showers before night.

HANLAN'S POINT TO-DAY-(SUNDAY) GRAND 2 CONCERTS 2 THE POPULAR BAND QUEEN'S OWN AFTERNOON EVENING

DOCTORS ORGANIZE A TRUST GIVING UP CONTRACT WORK

Peterboro, Medicos Raise Scale of Fees and Will Abandon Factory and Society Agreements.

Peterboro, July 15.—(Special.)—The local medical association, composed of 26 doctors, all practising in the city, have agreed upon a new tariff of prices, which will go into effect at once. It is an increase of from 10 to 30 per cent. over former charges.

The local doctors have also agreed not to do any contract work after Jan. 1 next for lodges, factories or benevolent societies. Each one of the profession will give up any contract he may have with any beneficiary organization, and other arrangements.

There is talk in societies of bringing in outside physicians, but as yet nothing definite has been done. If an association is brought here the local recognize him professionally and will refuse to act in consultation with him or to render him any assistance whatever.

RETURN TO THE U.S.

Two P.M. Officials Marked for Deposition Get Other Positions.

St. Thomas, July 15.—(Special.)—The Times says: Important changes are to be made in the operating of the Pere Marquette Railway. J. S. Pyeatt has had his territory extended to Grand Rapids and will remove to Detroit, that being the central point of the lines under his control. E. E. Cain will be trainmaster of the Detroit-Grand Rapids district, and will have his headquarters in Detroit. J. R. Gilhula will be trainmaster for the Canadian division between Detroit and Buffalo, with headquarters in St. Thomas.

The changes will not effect the company's business in this city. The plans of the company in regard to buildings and improvements here will be carried out precisely as contemplated in the first place.

R. J. Foreman, who has been head clerk under Mr. Pyeatt will, it is understood, have additional responsibility and emolument. G. W. Groom, who came from the Wabash, will probably succeed Mr. Gilhula as chief dispatcher. The changes will take effect July 20.

ARE STILL NAVAL BASES.

Minister of Militia Denies Admiralty Has Abandoned Canada.

Ottawa, July 15.—(Special.)—It is not the intention to abandon Halifax and Esquimaux as naval bases, according to a statement made in the house this afternoon by Sir Frederick Borden.

The minister of militia, in reply to R. L. Borden, said the rumors that the imperial authorities had decided to abandon these naval bases were unfounded. He had received assurance from the admiralty that such was not the intention with regard to Halifax. To make sure, he would make further enquiries re Esquimaux.

MARRIAGES.

CLAY—ROBB—At St. John's Church, Norway, on Monday, July 10th, 1905, William Henry Chaplin, eldest son of W. H. Clay, town clerk, East Toronto, to Maud, youngest daughter of the late Thomas Robb of Bolton, Ont.

DEATHS.

ALLWARD—On July 15th, Emma Hart, beloved wife of the late John Allward, in her 68th year.

Funeral on Monday, at 3 p.m., from her daughter's residence, 23 Metcalfe-street.

St. John's Nfd., papers please copy.

GONDER—Frances Howard Gonder, youngest daughter of Mrs. John Gonder, formerly of Grange-avenue, on Friday, July 14th, in her 21st year.

Funeral Monday from Gothic-avenue, Toronto Junction. Private.

HENDERSON—At St. Michael's Hospital, July 15, Maggie Smith, beloved wife of T. F. Henderson, of 100 Oak-street, aged 68 years.

Funeral notice later.

Brantford papers please copy.

SCULL—On Saturday, the 15th inst., at 12 Mansfield-avenue, Frank Herbert, infant son of Frank and Viola Scull, aged 4 months and 28 days.

Mrs. Charles Williams Sampson of Chicago is a guest of her mother, Mrs. E. J. Davis, 202 Rusholme-road.