

THREE-MASTER WRECKED.

Schr. Montana Total Loss—One Man Frozen to Death—Horrible Suffering.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 11.—The three-master schooner Montana, Captain Boyce, from New York for Charleston, S. C., with a cargo of either salt or coal, stranded at 11 p. m. last night at Pea Island, N. C., life saving station, fifty miles north of Cape Hatteras, during a heavy northerly gale. Within twenty minutes after the vessel stranded, she was full of water and awash so that the crew, consisting of eight men and six women, were forced to take to the rigging, where they remained until 2 p. m. today, when six of the seven men were rescued by crews of Pea Island, New Inlet and Bodys Island life saving stations. One man, Henry Edwards, was frozen to death while lashed to the rigging in such a manner that he could not be reached and his body is still hanging in the rigging head down. One other member of the crew was almost frozen to death when rescued, but probably will recover. The rescued crew are now at the Pea Island life saving station. A great difficulty was experienced in landing the crew owing to the fact that the vessel had sunk and a heavy sea was running at the time. The freezing weather hampered the work of rescue and the seamen were so overcome by exposure and exhaustion that only two of those in the rigging were able to assist in hauling the whip line aboard the vessel. An attempt will be made later to bring the body of Henry Edwards, the sailor who was frozen to death in the rigging of the Montana, ashore. The vessel will be a total loss. The Montana was a vessel of 323 tons net, was built in Bath, Me., in 1889, and was owned by J. T. Boyce of Somers Point, N. J.

AT BATHURST.

Oldest Pilot of the Port is Dangerously Ill.

BATHURST, N. B., Dec. 9.—Joseph N. LeBouthillier of Caracquet, for a number of years in business as general storekeeper, dealer in dry codfish, etc., has assigned. Liabilities are stated at about four thousand dollars. Hon. Chas. H. Lablouis is in town today attending to business connected with the repairs which have lately been made on the Basin bridge, by the contractor, Mr. Surge. Kennedy White, youngest son of Jacob White, is very ill and poor hopes are entertained for his recovery. He is a bright young fellow of fourteen years and his parents have a great sympathy for him. On Wednesday night there was a fall of about three or four inches of very light snow. Today a strong northwest wind is blowing. Frederick Ronalds, the oldest pilot of the port of Bathurst, was on Tuesday last stricken with paralysis and it is thought will die from its effects. He is seventy-nine years of age and has been blind in his right eye for many years. He performed his duties as pilot during the past summer with all the vigor of a young man.

THE LATE J. F. McCLACHLAN.

The funeral of the late James F. McClachlan took place on Saturday afternoon from the residence of his father, Duncan McClachlan, Crouville. The deceased was a very young man of 26 years of age, who formerly worked in this city, and had been employed at the mill since his death with regret. The interment was at Fernhill and Rev. Dr. Fotheringham conducted the service. The pall-bearers were: John and Thomas Barrett, George and William Gordon, Arch. Stevens and Robert Magee.

JERUSALEM.

JERUSALEM, N. B., Dec. 12.—Arnold Simpson returned home from the lumber woods with a very sore hand. It was cut by a saw, after which blood poisoning set in. He is now better and out of danger. David Moore is very ill with head trouble. The Whelpley skate factory at Jones Creek is rushing orders through day and night. A brisk business is doing.

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ALLAN McBEATH DEAD.

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Allan McBeath died early Sunday morning at his home, 277 Charlotte street, after an illness of some nine or ten months. He was seventy-six years of age, and leaves, besides his wife, three daughters, Edith M., Mary E., and Helen E., and three sons, Allan R. and Harry G., all of St. John, and E. Baron McBeath of Boston. Mr. McBeath was a native of St. John and was the son of Dr. Robert McBeath. He was born in 1828, and was educated in the old grammar school here. While quite a young man he entered the employ of Lawton & Vassie as bookkeeper. In 1878 he was given a position as clerk and assistant appraiser in the Custom House, and on the death of Henry Thorne, was promoted to the post of chief appraiser. Later he had added to his duties that of domain appraiser, and on one occasion, while George E. Forster was minister of finance, was called to Ottawa to discuss the changes in the tariff then proposed. Mr. McBeath held the position of appraiser at St. John until 1896, when, after twenty-two years' service, he was superannuated. During his term of office he came in contact with practically all the business men in the city, and was found to be a most capable and obliging officer. He was married to Miss Lowell B. Cornwall of Moncton. Mr. McBeath was a member of the Plymouth Brethren.

A STRANGE CASE.

Miss Dolen Probably Suffering from Cocaine Poisoning.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Miss Frances Dolen, a pretty and elaborately dressed woman, apparently about 28 years old, was found unconscious in her room at the Moeller house, Main street, this morning. She is now at the Riverside Accident Hospital, and the doctors say her recovery is in doubt. Miss Dolen, the physicians think, is suffering from cocaine poisoning. Accompanied by a baggage-man, who was carrying her dress suit case, Miss Dolen arrived at the Moeller house Friday night and applied for a room. She was assigned to one on the second floor. In answer to a question, she said she was from Toronto. The woman displayed considerable money and paid for her room and meals in advance. Saturday she left the hotel, but returned a short time afterward, and to the manager of the hotel she said: "I missed my train and I will be obliged to remain over in Buffalo until Monday." Sunday she complained of not being well and she ate very little. All day yesterday the woman never went out of her room. This morning about 8 o'clock a porter tried to enter the room, but could not. An entrance was forced and the woman was found unconscious. At 11 o'clock the physicians succeeded in restoring her to consciousness. She refused to answer questions put to her by doctors. Miss Dolen's appearance leads the hospital authorities to believe that she comes from a family of refinement.

PRIZE MONEY PAID.

Demands of Ten Riders Who Withdrew Wednesday Not Honored. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Prize money due the fourteen riders who stayed to the end of the six-day bicycle race, which closed Saturday night, was paid today. In addition to the purse, each rider received a bonus of \$50 per day, as did the riders who were forced to drop out of the contest because of injuries or exhaustion. The demands of some of the ten riders who withdrew Wednesday because of a ruling of the judges, however, were not honored.

ST. ANDREWS.

ST. ANDREWS, N. B., Dec. 12.—The mill privilege on the Digdeguash river, formerly known as the Levi Young property, lately acquired by Hanson and Greenlaw of this town, together with their mill at Bocabec Lake, has been sold to N. Balfour Hill of Fredericton, who has got from the owner, Mrs. Olive Morse of Grand Manan, a 21 year lease of the mill privileges with the usual covenant for renewal.

GRIEVED WITH THE WORLD.

Copies Poetry in the Woodstock Jail.

Thomas Cammack Does Not Show That He is Worrying Over His Fate—Not Sound Mentally.

WOODSTOCK, Dec. 10.

"My God, my Father and my Friend, Do not forsake me at the end." Every thing is this prayer in the mouth and from the heart of any poor son of humanity. How much more from the lips and heart of one who stands on the brink of the grave, whose end is to come, by process of law, in one month and two days from the date of this letter. The lines are the refrain of the Dies Irae, and Thomas Cammack, the man now lying in jail here in Woodstock, has copied them in his own handwriting, and which he reads over, no doubt constantly. And this is a quotation of but one of many quotations of a similar nature which the unfortunate man has, at considerable pains and in quite a neat hand, transferred to pages of foolscap paper. Cammack has not changed much since the day when he stood up in the dock and was sentenced by Judge Gregory to be hanged on the 12th day of January next. Perhaps he is thinner, but there is very little to encourage the dismal hope that Nature would relieve him of life before it becomes necessary for the officials of the law to do so. It will be remembered that last summer, just on the eve of the hanging of George G. Thomas Cammack was brought to jail here, charged with having murdered one William Doherty and of having fired the house, which was burned to the ground with the corpse of young Doherty inside it. He made an attempt to escape the officers of the law, and on being discovered shot himself through the head before the captors reached him. The ball went into one side of the head above the right ear, and it has remained somewhere in the head since. One would have supposed it would either have ended his life or have deprived him of reason, but neither result has occurred. It was a foregone conclusion that Cammack would be found guilty of the murder. He had practically admitted the offence to the deputy sheriff and to the attending surgeon. Confessions against him were his co-wives, Doherty's sister, and his two brothers, who were in the house when Cammack effected an entrance through the ceiling-way, and revolver in hand, went upstairs and fired at each of the brothers in turn, killing one and slightly wounding the other. His son, Walter Cammack, was also tried with him as an accomplice, but the jury in his case disagreed, ten to two in favor of acquittal, and the general opinion of those who know much of the families and the circumstances is that Walter had nothing to do with the affair, but that he was permitted to shield his father after the crime, and legally, for him to do. There was one redeeming thing about the old case, and that was, he was terribly grieved over his son's predicament. He said again and again that he wished to go on the stand at the trial and testify, and the law permitted him to do so. Any favor of his son, though it would have meant that all the details of the crime as it was committed must have come from him. If he worries deeply over his fate, he does not show it. He has no indication of being a man with a terrible temper—evidently his disposition has been sullen. He had been in trouble several times before his jealousy and his mother, and a suit has been commenced in equity by other creditors, including Manchester, Robertson & Allison of St. John, and the Amherst Boot and Shoe Company, to set aside the transfers as preferences. Application was made to Judge Wells, returnable on Saturday to Sheriff McQueen to sell all perishable property such as potatoes, general store stock, horses, papers, etc. This application was offered by general creditors who contend that the property should be sold and the proceeds placed with the judge or trustees pending the result of the suit in equity. The matter was postponed till the 18th in view of arriving at an arrangement between the parties concerned, that sale might be made without injury to any interest. The sale formed a suit has been rapidly during the past three or four days' cold weather and navigation is over for the season. PERMANENT CURE FOR BRONCHITIS. "My second daughter was troubled with bronchitis from the age of three weeks. Oftentimes I thought she would choke to death. Dr. Chase's Syrup of Limesed and Turpentine brought relief, and further treatment made a thorough cure. This trouble used to come back from time to time, but the cure is permanent."—Mrs. Richmond Withrow, Shubenacadie, Hants Co., N. S. ELEVEN YEARS of constant use in Blythe, Ont., is Dr. H. J. Milne's experience with "The D & L Emulsion." Do you suppose it would have continued ordering it unless it was the best?

say that he is constant in his attendance, doing all in his power to guide the condemned man's thoughts aright; so that although the law here could extend to him no mercy, it will not be so with the Supreme Court justice, His Bible and prayer book are the constant source of comfort to Thomas Cammack. He reads from them a great deal, only deviating from this line when he copies the poems which reference has been made. It is strange to find that one of his bits of poetry which he has copied out with much care is a Christmas carol, which is evidently based on the words "there was no place for him in the inn." The prisoner has really shown a good deal of taste in the selection of the poetry, and the school will be short of the most of it to his present unenviable situation cannot be questioned. He is just now a bit sulky with the sheriff because he is not allowed in the cell with his wife. His watch, Nell McKinnon, the same steady comrade over Gee, allows him in the corridor every morning and evening. His cell, by the way, is not on the same side of the jail as that occupied by Gee. Cammack's cell faces the county ground, and Main street beyond. He is immediately to the right as one enters the corridor. The poor man's under the sense of the situation. Woodstock has had a good deal to do with criminals this past year. In this regard, 1904 will be a memorable one in the history of the town. Strange to say, very little is to be said of Cammack, even when he is near the gallows. Interest may work up later, but he certainly will not be the almost popular character that George Gee became. Probably all murderers seem to labor under the sense of an injustice done them. Cammack appears as quiet and unagitated individual. He says his cell is cold, and altogether he appears to think that the world is not using him fairly. Cammack appears as quite a question if the man is thoroughly competent. The fine distinction that the law attempts to draw between a man who is sufficiently insane to be irresponsible for his acts and one who is to be held accountable for his deeds, done in the body cannot be easily comprehended by the ordinary finite mind. Certainly Cammack knows enough to do his duty, and he is doing right and when he is doing wrong, but for all that he can hardly be called mentally sound, and if by some fate he should escape the gallows (which is a very remote contingency), a lunatic asylum will likely claim him in time. Men with bullets in their heads, where the bullet in this man is said to be, don't get well mentally, so say those who know. There is one thing that is to be regretted, and that is, that the trial will not be on hand. He can't be here on the 12th, for he has a previous engagement, and he has, it is understood, sent his regrets. But he has shown how he will do his duty, and he will do it. It is not known whether there were many votes ready to undertake the job in Gee's case. And probably they will be as willing to assist Cammack out of the trials and tribulations of this mortal life. The public as a general thing, looks unkindly upon any man who does the deed that the sheriff or the official sees fit to hang. The public is inconsistent. The jury who say a man is to be hanged, are doing their duty. Whoever may spring the trap is simply acting as their proxy. The score is now all ready. It was known that this execution was likely to occur before Gee was hanged. Christmas is at hand with all its joys for the many in the town. But there can be but little joy in it for Thomas Cammack; still less perhaps for his family. It is a dreary thing to think of just now, but it is before us, and will not down.

COUN. LOWELL

Nominated to Contest the County on Dec. 30.

His Name Was the Only One Brought Before the Fairville Convention.

The liberal convention for St. John county was held Monday in the Temperance Hall, Fairville. About fifty men and boys were present, and while the proceedings were harmonious throughout, not any great amount of enthusiasm was evolved, the meeting being quiet almost to tameness. Representatives were present from the different parishes and Councillor James Lowell of Lancaster was the only candidate put forward.

Shortly after a short address, Mr. M. P. P. of St. Martins, was called to the chair, and W. O'Brien elected secretary. The chairman stated the purpose of the meeting, to nominate a county candidate to succeed Hon. C. P. Dunn, Dr. Macfarlane of Fairville then nominated James Lowell. This was seconded by John Avery of Simonds, and carried unanimously. The chairman paid a tribute to Councillor Lowell's worth and ability. His record in the council, he said, was a good one, and he had the support of the best citizens. Three cheers were given to the plaintiff and delivered a short address. He thanked the delegates for their nomination. He had put forth no effort to secure this nomination and felt deeply honored by the honor. He assured them they were only a small part in this campaign, and every liberal elector should work for the party. Everyone must get to work right away. The election of Mr. Agar, his opponent, would do the county no good, and he felt that his own election was sure. If elected he would serve his constituency to the best of his ability. Three cheers were given Coun. Lowell on his concluding remarks.

Robert Connelly of Salmon River predicted that his parish would not be found wanting, and said Salmon River would do its best to elect Councillor Lowell.

Councillor Lee from Simonds was pleased to see Mr. Lowell as a candidate, and he looked after Lancaster well as councillor, and he would do as well as he could. Mr. Lowell had always supported the local government, and would do so at the coming election. Mr. Lowell moved that the delegates from each parish, with their chairman and secretary, be a committee to organize the campaign. This was carried, and after short speeches by John Donaldson of Milford and J. Bowyer of Simonds, the meeting was adjourned. At the time before election day, December 30th, a short work will be commenced by Councillor Lowell at once.

APPOINTED AUDITOR.

Meeting of N. B. Petroleum Company Held at Moncton.

MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 12.—F. L. Schwartz, lately of New York, has been appointed travelling auditor of the I. C. R., in succession to Charles P. Burns, who becomes chief clerk in the treasurer's office, succeeding J. J. Walker, who was made chief accountant of the mechanical department on the death of John Sutton some time ago.

The adjourned annual meeting of the New Brunswick Petroleum Co., was held here today. The directors' report showed 37 productive wells started during the year, the pumping plant installed at Dover, and tanks at St. Joseph with a storage capacity of 8,000 barrels. Hon. H. R. Emmerson, minister of railways; Hon. A. D. Richardson, Hon. R. McLellan, B. P. Pearson of Halifax; N. Curry of Amherst; C. S. Hickman of Dorchester; F. W. Summer of Moncton; Joseph Allison of St. John, and F. H. Deacon of Toronto, were elected directors. The committee of Major Ryan, M. B. Jones and M. McDade was appointed to look after the erection of the oil refinery.

S. S. Leger, a prominent merchant of St. Marys, Kent Co., died this morning of inflammation of the bowels. He was 61 years of age and a brother of O. S. Leger, hotel proprietor of Moncton.

FOR CHURCH UNION.

Joint Committees Will Meet in Toronto on Dec. 20th.

On the twentieth of this month the committees appointed by the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational churches will meet to further consider denominational union. The Presbyterian committee was appointed at the session of the general assembly in St. John in June last and the members who represent the St. John district are Judge Forbes and Rev. James Ross. The Methodist committee selected at the last conference includes the following members from New Brunswick: Dr. David Allison, Sackville; Dr. J. R. Inch, Fredericton; Rev. C. H. Paisley, Sackville; Dr. E. Evans, Hantsport; Rev. Geo. Steel, Sackville, and J. D. Chipman, St. Stephen. These delegates will leave for Toronto about Dec. 18th, and the meeting of the joint committee will be held on Dec. 20th to 23rd.

MASTERS' DEATH.

Was Killed by Express Current.

Evidence at Inquest Shows Contact of High Voltage Service Wire With Office Loop the Cause.

BROCKTON, Mass., Dec. 12.—The testimony introduced at the inquest before Justice Chase, into the death of Harry B. Masters indicated that the electric current that caused death when Mr. Masters ceased speaking over the telephone and reached to turn out the incandescent light at his desk came from contact between an incandescent service wire, carrying upward of 3,000 volts, and a loop of the secondary wire supplying the Standard Oil Company offices from the transformer box, corner of North Montello and Fremont streets.

Dist. Attorney Asa P. French of Quincy conducted the inquest, and a number of witnesses were called, including Capt. Wm. Brophy, Mr. Marston, inspector of wires, and officials and employees of the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. and the Southern Massachusetts Telephone Company. Mrs. Masters, the widow, was represented by Atty. Geo. Dixon of Dixon & Knowlton, Boston, and the telephone company by Pitt E. Dwyer of Boston.

Carl E. Merrill, book-keeper for the Standard Oil Company, who was in the office when Manager Masters was stricken, said Mr. Masters had just finished talking with his wife over the telephone and hung up the receiver, when there was a flash, and Mr. Masters fell to the floor. When witness reached him he lay on his back, his left hand burning from the telephone cord and the electric light wire dangling above him. Witness pulled him from the wires, and Mr. Masters opened his eyes and seemed to realize he was being helped. Witness said trouble had been frequent with the light in the office, and that one's hand placed near the light stanchions drew sparks.

Charles A. Jenney, master of the Lincoln school, said he was standing near the transforming box at Fremont street about 9:30 o'clock. Linemen were at work, and witness heard the man on the pole say: "Here it is." Another said: "Look out for that one back of you; it is a hot one."

James H. Thayer, a fireman for the Edison Co., told of going over the wires from the office to the transforming box at 8:30, 1 1/2 hours after the accident. He heard a hissing sound, and sent a fireman up, but did not see any sparks. Later when the incandescent or secondary wires were removed by Chief Marston, he noticed a place where it seemed to have come in contact with something. Witness said he was sent up early the next morning to examine the wires, and some were tightened.

Assistant Superintendent C. W. Kellogg of the Edison Co., said he sent Mr. Thayer up early that morning to secure the wires so they would not be blown down by the wind. He denied suspecting there was anything wrong. Chief Engineer H. A. Davidson of the company, said the voltage on the incandescent wires was from 3100 to 3400, but did not know the voltage at the section near Fremont street.

Electrician H. B. Jarvis of Winthrop, said: "When Mr. Masters took hold of the electric light stand and was in contact with the receiver hook of the telephone instrument, the hook and contact made the stand a conductor, causing a heavy current to enter the telephone circuit through Mr. Masters' body. The rain of the day and other conditions of a technical nature would affect electricity in such a case. He said a 17-horse power energy was created to force a current through Mr. Masters' body, 'enough to kill instantly,' he added.

"What was the origin of the current that killed Mr. Masters, in your opinion?" "The heavy current passed from the service wire to the secondary wire on North Montello street because of contact, then through Mr. Masters' body, through the telephone circuit, where it was grounded."

Medical Examiner Paine and others testified as to details, and Justice Chase took charge of the pictures, wire and other exhibits, and reserved his decision.

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RED FLAG WAVES IN ST. PETERSBURG.

Fierce Riots Quelled by Armed Police—Thousands of Frenzied People Shriek Down With Autocracy.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 11.—A popular anti-government demonstration, the participants in which included a large number of students of both sexes, began at midday in the Nevsky Prospect, and lasted about two hours. Hundreds of police and mounted gendarmes who were hidden in the courtyard of the public buildings, emerged suddenly and charged the crowd at full gallop, driving the demonstrators in headlong confusion, and screaming with terror, upon the sidewalk and into adjacent streets. This led to serious encounters, fifty persons being more or less severely injured. Large numbers were arrested.

Toward one o'clock the workmen and students seemed to swarm toward the corner of the Hotel Europe, opposite the Kazan Cathedral. The police, recognizing that the critical moment was approaching, tried in vain to keep back the human tide. When there was not a single mounted policeman in sight, on the stroke of one, from the heart of the thickly wedged crowd a blood red flag like a jet of flame suddenly shot up. It was the signal. Other flags appeared in other parts of the crowd, waving frantically overhead and were greeted with a hurrah and "down with autocracy." The students surged into the street singing the "Marseillaise," while the innocent spectators seeking to extricate themselves, crowded into doorways and hugged the walls. Dimounted Police made a single attempt to force their way into the crowd to wrest the flags from the demonstrators, but the students and workmen, armed with sticks, stoned them and beat back their assaults, who, like a flash, from behind a squadron of gendarmes, were thrown back and battalions of police came out. A double column of police from the flank of the demonstrators, drawn sabres, five other squadrons circled the mob, cutting through the fringe of spectators, who gladly scurried to cover. The main wedge of demonstrators stood fast only a moment or two. There was a sharp rattle of cudgels and sabres, though the wounds showed the police struck principally with the flat of their sabres. The women especially were fierce in their resistance. Many were struck and trampled upon and blood streamed from their faces.

Considering the sharp fight the rioters had made, the police acted humanely with the crowd, avoiding brutality and roughness in keeping the throng moving and showing really more consideration than the police of many American cities would do under similar circumstances.

The ferment continued all day and far into the night, but only one or two other abortive attempts were made at demonstrations the police being in such force that they had no difficulty in seeking the ringleaders and no resistance being made in any case.

The greatest distress is expressed by conservative liberals over the day's events, all declaring that just when the fate of the Zomstvo programme was in the balance such a fruitless outbreak will be sure to prejudice every observer and put the strongest weapon in the hand of the bureaucratic reactionaries.

THREE KAFFIRS KILLED

And One Chinaman in Fight at Johannesburg.

JOHANNESBURG, Transvaal, Dec. 12.—One of the most severe fights between Chinese and Kaffirs since the advent of the former, occurred at the Witwatersrand mine Sunday. The Chinese took the offensive when the disturbance was quelled it was found that three Kaffirs and one Chinaman had been killed and that eight Kaffirs and twenty-five Chinese were wounded.

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