

**ATROCIOUS MURDER NEAR CITY
WOMAN SLASHED TO DEATH**

Mrs. James Hartwick, of Cobble Hill, West Nissouri,
Found Murdered in Her Bed.

HUSBAND, THOUGHT TO BE INSANE, IS ARRESTED

James Hartwick, an old and hitherto highly esteemed resident of Cobble Hill, a little village three miles from Thorndale, was brought to this city last night on the midnight train, and lodged in the county jail, where he will wait his trial on a charge of murder. The crime was a most atrocious one, and is believed to have been perpetrated on Sunday morning, probably shortly after breakfast. The first intimation that anything was wrong occurred about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when, according to the story told to the constables by Mr. Hugh Day, a farmer, living near the Hartwicks, Mr. Hartwick came to their place only partly dressed, and without any boots. He was known to be somewhat eccentric, but it was apparent from the way that he was acting that he was crazy. Notwithstanding that Hartwick was very much excited, and occasionally broke into incoherent cries, it was seen that he was suffering very much from the cold, and he was taken into Mr. Day's house.

APPEARED GREATLY AGITATED.

While he was waiting Hartwick appeared to be greatly agitated and would give no answer when asked questions. It was thought at the time that he was drunk, as he had been known to become greatly excited and do strange things when under the influence of liquor. Someone said they would take him home and put him to bed, and this remark excited Hartwick greatly and he screamed. Becoming quieter he said he could not go into his bedroom. When asked the reason he said there was blood there, and that he was afraid. Mr. Day began to suspect that there was some other cause for the man's strange conduct than that of drink, and advised him once more to go to his home, which Hartwick finally did. After talking the matter over with the family it was decided to notify the county police. County Constable Faircloth was notified, and proceeded at once to the home of the Hartwicks. The old man had evidently seen him coming, and when he knocked, refused to answer. It was not until it became plain that the constable, if not admitted, would break in, that Hartwick came to the door and told the constable and his companion to go away, that he had done nothing, and would not let them in. The constable, thereupon, prepared to force his way and Hartwick ceased his opposition. The bedroom door was locked, and for a few minutes Hartwick refused to open it, but finally did so. Constable Faircloth and his companion entered, while Hartwick went to the window to raise the blind.

A SCENE OF HORROR.

As soon as the light was admitted he commenced laughing hysterically while the constable and his companion gazed with horror at the bed on which Mrs. Hartwick lay practically nude, and with a number of deep gashes in her side and abdomen. It was evident that the woman had been dead some hours, as the body was quite rigid. Hartwick was at once overpowered and handcuffed, as he was becoming wildly excited, and it was feared that he might do some harm. He said nothing until he had left the house and then in an incoherent and disjointed way related enough of the story for the officers to understand that he and his wife had quarreled and that he had made away with her.

STRUGGLES TO ESCAPE.

The recital seemed to render Hartwick a maniac again, and he struggled wildly to escape. He was placed in Thorndale jail yesterday, and brought to this city late last night. Hartwick was much agitated at times, and during the night frequently broke into fits of screaming.

BRINGING BODY FOR INQUEST.

High Constable Hughes left with Constable Faircloth this morning to bring the body of Mrs. Hartwick to the city, where an inquest will be held.

The Hartwicks moved to Cobble Hill about five years ago from Delaware where they were well known. Previous to that they lived at Kilworth. A resident of Kilworth, in speaking to The Advertiser this morning, said: "Hartwick was not thought particularly well of in the neighborhood on account of his morose disposition and drinking habits. He was known in Delaware as a very heavy drinker, and the strained circumstances in which the family usually found themselves were attributed to this weakness of his. Mrs. Hartwick, on the other hand, was a most industrious, hard-working woman, and the neighbors felt much pity for her on account of the rough treatment which she received from her husband. Hartwick when drunk was particularly brutal, it is said, and it is alleged has often driven the family from home at nights when he would come back from the markets drunk."

Hartwick is about 60 years old, and is a tall, thin man, with keen eyes which, when the fits of excitement come over him, light up with a most sinister expression. His condition at present is a terrifying one, and his general appearance is that of a maniac.

REFUSES TO TALK.

Since his incarceration Hartwick has refused absolutely to talk, and the jail authorities today stated that he has every appearance of being a maniac. The only word he has spoken since being arrested was when an attendant asked him several times if he wanted a drink, and he shouted "No!" at the top of his voice.

Hartwick spends his time crouched in a corner and glaring about his cell. When an attempt was made last night to take his pedigree he closed his eyes and became sullen.

At times, too, he shivers, as if recalling his awful crime. Hartwick has created no disturbance at the jail beyond emitting an occasional shriek. Judging by his appearance Hartwick did not accomplish his deed without a terrific struggle, for he is a mass of cuts and bruises. His hands, especially, show signs of rough usage, and are covered with lumps and cuts.

JACK FROST STILL KING IN EAST

Kingston, Feb. 4.—The mercury ran down to 25 degrees during the night. At 8 a.m. it was 23 degrees below zero.

Brantford, Feb. 4.—Last night was one of the coldest this winter. The thermometer went down to 13 below zero.

Lindsay, Feb. 4.—The temperature registered here this morning was the coldest this winter. Unofficial records showed 35 degrees below zero early this morning. The official record during the night was 29 below zero, and at 9 o'clock this morning it was 26.

Hastings, Feb. 4.—Twenty-eight degrees below zero was registered here early today.

Belleville, Feb. 4.—The temperature at 7 o'clock this morning was 22 below zero in this city.

St. Catharines, Feb. 4.—Last night was one of the coldest of the season. The mercury went down to 7 below zero. There was scarcely any wind.

however, and as the flow of natural gas was fairly good, the citizens were able to keep their homes comparatively comfortable.

St. Thomas, Feb. 4.—The cold snap continues here, early this morning the thermometer showed 6 below zero, and at 9 a.m. it stood at zero.

"REDS" AT CHICAGO

Police Chief Says They Are a Grave Menace to the City.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—"Never in the history of Chicago have anarchists and other enemies of law and order been more dangerous than they are at present," declared Chief of Police Shippy, last night. "The police are watching their movements closely. You never know when they are going to break out."

Chief Shippy had just finished reading a police report of a meeting of Chicago anarchists, at which the assassination of King Carlos and son, and that of President McKinley, were approvingly referred to.

**Roads Piled High With Beautiful
Biggest Fall in Years, Say Farmers**

The Sideroads Ten and Fifteen
Feet Deep in
Drifts.

The opinion is heard on every side that the country roads have not for many years been in such a state of blockade as they are at present. Many farmers living on side-roads, it is said, will have to shovel their way through drifts ten and fifteen feet deep before they can get to the main roads. The snowfall seems to have been general, and no one locality is better off than any other. A funeral

that was to have been held in the country yesterday had to be postponed until today until the roads could be cleared of the drifts that had accumulated. In many cases all trace of the road is entirely lost, and several farmers report that they have found themselves driving over the tops of rail fences when they thought they were on the highway.

The railroads are still kept busy, and will be for some days, as in addition to keeping their lines open they have to keep switches from being snowed in. As soon as all this has been accomplished a drainage system will be made by the section gangs to take care of the snow as fast as it melts, and prevent it from freezing again and clogging the switches.

**Cool-Headed Motorman
Runs Car Afire To Pump**

Motorman William Livermore, No. 139, of the Ridout street car line, had a lively experience this morning when a fire originated in the front end of his car.

The flames caused the front vestibule to become filled with smoke, but the plucky motorman nevertheless quickly ran his car to the powerhouse at Bathurst and Thames streets where the conflagration was promptly smothered.

The fire, which either started from

a hot coal from the stove or a burned out fuse, was first noticed as the car was approaching Horton street, and when finally quenched had burned a large hole in the floor of the car.

One of the employees of the company stated that a new grate had just been placed in the stove, and that the fire probably originated from a burnt fuse.

The run down the Ridout street hill to the powerhouse was probably one of the quickest on the local record, and reflects much credit on the presence of mind of the motorman.

**The Best in the Dominion
Is London's Police Force**

Annual Report of Chief Williams
Shows It Efficient and
Economical.

"London has the cheapest and most efficient police force in Canada," said Chief Williams to The Advertiser this morning. "We can challenge any city in America, when it comes to being orderly. This condition of affairs can only be brought about by having an efficient police force, and by having a police magistrate who supports the police in doing their duty. London is fortunate in having both, and is known

by crooks all over America as a dangerous place in which to stay. Statistics show that there is not nearly as much crime in the city. With its population of 50,000, as there was 25 years ago, when it was 25,000. The crimes are not of the same order. Serious crimes were not uncommon in those days, whereas there has been nothing of a really serious nature here for several years. This is not because the people are naturally any better at heart perhaps, but because they have learned by experience that they will be severely punished if they break the law. In Toronto, with a population of 262,760, they have 380 police, or one officer to every 700 population. The cost

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**Fire Halls Must Be Built in Spring
Council Clinched Matter Last Night**

The Third Reading of the Bylaw
Makes Erection Compulsory.

A new fire hall for the southeast end is now an assured fact. The council last night gave the bylaw its third reading, and it is expected that the work will be pushed ahead rapidly.

The opinion of City Solicitor Meredith was asked regarding the bylaw, and last night that opinion was read to

the council. He told them that as the bylaw called for the expenditure of certain sums for certain purposes, it would be compulsory to follow that out, provided the bylaw was given its third reading, although it was not compulsory to give the bylaw the third reading. That effectively prevents any further obstruction, and the halls will be built in the spring.

The locations of the halls has not yet been decided upon, but it is understood that No. 3 committee will undertake the work shortly.

LONDON MAY SOON HAVE ABATTOIR

An abattoir for the city seems nearer now than it has been for some time. It has been urged that city take steps to establish a public abattoir, especially by the board of health, but so far nothing has resulted from that agitation. Last night the council put through a motion that a private company be given the privilege of building an abattoir, provided a suitable agreement could be made with the city.

It is understood that at the next session of the Legislature a company will ask for legislation allowing it to con-

duct an abattoir business in the city. Mr. Finlay Marshall and several others are interested in the company. "If the city does not go into it, let a private corporation do it. An agreement can be made with the city, and that will be satisfactory. Something should be done to protect the health of the citizens in this matter. I understand a company will ask for a private bill along the lines suggested in my motion, and will come to the city shortly with that agreement."

Merge Branches Into One Company

The two companies operating under the name of the Canadian Packing Company, with branches in London and Port Huron, have been incorporated into one company capitalized at \$350,000. Letters patent have been issued, and the following have been named in the Canada Gazette as forming the company: Francis Edward Barnes, merchant; William Howard Barnes, merchant; both of South-west, England; Edgar Recknitzer, merchant; Alma Z. Ginge, widow of this city, and Maxwell D. Fraser, K. C., also of this city. The firm will take

over the business now conducted by the Canadian Packing Company under the same firm name. The shares will be of \$100 each. The deal is one of the largest that has taken place in the city for some time. The firm has been increasing its business at a rapid rate for some time, and is looked upon as one of the growing concerns of the country. Mr. Recknitzer, the present manager, will continue in that office. It is understood that the firm will largely increase its capacity and enlarge its premises.

JAPS NOW GO TO SOUTH AMERICA

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 4.—News was brought by the Empress of India from Yokohama that since the restrictive measures against immigration to America, the Japanese emigration companies are looking to South America. The steamer Iteu Kusuma has been chartered by the American emigration company to take 1,000 Japanese to Peru, and another emigration company has been permitted to dispatch 500 to Callao. Representatives sent to Brazil by the Kokoku Emigra-

tion Company have returned after making arrangements to send 3,000 Japanese yearly to that country. Arrangements are under way in Tokyo to furnish Japanese laborers for Columbian plantations and railways.

Mrs. George Aitken, of Galt, slipped and fell yesterday, and is suffering from concussion of the brain. She is 79 years of age, and her condition is serious.

BIG WAREHOUSE BURNED

Old Montreal Building Occupied by the C. P. R. Destroyed.

Montreal, Feb. 3.—Damage to the extent of over \$200,000 was caused by a fire which took place this afternoon in a warehouse of the Molson property on east Notre Dame street, occupied by the Canadian Pacific as a storage warehouse. The building was a stone structure, erected over a hundred years ago, and was stored with flour owned by the Lake of the Woods Milling Company and the Oliver Company. There were nearly 25,000 sacks of flour in the building, besides other goods.

**THE DEATH OF
MRS. MARY COOK**

A Well-Known London Lady
Passes Away on Day of
Wedding Anniversary.

The death occurred this morning of Mrs. Mary Cook, wife of Mr. Philip Cook, at the family residence, 455 Colborne street. Mrs. Cook was ailing for some time, but her demise was unexpected, and her death will come as a great shock to her many friends.

Mrs. Cook was a very estimable woman, and was beloved by a large circle of friends. A rather strange coincidence is the fact that her death occurred on the anniversary of her wedding. Preparations had been made by the family to celebrate the thirty-seventh anniversary of her marriage, but she was taken ill yesterday and died this morning.

The late Mrs. Cook was the soul of hospitality, and was deeply interested in her family and friends.

Besides her husband, a family of seven children survive, Joseph, Philip and Edward, all connected with the Cook-Fitzgerald Company, and Mrs. Cook's daughter, Mrs. E. J. Dignam, the noted horseman, Mrs. Fitzgerald, wife of City Registrar Dignam; Mrs. Wm. McPhillips, of this city, and Ella, at home. Deceased also survived by one brother, Mr. Bernard O'Brien, connected with the Public Works Department, Toronto, and Mrs. Robt. Carty, 501 Ottawa avenue, this city.

The funeral will be held on Thursday morning to St. Peter's Cathedral at 9 a.m.

SPAIN IS NERVOUS

The Slaughter at Lisbon Causes Extra Precautions To Be Taken.

Madrid, Feb. 4.—King Alfonso and Queen Victoria are at present at Seville. They will return to Madrid only in case the situation in Portugal becomes worse, and it should be desirable for them to be near the ministry and parliament to facilitate the taking of steps necessary for the protection of Spanish interests.

In addition to the strong force of Spanish troops kept along the Spanish frontier, heavy detachments of soldiers are stationed in all the important centers of Spain, but especially at Barcelona, where the anarchists and revolutionaries are said to be showing signs of restless activity. It is reported King Carlos carried life insurance to the amount of \$200,000 in an English company, and \$22,000 in a Spanish insurance company.

STILL UNCONSCIOUS

The condition of Fred Ward, the young Englishman who was recently taken to Victoria Hospital, is unchanged, and he has not yet recovered consciousness. The case is a very puzzling one, and there is now a tendency to believe that Ward is suffering from spinal meningitis, and will not recover consciousness any more. As far as can be learned Ward has no relatives at all in this country.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—MILDER.

FORECASTS.
Toronto, Feb. 4-8 a.m.
Today—Fins and very cold.
Wednesday—Strong easterly winds; milder, with snow.

Local Temperatures.
The temperatures recorded at the local observatory yesterday were: Highest, 22 above zero; lowest, 5.3° below zero.

TEMPERATURES.
8 a.m. Min. Weather.
Calgary 4 0 Cloudy
Winnipeg 2 -12 Cloudy
Port Arthur 8 14 Clear
Parry Sound 32 -32 Clear
Toronto 18 -18 Clear
Ottawa 20 -20 Fair
Montreal 18 -18 Clear
Quebec 18 -20 Clear
Father Point 14 -14 Fair
Minus (-) means below zero.

The first column in the above table records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.
The cold wave which was advancing from the northwest yesterday morning is now centered in the lake region, attended by very low temperature as far east as the Maritime Provinces.

A marked disturbance covers the western portion of the continent, accompanied by milder weather and snow and rain. Snow is falling in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.
Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 40 below—49 below; Atlin, 2 below—20 below; Port Simpson, 25—35; Victoria, 30—40; Vancouver, 30—35; Kamloops, 15—25; Edmonton, 9—10; Battleford, 6 below—4; Prince Albert, 20—30; Calgary, 2—12; Regina, 13 below—5; Winnipeg, 14 below—20; Port Arthur, 12 below—12; Parry Sound, 6 below—2; Toronto, 5 below—23; Montreal, 10 below—2; Quebec, 14 below—4 below; St. John, 2 below—12; Halifax, 4—23.

**TWEED ROCKS WITH EXPLOSION
POWDER FACTORIES BLOWN UP**

Twelve Buildings of the Ontario Powder Company
Destroyed This Morning, the Employees
Having a Narrow Escape.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Tweed, Ont., Feb. 4.—A terrific explosion at 7:45 this morning startled the community for miles around. Plate glass windows were shattered to fragments, and residents rushed into the streets, fearing an earthquake. It was soon learned that the Ontario powder works, on the outskirts of the town, had blown up, and for a time it was feared that many lives had been lost. Fortunately the workmen had warning and there were no casualties. The cause of the accident was the boiling over of a nitrotrator, where nitric acid is mixed with other chemicals. The works had just been opened for the day

and only one drum was in operation. Boiling over, it set fire to the wood-work, and the employees were given about ten minutes' warning, in which they succeeded in putting themselves at a safe distance from the works. The flames spread very rapidly, and when the explosives were reached there was one loud report, that shattered the twelve small buildings into kindling-wood. The loss is placed at \$3,000. An indirect loss that will run up into thousands of dollars comes from the smashed windows for miles around. Every window on the west side of the main street of the town was caved in, while the village of Stoco, across the lake, suffered in similar manner.

**Fire Hall, Power, Hospital Bylaws
Council Approves Building Inspector**

Tiff Over Motion To Remove
Park Superintendent's
Office.

The numerous bylaws voted on by the citizens at the recent municipal elections were given their final readings at the council meeting last evening, among them being the tuberculosis hospital, fire halls and Niagara power. The council also confirmed the appointment of Mr. E. N. Xaver as building inspector, and a motion was put through giving the council power to ask for special legislation to allow a private company to erect and maintain an abattoir in the city. There was a lot of other business transacted.

A Bit of a Brush.
There was a brush over the clause of No. 1 committee's report filling the recommendation to move Parks Superintendent Pearce's office in order to make more room for committee meetings. Ald. Stevenson explained that he had moved that the change be made at the instance of Mayor Stevely. One member of the council, however, had charged that, if the motion had been made by any person else, it would be carried. Ald. Stevenson insisted that the motion was not his, nor did it emanate from him. He thought that the alderman in question had gone out (Continued on Page Six.)

**Commons Talk Old Age Pensions
Committee To Look Into Matter**

Premier Laurier's Views On the
Subject—Extension of
Intercolonial.

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—The House agreed today to the appointment of a select committee of nine to inquire into a scheme, by state aid or otherwise, for making provision for aged and deserving poor. This step was taken on motion of Mr. Pringle, who made an able presentation of the case for old age pensions. Sir Wilfrid Laurier expressed his hearty sympathy with the movement, but pointed out that there was ample room for differences of

opinion as to the particular system which should be adopted. Though not prepared to commit themselves to any definite scheme, the Government were willing that a committee should be appointed to obtain information. Mr. Postan, however, who had been charged that, if the motion had been made by any person else, it would be carried. Ald. Stevenson insisted that the motion was not his, nor did it emanate from him. He thought that the alderman in question had gone out (Continued on Page Nine.)

Britain Caused Franco's Resignation

Paris, Feb. 4.—The Petit Parisien declares today, that on Saturday night at a meeting of the council of state in Lisbon, Premier Franco guaranteed to restore order if he was given full power and allowed to deport 300 persons. He was aware, however, that his request

would not be granted, and he consequently preferred to retire and save the country. It is probable the paper continues that influence of the British Government, invoked by Queen Amelie, was mainly instrumental in causing the dictatorship of Franco to be discontinued.

Hammered Negro and Upset Peanuts

Michael Doveen and William Cullin, two young soldiers from the barracks, were each fined \$5 and \$25 costs this morning by Magistrate Love for assaulting a young colored man, and knocking over a peanut stand on Richmond street yesterday afternoon.

Fred Fuller and Alfred Smith were placed on the Indian list for being drunk. Fuller, in addition, was fined \$10, but not being able to pay, was sent for a rest at Castle Carter for 27 days. Fred Roach, the clever young burglar from Hamilton, was again remanded a week, as the Hamilton police are making investigations, which may connect him with a series of robberies that have occurred there recently.

Now the Iceman Is Wearing a Smile

The cold weather of the past few days has made the heart of the iceman glad, for it assures him a bountiful crop. Already the cut is being harvested, especially in the North End, and it is expected that in a few days a large amount will be placed in storage. It was feared early in the month that there would be scarcely any ice, and that a famine would result; but this surmise has been dissipated by the zero weather of the past few weeks. "There will be plenty of ice," said one of the dealers this morning. "January was so mild that I was fearful that there would be no ice; but that is not the case now. There is a good six inches of ice at this minute, and it is of good quality. There have been no thaws since the cold snap started, and as a result the ice is of a much better quality than it would be had there been a soft spell. With a few days' fine weather we will get the crop all in, and then we need not worry. We do not get the best ice, as a rule, until February, and the month has started

out right to give us a good supply. There will be no ice famine this summer. From reports I have had the crop is very good on Lake Huron and other places, so I guess it will be all right." Ice-cutting gives work to a considerable number of men every winter, and it is expected that the number employed will be much larger this winter than ever before.

**THIS YOUNG THIEF
MAY BE DEPORTED**

In all probability Wm. E. Heaton, the youthful Illinois thief, will be ordered deported on Thursday, when he faces Judge Macbeth for sentence. Heaton stole a watch and a pair of gloves from an Ekfrid Township farmer, who employed him, and pleaded guilty to the charges. He was given a week to procure \$150, the fare to Port Huron, but up to date has been unsuccessful in doing so.