

FIGHTING FIRE IN CHERRY MINE

Rescuers Waiting to Descend in Search of Miners.

One of the Rescued Died To-day From Exhaustion.

Rescued Men Tell Pathetic Stories of Their Confinement.

Cherry, Ill., Nov. 23.—Cherry rested for a brief period early to-day before beginning of the crucial struggle to rescue the living or carry the dead from the 500 foot level of the St. Paul coal mine.

At midnight, boy miners had forced their way into the third vein, preparing for a rush of their comrades to the same vein to-day. They declared the air in the gallery stagnant, but capable of sustaining life, the water but a few inches deep and all indications favorable to prolonging the life of those imprisoned.

The youths had scarcely emerged from the shaft when they spread the news that the fire in the second vein had broken out anew. All preparations for the further exploring of the vein were halted while Chicago firemen attacked the blaze, which now threatened the main shaft. The contest with the fire continued for several hours during which the rescuers threw themselves on cots, blankets or the floor of the boiler which was awakened when all was ready for them to descend.

That scores of men are alive in the lower levels was the almost unanimous opinion of miners who listened to the story of McEdden and Dougherty.

After experiencing all the terrors of his long imprisonment and the joy of being brought to the surface alive, David Hollobeck, one of the twenty survivors rescued Saturday, died to-day, of general exhaustion.

PATHETIC STORIES.

Cherry, Ill., Nov. 23.—George Steinhilber was not hungry when he ate his lunch a week ago Saturday. To this fact he probably owes his life.

"When we followed the losses," said Steinhilber, "I carried my dinner pail. I was scared to death, and I thought I was going to die at any minute, but the bosses said go, and I went. We got in the chamber and sealed ourselves up; then we thought of something to eat, and I went into my dinner pail."

"In my dinner pail were four slices of bread, two slices of meat, a piece of pie, a pickle, and some tea. I kept the tea for three days. I lived on this and the little food I had saved. Then I got terribly hungry and one day, thinking I would die anyway, I ate all I had."

"Then I didn't have any food, nor was there any in the chamber. Everybody had eaten up everything they had. I got mighty hungry and finally ate the leather off my mitt. It was dirty and pretty tough, but it tasted good. Then I thought of tobacco. The thought suddenly came to me that if I would swallow some of it, it would keep me from being so hungry. I chewed a piece of tobacco every once in a while and swallowed it, and I didn't want anything to eat after that. Then I ate the leather hatband out of my hat."

John Brown, another rescued from the mine, declared that he would never again enter a coal mine.

"It will be the last time I go underground until I die," he said. "One experience like this is sufficient, and I never want another one. The last week seemed like a horrible dream, and it is hard for me to see that if I had waited another day to liberate us we would have all died."

"God knows the awful pangs of hunger which gripped all of the men. We ate the scraps of food and even the leather on our gloves. We did everything to allay hunger. I love that if I had waited another day to liberate us we would have all died."

"I want my wife and my children," said Thomas White as he was brought out of the mine. "I feel that I have been dead and brought to life. Won't I be glad to see them? I want to talk about the awful times we had down in the mine. While I always preserved a faint hope that we would be rescued, I felt sure that we would meet our death. I thought that the mine had been burned and that only our little chamber remained. I feel that we owe our lives to Mr. Waite and Mr. Eddy. If it had not been for them we all might have perished in the flames."

The six Italians who were entombed came out as well as when they entered. They faced death with bravery and courage, but none of them ever gave up hope that they would finally be rescued. The Pigati brothers stuck together throughout the trying ordeal and assisted each other in preserving their lives. Giacomo Pigati said that he would never again enter a coal mine and would work anywhere or do anything except mining.

"I do not know how we escaped," said he, "I am weak and unable to talk, but I will tell you a little about it. I cannot describe it; it is too terrible. I prayed and thought of my family and felt that I never would see them again. How are they? I hope they are well. God bless them. I am so glad to be with them again."

"How did we get out? Why, I and six other miners who were the strongest broke down the barrier we had built and started down to find our way out. I don't know which way we went or anything until we were found."

One of the pathetic instances of the rescue occurred when Walter Waite was brought from the shaft. His little son, Leonard Waite, who had been in the shaft for a year, was near the entrance of the shaft when his father appeared on the cage. With a scream of joy the boy dropped his crutches and ran to his father.

"Dad, dad!" he cried, "is it you? We thought you were dead."

The miraculous is again said to have happened when the Waite boy dropped his crutches and ran to his father's side. The boy had walked with crutches for some time, and he never hoped to regain the use of his limbs. Since he threw the crutches away he has walked as though he had never been crippled.

BODIES FOUND.

Thirty-eight dead miners' bodies, lying face downward, were discovered late yesterday in the end of the second level of the St. Paul mine, whom the coroner stated, after examination, had been dead less than 48 hours. Fire was raging in the vicinity. They had evidently died from the poisonous gas in the colliery, after a desperate fight for life.

PASSAGE BLOCKED.

Cherry, Ill., Nov. 23.—Blocked in the sec-

nod gallery of the St. Paul mine resulted today in heavy savings of earth, blocking rescue work to the east. This section should afford the best chance of finding survivors, but the passage is so badly blocked that it will be impossible for many days to make an entrance. Meanwhile, men now alive may starve. The news spread gloom throughout the village, relieved only by improvement in prospects of exploring the 500-foot, or bottom, shaft.

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

—Dr. Ingersoll Olmsted has returned home from abroad.

—A. E. Kimmins sails to-morrow on the Oceanic for Southampton.

—Mrs. L. Misner sails from New York to-morrow on the Columbia for Glasgow.

—E. A. McKean and H. L. Glazebrook will sail on Friday from St. John on the Virginian.

—The Beacon Band of Knox Mission will hold a sale of work on Wednesday afternoon and evening.

—William Johnston, father of Mr. B. E. Johnston, of this city, died yesterday at his home in Stratford.

—Inspector Coffey, of the Street Railway, has returned from a two-weeks' trip to the Eastern States.

—A special board meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held this morning to consider the furnishing of the new building.

—Mr. John Lennox, of this city, has been re-elected a director of the Commercial Travelers' Mutual Benefit Society of Western Ontario.

—Mrs. W. H. Ballard and her daughter, Mrs. Scully, will receive on Thursday and Friday afternoons of this week at Mrs. Ballard's home.

—Summonses were issued this morning against three persons alleged to have ill-treated their horses. Inspector Jennings, of the S.P.C.A., applied for the summonses. The cases will be heard in Police Court to-morrow.

The idea of forming a debating league among the young men's literary clubs in the city will be discussed in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday night, Nov. 24, at 8 o'clock. The Canadian Club is willing to present a valuable shield as a trophy for competition, and with the ability and talent to be found in the local societies such a league should prove profitable and successful.

LONDON STORM.

Snow, Rain, Blizzard and Frost Make Trouble.

(Special Wire to the Times.)

London, Oct., Nov. 23.—On Friday night London alone had a blizzard that was never equalled in stormiest March. On Saturday it snowed some more and on Sunday afternoon it started to rain and poured for 22 hours in which time 2 1/2 inches of rain fell. This morning early it started to freeze and pavements are now like glass. Country roads are almost impassable and stages are coming in hours late though drawn by three and often four horses. Show merchants have been doing an enormous business in rubbers and winter shoes and yesterday umbrella dealers practically sold out.

10,000 TROOPS.

Nicaraguan General at Head of Great Army—What It Means.

New Orleans, La., Nov. 23.—A despatch from Port Limon, Costa Rica, says that passengers arriving at Punta Arenas report a great movement of troops in Salvatoran ports. It is said that Gen. Prudencio Alfaro is at the head of 10,000 Nicaraguans. This expedition is said to be well armed and equipped.

The arrival of Don Luis Alonzo Barahona, the ex-candidate for the presidency of Salvador, is momentarily expected and he will join with Alfaro and Figueroa as one of the revolutionary chiefs.

The revolutionists are said to be in possession of Cutillo Viejo.

Following is the situation as seen in Salvador: "Alfaro is beaten the troops of Salvador and Guatemala will march toward Honduras to back Zelaya. If Alfaro succeeds revolution in Guatemala will be assured."

YACHT STILL MISSING.

New York, Nov. 23.—Caribbean waters to-day were still barren of definite news of John Jacob Astor's steam yacht Nourmahal.

Eighteen days ago the yacht, with her owner and his son, "Pigati", on board, left Kingston, Jamaica. Since then no direct report from the vessel has been received, although there is good reason to believe that she reached San Juan, Porto Rico, on Nov. 14, having left San Domingo on the twelfth.

AS FOR SAFE.

New York, Nov. 23.—The steam yacht Nourmahal, with Col. John Jacob Astor on board, arrived at San Juan, Porto Rico, from Mayaguez on Sunday, Nov. 14, and was still there on the evening of Nov. 17. At that time the yacht was planned for Ponce, and from there to some Cuban port, before her departure north.

These tidings of the Nourmahal's safety were brought here by the Insular line steamer Harry Luckenbach, which arrived this afternoon from Porto Rican ports.

GARRATT-BEDDOE RECITAL.

A rare treat is in store for those who attend the Garratt-Beddoe recital in Central Church this evening. Miss Beddoe, who will be remembered as a Hamilton singer who has achieved fame abroad, will sing a recitative and aria by Handel, songs by Chadwick and Leoni, and two Scotch songs. Mr. Garratt's numbers will include groups of organ numbers by the best composers.

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THEY LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

Tories Have a Row at Ward Organization Meeting.

Sparks flew at the organization meeting of Ward 7, Conservatives, last evening, when Aldermen Sweeney and Wright, candidates for the Board of Control, clashed over the power question.

Alderman Sweeney declared that under no circumstances would he vote for a thirty year monopoly contract with the Hydro-Electric Commission. He charged Alderman Wright with offering at the beginning of the year to support a reduction of licenses if Ald. Morris would get the temperance people to line up behind him for the chairmanship of the Fire and Water Committee.

Alderman Wright accused the Cataract aldermen of forcing Ald. Appleghat to vote with them under threats.

The officers elected were: A. M. Ewing, Chairman; Patrick Wherry and Nathaniel Marigold, Vice-chairmen; H. J. Castille, secretary; George Wild and Ald. Cooper, members of the Executive Committee.

Ward 1 Conservatives also organized and elected the following officers: A. W. Peene, Chairman; Frank Hills, Vice-chairman; J. H. Hewson, Secretary; William Bell, George Vanmure and Sackville Hill, members of the Executive Committee. There were a number of speakers.

NEVER SPOKE.

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Mr. Fred Dennis, of Wyoming, Mrs. McLaughlin's brother, said his sister worked in Mr. Dale's store in Wyoming for six years before she married McLaughlin. He had not seen her since she came to Uxbridge. She never spoke of her troubles in her letters home. "Well, did not know McLaughlin very well; had never cared much for him. He knew he lost his situation in Watford over a girl scrape. He denied there was any insanity in their family. He knew his sister, Mrs. McLaughlin, to be of a cheerful disposition."

Fred Boston, recalled, said McLaughlin told me about a week previous to the fire that he was very much in love with a young lady in town, and would have her if he could get her. I told him he was crazy to talk such nonsense as that, and asked, "What will your wife think?" He replied, with an oath, that he did not care what she thought.

Dr. Shier, the last witness, who was examined at great length, gave very important testimony. He said he was at the fire on Saturday morning about 1 o'clock. The fire was chiefly down stairs, on the south side. At that time he did not see McLaughlin. At the fire he soon learned that his wife and two children were in the burning building. He saw McLaughlin at the Basement House after the boiler had been removed.

I thought it very strange he did not know where the bodies were located in the house, and hence was anxious to find out if he were drunk, but to my surprise, I found him sober. He had lost his situation and the only reasons he could assign were the unsavory rumors floating around town, and a small discrepancy in his cash at the end of a day's business, which could easily be accounted for. The loss of his wife and children he was lamenting all this time.

Witness then told of assisting in the removal of the bodies, all of which, he said, were perfectly rigid, thus proving the victims were dead before the fire. The condition of the mouths of all three indicated all had come to their death by poison.

Here the inquest was adjourned until this morning.

STARVED HIM.

Keeper of a Montreal Sanitarium Guilty of Manslaughter.

(Special Wire to the Times.)

Montreal, Nov. 23.—The jury in the case of Miss Virginia Gobeil, keeper of a private sanitarium, who was on trial charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of John O'Neill, of Coaticook, this morning brought in a verdict of guilty. Justice Tremblay charged strongly against the accused. The jury was unable to reach an agreement last night and was locked up over night. The woman diagnosed his ailment as cancer and put the man on a very reduced diet. Physicians testified that in their opinion the man starved to death.

FATAL GAME OF TAG

Fell Into Erie Canal Jumping From One Boat to Another.

Buffalo, Nov. 23.—A game of "tag" early Saturday afternoon terminated in the death by drowning in the Erie Canal of John Buchner, 18 years old, who lived at 44 Gerard street, and who, in attempting to leap from one boat to another plunged into the water. The body was recovered within a short time, but efforts at resuscitation were unavailing.

Young Buchner was employed as a delivery boy by Beals & Co., 40-62 Terrace, and during his lunch hour he and three or four others employed in the shops started the game of "tag," playing on several of the State mud scows moored near the Commercial street bridge. Buchner was running from the boy who was "it," and was leaping from one scow to a plank leading to another, 10 feet distant, but missed his footing and fell. Being unable to swim, he went down.

James Hugh, 245 Perry street, and William Leidy, 176 Cedar street, secured the body with the aid of pike poles twenty minutes afterward, and a futile effort to revive the boy was made. Medical Examiner Dansen had the body removed to the morgue, where it was claimed last night by the dead boy's father.

—Samuel Strausberg, who brought the case against Budimir Protich, is displaying considerable anxiety about whether he is clear now. He saw Magistrate Jelfs, but his Worship told him to get the matter settled with his own counsel.

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NOTHING IN CASE AGAINST PROTICH.

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get a warrant against Strausberg, and wanted Protich to go with him to the city hall to interpret for him in swearing out a warrant. Bluenstein said the interpreter told him his charge would be \$5. That night \$2 was paid Protich, with the promise to subsequently pay the balance.

The next morning witness, in company with Protich, called at Magistrate Jelfs' office, and swore out a warrant against Strausberg for trying to extort money from complainant by means of threats and menaces, and even after that, Protich had tried to conspire against him (Strausberg). Bluenstein said "Yes."

Samuel Strausberg told the story of his arrest by Detective Sayers, and tried to convince the court that he did not know he was arrested for threatening and trying to extort money from Bluenstein, though he said the detective read the charge, but did not know what it meant. That excuse, however, seemed farcical in the extreme, for Strausberg speaks English fluently, and from the way he answered Mr. O'Reilly's questions yards like "extort" or "threaten" were easy to him.

Strausberg swore that Protich offered to fix the case for \$12, but Strausberg said when he only had \$10 Protich said that would do. There was no evidence of Protich receiving that \$10, for when Strausberg was arrested that amount was found upon him at the police station by Detective Sayers. Mr. Washington jokingly asked if he thought Sayers kept that \$10. Strausberg emphatically said he did not, as he believed Sayers to be honorable or in his words "a good fellow."

"If you didn't understand what extort meant, why didn't you ask Detective Sayers?" Strausberg was asked. "I don't know."

Mr. O'Reilly then intimated to Strausberg that the cause of his anger was the publicity given to his arrest in the newspapers.

"They're the fellows you want to get after," said the counsel, pointing to the reporters.

Mr. O'Reilly then elicited the information that Strausberg had been up in court a short time ago for threatening to kill a fellow countryman, and was then fined \$10.

When he endeavored to show that when he was to be arrested on the charge of extortion he endeavored to skip out of town to avoid arrest.

It will be remembered that when the Strausberg and Bluenstein case came up it was dismissed at the request of Bluenstein, the prosecutor.

SHOT HIMSELF.

Former Football Player Takes His Own Life.

(Special Wire to the Times.)

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 23.—Charles Courson, of Ottawa, this morning put a pistol to his head and killed himself immediately. He was employed in the engineering department of the National Transcontinental Railway Commission.

He was a former pupil of the Military College at Kingston, and played with the football team of that institution, and afterwards played with the Rough Riders of Ottawa.

ON STRIKE.

Several Thousand N. Y. Shirtwaist Makers Out.

New York, Nov. 23.—A total halt in the shirt waist making industry in this city was promised to-day when operators in shops all over the city went out on strike.

Men, women, girls and boys to the number of several thousand obeyed the strike summons.

An Unsolicited Testimonial.

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\$100,000 FIRE.

Utica, N. Y., Nov. 23.—Fire did \$100,000 damage in the heart of the village of Senastota this morning. The Bruce Opera House block, the Great block adjoining it were burned, and the Beemis block across the street were damaged. Syracuse and Oneida sent men and apparatus to assist in saving the town.

Deaths

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths which are inserted in the Daily Times also appear in the Semi-Weekly Times. 60c first insertion; 25c for each subsequent insertion.

DEATHS.

GARTLAND.—At his parents' residence, 361 Catharine street north, on November 22nd, 1909, Francis P., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. James Gartland.

NELLIEN.—On the 22nd inst., Frederick Joseph Nelliien, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelliien, 21 Pringle street east.

Interment took place this afternoon at the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

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THE WEATHER

FORECASTS—Northerly winds, falling to light or moderate, fair and cold. Wednesday, east and south winds, becoming fresh or strong, and local snow, but partly fair.

WEATHER NOTES

The disturbance mentioned yesterday has now reached the lower St. Lawrence valley. It has caused gales from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces attended by heavy rains as well as heavy local snow falls.

Western New York—Cloudy to-night, colder in east portion; Wednesday partly cloudy, slightly warmer.



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