

DRAWN DOWN BY A QUICKSAND

JAMES M. PARCELS TERRIBLE FATE IN HIS OWN DOORSTEP

He Was Slowly Sinking to Death for Five Hours in the Presence of the Entire Population of Woodbine. The Quicksand Made Frantic Efforts But Could Do Nothing to Save the Doomed Man.

New York, May 19.—James H. Parcells, a night dispatcher in the New York Post Office, was slowly sinking into quicksand in his home at Woodbine, L.I., though for over five hours almost the whole population of the town was trying to save him.

Mr. Parcells was about 60 years of age, had built a new house for his wife and six children, but had not moved into the house. In his yard a well had been driven. Mr. Parcells continued to dig a hole in a portion of the pipe underground was defective, and in the afternoon, about 4 o'clock, he was about digging down to the lower end of the pipe when he began digging, knowing the inside of the boring which protected the upper portion of the pipe, and made an excavation about six feet deep.

He had dug down to about 15 feet from the surface when he struck quicksand and he began to sink gradually. He shouted for help but his wife who had been hauling the bucket up had gone to the door. He called to her but she did not come.

When young Parsons reached the well and looked down he saw his father sinking in the quicksand. Stephen Parcells immediately called Peter Brandt and Lawrence Brandt who were at the house. They immediately dug down to the level of the quicksand and filled the buckets as fast as they could be hauled up, but it was of no avail.

Shortly after 7 o'clock a fire engine arrived with a number of other villagers, and being that it was raining, the engine was used to draw him out. The men dug a hole in the sand and he was hoisted out. He was taken to the hospital where he died.

Mr. K. Nelson went down to the well on a ladder, taking rope with him. After scooping some of the sand from around Mr. Parcells, he was able to get him up. He was taken to the hospital where he died.

Station Train Has the Everlasting Twist on the Tracks. New York, May 19.—George Francis Train, who left for Tacoma via Chicago this evening, says that the car should have been abandoned because it was impossible to pass beyond all human limitations and became immortal. The explanation according to the Tacoma papers is that in journeying around the globe within a certain number of days, he claims, one does not get into the ordinary inflexible laws of the calendar.

SMITH'S A GOOD 'UN. The Colorado Pig Stands Up for Five Hours. CHICAGO, May 19.—Six thousand people to-night witnessed a rattling five round match with four-ounce gloves between Peter Jackson, who is to fight John L. Sullivan, and Ed Smith, the champion of Colorado. Much interest was taken in the contest as Smith's ability against Jackson, as the Colorado man has been trained by Sullivan.

THE GRAND LEGION

Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Select Knights to Open To-Day

The Grand Legion of the Select Knights of Canada will begin its eighteenth annual session at Staburury Hall this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The headquarters of the Grand Legion is the Palmer House. The Finance Committee, the Committee on Shows and the Board of Management of the Endowment Fund will hold special meetings last evening.

MR. BURELL FINED

He Pleads Guilty to Keeping an Irregular Record in College—The Three

It was nearly high noon when Magistrate Barter reached the case of Abbe Burrill in the Police Court yesterday. The woman brought into court and stood before the judge was Mrs. Abbe Burrill. She pleaded guilty to keeping an irregular record in College-street, near Borden. Her lawyer, Mr. W. G. Murdoch, pleaded guilty to the charge and requested that the woman be allowed to leave town on suspended sentence. Magistrate Barter refused to grant the request.

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The adjourned annual meeting of the City Relief Society Eleventh Officers This Time. The adjourned annual meeting of the City Relief Society was held at the Y.M.C.A. building and a large number of ladies were present.

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Only Pullman Sleeper for New York is Via Erie Railway, leaving Toronto 4:30 p.m. Comfort is everything while traveling, and in order to obtain this luxury, you should purchase your tickets via the picture-book Erie. You can also leave Toronto at 10:30 p.m. for New York, and in this case you will be comfortable.

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25 YEARS OF PROSPERITY

THE Y.M.C.A. HAS THRIVED FOR A QUARTER OF A CENTURY

Showing a Good Stewardship at the Twenty-Eighth Annual Meeting—Large Increase of Membership—President Robert Kilgour Respected by the Members.

For a quarter of a century the Toronto Y.M.C.A. has been in existence. Its work and progress during that time is so well known that comment is not necessary. The directors who met yesterday afternoon acknowledged that never has the Y.M.C.A. been so progressive during the past year.

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A LIFE FOR THREE DOLLARS

Suicide of a 20-Year-Old Girl at Dundas

Hamilton, May 19.—Anne Wainwright, a young Dundas girl, died on Saturday from the effects of a dose of rough-on-rats administered by her own hand. From her own confession it appears that she had taken a dose of the poison to make her sick. The girl had lived with the family of George Davidson for four months. On Friday she had some trouble with a man who she had met on the street. She took a dose of the poison to make her sick, but she did not get better.

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WHAT IS GOING ON IN MONTREAL

The New Civil Union—Work Begun on the New Southern Railway

Montreal, May 19.—The City Council this afternoon decided to send Mayor Robb to England with the City Comptroller to negotiate the \$8,000,000 loan. Work was begun on the new Southern Railway this morning. This is a branch of the Canadian Pacific from Carleton Place to Montreal.

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A SLAUGHTER, NOT A BATTLE

THE FRENCH CAPTURE REGON AND OUBOUBOAN

In the Latter Conflict, the Entire Forces of the Dahomians, Numbering 1500 Men, Were Slain—The French Loss, 15 Killed and 75 Wounded—General Cable News.

PARIS, May 19.—A dispatch from Senegal has been received here stating that the French have captured Regon and Oubouboan, after conflicts with the Dahomians. The forces of the Dahomians at the battle at Oubouboan, which took place April 25, numbered 1500. All of them were killed.

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CAPTAIN McCAFREY'S ESTATE

The Lament Over the Worldly Possessions of the Ice-Trotting Diplomat

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IS HE A LEGAL MAGISTRATE?

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