

Drowned Like Rats

Many Miners Lose Their Lives
in a Coal Pit.

No Means of Knowing the Number
That Perished.

Crisis in French Political Affairs—
Premier Dupuy and His Col-
leagues Resign.

Siam's Crown Prince Dead.
His Royal Highness Prince Maha
Vajirunhis, Crown Prince of Siam, died at
Bangkok on Friday, Jan. 4.

The Victorian Cabinet.
MELBOURNE, Jan. 14.—The Victorian
Cabinet has abandoned the Land Tax Bill,
and has decided to submit again the In-
come Tax Bill. The municipal subsidy is
to be reduced £100,000.

Italian Troops Besieged.
ROME, Jan. 4.—Advices from Massowah
say an overwhelming force of dervishes is
besieging the Italian garrison at Kassala.
The garrison, which is 1,500 strong, recently
made a sortie, but the soldiers were re-
pulsed and driven behind the fort works.
Gen. Barateri has collected all the troops
available and started from Kerna to relieve
the beleaguered garrison.

Handsome Prize for an Essay.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—One of the events of
the year, from the colonial point of view,
promises to be the competition announced
by the London Statist for the best paper
on a customs union between the colonies
and Great Britain. The journal in ques-
tion has offered the magnificent prize of
1,000 guineas in connection with the com-
petition. The Marquis of Lorne and Lord
Playfair have accepted the position of
judges.

The Franco-Canadian Treaty.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The Franco-Canadian
treaty having been adopted by the French
Senate and Chamber of Deputies, has now
been promulgated by the President of the
Republic and the announcement appeared
in the Journal Officiel of the 26th ulto. All
that remains to be done now is for the ex-
change of ratifications to take place and a
proclamation to be issued by Canada and
France, fixing the date on which the mutual
tariff concessions are to take effect.

The War.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The Times' corre-
spondent in Kobe telegraphs under date of
Jan. 8: "It is reported that several trans-
ports have left the Ujina with a portion of
the third Japanese army on Jan. 11. The
transports are expected to land troops at
two places on the Shan Tung coast south of
Wei Hai Wei."

The Times' correspondent in Hong Kong

says that Admiral Freeman has gone
with the fleet to Japan, presumably to fol-
low the Japanese movements.

The French Ministry Resign.

PARIS, Jan. 14.—Premier Dupuy has
handed the resignations of the French
Ministry to President Casimir-Perier. The
chamber by a vote of 263 against 241 re-
jected a resolution offered by M. Trolat,
approving the Government's conduct
throughout in dealing with the railway
convention, and also approving the Gov-
ernment's dissociation from the acts of M.
Barthou. Premier Dupuy then ascended
the tribune and said: "After this vote the
Chamber must understand that the Cabinet
cannot continue to participate in its de-
liberations." The Ministers then left the
chamber, proceeded to the palace of the
Elisee and tendered their resignations to
President Casimir-Perier.

Colliery Catastrophe in England.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The Diglake colliery
at Hanley was flooded this morning while
about 240 miners were at work. The
water came from a part of the mine which
had been closed for some time. It swept
through the workings with tremendous
force, carrying with it timbers, cars and
tools. The men nearest the shafts were
rescued, and others fled to remote
workings, where they would be above the
level of the flood, although out of the
shaft. It is thought that about 140 of the
men were saved, but that the rest were
drowned. The estimate is only approxi-
mate, as nobody knows how many there
are below ground still alive. Engines have
pumped up water for hours and the flood
in the mine has subsided greatly at 11
o'clock.

Value of Cold Storage.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The trade between
Australia and Great Britain, particularly
in dairy produce, is rapidly increasing,
and it is attributed to the admirable and
extensive cold storage provided on the
steamers which carry the traffic. Of
course, in view of the shorter distance be-
tween Canada and Great Britain the
necessity for such accommodation on
steamers from that colony may not be so
great, but in business circles it is generally
believed that Canadian exports of more or
less perishable articles will never reach
the dimensions of the capabilities of
the Dominion warrant unless the question
of cold storage is grappled with by the
steamship companies. Only a few days ago
720 tons of butter, or 1,512,800 pounds,
valued at £70,000, were shipped by one
steamer from Melbourne; and it is expected
that during the present season the ship-
ments of butter from Victoria will bring
about £1,000,000 into the pockets of the
farmers. Then again, the cold storage is
enabling the farmers to turn the rabbit
pest to some advantage, as thousands of
the rodents are now being disposed of in
the different markets in England at prices
ranging from 1s to 1s 3d each.

Italian Troops for Africa.

ROME, Jan. 15.—Gen. Barateri has tele-
graphed to the war office from Massowah
that the necessity for the immediate rein-
forcement of the Italian troops in Africa
is most urgent. Signor Crispi and Gen.
Masciadri, Minister of War, held a pro-
tracted conference last evening, when it
was decided to dispatch several battalions
of troops to Africa without delay.

The French Cabinet Crisis.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—The Paris newspapers
are unanimous in expressing the opinion
that a settlement of the present crisis will
be a long and difficult task. Many of the
papers pay high tribute to what they

characterize as Premier Dupuy's clear and
direct attitude. The consensus of press
opinion is that the result will be the for-
mation of a concentrated ministry under
M. Bourgeois.

Churchill Weaker.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—Lord Randolph
Churchill passed a restless night and was
somewhat weaker this morning.

The Hanley Horror.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—At noon today the
water was rising in the Diglake colliery at
Hanley, where 90 or 100 miners are en-
tombled. It is feared most of them have
been drowned.

Late Canadian News.

Suicide of a Youth Who Shot Him-
self While in Bed.

A Halifax Woman Secures a Divorce—
Marriage of "Gatling Gun Howard."

The Toronto majority recount will take
three or four days.

Senator Tasse is still lingering and his
amazing vitality is surprising his friends.

Mr. Thomas Blowe, employed at the
registry office, St. Thomas, died on Sunday
in the 74th year of his age.

Montreal workmen will hold a public
meeting Wednesday on Fine Market to
advise as to the best means of obtaining
work.

The Fraser valley, in British Columbia,
is again flooded, very warm weather having
prevailed on the Pacific coast for the past
three days.

Miss Effie Wright, of Allanburg, was re-
turning to her home Saturday when her
horse ran away, pitching her head first to
the ground. Her skull was fractured by
the fall and she died on Sunday.

Daniel Campbell, ex-member of the
Northwest Legislature, who robbed the
Dominion Government while acting as post-
master at Whitewood, has been brought
back from Chicago to stand trial.

Jose A. Sadler, who takes the part of
Roche of Yucatan in the "Prince Pro-
tem," is seriously ill at Montreal, having
been bitten by a big mastiff dog, owned by
a guest at the Balmoral Hotel. The wounds
had to be cauterized.

Carl Atkinson, a Swede, tried to commit
suicide in the Ottawa police station on
Sunday by stabbing himself in the neck
with a large needle. He made two holes
in his neck which required six stitches to
close the wound. Atkinson took a bit of
despondency. He will recover.

When Edward Spence and his young son
were driving into Hamilton from the east
on Saturday they were run down by a car
on the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville
Electric Railway. The elder Spence was
not hurt much, but young Spence was
badly cut on the head and was also inter-
nally injured, but will recover.

Mrs. William Langton, who was promi-
nent in Winnipeg society and musical
circle, has, in Chicago, filed a bill for
divorce from her husband, who now resides
in Vancouver. She alleges desecration.
Langton has made answer to her petition,
declaring that his wife deserted him, and
that he is willing at any time to provide a
home for her if she will return.

Judge Graham, at Halifax, N. S., on
Monday, filed his decision in the divorce
case of Boomer vs. Boomer. Mrs. Lenana
Boomer, wife of Alonzo Boomer, of Brook-
lyn, Colchester county, applied for divorce
from her husband on the grounds of
adultery and cruelty. The wife gets an
absolute divorce and custody of the two
children. The couple married in 1889.

Beginning with today (Tuesday) fire in-
surance rates in Toronto will be raised on
all buildings higher than three stories.
This was the result of a conference of To-
ronto fire underwriters. Five cents
additional will be charged on fourth stories
and a proportionate increase for every
additional story. The rate will be re-
duced if the city adopts satisfactory fire
equipment.

Ex-Lieut. Arthur L. Howard, formerly
of New Haven, Conn., but now of Mon-
treal, better known as "Gatling Gun
Howard," was married on Thursday even-
ing in the first-named city to Mrs. Margaret
Douglas, of Brownburg, Que. Mr.
Howard has had a great deal of news-
paper notoriety during the past ten or
twelve years, his greatest degree, per-
haps, being his command of a battery of
Gatlings in an engagement in the North-
west Territory during the Riel rebellion.

A LITTLE LATE,

But Better Now Than Never—Toronto
Taking Steps for Adequate
Fire Protection.

TORONTO, Jan. 14.—This afternoon the
fire and light committee adopted the re-
port of Chief Ardagh, who recommends
the purchase of two of the most powerful
steam engines to be had, a water tower and
a truck. An increased force of men will
be necessary to handle the additional
machinery, and the chief believes the ap-
plications he asks for will suffice
for the city for many years.
The approximate cost of the two fire
engines is \$18,000 for the first year, and
after that \$6,000 a year for maintenance.
The estimated cost of the water tower is
\$7,000 and \$2,500 per year for maintenance.
Chief Ardagh also recommends again that
the Bay street fire hall site be disposed of
and a new central station built. A resolu-
tion was adopted, urging the mayor to
call a special meeting of the council for
tomorrow.

A model household is incomplete with-
out Dr. Price's Baking Powder. As well
try to get along without a kitchen fire.

In Newfoundland.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Jan. 14.—The firms of
John Steer, Job Brox, A. Goodridge & Son
and Arthur S. Rendell have applied for
declarations of insolvency.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Jan. 14.—It is re-
ported that the Government here is in
correspondence with the Canadian Gov-
ernment regarding terms for Newfoundland's
admission into the Canadian Con-
federation. The whole question, it is
understood, will be presented to the
Colonial Legislature next week. The
Governor is in constant cable communi-
cation with the Imperial authorities.

Steamship Arrivals.

Jan. 14. At. From.

Fennland.....Quebec.....New York

Perhaps in March.

The General Elections Evidently
Near at Hand.

Likely to be Brought On in March or
Early in April.

Bowell Will Dissolve to Dodge
the Manitoba School
Question.

Interesting Sequel to the Charles Cham-
berlain Impersonation Case—
Political Notes.

(United Press Dispatch.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 14.—An evening paper
says:

"An idea seems to be gaining ground in
Ottawa that dissolution is at hand. Al-
though it has been the practice to call
Parliament in the early part of the year
the only law on the subject is contained in
the B. N. A. Act, which says that Parlia-
ment shall be held 'at least once in every
year.' It is now thought that:

PREMIER BOWELL FEARS THE RESULT
of an immediate session as likely to expose
the weakness of the new Government. On
this account it is thought that a general
election will be ordered that the new
Ministry may make themselves secure for
another term."

WORKING ON THE LISTS.

(Hamilton Times, Jan. 14.)
The Times has received word from a
source which can be depended upon that
the general elections for the Dominion will
be held about the end of March or first of
April. The printers are working night and
day upon the new voters' lists, which are
to be used in the elections.

THE REAL REASON.

The reason for the determination not to
meet Parliament is that Sir Charles
Tupper, High Commissioner in London,
has informed Premier Bowell that the
forthcoming judgment of the Imperial
Privy Council will declare the Dominion
Government or Parliament competent to
override the legislation of the Manitoba
Legislature abolishing the separate schools
in that Province. Should the House meet
at Ottawa, the Government would either
have to legislate to re-establish the schools,
or would have to refuse to do so, in the
one case offending Manitoba and Ontario,
and in the other case estranging Quebec
and the Catholics of the rest of Canada.

AFRAID TO FACE THE MUSIC.

To avoid the necessity of deciding just
before a general election, Mr. Bowell has
determined to put the decision ahead of
the decision. If his party wins, it will have
four or five years in which to let the wound
heal, if the Liberals win, the Tories will not
have to decide at all.

Hon. Mr. Haggart and Hon. Mr. Pat-
erson visited Toronto last week to put the
faithful on the alert. The game will be the
same that has been played so often before,
namely, to keep the Opposition in igno-
rance of the date of the elections until the
last possible moment, while enabling the
Tories to make all preparations. But the
Grits will not be caught napping on this
occasion.

ROUGH ON RUSSEL.

TORONTO, Jan. 14.—Mr. John Winches-
ter, master in chambers this morning
granted an order for a commission to ex-
amine Charles Chamberlain, now in the
Manitoba Penitentiary, for impersonation.
The examination is in connection with the
case brought by Mrs. Chamberlain against
ex-Warden Russell, of York county, to re-
cover \$1,110, which it is alleged was paid
to Russell to be handed to Mrs. Chamber-
lain as remuneration for her husband's im-
personations.

NOTES.

The Liberals of West Elgin will hold a
convention on Feb. 12 to choose a candi-
date for the representation of the riding in
the Dominion Parliament.

A Liberal convention for Macdonald con-
stituency has been called to meet at Port-
age la Prairie on Feb. 22 for the selection
of a candidate to contest the next Dominion
elections.

No up-to-date housekeeper can afford to
use any other Baking Powder but Dr.
Price's.

BROOKLYN'S BIGGEST STRIKE.

Over 600 Miles of Trolley Lines Were
Tied Up.

And Six Thousand Men Quit Work—
One of the Companies Settles
with the Men.

BROOKLYN, Jan. 14.—President Slooem,
of the Coney Island and Brooklyn Trolley
Car Company, and the executive com-
mittee which called on him agreed to a
schedule this afternoon. It was settled
that last year's agreement should be in
force except that there should be two tri-
plicate runs daily, one at \$2 and the other at
\$1.50. The signing of the schedule pre-
cludes any strike on the Jay and Smith
streets line.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 14.—Over 100 em-
ployees of Carnegie's Homestead steel plant
who attended Sunday's meeting for the
purpose of forming a labor organization
were summarily dismissed by the company
today. It is expected that all of the 800
steel workers who attended Sunday's meet-
ing will be discharged. The dismissal of
the men has caused the most intense excite-
ment in Homestead, and a general suspen-
sion of the plant is freely discussed. The
company, it seems, had detectives at the
meeting.

BROOKLYN, Jan. 14.—An attempt to
move a car on the Atlantic avenue line
bearing the inscription "U. S. mail" was
prevented by 500 strikers this afternoon.
A squad of 25 police with drawn revolvers
finally caused the mob to retreat.

Arthur L. Campbell, son of John Camp-
bell, of the Intercolonial Railway office at
Moncton, N. B., shot himself through the
heart while in bed Monday morning.
Despondency is the cause alleged.

Many Perish.

A Series of Fatal Shipwrecks
Recorded.

Two Schooners Lose Their Entire
Crews Excepting One Man.

An Unknown Brig Goes Down With All
on Board—The Ship Morrison
Probably Lost With
All Hands.

THREE MEN DROWNED.
LONDON, Jan. 14.—The Italian bark
Teresina, Capt. Martola, from Liverpool
for Trieste, has been wrecked near Strang-
ford. Three of her crew were drowned and
eight saved.

THREE MORE.
The brig James and Eleanor has been
wrecked near Southwold. Three of her crew
were lost and four saved.

ALL ON BOARD LOST.

An unknown brig has been wrecked
near Humber and all on board were
drowned.

TEN PERSONS PERISH.

The steamer Balguy and Dandy Tesser
have foundered near Farnce. Ten of the
crews were drowned and only one was
saved.

FIRE SUBDUED.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The fire on board the
British steamer Mariposa, Capt. Cave, at
Liverpool from New Orleans, is apparently
extinguished and the steamer is discharging
her cargo.

"ALL WELL."

SOUTHAMPTON, Jan. 14.—The rumor
regarding the American Line steamer New
York to the effect that she met with an
accident in the English Channel Saturday,
the day she sailed hence for New York, is
officially denied. The New York passed
the Lizard at 10:20 Saturday evening at
full speed and signalled "All well."

BELIEVED TO BE LOST.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 14.—The ship
Norris, Capt. C. W. Bastow, sailed from
Newport News, Oct. 13, for Barcelona,
Spain, and has not been heard from since
passing Capes Charles and Henry on her
way out to sea. The voyage to Barcelona
should not have occupied more than 40
days. In addition to the crew and pas-
sengers there were also on board Capt.
Bastow's wife, daughter and two nephews,
all of Boston. In shipping circles the
opinion is expressed that the Norris has
been lost with all on board.

ALL WASHED OVERBOARD.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Jan. 14.—A dispatch
from Freeport, L. I., says the crews who
went to the relief of the barge Seth Low
have returned. They found no one on
board. All had been washed overboard.

THE CREW SAVED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 14.—Superin-
tendant Kimball is informed that the
British schooner Mossrose, of Lunenburg,
N. S., came ashore at Guttyhunk, Mass.,
this morning. All hands were saved.

COULD HOLD OUT NO LONGER.

FIRE ISLAND, N. Y., Jan. 14.—The coal
barge Seth Low, New York, for Boston,
coal, in tow, broke away twenty miles east
of the lights, and grounded on Short
Beach. The crew of five took to the
rigging. After great efforts the life savers
succeeded in reaching the boat, but two of
the crew had fallen off and perished.

What does Dr. Price's Baking Powder
do? It makes a dainty biscuit, delicious
pastry and sweet and wholesome cake.

THE BRIBERY BUSINESS

As Recently Developed in Toronto—
Stewart and Maloney Cited
to Appear.

TORONTO, Jan. 14.—The charge of
soliciting a bribe preferred against ex-Ald.
Stewart came up again in the police court
this morning. The charge is that Stewart
asked for money from J. J. Wright,
manager of the Toronto Electric Company,
for his vote and interest on behalf of that
company in supplying the city with a
plant. More evidence was taken and the
case was then adjourned until Wednesday
to allow of Stewart putting in additional
testimony. Magistrate Denison said he
certainly should commit Stewart to stand
his trial at the assizes about to commence.
The charge of bribery preferred against
ex-Ald. Maloney was then taken up.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

At noon on Monday the Populist Gov-
ernment of Kansas passed out of existence,
and the Republicans took possession of the
State House.

Sir John R. Seeley, K.C.M.G., M.A.,
professor of modern history in Cambridge
University, Eng., died suddenly Sunday
evening. He was in his 61st year.

The Governor of Alaska says that the
seals have all gone. On St. George and St.
Paul islands alone 30,000 dead seal pups
have been found last year. This was due to
the killing of their mothers by the poachers.

At Buffalo more arrests will likely follow
that of T. Herbert McLeod, the Canadian
engineer, who was taken into custody
Saturday afternoon on a charge of illegally
obtaining naturalization papers. They are
the witnesses who testified to the length of
residence of McLeod—Dr. J. G. Harper
and Miss Jean N. Lawrence, former Cana-
dians, neither of whom are supposed to be
residents of the United States.

Against Bucket Shops.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Members of the
Chicago Board of Trade at their annual
meeting yesterday afternoon expressed
themselves with striking unanimity against
the bucket-shop evil and in favor of reform
in the grain investing.

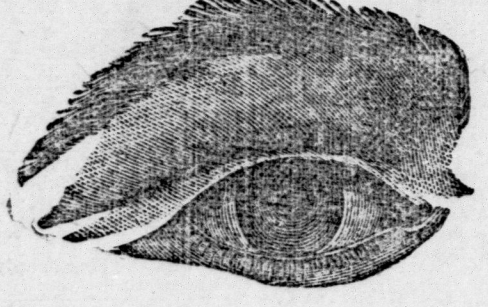
The wife of a Halifax hotel-keeper
named Bonnaline has left the city with her
child and considerable money. Bonnaline
had been incarcerated for some time, and
when he returned found a note from his
wife, stating that she had left him forever.

When Others Fail

Hood's Sarsaparilla builds up the shattered
system by giving vigorous action to the dig-
estive organs, creating an appetite and purifying
the blood. It is prepared by modern methods,
possesses the greatest curative powers, and
has the most wonderful record of actual cures
of any medicine in existence. Take only
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Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, and do
not purge, pain or gripe. 25 cents.

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OUTLOOK FOR
Economy.

If you would know how great it is come here.
LOOK—EXAMINE—COMPARE

The news today is full of money-saving
selections, Surplus Stock bargains, Special Sale
prices in every department and a goodness about
each article and each price that immediately
recommends it to your liking.

KINGSMILL'S POLICY—This business moves on fixed
principles. There is the cardinal point that the public
gets the best we can do in prices—we will never be under-
sold. There is no fakements around this store. If a
thing costs too much we make the loss. If we buy cheap
you get the benefit. If we have surplus stock, more of
a line than we want, profit is lost sight of, forgotten.
That is our position now. We have too much stock and
must reduce it before the 1st of March. The half is not
learned by reading these columns. You must come and
see.

Silks.

"A charming collection in re-
duced circumstances," is the way
a lady expressed her apprecia-
tion of our surplus offerings at

25 cents a yard.

You should see them.

Carpets.

The mere mention should
be sufficient—everybody knows
we are the leaders in both buy-
ing and selling. We have a few
too many Tapestries. Beautiful
designs. We are cutting them
at 50c. Sixty pieces of this fall's
importations of English Brussels
at 75c and 85c. These two are
rare bargains.

Ordered Clothing.

Some men want their clothing
made to measure. For all such
we have a Custom Tailoring De-
partment, which, run in associa-
tion with other stocks, costs less
than if alone. Therefore, we can
save money for the fastidious man,
while we fit and please him with
his clothes, more especially for
the next two months, as we are
most anxious to keep our work
people employed. Stylish West
of England Suits \$18 to \$22.
English Vests and Serges, \$20
to \$25.

Blankets.

Their kind is legion. We
have only the best and sell them
this month at

\$3 15 the pair

Feel their weight.

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Butterick's Patterns
and Publications,
The Best in the World.

Dress Goods.

Styles of last fall even are too
old to live in this dress stock with
the likelihood of new ones arriv-
ing inside of a month. We want
the space they occupy.

25 cents a yard.

42-inch all-wool French Cash-