

## PHILADELPHIA CAR STRIKE.

Situation Worse for the Company To-day Than Ever.

Both Sides Declare They Will Win the Fight.

Strike Interferes With Memorial Day Arrangements.

Philadelphia, May 31.—The Philadelphia Transit Company brought men to this city yesterday and during the night to take the places of its motormen and conductors who went on strike on Saturday for higher wages and better working conditions, while the street car service today was worse than at any time since the trouble began. The company admitted at 9.30 a. m. that only 25 per cent. of its number of cars are in operation.

President John B. Parson, of the Traction Company, said Chas. O. Krugger, general manager, declared the company will win the struggle. On the other hand, there is much joy in the ranks of the strikers over the demoralized situation they have brought about, and their leader, C. O. Pratt, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, is equally confident that they will win.

The strike has seriously interfered with the observance of Memorial Day, thousands of persons being forced to give up their visits to cemeteries or forego their pleasure trips to parks and other places. Automobiles of every description are being hired, and thousands of teamsters are earning money by carrying people at five and ten cents a ride, according to the dispatch.

The strikers have a tremendous sympathy following, due in a large measure to the feeling stirred up by the action of the Traction Company in raising the rate of fare a month ago from six rides for a quarter to five cents straight. Every car is carrying two or three passengers, and on some lines four of them are sent out with each trolley.

Considering the extensiveness of the strike, excellent order has so far been maintained.

## KILLED BY A SHOCK.

Ossining Man Sent Into Convulsions by His Frightened Niece.

Ossining, May 30.—A sudden shock caused the death of John Hopper at his home in Durston avenue late last night.

Mrs. Annie Green, of Briarcliffe Manor, niece of the dead man, had been shopping and was on her way home when she was accosted by a young negro in the darkest part of Durston avenue, the thoroughfare leading to Sing Sing prison. She ran and the man pursued her, but was unable to overtake her. She burst into the Hopper home and her agitated appearance so startled her uncle that he was seized with convulsions.

Hopper died about an hour later. He was 50 years old and leaves a wife and grown family.

Chief Tompkins arrested a negro answering the description given by Miss Green, but she did not think he was the right one and he was freed.

## COL. PETERS

To be Transferred From London to Vancouver.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) London, Ont., May 31.—Col. James Peters, D. O. C. Military District No. 1, will be transferred shortly from this city to Vancouver. He is one of the best liked and most efficient officers in the service and came here in 1901. He was very prominent in the Northwest Rebellion, was frequently mentioned in despatches, and was awarded a medal. He has taken a strong stand against temperance efforts to prohibit liquor in camps.

## CRUSHED BY CAR.

Pittsburgher Loses an Arm in an Attempt to See Taft.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 30.—In his haste to get a closer look at President Taft as he came from the Pittsburgh baseball park last evening, Robert P. Crum, of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, fell under a train and had an arm taken off. He may die from the shock.

Mr. Crum, in his haste to get a closer look at the President, clambered over the bumpers between two cars of a freight train just as the train started. He fell between the cars, but managed to roll his body out of the way. His arm was caught by the wheel and cut off.

**CHILD BRIDE A MANIAC.**

She First Tries Suicide, Then Goes to an Asylum.

Mahoney City, Pa., May 20.—Persuaded, it is alleged, into marrying a man she did not love, and afterward tortured by the thought that he was untrue to her, Annie, the 17-year-old wife of John Groom, attempted self-destruction by swallowing Paris green. Physicians saved her life; but the worry wrecked her mind, and to-day, a bride of only two weeks, she was committed to the county insane department for treatment.

**At a Chick With Big Eyes.**

A trainman is telling an incident that occurred on a Mohawk and Malone train in the woods on a siding awaiting the arrival and passing of another train when an Italian walked through the coach, his hands crossed on his stomach and his head wagging from side to side in a drol manner.

"What's the matter, John?" some one inquired.

"Oh, me sick—me sick as dev," replied the man, rolling his head still more distressingly and continuing the rubbing of his stomach.

"Sick? Well, what have you been eating?" asked the sympathetic passenger.

"Eats de chick with de big eyes," responded John, as his groans increased.

John had killed an owl the night before and it didn't agree with him.

## LIQUOR CASES.

Two of Them Coming Up in Dundas Soon.

Dundas, May 31.—For some time past the belief has largely prevailed among the citizens of Dundas that the license laws were being shamefully disregarded. The same view has probably been held by the police force and now, it is reported that as a result of police vigilance, the proprietors of two of the leading hotels will be called upon to answer charges of illegal selling. The violations are alleged to have occurred on Saturday evening.

Two young Dundasites who are making their mark in the world are paying their parental homes a visit. They are John Hunter, travelling representative of the Semmens Hardware Co., of St. Louis, in Eastern New York, and Wm. Lowry, architect, of Cleveland, Ohio.

George Rusby, of Burlington, spent yesterday in Dundas.

Charles N. Pirie arrived in town yesterday from South America on a visit to his mother and friends. He leaves on Thursday for the old country.

## WILL HELP.

Ladies Co-operate With Veterans in Monument Movement.

A special meeting of the Women's Warthorn Historical Society was held Saturday morning, Mrs. Calder, president, in the chair. When representatives of the Warthorn Historical Society, the Women's Warthorn and the Veterans' association met with representatives of the Government, a resolution was passed, agreeing to have the battle monument erected on the site of the W. W. H. S., and the veterans' monument to the soldiers killed at the battle on Smith's Knoll, the latter to be erected first. The W. W. H. S. pledged themselves to give an entertainment in blossom time, the proceeds to be given to the fund for the monument on Smith's Knoll. This promise will be carried out next Saturday. A causerie will be given on the verandah of Stoney Creek Battlefield House, which will be free to the public, and an excellent programme will be provided. Tea, ice cream, cake, lemonade, etc., will be sold in the house and in fancy booths outside. Committees were appointed, and every provision made for a successful entertainment.

Just after Mrs. Bertie Smith, secretary, left for the battlefield on Friday the following telegram arrived:

"His Excellency much regrets that his engagements do not permit of his performing the duty of giving the causerie at Stoney Creek. He sends his best wishes for your good work.—Sir John Hanbury Williams."

## COOKE POST.

Decoration Day Services Held and Cemeteries Visited.

At the close of the civil war in the United States in 1865 the 30th day of May was set apart as Memorial Day, and was at once adopted by all of the northern States and observed as a holiday. The Grand Army of the Republic held religious services on the Sunday preceding Decoration Day, the sermons being preached by men who had served in the army and who afterward entered the ministry. Memorial Day has been sacredly observed for forty-four years in every country in which enough veterans of the war had settled to organize a post of the G. A. R. Hamilton sent not less than 250 soldiers to the war, a majority of whom have long since been "mustered out," and over whose graves "lights out" has been sounded. W. W. Cooke Post, of this city, has not forgotten its comrades who have passed on.

At the close of the 30th day of May is duly observed with appropriate services and the strewing of flowers on the graves of the departed. There are now living in Hamilton between fifty and sixty veterans of the war and about thirty widows, and all but two or three are drawing pensions. The United States Government has been generous to the men who fought its battles, and the amount that is paid the pensioners living in this city helps the widows and the surviving veterans to live in comfort. It is the boast of the Grand Army of the Republic that there is not a veteran of the war or the surviving widow of a soldier in an almshouse in the United States.

Yesterday the members of W. W. Cooke Post and the Sons of Veterans met in Green's Hall in the forenoon and united in divine service. The Rev. R. H. Hatch, of the A. M. E. Church, who was born a slave 59 years ago, and who became a free man under the emancipation proclamation issued by the President in 1863, preached the sermon. Mr. Hatch served five years in the American army after he had grown to the years of manhood, and after his discharge entered the ministry of the colored M. E. Church. The sermon was appropriate to the occasion. At the close of the services Mr. Hatch was admitted as an honorary member of W. W. Cooke Post.

In the afternoon the veterans and their families again met in the hall, and after a short service and an address by Mr. McLaughlin, proceeded to the cemetery, where the decorating ceremonies were conducted by the commanders of the Post and of the Sons of Veterans. There are some fifty or sixty veterans buried in the city cemetery and fully half that number in the Catholic cemetery. At the close of the ceremonies the solemn roll of the drums and the sounding of "lights out" by the bugler brought in back to the memory of the veterans the sad days in the long ago when they heard the same sounds as they stood by the graves of comrades who had fallen in battle.

The members of the Post desire to thank the Americans living in Hamilton who contributed liberally of money and flowers.

Commander D. Kappel was in charge of the memorial services at 1.30, assisted by Capt. Geo. Elville. E. N. McLaughlin delivered a patriotic speech and Lincoln's Gettysburg speech was read by Adj. Clark.

Madrid has for months been suffering from a severe epidemic of typhus. There are now 807 in the San Juan de Dios Hospital. The deaths average twenty a day.

Mr. H. Stevens was fatally injured at falling under a passenger train at Frank's Alta, on Saturday, having one leg cut off and the other mangled. He died two hours later.

Three inland revenue officers searching a Detroit produce merchant's store for oleomargarine were mistaken for burglars and narrowly escaped being shot by the police.

A Sunday session of the Presbytery was held at Victoria Church, Toronto, to ordain to the ministry Mr. W. R. Taylor.

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## Society

Their Excellencies made their last appearance in state at the races on Saturday afternoon, when the O. J. C. presented the Countess Grey with a lovely shower bouquet of creamy roses and pale yellow centurias, tied with pale green shaded ribbons. Among those seen at the races that beautiful afternoon were Mrs. David Gillies, mauve coat and skirt, braided with white, and a hat with mass of lilacs; Miss Marjorie Braithwaite was in a lingerie frock and blue hat; Miss Edith Hendrie, white and black spotted crepe de Chine, black and white; Mrs. Braithwaite, mauve crepe de Chine, Tuscan hat with mauve velvet and pascies; Miss Phyllis Hendrie, yellow chiffon over satin with embroidery and mauve hat; Mrs. MacKie, black embroidered crepe de Chine, black and mauve hat with flowers; Miss Aggie Dunlop, grey striped satin, hat with yellow roses and forget-me-nots; Mrs. Backus, blue chiffon gown with Persian embroidery and hat to match; Mrs. G. Rennie, mauve linen, tailor-made with hat to match; Mrs. Will Hendrie, a beautiful striped black and white silk dress and small black hat; Mrs. Jack Hendrie, brown satin, with a silk net coat to match and brown hat with roses.

Mrs. Wm. Gibson, Inverurie, Beamsville, will receive on Wednesday, June 2, and not again during the summer.

**RAISING BRIDGE.**

Excitement in Merriton Over Elevating Structure.

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Reeve W. H. Wilson, Village Clerk Richard Clark, Solicitor J. P. Ingersoll, Engineer Wilson, and a number of the members of the Council and prominent citizens, constitute a deputation to ask the Commission for an order prohibiting the G. T. R. from elevating the overhead bridge on Merriton street a further height of 4 feet 6 inches. Some years ago the railway tracks, which constitute a part of the main thoroughfare through the village, was raised a little more than a foot, and at that time there was an exciting time over it, the Village Council defending its rights by calling out the fire brigade and driving the G. T. R. workmen from their duties, at the mouth of a hose of water to enter water, and at that time there was an exciting time over it, the Village Council defending its rights by calling out the fire brigade and driving the G. T. R. workmen from their duties, at the mouth of a hose of water to enter water, and at that time there was an exciting time over it, the Village Council defending its rights by calling out the fire brigade and driving the G. T. R. workmen from their duties, at the mouth of a hose of water to enter water.

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