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PICKPOCKET WAS OBLIGING

Clever Touch Pulled Off at Grand Trunk Depot But the Wallet had no Cash and was Returned.

The railway authorities report that a number of expert pickpockets are at present operating on the railways in Ontario. A Brantfordite yesterday afternoon, whilst boarding the parlor car on the 440 train from Toronto had his pocketbook and wallet extracted from his two hip trouser pockets in a most expert manner from underneath his heavy overcoat. Fortunately the books only contained railway tickets and private papers. He noticed his loss immediately on boarding the train and had time to report the theft to Detective Day of the G.T.R. Half an hour afterwards his missing property was restored to him on the train.

The thieves, finding no money or papers of value, most considerably had stuffed both books behind a lantern in the vestibule of the smoking car in the front of the train, where they were found by the brakeman. Travelers would be well advised to keep a sharp lookout for light-fingered gentry whilst on the trains just now. The gang is certainly a very expert one.

LITTLE GIRL ALMOST LOST

Very Gallant Rescue Was Effected by Austin Doherty, Yesterday

A little Hebrew girl, Rebecca Hollander, had a terrible experience yesterday when she was almost another life to the toll of the Grand River. Had it not been for the prompt rescue effected by a young man, named Austin Doherty, the child surely would have been swept away by the torrential current of the river. In company with a number of other little ones the little girl was playing along the river off West Mill street near Jarvis, and it is stated that in the spirit of play a little boy jostled her into the river. She was carried several feet down stream, where she was grappled with by the brave boy with great bravery and tenacity and in the interval Doherty was attacked by the screams of the other children. He secured a pike pole and after a gallant effort effected the rescue. The little one was in an almost exhausted state and was removed to her father's home.

The fire boat was summoned and was told later not to make the trip as the little one had been secured. A doctor was summoned and the girl is reported alright today.

NOTICE!

Ward 2, Conservatives! A meeting will be held at the Central Conservative Rooms (old Masonic Building) on Wednesday evening, March 27th, at 8:15 for the purpose of electing a Ward Chairman. G. H. RYERSON, President.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE BRANTFORD

Thursday, March 27.—Back by demand—Jas. M. Gaites again presents JOHN HYAMS, LEILA MCINTYRE and original company of seventy in the delightful musical play, "THE GIRL OF MY DREAMS," with the same superb cast of principals, big beauty chorus and pony ballet, special orchestra. Note—This attraction having played here the beginning of the season, and as the company is exactly the same as seen here before, the management of the Grand guarantees "The Girl of My Dreams" to be one of the very best musical shows which has played Brantford. Prices: 5 rows, \$2; 13 rows, \$1.50; 4 rows, \$1; balcony, 75c; reserved, 50c; balcony, 25c. Seats Thursday.

Saturday, March 29.—First time at popular prices. Frank O. Miller offers the mirth-provoking German farce, "THE GIRL FROM TOKIO." One year at the Court Theatre Berlin company. English version by Frank Farnhill, Jr. and Geo. W. Barnum. A rollicking, roystering, fun-maker, seemingly funny, absolutely clean, presented by a capable company of metropolitan players. Prices: 14 rows, \$1; 8 rows, 75c; balcony, 50c; balcony, 25c and 50c. Seats Thursday.

The Triangle Smile.

PARIS, March 25.—It has been decided that the woman who wants to be really up-to-date in her facial expression must "smile in a triangle." This phrase is used by some obscure "beauty expert," who explains it as follows: "The upper lip should be raised so as to uncover the two upper incisor teeth, while the corners of the mouth are slightly lowered so as to give the necessary disdainful look. The eyes must not be changed in the slightest degree." This fashion, which has been started by a few society leaders, is causing a great furore among the Paris mondaines, who are said to practice it at least two hours a day before their mirrors.

CAR BURNED UP ENTIRELY

Peculiar Accident on C.P.R. in which Arthur Hawkes was a Loser.

WINNIPEG, Man., March 25.—Arthur Hawkes, Toronto journalist, a passenger on the Pullman car Elora on the C.P.R. train from Toronto which was burned near Fort William arrived at Winnipeg without his hat, overcoat, or baggage, all being consumed.

Mrs. Henry Leggett, en route with her husband and family from Hamilton to Vancouver, was heating milk for her baby over a spirit lamp, when the car was in a blaze. Mrs. Leggett's hand was badly burned. T. H. Lana, Toronto, a commercial traveller, starting on a three months' trip lost all his personal effects except what he wore at the time. The total loss to 28 passengers on the car is estimated at four thousand dollars, and the loss of the Leggett family alone is one thousand, largely in jewelry. The fire occurred at Fisher siding, seven miles west of Chapleau at 2:30 p.m. yesterday.

Remains of King George

SALONIKI, March 25.—The coffin containing the body of the late King George of Greece, who was assassinated on March 18, was taken to-day on board the royal yacht Amphitrite, which subsequently left for Athens. Great pomp and solemnity marked the ceremony a most impressive one. Practically all the town was draped with black, and huge crowds packed the windows and doors at every point of vantage along the route from the palace to the quay. The coffin was borne on a gun carriage. It occupied the centre of an imposing procession, in which representatives of all nationalities participated, and in which foreign naval officers and men took a prominent place.

One Minute Interviews

Mr. John Pitcher, Collegiate Trustee: We are going to have a closing of the technical classes at the Collegiate on Thursday night. Millinery work, dressmaking, sheet metal work, mechanical drawings, building construction drawings, etc. will be shown. Mr. Simpson, one of the royal commission on technical work, will make a short speech. The public will be entirely welcome. Rev. Dean Brady:—There is no truth in the rumor some one has stated that we have any idea of establishing a separate hospital in connection with our people. We have always had satisfactory treatment at the general institution."

THE PROBS

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TERRIBLE CONDITIONS RESULT FROM BIG WESTERN TORNAO

Whole Families Lifted Into the Air and Dropped In Rivers—Scenes of Desolation in Many Western Cities—Relief Work Pushed Ahead Rapidly—Much Suffering and Distress and Many Pitiable Scenes

OMAHA, Neb. March 25.—Shivering from the cold and awestruck by the nature of their work, scores of men, women and children this morning, struggled in the snow to rescue the dead or injured bodies of relatives and friends, who lay buried beneath the wreckage of homes and buildings which were crumpled like egg shells by the tornado which Sunday, swept with death-dealing force over Nebraska and Iowa, killing more than 100 persons in Omaha alone.

The latest reports this morning gave the number of injured at 320, while the death list has not increased over the night report of 202. The snow storm which seriously is hampering the work of rescue, began shortly after midnight this morning and is continuing with gathering force. More than three inches of snow covers the debris in the section of the city which was struck by the cyclone.

Privations of the storm sufferers are being greatly increased by the heavy snow storm which is following so closely in the wake of the tornado. Women tugging at heavy beams, hoping against hope to find the living bodies of dear ones beneath the tons of wreckage; men gruffly cheering their sorrowing mates, shivering children wrapped about with shawls the sunrise this morning greeted the federal soldiers as they went forth, blankets, aiding in the rescue work and protecting the destroyed and unoccupied homes from conscientious looting. Later, city officials gathered within the lines drawn around the district by the soldiers and distributed clothing and other necessities among the sufferers. More than \$50,000 already has been subscribed for their relief, \$25,000 by the city Commissioners and equal amounts by citizens who attended yesterday's meeting of Commissioners and other individuals.

The injured at hospitals are receiving the best possible attention. Physicians of Omaha and Council Bluffs have volunteered their services and trained nurses have willingly followed the example of the physicians. Those patients who have shown improvement to-day will be moved from temporary hospitals to places which have been procured for them by the city officials, most of them are homeless, losing their abodes in the night.

Among the searchers last night and to-day is Mrs. W. W. Sherwood. Her ill bed, Mrs. Sherwood, who is her week old babe in her arms when the wind descended upon her little household. The home was unroofed, the infant torn from her mother's arms and blown away and so far it has not been found. In spite of her weakness and suffering from injuries, she herself sustained in the storm, Mrs. Sherwood, aided by her friends, is hunting the hospitals and the improvised morgues about the city.

Lifted Entire House. In Ralston, a suburb of this city, Edward Mote, his wife and three children, were sitting in their home chatting on Easter Sunday when the tornado suddenly carried them and their home to Paio creek, 100 yards away and dropped them into the water. Mrs. Mote was drowned and her body recovered late yesterday under the wreckage of the home. Other Details. In the same town Postmaster D. L. Ham, with his daughter, Mrs. Kimball of Winnipeg, and his grandchildren, were standing in the doorway of their home when the wind struck them. Mrs. Kimball, who is a year-old daughter, Francis, stepped outside the door which was jammed shut. Their bodies were found last night. H. E. Said and wife, bride and bridegroom of a month, were in the Ham house, warned of its approach by death by Mr. Ham, the two sought solace in each other's arms. Thus they were found dead. Mr. Ham was slightly injured.

When the tornado rushed upon Omaha fifty men were in the Sacred Heart house. Seeing its approach they hurried from the five storied building and sought refuge at the home of Bishop Richard Scannell, just across the street. No sooner had the last of the women left the convent than the building collapsed with a crash. The 150 girl students at the convent were spending their Easter Sunday at their homes or with friends. None of them were in the building at the time.

Relieving an Assistance. To-day all Omaha is rallying to the assistance of the desolate victims of the Easter tornado. The hospitals of the city are filled, churches, fraternal orders and public buildings have opened their doors, the city officials are busy with relief work and hundreds of citizens are offering their homes and money to aid in caring for the stricken ones. The city commissioners yesterday passed an ordinance appropriating \$25,000 for relief work. Citizens present at the meeting of the commissioners instantly subscribed to an equal amount. Governor Moorehead notified Mayor Dahlman last night that he would send a special message to the state legislature asking an appropriation of funds to care for the homeless throughout the state. Public subscriptions are being taken by various newspapers and the amount already placed for relief work run into the thousands.

His Conception of Hell. Governor Moorehead after an inspection of the storm district said: "This is my conception of hell. It (Continued on Page 4)

Marconi Scandal Opens To-Day and Stirs Up English Interest Sir Rufus Isaacs On The Stand, Says, Liberal Leaders Were Partners in Marconi Deal Which Negotiated Huge Contract With British Government

LONDON, March 25.—Widespread disquietude has been created throughout the British Isles by the confession of Sir Rufus Isaacs, the Attorney-General, that he, Chancellor of the Exchequer David Lloyd-George and the chief Liberal whip, the Master of Elibank, were partners in a big deal in the shares of a company associated with the wireless concern negotiating a huge contract with one of their colleagues in the British Cabinet. There was a great rush to-day to secure seats at the opening of the Parliamentary inquiry into the matter as the public desired to hear the explanations Sir Rufus Isaacs and David Lloyd-George would give of a transaction which even such a staunch Radical organ as the Weekly Nation characterized as "inexpedient and delicate and a grievous error of judgment."

A Hospital Record

PHILADELPHIA, March 25.—Taken ill with typhoid fever at 21 years of age and still in bed at 80 is the experience of Miss Sybil Schantz, who, after 50 years, will celebrate her birthday next Friday in St. Joseph's Hospital. She holds all hospital time records. Since her typhoid attack, Miss Schantz has been unable to move without assistance. She has been an ardent student of scientific subjects. She has a telephone at her bedside and has seen trolleys and automobiles from the window, but her greatest ambition is to see an aeroplane.

MARY STREET FOOTBRIDGE IS A CERTAINTY

Ald. Ward Makes an Announcement This Morning—Action Started.

The much talked of and greatly needed Mary St. foot bridge will probably be built this year, but things will be in such shape to commence work on the structure next December, when it can be built more cheaply than in the summer. Ald. Geo. Ward, who has been fighting for several years to get the legal entanglements untangled, so that the City Council would build, made the announcement this morning that the City Solicitor had served both the Western Counties and Brantford Gas Companies with notice of expropriation proceedings. In the former case the Electric Company has offered to give the city the right of way and there is only a few feet to be taken from the Gas Company. The bridge will cost about \$200,000 and Ald. Ward and the other Ward Five representatives declare that it will be worth more than the money in time and footwear to the hundreds of workmen who are now forced to take a round about route to their work.

OHIO GETS A BAD STORM

Entire State Cut Off To-Day From The Outside World.

COLUMBUS, O., March 25.—Practically the entire state of Ohio was cut off from communication with the outside world early to-day, property damage estimated in the millions of dollars was done, many lives were lost, and scores of towns were under water as the result of floods caused by heavy rains of the last few days. Trains in every direction were blocked by washouts. At Delaware, Ohio, Mayor B. V. Less, and twenty citizens were reported drowned in the high waters and the population of the village, running to the hills for protection from high water.

Dayton and Findlay are reported entirely under water. At Mansfield it was reported that two feet of water was running in the streets and at Akron a report estimates the damage at more than \$1,000,000 and 500 families are homeless. Akron faces one of the worst crises in its history. The city reservoir threatens to break and flood the city. Practically the entire southern section of the state is flooded and no reports can be secured from there. Telegraph and telephone wires are down and the telephone companies report that many of their exchanges are under water. In Columbus street car service was stopped, police battled with the flood and attempted to warn and rescue endangered persons.

Many sensational rescues were made. In Cleveland and Northeastern Ohio all streams are at flood stage and the property damage is large. Many of the patients whose conditions are considered more or less critical have not been told of telegraphic complete loss which the tornado made of their property. The snow which according to reports is falling with blizzard-like proportions from Colorado to Central Iowa has seriously interfered with what slender thread of telegraphic communication which yesterday after- (Continued on Page 4).

NOBLE GRAND FRESH AGAIN

But the Water is Not as High as Few Days Ago.

Water is Over Cockshutt Road, But Gas Main is There Yet.

The Grand River has got up on itself again, and this morning the stream looked troublesome. The civic authorities, however, claim that it is only high water, and there is little to fear, particularly as colder weather is promised, with a cessation of the heavy rainfall. There was some worry this morning when the water commenced to get up over the Cockshutt road, as another break in the gas main was feared. Manager Powell of the Gas Company said that there was no ice, and that was the principal source of danger. Moreover, the water was not as high to-day as during the recent freshets.

City Engineer Jones stated at 10 o'clock that it had fallen six inches since 7 o'clock this morning. The water was 8 feet 6 inches above the dam, whereas it attained a level of something over 9 feet this spring and 11 feet a year ago.

In West Brantford the river was within three feet of the Grand Trunk tracks, and it needed to rise 12 feet before getting to the top of the dyke. In the Homedale Manager Valey of the Slingsby Company reported that his men out watching things, but no damage was anticipated. At the waterworks the water had not attained the proximity to the plant that it did earlier in the spring. However, with a continuance of the heavy rainfall the level of the river may assume a dangerous height, but this is not anticipated.

At Galt To-day. GALT, Ont., March 25.—With a drop of only about one foot during the night the Grand River is still in flood, transgressing over its natural bounds and doing damage to many cellars and basements. This is the third time the water has risen to a dangerous height this year and with the exception of the water twice formerly, is the highest it has ever been. The river is now raging through the town at about twenty miles an hour with the waves mounting five and six feet high. Not anticipating manufacturers and their loss will reach several thousand dollars. The necessity of approaching the federal government for adequate aid in regulating the flow of the Grand is common talk and it is likely that a deputation will go to Ottawa in the near future.

Situation at Galt. GALT, March 25.—For the third time this season the Grand River has overflowed its banks. Following the rain of last night, the water rose steadily, until yesterday afternoon it encroached on adjoining lands, flowing over retaining walls and flooding the basements of industrial plants and residences along the banks. Several plants were forced to shut down owing to the water having crippled their mechanical equipment. Never before have river side manufacturers suffered so much loss from high water as this year, and it is possible that further damage will be done before the river finally subsides. At ten o'clock the river was still rising and up to its former high level. The police have stopped traffic on the north side of Main Street bridge, fearing damage if a barn, which is in a dangerous position, is carried into the stream. Water street south is again inundated and heroic efforts are being made to place goods out of the reach of the water. Merchants are suffering from flooded cellars on account of the water backing up the storm drains. Citizens in the danger zone are prepared for the worst.

Wolsley is Dead. LONDON, March 25.—Field Marshal Viscount Wolsley, one of the most famous of modern British soldiers, died to-day at Mentone, France, in his 80th year.

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