

Harrowing Tales of Suffering in Porcupine Fire---Relief Rushing Into Stricken Northland

RELIEF FROM TORONTO REACHES STRICKEN TOWNS

First Carload Distributed Among Cochrane Sufferers on Friday—Plenty of Food.

Reports which were received in Toronto yesterday indicate that a systematic relief organization is being rapidly established. A carload of supplies sent by the Toronto board of trade reached Cochrane on Friday night and were distributed among 1800 people.

Fortunately thru the efforts of the T. & N. O. officials and the National Transcontinental Railway, contractors, there has been plenty of food. Shelter and bedding seems to be the chief requirement. Many are sleeping on bare floors or the ground. Building operations are about to begin. Cochrane will rise from the ashes bigger and better than ever.

In the Porcupine district conditions seem to improve hourly. The T. & N. O. roadbed is in good shape, and the siding will be extended to facilitate the delivery of supplies. The postal situation is well in hand. A large shipment of military tents and blankets, with a detachment from the army service and advance corps will superintend distribution and erection.

Save Lumber to Re-build Town

By Midnight on Day of Fire Stricken Cochrane's are Buying Materials to Start Again—Remarkable Devotion to Duty.

Mrs. Sinclair, the wife of a minister at Cochrane, arrived in Toronto on Friday night, her husband remaining on the scene of the disaster.

The fire had been burning in the neighborhood for some days. Mrs. Sinclair said, but it was not until noon on Tuesday that she was given notice to prepare for departure. She left the town with many others, by train, at three o'clock, and returning at eight the same evening, found the town a mere ruin—a tent of smouldering ashes. The fire was at the top of the street in which the Sinclairs lived when they left, and they could only save such small property as they could carry in their hands.

Mrs. Sinclair told The Sunday World a remarkable story of devotion to duty. The fire was raging at the back of the Knight Lumber Company's premises, and it seemed as if these would be the first to be destroyed. However, Mr. Burford, the manager, and his wife remained behind when all others were flying from the town, and by almost superhuman efforts they saved the buildings and the property. By midnight they were selling lumber for rebuilding the town; a remarkable proof of the recuperative power of the community.

Another example of indomitable perseverance was told by Mrs. Sinclair. On the previous Friday there was fire in the town of Cochrane, and the store of a grocer named Caswell was burnt down. He succeeded in saving his goods, and placed them for safety in the schoolhouse. By the next day he had erected the framework of his new store, and was again doing business. Unfortunately his energy was but poorly rewarded, for Mr. Caswell's new store, only partly completed, was destroyed by the fire on Tuesday.

Porcupine Death Toll

KNOWN TO BE DEAD.....	64
MISSING—FATE UNKNOWN.....	25
TOTAL.....	89

The death list at Porcupine now numbers 64. Additional names are:

HUGH MEEHAN.
JOHN MACDONALD.
BETHO DE PAULE.
VICTOR PUERA.
THOMAS BODIN.
JOHN BLOW.
GEORGE MCNOLLY.
The following have been previously listed:

ROBERT WEISS, MRS. WEISS AND DAUGHTER.
JAMES WELCH.
JAMES RENNIE.
JOHN McLAUGHLIN.
FRANK FLINN.
ANGUS McDONALD.
MR. AND MRS. A. E. BIRT.
JOHN DESTERE.
E. M. McQUEEN AND MRS. McQUEEN.
JOHN AHL.
HARRY BROOKINGS.
JOHN SAUNDERS.
HUGH McLEOD.
LESTER HENNINGER.
J. W. CRANSHAW.
J. PAULIN.
J. ORR.
W. BIETTE.
A. J. RYAN.
WILLIAM McLEAN.
JOHN McLEOD.
HARRY HARDY.
JOHN WHATMAUGH.
THOMAS JOHN KING.
HENRY JACKSON.
ARCHER JOHNSTON.
LEO H. SULLIVAN.
ANDREW YULL.
FRANK McLEOD.
ONE UNIDENTIFIED.
JULIE M. METAYER.
ANDRE PELOUN.
E. M. ADAMS.
MAX SMITH.
CAPT. DUNBAR.
THOMAS GEDDES.
TWO UNIDENTIFIED.
UNIDENTIFIED MAN.
TWO UNIDENTIFIED BODIES.
ARPIA MONTDIX.
WILLIAM MOORE.
MELVIN STRAIN.
NATHAN PASS.
STANLEY NICHOLSON.
WILLIAM GOHR.
WITZ MAGDER.
J. E. TAYLOR.
PAT DWYER.

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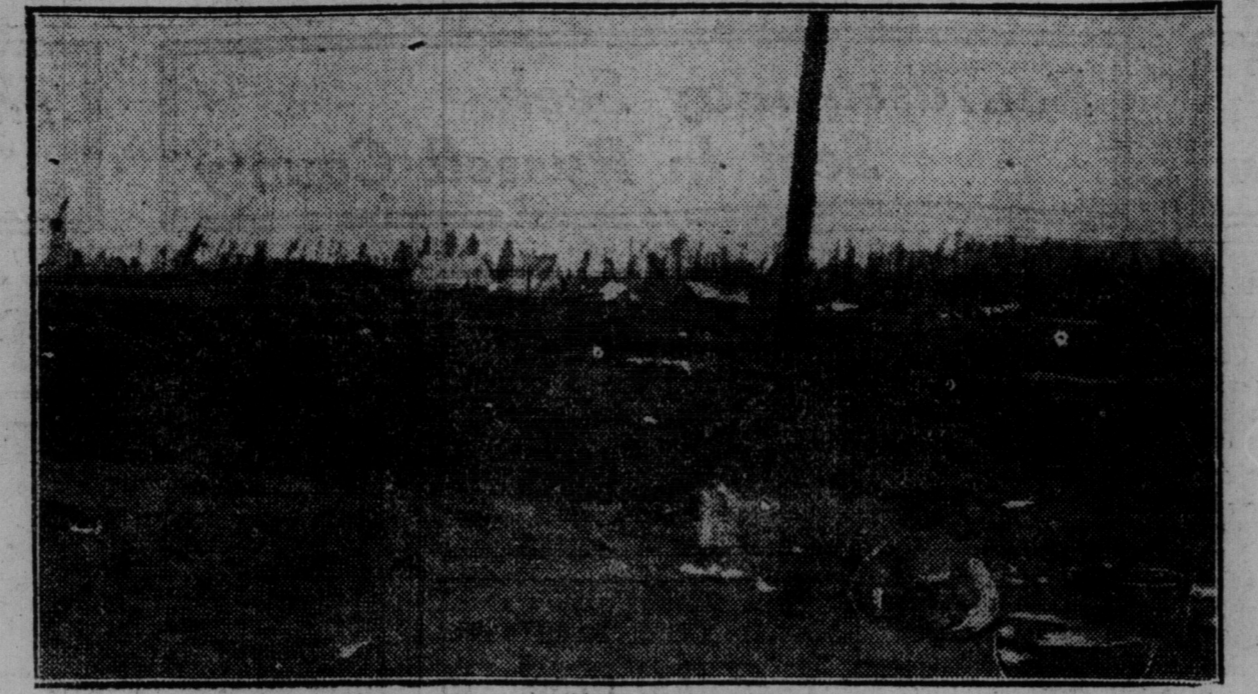
JACK THURLOW.
J. COYNE.
ARTHUR DEXTER.
NELSON PETERSON.
TOM ROSANQUIST.
GOLLEY BROS.
VICTOR RICHARDSON.
WAL THACKERAY.
EUGENE TAPOR.
W. McDEVILLERS.
E. COYNE.
C. VILEY.
M. MOFFIT.
A. E. WHITELY.
ALFRED COOK.
W. O. FLYNN.
JACK MAY.
GEORGE BERGUSON.
O. MORRISON.

Her Career.

"Has your college daughter decided upon her career?"
"Not as yet. She is hesitating between a chap who works in a hardware store and a fellow who is part owner of a garage."—Louisville Courier-Journal.



THE DESOLATE PORCUPINE.
Hole in the ground made by explosion of two carloads of giant powder and dynamite at the South Porcupine railway station. The hole is 12 feet deep and from 20 to 30 feet wide.



THE NORTHLAND HORROR.
From photo taken by World man as he left South Porcupine. In the lower right-hand corner are some cooking utensils which refugees dragged to the lake.

Widening of Creek Afforded a Shelter

Sam Jerred's Family Hemmed in by Walls of Flame in Middle of Stream.

Mr. Sam Jerred, who with his wife and father-in-law escaped from North Golden City and arrived in Toronto yesterday, gave a graphic description of his experiences. The Sunday World.

Four minutes before North Golden City was caught by the fire the residents were congratulating themselves upon being immune from danger, said Mr. Jerred. The fire was sweeping up on the west and south, but no one thought it would jump the river, and as the ground at North Golden City had been well cleared of scrub, much time and money having been devoted to this, Mr. Jerred and those in his neighborhood considered themselves safe.

Then the gale sprang up. At that time Mr. Jerred was outside his home sprinkling water around in case the fire should attack that neighborhood. The flames leaped the river and in a few moments the town was a veritable inferno. Breaking into his house, Mr. Jerred called to his wife and father-in-law, who was staying with them, to run for their lives.

Unable to save any personal belongings, the party ran down to the river where, fortunately, Mr. Jerred had a launch and pushed off to the middle of the stream, which opens out at this point to about 150 yards in width. And here they were faced with another difficulty.

In the direction of the lake, both banks of the river were seething masses of flame, and even if the heat could have been borne, dense volumes of smoke made it impossible to see, so it was impossible to enter the narrow neck of the river leading into the lake and thus to reach the Golden City. The south side of the river was a roaring mass of flames, and on the north, the direction from which they came, their homes were blazing and the fire was almost down to the water's edge.

And it was impossible to go down the river, for at a distance of 200 yards from where the party launched their craft, eight tons of dynamite were stored, and the fire was driving in this direction. The Jerreds could only remain in the centre of the stream, hoping that their endurance would outlast the fire.

The heat, even at this spot, was terrific. Mrs. Jerred was compelled to drench herself with water at frequent intervals to prevent her clothes from scorching, and to add to their miseries, the party were almost suffocated by the dense smoke.

For three hours the launch remained in midstream, then Mr. Jerred decided to pilot his party to Golden City. Even here suspense was not at an end, for it seemed impossible that this town could escape the fire.

"If Golden City had caught," said Mr. Jerred, "the disaster would have been many times greater. For then there would have been no provisions for the destitute refugees. It was pitiable to see the prospectors coming into the town, their clothing scorched, their bodies burned. We had considered ourselves unlucky in having lost our home, but when I saw these poor fellows staggering into the town, having lost all their effects, and also having endured the tortures of fire, I thought that we had much to be thankful for."

In answer to a question, Mr. Jerred said that he should certainly return to Golden City. He had been one of the earliest settlers in the Porcupine district, and it was like home to him. "I have only been married five months," he added, "and our first home is now in ashes, but we were lucky to escape with our lives."

Mr. Jerred spoke in the most enthusiastic terms of the splendid work being done by Mr. Trivitt, the Church of England clergyman at Golden City. Night and day, with tireless energy, Mr. Trivitt is attending to the needs of the destitute. He has taken over one of the restaurants in the town, and here he houses, and feeds as many as possible.

DEATHS.

ENDRESS—At Etobicoke, on Friday, Louis Endress, only and dearly beloved daughter of Peter and Annie Endress, in her 19th year.
Funeral Monday, 10 a. m., at 2:30 p. m., from her father's residence, 338 Mount-Avenue, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

WALSH—On July 15, 1911, at her parents' residence, 188 Berkeley-street, Gertrude Marie Walsh, daughter of Anthony Walsh, in her 14th year.
Funeral Monday morning, at 8:30 o'clock, to St. Paul's Church, thence to St. Michael's Cemetery.

Why She Thought So.

"Was your husband a bear in Wall-street?"
"I think so," replied young Mrs. Torbins. "He certainly acted like one when he got home."—Washington Star.

Queen Alexandra

By the Countess of B.

LONDON, July 15.—With the coronation, Queen Alexandra virtually passes from the stage, never again to be reckoned a power among the European royalties. Few queens in history have ever outlived her in popularity, and none have outshone her as a beauty. Yet, with her retirement to Marlborough House, she was as lost to the world as any cloistered nun—lost and forgotten.

Always dramatic from that sunny day when first she set foot in England, a beautiful bride going to a royal marriage—so beautiful that the usually phlegmatic English people went wild over this vision of young loveliness, unhit by the hand of time, and triumphantly dragged her through the streets to the altar—she departs in tragic dignity. Sombrely, in a dress of crepe-trimmed inky habit, she is seen gathering about her a small court of crepe-swathed personal attendants, who will pass from the stage just at that hour when, with all London on feet, with Westminster Abbey thronged with magnificent dresses, personages glittering with royal orders, the heralds proclaim to the waiting world without the Abbey doors the King and Queen have been crowned in state.

Melancholy Spectacle.

The intention of Queen Alexandra, not to attend the coronation ceremony surprised no one. She has been the first lady of England for so many years, would have to take an extremely humble and obscure place in the ceremonies as compared with her daughter-in-law. She would be a melancholy spectacle.

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In the court set it is affirmed that the one woman with whom Her Majesty was never known to have a difference is the Hon. Charlotte Knollys, daughter woman to the Dowager Queen. Another unrecorded title of this ex-bedchamber woman—one that will not be found anywhere in Burke or Debrett—is that of keeper of the royal complexions as compared with her daughter-in-law. She would be a melancholy spectacle.

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BAND CONCERTS.

- July 14—Ward's Island.....City Band
- July 15—Riversdale.....G.O.B.G.
- July 16—Bellevue Square.....G.O.B.G.
- July 17—Bellwoods.....G.O.B.G.
- July 18—Reservoir.....Cadet Batt.
- July 19—Bellevue Square.....G.O.B.G.
- July 20—High Park.....Grenadiers
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ADDITIONAL BAND CONCERTS.

Thru the kindness of Mr. A. E. Kemp the following series of band concerts will be given in Whitrow Park: July 10, Grenadiers; July 24, Queen's Own; Aug. 14, Highlanders; Aug. 28, British Welcome League.

Burmah's Famous Bridge.

Distant from Mandalay, Burmah, 32 miles, stands one of the most remarkable railway bridges in the world. It is 2260 feet in length and at the fourteenth trestle has a height of 820 feet. It was built by an American firm in eighteen months, nearly 5000 tons of steel being employed in its construction. Not only for its extreme height is it remarkable, but also for its daring curve, two distinct sharp bends being taken by the rails as they cross the valley.

TO TAKE BREATH.

Porcupine has been overruled. The conflagration has made everyone stop to take breath. If the fire were to extend the breathing spell for a few days longer it would not hurt in the end.

A great big movement will be on there immediately. But try and start it right this time.

Wires Blocked With Fire Story

World Man in Porcupine Unable to Get Copy Thru Owing to Crush of Despatches.

FORCUPINE, Ont., July 15.—World Toronto: I am alive and well, but cannot get copy thru. I have wired you seventeen times from Porcupine, Kelso, Halesbury and Cobalt. Am trying to get another death list thru. Chas. Fox.

Protected Comrade's Dead Body From Flames

Men of Philadelphia Mine Hold Corps of Bookkeeper in Water to Protect It From Fire.

E. M. de Sherbinin, manager of the Philadelphia Mine, Porcupine, reached Toronto Saturday morning with the body of Charles E. Adams, the young bookkeeper of the company, who lost his life in the fire. The body is being taken to Phoenixville, Penna., where Mrs. Adams lives.

Mr. Adams, who was 21 years of age, died under most peculiar circumstances. He and other employees of the company were making a brave attempt to save the property by means of wet blankets. The flames, however, got so close that they had to seek shelter in the creek. The water, the cook, whose home is at 605 Yonge street, Toronto; E. P. Ashmore, superintendent of the mine, and Adams all ran into the creek, which is two miles narrow at this point. Captain Shove, who did hard work fire fighting at the Philadelphia Mine, carried his wife down as well. When the captain saw the flames were enclosing them on all sides he took his wife in his arms and ran to the lake, which is two miles away. The fire crossed the road in front of them twice and formed an archway over their heads. They came across two men lying prone in an open cut. They were unconscious and would have suffered death if it had not been for the captain's exertions, who dragged them to the water. The whole party succeeded in getting thru the zone of flames and reached the lake in safety.

As Sherbinin returned to the company's office to get the account books and was badly scorched. When he and Shakespeare finally got into the water, they noticed that Adams was dead. He had come thru the fire without a mark, but had died of fright. With the flames roaring all about them they held the body of the young man on their knees while sitting in the water and protected it with blankets. It was a considerable time before the fire passed over and they had to keep ducking under the water to save themselves from the smoke and flames. The body of their comrade at the end of that time was untouched by the flames. The heroism of these men keeps in safety the body of a dead comrade from the flames was touching. Adams was extremely popular in the camp and the strong affection he bore for his wife led his comrades to make the sacrifice, that they had about all they could do to save their own lives.

Seven men from the Philadelphia Mine are in the hospital at New Lisley and Cobalt. They are pretty well scorched, but were lucky to escape with their lives. The heat was so intense that the water in the creek was boiled up and to-day the stream is quite dry. The water in Porcupine Lake is now at least two feet lower than it was before the fire.

MATRICULATION AT HARVARD.

Editor World: It was with interest that I read this morning your editorial on the university examinations. It happens that the writer is from the U.S.A. and a graduate of Harvard University, at Cambridge, Mass. You may be interested to know that since Dr. Elliot resigned, his successor, Pres. Lowell, has instituted an entire change in our examination system, along lines which you evidently approve of. I believe you would be inclined to write the corresponding secretary for details, as this innovation is now being largely discussed in the States.

Clarence C. James.



Fire Has Destroyed Good Pulpwood

Area Swept by the Flames Was Rich in Spruce and Jack Pine.

OTTAWA, July 15.—That the fires now raging in Northern Ontario have dealt a severe blow to the pulp and paper industry in Canada, is the opinion of George Gordon, M.P. for Nipissing, one of Canada's best known lumbermen, whose mills are at Cache Bay. Mr. Gordon states that the timber destroyed has been nearly all spruce and jack pine. He adds that there were some splendid opportunities to establish pulp and paper mills thruout the district which has been swept clean.

Senator Edwards, while deploring the loss of so rich a pulpwood area, does not, however regard it as a serious blow to the pulp and paper industry of Canada.

"The area destroyed is, of course, a large one, but relatively small when the whole of Canada is taken into consideration," says the senator. "I cannot, therefore, regard the loss as anything like a serious blow to the pulp and paper industry of Canada. There are so many other places where mills may be established. In fact, the pulp and paper opportunities in Canada are unlimited."

TORN BY DISSENSION

Section of Unionists May Attempt to Detroner Balfour.

LONDON, July 14.—British politics at the present moment bear a peculiarly interesting aspect. Nobody doubts that the veto bill will become a law. The fate of the Unionist party itself, however, is more engaging than the fate of the veto bill. From present appearances a situation exists which is likely to end in an attempt to detroner Balfour from the leadership. A large section of the party has expressed itself as wearied by Mr. Balfour's vacillation, and sees no hope for the party unless a stronger leader can be found. This discontented section places hopes for the future on Austen Chamberlain.

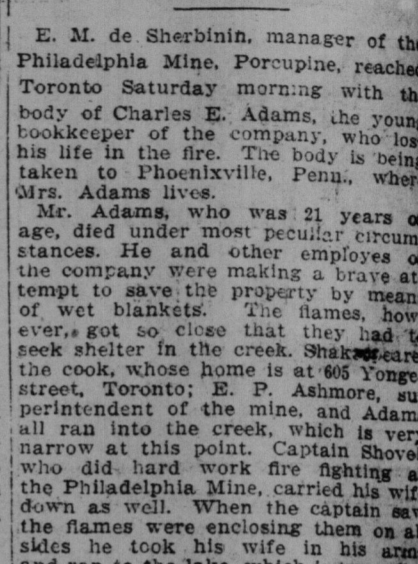
"The Spectator," representing the moderate Unionists, reminds its readers that many Liberals with nothing but Balfour's vacillation, and sees no hope for the party unless a stronger leader can be found. This discontented section places hopes for the future on Austen Chamberlain.

"Simple enough. I told her that it was fashionable this year, that all the best women in town were doing it."

Mrs. Gillet (over the phone): I want to complain of a mistake in our order. Mrs. Gillet: There was a little ice cream in that salt you sent us.—Life.

Protected Comrade's Dead Body From Flames

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CLAIM BIG FROM MONTREAL

Four Women Sentiment For \$12,000 in Street

MONTREAL, July 14.—A claim office was established as a consequence of the corner of St. Louis and St. James streets, in which were run over by a fire brigade, the whole was entered as a settlement of court: Dame Mel of Mr. Louis Lam, for an amputated Henrietta Lyons, ward, \$400 for cont. Simkover, \$1899 for

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