HELLO GIRLS

Service in Toronto Was Paralyzed for a Time.

Company Brought in Female Strike-Breakers Last Night.

Mackenzie King and Others Trying to Settle Trouble.

A Toronto despatch: Because the Bell Telephone Company asked them to work tra hours and extra work. eight hours instead of five hours a day nearly four hundred girl operators went nearly four hundred girl operators went before 8 o'clock, a crowd of striking on strike yesterday, claiming that it would be impossible for them to stand the strain of eight continuous hours' work at the busy city switchboards, even if the wages were increased as promised by the company. It had been the young ladies. They were a waiting from the strain to stop at the promised by the company. It had been the young ladies. They were a waiting the young ladies. They were hundled promised by the company. It had been the young ladies. They were bundled anticipated that the strike would take place to-day, but the event was precipiand then to the central exchange. These place to-day, but the event was precipitated, the girls claimed, by the action outside operators were accorded police of the company's officials at the main Mr. G. S. Cairns, inspector of the Bell office on Temperance street yesterday asking the girls to sign agreements to work eight hours or else sign their resignations. Precisely at 1 o'clock the great the company's officials last night. majority of the girls at the local switchboards walked out in a body. At that very moment Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, Deputy Minister of Labor, and Mr. John Armstrong, Secretary of the Ontario

ing in the Labor Temple, where they endorsed a proposition arbitration, supposing the company were agreeable. This morning another eting of the girls will be held, when it is expected it will be known whether not the company are willing to arbitrate the difficulties. As a result of the strike the telephone service throughout the city yes-

terday afternoon was badly inconvenfenced, although the wants of the hotels. newspaper offices and other places where ity. Last night the company had over to experienced girl operators, brought in from Montreal, Ottawa, London and who

a meeting, but they took no definite action beyond appointing a committee of nine to represent them in any business of the strike. Last night this committee was in consultation with Mr. King for two hours, and there were ters from Messrs, King and Armstrong livered written to Manager Dunstan.

A portion of Mr. King's letter read burglaries.

as follows:

"You will doubtless agree that it is very much in the public interest, as well as in the interest of your company and its employees, that the service should remain uninterrupted and your present employees be retained in their positions provided an annicable settlement can be reached on the que clous in dispute, and the the very fair and reasonable means that every fair and reasonable means the settlement can be reached on the que clous in dispute, and the police was rewarded just before daylight.

Rice came to Chicago three months ago. He is 32 and was popular.

A. C. Liebick's shoe store was entered twice in a fortnight, and the safe robbed. Fifty dollars in marked bills was put in the safe, and the police was rewarded just before daylight.

Rice came to Chicago three months ago. He is 32 and was popular.

A. C. Liebick's shoe store was entered twice in a fortnight, and the safe robbed. Fifty dollars in marked bills are put of the safe, and the police was rewarded just before daylight.

Rice came to Chicago three months ago. He is 32 and was popular. that every fair and reasonable means

pany's employees, acting on their beshalf, and yourself, with such other representatives of the company as you uay name, acting on the company's behalf, and that pending such conference and such further negotiations between the parties as may be mutually agreed upon the operatives should continue in the company's service under the present. Philedalphia. Feb. 4.—Edward W schedule of rates and hours, and the Hipple, a brother of the late Frank K.

Mr. Dunstan that he freely endorsed the

dent, committed suicide at his home here arrangement.

During the meeting a speech was delivered by Mr. J. S. Lightbound, Secretary of the Electrical Workers' Local Union. He stated that the strikers could affiliate with that organization if necessary and then there would be an organization of 400,000 men in Canada hospital but died on the way Mr. His necessary and then there would be an organization of 400,000 men in Canada and the United States behind them. Finally the girls agreed to accept arbitration on the terms proposed by Mr. Mackenzie King, which brought the matter up to Mr. Dunstan.

At an early hour this morning Manager Dunstan said that any answer to Mr. King's letter would have to be made to Mr. King himself. He refused to give any opinion relative to the

ed to give any opinion relative to the company's action on the arbitration FEARFUL EARTHQUAKE REPORTED

The Girls Walked Out.

did the feeling run that when any sought to gain admission to the ling cries of "scab" came from huns of throats. For half an hour sailed. areds of throats. For half an hour after the walkout no police were on the scene, and the hoodhum element was apparent. Those supposed to be in league with the company were hit with snowballs and subjected to different kinds of indignities. One lady in the employ of the company attempted to enter the building and three times she was dragged back by boys around the door. She bravely persisted, finally, when almost completely exhausted, gaining the office. Meantime the girl strikers were patrolling up and down, for it had been rumored that the company were bringing girls from other stations to fill the vacant places. Such proved to be the case, but many of the present Earl of Stafford.

these were enticed away from work by the excited strikers, who proved equal to all emergencies. Few girls entered the building for hours after the first signs of trouble. Finally a policeman strolled along. He had no sooner arrived before the door than he was hit with a snowball. Drawing his baton he cleared a large space in the street, scattering the mob in all directions. Meanwhile all the girls with the exception of those doing "picket duty" before the Central had gone to the Labor Temple to decide upon some action.

All the girls were unanimous in the opinion that five hours a day was quite sufficient for any girl to work at a central switchboard. Physical endurance could stand the work no longer than five hours a day. The opinion was freely expressed that any extra money promised was not nearly worth the expromised was not nearly worth the ex

When the Montreal express, due at 7.25, arrived at the Union Station just

side places?" was the question put to the company's officials last night. "We have nearer 100 than 60."

"Where do they come from?"
"From all over, east and west."
About fifty girls who had taken

Labor Bureau, were in consultation with Mr. Kenneth J. Dunstan, local manager of the company, with a view to averting the trouble which was expected. Last night about three hundred of the girl strikers held a mass meeting in the Labor Temple, where they the other offices would be cripted to the control of the girl strikers held a mass meeting in the Labor Temple, where they the other offices would be cripted. that the other offices would be Messre. King and Armstrong to go back to work under the old schedule pending ing loyal to them, because it was claimed the "central" girls had got themselves into bad odor by their action.

Business men yesterday complained of the poor service accorded, and many de-lays and much inconvenience were caus-ed. From private residences it was almost impossible to obtain another number. While the company stated that the switchboards were all "manned," it was obvious that there were many incompe tent operators, who could not give th numbers required, and the answer "Lin telephones are used a great deal were attended to with almost the usual celerbusy" was frequently heard all after-

Last night the long distance operators who had remained on duty at the contransport of the service up to as good a standard as possible.

Yesterday afternoon shortly after the inauguration of the strike the girls held provided for these in the office.

HE PREACHED.

But He Aalso Stole-Arrested and Confessed.

also present Mr. James Simpson and Mr. J. W. Curry, K. C., solicitor for the girls. Mr. Curry, in addressing the meeting after the consultation, read let. in the person of Henry E. Rice, graduate of a Mantreal, Canada, college, who design the consultation of the con "Up-Life" lectures in west side churches, is under arrest for a series of

Rice came to Chicago three months

Rice was caught, and the marked bills found on him. He had entered the store through a trapdoor from the basement.

that every fair and reasonable means of effecting such amicable settlement and averting a general strike should be adopted.

"It would appear that the first step towards effecting such a settlement would be to arrange a joint concreted by the representatives of the combination of the representative should be to arrange a joint concrete through a trapdoor from the basement. The proposed through a trapdoor from the basement of the representative should be to be the representative should be the representative shoul io Canada."

SHOT HIMSELF.

BROTHER OF SWINDLER HIPPLE TAKES HIS OWN LIFE.

company agree to continue in force the Hipple, who ended his life last summer mpany agree to continue in the second second

IN THE SOLOMON ISLANDS.

The Girls Walked Out.

Shortly after the girls had walked out of the central office at 1 o clock there were scenes of wild excitement on Temperance street, opposite the office. In a few moments a large crowd had gathered, all of those present apparently being in sympatry with the girls. So brought here by Governor Moore, C. B. L., high did the terming run that when any

\$1,000,000 FIRE AT HARRISBURG.

Eight Buildings Either Destroyed or Damaged.

Fire Started With an Explosion in a Hat Store.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. '. -Eight buildings in the centre of the business district

block, at 2 o'clock, and within an hour had destroyed the play house and the stores in the building, and had lcaped across to the west side of Third street to the Columbus Hotel and College block. The opera house was owned by a Harrisburg syndicate. On the first floors were John Pyne's hat store, Wilson Hoff's drug store, the Grand Union Tea Company and W. F. Paul's

shoe store.

While thick clouds of smoke were coming out of the windows of the operation house, the fireman saw a figure at one of the big windows high up in the building. Then came a crash, and what look-

he window sill stopped screaming. He States. swung his arm and the crowd thought he

Holbort, a fireman.

An hour after the fire started busi-An hour after the fire started business at the post office had to be sus The fire was under control at 4.30

DRAINAGE CANAL.

WATERWAYS COMMISSION OBJECTS TO CHICAGO PROPOSAL

Washington, Feb. 4.-If the Calumet River is to be turned backward in it course from Lake Michagan to form a of Harrisburg were either destroyed or drainage canal into the Mississippi as badly damaged by a fire early this planned by the sanitary board of Chimorning, involving a loss estimated at cago, the International Waterway Commorning, involving a loss estimated at \$1,000,000. The Grand Opera house block at Third and Walnut streets, in which there were five stores, was destroyed and nothing is standing but the walls.

The fire started from an explosion in Pine's hat store, in the Opera House block, at 2 o'clock, and within an hour better ways of successfully disposing of better ways of successfully disposing of the sewage of the tract sought to be drained than by the adoption of a plan which is certain to considerably reduce the level of Lake Michigan, and so inuriously affect the immense navigation in this or the whole chain of lakes Secretary of War Taft has not yet

JAPS IN SCHOOLS.

SAN FRANCISCO TROUBLE IN FAIR WAY TO BE SETTLED.

Tokio. Feb. 4.—The report that a satrell came a crash, and what took-ed like a nude man crawled out on the sill. Standing on the window sill he isfactory solution of the San Francisco ed like a nude man crawled out on the sill. Standing on the window sill he called for a ladder. "Send a ladder up here."

More smoke piled out of the windows land slowly a ladder was raised. Its top came within several feet of the window sill. A small ladder was hoisted by men on the big ladder. The man on shop between Japan and and United the window sill stopped screaming. He States.

The efforts of President Roosevelt to was going to jump.

"Don't jump, boy, hold on," cried the highly appreciated.

WHO SHE WAS

SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF LYDIA E. PINKHAM

And a True Story of How the Vegetable Compound Had Its Birth and How the "Panic of '73" Caused it to be Offered for Public Sale in Drug Stores.

ne years she taught school, and known as a woman of an aler



and investigating mind, an earnest seeker after knowledge, and above all, possessed of a wonderfully sympathetic nature.

In 1843 she married Isaac Pinkham a builder and real estate operator, and their early married life was marked by prosperity and happiness. They had four children, three sons and a daughter.

In those good old fashioned days it was common for mothers to make their own home medicines from roots and herbs, nature's own remedies—calling in a physician only in specially urgent cases. the curative properties of the various roots and herbs.

so, if we but take the pains to find them, in the roots and herbs of the field there are remedies expressly designed to cure body, and it was her pleasure to search these out, and prepare simple and effec-tive medicines for her own family and

tive medicines for her own family and friends.

Chief of these was a rare combination of the choicest medicinal roots and herbs found best adapted for the cure of the ills and weaknesses peculiar to the female sex, and Lydia E. Pinkham worked her daughter-in-law, the present Mrs. Pinkham should be a search of the was carefully instructed in all her hard-won knowledge, and for years she assisted her in her vast correspondence.

To her hands naturally fell the direction of the work when its originator passed away. For nearly twenty-five years she has continued it, and nothing

But in 1873 the financial crisis struck Lynn. Its length and severity were too much for the large real estate interests of the Pinkham family, as this class of business suffered most from fearful de-pression, so when the Centennial year-dawned it found their property swept away. Some other source of income had to be found. away. Some

This remarkable woman, whose maiden name was Estes, was born in Lynn, Mass., February 9th, 1819, coming from a good old Quaker family woman friends and neighbors was equally For some years she taught school, and

The Pinkhams had no money, and little credit. Their first laboratory was the kitchen, where roots and herbs were the kitchen, where roots and herbs were steeped on the stove, gradually filling a gross of bottles. Then came the question of selling it, for always before they had given it away freely. They hired a job printer to run off some pamphlets setting forth the merits of the medicine, now called Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and these were distributed by the Pinkham sons in Boston, when York and Brooklyn. by the Pinknam some New York, and Brooklyn.

The wonderful curative properties of the medicine were, to a great extent, self-advertising, for whoever used it re-commended it to others, and the demand

In 1877, by combined efforts the family had saved enough money to commence newspaper advertising and from that time the growth and success of the enterprise were assured, until to-day Lydia E. Pinkham and her Vegetable Compound have become household words every-where, and many tons of roots and herbs are used annually in its manufacture.

Lydia E. Pinkham herself did not live to see the great success of this work. She passed to her reward years ago, but not till she had provided means for continu-ing her work as effectively as she could have done it herself.

During her long and eventful experia physician only in specially urgent cases.

Ry tradition and experience many of them gained a wonderful knowledge of the curative properties of the various he curative properties of the various woman who applied to her for advice—oots and herbs.

Mrs. Pinkham took a great interest in the study of roots and herbs, their char-acteristics and power over disease. She maintained that just as nature so bounti-fully provides in the harvest-fields and orchards vegetable foods of all kinds; thousands made since, are available to sick women the world over, and repre-sent a vast collaboration of information regarding the treatment of woman's ills, which for authenticity and accuracy can the various ills and weaknesses of the hardly be equaled in any library in the

With Lydia E. Pinkham worked her

sex, and Lydia E. Pinkham's friends and relieved and cured and at became quite popular among them.

All this so far was done freely, without money and without price as a labor of love.

But in 1873 the financial crisis struck Lynn. Its length and severity were too the control of the control this great work, and probably from the office of no other person have so many women been advised how to regain health. Sick women, this advice is "Yours for Health" freely given if you only write to sak for it only write to ask for it.

At this point Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was made known to the world.

The three sons and the daughter, with

FIVE YEARS FOR MANAGER M'GILL.

Pleaded Guilty

To Signing False Returns to the Governmene:

Other Charges of Theft Hanging Over His Head.

A Toronto, Ont., special despatch says: Charles McGill, former manager of the wrecked Ontario Bank, this morning The Board desires an amendment making bleaded guilty to making and signing it clear that at the expiration of a street car franchise a municipal corporfalse returns to the Government in con- ation has the right to assume the ownnection with the management of the ership of the franchise. The interprebank, and was sentenced by Mr. Justice
Clute to five years in the penitentiary.
His case came up before the criminal asmendation. The Board also desires that
mendation. The Board also desires that sizes this forenoon. When judgment was pronounced he appeared unperturbed. In the matter of location and plans authority should be exercised by the Board instead of the Lieutenant-Gov-The court was filled with citizens.

for McGill, tried to show during his pleading that the making and signing of false returns to the Government was not an uncommon offence, and was not regarded seriously by the Government. He also endeavored to point out that the bank was in financial straits prior to the time McGill took hold of it, and that the general manager, through personal friends in Peterboro, had been successful in getting large deposits placed in the Ontario Bank, and had in that way built it up. During the last few years, however, Mr. Johnston said. McGill had experienced extremely bad luck, and the fact that he was willing to come before he court and acknowledge his losses was a sufficient plea for clemency.

His Lordship, though, remarked upon he seriousness of the offence in as impressive a way as had the noted counsel on its lightness.

McGill is also charged with stealing \$125,000 and another sum of \$1,150,000 from the bank. These charges were

Mr. Johnston reserved the right to make a motion to quash the indictment ing.

McFarlane was foreman of the shale-

WAS IT MURDER?

CORONER THINKS DONOHUE DID NOT COMMIT SUICIDE.

New York, Feb. 4.-That William J. district of King's County, did not commit suicide, but was murdered, was the opinion expressed by Coroner's Physician Charles Wuest, after performing an autopsy upon Mr. Donahue's body tolay. Donahue was found yesterday with a bullet wound in his head, lying in a side oom of a saloon in Brooklyn, and died without recovering consciousness. was said to day that when he left home a few hours before his death he had \$200 in his pockets. The police found only \$22 in his possession after his COLDUCTOR PINNED FOR TEN

Dr. Wuest said to-day: "If nothing else, the location of the bullet wound and the course taken by the missile refute the suggestion that Donahue took his own life

near the saloon where he was shot. This man, who was a Pole, had performed some service for Donahue, and the Assemblyman had promised to find employ-ment for him. Donahue told several friends that he was on the way to meet his man.

RAILWAY BOARD.

FIRST REPORT IS SUBMITTED TO

changes Asked in Jurisdiction

Toronto despatch: Amendments to the districts in Galicia houses are snowed under to the chimneys. ntario Railway Act are recommended the first report of the Ontario Railray and Municipal Board, of which Mr. was laid on the table of the Legislature esterday afternoon. The report deals with the period from May 31, 1906, when he Board was created, to Dec. 31.

Among the notable changes advocated tis recommended that the Board be ot required to act upon its own mitiaive in the matter of interference with ocal questions, though they had never shirked their duties where the gravity of the situation demanded. It is pro-sumed that the Mayors know the conditions in their respective cities and that the Board should be invoked when their Board has very drastic powers delegated to it by the Act, and for that reason should act upon its own initiative

Empress Landed for Lois et I. C. R.
Pier at Halifan. Board were to respond to calls which anyone in any part of the Province was to make, it would soon find itself parative difference accumulation of cases and incapable of effective work." If this Board initiated proceedings it would also minimated proceedings it would place itself in the position of prosecutor, counsel and judge. Applicaecutor, counsel and judge. Applica-ions should therefore be backed by such ecutor, counsel and judge. Applications should therefore be backed by such esponsibility and particularity as would expensible particularity as would expensive provide the particular transfer from the provide the particular transfer from the

With respect to the provisions and regulations as to fares, Mr. Ingram, a member of the Board, sent out circulars asking the electric roads to send in their tariff of fares. It was then found that some of these roads had been diclared The Former Ontario Bank Official

Pleaded Guilty

The Former Ontario Bank Official

Pleaded Guilty be charged for a ride not exceeding three miles, and not more than two cents a mile for distance in excess of three miles. An extensive and voluminous corredence has been the outgrowth of this question, in which there was a reasonably prompt compliance with the requests for tariffs and other information. Two appeals had been heard by the Board on the subject of assessment by munipicalities and annexation of terri

tory. The Board had heard seventeen applications under section 53 of the Act. ernor in Council and his Ministers.

E. F. B. Johnston, K. C., who has acted for McGill, tried to show during his pleading that the making and signing of false returns to the Government and the making and signing of the false returns to the Government and the Ministers.

There were 56 applications to the Board in regard to its powers respecting money by-laws and annexation of territory. These were all dealt with. territory. These were all dealt with.

The Board reported that between May 31 and Dec. 31, 1908, 25 persons were killed and 320 injured on rail: the jurisdiction of the Board.

MAN BLOWN UP.

GEO. M'FARLANE INSTANTLY KILL-ED AT LAMBTON MILLS.

Explosive Was Thawing on a Stove in a Shanty- Latter Completely Destroyed-Windows in a Neighboring Church Broken-An Inquest Opened.

Toronto despatch: By an explosion of dynamite that rattled the windows of most of the houses in Lambton Mills viliage, George McTariane, a well-known man of that place, was instantly killed shortly before noon yesterday. The explosion occurred at the shale pit of the Ontario Paving Brick Company, on the bank of the Humber River, on Scarlett road; in the shanty where the company, stores its tools and explosives for blast-

pit gang and had just gone into the shanty to prepare some explosive for a blast, when the men who were working some fifty yards distant saw a flash issue from the chimney and then the building was lifted from its foundations and scattered into fragments. McFarlane was picked up dead twenty-five feet from where the shanty stood with his

Donahue, Assemblyman, from the 14th body terirbly mutilated.

The force of the explosion broke the windows of a church two hundred yards away and shook the village. It is thought that McFarlane caused the explosion by forcing a fuse into the "wrack-a-rock," a powerful explosive used by the workmen, with too There was also some dyna mite on the stove being thawed out.

TWO MEN KILLED.

HOURS BENEATH BOILER.

Missouli, Mont., Feb. 4.-Two engined upon which were riding a large number of men who had been engaged in breakn life. There were no powder ing the snow blockade near Saltez nor discoloration by powder Mont., plunged over an embankment two smoke.

The police to-day began an inquiry, in which they were aided by friends of the dead Assemblyman. It was assertained that Donohue left his home vested by the conductor of the dead are: that Donohue left his home yesterday fireman. Conductor McDonald's death morning to meet a man with whom he ocurred last night, after he had lain for had an appointment at a street corner ten hours pinned beneath a boiler, with ten hours pinned beneath a boiler, with his body partly submerged in the icy waters of the river. His fellow-workmen, unable to help him, kept his head above the water until he died. He steadfastly refused to have his leg amputated.

UP TO CHIMNEYS IN SNOW.

Terrible Sufferings in Austria Through

Lack of Fuel. RST REPORT IS SUBMITTED TO

THE LEGISLATURE,

anges Asked in Jurisdiction and Powers of the Board—Do Not Like to Act on Their Own Initiative—
Table of Accidents.

Toronto descrate the control of the Co

WILL RECALL TRADE AGENTS.

mes Leitch, K. C., is Chairman, which British Government to Contralize Foreign Commercial Service.

London, Feb. 4 .- It is stated that the Government has decided to recall its commercial agents from foreign countries, including Mr. Bell. from New York. They will henceforth be centred in London, whence they will be sent on special missions, when the occasions arise. It is not set to the constant. eign Office found that the commercial repus sets ion. unsatisfactory.

MADE A RECORD TRIP.

with due caution," says the report. "It would readily be understood that if the Board were to respond to calls which Board were to respond to calls which the Provider was record trip to Halifax. The Empress