

C. P. R. Express Thrown From Rails No One Injured in the Accident

Engine and Five Cars Displaced at Chatham—Ice in Switch the Cause.

The early morning C. P. R. express for Toronto was five hours late today owing to an accident that happened about 4 o'clock, while the train was

crossing the diamond, three miles west of Chatham.

The accident was caused by the interlocking apparatus failing to work perfectly, owing to the ice, and the engine and five cars were thrown off the track.

The auxiliary was summoned from Windsor, but the train was finally pulled onto the track again by a big compound engine, which was sent out from Tilbury.

No one was injured.

Glass Firm Seeks Inducements Here

The manufacturers' and reception committee met yesterday afternoon, but there was little of importance to be discussed.

A communication was received from a firm being organized in a Canadian city to manufacture glass. The management were anxious to discover what inducements London would offer.

City Clerk Baker is in communication with the firm, and will report at the next meeting.

According to the letter, the firm expects to have a pay roll of \$1,175 weekly.

The request of the National Light

Company for free water was referred to a committee composed of Chairman Ferguson, Ald. Saunders, Ald. Gerry and Mr. Whitman to report.

The deputation investigated, and it is decided by them to recommend that two years' free water be granted the firm.

The names of Dr. Becher, John Graham and Wm. McNeil were added to the committee.

The present were Ald. Ferguson (chairman), Ald. Beattie, Ald. Parsons, Ald. Saunders, Ald. Rose, Ald. Gerry, Ald. Moorhead, Ald. Stewart, W. Whitman, James Donnelly, H. B. Archer and Secretary Baker.

Hon. Mr. Lemieux and Big Banquet

The final arrangements for the board of trade banquet have been made and it will be held in the Tecumseh House on Friday, Feb. 25th.

Hon. Rudolphe Lemieux, Postmaster-General, will arrive in the city on Friday noon.

He will be the guest of Hon. C. S. Hyman during his stay in the city.

It was thought that Hon. Mr. Lemieux would address the Canadian Club on Friday noon, but this will not be the case, as Mr. Lemieux cannot get into the city in time to do so.

Rev. J. W. Clark, formerly pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, but now in Montreal, has been invited, and a favorable reply is expected.

Mr. Cyril-Dwight Edwards will sing.

New Organist for Colborne St. Church

At a meeting of the trustee board of the Colborne Street Methodist Church held last night Mr. A. O. Geiger, formerly of Chicago, was engaged as organist.

Mr. Geiger is an organist of much ability, and among the churches where he has officiated are the Simcoe Street Methodist Church, Oshawa, 5 years; St. Peter's Episcopal, Cobourg, and

Western Avenue Baptist Church, Chicago, 4 1/2 years.

Mr. Geiger is not only a superior organist, but is a choirman of much experience.

He will assume his duties tomorrow. The Colborne Street Methodist Church is indeed fortunate to have procured such a valuable man as Mr. Geiger.

Many Travelers Sign the Petition

The petition being circulated by the commercial travelers of Canada, asking that Sir Wilfrid Laurier appoint a commercial traveler one of the three new members of the Dominion railway commission, is meeting with a hearty response.

The petition at the Tecumseh House

contains a large number of names, and travelers generally are signing it.

"I do not know whether we will get what we want," said a commercial traveler last night, "but I think the idea is a good one. I have been in several places, and the petitions are being signed by large numbers of traveling men."

Successful Concert in St. Mary's Hall

The concert given in St. Mary's Hall last night by St. Mary's choir and other talent proved a splendid success. The audience, despite the bad weather, was a large one, and the programme was excellent.

It was as follows:

Part I.
Soldiers' Chorus from "Faust".....
The Choir.
Song—"Cupid at the Ferry".....
Miss Abbie Willard.
Violin Solo—Selected.....
Miss McKim.
Reading—Selected.....
Miss Hazel Smith.
Song—"Ain't Folks".....
Burns.

Mr. T. Ranahan.
Orchestra.....
Part II.
Anvil Chorus from "Trovatore".....
Reading—Selected.....
Miss Hazel Smith.
Song—Selected.....
Miss Abbie Willard.
Violin Solo—Hungarian Dance.....
Miss McKim.
Song—Selected.....
Miss McKim.
Orchestra.....
Part Song—Selected.....
The Choir.
God Save the King.

Dr. J. M. Buckley Has Been Vindicated

Press reports recently sent out from New York announced the beginning of an investigation into charges against Dr. J. M. Buckley, editor of the Christian Advocate, arising out of the publication nearly four years ago of a report of the trial of Prof. S. W. B. of Boston University, for "heresy," which, by the way, was unanimously acquitted.

It was charged against Dr. Buckley that the report was unfair and partisan; that he refused the complainant in the case against Prof. Bowne the privilege of reviewing the

report and that he refused the advertisement of a pamphlet by the complainant.

After careful investigation by a committee of eight and a presiding elder the first two charges were unanimously found to be not sustained. The third he admitted, but proved that he was acting under church authority in excluding libelous or otherwise objectionable advertisements. The committee also found that nothing derogatory to the moral or ministerial character of Dr. Buckley was presented during the investigation.

Charged With Breaking Into a Car

Perry Sinclair was arrested by the detectives last night on a charge of breaking into a sealed car on the Grand Trunk near Ridout street, and stealing from it several bottles of brandy.

So far Sinclair is the only one arrested, but warrants have been issued for several other young men who are believed to have been implicated.

Sinclair appeared before Magistrate Love this morning and was remanded for a week.

Hotel Improvements Very Noticeable

Provincial Inspector Morrison, together with Inspector Galpin, completed his inspection of the local hotels and left the city last evening.

"I am more than surprised at the improvement in the hotels of London," Inspector Morrison told The Advertiser.

"Many of the hotels in this city are perfect little palaces, and nothing more could be desired by the most fastidious traveler."

"There is general improvement noticeable in every hotel, and all the proprietors seem to be working with the idea of making their houses first-class ones."

"They are succeeding, too, and I was quite surprised to see the difference in some of them since my last visit here. There is a great change going on all over the Province, and the days of

the poor class of hotel are numbered. They simply cannot live in the face of the improvements that in many of the other houses are being made, and will be forced to follow the example set, or go out of business."

Valentine Dance.
The Valentine dance conducted by Messrs. Dayton & McCormick at the Palace Dancing Academy Friday night turned out to be one of the most pleasant dances of the season. Notwithstanding the very inclement weather over one hundred and fifty guests were present. The splendid floor was in most excellent shape, and a choice programme of all the latest music was furnished by the academy orchestra. By request another special hop will be put on next Friday evening.

ONE CENT ONLY FOR DROP LETTERS

Important Postal Legislation Promised By Postmaster-General.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—Though less refractory today, the Opposition showed no disposition to expedite the passing of the marine and fishery estimates, the result being that after four and a half hours' discussion in committee of supply only ten items, amounting in the aggregate to \$135,000, had gone through. In the afternoon Mr. Lemieux announced his intention to introduce very soon legislation providing for a one-cent rate for drop letters in large centers.

Mr. Verville introduced his act providing for an eight-hour day for workmen engaged on public works.

Mr. Macdonell asked if the Postmaster-General had taken any steps to inaugurate the proposed one-cent rate for drop letters in large centers.

Mr. Lemieux answered that he intended to introduce the necessary legislation very soon.

Mr. Henderson urged that the Postmaster-General should bear the rural communities, small towns and villages in mind, and give them a half-cent rate.

All are generally in the merriest of moods and try to make the best of a bad situation.

To look at the merry group around the table, exchanging yarns, one could almost imagine himself standing in a country store and postoffice on a cold night listening to the telling of stories.

SLIPPED AND BROKE HIS COLLAR BONE
Serious Accident to Son of Mr. Wm. Gammage.

While going home from school a day or so ago Garde Gammage, the twelve-year-old son of Mr. Wm. Gammage, the florist, slipped on an icy sidewalk on Oxford street and broke his collar bone.

The attending physician expressed the opinion that the broken bone would knit together nicely and that there would be no permanent inconvenience from the injury.

TOOK BOOTS AND SHIRT
Odd Sequel to Young Englishman's Adventure in the Boer War.

A young Englishman in the city is telling rather an interesting story concerning the South African war.

The young fellow in question went to the front, and was with Gen. Methuen when he was captured at the Modder River. When they had been taken in charge by the enemy, a young Boer fighter came to him, and with cuffs and curses demanded the Englishman's boots and shirt, but the latter refused to give them up. A pitched battle seemed imminent between the two, when another Boer interfered and asked the cause of the trouble. It was explained to him, and he made the younger Boer cease annoying. The Boer and the Englishman became quite friendly, and after a time the former made the suggestion that he would not mind having the boots and shirt, and the Englishman, who was tired, gave them up.

When the war was over the Englishman returned home. A year or so ago he was walking on the streets of London, when he was greeted by a stranger, who asked him if he did not recognize him. He remembered having seen his questioner somewhere, but could not recall the circumstances.

"Why, I am the Boer who took your boots from you on the Modder," said the Boer with a smile.

"What are you doing here?" the Englishman asked.

"Why, I am one of the South African football team that is touring England," answered the Boer.

And so he was, being one of the best players on that team.

The young Englishman, who recently came to London, and is employed here.

REMANDED FOR WEEK
Alleged Strathroy Embezzler Was Arranged in Court Today.

Herbert Mee, the Strathroy traveler, charged with the embezzlement of upwards of \$1,200 from the Strathroy Brewing Company, this morning appeared before Judge Macbeth to elect trial.

Upon application of Mr. E. Scatchell, who is acting for the accused Mee, was remanded for another week.

DEATH OF MRS. CLARK
Old and Respected Resident of London Has Passed Away.

An old and highly-respected resident of East Nissouri passed away yesterday at the residence of her son, Mr. Kenneth Clark, 7 Dundas street, in the person of Mrs. Anne Clark, relict of the late Walter Clark.

Mrs. Clark was in her 87th year, and came to this country from Scotland over 60 years ago.

About a month ago she came in to visit her son, and was lately taken ill.

She is survived by two daughters and three sons, Mrs. H. Rounds and Mrs. M. A. Ballock, of the Northwest Territories; John, of Manitoba; William, of Owen Sound, and Kenneth, of this city.

The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

INTERMENT OF LATE MR. ABBOTT

Remains of Londoner Killed at Los Angeles Buried at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

The remains of the late William F. Abbott, who was killed in Los Angeles on Feb. 5, arrived in this city last night, and were taken to the residence of Mrs. Mary Sutherland, 136 Simcoe street. The remains were accompanied to this city by Mrs. Wm. Abbott, and Miss Carrie Phillips, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Abbott at Los Angeles. The flowers that came from Los Angeles were very beautiful and included a very large wreath of violets from Miss Carrie Phillips, a large wreath from Mr. Harry Hill, a wreath from Brasse Bros., a large wreath from Bullock's Departmental Store, sprays from Mrs. J. Rowntree, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Morris, and a large bunch of violets from Miss Tuttle.

Three other large bunches of violets were sent from friends. Other floral tributes were: A pillow from brothers and sisters; a crescent from Misses Jennie and Jessie Watson; a large broken column from Mrs. Sutherland and family; a wreath of lilies, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Geiger; a spray from Mr. and Mrs. S. Thorpe; a spray from Regal Glove and Mitt Company, and many others.

The funeral took place this afternoon, services being conducted by Rev. Walter Moffat and Rev. James Livingstone, at the house, 136 Simcoe street, at 2 o'clock. The pallbearers were deceased six brother-in-laws Messrs. H. J. Sutherland, Alex. Sutherland, Ed. Sutherland, Arthur O. Geiger, W. J. Parsons and S. Davis. Interment was made at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

BUFFALO FLOODED
PITTSBURG FEARS

The Excessive Rainfall Causes Rivers and Creeks To Overflow.

Pittsburg, Feb. 15.—Rain continues to fall in this city and surrounding territory and the rivers are rising rapidly. Before noon the danger point of 22 feet will have been reached. The Allegheny and Youghiogheny Rivers are beyond their banks at many places and notwithstanding the flood warnings issued yesterday considerable damage will result.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 15.—The waters of Buffalo and Niagara Creeks in the southern and northern sections of this city respectively, overflowed their banks early today, and at 10 o'clock there is from two to three feet of water in the streets. Street car traffic in the low sections has been practically abandoned. Many cellars are flooded, fires in furnaces extinguished, and thousands of dollars' damage has been done to property.

CANADIAN CLUB
Rev. Dr. Ganoier Will Address the Members.

The regular luncheon of the Canadian Club will be held in the banquet hall of the Masonic Temple, on Monday at noon.

The guest of honor will be Rev. Alfred Ganoier, B. D., of St. James' Square Presbyterian Church, Toronto. He will be the guest of honor, and will speak on the subject, "The Awakening of China and Its Import to Canadians."

BURNS WINS.
Omaha, Feb. 15.—"Farmer" Burns for the second time defeated War Eagle, the Blackfoot chief, at the Auditorium, last night, taking two falls in ten and twelve minutes, respectively.

LATEST STOCK MARKET REPORTS
NEW YORK.
Reported by C. N. Spencer, stockbroker, Market Lane, for The Advertiser.

Open. High. Low. Close.
New York, Feb. 15.
Amal. Copper.....45 1/2 46 1/2 45 1/2 46 1/2
American Sugar.....112 112 110 110
Amer. Locomotive.....25 1/2 25 1/2 25 1/2 25 1/2
Amer. Foundry.....26 1/2 26 1/2 26 1/2 26 1/2
Amer. Refining.....50 50 50 50
Amer. Cotton Oil.....27 27 26 26
Atchafalca.....84 84 84 84
Baltimore & Ohio.....78 78 77 77
Brooklyn Transit.....40 40 40 40
Canadian Pacific.....145 145 143 143
Chesapeake & Ohio.....27 27 27 27
Col. Fuel & Iron.....18 1/2 18 1/2 18 1/2 18 1/2
Chicago & N. W.....140 140 140 140
Distillers.....25 1/2 25 1/2 25 1/2 25 1/2
Erie, cont'd.....148 148 148 148
G. Northern, pfd.....118 118 118 118
Inter-Met., pfd.....104 104 104 104
Kansas & Texas.....18 1/2 18 1/2 18 1/2 18 1/2
Louisville & Nashville.....80 80 80 80
Mexican Central.....17 1/2 17 1/2 17 1/2 17 1/2
Missouri Pacific.....27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2
New York Central.....94 94 93 93
Northern Ry., pfd.....21 1/2 21 1/2 21 1/2 21 1/2
Pennsylvania.....111 1/2 111 1/2 111 1/2 111 1/2
People's Gas.....85 85 84 84
Pressed Steel Car.....19 19 19 19
Reading.....26 1/2 26 1/2 26 1/2 26 1/2
Republic Steel.....90 90 90 90
Rock Island.....12 1/2 12 1/2 12 1/2 12 1/2
Southern Railway.....9 1/2 9 1/2 9 1/2 9 1/2
Southern Ry., pfd.....21 1/2 21 1/2 21 1/2 21 1/2
Southern Pacific.....26 1/2 26 1/2 26 1/2 26 1/2
S. P. Pacific, pfd.....111 111 109 109
St. Paul.....118 118 116 116
Tulsa Pacific.....117 117 117 117
U. S. Steel.....28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2
U. S. Steel, pfd.....33 33 33 33
Western Union Tel.....47 1/2 47 1/2 47 1/2 47 1/2

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Chicago, Feb. 15.
Wheat.....Open. High. Low. Close.
May.....\$ 83 1/2 83 1/2 83 1/2 83 1/2
July.....80 1/2 80 1/2 80 1/2 80 1/2

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