

FATAL WRECK ON ENGLISH RAILWAY.

Sixteen Persons Killed and Many Injured Near Shrewsbury Station.

Train Bound From Scotland and North of England Ran Off the Track.

Shrewsbury, Eng., Oct. 15.—A train made up of passenger coaches bound for Scotland and the north of England to Bristol, left the rails as it entered the station here at an early hour this morning. Sixteen persons, including ten passengers, were killed, and many others were injured.

The London & Northwestern Railroad, on which the train was running, curves sharply as it nears Shrewsbury, and there is a standing order that the engineers must not exceed a speed of ten miles an hour at that point. Disregard of this order is believed to have been the cause of the accident. The engine and all the cars with the exception of the last one left the rails, and when the officials from the railroad station reached the spot the cars were a tangled mass of wreckage, beneath which were the bodies of the dead and injured.

DRUNKEN LOGGER CAUSES ATTACK ON JAP LAUNDRY.

Riot in San Francisco That Will Mean More Apologies to the Mikado.

San Francisco, Oct. 15.—As a result of an attack on a Japanese laundry last night the proprietor and one of his employees are in a hospital, many whites are nursing bruises caused by the clubs of the police, and the exterior of the laundry is a wreck.

The trouble was occasioned by Joseph King an intoxicated logger, who crashed into the window of the laundry conducted by Umekubo, at 422 Feol street, last night. The proprietor and Omura rushed and dragged King into a rear room, where he was placed in charge of a young Japanese, who stood guard, armed with a section of gas pipe, while the other Japanese hurried to summon the police to arrest King. Three intoxicated compan-

WIFE CAST OFF AFTER SHE LOSES HER BEAUTY.

A Former Windsor Girl, Disfigured by Burns, Seeks Damages.

Windsor, Oct. 15.—Pitiful is the plight of Mary J. Duff, formerly of Windsor, who is the plaintiff in the Wayne County Circuit Court against Dr. Henry C. Judson, of Detroit, from whom she asks \$50,000 for alleged breach of promise.

It was in 1894 that Miss Duff met Dr. Judson. The acquaintance continued for a year and the attachment grew. In 1895 Dr. Judson invited Miss Duff to his home in Detroit, and at that time, it is alleged, promised to marry her. Dr. Judson's mother left for the west, through an alleged pretext of common-law marriage Miss Duff remained at the doctor's home. She was introduced everywhere as Mrs. Judson, and, as far as the world at large knew, she was his wife. Repeatedly she begged of him to make the tie certain by observing society's laws, in having a public ceremony and a record of their union, but each time he is reported to have put her off.

FRANCE TO MAKE POLICE OF BUTCHERS OF CASA BLANCA.

Establishment of Protectorate Over Morocco Will Cause Bitter War.

Tangier, Oct. 15.—Judging from the latest semi-official declarations here, Sultan Abd El Aziz, during the conference with the French Minister, M. Regnaud, at Rabat, invited France to consider the question of establishing a protectorate over Morocco, including the immediate occupation of the entire coast.

France desires to utilize large numbers of the soldiers of the foreign legion, Spahis and other Algerian troops, known as "the butchers of Casa Blanca," which naturally is likely to excite the animosity of the natives. According to diplomats here, it means not only European intervention, probably with a reconsideration of the terms of the Algeiras convention, but the immediate and thorough resistance of the natives, who are now wrought to the highest pitch of excitement by the report that Abd El Aziz is delivering himself completely into the hands of the French.

TWENTY DEAD, HUNDRED HURT

Awful Gunpowder Explosion at Fontanet, Ind.

Powder Mills Blow Up—Three Explosions.

Shocks Felt at Terre Haute, Brazil and Elsewhere.

Fontanet, Ind., Oct. 15.—Twenty persons were killed and one hundred injured by the explosions here to-day.

Terre Haute, Ind., Oct. 15.—A terrific shock, which smashed glass in this city, was felt at 9:15 a. m. It is reported there was an explosion at Fontanet, Ind., about twenty miles from here.

Terre Haute, Ind., Oct. 15.—A despatch from Fontanet over a railway wire says a second explosion occurred at 11:15 a. m. at the Dupont powder plant, which was even more serious than the first explosion at 9:15.

Indianapolis, Oct. 15.—The shock from the explosion at Fontanet was heard in this city at Crawfordsville, 35 miles from Fontanet, the shock cracked a brick wall and sank tiling in a floor one inch.

All telephone connections with Fontanet is lost and persons in automobiles left Terre Haute and Brazil in automobiles to learn the details. It is reported, but not confirmed that 25 persons were killed.

Three Explosions. Brazil, Ind., Oct. 15.—Three distinct explosions were heard here to-day from the direction of the Dupont Powder Mills, 15 miles away. Many windows were shattered in the business and residential districts. All plate windows in the Citizens' Bank building were destroyed.

It was reported here that the powder house and two mills of the powder company at Fontanet had blown up and that from 25 to 100 persons had been killed.

All communication with Fontanet cut off by wire and persons in automobiles left at once to render any possible assistance.

Fontanet is a mining town of a few hundred inhabitants situated on the big four railroad, 18 miles east of Terre Haute, and 65 miles west of Indianapolis.

TOWN WIPED OUT. Great Havoc Caused by the Gunpowder Explosion.

Terre Haute, Ind., Oct. 15.—The Laffin & Rand Powder Mills at Fontanet, 18 miles north of this city, exploded at 9:15 o'clock this morning, practically wiping out the little mining town and killing 20 men and seriously injuring 100 more.

The mills are burning and the bodies of the killed cannot be recovered. Every house in the town and within a radius of half a mile, including the school house, is wrecked.

The Big Four Railroad ran a special train to the scene of the accident with physicians and the injured are being brought to the hospitals in this city.

Superintendent Monahan, of the powder mill, is missing and supposed to be in the debris.

A state of panic prevails among the residents of the surrounding country.

The telegraph and telephone wires are down. Many automobile parties have left this city with physicians and relief supplies.

There were three explosions shortly after 9 o'clock and a fourth at 10 o'clock in which a number of the physicians were slightly injured, among them Drs. Willen and Moore, of this city.

The mills destroyed were the property of the Dupont Powder Co., and not of Laffin & Rand, as once reported.

NEW READERS.

Minister of Education to Prepare the New Set.

Toronto, Oct. 15.—(Special.)—The Minister of Education has decided to prepare and issue a new set of readers to replace those now in use in the Public Schools of the Province. The work of the contents of the readers will be done by Dr. D. J. Goggin, formerly Superintendent of Education in the Northwest Territories.

Dr. Goggin will be assisted by a consultative committee of Public School teachers and inspectors. Members of the Advisory Council and other educationists will pass upon the advance proofs. T. A. Craig, Kemptville, Inspector for Leeds, is a member of the committee.

MEETING TO-DAY.

Methodist Special Conference Committee.

A meeting of the Conference Special Committee of the Methodist Church opened this afternoon at Wesley Church. The committee consists of the president, the secretary, and the chairman of the various committees. It takes up such business as has arisen since conference meeting, and which requires immediate attention.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the board of managers of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, Woodstock, this afternoon, and will continue its sessions till Friday.

About fifty representatives from the fourteen conferences of Canada, Newfoundland, Japan and China, are present.

NEW ARRIVALS.

Farde dates, new table figs, new table raisins new cooking raisins, new orange lemons and citron peel, Camibert cheese, new French peas, beans, macedonias, Boston head lettuce, grape fruit, pineapples, syde pears, Long Point ducks, pigeons, Long Island Sound oysters, ciscies, haddie, etc. Bain & Adams, 89 and 91 King street east.

A YOUNG CHAMBERLAIN.

London, Oct. 15.—A son was born on Sunday to J. Austen Chamberlain, eldest son of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain. Mr. Chamberlain was married a year ago last July to Miss Ivy M. Dundas, of Datchet, Buckinghamshire.

SHOT HIS MOTHER.

Boy Says He Did it Defending Her From Burglar.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 15.—Geo. Smiley, aged 17 years, shot and killed his mother, Mrs. Lizzie Schoeller, aged 42 years, in their home in Myrtle avenue, early to-day. In a statement to the police Smiley says he shot his mother in defending her against a burglar. He is being held pending investigation.

WHO HE IS.

Miss. Maloney's Husband Son of a Brewer.

London, Oct. 15.—Samuel Clarkson, the man who eloped with Helen Maloney, of Philadelphia, is believed here to be the son of a Barnsby brewer. He is about 27 years old and inherited \$300,000. Clarkson a couple of years ago figured in a suit against a stock exchange firm, as a result of losses sustained by him amounting to \$165,000.

The suit was based upon alleged misrepresentation and breach of contract. The case was decided in his favor and he was awarded \$85,000.

CLEVER GIRLS.

Swindle American Out of His Pocket book and Contents.

Paris, Oct. 15.—A wealthy American during the lunch hour yesterday of the dressmaking establishments on the Rue de la Paix got into conversation with two pretty young women whom he thought were dressmakers. He promised to send them some picture postal cards from Milan, and drew out his pocketbook and placed a card on it for them to write their addresses. Suddenly the bell recalling the girls to work was heard and the young women rushed indoors, taking the pocket book with them. It contained \$1,200. The police were notified, and found that the girls were not known in any dressmaker's establishment in the neighborhood.

The police have just succeeded in capturing the two young women, who robbed the wealthy American of \$1,200 yesterday. As the victim is a married man and the father of a family, the authorities decline to reveal his identity, except to say that his name begins with the letter "S."

ARE THEY SPIES?

English Officers Captured by German Torpedo Boats.

Berlin, Oct. 15.—A correspondent of the Tagblatt Emden telegraphs that, according to a despatch received there from Berlin a spying yacht, with English naval officers on board, had been captured by two Wilhelmshaven torpedo boats.

The officers are suspected of taking soundings and made photographs in forbidden waters.

Berlin, Oct. 15.—The commandant of the naval station at Wilhelmshaven, replying to-day to a telegraphic enquiry regarding the truth of the report published by the Tagblatt from Bornum to the effect that an English yacht, having on board British naval officers, had been captured by two torpedo boats from Wilhelmshaven on suspicion of having made soundings and taken photographs in forbidden waters, says he knows absolutely nothing regarding the rumor.

TRANSFER CHARGES.

Commissioners Will Hear What the Companies Say.

The Police Commissioners held their monthly meeting to-day at noon to appoint a man to the force and to transact regular business. George E. Sharp, of Bradford, a merchant, was chosen from eight candidates, and the Chief thinks he is a good man. Sharp's measurements are 6 feet 2 1/2 inches in height, chest 37, weight 178 pounds. His age is 23. Sharp is a well-built young fellow, and the Chief was sorry when he was not appointed the last time he applied, which was a couple of months ago.

Two more vacancies remain, which the Chief wants filled up before the new year.

William Marshall, Bay street south, had a complaint against one of the transfer companies. He wrote that he had five trunks taken from the G. T. R. to his home, and that he was charged 25 cents each. The rule governing this states that for each parcel under 200 pounds the charge shall be 25 cents, and for a parcel over 1,000 pounds it shall be 35 cents. The way the transfer companies interpret this rule is that each parcel should be counted. The committee decided to make it 25 cents for one trunk and 10 cents for each additional one. No action was taken, and the secretary was advised to have the transfer companies send representatives to the next meeting, when the matter will be dealt with.

For catching Fred Ross, a horse thief, Detectives Miller and Coulter each got \$5 out of a \$20 reward, and the rest went to the benefit fund.

PARIS STRIKE.

Paris, Oct. 15.—There is no change in the Brant Mills strike here to-day. Everything is quiet. Both sides are holding firm.

The Man In Overalls

In the face of the increased cost of living, doctors say they cannot account for the epidemic of weddings. Some blame the city water, but it can hardly be that, because it's the same in other places.

Geo. Hope, the best appointment of the year.

One of my contemporaries bragged last night about its Saturday "sporting extra" being on the street 10 minutes before any of the others. I didn't intend saying anything about it, but there wasn't much to brag about when the people who bought it complained that they were "stung."

Perhaps a few fire escapes wouldn't hurt the baronial architecture of the House of Refuge. Also perhaps a little fire drill would not hurt.

The Saturday night bottle brigade might be enrolled in the defence of the city on Thanksgiving Day.

I look forward now with a good deal of hope to the future of the Parks Board.

The jail is reported as being overcrowded. The Board of Health should warn the jailer to abate the nuisance.

Beattie Nesbitt, I hear, is still drawing his \$9,000 salary.

Things now look hopeful for the face of the mountain.

I shouldn't be surprised if Cyrus A. Brge had another \$50,000 for his own home city.

Evidently the Brockville Times sees danger in Whitney going to the country without a gerrymander of the constituencies.

Good for you, Mr. Mayor. There is hope for you yet.

Wheat is King.

Sir Wilfrid always was good to the farmers.

If the factories consumed their own smoke they would save coal.

Fifty thousand dollars is a lot of money to give to Toronto.

There will be no more trouble on the Parks Board, I hope.

We shall be thankful if Hamilton escapes capture on Thanksgiving Day.

I wonder if the Con Club, like the Ottawa Tory Club, tells the License Commissioners who are to get licenses and who are not?

Now that Geo. Hope is a Parks Commissioner we can hope for the best.

The date is not yet set for the execution of Beattie Nesbitt. But he has been found guilty.

They say the Tigers are just making a football of the game.

The farmers are in clover.

It would pay the chauffeur club to discipline the scorchers.

Hugh Clark is always raising a hue and cry about something. Now they say he wants to get into the Commons. I thought he had had enough of Ottawa.

STOLE HIS CASH.

Christ's Church Cathedral Rectory Broken Into the Other Night.

The residence of Rev. Canon Abbott, MacNab street north, was broken into the other evening in the absence of the inmates. About \$15 in cash and a revolver were stolen. The place was ransacked, but the burglars evidently desired money only, as nothing else of value was stolen. The detectives are of the opinion that the job was done by the same gang that broke into Mr. Ike Lomas' house a few nights previously and made a haul.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

Sister of Andrew Onderdonk Was the Vic. im.

Hempstead, L. I., Oct. 15.—At a grade crossing unprotected by gates and unguarded by anything except the old fashioned crossbar sign of warning, Mrs. George O. Linkletter, sister of Andrew J. Onderdonk, of New York, was instantly killed on Sunday afternoon when a carriage which she was driving from Garden City to her brother's country residence in Manhasset was struck by a Long Island Railroad train about one and a half miles west of the Mineola station.

Mrs. Linkletter was returning from church to Mr. Onderdonk's home, where she was visiting.

Mr. Onderdonk resided in Hamilton a number of years.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

..To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables, at the TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

SUSPECTED OF THE WOODSTOCK HOLD-UP.

Arthur Jackson, a Colored Man, Arrested by the Hamilton Detectives.

Will be Taken to the Oxford Capital To-day for Identification.

The police of every city and town in Ontario have been on the lookout since Wednesday morning last for two men of whom a description was sent to all police stations, and who are supposed to have been the pair who, on the date above mentioned, held up Harry Walcott, a C. P. R. telegraph operator at Woodstock, and stole some money from him; till and also went through his pockets. It has fallen to the local police to get results. Last night Detective Bleakley and Inspector McMahon went to the home of Henry Cromwell, 329 Ferrie street east, and placed Arthur Jackson, a boarder there, under arrest on the charge of vagrancy, for the Woodstock police. He will be taken back to Woodstock to-day, and shown to the operator for identification. Detective Robson, of the C. P. R. staff, and a brother of P. C. Robson, of this city, has been in town since last Thursday morning, and has been working on the case in conjunction with the local police, and the arrest is the result of their labors.

The evidence they have against Jackson is that a strap that was used to tie the operator's feet came from a livery stable nearby and that Jackson was employed at the livery stable. He did not go to work the next morning, but was gone from the town. He bought a ticket intending to leave the afternoon before, but did not go, and the police think it was a blind.

On Wednesday night last a call was received by the police for a man to go to Ferrie street east, where a colored man was chasing his wife with a revolver, and the inspector arrived P.C. Campagna went down. When they arrived the excitement was over, but the man and his wife were found talking it over and the inspector had his hands on the man searching him, and talking with him. He was the man wanted on suspicion of being implicated in the hold-up at the railway station. Since then the police have been searching for him, and it was only last night that they got word that he had returned. When they went down he was there. He offered no resistance, and went quietly to the cells, and refused to say a word.

The thieves got away with over \$60 in cash and the operator's watch, and had a good start, as it was half an hour before Walcott could free himself from his bonds. It was then that he notified London of the outrage.

From that point Chief Thompson, of Woodstock, was instructed by the London operator by long distance telephone to go to the station, and every point along the line was notified. When the chief arrived Walcott was released.

Walcott was engaged at routine work when a revolver was thrust through the wicket with the demand, "Hands up!" was quickly responded to.

The robbers then came around through the door and bound the operator's hands and feet.

The rope bound around Walcott's hands did not give the police any clue, but the strap around his feet did, and it is on the strength of this that Jackson was taken in tow.

PERSONAL INJURY CASES AT THE ASSIZE COURT.

Verdict for Plaintiffs in Cases Heard Yesterday Afternoon and This Morning.

The case of Thomas Downs vs. the Hamilton & Dundas Street Railway Co., an action for damages, closed the afternoon session of the Winter Assizes yesterday, the jury bringing in a verdict of \$275 for the plaintiff, Downs, who asked for \$1,000 for injuries received while in a rocking chair swung at Ainslie Wood.

The accident happened on the 15th of September, while he was attending the picnic of the International Harvester Company's employees. A number were swinging when the swing collapsed, and Downs was thrown out, sustaining a broken wrist and injuries to his head. He was confined to his bed for 15 weeks.

The defence contended that the company was not liable, as the plaintiff had not paid admission to the park, and was therefore to blame for the accident. Mr. W. W. Osborne, for the defendants, thought there were grounds for a nonsuit, but he decided not to take the risk of letting it go to the Appellate Court.

The first case to be taken up this morning was Joseph McLaughlin vs. The Double Use Mitten Company, of Dundas. The action was for \$5,000 damages for the loss of an eye, while in the employ of the company. The accident occurred on the 25th of March. Plaintiff, a glove cutter, was working on a pattern when the knife he was using broke and the point went into his eye, destroying the sight. The plaintiff claimed that the knife was not properly tested, and that the pattern he was using at the time was imperfect, causing the knife to break. Mr. McLaughlin claimed there was a safer method that could be used in the cutting of patterns of gloves.

The defence denied all the allegations made by the plaintiff, and contended that the knife could not be properly tested, and that the pattern was in good condition. Mr. George Lynch Staunton appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. J. W. Nesbitt for the defendant. The jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff, awarding him \$500.

Jabez Taylor vs. Nicholson & Riley was an action for \$2,000 damages for injuries received through an explosion of dynamite. Taylor was employed as foreman of a gang on the construction work of the Brantford & Hamilton Railway, Nicholson & Riley being the contractors. On the 1st of April, he discovered a portion of dynamite that had not been blown off. He asked Mr. Nicholson, what to do in the matter, but he said they were not allowing any blasting except after the men had quit work. Shortly after speaking to Mr. Nicholson, Taylor had occasion to go near the spot where the dynamite was, when it exploded killing Taylor's helper, and doing Taylor severe injury, including the loss of his hearing.

The defendants say the plaintiff was entirely to blame in that he did not display the usual amount of caution while working around the dynamite. Mr. George Lynch-Staunton for the plaintiff, and Mr. S. F. Washington for the defendant. The case was still going on at press time.

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GOOD SOCIAL TIME MAJOR MACINNES.

Spent by the People of Ferguson Avenue Church.

Hamilton Man Appointed on the Staff of the Empire.

At Ferguson Avenue Baptist Church the twentieth anniversary services were continued last night, a social being given, at which a large crowd entered heartily into the business of having a real good time. An excellent address was given by the pastor, Rev. J. Bracken, and was appreciated by all. A free-will offering was taken, and the amount raised was eminently satisfactory. The ladies of the church then served tea, and the proceedings were varied by music by the quartette by Miss Harper, Mrs. Pittock, Mr. H. Wodell and Mr. J. Hubbard. The rest of the evening was devoted to social chat and friend-making.

Major D. S. MacInnes, of the Royal Engineers, now stationed at Halifax, and who is a Hamilton man, son of the late Hon. D. MacInnes, has been appointed one of the Canadian representatives on the general military staff of the Empire. The other four are:

Major-General P. H. N. Lake, C. B., H. G. Chief of the General Staff of the Canadian Militia.

Lt.-Col. E. T. Taylor, commandant of the Royal Military College, Kingston.

Lt.-Col. G. W. Gwatkin, director of operations and staff duties in the Canadian militia.

Major D. I. V. Eaton, assistant director of operations and staff duties for the Canadian Militia.

Major MacInnes is a graduate of the R. M. C. Kingston and of the Staff College in England.

A GREAT BALLOON.

Paris, Oct. 15.—The Eclair to-day declares that M. Capazza has invented a combination aeroplane and dirigible balloon capable of carrying five passengers in addition to 20,000 pounds, and staying aloft fifteen hours. This machine has several screws and is of an imperfect lenticular shape.

Riding Belts

And other belts for lame backs. We are selling a gray flannel and some other belts, regular \$1.75 and \$2. for \$1.50 each. Canvas belts, regular 75c and \$1. for 60c each. We sell also abdominal supporters of various kinds, trusses. Ask for catalogue, which will be supplied free. Parke & Parke, drug-gist.

DROWNED HERSELF.

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 15.—The body of Mrs. W. E. Turner, a niece of the late Samuel J. Tilden, was taken from the river here yesterday. She had committed suicide.

FIVE DROWNED.

Barcelona, Oct. 15.—The floods in this vicinity continue to be serious. Up to the present time five persons have been drowned and 30,000 thrown out of work.