

HAMILTON NEWS

TERRIFIC STORM VISITS HAMILTON

Telephone and Street Car Services Out of Commission - Barns Burned.

J. WEEDEN KILLED

Falling Scaffold Buried Engineer - Richard Gregg Overcome by Heat.

HAMILTON, Ont., Aug. 22.—This city was visited yesterday by one of the worst electrical storms in years. In many places telephones, poles, chimneys, orchards and fences were leveled to the ground. In the city the storm was mostly confined to a heavy rain, with terrific flashes of lightning, which put the telephone service out of commission and delayed the street and radial car lines.

On the mountain top, however, the storm assumed the proportions of a hurricane; the large barn of D. Gallagher, valued at \$4000, was struck by lightning and destroyed. Two brick houses belonging to D. A. Gallagher and Raymond Gallagher were struck by lightning, but owing to the heavy downpour the fires were quenched, but not before the chimneys had collapsed. A fire belonging to Peter Murray on the adjoining farm was struck by the same bolt and leveled to the ground. Fences in the vicinity were torn loose and scores of young trees were lifted up by their roots and thrown in all directions.

James Weeden was accidentally killed yesterday afternoon when a scaffold which was blown loose by the wind, fell upon him. Weeden, who was 35 years of age, was a stationary engineer and had charge of the service of a New Mercury Mills plant, for which Controller Churns has the contract. The accident was unwitnessed. Weeden is survived by a wife and child.

Scarcity of Labor. Scarcity of labor has been assumed as the cause of the delay in the completion of the Toronto-Hamilton highway. Controller Jutten yesterday declared that when the necessary secured men for the work they would be induced to leave by higher wages being offered elsewhere.

H. J. Waddie, president and general manager of the Canadian Drawn Steel Co., was struck by a structural car last night while attempting to cross the corner of Herkimer and MacNab streets. He was removed to the hospital, where it was ascertained that he had received severe injuries in the back.

Three Men in Casualty List. Yesterday's casualty list contained the names of three local men, one of whom is Sgt. Leslie R. Blay, reported seriously wounded. The other two, suffering from shell shock, and Pte. Thos. Bryer is slightly wounded.

After Better Days. The principal discussion at the meeting of the beach commissioners last night was the question of the adequate service to be given by the G.T.R. A committee was appointed to represent the city in a conference with the railroad officials, and if nothing is accomplished...

WAR SUMMARY THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

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donian front, the general situation in the Balkans is one to be viewed with optimism. Recent developments on the Saloniki front have abundantly vindicated the judgment of ex-Premier Venizelos of Greece, and even King Constantine is showing signs of repudiating his obstinate refusal to lend active aid to the entente powers. Bilgar aggression has reached a point of Greek troops are at last in clash with the invaders. While such reports are probably premature, it is generally recognized that Greece is in an impossible situation and must decide quickly.

Roumanian participation in the war on the side of the allies is again said to be imminent; in fact, a definite decision is reported already reached, with only waiting until the tide had clearly turned in the allies' favor to the entente allies, as popular demonstrations have frequently proved, but the cabinet has been sharply divided, hence inaction.

In the house of commons last night, Major Baird of the British Aerial Board made the interesting statement that 35 zeppelins have been destroyed by the allies since the war began and that Britain's air defences have improved to a point that may well make the Germans pause before trying further raids.

Winston Churchill, always striking in his views on war policy, has come out with the proposal that Britain take control of the food supplies of the Ottawa despatches have suggested the probability of further commandeering of wheat along the line taken last year.

"I think in the dim distance we can see the end," said David Lloyd George, British Minister of War, in the house of commons yesterday, during a speech on the extraordinary change in the past couple of months French and British, he stated, had captured positions on the Somme front, however, that in order to bring the war to a successful conclusion, all the resources of the allies would be required.

Between Martinpuich and Bazentin, British troops made another important advance yesterday, capturing a hundred yards of enemy trenches, in the Leipzig salient, near Thiepval, fighting was so intense that the enemy was forced to abandon the position, and that British troops now are within 1,000 yards of Thiepval. At the other end of their line, in the same salient, the British troops are near Courlelette.

On the French front the situation is unchanged, according to official reports. An artillery duel is in progress on both flanks of the Somme and at Fleury in the Verdun section. Bombing attacks by the enemy in the Vaux-Chapire Wood were repulsed.

Further ground has been gained from the Turks by the Russians in the Caucasus, who have occupied considerable territory west of Lake Van, in Armenia.

BURIED SOLDIERS' PET CROW WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS

Sportsmen's Battalion Turned Out in Full Force to Take Part in Extraordinary "Ceremony."

CAMP BORDEN, Aug. 22.—When the members of the 180th (Sportsmen's) Battalion paraded in full force tonight to take part in the funeral of a pet crow, they staged one of the camp's strangest spectacles. Practically all the battalion, including the brass band, participated in the "ceremony."

The crow had met an untimely end at the hands of one of the officers because of its intruding in the mess tent. It was to show the battalion's resentment of the officer's rash act that the unit buried the bird in such an impressive manner.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

Two a.m. List INFANTRY. Killed in action—423108, Lance-Serjt. Geo. J. Stewart, England; 454481, John G. Callaghan, England.

Wounded—47253, Thomas G. Moore, England; 45181, Henry Cairns, England; 454058, Peter Griffin, England; 452280, Wm. Curran, England; 151026, Jas. Dunnet, Scotland; 151059, Victor Calvert, Ireland; 454633, Albert Smith, England; 458968, Fred E. Stratton, England; 79859, Alfred Whitney, England; 462200, Jack E. West, England; 45447, Albert J. West, England; 14837, Sergt. Harold Jackson, England.

MOUNTED RIFLES. Killed in action—24649, Wm. H. Barlow, England; 104255, Walter Greaves, England; 126566, Ernest G. Crocher, Scotland; 457778, Thomas Tate, England; 152000, George W. Thompson, England; 454072, Wm. Burnett, England; 424550, Ralph Barlow, England; 425216, John Prested, England.

ENGINEERS. Previously reported unofficially, now officially prisoner of war—403223, Sapper Wm. Dixon, England.

ARTILLERY. Wounded—40028, Gunner Howard L. Peach, England; 40621, Gunner Bert Chubb, England.

Seriously ill—18975, Oswald H. Baker, Belgium, Ont.

MOUNTED RIFLES. Killed in action—11064, Willoughby Titchborne, Tarrys, B.C.; 42450, Wm. J. Bell, Carman, Ontario; 120213, Elgie Freeman, Selkirk, Man.; 117320, Wm. Leokle, Calgary; 158484, Joseph E. Rynehart, 363 Pacific avenue, Toronto; 108949, Sergt. Wm. F. Vitte, Montreal.

Previously reported prisoner of war, now died of wounds—102465, John E. Macdonald, 26 Charlotte street, Toronto; 158484, Joseph E. Rynehart, 363 Pacific avenue, Toronto; 108949, Sergt. Wm. F. Vitte, Montreal.

One a.m. List INFANTRY. Killed in action—458260, Wm. M. Penfold, Montreal; 458260, Wm. M. Penfold, Montreal; 80189, George Taylor, Cal.; 120171, Arthur Willerton, New Toronto, Ont.

Died of wounds—405609, Wm. Clegg, 210 Elm street, Toronto; 74568, Lance-Corps Wm. Wilbert Luman, 78 Lake Fronte Kew Beach, Toronto; Acting Lt. James Russell, Kirkcaldy, Scotland; 454545, John McMartin, Franklin, Man.

Wounded—41854, Samuel C. Mann, Prince Rupert, B.C.; 454545, John Young, Burke's Falls, Ont.; 516778, Oscar Paradis, Fraserburg, Alberta; 454545, John Young, Burke's Falls, Ont.; 516778, Oscar Paradis, Fraserburg, Alberta; 454545, John Young, Burke's Falls, Ont.; 516778, Oscar Paradis, Fraserburg, Alberta.

Wounded—105259, Wm. E. Moore, Carleton Place, Ontario; 120171, Arthur Willerton, New Toronto, Ont.; 12226, Edw. Maddeux, 111 Boston avenue, Toronto.

MOUNTED RIFLES. Killed in action—471908, Harold K. Patterson, 60 Arundel avenue, Toronto; 454545, John McMartin, Franklin, Man.; 120171, Arthur Willerton, New Toronto, Ont.

Seriously ill—420021, Herbert Batt, Winnipeg; 454545, John Young, Burke's Falls, Ont.; 516778, Oscar Paradis, Fraserburg, Alberta; 454545, John Young, Burke's Falls, Ont.; 516778, Oscar Paradis, Fraserburg, Alberta.

INFANTRY. Unofficially prisoner of war—475473, Leonard C. Moore, England; 454545, John Young, Burke's Falls, Ont.; 516778, Oscar Paradis, Fraserburg, Alberta; 454545, John Young, Burke's Falls, Ont.; 516778, Oscar Paradis, Fraserburg, Alberta.

MOUNTED SERVICES. Wounded—1521, Bruno Thierin, Quebec; 15182, Ralph E. Hugg, Stewart, Scotland; 15083, Anatole Latremouille, Kamloops, B.C.

Midnight List. INFANTRY. Killed in action—456084, George Bickerton, 310 St. George street, Montreal; 454545, John Young, Burke's Falls, Ont.; 516778, Oscar Paradis, Fraserburg, Alberta; 454545, John Young, Burke's Falls, Ont.; 516778, Oscar Paradis, Fraserburg, Alberta.

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LITTLE SON TELLS HOW MOTHER DIED

Verdict of Criminal Negligence in Death of Mrs. Bastable.

JURY ADDS RIDER Legislation Should Prevent People Learning to Drive in Parks.

"That Daisy Bastable died in Grace Road from injuries received by criminal negligence in being struck by an automobile driven by Albert J. Anderson for the McGuire man, Dr. Geo. W. Graham of Avenue Road, conducted the post mortem and found that the injuries were such as to lead to the verdict returned by the coroner's jury under Coroner Rowell at the adjourned inquest into the death of Mrs. Bastable of 125 Highfield avenue at the morgue last night.

To their verdict the jury added a rider that all drivers and owners should be required to take a course of instruction permitted to drive an automobile on the public highway, also that legislation should be enacted that people learning to drive cars in public parks, Snyder, John was represented by F. H. Anderson for the McGuire man, Dr. Geo. W. Graham of Avenue Road, conducted the post mortem and found that the injuries were such as to lead to the verdict returned by the coroner's jury under Coroner Rowell at the adjourned inquest into the death of Mrs. Bastable of 125 Highfield avenue at the morgue last night.

The accident occurred in High Park near the 12th Brigade road. Little Fred Bastable, the 13-year-old son of the dead woman, was being driven by his mother along with his two sisters and cousin, when they went into High Park and sat on a bench facing the road with another man about "Look out" and had managed to get out of the way of the automobile, but his mother could not and was struck against the tree that was right at the back of the bench in which they were sitting. His sisters and cousin were thrown and one of them was hurt.

Robert McKay, foreman of High Park, saw the accident, having crossed in front of the car, he saw it being driven by Mr. McGuire, and was not going more than thirty miles an hour. It was apparently running into a hydro pole at the side of the road when he saw the car. The car then turned toward the tree, and the woman was struck by the front of the car. She was crushed against the tree. Along with the car, she moved back the car and rendered what assistance he could.

Brakes Were in Good Shape. A. Vissick, motor expert for the crown, gave evidence regarding the condition of the car, which he had removed from the scene of the accident and had tested out. Everything was in good shape as far as the brakes and engine were concerned, and it was his opinion that the car could be stopped in half the distance from the road to the tree. In answer to the question as to whether the evidence might be summarized as gross incompetence being the cause of the accident.

FAREWELL TO SOLDIERS AT DEPOT LAST NIGHT Members of Canadian Field Artillery, Home on Last Leave, Go Back to Petawawa.

Toronto said good-bye last night to another group of boys who will shortly leave for training elsewhere. A special train of ten cars took the members of the 12th Brigade, Canadian Field Artillery, home on last leave, back to Petawawa, where the brigade holds itself in readiness to go overseas on short notice.

The train scene that Toronto has witnessed so often, the boys all brave and cheerful, succeeding in lightening the occasion with cheers and songs. A band to the front of the train drew out and then retired quickly with heavy hearts.

The 12th Brigade is composed of the 47th, 48th, 49th and 53rd Batteries.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simmons have received particulars of the wounding of their son, Corp. Simmons, who had some very narrow escapes in the big battles in the Ypres salient. He is now in the 4th Scottish General Hospital at Glasgow, a comrade in arms from an attack on trench fever, which he terms one of the by-products of the war.

SOLDIER MOURNED AS DEAD REPORTED CAPTIVE Pte. Leonard C. Moore, Declared to be Killed in Trenches, is Located in Germany.

Special to The Toronto World. GUELPH, Aug. 22.—Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hill of Guelph Township received a telegram from Ottawa, stating that Pte. Leonard Charles Moore, who had previously been reported as wounded and missing, was officially declared to be a messenger and announced that he was wounded and missing. A few weeks ago a message announcing that he was wounded and missing was received, and this message was followed by a letter written by Pte. Leonard C. Moore, a comrade in arms, stating that Moore had been instantly killed when a shell blew up one of their trenches. The letter stated that there were four killed instantly, and that he saw Pte. Moore die soon after. This letter was regarded as final and the soldier was mourned as dead.

IS GIVEN LEUTENANCY IN ROYAL ENGINEERS Special to The Toronto World. KINGSTON, Ont., Aug. 22.—J. B. Walkem, K.C., received word that his nephew, George A. Walkem of Vancouver, B.C., has been given a first commission in the Royal Engineers and been sent to Egypt. His brother Hugh Walkem of Montreal, is an officer with the Canadian Expeditionary Force. They are sons of the late H. T. Walkem, K.C., of Kingston.

Will Your Widow Write a Letter Like This?

Will your widow have to write such a letter as follows received recently from one whose husband after taking on insurance refused to continue it?

"My husband met his death on May 22nd by accidental drowning and as I am a poor widow of five children left without any means of support, I would think you if you would advise me whether I am entitled to the insurance."

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EXPLOSION IN FACTORY WAS CAUSED BY FIRE

Workers Were Warned and Loss of Life Not So Great as Feared.

WORKS WERE DEMOLISHED Number of Firemen Were Killed When One of the Engines Burst.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—The munition factory in Yorkshire, in which an explosion occurred yesterday was demolished, but the loss of life was not as serious as first reported, says an official statement received here this evening. The explosion was preceded by a fire, which gave sufficient warning to enable most of the workmen to escape. The statement follows:

"The explosion in the Yorkshire munition factory began with a fire outside one of the smaller magazines, which exploded. This was followed at short intervals by further explosions until the largest magazine exploded and caused the greater part of the damage. The loss of life is not so serious as it first seemed, due to the fact that the fire which preceded the first explosion, gave sufficient warning to enable most of the men and all of the women workers to escape.

"The munition works were virtually demolished and some works close by were set on fire and burned down. With this exception the neighboring works escaped substantial damage. A quantity of rolling stock on railway sidings was destroyed by fire and the bursting of one of the fire engines caused the death of a number of firemen."

WOUNDS ADMIT GUNNER TO ENGLISH HOSPITAL Conrad H. Thomas of St. Thomas Fought in Several Big Battles Without Injuries.

Special to The Toronto World. ST. THOMAS, Ont., Aug. 22.—Mrs. George Thomas, of St. Thomas, was today officially notified that her son, Gunner Conrad Herman Thomas, first contingent artillery, had been wounded in the leg and arm and had been admitted to Graylingwell War Hospital, Chichester, England.

Gunner Thomas has been in the trenches eighteen months, and has passed thru a number of big battles without injury. In a letter received by his mother last week he stated almost all his companions had been killed. Gunner Thomas is only 19 years of age, and was born in Alvinston of Canada, and expects to be in the firing line within a month.

HEENAN, VETERAN SLEUTH FOR RAILROAD, RETIRES Michigan Central Detective for Thirty-Five Years, Will Quit in October.

Special to The Toronto World. ST. THOMAS, Aug. 22.—Michael Heenan, veteran Michigan Central detective, will retire after 35 years' service with that company, on Oct. 1. Detective Heenan has been a special officer of the law for over 50 years, having joined the Royal Irish Constabulary in the year 1867. Mr. Heenan is well and favorably known throughout Ontario.

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