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WORKMAN FELL FORTY FEET AND WAS FATALY INJURED

Accident to Walter Bell on Smallman & Ingram Building—Fell on His Back Against the Girders—Back May Be Broken—Resides on Bathurst Street.

While handing another man his tools on the third story of the Smallman & Ingram building about 1:20 this afternoon, Walter Bell, a laborer, living at 142 Bathurst street, lost his balance and fell to the basement a distance of forty feet. He was apparently badly injured and was taken to Victoria Hospital in the ambulance. Bell had been working with the gang of masons employed by the contractor, Mr. Ed. Martyn.

An Awful Fall.
He had climbed up on the scaffold, and one of the masons went up higher to lay some bricks. He asked Bell to hand him up his tools. Bell picked the tools up, and when the other man reached down to get them, he saw Bell shooting down through the building.

He missed the first row of girders, but struck the next on the middle of his back. He then fell in a heap on the basement floor.

The other workmen rushed to his assistance and summoned the ambulance.

Was Conscious.
Bell was conscious, but was suffering great pain. His groaning could be distinctly heard on the sidewalk. He complained about his back, and told the workmen that he was all broken up.

Shortly before the ambulance came he lapsed into a semi-conscious condition, arousing occasionally to ask how it happened.

"My poor wife," he groaned. "Bill, how did it happen," he would then ask.

A Curious Crowd.
A great crowd of people were on the street at the time, and fully five hundred crowded into the building.

"We have no idea how it happened," said Mr. Martyn. "Bill was working on the front wall with the men. I do not know how he came to fall. The planks did not break, and I do not think one of the planks turned on him. None of the men near him actually saw him fall, so far as I can learn. He evidently lost his balance while handing a man his tools."

Cannot Recover.
Bell is a middle-aged man, having a wife and family. He was a careful workman. At the hospital it was stated that Bell's injuries are very serious. It is thought that his back is broken. He was on the operating table at 3 o'clock, and a thorough examination was being made.

The condition of Walter Bell, the man injured at the Smallman & Ingram building, was extremely serious at 3 o'clock, and Dr. Hadley Williams, an expert on surgery and spinal diseases, was called. It is thought that Dr. James D. Wilson and Dr. Williams will perform an operation in an effort to save the man's life.

Pere Marquette Will Not Appeal Re the Interswitching Charges

Supt. Pyatt Thinks It Is Up to the City to "Make the Hollar."

City take an appeal if they consider it necessary. I have not given the matter much consideration, and cannot give any reasons for the action, but such, I think, is the course to be taken by the company.

Called on Mayor.
Mr. Pyatt was in the city in connection with business for the company. He called on Mayor Stevely, but his worship was out.

It is not known what action the London and Port Stanley board will take. The new order discriminates against the Pere Marquette considerably, it is known, and affects the earnings of the city's road.

It will be considered at a meeting of the London and Port Stanley board to be held shortly.

"Business on the Canadian branch of our road is satisfactory," said Mr. Pyatt. In discussing general business outlook, He expressed himself as confident it would improve.

Fatal Explosion on Lake Steamer

North Bay, Nov. 10. — A terrible disaster occurred between 5 and 6 o'clock this evening on Lake Temiskaming, accompanied with loss of life and injuries. The steamer Temiskaming, carrying the Temiskaming Navigation Company was approaching Temiskaming Landing on the regular trip from New Liskeard, with passengers and freight, when, without any warning, the boiler suddenly exploded, wrecking the steamer, throwing the passengers and crew into a terrible panic, several being cast into the lake by the sudden shock.

Details are lacking, owing to the remoteness of the scene. Temiskaming Landing being on a branch of the C. P. R. running north from Mattawa.

Three men met death from the explosion and drowning, while many are injured. A special train left Mattawa to bring the injured to that place for treatment. So far the casualty list includes McBride, a hunter from the United States, missing; J. Menard, Frenchman, and Bergounhain, also a Frenchman. McBride is supposed to be drowned. Two men, names unknown, will likely die. Six are badly burned.

A Corinth Young Man Disappeared

St. Thomas, Nov. 11. — Melvin S. Todd, a highly-respected young man of Corinth, disappeared rather mysteriously from his home several weeks ago and has not been heard of since. The night of the Tillsonburg fair he left his father's home without saying anything to the rest of the family and took the train for Aylmer, leaving next day for Detroit. There he visited a relative, and stated that he was going home the next day. This was the last trace of him that can be found. A report which cannot be verified says that the young man was drowned while boating on Lake Huron. He had a considerable bank account of his own, and may have had a large sum with him.

High Honor for Former London Boy

Dr. Leonard C. Rowntree, formerly a well-known London boy, but for the past three years a resident of Philadelphia, is in line for a high honor, and will shortly be appointed to the chair of bacteriology in the Johns Hopkins University in Philadelphia. For some time Dr. Rowntree has been assistant lecturer in this department, but by some changes which are about to take place in the teaching staff there he will be appointed one of the faculty. In his work in the bacteriological department at Johns Hopkins

Dr. Rowntree has met with marked success, and his many friends in this city will be glad to hear of his appointment to such an important position. For some time Dr. Rowntree was one of the house surgeons at Victoria Hospital.

Still No Word.
City Engineer Graydon has as yet received no word from the Grand Trunk as to when Mr. Kelly, their engineer, would visit London for the purpose of going over the question of track elevation with him. It is expected, however, that he will be here either this week or early next week.

GREAT METHODIST PREACHER DEAD

The Rev. Dr. Courtice, Formerly of This City, Passes Away at Toronto.

Toronto, Nov. 10. — Rev. Dr. A. C. Courtice died at his home in East Toronto this afternoon after an illness which assumed an acute shape only three weeks ago, but which had been more or less troublesome for a long time. At times, with a complication of other ailments, was the cause of death. Deceased, who was 51 years of age, became very widely known throughout the Methodist connection and religious circles generally, as editor of the Christian Guardian, which position he held for eight years, leaving it some five or six years ago. For some time he had been conducting a boys' school in the vicinity of East Toronto. The reverend gentleman was secretary of the Peace and Arbitration Society, chairman of the teachers' training department of the Sunday School Association, president of the local branch of the alumni of the University of Toronto.

Was Between Cars.
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Deceased was the son of Thomas Courtice, of Port Perry, and was born at Prince Albert, Ont., Oct. 17, 1856. He was educated at Toronto University and pursued his theological studies at Victoria University, Cobourg, securing the degree of B. D. and the Sandford gold medal in 1885.

He was ordained to the ministry in 1885. His abilities as a pastor and a preacher were speedily recognized, his services being sought by several large congregations. He occupied the pulpit of Parliament Street Church here, and during his pastorate there impressed his influence for good on the community. He was a member of the Dundas Street Church, London, in 1889, was regretted by all classes and creeds.

In London he easily took the lead, and when his term was ended in 1892, he was installed in Dominion Square Church, Montreal. The pulpit of this church had been occupied by the most distinguished Methodist fathers, such as Drs. Douglas, Antliff, Stafford, Rose and Henderson.

The interest he manifested in social questions and the earnest outspokenness of his preachings in this aspect drew wide attention. Leaving Montreal, he accepted an appointment to the Sydneyham Street Church, Kingston, and remained there up to his election by the Methodist Conference to the chief organ of the church, on Sept. 18, 1894. This position he held with signal ability for many years.

While at Kingston he was president of the District Ministerial Association. Dr. Courtice had written as a literary worker, his contributions to the magazines of his church, to other periodicals and to the general press having a merit beyond the average.

Courtice strongly favored prohibition of the liquor traffic, and was the chief spokesman of the delegation that waited on the Ottawa Government on the subject in June, 1897.

Dr. Courtice was married in 1888 to Miss Ada M. Brown, of Toronto.

THE GREYS TO SPEND MONTH IN MONTREAL

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 11.—Lord and Lady Grey are going to spend a month in Montreal. They leave the capital Nov. 23, and will be away until just before the holidays.

MAGUIRE COMMITTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Brantford, Nov. 11.—Joseph Maguire, late G. T. R. yardsman, who was blamed for the wreck in which a passenger train was killed, was committed to a charge of manslaughter this morning.

MARK HUBBELL DEAD.

Buffalo, Nov. 11.—Mark S. Hubbell, editor and proprietor of the weekly newspaper, Truth, and one of the best-known newspaper writers in Buffalo, died last night at his home after an illness lasting for nearly a year. Mr. Hubbell was 51 years old.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR.
FORECASTS.
Toronto, Nov. 11—8 a.m. Today—Northwest and west winds; becoming colder, with light local falls of sleet.

Thursday—Westerly winds; fair and colder, with light snow flurries.

TEMPERATURES.
Today. Yesterday.
London. 29. 28.
Calgary. 12. 10.
Port Arthur. 14. 22.
Perry Sound. 34. 32.
Toronto. 38. 34.
Ottawa. 38. 34.
Montreal. 38. 34.
Quebec. 36. 34.
Father Point. 34. 32.
Vancouver. 40. 38.
Victoria. 40. 38.
Kamloops. 28. 42.
Edmonton. 28. 34.
Battledore. 14. 20.
Qu'Appelle. 8. 24.
Prince Albert. 16. 24.
Winnipeg. 16. 24.
St. John. 40. 38.
Halifax. 42. 34.

The temperature continues falling in the Western Provinces, and below zero was recorded this morning at Calgary. The cold wave has now reached Western Ontario.

Light rain is falling in parts of Ontario and Quebec.

Grand Trunk Oiler Had Close Call Almost Run Over Coupling Cars

John McIlvenna's Presence of Mind Saved His Life.

His presence of mind and quick wit was all that saved John McIlvenna, a Grand Trunk oiler, from being ground to death beneath one of the heavy Pullman coaches on the International Limited, as that express was pulling out of London for the west last evening.

Was Between Cars.
McIlvenna was down between two cars coupling together the hose of the

abruptly when the train started to pull out. He was struck by the brakebeam of one of the coaches and knocked over.

Both of McIlvenna's legs lay across the rails, and although dazed by his fall he still realized his danger, and catching hold of one of the steps, managed to swing himself aside, while the wheels passed within an inch of where he had lain a moment before.

To those who saw the affair, it seemed impossible that the man could escape and be cheered as he managed to pick himself up.

The shock was such that McIlvenna, a man about 25 years of age, apparently a wanderer, who passed through this city earlier in the day, was killed by a Grand Trunk train at Governor's road, seven miles east of here, some time last night. The body was found this morning by section men and brought here, where an effort at identification will be made. There was nothing in the man's pockets to lead to the discovery of his identity.

Coroner McEay believes the man was a tramp. An inquest will probably be held.

Stranger Killed on the Grand Trunk

The body of an unknown man was found lying by the side of the Grand Trunk tracks near the Governor's road, between Eastwood and Woodstock, early this morning, by some sectionmen.

The man had apparently been struck by one of the night trains and knocked to the side of the track. No marks of identification have been found on the body, which has been taken to Woodstock, where an inquest will be held.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY PAID ITS SHARE

Of Work Done by City on Egerton Street Sewer.

City Engineer Graydon this morning received a check for \$254.85 from the Grand Trunk Railway Company for payment of work done on the Egerton street sewer and sent the bill to the company which has been paid.

"There was never a complaint about the work," said City Engineer Graydon. "The account was paid promptly, and we had no trouble."

RAN INTO A HYDRANT

Farmer Robt. Campbell, of Kincardine, Accidentally Killed.

Kincardine, Nov. 11.—Daniel Campbell, a prominent farmer and cattle dealer, who lived on the Durham road, ran into a hydrant last night and was thrown out of his buggy. Mr. Campbell was only stunned and was assisted into the vehicles, but subsequently, while tying his horse, he fainted away, and although everything possible was done for him he died early this morning. He leaves a widow and three sons.

SHOT HIS SISTER

Prescott Child, Playing With Revolver, Wounded Girl in Bed.

Brockville, Nov. 10.—Yesterday a tragedy nearly happened at Prescott, when a little boy, 4 years of age, a son of Curtis Easter, in some way got hold of a revolver, and while playing with his sister, a girl of 14 years, the weapon exploded. The bullet passed through a quilt, as the girl was in bed at the time, and entered her right side. Happily, Dr. Young, who was called, was able to locate it, and while she is suffering from shock, no serious results are anticipated.

BURGLAR LEADER CAUGHT

John Lour Sentenced to 36 Years For Many Thefts.

Pittsburg, Nov. 11.—Convicted of charges of burglary, John Lour, alleged leader of a band of alleged negro highwaymen, has been sentenced to serve 36 years in the Western Penitentiary. Lour's mate, Frisco Sullivan, found guilty of four charges of burglary, has asked that sentence be withheld until late today, when he promises to give information regarding the whereabouts of \$10,000 worth of silverware stolen by the gang from wealthy families of Pittsburg and vicinity. It is also expected that information will be secured from Sullivan's confession, which will clear the mystery surrounding the death of Harry Firth Smith, who was murdered in a duel with a burglar at his home two years ago.

CHINA TO WAR ON JAP

Returned Missionary Says That an Early Struggle Is Inevitable.

Philadelphia, Nov. 11.—Declaring that the youth of China, the younger and more progressive element in the nation, would, in a great revolution, overthrow the present dynasty, Rev. William Christie, a missionary at the Christian and Mission Alliance, stated that great disturbances were about due in the Celestial Empire, and also that a war with Japan was in contemplation.

Mr. Christie said: "The object of the revolutionary movement is the overthrow of the present dynasty, which is hated for its conservatism and feared for its power."

"During the past years there have been three abortive attempts each time before the movement was ripe."

"The unrest is being fostered by the student element. China is not afraid of Japan. The Government is working night and day in the training of men for war with the Japanese, and eventually will come. All this talk of conciliation between Japan and China in the event of another war with the western nations is ridiculous."

GUilty ON OLD CHARGE.

Hamilton, Nov. 11.—At the police court this morning William Babb was found guilty of assaulting Constable May at Browne's wharf in September of last year. On that occasion the officer was enticed into a shed and brutally used by several men. Constable May could never get a line on his assailants until yesterday when he recognized Babb, who was in the prisoners' dock on a minor charge. He was re-arrested yesterday, found guilty today and sentenced to three years at Kingston Penitentiary.

SHOULD SUBMIT BUT ONE BYLAW TO PEOPLE ON WATER QUESTION

Says City Solicitor Meredith, Who Does Not See the Wisdom of the Two-Scheme Plan, but Two Propositions May Be Voted On if Commission Is Anxious.

It is the opinion of City Solicitor Meredith that the water commission had better not put two water bylaws to a vote in January next.

It was the intention of the commission, if possible, to put the Kilworth scheme as a separate proposition, and also submit some other scheme.

The city solicitor thinks it could be done, but counsels against the advisability of such a move.

The water commission will hold a meeting shortly, when the opinion will be considered. It is now probable that

only one bylaw dealing with the water question will be submitted to the ratepayers.

Considering a Scheme.
They are considering a spring water scheme now, but whether it will be submitted is another question.

This will bring in the Kilworth springs, the Cronyn and White springs—approximately 2,000,000 gallons of water.

Another main from Springbank and a booster plant in the north end, will form part of this proposition. The total cost will be in the neighborhood of \$320,000.

Joseph Cowie "Beat Up" His Rival Whom He Found With Sweetheart

Magistrate Love Promptly Fined the Aggressor in Police Court.

In the police court this morning Joseph W. Cowie was fined \$15 and \$4 00 costs, and bound over in the sum of \$400, to keep the peace towards James Harrison, a local barber, whom he assaulted last night.

According to Harrison, he had taken a young lady to her home in South London, and was standing on the street in front of her place, talking when Cowie came up and asked him if he knew that he (Cowie) was engaged to marry the young lady.

A Rough Man, All Right.
Witness did not know Cowie, and was considerably surprised when he came up and broke into their conversation. The young lady said that she was not engaged to Cowie, and Cowie again said that she was, and then started to call Harrison and the lady names, and ended up by threatening to shoot them both.

The young lady suggested that they go to her brother's house, which was near by, and they started to do so. Cowie followed them, and again began calling names.

A Fight.
Not content with this he came up

and started to fight with Harrison, and succeeded in blackening both the latter's eyes and inflicting a number of bruises on his face.

"While Harrison was trying to defend himself the young lady fainted, and he would likely have fared badly had it not been for the timely arrival of a policeman, who took charge of Cowie."

"Your conduct has been most disgraceful," said Magistrate Love, "and you may consider yourself extremely lucky in getting off so lightly."

Other Cases.
Charles Walsh, an Indian lister, was fined \$10 and \$2 costs for being drunk.

John Weaver, charged with being drunk, signed the pledge, and the charge of drunkenness and one of being implicated in the theft of some meat which the police intended to lay against him, was dropped.

Leroy Briggs, charged with vagrancy, was again remanded for a week.

Case Laid Over.
Moses Edelstein and Moses Left appeared for sentence for breaking the Lord's Day act by picking rags on Sunday, but the case was left over until Monday.

Henry C. Wood, an Englishman, who says that he has been in the army, was found guilty of acting in an improper manner toward some little girls near Chelsea Green yesterday afternoon, and was remanded for a week for sentence.

Death Valley Shaken by a Quake

San Bernadino, Cal., Nov. 11.—Death Valley, and the surrounding country are in the throes of a series of earthquakes which began three weeks ago, and the most violent of which occurred Wednesday, causing consternation. Many miners and prospectors have fled from the region.

For three weeks there have been one or two rumblings daily. The dismal crags of the "funeral range" seemed to totter when a more severe shock came last week. Miners were tossed from their benches, camp equipment was scattered, horses and mules stampeded, and immense boulders were thrown down.

While cleaning a gun yesterday afternoon, Mr. Athol Marshall, son of Mr. J. H. Marshall, ex-M. P. London Township, was accidentally shot through the left hand. The bullet passed clear through the palm of his hand. The wounds were dressed and he is around again.

Marshall had been using the revolver in practice, and had left it loaded. He took it out of his kit in the afternoon to clean it. While pulling the trigger up to get the cylinder out, the trigger slipped, exploding a cartridge. The bullet struck the hand fairly, cutting a hole right through it.

The wound bled profusely, but it was a clean cut, and no danger is anticipated.

Will Ask People to Pay \$1 a Yard

If the King street pavement is to be resurfaced it will be done by agreement, not by debenture.

That was the opinion expressed at the city hall this morning when the matter was discussed.

City Solicitor Meredith will give his opinion on the matter tomorrow night, but it is said that he will give the opinion quoted above.

Debentures have been issued for the present pavement covering a period of ten years, and these debentures have

still over eight years to run. It will be impossible to issue another series of debentures for the same street during the life time of these debentures.

The board of works will endeavor to have the ratepayers along the street come to an agreement to pay \$1 a yard for the asphalt surface, the remaining 35 cents a yard to be paid by the city and the contractors, Blight & Fielder.

The question will be threshed out at the next meeting of the committee.

Twenty Children Placed in Homes

The Children's Aid Society held its monthly meeting in the city hall yesterday afternoon, Sheriff Cameron presiding.

The report of the inspector, which was adopted, dealt with many cases of child neglect and of waywardness on the part of children, and showed that the past month had been a very busy one. Since the last meeting the inspector had been successful in placing over twenty children, the largest number ever placed in one month, leaving fifteen in the shelter home at present.

The shelter home committee reported that the home had been regularly visited and inspected by the ladies, and that everything had been found in a

satisfactory condition, and the health of the children good.

Mr. Sanders Named.
The secretary, Mr. Sanders, was delegated to represent the local society at the Conference of Charities and Correction to be held in Toronto on Nov. 23 and 24. It is expected that quite a number will attend the conference from London.

Votes of thanks were tendered to the pupils and teachers of the Victoria public school and the members of the Epworth League of Dundas Centre Methodist Church for recent very generous donations of all kinds of provisions sent to the shelter. The society's thanks are also extended to all kind friends who have contributed in any way during the past month.