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Jury's Verdict—Overcrowding and Excessive Rate of Speed Were Contributory Causes to Death of Mrs. Deacon—Several Recommendations.

The Verdict.
That Jessie Deacon came to her death on Dec. 24 by being thrown from and crushed under car No. 1502, which was overturned at the corner of King and St. Lawrence streets, Toronto. That said car was owned by and operated by the Toronto Street Railway Company. That the overturning of the said car was caused by: (a) Being heavily weighted, due to overcrowding; (b) By the excessive rate of speed being caused by the failure of the motorman to control said car owing to the temporary demoralization of the air brakes, the excessive rate of speed being due to acceleration acquired by motorman of the said car coming down grade westward of intersection of Queen and King streets.

"We would strongly recommend that the proper authorities take action at once to regulate the number of passengers allowed on the different types of cars adopted by Toronto Street Railway."

"We also do strongly recommend that the switch at St. Lawrence street, facing westward traffic and all other such switches except intersections be provided with means to keep above-mentioned switches safe to main line traffic."

Recommend More Light.
"We also strongly recommend that sufficient light be placed near St. Lawrence street switch to enable motorman to ascertain the position of the switch, so enabling the operator to control his car."

"We also strongly recommend that the said Toronto Railway Co. provide printed rules and regulations for the operation of the road, said rules and regulations to be posted up and accessible to all motormen and conductors at any time."

"We, your jury, appreciate your efforts and also the crown attorneys in supplying us with evidence, in detail, to enable us to arrive at the said verdict."

Deliberated Two Hours.
The jury was out two hours and 15 minutes, the coroner having finished his address, placed the evidence in the hands of the 12 men at 10.20, and it was just 12.25 when they re-entered the room. During this time all but half a dozen of the spectators, including the officers of the company and the lawyers, made their way home.

Expert John Barry, who volunteered to give evidence regarding the work of air brakes, failed to enlighten the jury to any appreciable extent. He informed them that air brakes are brought into commission by means of compressed air. For an hour Crown Attorney Greer and Coroner Graham tried by all sorts of means to extract some really vital information, but they utterly failed. A sign of relief passed over the entire room as the coroner pronounced the evidence as ridiculous and a loss of time. Half an hour afterwards relief came—Expert Barry took a seat away at the back of the room.

Coroner's Address.
In summing up the evidence Coroner Graham pointed out that here, in the case of the jury, was empaneled to decide what the jury was to decide. He said that the jury was to decide whether or not the death of Mrs. Deacon was caused by the failure of the air brakes and other appliances, and if so, whether or not the death was caused by the excessive rate of speed.

"More made the necessary steps up to the top of the bridge and nothing appears to have been wrong with either motorman or car."

"The mode of instruction is very primitive. Even superintendents seem somewhat at variance on some points."

"I think if these rules were printed it would make them more binding."

"The car was crowded to great excess. The company has agreed that the number of passengers should be limited if the city will agree and I know of no more opportune time than now for those two corporations to get together and agree upon this matter."

History of Trip.
"Moore came down King street at an excessive speed and passed the white post without stopping. The motorman said he knew that this white post was a positive stop, but I am not certain even yet what a positive stop is and I think we should not find the man to be wrong in passing this pole without applying his emergency."

"Coming to the motorman's evidence Moore must have either been mistaken about the rate of speed or in the distance he was from the switch at the time he first saw it. I think Moore was mistaken and that he was going faster than he thought. Taking the evidence of spectators, there were six witnesses who estimated the speed at not less than 30 miles an hour. The conductor said the car was going at

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King and Queen at Port Said

PORT SAID, Egypt, Jan. 17.—(Can. Press.)—King George and Queen Mary landed here today and were met by Lord Kitchener, British agent to Egypt, and other officials.

Their majesties held a reception for the native Shakhis, visited Sinaia, where they reviewed the Sudanese troops, and returned here this evening and re-embarked on the steamer Madina for the homeward voyage.

EDDY'S CONSTRUCTING
HUGE NEW POWER PLANT

Present Buildings Will Give Way to Modern Plant, Utilizing All Water Available.

OTTAWA, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Speaking to a World correspondent, W. H. Rowley, president of the Eddy Co., said today that there are to be great changes and big improvements of the water powers at the Eddy works at the great Chaudiere Falls.

The power that now drives Eddy's pulp and paper mills, saw mills, match factories, pall shops, etc., as operated at present, is the outcome of additions to the plant when reconstructed ten or twelve years ago after the Hull-Ottawa conflagration, and of a constantly growing business.

It was not contemplated when the works were rebuilt in 1900, that the company's business would so rapidly increase, or that the output would be so great as now, nor was it expected that the future requirements of power would be so great as is now needed.

Consequently, water wheels have been added from time to time in the first convenient places without so much regard to ultimate results as long as the factories got the power quickly and where it was most needed at the time.

The whole power system is now to be reconstructed so as to get the best results reasonable to be looked for to secure a central, constant supply of power for the needs of the company for the next quarter of a century or more.

Building Power Plant.

Work has now begun on the reconstruction of new reinforced steel concrete bulkheads and side walls to surround and deepen the present forebay, and supply greater head and more water to the turbines.

A power house of such height and strength as to utilize to the fullest extent, even at its highest floods, all the water flowing on the north side of the Ottawa river at the great Chaudiere is also being built. In this way there will be a general gain of 6 or 8 feet of water when the waters of the Ottawa are normal, and the full head can also be had and used at the highest pitch of spring water.

The present water wheels, some of which are obsolete, and some of which are old, will be replaced and new wheels put in to take every advantage of the increased head.

The hydro-electric plant will have

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BOY PURSE SNATCHER
CAUGHT IN THE ACT
BY EAGLE-EYED COP

Policeman Frank Riley developed in a real live pussy-footed sleuth last night when he observed Jean Bucco, 16 years of age, acting strangely among the crowds boarding the street cars at Richmond and Yonge streets in the 6 o'clock rush. Riley had his gun shoes on and after watching the lad for some time at that corner, he followed him to Queen and Yonge, where he finally arrested him, charged with theft.

Frank figured from the young fellow's actions that he was collecting ladies' purses from their chateaux, and when searched at the Court-station half a dozen of these were found on him. Two of them contained \$8 in money, while the others were empty.

The lad declared that he had only come to Toronto yesterday morning from Montreal, where he had run away from home, after stealing enough money from his mother to pay his railway fare here.

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WINSTON CHURCHILL

Whose determination to hold a home rule meeting in Belfast is causing a storm.

TO FREEZE OUT
HOME RULERS

Opponents Will Take Possession of Hall in Belfast—75,000 Men to Block Approaches.

BELFAST, Ireland, Jan. 17.—(Can. Press.)—Arrangements made by the Unionists to freeze out Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, at his intended demonstration in favor of home rule, which is to take place here on Feb. 8, include the bivouacking of 5000 stalwarts inside Ulster Hall some days in advance of the meeting. They will have orders to hold the hall against all comers.

Anti-home rulers are to be brought in the city on special trains on the day of the meeting and it is anticipated that 75,000 of them will be available for picket duty in order to block all the approaches to Ulster Hall or any other possible meeting place.

Blocking Tactics Condemned.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—(Can. Press.)—The decision of the Ulster Unionists to prevent the home rule meeting at Belfast, February 8, has placed the Unionist party in something of a dilemma. Even in Ulster a large body of the loyalists agree that the decision was ill-advised, while several influential Conservative members condemn the attempt thus to stifle free speech as calculated to do the loyal cause more harm than good.

They admit that this challenged it would be cowardice on the part of Mr. Churchill to draw back now, and since it can only be supposed that serious rioting would be the outcome of the meeting at Belfast, they hope the promoters of the affair will withdraw their invitation to Mr. Churchill and thus avert serious danger.

MANY BURIED IN DEBRIS
AFTER GAS EXPLOSION

Five Families Caught in Burning Wreckage of Cincinnati House—Taking Wounded to Hospital.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 17.—(Can. Press.)—An explosion of gas wrecked and set fire to a tenement house on McLean avenue, in this city, to-night. Of the seven families who occupied the building, only two are accounted for, and it is believed the others have been buried in the ruins.

One hour after the collapse of the building, the fire, which started in the ruins, was subdued by firemen. One body has been recovered, while a woman and a child have been taken from the debris and hurried to a hospital. The dead man is Joseph Hoff. Cries of the injured buried in the ruins can be heard by firemen and policemen who are making frantic efforts to rescue them.

The building was a three-story brick structure. Six families lived in the house, but Edward Heckman, one of the tenants, and his family were out at the time of the explosion. In all about eighteen persons were caught in the collapse.

SHOT ON DOORSTEP.

GRAND VALLEY, Jan. 17.—George Simie, while entering his house this morning with a gun in his hand, slipped on the step, causing the gun to go off and inflicting such serious wounds that he died in a few minutes.

Julian Eltinge Next Week.

Julian Eltinge, who comes to the Princess next week in "The Fascinating Widow," has been known for some little time as an extraordinary artist in his particular and unique specialty, in doing, when taking part in amateur theatricals during his college days and it is now said that he is the only real feminine impersonator.

Henrietta Grosman.

Opening to-night at the Princess, the distinguished actress, Henrietta Grosman, will begin a short engagement in "The Real Thing," a delightful comedy, which comes direct from the Maxine Elliott Theatre, New York, where it was conceded to be one of the biggest of recent Broadway successes.



REVEREND COMFORTER: Check up! They ha' pit up a stane w' the name until 't, but Reciprocity's no' deed or bury 't, at a, at a.

CANADA NOT RIPE FOR
OLD AGE PENSION PLAN

Hon. W. T. White Considers Government Annuities Fill Present Needs—Burnham's Resolution to Follow in Britain's Footsteps Stirs Up Debate on Important Question of Policy.

OTTAWA, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Old age pensions formed the principal subject of discussion by the house of commons this afternoon. The matter was brought up by J. H. Burnham (W. Peterboro), who moved a resolution calling for a special committee of enquiry. He stated that only 80,000 persons would be under the provisions of such a scheme in Canada.

Hon. W. T. White was sympathetic towards the object, but doubted the wisdom of the inauguration of such a system at the present time. He offered government annuities as a substitute.

W. F. Nickle (Kingston) in his maiden effort in the house lived up to the reputation for clear and thoughtful expression that he attained while a member of the Ontario Legislature.

Owing to the centralization of industry in the cities, he argued, a condition was being developed rapidly in Canada, which had grown up gradually in England. In the country for a man who had become old and no longer able to work there was always a bite to eat and a seat by the fire, but conditions in great cities were harder.

Individualism Dead.
"We have got beyond the days of individualism," declared Mr. Nickle. "This is the day of a so-called socialism. Not the socialism that takes from a man what he has, but which guarantees for every man a chance."

Dr. Clarke (Red Deer) was afraid pensions would undermine the vitality of the people.

"If you reject old age pensions in Canada," said J. H. Burnham (W. Peterboro) in introducing the matter, "you reject a modern, progressive, scientific substitute for indiscriminate charity and poor relief." The children's aid movement had met with all sorts of objections of similar character to those which were being urged against old age pensions. They said: "Why not let the people alone?" and complained that it meant spending a vast amount of money. This objection ignored the offset of relief from the enormous burden of indiscriminate charity which now rested on the people.

Only Thirty Thousand Eligible.

In Canada, said Mr. Burnham, no more than 30,000 persons would come under an old age pension scheme. There were, of course, more than that number over 70 years of age, but no old age pensions system would contemplate payment to persons who were not in need of it.

Such a scheme, he urged, could only be worked adequately and without waste by the government. In Germany, England, and he believed shortly in the United States, Canada had examples which she could not afford to set aside.

Hon. W. T. White expressed sympathy with the object of Mr. Burnham's resolution. There was no spectacle which appealed to the pity more than that of impoverished old age. The real question, as far as Canada was concerned, was whether the conditions warranted legislation of that sort and whether public opinion was sufficiently educated to it. So far as he was aware there had been no agitation in

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A BOARD OF TRADE FUNCTION.

Mr. R. S. Gourlay, the retiring president, entertained his associates in office, the mayor and board of control, the harbor board and the city press at the National Club last night. The keynote of the talk was a bigger Toronto.

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DAWN OF PEACE IN CHINA

PRINCES BOW TO PEOPLE

Document on Which Settlement Depends is Ready and Manchus Are Willing to Accept Terms—Dr. Sun Yat Sen's Unwillingness to Accept Presidency Only Drawback.

NANKING, Jan. 17.—(Can. Press.)—It is believed that the negotiations are looking to a peaceful settlement. The formal document has been drawn up for signature, and Tang Shao Yi has been exchanging telegrams with President Sun Yat Sen. It is understood that they have finally agreed concerning guarantees.

Certain Republicans positively decline to accept Yuan Shi Kai as president, and the republic in place of Dr. Sun, but the former may hold the premiership in the provisional government, and, when peace is restored and the constitution drawn up, Yuan Shi Kai may have an opportunity to secure his election. Dr. Sun, however, is persisting in his determination to retire.

The president-to-day declared that no loans had been contracted by the Republicans.

Princes Give In.
SHANGHAI, Jan. 17.—(Can. Press.)—Tang Shao Yi has received a telegram from Peking that as a result of today's discussions the Imperial princes are unanimously in favor of the acceptance of the "Republican" terms. The Mongolian contingent raised some difficulties which, however, are thought to be surmountable. It is reported that the Republicans hope now to raise Yuan in the United States on security of various Wu Chang properties.

Five steamers with troops aboard are lying at Wusung above Shanghai, under orders to proceed to Chifu.

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LEGISLATURE
OPENS FEB. 7

Premier Makes Announcement, But Does Not Name Speaker—Many Big Issues Will Make Session Busy.

Wednesday, Feb. 7, is the date of the official opening of the Ontario Legislature. Sir James Whitney made the announcement yesterday afternoon. The premier did not give any intimation as to who the new speaker will be, but it is expected that the mantle will fall upon William H. Hoyle, M. L. A. from North Ontario. Mr. Hoyle's home is in Cammington, and he has been a member of the legislature since 1898. A lot of interesting legislation, or would-be legislation, will be under discussion at the coming session. Red-hot arguments and rapid-fire passages-at-arms are anticipated. The political issues before the two parties in the recent election will be comparatively fresh topics for debate on the floor of the house. Among the questions that are to be threshed out will be: Bilingual schools, the daddy of 'em all; the hydro-electric policy, the Ne Temere decree, temperance issues, immigration, good roads and colonization roads, and the bill to provide compensation for injured workmen. Looming up larger and larger as the days go by is also the big question of the development of New Ontario, a proposition second to none in importance. To deal adequately with this question there will have to be more than politics. It will require statesmanship of the highest order.

NOVA SCOTIAN HONORED

IN CARNEGIE HERO FUND

Henry S. Martin Receives Silver Medal and \$2,000 for Heroic Rescue.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 17.—One Canadian's name appears in the list of heroes and heroines "who resist assaults and substantial cash donations from the Carnegie hero fund as announced to-night."

The recipient is Henry S. Moore, who is honored with a silver medal and \$2,000 for the education of his children.

Moore, aged forty-four, hoist operator, saved Neil F. Campbell, aged nine, from drowning, Sydney, N.S., Feb. 7, 1911.

Moore broke thru the thin ice in Sydney harbor as he crawled toward Campbell, who, unable to swim, had broken thru where the water was over ten feet deep.

Breaking the ice for a distance of fifteen feet, Moore swam to Campbell, who was beneath the surface. He caught hold of Campbell, who by this time was unconscious, and swam to the edge of the hole, but as he tried to support himself the ice broke several times. Finally an overcoat was thrown to him and he and Campbell were pulled to solid ice, and out of the hole. Moore suffered no ill effects. Campbell was revived.

SIR WILLIAM IS BUSY.

Sir William Mackenzie left last night for Ottawa. It is understood that he purposes leaving there for a trip to the Canadian west.

MILDER WEATHER.

It may be mild weather this morning, but believe us there's a whole lot of zero temperature coming to you before the 24th of May looms up. Anyway, it's the hour in which you should buy furs, because of the big January sale now on at Dineen's. A sale of furs which has nothing like it in the history of Dineen, the furrier, or of any other furrier.

A NEW GAME IN WEE YOKR.

Jeff: This game o' Bridge that The World has is akin to us to play is something new-fangled for Wee Yockr, eh John.

John: Yes; And all we can do is bluff. And I guess he's called us!

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