

A SCORE DEAD IN CRASH
OF WORLD'S FASTEST TRAINThe Twentieth Century Limited Runs Into Open Switch
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Cleveland, Ohio, June 22. — While traveling at the rate of 70 miles an hour, the Twentieth Century Limited, the fastest long distance train in the world, ran through an open switch at Mentor, about 25 miles east of Cleveland, at 9:20 o'clock last night, causing one of the most horrible wrecks in the history of the Lake Shore road.

The engine was hurled into the ditch. A part of the train was crushed on top of it, and the wreck was partly burned. The horrors of the wreck were redoubled in the horrors of the fire.

More than a score of people were killed and injured, and the famous train was largely demolished.

The train was crowded, practically all its accommodations being taken when it left the city. It was behind time and the greatest of speed was being made to make up the lost time.

The dead:

Thomas R. Morgan, of the Wellman-Seaver-Morgan Company, Cleveland, burned to death.

John R. Bennett, patent attorney, New York City, burned to death.

A. L. Rodgers, Platt Iron Company, No. 33 Liberty street, New York City, died on operating table at Cleveland General Hospital.

N. B. Walters, baggageman, of Hamburg, N. Y., scalded to death.

Allen Tyler, Collinwood, Ohio, engineer, crushed under engine.

H. H. Wright, traveling man, Chicago, died at Cleveland General Hospital.

Fireman Graham, Collinwood, crushed under engine.

—Williams, first name and address unknown.

Five bodies not yet identified.

Missing:

A. L. Johnson, of Coney & Johnson, Cleveland.

The barber and the porter of the combination car.

Among the injured at the Cleveland General Hospital is Archibald P. Head, a London, Eng., steel company's representative, seriously burned and injured, probably fatal.

Latest reports gave the number of injured as 21 and of these fifteen are seriously if not fatally hurt. Practically all the injured were burned, and were taken from the blazing wreckage by rescue parties. A peculiarly distressing feature of the rescue work was that the injured were so crazed when they were taken out from under the mass of wreckage that they could not even reveal their own identity, despite the urgent appeals and entreaties made by officials and others who knew how anxiously news from the wreck was awaited by families and friends of the passengers.

The order was finally given to search the living wreck victims in the hope that identification might in that way be established, but even when this was resorted to but three sufferers could be identified. The rest were demoralized by the pain and agony they had undergone.

Work of a Crank.

Assistant General Superintendent D. C. Moon, of the Lake Shore, on the scene of the wreck, gave out the following statement:

"So far as can be learned the switch was opened and locked open by some party unknown; probably a crank, and evidently for malicious purposes. Train No. 10, a fast eastbound train, passed through the same switch 45 minutes ahead of No. 26, and it was all right at that time. It is positive that no other train or engine, either freight or passenger, passed through the switch between No. 10 and No. 26."

Traveling at a rate of more than a mile a minute, the heavy train was hurled to its doom with a momentum that was appalling. The scene of the accident was at the Mentor depot. The switch that caused the trouble is located about 130 yards west of the depot. As the heavy engine struck the switch it left the main track and swung violently to the left. For a distance of 20 yards the engine ran on the rails, and then, leaping from the track, turned on its side just to the east of the depot. The momentum was such that the heavy tender was hurled entirely over the engine and was buried in the depot. The combination car was hurled with terrific violence on top of the engine and tender, and in a moment was enveloped in flames from the engine.

Sleeper Thrown Into Station.

The Chicago sleeper, which was immediately behind the combination car, swung from the track, and, crashing into the depot, was completely buried in the wreck of the building. The violence of the crash was such that the depot collapsed on top of the wrecked coach. The hapless passengers in this coach were crushed and maimed in the wreck, and then completely buried in the collapse of the structure.

The next sleeper following left the track and the other remained upright on the rails.

An instant after the crash of the wreck the boiler of the engine burst, scattering fire and steam through the wreck in a manner that made escape

for the imprisoned passengers impossible.

The wrecked combination car, which had landed crushed and splintered on top of the engine, was at once enveloped in blinding flames and scalding steam. The cries of the imprisoned passengers were heard above the awful roar, but they were beyond all human aid, and the car became a pyre for a number of human beings.

A score of physicians from Cleveland, Collinwood, Ashtabula, and Painesville went to the scene of the wreck at the request of the Lake Shore officials. After the physicians had treated the injured, the latter were placed aboard a special train and brought to this city, where they were hurried in waiting ambulances to the several hospitals.

Officials of the road started an informal investigation immediately on their arrival. They could not understand why or how the train was wrecked, but they were determined to get to the bottom of the switch, which is provided with every known safeguard, and was carefully inspected prior to the passing of the train. While there is no reason known why any one should tamper with the switch, the officials don't believe the accident could have taken place with the switch properly set and in position.

LATER.

Cleveland, Ohio, June 22. — Charles H. Wellman, of the Wellman-Seaver-Morgan Company, of this city; Engineer Allen Tyler, J. A. Bradley, a prominent attorney at Akron, Ohio; A. P. Head, of London, Eng., and E. J. Brandt, of this city, all died this morning as a result of their injuries. Two additional bodies burned beyond recognition were also taken from the ruins of the train early today.

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IN MANCHURIA

Russian Soldiers Told That The War May Last For Some Time.

Tokyo, June 21. — An official report shows a further Japanese advance, chiefly along the Kirin road, the extreme northeast of Changtu, a position which commands the Kirin road. The enemy left ten dead and a field gun behind them. The Japanese sustained no losses.

Lieut. Gen. Terachi, Minister of War, has issued an order to the army, forming it of the peace proposals. He adds, however, that the progress of the negotiations cannot be assured, and instructs the soldiers to be prepared for a long-continued war.

A portion of the Japanese forces in Northern Korea occupied Kyongsoong yesterday morning. Several thousand Russians, with artillery, retired northward before the Japanese.

REPRIEVE FOR MRS. ROGERS

Murderess Who Was to Die Friday May Not Be Executed.

Brattleboro, Vt., June 22. — The Mary M. Rogers habeas corpus petition was denied by Judge Wheeler, sitting as a justice of the United States circuit court.

In his opinion Judge Wheeler took occasion to criticize the proceedings of the State with reference to Mrs. Rogers and her case. He could not see, however, that he was justified in ordering the discharge of the woman from custody. It is understood that an appeal to the United States supreme court will be taken, that pending a decision by that body, Mrs. Rogers, whose reprieve by the Governor expires tomorrow, will not be executed.

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KNELL OF TRADING STAMPS

A Bill to Name Them Conspiracy Against Commerce.

Ottawa, June 22. — The Government will bring a bill to put an end to the trading stamp business. It is now reported that the bill will decree the use of trading stamps a conspiracy against commercial interests. Their use as an inducement to sell goods will be made an offense under the criminal code.

VESPER AND LEANDERS

Will Likely Fight It Out at Henley for Grand Challenge Cup.

New York, June 22. — A London dispatch to the Times says: English rowing opinion has veered markedly in its sentiments toward the Vesper eight-oared crew of Philadelphia and its chances of winning the Grand Challenge Cup in the Royal Henley regatta. Prior to the advent of the victors on the Thames they were not thought to have a chance of winning the trophy in spite of their fine record in previous regattas. After their first practice they were viewed with more respect, though not with any particular uneasiness.

New rowing experts who have followed their work in three days practice are ready to admit that they are a dangerous crew. Every one says the Vesper and the Leanders are the only crews on the Thames.

Not until Friday night will it be definitely known what crews will start in the race for the Grand Challenge Cup. It is rather expected that the Berlin crew will not start. The Berlin crew is expected to row, and Leander and Vesper, but it is possible that neither of the two college crews that have entered will race. So far the Vesper and the Leanders are the only crews on the Thames.

ROUVIER'S NOTE

MAYN'T SUIT BILL

Berlin Fears French Reply to Kaiser Re Morocco Not Acceptable.

Berlin, June 22. — France's answer to the German note on the Morocco question has not yet reached the foreign office, but it is expected that Ambassador Riboud will present it in the course of the afternoon. The impression here is that the answer does not promote an understanding between France and Germany, but the foreign office here does not abandon the hope of an adjustment of the differences in a manner satisfactory to Germany.

STIFF FIGHT OVER BILL

C. P. R. Putting Up Strenuous Opposition to V. V. and E. Road.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, June 22. — The Victoria, Vancouver and Eastern Railway has now been five days before the railway commission, and still has not yet reported. The Opposition is from the C. P. R. Today was the biggest fight of all. The amendment to clause 3 of the bill, which gave the C. P. R. a right of way, was defeated by the chairman. All the leading features of the bill have been put through, but it was again talked out, so that another chance may be had against it.

WILL RECEIVE MEDALS

Several Sarnia Residents to Have Their Bravery Recognized.

A Sarnia dispatch of today says: P. J. McKee, John Blake, Charles Fisher, James Hamilton, Fred Porter, Walter Hawn, W. Cameron, John Arburgh, Alex. Forbes and Eugene McDonald, all of this place, who went to the rescue of the trainmen who were overthrown by gas in the tunnel in October last, at which time six lives were lost by asphyxiation, will receive the medals of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for bravery.

The medals will be presented in public at a time to be decided upon by the recipients.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fine and Cool.

London, Thursday, June 22.
Sun rises... 4:36 a.m. Moon rises... 11:45 a.m.
Sun sets... 8:36 p.m. Moon sets... 10:15 a.m.

Toronto, June 22—8 a.m.
The weather is now warmer throughout the Northwest Territories and Manitoba, and has been fine, except in Alberta, where there have been thunderstorms. In Ontario and Quebec the day has been fine and warm, while in the Maritime Provinces it has been mostly cool and showery, with fog along the Atlantic coast. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 50-66; Kamloops, 60-76; Calgary, 50-66; Edmonton, 44-66; Qu'Appelle, 42-66; Prince Albert, 36-66; Winnipeg, 42-66; Saskatoon, 44-66; Regina, 42-66; Toronto, 50-64; Parry Sound, 56-72; Toronto, 62-78; Ottawa, 54-76; Montreal, 62-72; Quebec, 54-78; St. John, 48-54; Halifax, 44-60.

WOODMEN CHOSE OFFICERS

All Positions But One Filled by Re-Election.

Milwaukee, June 22. — Election of officers was the most important of today's sessions of the head camp of Modern Woodmen of America. With a single exception, all the most conspicuous positions were filled by re-election, the exception being that of head banker. The elected officers are: Head consul, A. R. Talbot, Lincoln, Neb.; head adviser, Dan B. Horn, Davenport, Ia.; head clerk, Major Chas. W. Hawes, Rock Island, Ill.; head banker, S. H. McNair, Chicago, Ill. The board of directors are: George W. Kelly, chairman; R. R. Smith, C. J. Byrnes, R. E. Murphy, A. N. Bort.

APPEAL WAS DISMISSED.

In high court at Toronto, before Mr. Justice Street, re-McIntyre vs. London and Western Trust Company, A. R. Aylesworth, E. C. C. plaintiff, David McIntyre, appealed from report of local master at London dated May 25, 1906, fixing maintenance for two infant children of deceased, upon the ground that maintenance should be derived in the first instance, not from the interest accruing on contingent legacies, but from the shares of the infants in the residue of the estate. Held, dismissed. Appeal dismissed with costs.

Another Nipped by Dog,

But Canine Was Not Mad

The mad dog excitement in London which has been at its height just now. After the scare of yesterday, it was expected that citizens would be somewhat alarmed, and to make matters worse, a dog in the south end of the city attacked Gordon Finchamp, son of Mr. Charles Finchamp, of 462 Sincove street, and badly lacerated his hand.

The dog, a beautiful pet collie, and the pride of its owner, Mr. George Trace, 47 220 Burwell street, was lying on the lawn in front of its owner's home, when young Finchamp came along. The lad, who is employed in a down-town store, was late for work, and he was running along the sidewalk, when the dog saw him, and, overtaking him, bit him on the hand. The boy at once had Dr. Jento cauterize the wound and the matter was reported to the police. The owner, who being extremely sorry over the occurrence, does not wish to kill his dog, and the children of the family are hysterical because of the doom which threatens the animal.

It is not claimed that the dog has hydrophobia, but young Finchamp quite naturally does not care to take any chances in the matter. When the police took a hand in the matter, they found they were powerless, and so it now rests with the Finchamps to say whether or not the dog shall be destroyed.

KING OF DANES

SERIOUSLY ILL

Imperial Yacht Club, Kiel, Germany, June 22, 1:10 p.m. — Emperor William received a telegram last night announcing that King Christian of Denmark, is in a state of great weakness which is giving his entourage much concern. Reports from Wiesbaden a few days ago described the king as Queen Alexandra of Great Britain and Ireland, King George of Greece, the Dowager-Empress Maria Feodorovna of Russia, and other distinguished personages.

King Christian of Denmark, was born April 8, 1818. He is the father of Queen Alexandra of Great Britain and Ireland, King George of Greece, the Dowager-Empress Maria Feodorovna of Russia, and other distinguished personages.

COSSACKS HAVE

A DAY'S SPORT

Lodz, Russian Poland, June 22. — Twenty-two persons were killed as the result of yesterday's firing by dragoons and Cossacks on a procession of 50,000 workmen, which had been organized as a demonstration against the Government. Ten of about a hundred wounded are dying. Two women were crushed to death in the rush of the panic-stricken crowds, after the firing began.

This morning some workmen, in revenge, shot and killed a Cossack and two policemen.

WORK HAS COMMENCED

Car Barn for Traction Company Now Being Built.

Contractor John Nutkins has commenced work on the car barn of the Southwestern Traction Company, which are to be located on the Taylor property, just south of the city, and east of Ridout street. The barn is to hold nine cars, and it is to be one of a number to be constructed by the company. Another one is to be built at Ingersoll, it is said.

It is generally understood that the traction company intends to enter the city by Richmond street south.

Mr. Wm. Holbrook, of Leicester, England, has arrived in the city, having been sent out by the Brush Company to erect the cars being furnished by that company for the traction line.

HARD LOT OF OLD MAN

Refuge Would Not Admit David Munro, and He Is Sent Back.

David Munro, an old man of 70, whose home appears to be nowhere, was yesterday given a pass by Inspector McCallum to St. Catharines. He had been in the House of Refuge there for some time, and he said he felt sure the authorities would admit him. But today the St. Catharines people bundled the old man back to this city. Munro came here from St. Thomas on Tuesday. Now the city does not know what to do with him. To make matters worse the old man is suffering from a loathsome skin disease, and the mayor, Dr. Hutchinson, and Dr. English had a look at him, his worship ordered him sent to Victoria Hospital, the mayor of the medical men would say much, it is known that both Dr. Campbell and Dr. Hutchinson suspect that Munro is suffering from some form of leprosy, and for this reason he will not be allowed to leave the city until he has been thoroughly examined by an expert. He knows what to do with him. To make matters worse the old man is suffering from a loathsome skin disease, and the mayor, Dr. Hutchinson, and Dr. English had a look at him, his worship ordered him sent to Victoria Hospital, the mayor of the medical men would say much, it is known that both Dr. Campbell and Dr. Hutchinson suspect that Munro is suffering from some form of leprosy, and for this reason he will not be allowed to leave the city until he has been thoroughly examined by an expert. He knows what to do with him. To make matters worse the old man is suffering from a loathsome skin disease, and the mayor, Dr. Hutchinson, and Dr. English had a look at him, his worship ordered him sent to Victoria Hospital, the mayor of the medical men would say much, it is known that both Dr. Campbell and Dr. Hutchinson suspect that Munro is suffering from some form of leprosy, and for this reason he will not be allowed to leave the city until he has been thoroughly examined by an expert. He knows what to do with him.

CLOSING OF THE R. M. C.

Twenty-Six Graduates From All Parts of Canada—Honor Men.

Kingston, Ont., June 22. — The closing exercises at the Royal Military College occurred this forenoon, and were attended by many spectators.

The commandant, Lieut.-Col. Read, reported 26 graduates, residing in various parts of the Dominion, the honor men being E. J. C. Schindlin, Brantford; M. N. McFee, Heatherdale, P. E. I.; R. S. Smith, Perth; A. D. Watts, Toronto, and L. F. Grant, Kingston.

The following were recommended for Imperial army commissions: For Royal Engineers, E. J. C. Schindlin; for Royal Artillery, H. H. Holmes; for Indian army, A. H. Jakes. The commandant suggested the names of five men for the first class and six of the second class for commissions in Canadian forces.

The Dominion Artillery Association prizes were won by M. N. McPhee, of Heatherdale, P. E. I., and L. F. Grant, of Kingston. The musketry prize, given by the Government of Ontario for young soldiers' course, was won by G. D. Rhodes, of Vancouver.

The company musketry challenges shield, presented by the Government of Ontario, was won by D. Company, commanded by Sergt.-Major Gill. Gold medal—J. C. Schindlin. Silver medal—M. N. McPhee. Bronze medal—R. S. Smith.

ARMY STORES SCANDAL

Balfour Concedes a Statutory Commission to Investigate Affair.

London, June 22. — Under pressure from all sides Premier Balfour has made a further concession in regard to the investigation into the army stores scandal, and today announced in the House of Commons that the Government would immediately introduce a bill creating a statutory commission to inquire into the scandal. This commission will be armed with powers to compel the attendance of witnesses, and to enforce penalties for perjury, etc., which the previously proposed royal commission would not have possessed.

Mr. Balfour also agreed to give June 26 for the debate on the vote of censure proposed by Sir Robert Threshie Reid (Liberal).

THE WESTERN CROPS.

Winnipeg, Man., June 22. — Crop reports received from the principal points throughout the west, indicate that wheat, oats and barley are all in splendid shape, plentiful of rain, but not too much. And no damage from frost. The weather, in fact, could not be better if made to order, and growing crops are a week or ten days earlier than last year.

5,000 Saw Them Marry.

Montreal, June 21. — Five thousand people, controlled by a squad of police, witnessed today Rev. J. Armstrong, a Methodist minister, marry William Hicks and Emily Marston, the ceremony taking place in Workman's window, at the corner of McGill and Notre Dame streets. Workman gave the bride \$100 and secured the "ad" of the season.

THIS FRAUD NETS

ONE MILLION

Big Forgery Revealed by Why Conservatives Oppose

Financier's Death.

Philadelphia, June 22. — Details of forgeries which have caused a loss of \$750,000 to \$1,000,000 to certain banks and trust companies of this city have been brought to light through the closing up of the estate of Benjamin H. Gaskill, recently a prominent figure in financial circles, who died four weeks ago. Those who have been examining his financial affairs announced that certificates for a few shares of stock in a number of instances had been fraudulently raised and represented as being bona fide, and corresponding loans had been obtained with the forgeries as security.

In its scope the fraud is one of the most sensational that Philadelphia's financial district ever has known. Gaskill was the sole member of the banking and brokerage concern known as Benjamin H. Gaskill & Co. He had offices in the financial district, and his credit was considered high. A patron of the firm, which was not given, bought from the estate 100 shares of Philadelphia Traction Company stock and 100 shares of stock of the United States Steel Corporation. He turned his account over to E. C. Miller & Co., who sent the traction stock certificate to the Philadelphia Traction Company's office to have the transfer recorded. The certificate did not agree with the company's books, and an investigation showed that it had been raised from six shares to 100. The discovery was reported to E. C. Miller & Co., who immediately notified the stock exchange, of which Gaskill had been a member, which on turn sent out notices to its members not to receive stock certificates from the Gaskill estate.

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BANKS VICTIMS IN LOANS

Find He Raised Share Certificates.

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MR. HAGGART GAVE

THE SCHEME AWAY

Premier Quotes Figures to Show Northern Section More Populous Than Southern.

Ottawa, June 21. — The air in the House of Commons chamber today was so warm that Mr. George Taylor complained and asked for some relief from outside. Members evinced their sympathy by their restless attitude toward the campaign waged by a few western Conservatives against the redistribution of Alberta. They claim that the southern part of the province is not receiving fair treatment. This feature of the bill has been the subject of a debate, which, it must be said, is evidently forced, and an early collapse is expected. Nearly the same figures and arguments were presented today as were traversed yesterday. Private members' business also received considerable attention today.

Replying to Mr. Monk and Mr. Uriah Wilson, Hon. Mr. Oliver said the Government pay a bonus for farmer immigrants to this country.

Mr. George Taylor asked if it was not possible to get more fresh air in the Commons chamber. The temperature there was 75, whereas it was only 65 in rooms 6 and 16. The air in the House was simply unbearable.

"I will call the attention of the Minister of Public Works to this matter," replied Hon. Mr. Fielding. "No doubt the minister will be here in a few days, and then everything will be all right." (Hear, hear.)

When the House went again into committee on the Alberta autonomy bill Mr. Foster criticized the figures furnished as to the population of the various constituencies.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said the question whether northern districts should be represented by themselves or not was not for the judges, but for Parliament to decide, as a matter of policy. Referring to Mr. Foster's adulation of Liberal principles, in regard to representation, Sir Wilfrid said it was always pleasant to hear the member for North Toronto talking about Liberal principles, but he regretted that that gentleman never followed those principles or applied them.

Col. Sam Hughes inquired why the Premier did not ask the number of registered voters to be taken.

Sir Wilfrid replied that whether in regard to the number of registered voters' lists or the number of householders entries the north had the larger number.

John Haggart took the floor, and was the first member of the Opposition to admit frankly that the motive of the opposition to the bill was the struggle to secure the location of the provincial capital at Calgary.

TRIED TO RETAKE OREL

Russians Gave Jap Prize Crew a Lively Time.

Victoria, B. C., June 22. — The steamer Empress of China has brought an account of the experience of the Japanese prize crew on board the captured Russian battleship Orel, in taking the captured ship from the scene of battle to Japan. Officers of the battleship Asahi and the cruiser Kasuga, although they had fought for two days and two nights without sleep, were pleased to see the Russian sailors, herded forward, and the bluejackets were placed at other points to guard the ship.

When night came a Russian seaman dropped an anchor pin into the electric dynamo, wrecking it, and causing all the prize crew on board the Orel to be killed. The great excitement followed, in which the Russians opened the sea valves, causing the ship to list to port. Several men tried to jump into the sea, thinking the Orel was about to capsize.

Under cover of the darkness a party of Russians tried to rush the guards, who fired several times into the thick, crushing crowd, and then used bayonets and clubbed rifles. The Russians were finally beaten down, and at daylight the Asahi and the cruiser Asama came to act as escorts. These escorts covered the mutineers.

SHOCKED TO DEATH.

Montreal, Que., June 22. — Max Sanders, whose parents reside in Buffalo, was working at the switchboard in the Shawmut Falls power transferring station yesterday, when 55,000 volts entered his system, killing him instantly. He was 29 years of age.

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