

MOTHER STRANGLES HER THREE CHILDREN.

Buffalo Crazy Woman Murders Her Boy and Two Little Girls.

Then She Goes and Tells Her Husband She Has Done the Awful Deed.

Buffalo, Sept. 24.—Shortly after 7 o'clock this morning Mrs. Bertha Mund, aged 37, strangled her three children, Christopher, aged 8 years; Helen, aged 2 years, and Freda, aged 8 months, to death at their home, 925 Clinton street.

The children were all sleeping when she murdered them.

She wrapped a blanket about the boy's head, covering his face, and then tied a clothes line about his neck, turning it around three times, and then drew it tight and fastened it by tying several knots.

The police say the boy could not have lived more than a few minutes. When found his body was half on the mattress and half on the floor, with the face downward.

The girl Helen was next slain. This child was asleep in the crib in the parlor. Mrs. Mund wound a clothes line around the little one's neck twice, and after strangling the child she carried the body into the bedroom and put it on the bed and covered it with a quilt.

Freda, the baby, was her next victim. She was asleep in a baby carriage in the kitchen. Mrs. Mund tied a piece of clothes line about the little one's neck once and fastened it in two knots.

When Mrs. Mund met her husband she said, "Fred, I have made away with the three children. Come home and see."

Mund hurried home, taking his wife with him. When they reached the house Mrs. Mund sat down at a table and began to cry. Mund notified the police, and the woman was taken into custody.

Kingston, Sept. 24.—That influx of Chinese here is a serious matter. One section of the press is urging the government to take steps to prevent their landing here as being detrimental to local traders.

The resolution is aimed at the Chinese and Syrians, who it is said, are overrunning the island.

GEN. DRUDE CAN "SLEEP OUT"; ENEMY KEEPS AT A DISTANCE.

After Long Parley Most of the Tribes Agree to the Terms of Peace.

Paris, Sept. 24.—The Matin to-day says it understands that Gen. Drude received instructions which permit him to "sleep out." This means he is not to return to the main camp of the close of each day of operation, as the tribes who have not accepted the French terms of peace have retired to such a distance that it would be impossible to reach them otherwise.

The correspondent of the Matin at Casa Blanca telegraphs that the delegates, at the conference yesterday, refused for a long time to surrender their arms. They argued that they would be at the mercy of the other tribes, but finally their objections were overcome by a few judicious concessions.

The correspondent of the Matin at Tangier telegraphs that the famous consignment of rifles at Mazagan has been carried off, and that the weapons are now on their way to Morocco City.

THE GROWTH OF CANADA IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

No Limit to the Greatness of Canada Before the Century is Out, Says Mr. Blue.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 24.—(Special).—Commissioner Blue, of the Census and Statistics Branch of the Department of Agriculture, read a paper to-day at the meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in Toronto, on "Some Illustrations of the Growth of Canada in the 20th century."

He points out that Canada's foreign trade in the last year of the 19th century was \$330,018,000 and in the sixth year of the 20th century it had reached \$518,800,000.

The assets of the chartered banks in the six years have nearly doubled. The amount at the credit of depositors in the chartered savings banks last year was \$697,880,000, or \$309,590,000 more than in 1900.

The same expansion is seen in railways, both steam and electric. Mr. Blue states that the recent census of the two new provinces, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and Manitoba, shows the rapid growth of the west, and goes on to give the census of manufactures of the Dominion, which was of particular interest to the members of the Association.

In fourteen cities and towns of the Dominion there was an increase of 58 per cent. for the five years ending 1905. In conclusion, Mr. Blue says, while it will not be claimed that the older provinces are growing at the same rate as the west, there is no doubt that all parts of the country have prospered in their varied industries and there is no limit within sight to greatness which Canada may attain before the century is out.

Handy Thing for Smokers. A rubber tobacco pouch is the correct thing for you to use. It prevents waste and keeps the tobacco in good condition. Fine rubber pouches are sold at peace's pipe store, 107 King street east.

HOTELS CROWDED. TAKES LEAD IN ITS LINE.

Messrs. The Times Printing Co., City: Gentlemen,—Permit the writer to congratulate your company upon the successful installation of one of the most up-to-date news presses that I have ever had the pleasure of inspecting.

The city of Hamilton has now reached the stage in its growth when it can easily support the very best there is along the line of commercial enterprise, and I am very pleased that the Times Printing Co. has taken the lead in its own line.

It deserves the success that will surely follow. Yours truly, Stanley Mills & Co., Limited, Per Stanley Mills, President.

ESCAPE FROM CHICAGO JAIL.

Chicago, Sept. 24.—Two prisoners escaped from the Cook County jail yesterday afternoon by sawing through barred windows, and climbing down the face of the building into Illinois street.

The jail authorities were undisturbed until passers-by went in and told them of the exodus. They managed to stop the going-out party, which had been planned by two dozen inmates.

There is a theory that the delivery man was the real cause of the escape. There was a theory that the delivery man was the real cause of the escape. Until this morning he had lived in the same tier of cells, but after the jury found him guilty he was removed to murderers' row.

Lax discipline on the part of the jail authorities is the real cause of the escape. Two saws like old-fashioned buck-saws and over a foot in length were smuggled into the jail.

Then William Rogers and Stanley Wesolek vaulted across an arched way four feet wide, landing on the narrow coping that runs around the outer wall. For three-quarters of an hour they hung there and sawed away for liberty.

Upstairs a religious service was in progress, and the lusty chorus of "Pull for the Shore, Sailor," and other old favorites drowned the screeching of steel against steel.

Finally, two bars were severed and Rogers and Wesolek, saying, "Come on, boys," crawled out. An idle pedestrian happened to see Rogers' head poked through the bars, and before his eyes appeared the onlooker was wise.

He had to run more than a block before he could tell the guards what was going on. They got upstairs just in time to grab George Thompson by the legs and haul him back.

There were twenty-two men waiting for their turns. Guard Bloomberg was released from the cell and the usual police dragnet was set, with the usual results.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 4.—E. A. Brinistool, humorous writer on the Evening Express, of this city, after being given a full hearing on the charge of plagiarizing extensively from the works of other humorous newspaper writers, was expelled from membership in the American Press Humorists' Association in convention assembled here.

The vote was unanimous. Brinistool was absent from the city and offered no defense except through Arthur J. Burdick, who denied the truth of the complaint until member after member of the association testified that Brinistool had "borrowed" from his writings to the extent of entire sections at a time.

Compelled to admit the truth of the charges, Burdick made a plea of leniency for his friend, but when the ballot was counted it was found to be without a dissenting vote. The charges against Brinistool were preferred at the annual convention one year ago, the complaint at that time reading that a "certain Pacific coast writer was so closely imitative" in his work that entire sections of other writers' works could be found in his columns.

While no name was mentioned in the complaint at that time it was generally understood among the members of the association that Brinistool was referred to.

Mr. Irwin Armstrong, of this city, was in Belleville on Sunday visiting friends. Mrs. Bagwell left yesterday for Portland, Oregon, to visit her sister, Mrs. Thatcher.

Miss Leslie Sutherland, of this city, is visiting at the home of Mr. Chas. Paekert, Stratford.

The engagement is announced of Miss Amy Gwyn, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Gwyn, Dundas, to Dr. Norman Macrae, Baltimore. Miss Gwyn, who is in England, is expected home next month.

The marriage took place at Colborne Street Methodist Church, parsonage, Brantford, on Saturday night, of Miss Ariel Teague, of Hamilton, and Mr. Guy Wright, of Brantford. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. B. Caswell.

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Montreal, Sept. 24.—The meeting of the shareholders of the Canada Atlantic Railway Company, which was to have been held to-day, has been adjourned to October 24th. One of the purposes of the meeting is to vote on the question of amalgamation with the Grand Trunk.

Although the Canada Atlantic property is controlled by the Grand Trunk and is known as a division of the G. T. R. system, the Canada Atlantic has still a separate corporate existence, and the accounts are kept separate from those of the Grand Trunk.

The Man In Overalls

Are you going to night school this season, boss?

Give the street car right-of-way every time. Some people, I notice, run across the street in front of a fast moving car, then stand on the other side and look at it. Why don't they stand and look at it until it passes and then cross? They would lose no more time.

The Mayor says the sandauker is doing good work. Perhaps if it had been spoken to kindly at the first it would always have done good work.

The people might as well be allowed to do their own street watering as their snow shovelling.

There should be no hesitation about accepting the Flatt park offer. We won't get another offer like it in a hurry.

The first cold snap will drive the tramps into the city. Have the police got a welcome league organized for them?

I hear no complaints about the cement sidewalks laid this summer. The work appears to be well done.

The trouble with the Pacific Province is that it has not been pacific of late.

Dundas apparently takes no stock in the "knockers" stories about dirty Hamilton water, when it asks to be supplied with it.

Every now and again we hear of a bicyclist meeting with an accident. Too much hurry.

Leader MacKay is said to be a fighter, and will keep Whitney in his place.

The busy season being about over, the farmer can now take things easy for a few months, and look at the rest of us working.

This is betwixt and between the ice cream and oyster seasons, and the young fellows have a chance to get a little ahead in the game.

A good listener is sometimes better company than a good talker.

The marriage rush seems to be over for a time, but people continue to drop off. Death has no slack seasons.

The dog poisoner had a victim on John street south yesterday. That sort of murder is too common in the city at present.

Are you a member of the Lib. Club? Go round and have a talk with the Secretary.

This 25c tacked on to the price of coal is just an incentive to you to pay cash.

The overdraft looks like as if it had the drop.

Any fire drill going on these nice days?

Is the new Collegiate clock a grand-father's affair?

I am anxiously looking for that list of "incompetent" lady teachers.

FOR \$200 DAMAGES.

Geo. Bradford Says His Steam Launch Was Injured.

George Bradford is hot on the trail of the city for the damage done to his launch a week ago, when the new fire engine was tried at Brown's wharf. Mr. Bradford alleges that his launch was deluged by the spray from the streams. It is now practically out of commission as a result, and Mr. Bradford thinks he is entitled to some compensation.

This morning his solicitors, Lee & Farmer, issued a writ against the city for \$200 damages.

TO WASHINGTON.

Hamiltonians Will Attend Convention of Brotherhood.

A number of representatives of the local Brotherhood of St. Andrew will leave this evening for Washington to attend the international convention, which opens there to-morrow. Among them are Rev. F. E. Howitt, Mr. A. G. Alexander, Mr. Walter Noble, Mr. J. Myles, Rev. Mr. Hoover, of Burlington, will go with the Hamilton delegates. Mr. Howitt and Mr. Noble will be accompanied by their wives. The gathering is to be a very representative one, and over forty bishops have expressed their intention of being present, among whom will be the Archbishop of the West Indies and the Bishop of London. The Canadians who are down on the programme as speakers are Mr. N. F. Davidson, of Toronto; Mr. A. G. Alexander, Hamilton; Mr. F. W. Thomas, of Toronto; Rev. T. W. Powell, Eglinton, and Mr. John Birmingham, of Winnipeg. The speaker to represent the Canadian juniors is Mr. Bert Alley, of Toronto. An address will be given by Bishop Du Moulin.

MAYOR'S OPPONENT LABOR-CONSERVATIVE

If His Worship Is Opposed For His Second Year in Office.

City Talks of Handing Roads at Filtering Basins Over to Government.

It looks as if there might be war again this year in the Conservative camp over the municipal elections. It was stated on good authority this morning that Mayor Stewart would surely be opposed for his second term. It is said that a faction of the party which tried hard to put Stewart down and out last year has already discussed the matter. The plan is to get a Labor candidate with strong Conservative leanings as the Mayor's opponent. It is hoped in this way to catch nearly the full labor vote, and a portion of the Conservatives. The Mayor's course in some matters has not pleased some members of the party, and they have promised to support his opponent.

The famous Ferris and Wellington street bridge, which has been worrying the north enders for several years, is to be completed at last. Superintendent Gillen, of the Grand Trunk, called Secretary Brennan up over the long distance phone last evening and told him the company had consented to build the bridge down Wellington street and continue the wall on the east end. The work was begun this morning and will be rushed so that the bridge can be opened at once. It is expected the work on the switch across Barton street at Ferguson avenue, which was stopped suddenly, when the Grand Trunk issued an injunction, will be gone on with in a day or so. The Street Railway and G. T. R. have agreed to this, permitting the Railway Board to settle the terms.

Although no one had issued an injunction up to noon to-day to stop the city from scooping out the road dividing the two filtering basins at the Beach, everything has not been smooth sailing. J. G. Farmer, solicitor for the Board of Beach Commissioners, had a conference this morning with Mayor Stewart and City Solicitor Waddell regarding the matter, and the letter sent to the city by Beach Commissioner VanAllen some days ago. Mr. VanAllen, so his solicitor said, had heard one of the roadways being built at the ends of the basins was only twelve feet wide. The Mayor was able to deny this, because he measured the road the other day, and found it was twenty-four feet. The board thought the road should be conveyed to the Government before the middle road was touched. Part of the earth taken from this has been used as a top dressing for the other basins. Secretary James this morning polled the members of the Fire and Water Committee, and a majority of them expressed themselves in favor of conveying the roads to the Government, as it will relieve the city of their upkeep. Biggar & McBrayne have sent a letter to the city, objecting to the road being touched until Mr. Fitch is compensated or bought out. This letter will be before the committee at its meeting to-morrow night.

Ex-Ald. W. J. Reid points out that such a thing as happened to him yesterday in the City Hall could not happen if the municipal elections were carried out under the ward system. In 1904 the street watering rate on his house property was 95 cents; in 1905, \$1.10; 1906, \$1.20; 1907, \$1.60. There is an increase of almost 70 per cent. in three years, and Mr. Reid was anxious to learn why. He asked Secretary James, of the Water-works department; he asked the assessors; then he asked the Assessment Commissioner, and also questioned the Secretary of the Board of Works. With all his enquiries he got no satisfaction. Under the ward system he would have gone to the representative of his ward on the committee that had charge of the work and would have known exactly why the increase was so great.

The Markets sub-committee yesterday afternoon agreed to give Klein & Binkley a six-year lease of the two city stores adjoining the City Hall, at a rental of \$1,400 a year. The city has been receiving \$840 a year from the two stores. The new lease goes into effect on Oct. 1, and after the first three years, the city reserves the right, by giving three months' notice, to force the tenants to vacate should the stores be required for civic purposes. The firm intends making one store of the two, and putting in a fine new front.

The experience of St. Catharines with the Stark Company, of Toronto, which was at one time mentioned prominently in connection with Hamilton's proposed municipal lighting plant, may interest the aldermen. In May the company was granted an extension of time to November, but according to a St. Catharines despatch, will not be ready to proceed even then. The Fire and Water Committee will not take over the machines and supply lights at \$29.50. The aldermen say all arrears in wages to employees of the Stark Company must be paid first.

Messrs. Leitch, the Chairman, and Ingram of the Railway and Municipal Board left this morning to make an examination of the electrical railways on the Niagara peninsula. Mr. Kittson, the Hamilton member of the Board, is ill and was not, therefore, able to accompany his colleagues.

There is nothing of very great importance on the Fire and Water Committee programme to-morrow night to justify a long meeting. The chief item is the Council's resolution empowering the committee to ask for tenders on electric pumps.

J. A. Omand, for many years engineer of the steamer on the fire department, but who resigned several months ago, is applying for the position of engineer of the new steamer.

Building permits were granted this morning to A. J. Edwards for a brick house on St. John street, between Wilson and King streets to cost \$2,000, and to Charles J. Buffin for a frame house on Arthur street near King street to cost \$1,500.

NUMEROUS BOGUS CHEQUES ARE FLOATING AROUND.

Amounts Generally Are Small, But Store Keepers Hand Out Good Cash.

There seems to be a gang of artists in various branches of crime operating in this city at present, and the police are working hard to clear the place of them. With such finesse is their work conducted that Sherlock Holmes could not be blamed if he failed to detect them. A short time ago a number of highway robberies were committed, and immediately following that any person who went into a crowd was in danger of having his pocket picked, as was shown at the celebrated bill fight and at other large gatherings. Since then there have come house robberies and dozens of people have suffered. House robbery was very popular in the vacation months, when the houses were unoccupied, but it is still going on, two reports of this sort being made this morning—by Will Barnett, 239 King street west, who had \$3 in cash stolen last night, and Ed. McIntyre, 30 Emerald street south, who had \$55 stolen while he and his family were at a show.

The latest to come to light, however, is that in the past week or so a large number of bogus cheques have been successfully floated, all for small amounts, but together they make a considerable sum. Several of the cheques have been drawn on the Molsons Bank, whose officials do not know who passed them. Seven or eight of these have been presented, one of the largest being for \$9.90 on H. Taylor, grocer, King and Bisdale streets. The plan is to buy something in the stores to be victimized, and to tender the check in payment, and get cash in change.

Chief Smith said he had not heard anything about this latest scheme, and the bank officials do not care to give out any information just now.

MANUFACTURERS.

Mr. Cockshutt Asks for More Protection to Products.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 24.—Several hundred members of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association met this morning at the opening of the 36th annual convention of the association, held in the King Edward Hotel. A number of the sections met in private, and the general meeting convened at 2 o'clock this afternoon, when the President, Mr. H. Cockshutt, of Brantford, delivered his annual address. He referred to the steady growth in most branches of Canadian industries, but said that Canadian manufacturers had not materially strengthened their hold on the home market. They were in the same position as they were about five years ago. He advised a policy sufficiently protective to attract foreign capital.

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THE LUSITANIA

Was Off the Grand Banks of Newfoundland Last Night.

On board steamship Lusitania, Sept. 23, 10 p. m., by wireless via Cape Race, Nfld.—At 10 o'clock to-night the Lusitania was over the easterly edge of the Grand Bank of Newfoundland in latitude 45-30, longitude 49. The fog is thick. At reduced speed the steamer has covered 210 miles since noon to-day. We have passed Cape Race, which now bears west-northwest from us.

They did not and could not produce in Canada, and when it became necessary for them to go abroad, they believed in a preference which would give the mother country and their sister colonies the refusal of their trade before passing it on to foreigners. Dealing with the question of the present stringency, the president indicated what he believed to be some of the causes. None of them pointed to any inherent weakness in their financial institutions. On the contrary, they rather led to the belief that the stringency was due to some slight over-development and an unfortunate combination of untoward circumstances.

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