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## Twenty-One Killed in Railway Wreck in Indiana

### A Carload of Powder Exploded by the Side of Passenger Train near Terre Haute

### THIRTY-FIVE INJURED, MANY OF WHOM WILL DIE

#### Shock was Felt for Thirty Miles and believed by many to be an Earthquake.

Indianapolis, Jan. 20.—A disaster which occurred at Sanford last evening, has proved to be one of the worst in this section of the country. Twenty-two people are dead, and at least thirty-five injured. The entire train, No. 3, was destroyed including the engine and the cars. Eight cars of the freight train were demolished, and one thousand feet of road bed torn up.

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 20.—Twenty-two charred and mutilated bodies were taken from the smouldering ruins of the accommodation passenger train on the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis (Big Four) railroad, following its destruction last night by the explosion of a carload of powder as it passed a freight train at Sanford, five miles west of Terre Haute. The number of injured will total at least 35.

The cause of the disaster has not been fully explained. It is believed that the powder was in the wrong car, many believing it to be an earthquake. The entire train, including the locomotive, was blown from the track, the coaches were demolished, the engine was hurled 20 feet, and the passengers were either blown to pieces, consumed by fire or rescued in an injured condition.

Some of the injured will die. The most severely injured are at Sanford, Ill. Several others were cared for at Terre Haute, and at Peoria, Ill. The full extent of the disaster was revealed at daylight, but the death list will not be complete until workmen have cleared the debris, and the injured are out of danger.

According to the trainmen of the freight train, the explosion of the powder was caused by the concussion of the passenger train, which was slowing down at Sanford. The theory is that gas from an oil pipe line entered the powder car standing by the pipe and that a spark from the passenger locomotive ignited the gas. Yet another is that the disaster was due to the act of a tramp or an intoxicated man, who may have fired a shot into the car. The wrecked train and eight freight cars were burned up. The other cars were pulled out of danger. Not a building in Sanford escaped damage. Windows were shattered, furniture and dishes were broken and several doors were torn from their hinges. The accommodation passenger train was running from Indianapolis to Mattoon, Ill.

The freight train drawn in on a side track to let the passenger train go by. Shortly afterwards the passenger train approached the station, setting brakes as it passed by the freight train. As the passenger train was just about to clear the freight train's contents exploded.

By the light of the burning coaches the people of Sanford did their best for the wounded. The residents of the town threw open their homes to the injured and worked heroically all night. The cries of the injured and the crackling of the flames spurred the rescuers to frantic work, but they were soon forced back by the

## Cities can Manage Street Railway Successfully

The city of Guelph runs its own street railway. It has a population of at least 5,000 less than Greater Calgary. It is a city which has some engineering difficulties, not being as level as this city. It is a city of the old Ontario kind where five cents looms up large upon the horizon. Last year Guelph not only made the street railways go without any loss at all, but had a surplus of over \$3,000.

The city of Guelph has only 6.2 miles of track, which is considerably less than would be needed in Calgary. The motor power is electricity, which is produced from coal, which costs only \$4 a ton, which is consequently more than the cost of coal in Calgary. The power is generated specially for the railway plant.

The rates are 10 tickets for 33 good any time of day. Or six tickets for 25 cents, good for any time of day, or eight tickets for a quarter good for certain hours in the day. The regular transient fare is five cents.

The Alberta quoted from the annual report showing that the assets of the company are \$116,000. The construction and equipment is valued at \$109,000 and the other assets include toboggan slide, rink, real estate and miscellaneous. The cash on hand is \$9,622.

The passengers carried during the year were 616,946 and the receipts from passengers carried were \$23,290. Made up advertising, freight, park receipts and miscellaneous.

The important item in expenses was wages which amounted to \$5,953. The cost of constructing the road was \$78,000, the purchase price, and \$88,000 for improvements.

The equipment is one 150 horse power Cross company engine. Two 100 horse power boilers, one 100 horse power generator 13 cars, a storage battery.

The company runs a 20 minute service the year round, and during the summer have a five and ten minute schedule to certain parts of the city.

At this particular time these figures are very interesting.

## GOVERNOR OF JAMAICA REFUSES ASSISTANCE

### Orders the United States Admiral to Take His Troops Off the Island.

### GIVES INSTRUCTIONS THAT HE CAN MANAGE ALONE

### On Account of His Conduct All Aid From U. S. to Kingston is Withheld.

Kingston, Jan. 20.—The American landing parties in Jamaica, having been withdrawn at the request of Governor Swettenham, and the battleships and the gunboat Yankton have sailed away.

Philadelphia, Jan. 20.—The steamship Admiral Farragut of the United Fruit Company's line, arrived today from Port Antonio, Jamaica, having on board three passengers, who were in Kingston when the city was destroyed by earthquake.

The steamer is the first to reach this country from the stricken island.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Rear Admiral Davis, in his report on the situation in Kingston, under date of Friday, announces that the Jamaican authorities declined his offer to land wrecking parties to assist in the hospital, the police the streets, clear away the debris and bury the dead, but that later, by request, he landed blue-jackets to prevent a alleged mutiny at the penitentiary (since withdrawn) and had a party guarding the consulate. The West Indian Regiment and the Imperial Constabulary are guarding the town. The admiral reports there was no tidal wave, and that the fire which followed the earthquake reached even the remote portion of the suburbs.

Kingston, Jan. 20.—Rear Admiral Davis' mission of mercy to stricken Kingston, came to an abrupt and painful conclusion today in consequence of the arrival of American vessels clearing the streets, guarding property and succoring the wounded and sick. It culminated in a letter to the admiral, peremptory requesting him to re-embark parties which he had been lauding. Admiral Davis was greatly shocked and pained, and paid a formal visit to Governor Swettenham today, to inform him that the United States battleships Missouri and Indiana, and the gunboat Yankton, would sail this afternoon.

Admiral Davis said that immediate compliance with Governor Swettenham's request was the only course consistent with the dignity of the United States. The fiction American war vessels, the admiral objected to the firing of American cannons in the streets and the citizens might mistake the firing for a new earthquake. He also said that his government was fully able to preserve order, tend the wounded and succor the homeless.

Admiral Davis, however, landed a great deal more than he intended to do, and he is to be commended for his excellent work.

On the afternoon of the salute independent Admiral Davis wrote the governor as follows:

My Dear Governor—

"I beg you to accept my apology for the mistake of the salute this afternoon. My order was misinterpreted, and the disregard of your wishes, was due to a mistake in the transmission of my order. I trust the apparent disregard of your wishes will be overlooked.

"I landed working parties from both ships today to aid in clearing the various streets and buildings, and purpose landing parties tomorrow for the same work unless you expressly do not desire it. I think a great deal may be done in the way of assistance to private individuals, without interfering with the force of your surveillance of the city of my being here is to render such assistance as I can. I trust you will justify me in this matter for the cause of common humanity."

"A patrol of six men are here today to guard and secure the consulate, together with a party of ten clearing away wreckage. This party after finishing its work at the consulate, assisted a working party to catch thieves, recovering from them a safe taken from a jewelry store valued at \$5,000. From this I judge that the police surveillance of the city is inadequate for the protection of private property.

Actuated by the same motive namely, common humanity, I shall direct the medical officers to endeavor to make all efforts to aid cases of distress, which, perhaps, do not

## CHINESE BOYCOTT SPREADING THROUGH CHINA

Washington, Jan. 19.—Consular reports show that the boycott of American goods which was recently revived at Canton is spreading all over China, especially the east and north. The boycott was originally started when the United States government refused to modify the exclusion act. The efforts which were made in Shanghai, Peking and other leading cities to induce the Chinese newspapers to reject advertisements of American manufactures have been successful and none are now appearing. It is stated that Germany and England are at present profiting to a considerable extent by the boycott of American goods.

## WINTER TRADE IS FAIRLY GOOD

But the Irregular Weather is Making Some Trouble

New York, Jan. 18.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade tomorrow will say: Trade in winter fabrics improved as the weather became more seasonable, but reports for the week are most irregular on account of varying temperatures. Clearance sales have made good progress, and new business for spring delivery is coming to jobbers and wholesalers in large volume, while collections show improvement. Manufacturers' returns could not well be more variable. Contracts for many cases covering deliveries into 1908. A few labor disputes are in progress, but most wage earners are fully employed, and several liberal advances in pay were announced during the week in prominent industries. Railway earnings this year reported for January were 8.6 per cent. larger than last year, which exceeded the figures of 1905 by 7.7 per cent. The railway net revenue for the month in this port showed a gain of \$858,620 in imports and a loss of \$1,201,650 in exports.

## THAW TRIAL BEGINS TODAY

The Young Millionaire Will Begin Battle for Life

New York, Jan. 20.—Henry Kendall Thaw, of the famous Thaw millions, Pittsburg, will leave the gray half light of the Tombs tomorrow morning, cross the bridge of signs and stand in the tribunal of justice, where he confidently hopes to prove before a jury of his own countrymen that the killing of Stanford White, architect and patron of the stage, on the Madison Square garden roof, was not "willful malicious murder" in the eyes of the law.

## SHUH MUST NOW STAND HIS TRIAL

Charged With Abduction by Edmonton Magistrate and Committed For Trial

Edmonton, Jan. 19.—Walter Shuh was brought up from Penhold on Tuesday to Edmonton, and given his preliminary hearing before Mr. C. H. Stuart-Wade, J.P., in the police court yesterday. Mr. Hyndman appeared for the defendant, and Mr. Crawford of Red Deer for the prosecution. The charge against Shuh was the abduction of Margaret McKenzie of Penhold, last November. Mr. McKenzie, the girl's father, was the principal witness. The justice of the peace after hearing the evidence, committed Shuh to stand his trial at Wetsaskin or any other place named by the supreme court. He was admitted to bail by giving sureties to the extent of \$2,000.

## PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

### Important Statement Made by Hon. Mr. Cushing, Minister of Public Works, Bearing Out Important Statement Previously Made.

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Asked about the coal situation and as to anything to be attempted by the government in coal legislation, Mr. Cushing said he had not discussed the matter with his colleagues, but reiterated his declaration made at Rouleauville some time ago. There he was discussing in a general way the public ownership and operation of public utilities and asserted that the government might justifiably assume control over certain coal lands, own and operate them in order to break a combine or conspiracy. Further, the government might with equal justification and convenience build railways to the coal mines to effect delivery. The government already had an offer

## DEATH DUE TO POISONING

### Pathetic Tragedy Discovered Saturday Likely Due to Coal Gas

### HUSBAND AND WIFE DEAD CHILDREN WILL DIE

Inquest Upon Bodies Adjourned for the post Mortem

A tragedy of the most pathetic kind, the details of which read the heart, was discovered in this city on Saturday morning last. How happened no person will ever know. The bodies of Edward Ferdinand, his wife and a prematurely born babe, one day old, and two other babies, the older a little girl of three, the younger a boy of two, were discovered so innocently by the police. The bodies were found in the house at 323 Fourth Avenue East and meeting with no response, reported the called to the police. Policeman Mills was despatched to investigate.

When they broke in the door of the house, the first object to meet their gaze was the dead body of Mrs. Ferdinand lying face downward by the stove, the door of which was open.

On going upstairs they discovered the two other dead bodies and the two other unfortunate babies, one huddled close to the body of the dead father, trying to get some warmth; the other wrapped in its cot.

Upon further investigation little more was revealed. It was noticed that the stove pipes below were apart near the body of the woman, and the print of the feet of some one was seen on the chair thinly covered over with soot, as though an attempt had been made to fix the pipes. In the hands of the woman was a bottle labelled brandy and some spoons. Upon the faces of the dead were expressions of extreme anguish, and there were evidences that the little children had been ill. In fact the four had vomited.

The house was well ordered. There was ample fuel and food in the house. There were many theories regarding this lamentable affair. It is urged that the contents of the bottle may have been poison and death was due to accidental poisoning.

There is more than a suspicion that death was due to coal gas. It is urged that the man was first overcome by the gas, and that the wife in her weakened state was endeavoring to remedy matters when overcame. The child mystery, as well as the

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## THREE TIMES CHURCH CROWDED

### Great Interest Being Taken in Services Conducted by Evangelists

The Central Methodist church was crowded yesterday afternoon, when the men of Calgary assembled to hear the Rev. Mr. Crossley on "Mysteries."

Before commencing his lectures the evangelist said that next Sunday at the same time Mr. Hunter would bring into action his Gatling guns, and he personally would deliver an address especially for members of secret societies, and he suggested they should meet at their respective lodges and march down to the church where seats would be provided for them.

Mysteries may be divided into two classes, said Mr. Crossley, spiritual and secular or scientific. Those people who do not believe what I can't understand or explain are more than skeptical, for what after all do we understand of life, heat, electricity, magnetism, and other things which grass in one animal makes beef, in another mutton, and in another pork?

"Nitroglycerine in a basket looks a very innocent fluid, yet if suddenly dropped on the ground would produce a serious explosion, why we can't explain it.

Even doctors, and I speak in no way disparagingly of the profession, don't understand one thing that they are practicing; they would tell you for instance that chorate of potash will act on the mucous membrane of the throat, why or how they can't say.

So it is with spiritual things; there is nothing supernatural; the word is misleading and should never be used, and tends to make people skeptical. These things should rather be called superhuman.

"If any one can explain any of these problems of the material world to a committee satisfactorily, then the committee is satisfied to the same committee spiritual mysteries.

"In the first place it is utterly absurd to ask for an explanation of these things, and in the second place to attempt an explanation is to give oneself away and to be guilty of what is known as a swelled head in this western country.

Some people say education and science lead persons away from Christianity, but, said the evangelist, education is the handmaid of religion, and science when properly understood, a bulwark.

"Prove these mysteries as you would prove an apple, by tasting. Reason together, test the spiritual matters as you would the material matters and I guarantee you will not be disappointed.

"The mystery of God is unexplainable, yet we have an inner consciousness that there is a God and believe the created world.

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## MADE IN CALGARY DAY ON WEDNESDAY

### Interesting Demonstration During Bonspiel

The Hundred Thousand Club are preparing to have a "made in Calgary day" which will be held during the bonspiel on the 23rd inst.

They will endeavor to get the storekeepers in the business part of the city to do a little outside decorating in the shape of flags and bunting.

The "made in Calgary" exhibits will be given in the windows of the principal stores and nothing but goods manufactured in the city will be exhibited.

Among the exhibits will be from the Standard Soap Co., Alberta Biscuit Co., Milling Co., Saddlery and harness goods, candy manufacturers and confectioners, the Calgary Brewing Co., and other firms that are manufacturing in the city.

It will be seen that the Hundred Thousand Club is fast getting into prominence as they have received a communication from Messrs. Carr & Son, of El Paso, Texas, a large wholesale firm. This firm are asking particulars about Calgary regarding the starting of a branch and also for investing purposes.

Another communication from Rochester asking if they were in need of membership buttons, etc.

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