

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1903.

22 KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK.

List of the Victims.

Baggageman William rain, Grand Rapids.

Mich.)

leart-rending Scene.

Fearful Results of Collision Head-on.

Wind Blows Out Signal Light on the Marquette Railway and Trains Speed to a Fearful Meeting - Distressing Scenes as Dead and Injured Are Taken from the Wreck,

Grand Rapids, Mish., Dec. 26 .- Twenty dead and thirty-nine of the col evening of two passen on the Pere Marquette railroad. If mile west of East Paris, and aix east of this city. The collision, which s east of this city. The collision, which head-on, was caused, according to a ement issued by the officials of the lat the general offices in Detroit, by high wind blowing out the red signal p. at, McCords, where the westbound n, No. 5, should have stopped and re ed orders to pass the eastbound train orders to pass the e

officials deny a report that a mis ading of orders on the part of one ngineers was responsible for the According to the statement of and. According to the statement of officials the trains were to have met passed at Oakdale Park, but to help eastbound train the dispatcher issued orders, fixing Fox as the meeting the eastbound train received its

ning trains to see each other through the driving blizzard in time to even slow down. The westbound engine drove through No. 6's engine like a wedge, sep-arating the gear from the boiler and standing the latter on edge like a broken, twisted shell. The running gear was crumpled up like so much twine. Great east steel side rods bent into many shapes and even the steel tires of the big driving wheels split and sprung from the wheels, wheels split and sprung from the wheels, landing in some cases ten feet from the engine. The boiler of engine No. 397 turned over several times and the very succeeded only in loosening the maxier of debris so that it bore down heavier on poor Chambers, who was suffering great agony. More powerful levers and more helpers finally lifted the mass sufficiently so that the two men could be pulled out. force of the twisting impact seems to have been the means of saving the life of En-gineer Waterman. He was flung forty feet over the fence at the edge of the right t recovered consciousness only long ugh to give his name and address on of way. Moon, his fireman, was sitting on the opposite side of the cab and he, too, was thrown clear of the pile of enough to give his name and audress of the hospital train. Engineer Frank Water-man and Fireman F. B. Moon were dug out of the wreckage of the baggage car that was following the engine and pulled As the trains came together

domes of each boiler blew off, releasing their contents, else there would have been through the car window. The uninjured passengers proved themselves heroes in the dangerous work of rescue. added horrors from the blistering steam No. 6, eastbound, was composed of mail and baggage car, combination smoker passengers proved themselves heroes in the dangerous work of rescue. When the special train returned to Grand Rapids it brought five bodies in addition to its load of injured. Rescuers

buffet parlor car, day coach and diner. The baggage coach caught between the engine and heavy train, crumpled up like pasteboard, only the roof remaining par-tially unbroken. The big blind mail car, heavily bulkheaded, took the brunt of the blow but withstood the crush and comaddition to its load of injured. Rescuers claimed that they saw at least three more bodies under the wreckage where only a derrick could extricate them, when the special left the some. The wrecking train ran to the scene as soon as the track was cleared by the special returning here. blow, but withstood the crash, and com unicated it to the smoker next in th rear. The smoker was swept clear mail car telescoped its entire length and turned over at the north side of the track

The list of dead as nearly complete as it is possible to make it at present is:-Engineer Charles A. Stoddard, of the eastbound train. Detroit. The smoker in turn crashed several fee into the parlor car and it was at the rea end of the smoker and forward end of the killed and injured. From a space six feet square the bodies of two women, a boy William Hemr Fireman Frank Burns. and a man were taken out.

Fireman Frank Burns. Baggageman Wagner, of Detroit. Among the injured are:-Chas. West, Saranac (Mich.), skull frac-tured, both legs broken, left hand torn off, probably fatally injured. Harry Marcus, president E. H. Marcus Company, New York, left leg fractured, injured about shoulders. C. W. Botsford, Farmington (Mich.), badly injured about head, face and body. Geo. Neil, Grand Rapids, conductor, left leg broken. Sixty Miles an Hour. The westbound flyer with heavy bulk-headed cars, swayed on the rails back of the baggage and mail cars and the pas-the baggage this train econom errors in sengers on this train escaped serious in jury. As one man they rushed from the train to assist the less fortunate ones of the train from this city. Many stripped warm overcoats from their backs and cov-ered the suffering injured as they were borne to the less shattered cars of No. 5 Nearby farmers turned out with blankets Geo. Neil, Grand Rapus, left leg broken. Chas. T. Chambers, Ionia, injured about Chas. T. Chambers, Iohn, Injury nead and right leg. John Post, Clarksville (Mich.), nose proken, possibly skull fractured, serious. The other injured are all residents of this section of the state. and did valiant service. According to statements m

cials of the Pere Marquette, the west bound train was traveling down gra bound train was traveling down grade and sixty miles an hour. The eastbound train was climbing the hill at forty miles. The former carried probably seventy-five pas-sengers, while the latter is believed to have been carrying at least 125 persons. Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Baldwin, Milliken Mich.) Louis Baldwin, their son. Lester Williams, Lansing (Mich.) Mrs. Daisy Giles, Lowell (Mich.) Burt Myers, Grandville, or Lake Odessa The two trains collided about the mid-

TERRIBLE STORM Caused Darkness in Midday New York, Dec. 26.—A driving snow torm accompanied by furious squalls that it times rose to almost hurricane force, DOES MUCH DAMAGE at times rose to almost hurricane force, struck the city early today. Lowering black clouds pressing down on a bank of sea fog and the dense character of the snow fall combined to produce for nearly half an hour so deep a darkness that lights were lit in all the down town streets and along the river fronts. Many ferry boats and other craft lost their bearings and the harbor resounded

Many Vessels Are Wrecked and Lives Lost on New Many ferry boats and other trait lost their bearings and the harbor resounded with the whistles of vessels cautiously groping their way through the gloom. Ocean steamers bound in and out were compelled to lie to until the darkness England Coast.

WIND BLEW A GALE. Blizzard Strikes New York, and, With Heavy Snowfall and Biting

Cold, Caused Much Suffering --Pall of Darkness Hung Over City at Midday; Lights Had to Be Lit.

Around "Cape Flatiron," at Broadway Boston, Dec. 26 .- After one of the mildand 23rd street, the wind raged in gusts of almost cyclone fury. One man was dangerously hurt by being struck with a st Christmas davs. a winter's storm broke gland today and was a angerously nurt by being struck with a fragment of a large plate glass window blown out of an adjacent building. Towards evening the wind, which had at times attained a velocity of sixty miles tonight three wrecks had Up to 7 o been reported and several other vessel had been in distress. One of the resulted in the loss of three men.

an hour, died down, the metrory contant ing to drop until at 10 o'clock it touched seven above. In all about a dozen persons were reported injured by falls or by fly-ing pieces of debris. The snow fall was about half an inch. A number of little fishermen at New port were caught off shore but all manged to reach port, although several men ere severely frost-bitten.

Fears for Schooner's Safety. Block Island, R. I., Dec. 26.—The fish-ing fleet together with two Newport ves-sels which were caught off shore today in the storm had all reached port tonight with the exception of the schooner Eli-nora Hill, and it is feared that she has The storm centre passed over southern New England during the forenoon and the nowfall throughout this section was quite neavy, especially in Maine and New Hamp hire, while wind velocities reaching more than fifty miles were reported from some

nora Hill, and it is feared that she has met disaster. Her crew consists of Cap-tain Arthur Dodge, his brother, Bernard H. Dodge, Christian Nickerson. Albert Anderson and Albert Ward. All except Ward have families on the island. Nearly every vessel which came into port tonight had several frost-bitten men on board. The wind blew fifty miles an hour here The northwester which set in as soo as the storm center had passed off the coast brought with it clearing weather and a cold wave and tonight the barometer is rising rapidly while the biro-meter is dropping. Reports from Maine and New Hamp-

our here shire show that the storm in that part of New England was very heavy and the Barge Wrecked.

train service has been considerably in-terrupted. Westerly, R. I., Dec. 26-The barge John W. McKaz, in tow of the tug Bully, bound with four others, all empty, from Newport been, and never will be, sanctioned by

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Three Men All DIVORCE LAWS, Sink in Same Hole.

> Two of the Unfortunate Victims Were Skating and Broke Through the Ice --Father of One of Them Lost His Life in Vain Effort to

that an amendment of the federal const tution, which should empower congress to pass a uniform divorce law for all of the Amherst, N. S., Dec. 27-(Special) Newville, a lumbering village on the line of the Cumberland Railway & Coal Co. ment were not impracticable, its expediency is doubtful. Such a tremendous in vasion of the rights reserved to the states Road, was last evening the scene of a terrible accident, whereby Beverly Robertson, aged 40, his son Clifford, aged 14, and s would be the transfer to the federa James Lockhart, aged 21, were drowned It seems that Clifford Robertson, Lockdivorce, would hart, and others were on Half Way River mation of our present political Lake skating when the ice gave way and ystem into a unified and highly central-zed government like that of France. the two fell in. Robertson's brother gave discussion of the expediency of such near by gathered. Among them was Bev constitutional amendment is, however, sentially academic, for never would it be erly Robertson.

adopted by the prescribed number-three Clifford was holding on to the ice, when ounths-of the states. It never would be his father pushed a board out to him, but he was unable to get hold of it. His ates would never agree as to the scope father then crawled out to the end of the uniform divorce board to assist him, when the board of their religion they are bound to insist -that divorce shall never be granted for broke and he, too, fell into the water head first and was not again seen, the breaking any cause whatever. Marriages are some-times, though very rarely annulled by the of the board causing the boy to lose his Pope on canonical grounds; but a divorce in the legal sense of the word never has hold and all three were drowned. crowd manned a boat and pushed it out the to the edge of the open water,

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Save Son. the alarm and a crowd from the store

place. The eastbound train received its orders to this effect and the westbound should have received this order at Mc Cords. Instead it rushed by this station and the operator there, after reporting this fact, found on going out to the plat form that his red signal light, which had been burning two minutes before, was out presumably extinguished by the high wind that was blowing.

With a Fearful Crash.

With a rearry Crash. The trains met with a terrific crash, the bagage and smoking cars behind the en-pine being instantly reduced to a pile of hindling wood. The engines were com-pletely wrecked, the boiler of that which had pulled the eastbound train being tor-completely from the running gear and lef-standing perpendicularly in a ditch at the side of the track.

pletely wrecked, the boiler of that which had pulled the eastbound train being tory completely from the running gear and lef standing perpendicularly in a ditch at the side of the track. Engineer Frank Waterman, who sur vived the catastrophe, says he and his farman, E. B. Moon, were caught like rats in a trap before they had time t save themselves. He says he never saw this eastbound train. The crash and the moans of the injured were heard by near by farmers who rushed to the scene t lend assistance. No person occupying car other than the baggage and smoker, with a very few exceptions, was seriously in-fured. Within two minutes the uninjured male measurement and those of the train craws

Within two minutes the uninjured male passengers and those of the train crews who were not hurt had begun the work of rescue. Traveling Agent Frank Hewitt of the Pere Marquette, who was on the train bound for Detroit and who escaped with slight injuries, telegraphed for a wrecking train and surgeons. Guided by grosps and cries from the wrecked cars, the rescuers by the light of lanterns delved into the wreckage and with fence rails and timbers for levers, pried out the sufferers. A special train bearing sur-geons and officials was made up here im-mediately after the news was received and arrived at the wreck at 7.15 o'clock. Those of the injured who had been extricated were taken into the train and given emer-gency surgical aid and the officials joined in the rescue work. When all the injured had been taken out the hospital train was were taken into the train and given emer-gency surgical aid and the officials joined in the rescue work. When all the injured fad been taken out the hospital train was rushed back to Grand Rapids where am-bulances were in waiting to carry them to hospitals where all arrangements had been made for their reception. The un-injured passengers were also brought here. The Dead and Dying. The first body discovered in the wreck-age was that of Engineer Stoddard, of the eastbound train. Terribly crushed and mangled it lay under part of his engine. Close by was a body so crushed that posi-tive identification was then impossible.

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direction opposite to that in which it had been traveling. The other climbed the wreckage of the first, its boiler torn from the trucks, standing erect in the center of the debris. Mich.) Allen H. Wells, Big Rapids. Peter W. Wierenge, Grand Rapids. Geo. Palmer, Detroit, American express

\$200,000 FIBE AT igent on No. 6. Wm. Smith, Saranac (Mich.) Four unidentified men. TROY, NEW YORK,

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Troy's fifth big fire within a few weeks broke out today in the business portion of the city and oc-casioned a loss of \$200,000. The flames originated in the bake room of A. W. Hollister's wholesale and retail grocery, 335 and 337 River street, and spread so rapidly that the four story brick structure was aflame from cellar to root

spread so rapidly that the four story brick structure was aflame from cellar to root before an alarm was sounded. The fire spread to Fitzpatrick & Draper's big wholesale and retail tobacco factory to the north and the Troy furniture company building on the south. Cruchley & Co., furniture dealers; J. W. Alexander,crock-ery and china depot, and the Troy belting and supply company suffered extensively from water. from water.

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Four Fishermen May Be Lost.

Provincetown, Mass., Dec. 26 .- The Provincetown, Mass., Dec. 26.—The storm today caught a large fleet of trawl fishermen in the bay and nearly every one ran for this port, so that the harbor tonight is crowded. The Gloucester schooner Caviare came in this forenoon with her colors at half-mast for four men whom she failed to pick up after the storm broke. She searched several hours for the men who were in two dories haul-ing trawls. The missing men are Michael

"But how do you keep a cook when you live in the suburbs?" "I threaten to discharge her every day and my wife does discharge her each week."—Brooklyn Life.

James Sipprell, son of E. M. Sipprell

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McCready left Sat-urday evening for a few days' visit to Montreal. Dr. Chas. Shaughnessy, of St. Stephen,

Dr. Chas. Shaughnessy, of St. Stephen who has been in poor health, has gone to the Adirondacks to pass the winter. fur-lined coat. Rev. Silas James, Methodist minister at Gagetown, is seriously ill and not ex-pected to recover. Rev. James Orisp, of Gibson, has been called to his bedside and went down Saturday afternoon.

Harold S. Waite, son of S. P. Waite of Andover, has been taken on the staff of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Woodstock. R.v. L. A. Lockhart, of Bristol, Carle-

Nev. L. A. Lockhart, of Briston, Carlet ton county, has sold his property in that village and will move to British Columbia. The many friends of Ven. Archdeacon Neales will be peased to learn that he is recovering from his recent illness.—Wood-took Disposite

recovering from his recent minutes. Wood stock Dispatch. George J. Vaughan, who has been spend-ing some time in St. John under the med-ical treatment of Drs. McIntosh and Mel-vin, returned Monday. It was found necessary to remove his right eye as the sight was completely distroyed, a result of tumor growing on the back part of it.

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broachitis. V. A. Landry, of Weymouth (N.S.), editor of L'Evangeline, is at the Royal. Mr. Landry says his journal is bounding along well and has lately pushed into Bon-aventure county, Quebec, where 250 names were added to the subscription lists this along well and has lately pushed into Bon aventure county, Quebec, where 250 names were added to the subscription lists this year. Miss Sophie Bayard, of St. John, is spending her Christmas helidays with Mrs. Aubrey Brown, of Digby.

to New York, struck on a reef off Watch Hill today. Her crew of two was rescued by the crew of the Watch Hill life saving sta

The ferry boat John Gourley, carrying immigrants from Ellis Island, crashed into the steamboat Taurus off the Battery, but both vessels escaped with

light damage. The darkness lifted almost as quickly

settled and the snow was succeeded by earing skies, high gales and a rapidly

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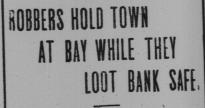
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tion. The McKay either broke adrift or struck is reef and parted her two. line. The rest of the tow apparently kept on without knowing of the disaster to the steam barge. Nearly everyone in the life boat was more or less frost bitten by the time they reached shore

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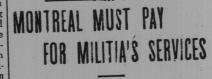
Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 27-A special rom South McAlester (I.T.), to the Rec-

James Supprell, son of E. M. Supprell, will shortly enter upon a practical study of mining and follow that up with a term of study in mining engineering at McGill. The engagement of Miss Muriel Adar Thomson, daughter of John H. Thomson, to Walter Harrison, of the Bank of New Brunewick is any unconed A bold bank robbery, attended by Brunswick, is announced. Mr. F. M. Tweedie, manager of the

Consumption causes one-seventh of the deaths in the world.

head of the Catholic church. The only state in our union which, accepts the Catholic view of the indissolubility of marriage is South Carolina, which has no divorce laws. Members of the Protestant Episcopal church adhere, for their part, to the principle that divorces should be as they reached it, the ice almost carrying the rescu-

The elder Robertson leaves besides his



cury, and a bookeeller were suppose be the participants. It shows what y then considered corruptions of the I

upon legislatures in these states, the diverse laws of which are exceptionally and deplorably lax.—Harper's Weekly. **CANADIANS NOT WANTED.**(Continued from page 1.)
it -would endanger the Russian interests to undertake evacuation during the progress of the negotiations between Russia and Japan for the reason that Japan might seize the opportunity to invade Marn churia.
The Chinese government is so alarmed at the prospect of becoming involved in the seemingly prospective war that it the forcing office has indicated to the ministers that a settlement satisfactory to China would be that Russia should remain in control of Manchuria. As an alternative the foreign office has indicated to the ministers that a settlement satisfactory to chatages in either contry.
The Russian commander imperatively requested the Tartar general to disarm them. The Tartar general is ued an order in accoding the context of the sequent but it is undra ware undaptionable nouns, and imperatively requested the Tartar general to disarm them. The Tartar general is sued an order in accoding the context. **Japa to Rush Railroad.**Tokio, Dec. 28—An extraordinary meet come in at the same time with capture; but though a great favorite it was pro-nounced differently by those who used it. "There are many other words and phrases censured, some of which the ma-jority of us would now think we could hardly get along without. Line, meet, marked, feel, and go, we are told, were employed on all occasions, whether they had any meaning or not. Instead of say-ing conduct, it was fashionable to say line Japan to Kush failload.
Tokio, Dec. 28—An extraordinary meeting of the privy council today approved the issuance by the cabinet of an emergency ordinance authorizing the guarantee of the principal and interest of an issue of 10,000,000 yen debentures for the purpose of expediting the work on the Seoul Fusan railway which is expected to be finished by the end of the year. The ordinance also provides for all possible military expenses for the protection of the railway and other interests.
It is believed that unless Russia modifies her reply Japan will immediately safe guard Korea, though such a step will not necessarily mean war with Russia.
"Pa," said little Willie Giggles, "is a family jar' one o' them kind that's used for preserving?"
"Perhaps, my son," replied Mr. Giggles, "Ternch word and the other vile old English. Instead of for the future it has been will not for preserving the pasce."—Phili adelphia Press.

Canadian Artillery.

Japan to Rush Railroad. Tokio, Dec. 28-An extraordinary meet-

A posse of United States marshals is a pursuit of the robbers.

