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# The World

27TH YEAR OBS: Easterly to northerly winds: fair and cold; light local snowfalls. 14 PAGES—WEDNESDAY MORNING FEBRUARY 27 1907—14 PAGES ONE CENT

## TO-NIGHT—Public Ownership League Organization Meeting in Victoria Hall—TO-NIGHT

### THREE DEAD, SCORES HURT IN ACCIDENT NEAR GUELPH BY DERAILMENT OF TRAIN

Broken Rail Causes Wreck of G.T.R. Passenger Train in Trainer's Cut and Five Cars Are Plunged Over a Steep Embankment—150 Occupants of the Passenger Coaches Are All More or Less Injured—Many Are Removed to the Hospital.

### STRATFORD MOURNS FOR TWO DEAD SCENES "INDESCRIBABLY HARROWING"

The Grand Trunk Railway issued the following official statement last night: "At about 2.50 p.m., No. 5, engine 955, Engineer Thompson, Conductor Woods, two baggage cars, two coaches and parlor car left the track on the embankment near Trainer's Cut, two miles east of Guelph. The entire train, with the exception of the engine and tender, went down the embankment. Three passengers were killed, one seriously injured, and thirty-nine slightly injured, the names of whom are given below. Derailment caused by a broken rail.

- THE KILLED.**  
**C. RANKIN, STRATFORD.**  
**EX-MAYOR O'DONOHUE, STRATFORD.**  
**THREE-YEAR-OLD CHILD OF H. C. WALKER, PETERBORO.**
- THE INJURED.**  
 Thomas Scott, Listowel, three ribs broken and not expected to live, injured internally.  
 Mrs. John Walker, Acton West, back injured.  
 Miss Walter, Acton West, elbow slightly injured.  
 Miss Mabel Randall, Camiache, shoulder injured.  
 W. J. Hays, Stratford, ulna fractured.  
 Albert Rogers, thumb injured.  
 J. T. Heatherman, Stratford, Canadian Express route agent, scalp wound, not serious.  
 W. Alderson, general car inspector, four ribs broken and injured about face, not serious.  
 D. N. Dennison, Stratford, knee sprained.  
 H. Patterson, Stratford, slightly cut about face.  
 Miss K. Cowan, Sarnia, shaken up.  
 T. P. Scheraga, Toronto, ribs fractured, not serious.  
 R. L. Cross, Toronto, ribs fractured, not serious.  
 J. Anderson, Toronto, arm bruised.  
 Mrs. Donald McGregor, Acton West, cut about head and shoulder, not serious.  
 H. A. Halen, Berlin, head and hands cut.  
 D. O. Ritz, Berlin, hand injured.  
 Frank Kelly, Galt, head and hand cut.  
 Wm. Sutton, Stratford, arm injured.  
 J. S. Anderson, Goderich, head injured and back bruised.  
 J. P. Wright, Detroit, head injured and hand scratched.  
 Geo. Wilson, Stratford, leg injured and body scratched.  
 L. Hutchinson, Listowel, arm and hand injured.  
 John Arksey, Adlington, Man, shaken up and arm slightly bruised.  
 Harry S. Smead, Toronto, right shoulder injured and hand cut.  
 H. W. Acazon, Walkerville, head bruised.  
 F. H. Galusha, Walkerville, leg bruised and cut, ribs bruised.  
 John D. Beale, Sarnia, head injured.  
 R. Pearson, Hickox, hand injured.  
 E. Bachelor, Tavistock, arm bruised.  
 W. E. Buckingham, Guelph, slight scalp wound.  
 M. A. Overend, Toronto, scratched slightly about arm.  
 M. P. Barry, Rockwood, back injured and arm hurt.  
 G. P. Scheraga, Toronto, slightly shaken up.  
 T. E. Hayden, Stratford, hand injured.  
 Rev. R. E. Knowles, Galt, shoulder injured and hands cut.  
 Miss McWhinney, Stratford, head scratched.  
 Adam Klippert, Toronto, right arm broken.  
 H. C. W. Walle, Port Huron, shoulder injured slightly.  
 F. Davis, London, Eng., hand injured.  
 Mr. Pooley, Toronto, hand injured.  
 R. Pearson, Picton, head cut.  
 H. M. Patterson, Stratford, lower jaw crushed.  
 B. A. Perry, Toronto, back hurt.  
 Rev. Stratford, arm broken.  
 Mrs. J. Ryan, Guelph, left foot badly hurt and amputation may be necessary.

H. Walker, Peterboro, arm and side hurt.  
Miss Starr, car painfully torn.  
Mr. Jones, Mitchell, side badly sprained.  
Mr. Strong, Ancaster, not seriously injured.  
Thos. Scott, Sutton West, lost eye, all ribs broken.

Guelph, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—A broken rail on the Grand Trunk main line, two miles east of this city, plunged three passenger cars, a baggage and express car over a steep embankment, resulting in the almost instant death of three of the passengers and serious injuries to many others. There were about 150 occupants of the coaches and few escaped without hurt, while all were shaken up. Dr. Robinson here ordered an inquest to be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow. An adjournment for further developments is probable.

The news of the wreck was brought into Guelph by Conductor Woods, who engaged a farmer's cutter. Excitement spread rapidly and arrangements were made to run an engine and coach, containing all the medical supplies available to the scene. The rescuers arrived within a little over an hour, by which time all the dead and injured had been taken out. Many of those whose injuries were not serious, walked into town, where the injured were conveyed to the General and St. Joseph's Hospitals. The dead were placed in an unused building improvised as a morgue.

Auxiliaries from London, Guelph and Mimico were soon on the spot, but traffic on the line was blocked for about six hours. The damage to the coaches was not so great as might have been supposed, since while the interior was wrecked, seats being displaced and lumbered in heaps, the solidly built coaches withstood the shock well, and the only noticeable break was at a spot where the outer work of one had been chopped away to facilitate the work of rescue. The train No. 5 left Toronto at 1 p.m. and was piloted by William Thompson, Fireman William A. Hur-

## INSURANCE COMMISSION FIND MANY EVILS; NO REMEDIES

CONDEMNS THE MANIPULATION OF THE CANADA LIFE FUNDS

Many of the investments it is Found Were Made To Serve Other Interests as Well as Those of the Shareholders—Affairs of the Union Trust and I. O. F. are Discussed at Considerable Length and Warm Criticisms Made—Commission Do Not Recommend State Insurance.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

The commissioners are diffuse in analysis and recommendations. In the main, however, they deprecate any drastic legislation and pronounce against state insurance. They submit that a standard form of insurance policy, restrictions as to investments by the company and publicity will only tell a nearly story, evil now complained of by the policyholders, including those who are entitled to participate in profits.

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### SENATOR COX AND HIS CONTROL OF THE CANADA LIFE FUNDS CRITICIZED

of \$220 as commission report says that this amount was not divided with the other members of the syndicate. The report explains that upon the final settlement of the '7 acts in terms it is not apparently anywhere on deposit or earmarked in any tangible form, but its diversion to either the private account of Mr. Foster, or to the account of the syndicate was, like that of Foster, had been in mind that the trusts upon which the funds were held.

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### TWO KILLED IN THIS WRECK.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—A head-on collision took place at Brookfield, 50 miles from here, on the I. C. E., tonight, between the Boston express, from Montreal and No. 9 passenger train, which left here at 10:15 p.m. The result was a crash in which two men were killed outright and one fatally injured.

## FIRE IN MONTREAL SCHOOL SUFFOCATES 16 CHILDREN AND HEROIC LADY TEACHER

Awful Holocaust, Caused by Explosion of Furnace—Dense Smoke Ascended Between Walls and Flooded Building With Deadly Fumes.

### PRINCIPAL FOUND DEAD SURROUNDED BY BODIES

Montreal, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Sixteen scholars and their teachers are dead from suffocation the result of a fire which broke out in the Hochelaga Protestant School, 59 Frontenac-street, this afternoon. The school was a brick building, about 15 years old, situated at 59 Frontenac-street, on the east side, above St. Catharine-street. There were schoolrooms on two floors and the dwelling of the caretaker, Mrs. Hand, was on the top flat. There were two staircases, both leading to Frontenac-street, one for the boys, the other for the girls. The teachers were all ladies, the principal being Miss S. Maxwell, who graduated at the Normal School in 1904 and has been principal in the Hochelaga School for the past four years. Her father was the late James Maxwell and her uncle is B. J. Maxwell, the lumber merchant. There is every indication that Miss Maxwell sacrificed her own life for the scholars. Her body was found, surrounded by those of children.

### FISH DEPOSED FOR MISCONDUCT

Harriman Makes a Surprising Statement in His Examination by Interstate Commerce Commissioners.

New York, Feb. 26.—An assertion that Stuyvesant Fish was deposed from the presidency of the Illinois Central because of misconduct as to the funds of the company, continued today to answer questions relating to individual stock transactions; explanations of the transfer of three hundred thousand shares of Southern Pacific stock to William G. Rockefeller during the attempt of James R. Keene to secure control of the road, and of the delayed announcement of the dividends in Union Pacific and Southern Pacific, were among the features of the testimony of E. H. Harriman before the Interstate Commerce commission today.

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