

TEN BODIES RECOVERED.

Gas Explosion Wipes Out Entire Family.

STORY OF AN EYE-WITNESS

Fire Followed the Pipe Lines—Injured Their Lives the Day Before, Saying They Had a Presentiment of Evil—What Caused the Disaster

Chicago, Feb. 8.—At 2 o'clock this morning ten bodies had been recovered from the ruins of the Trostle House, which was destroyed last night by an explosion of gas. Eight have been identified as:

Otto Trostle, Mrs. August Trostle, Annie Trostle, 11 years old; Lena Trostle, 7 years old; Sophia Kneipp, Otto Trostle, Jr., Mrs. Manie Rosenthal, Fred Trostle. The cause of the explosion has not yet been fixed.

Two business men in the vicinity said the explosion was in a defective boiler connected with the gas system in the basement of the building occupied by Butcher Trostle, which an employe had attempted to thaw out. Others insisted that the explosion was caused by the gas itself, but they were unable to say how the gas had caused it.

The experts of the People's Gas Company are investigating the cause and are as yet uncertain. They think some one was throwing out a pipe and that the explosion resulted.

The city fire marshal is likewise uncertain as to the first cause. The most graphic story of the accident was told by J. Pauly, of No. 66 Twenty-second street, who stood across the street when the explosion occurred.

"The first thing I knew," he said, "I was thrown against a telegraph pole. I was facing the market, and it seemed that the whole building rose in the air at once and then collapsed into the cellar, a heap of ruins. I ran across the street, and as I crossed the car tracks, I could hear the cries of the people imprisoned in the wreckage. Almost immediately the flames burst out all over the place, and it seemed that everything was on fire at once."

"Then I caught sight of a man crawling out from the basement. He did not seem to be badly hurt, and I called for help. I recognized him as the sausage maker Trostle had hired a few days before. I do not know his name. A man who ran up jumped down to help him, and between us we got him to the street. He was able to walk, and went away at once."

"The first explosion in the building disconnected the gas mains and they caught fire. I was unable to follow the pipes, and five minutes later the main hole west of Archer avenue blew up with a report almost as loud as the first. The main hole to the east followed in a few minutes."

We could hear the cries in the basement growing fainter, and we had to allow the sufferers to die without doing anything to help them."

On Monday Otto Trostle insured his life for \$5,000, making his wife the beneficiary. Yesterday Mrs. Trostle called on the insurance agent and asked if the two oldest children could be insured. She said she had a presentiment that something would happen. The agent was instructed to write policies for \$2,000 each.

Later it is believed that eleven is the correct number of people who lost their lives by the explosion of gas in the Trostle shop last night.

HORSE BREEDERS MEET.

Name of Society Changed and Officers for the Year Elected.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—The annual meeting of the Saddle and Carriage Horse Society was held last evening at the Albion Hotel. Vice-President Walter Harland Smith in the chair. Hon. Secretary-Treasurer Wade presented a most satisfactory report.

It was decided to change the name of the organization to the Harness, Hunter and Saddle Horse Society of Canada.

It was also decided to give a silver cup to be won twice by the same exhibitor for each of the following: Best heavy harness horse, best roadster, best hunter, and best saddle horse, competing horses to be the bona-fide property of the exhibitor.

The following officers were elected: President, W. Harland Smith; Vice-Presidents, A. G. B. Sheppard and T. A. Crow; Treasurer, Henry Wade; Secretary, H. J. P. Goad; Directors—W. C. Brown, Mandowale, T. H. McCarty, Thomeford, James Murray, Toronto; S. B. Fuller, Woodstock; Dr. Andrew Smith, Toronto; George Pepper, Toronto; Wm. Hendrie, Jan. Hamton; E. W. Cox, Toronto; W. T. Merry, Toronto; and Adam Beck, London. Representatives to the Canadian Horse Breeders' Association, Adam Beck and A. G. B. Sheppard. Representatives to the Canadian Industrial Exhibition Association, President Harland Smith and W. T. Merry.

DECEASED WIFE'S SISTER.

Had Second Reading After Obstruction From Creditors.

London, Feb. 10.—The second reading of the deceased wife's sister bill reappeared in House of Commons today in identical form with that of last night. After some discussion it was voted in favor of the bill.

The bill was still with the committee. The fact that it was still with the committee was still with the committee.

HIS NECK WAS BROKEN.

But He Lived Eight Months in a Paralyzed State.

New York, Feb. 10.—When Walter Davis was thrown from a swingboard at Coney Island nearly eight months ago, and was picked up unconscious with a broken back, the physicians at the Kings County Hospital said he could not live, and that he would die right away.

But he did not die until yesterday, though the lower part of his body had been paralyzed for several weeks. He was twenty-two years old.

It was on June 17 that he was thrown while being whirled rapidly around one of the loop devices at the island.

Although the physicians did not believe they would be able to save him, he not only lived, but he seemed steadily to improve.

All the aid that science could give him was his, and the physicians began to hope for some extraordinary prolongation of his life until a few weeks ago, when paralysis of the legs set in.

DOWIE HARD PRESSED.

Seer of the Zionists in the Fight of His Life.

MUST RAISE MUCH MONEY.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—John Alexander Dowie, in a desperate effort to hold his followers in line, hastened to Zion City yesterday afternoon. At an early hour this morning he was addressing his frenzied tones at a meeting of 1,500 persons in the main room of the lace factory, for which a receiver has been appointed.

Besides attempting to rally his supporters, Dowie is bending his energies to secure an immense sum of money to tide him over the present crisis. A payment of \$100,000 on part of the land comprising the site of the "heavenly city" was due on Saturday, but an extension of ten days was sought and obtained.

Yesterday there was due Mrs. Joseph Durkin, of Waukegan, \$28,000 on Zion City land, and the payment of this, too, was postponed after an urgent appeal by Dowie.

Of the 4,000 of the faithful in and near the seat of the Dowie theocracy, about 1,500 rallied last night at the call of "Elijah." They assembled in the main working-room of the factory.

Meeting Well Guarded.

To reach the place of meeting one had to pass two cordons of Zion guards and then be able to give the sign of one of the adherents of the "prophet."

A reporter for a morning paper, being unable to demonstrate that he was a Dowieite, was bundled into a carriage, carried a mile out on the western prairie, and unceremoniously dumped. Over a dozen persons were ejected from the meeting before Dowie began his exhortation, mingling in his usual way pleas for funds and for confidence in his spiritual claims.

During the day there had been signs of wavering among the property-holders of the district, and mutterings that none would follow who were next victims of Dowie's rapacity might be, since Samuel Stevenson, his own brother-in-law, had found it necessary to go into court to obtain his rights.

Trial Brought Him Fame.

"What has this trial before Judge Tulcy brought me?" Dowie demanded, after the usual preliminaries.

"Fame," came the unanimous answer. From that on the queries and replies were given and received as though they had been well rehearsed.

"What else has it brought me?" Dowie wanted to know.

"Money."

"What will be the result of this persecution by the forces of the evil one?"

"The continued glory of Zion."

"Though my persecutors may appear to hold the reins now," Dowie said, "his trouble has only tended to increase Zion's power, and they will soon see that the Word of God is more powerful than any court. Some of you may think that Zion is passing through a crisis. Well, maybe it is. We can face it, and come out on top, as we always have."

WASHINGTON IN A FLUTTER.

The Marriage of the Season Took Place Last Week

PRICELESS WEDDING GIFTS.

Bridal Party Passed Through an Aisle of Easter Lilies—All the Wealth and Fashion of the Capital Present—The Pretty Bride Simply Gowned.

Washington report: Helen Hay, eldest daughter of Secretary of State John Hay, and Payne Whitney, of New York, son of ex-Secretary of the Navy Whitney, were married today at noon at the Church of the Covenant. The wedding was the most notable social event of the season in Washington, being celebrated in the presence of the highest officials in the land, including the President and his Cabinet, and of what is recognized as the best of New York and New England society.

The Hay family has been in mourning since the death of Adelbert Hay, but for this one day the mourning was put aside and the wedding was celebrated with all the pomp and circumstance.

That would have characterized it otherwise. For several days past the guests have been gathering and preparations have been made for the wedding. The groom's father, ex-Secretary Wm. C. Whitney, came to Washington with a party of distinguished friends, including Sir Edward Colebrooke, C. T. Barney, Miss Barney, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Paget, while Payne Whitney, the bridegroom, had gathered about him at the Arlington a large number of his college chums and friends.

CASUALTIES FOR JANUARY.

Dutch Correspondence Mailed to Lord Milner.

C NADIAN ILL OF FEVER.

London, Feb. 6.—The War Office return of casualties in South Africa for the month of January, published today, is unusually heavy. Four officers and 82 men were killed in action, 5 10 officers and 328 men died of disease, 21 men were reported missing, and 67 officers and 1,937 men have been invalided home.

Up to Jan. 31 the total reduction of the forces, from death to permanent disability, was 25,305 men. The total of the casualties, including surviving wounded, was 5,240 officers and 100,701 men.

Sent to Milner.

London, Feb. 6.—Copies of the correspondence exchanged between the



THE CROWN PRINCE OF GERMANY. Who is Said to be Suffering From a Mysterious Malady.

Presents almost without number have been pouring into the Hay home for the last fortnight; it is believed their number exceeds four hundred, many being articles of value.

Almost Priceless Worth.

But it has not been possible, owing to the reluctance of the family, to obtain a complete list of these presents, though it is known that they include houses and lands, and jewelry, and articles of virtue and art, without number.

The church where the ceremony was performed was elaborately and artistically decorated with flowers and greens. Down the centre aisle was a beautiful conception, a

Bridal Path of Eastern Lilies.

attached to the pews on either side. The walls of the church were festooned with southern smilax, topped off with great masses of Easter lilies caught up by bows of wide white ribbon.

The church was crowded. Its seating capacity is only 600, which promised badly for the 4,000 persons invited. The invitations were limited to friends of the contracting families, the only exception being in the case of the diplomat body.

Mr. Whitney's best man was Eugene Hale, jun., son of the senior senator from Maine.

Pretty in Her Simplicity.

The bride was assisted by two maids, her sister, Alice Hay, and Dorothy Whitney, the sister of the bridegroom. The bride wore neither jewels nor lace, and her toilet was one of extreme simplicity, consisting of a gown of plain white satin completed by a tall veil caught in place by a coronet of orange blossoms.

G. T. R. ENTERPRISE.

Advertising Canada at a Chicago Exposition.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 10.—The second annual show of the International Fish and Game Association opened here last night in the Coliseum, under most favorable auspices. The attendance was about five thousand. One of the most attractive and interesting exhibits was the beautiful and artistic display of photographic views depicting scenes on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway, which include the renowned districts in the Highlands of Ontario and other portions of Canada. In addition to the views a most comprehensive display of mounted fish, native Canadian waters, is shown, and creates a favorable comment and much interest to the tourists, anglers and sportsmen. The summer resort districts and game and hunting haunts of Canada have never before been brought before the people of Chicago as attractively and with such prominence as is now being done by the Grand Trunk Railway system.

AN FUL CRUSH AT A BRIDGE.

Brooklyn Man Forced Over People's Heads,

THEN TRAMPLED UNDER FOOT.

New York, Feb. 10.—There was so bad a crush at the end of the Brooklyn Bridge at the rush hour last night that many Brooklynites walked rather than take chances in it. Charles Jacobs, 19 years old, who lives at No. 59 Central avenue, Brooklyn, was trampled under a car when he was on the bridge.

It was 6.10 o'clock when the rush was at its worst. A Fishing avenue car came in on the loop ahead of the promenade and a wild scramble to get aboard followed.

About this time a DeKalb avenue car came in on the next loop and many persons who were making for the promenade were jammed ahead of the car with the others scrambling to get on the Fishing car.

The motorman on the DeKalb avenue car swung around quickly and sandwiched the crowd between the two cars. The space was not large enough and several persons went under. Young Jacobs was forced first to the top of the others' heads and then down on the asphalt, where he was trampled under foot. A panic followed, in which several women faint.

Policemen Michel and Meehan tried to thin out the wedged-in crowd and had a hard time of it. Their buttons were torn off and Michel's helmet was smashed. When the cars were finally thinned out young Jacobs was found unconscious and the policemen carried him into the hospital recently established on the north side of the bridge entrance. From there he was taken to Hudson Street Hospital.

Many others in the crowd were bruised and scratched, but all were able to go home. Few, if any, escaped having clothes torn.

At the hospital it was found that Jacob had sustained two fractures of the right leg. The toes of his left foot were crushed and broken and he was badly bruised about the body and head. The doctors fear that he had been badly injured internally. Late last night his condition was serious.

CATTLE BREEDERS' MEETING.

Three Organizations Have Their Annual Gatherings.

The annual meeting of the Canada Clydesdale Association was held at the Albion Hotel, Toronto, last week. Mr. Peter Christie, Manchester, presiding. The annual report of the Secretary-Treasurer congratulated the association upon an increase of 226 in the number of registrations during the year, and an increase of upwards of \$600 in the balance on hand at the end of the year.

The directors were instructed to proceed at once to take steps to hold a spring show that will meet the wishes of the breeders and farmers.

The following were elected officers: President, Lieut.-Col. McCrae, Guelph; First Vice-President, J. A. Turner, London; Vice-Presidents for Provinces—Ontario, O. Sorby, Guelph; Quebec, R. Ness, Howick; Manitoba, J. E. Smith, Brandon; N. W. T., John E. Turner, Calgary; E. Metel, Lumberton, Assn.

Shorthorn breeders.

There was a large attendance at the seventeenth annual meeting of the Dominion Shorthorn Breeders' Association held yesterday afternoon in Richmond Hall, Toronto. President Robert Miller in the chair. Secretary-Treasurer Wade, in his annual report, said that the registrations have shown a steady increase, Vol. 17 of the Herd Book containing 9,406 registrations. The association mounted \$1,100 to the Industrial Exhibition for prizes last year.

When the volume now under way is completed a total of 161,251 pedigrees will be recorded. The association now has a membership of 4,565, being an increase of 314 over the preceding year. With \$8,220.44 cash in the bank at the commencement of the year, the total receipts from all sources amounted to \$20,351.33 and the expenditure to \$12,879.90, leaving a balance of \$7,471.43 cash on hand.

The old officers and delegates were elected, with two exceptions, J. A. Turner, of Calgary, N. W. T., was elected a Vice-President, in place of R. A. Wallace, of High River, and John James, of Markham, a delegate to Dominion Cattle Breeders' Association, in place of Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood.

Holstein-Friesian Association.

The annual meeting of the Holstein-Friesian Association was held yesterday afternoon at the Palmers House, Toronto. Vice-President James Rennie presiding, in the absence of the president.

The Secretary-Treasurer, G. W. Clemons, submitted his report, which showed the total receipts to be \$1,918.64, and expenditures \$1,252.16, leaving a balance of \$666.48 cash on hand. There were 694 registrations during the year, making a total of 768 bulls and cows now registered. Twenty-one new members were admitted during the year.

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The usual grants to the annual fairs were made. A motion to have all Holstein cattle imported from the United States registered in the Canadian Herd Book, and to levy a registration fee of \$10 on male and \$5 on all female animals imported was unanimously carried.

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It is now certain that the Antelope and the five men on board went down in the recent storm off Boston.

BINDING OF GIRL'S FEET.

Tremendous Reform Ordered in China.

London, Feb. 10.—The Dowager Empress of China has just issued an edict in which she directs all officials, by diplomatic means, to discourage the binding of the feet of Chinese females, saying the custom is barbarous.

As a suggestion of this nature tantamount to a command, the Dowager Empress has stood between the Chinese women, dwarfing not only their feet, but their intellect, are to cease.

She has also issued an edict abolishing the prohibition of marriage between Manchu and Chinese, a rule that has been enforced with the utmost rigidity ever since the beginning of the Manchu rule.

To realize the tremendous effect and importance of these reforms, one must remember that each of them does away with some feature which heretofore has stood between China and the civilized world. They show that the Imperial Court means to get in close communication with the outside world and learn the best it has to offer. At the same time China is casting off customs and rules which has hampered her for centuries.

THE POWERS AND SPAIN.

Despatches Throw New Light on the Recent War.

CIRCULAR TELEGRAM ISSUED.

New York, Feb. 10.—The circular telegram of the Spanish Government to her representatives at several of the European courts, and excerpts from the report, have just been made public for the first time, and throw new light on the incidents which preceded the Spanish-American war.

The Spanish telegram states that it is informed that the United States Congress proposes to deal with the report on the sinking of the Maine, without first communicating it to the Spanish Government, thus taking it out of the jurisdiction of the legislative power—a step which may provoke a conflict between the two nations.

The telegram continues by saying that so convinced is Spain that reason is with her, and that she is acting with prudence, that she does not hesitate to ask the direct view of the great powers, and in the last term their arbitration for the settlement of differences pending.

The Spanish representative in London related that Mr. Balfour had taken into earnest consideration the telegram and the peaceful purposes of the Spanish Government, and had telegraphed to the British Ambassador in Washington and directed him, if he found an opportunity, to inform the Secretary of State of the conciliatory attitude of the Spanish Government.

The Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs was quoted as approving the principle that the reports of the Spanish Commission on the Maine should be published as a counter-report to the American report, and in order to facilitate arbitration.

The reply from Paris stated that the Minister for Foreign Affairs accepted in principle the suggestion, but besides actively co-operating to obtain a European concert, the most efficacious thing would be that France should address England, invoking the tradition of international politics regarding Cuba from the beginning of the century, and proposing that both nations act in common with a view to peace.

Despatches from Rome stated that the Italian Government was prepared to act in the direction indicated, and thought that an understanding should be come to on the subject with the other powers. The attention and interest of the Holy See was also assured.

Another telegram from St. Petersburg assures Spain of the czar's sympathy.

AYRSHIRE BREEDERS.

Annual Meeting Shows a Gain in Membership.

The Dominion Ayrshire Association met last week at Richmond Hall, Mr. W. F. Stephen, of Trout River, Que., presiding. The annual report set forth that 1,476 pedigrees were registered last year, or four less than in 1900, which led to the belief that the owners of Ayrshires are not recording all their stock. There was, however, a gain of 36 in the membership of the association. Regret was expressed that the \$250 promised by the Dominion Cattle Breeders' Association had not been received.

The financial statement disclosed the fact that the association is in a healthy condition.

The President and Vice-President are elected by the directors, which is composed of seven from the east and seven from the west. The eastern men were elected for two years at Montreal last year, and yesterday Messrs. Wm. Stewart, Stratford; A. Kains, Byron; J. C. Smith, Hintonburg; A. Hume, Meade; E. W. Hobson, Ottawa, and J. C. Clark were elected as the western directors for a similar term.

The representatives to fair boards, etc., were re-elected, with the exception of the following changes: George Hill, in place of R. S. Brooks on Western Fair Board, and Henry Wade in place of A. McDermott on the Cattle Breeders' Association.

\$5,000,000 for Islands.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The text of the treaty between the United States and Denmark for the cession of the Danish West Indian Islands was made public today.

The purchase price is given as \$5,000,000, and Denmark agrees to cede to the United States immediately the islands of St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix. Residents are to preserve their allegiance to the Crown of Denmark by making a declaration before a court of record within two years from the date of the exchange of ratifications of the convention.

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