

NO MORE DEATHS AT CHATHAM

Miss Henry, John Reid and
Richard Stein Are in

CONDITION OF THE INJURED

Inquest Opened Yesterday Morning,
When Motorman Watson Told
His Story.

Chatham, Ont., Aug. 11.—The in-
quest into the cause of the accident on
the C. W. and L. E. Railway yesterday

whereby five people lost their lives, opened before Coroner Dr. R. J. Bray, this morning at 10 o'clock. D. McLachlan, Roy Glassford, and John Glassford, who saw the accident, were examined. Their evidence did not bring out anything that has not previously been made public. They were

Not Travelling Very Fast.

Mr. McLachlan said that he didn't think the rear car was travelling very fast, and he could not understand why the motorman did not stop. He either must have been asleep or he had

No Further Deaths.

There are no further deaths reported today. Miss Henry is critically ill, and may not recover. Mrs. Henry was able to return home from the hospital today. Wilson Fields is resting easier and will recover. Mrs. Bennett

General Manager Fitch was the principal witness at the inquest. He was unable to account for the acci-

Other witnesses said the circuit-breaker had been blown out, but that Mr. Fitch thought unlikely. The cars had hand as well as steam brakes, but the rails were wet, and the wheels could slide.

Watson's Story.

Motorman William Watson, who cranked the car, No. 8, which crashed into No. 14, gave his story of the disaster at the adjourned session of the coroner's jury this evening, which in part was as follows:

"The hand brake on No. 8 worked

little stiff. When we left the G. T. R. we were about 500 feet behind No. 14. There was a man on the track between our car and the car ahead. I saw that he did not get off and I was afraid I would run over him. I did not put on the brake, but I sounded the gong. We were then going at the rate of about nine miles an hour.

for his welfare I forgot that car No. 14 was stopped and only 300 feet away from me. I knew that I could not stop my car with a hand brake before it crashed into the crowded vestibule of the car ahead. I then reversed the power, when the circuit breaker blew out. I was then 75 feet

from No. 14. I plugged the circuit breaker and reversed the power again, only to have it blow up on me once more. I was now 30 feet from the car and I knew I could not stop my car, but I stayed by my motor, while the car crashed, rebounded and crashed again, and I could see the people from the vestibule on No. 14 falling up-

The inquest was adjourned until Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. The funerals of Frank Donovan, Michael and James Pleasance, and William Bromhead take place tomorrow.

**MACDIARMID TO BE
MINISTER OF FARMS**

He Had a Conference Yesterday With
His Predecessor.

Toronto, Aug. 11.—General opinion at the Parliament Buildings today seems to confirm a report that the Hon. Nelson Montetth will create a new Ontario commissionership for England, to be known as agent or consul-general, and to have

ing created this office, he will resign his portfolio, step into the office Mr. Macdiamid has just created, and Findlay Macdiamid will be minister of agriculture. Such, at least, is the guess of those who ought to have good data.

Mr. Macdiamid conferred with Mr. Monteith today, but said he had

news yet of any appointment. It is understood that the salary Mr. Meade will enjoy in England will be about \$4,000. The rule has been that no member of the House shall receive a Government appointment. This will be got over by the minister resigning some days before he is appointed.

the London office.

TO BE INTERRED HERE

Mr. John C. Drake Dies After Lingering Illness at Weston.

Windsor, Ont. Aug. 11.—John

Drake, son of Former Mayor Drake, a rising young businessman, died yesterday at Weston, Ont., after a lingering illness. Mr. Drake was about 35 years of age and unmarried. He was partner with his father in the Drake Furniture Company, and was active in business affairs until about six months

ago, when his health failed. The body will arrive in Windsor today and funeral services will be held at the family residence. The interment will be in London, Ont., Thursday morning.

Experiments have recently been made with an inflammable paste of bullets. When the bullet leaves the

muzzle the paste ignites, leaving a stream of smoke behind it, and enabling the marksman to watch its course and, if necessary, correct his aim for the next shot.