

NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

Unclean Milk Poured Into Toronto Sewer.

Montreal Officers Have Watches For Autos.

Light-Weight Bread Campaign On at Windsor.

Gordon Burgess, assistant at Grand Trunk depot, Drumbo, had the toes of one foot cut off by a car.

Hannar Greenwood, M.P., sails by the Empress of Britain from England for a short trip to the Pacific Coast.

Mrs. Marie Rollins, an aged lady, residing at 138 John street, London, fell downstairs and was very seriously injured.

Mrs. John Patterson, Yarmouth Centre, is in a serious condition at her home as the result of having been thrown out of her buggy east of St. Thomas.

The Western District Orange Association is building an Orange Hall at the corner of College street and Euclid avenue, Toronto, at an estimate cost of \$46,000.

Walking on the tracks at the east side of the Humber bridge, John Blanchard, a middle-aged man, who lives at Swansea, was struck by the C. P. R. express outward bound, and seriously injured.

An eight-year-old boy had a narrow escape from drowning near the Old Mill at the Humber River regatta. The youngster, floating in a tub, was splashing around in the river, when it capsized.

Some thirty young men are expected to sail from Great Britain about September 25 for Canada, to assist in manning the Methodist mission fields in the Northwest.

The Newcastle, Ont., Board of Education has engaged R. E. Weatherill, B.A., of Winton, as principal of the high school for the coming term at a salary of \$1,300.

The Duke of Sutherland, the wealthiest landlord in Scotland, together with Lord Desborough and Lord Charles Beresford, arrived in Montreal on the Duke's yacht, Catania, en route to the west.

Chief of Police Campeau, of Montreal, has furnished his special constable squad with stop watches with which to time the speed of those who drive their automobiles at too rapid a rate through the city streets.

Isaac Kunz, a young farmer from Glencoe, was taken to the Victoria Hospital, London, suffering from a fracture of the jaw, caused by the bursting of a flywheel on a traction engine of a threshing outfit.

The contract for the 500-foot extension to the Toronto intake pipe was awarded by the Board of Control to Messrs. Miller, Cumming & Robertson at a cost of twenty per cent. over and above the actual price of laying.

The Bishop of Toronto has made the following appointments: Rev. W. J. Creighton as incumbent at Bramford, in succession to Canon Morley; Rev. Charles Carpenter as incumbent of Campbellford, in succession to Rev. A. J. Reid, who comes to St. Mark's Church, West Toronto.

Inspectors Packard and Francis, of the Toronto Medical Health Department, seized seven cans of milk at the dairy of the Canadian Creamery Company, 20 Division street, Toronto, because of the unsanitary conditions of the building where the milk was kept. The milk was emptied into a sewer.

As the result of the campaign against light weight bread inaugurated at Windsor, Ont., some weeks ago by High Constable Campeau, four additional complaints were laid against Frederick Harrison and Archibald McPhail, of Leamington, and Mr. C. L. Pett and Charles Cooper, of Kingsville.

LOST HUSBAND.

Discovered by Account of His Swimming Feat.

Montreal, Aug. 28.—Though seeing a despatch in a local newspaper about Capt. Jack Williams, of Montreal, a man of 77 years, who had performed the remarkable feat in St. Louis, Mo., of swimming the distance of thirty-three miles, Mrs. Catherine Williams, of No. 264 St. Maurice street, has been at last informed of the whereabouts of her husband, whom she had about given up as dead.

Four years ago Capt. Jack Williams, an athletic old man, was known locally for his remarkable abilities as a long-distance swimmer, and as the swimming instructor at the Grand Trunk Boating Club, left Montreal for Detroit by way of Toronto. His wife whom he had left well supplied with money and the house well stocked with provisions, did not worry much when she heard nothing from him for several months. But when the weeks became months, and the months years, she became satisfied that he had died without being able to communicate with her.

For several years past she had been supporting herself by washing, but the infirmities of old age are coming upon her, and her power to work is decreasing, as is her humble wage. Her husband, she thinks, is making money by his swimming, and she will now seek to obtain his help.

BOTANY PROFESSOR.

Guelph, Aug. 28.—Mr. J. E. Howitt has been appointed professor of botany at the Ontario Agricultural College. Mr. Howitt has for some time been the assistant in this department and his promotion comes upon the retirement of Professor F. B. McCready, whose appointment as inspector in the Provincial field was announced some time ago. Mr. McCready will, however, retain his identity with the college as professor of nature study.

THE FIRE HORSE

Will Give Place to Motors in New York.

New York, Aug. 28.—Five hundred picked men of the fire department are to be trained to become expert chauffeurs. They are to operate and keep in perfect condition the motor engines and high pressure hose wagons which gradually are displacing the apparatus now in use. The training for each will last a month, and they will be trained in squads of fifteen.

Battalion Chief Howe says that within five years the department will not have any horses. He said that the motor apparatus has been tested fully and had proven to be far more satisfactory than horse drawn apparatus.

It is expected that within a year there will be 150 automobile engines and high pressure hose wagons in the department. Each will require three drivers.

STOLE TO GIVE

Bookkeeper Stole Money From His Employers

And Spent It on Charitable Objects.

New York, Aug. 28.—The story of a bookkeeper, who embezzled \$6,200 of his employer's money in four years time, only to give almost all of it to charity was made known at the general sessions, which Richard Pachatz, 38 years old, was brought before Judge Swan for sentences.

From the testimony of the bookkeeper himself it appeared that he was possessed of a keen desire to gain social distinction. One of the members of the firm told the court that Pachatz had used almost every cent of the embezzled money in giving picnics and outings to the children and old folks of the Odd-fellows' Home and Orphan Asylum at Mamaroneck, of which he was a director. Many times he had paid for high-priced specialists for surgical operations for members of the institution.

It was stated that friends had partly made restitution, and that the firm would take Pachatz back, knowing that he would make good the balance. The firm asked for suspended sentence.

"I've been a fool, judge," said Pachatz, "and now when it's too late I realize it." He was given a month in the Tombs to repent.

BIG VESSEL.

New Hamburg Liner and Leviathan of the Deep.

London, Aug. 28.—The New Hamburg liner which is being built in Stettin for the trans-Atlantic service is to be named the Imperator. She will be larger than any craft yet afloat, and in her present condition in the slips at Stettin she presents a wonderful spectacle.

The huge vessel appears something like the skeleton of an eleven-story skyscraper in course of construction, as she stands fully a hundred feet high, is nearly ninety feet in beam, and has a length of 710 feet. The Imperator's displacement will be 50,000 tons, and she will provide accommodation for 5,000 passengers of all classes.

IN A TRANCE.

Girl Expected to Wake in Few Days.

Montreal, August 28.—The identity of the young girl who was brought to the Royal Victoria Hospital from the St. Henri car barns, apparently under the influence of a drug at an early hour this morning, has been established. She is Blanche David, 18 years of age, who lives with her parents at 87 Grand avenue. Her mother states that she was not drugged, but in a trance, and that she had been subject to trances from which it is impossible to waken her, ever since the middle of January. The trances last from two or three days to a week. Between trances the girl enjoys perfect health. She has been created unsuccessfully at every hospital in the city. At present she is resting easily in the hospital, to all appearances merely sleeping an unusually deep sleep. The doctors expect her to awake in a few days.

MRS. EDISON

Is Said to be With Husband in Europe.

Orange, N. J., Aug. 28.—Mrs. Thomas Edison, wife of the inventor, is not "lost" somewhere on the Pacific, as indicated in despatches received here from the west last night. On the contrary, she is at present with her husband in Europe.

This statement was made to-day by a representative of Mr. Edison, who explained further that the Edison family is now on an automobile tour of France, Belgium, Switzerland and Germany. The erroneous statements concerning Mrs. Edison's whereabouts are ascribed to mistaken identity.

THUGS IN WEST

Winnipeg Constable Will Die of His Wounds.

Harvesters Blamed for Lawlessness Around There.

Winnipeg, Man, Aug. 28.—Harry Kelly and Frank Jones, the young bandits, who participated in a spectacular street duel and hold-up on a street car last night, with a score of policemen, were arraigned in Police Court to-day and again looked up, pending the death of their victim, Constable Traynor. Surgeons declare the officer can live but a few hours, as a heavy bullet penetrated his bowels.

Restrictions have been taken off the immigration ports of entries in the West to aid the farmers in securing harvest help, and as a result the country is being overrun with desperate young men. Traynor, who was fatally shot last night, was fired upon repeatedly only a week ago by a young highwayman from the United States. He was unarmed. The Police Commissioners are contemplating changing the traditional policy of sending officers on patrol without other arms than a night stick or billy.

The battle in the streets, the hold-up of a young man in a buggy, and a battle extending over a mile through a thickly settled portion of the city, has created quite a sensation. A great crowd talked of lynching the thugs when they found an officer had been fatally shot.

U. S. WORKMEN

Wear Themselves Out Working Too Hard.

London, Aug. 28.—The Board of Trade has issued a report from Consul Bennett regarding the trade of New York, New Jersey, Connecticut for 1909. It contains the following comparison between American and European labor:

"Every worker in America puts more energy into his work than does the European in his own country. Spending is partly responsible for this, but the reserve of energy is no greater in America than in European stock. American energy is consequently exhausted more rapidly.

"At between the ages of forty and fifty, when the European workman is at his best, the American frequently breaks down physically exhausted. His place is taken by a younger man. So long as there is an abundant supply of labor through foreign immigration the vacant places can easily be filled; if the stream stops there will not be so much head of the superiority of the American workman for America would then have to depend upon her own children whose stock of vitality is not greater than that of their parents, whether American or foreign.

HE WAS RICH,

But Lived and Died in Abject Poverty.

New York, Aug. 28.—Although he lived in abject poverty and died from lack of proper food, the will of Dr. Charles F. Meyers, an eccentric aptown physician, shows that he was worth hundreds of thousands of dollars. His lawyer places his estate at \$500,000. His holdings include twenty pieces of the New York real estate and a safe full of bonds and mortgages.

The physician, who was 65 years of age, lived like the poorest of men, cooking his own food in the one room in which he slept, ate and carried on his business affairs. Ten years ago some influential friends succeeded in getting him an honorary degree of Doctor of Civil Law from a Canadian college. The physician, however, decided that the railroad fare was too much to make it worth his while to go after it. Relatives in New England will inherit his property.

SLEPT UNDER CAR.

Lay Down Between Rails and Was Killed.

Toronto despatch.—Becoming tired with the arduous work he was commissioned to do, Samuel Curtis, 28 Erant street, coast under a freight train in the G. T. R. Don shunting yard to sleep for a short time. His work was finished and his limbs ached for rest. While lying unconscious to the world a yard engine came along and moved the freight train away, and at the same time cut off the leg and arm of the sleeper.

The pain awoke Curtis, and after doing what he could to stop the flow of blood himself, he was removed to the General Hospital, where he regained consciousness only long enough to ask for his wife. At 9 o'clock, six hours after the accident, he passed away.

BUSINESS MEN FOR BRITAIN.

Winnipeg, Aug. 28.—One hundred prominent western Canada business men will visit the chief industrial cities of Great Britain during June of next year. This was definitely decided at a directors' meeting of the Winnipeg Industrial Bureau to-day. Leading financial and commercial men representing all western cities will be invited to accompany the Winnipeg party, covering six weeks' itinerary abroad.

BURNED TO DEATH

Massena Young Lady Suffered Terrible Agony.

Cornwall despatch.—Miss Mabel Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bailey, of Massena, across the river from here, was the victim of a horrible accident at her parents' home. Miss Bailey and her mother were preparing supper with an alcohol stove, and Mabel having a bottle of alcohol in her hand while lighting the fire, the fluid exploded, setting fire to her clothing, and she rushed from the house by the front door a human torch. As the sound of the explosion, Mrs. Bailey rushed into the house, having heard her daughter scream, and proceeded to extinguish the flames which were burning the curtains, but was not aware that her daughter's clothing was on fire. Miss Bailey threw herself on the grass on the lawn in an effort to put out the blaze, and the neighbors rendered what assistance lay in their power.

TRIPLE MURDER

Parents and Son Killed and House Fired.

Eldest Son Arrested on Suspicion by Police.

Boonville, Ind., Aug. 28.—A triple murder was committed in Boonville this morning. Richard Lee, Mrs. Lee and their 17-year-old son, Clarence, were killed in their beds with a hammer, and the cause set on fire.

By the time the firemen reached the house it was blazing from all sides. Trying to enter, they found all the doors and windows were locked. Breaking down the doors, the firemen found the incinerated bodies of Lee, his wife and their son. Robbery, it is believed, was the motive.

It is known that the Lee family, consisting of the father, mother and two children, had sold a small piece of property and divided up the money between themselves.

The older son, William Lee, who is 21 years old, was arrested by the sheriff this morning on a charge of murdering the other members of the family.

ONTARIO CROP BULLETIN

The following statement regarding the condition of crops in the Province, based upon returns of correspondents under date of August 5th, has been issued by the Ontario Department of Agriculture: Fall wheat.—According to the May bulletin this crop suffered more or less from winter-killing in many counties, and a considerable area of fall wheat land had to be plowed up, or was re-sown with spring grains. Returns just to hand show a wide variation both in yield and quality reported, ranging from poor to good; but the average yield per acre will be decidedly less than usual. The straw, while short, is generally clean and bright. Smut was reported by only a few correspondents.

Spring wheat.—This crop suffered from the drought and unusual heat of the season. Although short in straw, heads have been well filled and the grain is said to be of good quality generally.

Barley.—This crop will also be below the average in yield. The straw is described as being short but clean.

Oats.—Oats have fared the worst of the grain crops, although some good yields are reported. Complaints of rust have come from different districts. While some are through harvesting others have not yet begun cutting.

Peas.—Where grown for grain this crop has been of fair yield and quality, although short in straw.

Beans.—The unusually high temperature prevailing at different periods of the growing season told severely upon some peas, reports of the blossoms drying up owing to the heat and drought.

Hay and clover.—Clover did not winter well, and in many quarters the excessive heat and drought of May and June added to that drawback. The crop has been remarkably free from insect pests this season. Cutting extended to the 20th of June to the end of July.

Corn.—Late planting, owing to drought of May, was the greatest drawback to the corn crop.

Tobacco.—The ground was exceedingly dry at planting, and the crop did not get a good start, while the ensuing hot and dry weather was trying to growth.

Potatoes.—A light yield of small potatoes will be the general rule, as the season has been too dry and hot for best results. Early planted suffered most.

Roots.—All classes of roots experienced a poor start, on account of the drought delaying or preventing the seed from germinating.

Fruit.—Some correspondents claim the unusually hot weather at time of blossoming affected the setting of fruit. Apples will be light in total yield. Winter apples will be scarce in nearly every locality, but in most quarters there is a fair supply of Duchess and other varieties. All classes of apples are much freer from spot or scab than usual.

Pears, while greatly thinned by the wind storms, are yielding better relatively than apples. Plums range all the way from poor to heavy in yield, and have done best where sprayed. There will be medium yield of peaches; the later varieties give the best promise. Cherries as a rule did well, although some complain of poor returns. Grapes, so far have every prospect of success.

Small fruit promised well early in the season, but failed to fulfil expectations owing to the intense heat prevailing just before ripening period.

THE TUG MARTIN

Fears That She and Crew Have Been Lost.

Captain's Wife on Board—No News of Tug.

Midland, Aug. despatch.—The tug Martin, believed to have been lost with all hands in the Georgian Bay when the barge Albatross went down, had nine or ten persons on board. These included Captain George Vent and Mrs. Vent. They have four children, Richard Melia, single; Robert Hook, Ernest Hughie and Charles Oliver; the latter is married and has four children. Hook is also a married man. Others on the tug were: W. Martin, F. McQuinn, F. Bussame. It is thought there was another man on board.

Byng Inlet, Aug. 24.—The worst fears as to the fate of the tug C. C. Martin, of Midland, would seem to be only too well grounded. That the vessel is lost, with all on board, is the general belief, although some persons, in discussing the probabilities, are not unwilling to hope, if not believe that the tug has gone ashore on some island, and having no yawl, the crew are unable to make this plight known, and must await the success that will come later on from some quarter or another. This view of the situation is, however, hardly borne out by the facts as known. The Martin had in tow, in a tremendous sea, a large barge and the barge sprung a leak and foundered, sinking so quickly that those aboard the tug had no time to cut the tow-line and thus save their craft from being dragged down with her consort.

To-day the tug Davidson, belonging to the same company as the ill-fated Martin, Messrs. Vent & Soper, Midland, called at this port to make inquiry about the missing boat. There was no news of her at French River. Whether the tug proceeded, carrying as passengers the survivors of the wreck.

BOSSSED HIM.

Short Engagement Broken Just Before Wedding.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Aug. 28.—Daniel Crumley, forty-one years old, and Miss Bridget Boyle, forty-five years old, met for the first time yesterday, fell in love, became engaged, got a marriage license here this morning, and thirty minutes later returned the license, having disagreed.

The couple met at the home of Mr. Crumley's brother-in-law, at Swoyersville, near here, and during the day Mr. Crumley asked:

"Have you ever been married?" "No," Miss Boyle answered.

"Have you?" "Not yet," declared Mr. Crumley, "but I like you ever so much."

They got the license here this morning. Half an hour later they returned.

"We are not going to marry after all," Mr. Crumley explained. "She began bossing me on the way to the minister's house and I refuse to stand for it. We want the money back." They were informed that the clerk could not return the money. "Well, it's all off anyway," exclaimed Mr. Crumley, and he tore up the marriage license.

AVIATOR HURT.

Placed Mulai Hafid on Moroccan Throne.

Chicago, Aug. 28.—General Kaid Belton, who conquered Morocco and placed Mulai Hafid on the throne in 1908, was the victim of an aeroplane accident yesterday.

When Belton was expelled from Morocco a year or so ago, he came to Chicago and took up the study of aviation. Last evening he fell from an aeroplane at the flying field, One Hundred and Seventeenth street and Union avenue, fracturing his right leg, bruising his hand and dislocating a wrist.

The General was flying at a height of 125 feet, when his motor stopped and he tried to glide to the ground. He lost control of the machine and when a few feet of the ground he cleared himself of the machine and jumped out.

PERISH IN FIRE.

Three Girls Dead at Port Arthur.

Port Arthur, Ont., despatch.—Three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt, Chamberlain street, on the outskirts of the city, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their little house yesterday. Two other children narrowly escaped the flames.

The fire, from some unknown cause, started on the upper floor as Mrs. Schmidt was preparing breakfast, and when she started upstairs to call the children, she was met by a wall of flame and smoke too thick to penetrate. Two children were able to jump from windows, but the other three were overpowered by the fire, and the bodies were found later in the ruins. The dead are Ella, aged 16, employed in the city telephone office; Louise, aged 8, and Marion, aged 5. The father was away at work.

THE CRICKETS

Eat Grasshoppers' Eggs and Help the Farmers.

Mississauga, Aug. 28.—The cricket's once delinquent fiddling, now is made to the ear of the farmer of the Northwest. M. P. Somers, grasshopper expert for the State Department of Entomology, after a summer-long investigation in the grasshopper infested districts of Minnesota and the Red River Valley, declares that the cricket has an insatiable appetite for grasshopper eggs and is eating them by the millions. The female grasshopper for several weeks now has been depositing her eggs in the ground. The cricket, according to Mr. Somers, has a peculiar aptitude for finding these deposits, and a ravenous maw after he once gets his mandible into the egg pod.

The extermination of the grasshopper, which destroys thousands of acres of grain in the Northwest, seems to rest with the question of providing more crickets.

The discovery is looked upon as an important one by entomologists and by crop experts.

A. O. F. HIGH COURT

Presentation of Silk Flag by City Officials.

Peterboro despatch.—At this morning's session of the High Court of Ancient Foresters the following officers were elected: H. C. B., E. Ramsay, Montreal; H. S. C. R., W. H. Woodstock, Toronto; H. C. T., H. G. Wilson, Toronto; H. C. M. E., Dr. J. A. Seord, Brantford; H. C. S. W., A. Webster, Winnipeg; H. C. J. W., A. Martin, Hamilton; H. C. S. B., H. McPherson, London; H. C. J. W., J. R. McWilliams, Peterboro; Auditor, F. Albot, Meaford.

It was also decided to appoint a representative at Winnipeg to take charge of western work.

The Laws and Judiciary Committee was appointed as follows:

W. J. Vale, for 25 years chairman, withdrew his resignation, and was re-elected; W. Douglas, Owen Sound; J. Haygarth, Hamilton; W. Richardson, London; H. Chick, Toronto.

At the afternoon session, Chief of Police Thompson and Brother Chief Howard, of the fire department, visited the High Court, and on behalf of the city officials presented H. C. R. Ramsay with a beautiful silk flag.

The District Chief Rangers were appointed as follows: No. 1, Pursey, Halifax; 2, McDowell, Ottawa; 3, Seara, Ottawa; 4, Mifflin, Trenton; 5, Highland, King; 6, Washburn, Toronto; 7, Geo. Hurt, Toronto; 8, Monk, Hamilton; 9, Masters, Brantford; 10, Kenwood, Guelph; 11, Miller, Severn Bridge; 12, Little, Owen Sound; 13, Cutman, Plintea; 14, Lancaster, St. Mary's; 15, Whitton, London; 16, Nederland, Simcoe; 17, Lench, Sarnia; 18, Marples, Walkerville; 19, Antribus, Port Arthur; 20, Halliday, (S.) Winnipeg; 21, Greenwood, Portage la Prairie; 22, Hallow Moose, Jaw; 23, Dupan, Lehigh; 24, Armitage, Calgary.

The proposal to abolish the Laws and Judiciary Committee was defeated. The sum of \$100 each was voted to establish new courts in the Northwest, subject to consent of the Executive Council as to location.

DOWIE AFFIDAVIT.

Christ Will Visit Earth in November, 1912.

Buffalo, Aug. 28.—A declaration and affidavit putting the time when Christ will again appear on earth as next year, was received by Deputy County Clerk Seyford yesterday, from Harry L. Burnette and John Taylor, disciples of the late Alexander Dowie, of Zion City, with a request that both be filed on record here. According to the documents Christ will appear on earth in November, 1912.

This is a similar document to the one filed recently by the same persons in the office of the county recorder in Chicago. According to Burnette, Christ will incarnate on earth 434 years, and during that time the tribes of Israel will be reunited and cities will be built throughout the earth modeled after Dowie's Zion City. Then will come the rebuilding of Jerusalem and next the end of all things.

FIND OF COAL.

Mountain of It Found North of Montana.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 28.—Edwin Perry, Secretary-Treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America, who has returned to headquarters in this city from the Canadian Northwest, heard glowing accounts at Fernie, B. C., of the "mountain" of coal that was discovered not long ago in Canada, near Corbin, about forty miles north of the Montana line.

It was said that a drill was sunk 1,000 feet without reaching the bottom of the coal.

Coal is being taken out at present and being hauled by wagon, but work has been begun on a railroad that it may be shipped more readily.

ARTILLERY COMPETITIONS.

London, Aug. 28.—Owing to the unpropitious weather the artillery competitions were postponed until to-morrow, after the Birmingham and Canadian contingents had fired under the most trying conditions.