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EXPLOSION AT LONDON.

ONE MAN KILLED AND SEVERAL INJURED.

Steam Pipes Connected With the Furnace at Stanley Barracks Clog and Cause an Explosion—One of the Injured May Die.

London, Ont., Dec. 28.—One man dead and four others scalded—one probably fatally—is the result of an explosion at the officers' quarters in Wolsley Barracks early Sunday morning. Dead—Officers' Mess Sergeant Jas. G. Burnett.

Fatally scalded—Private Thos. Worswick.

Very seriously scalded—Private Walter Worswick.

Painfully injured—Quartermaster's Sergeant Bernard, Dunlevy and Pte. K. Sandry.

The disaster was due to the hot water compartments of two furnaces in the basement of the officers' quarters exploding. The clogging of a pipe appears to have prevented the free movement of water, causing the pressure to generate steam, which found vent in the explosion. The brothers Worswick were on furnace duty. They first noticed the rumbling noises, the cause of which they were unable to discover. Burnett and Dunlevy were called, and the quarters were evacuated. The explosion continued, just as Dunlevy passed through the furnace room door, and the others were preparing to follow him, there was a loud explosion, which threw all four to the floor. Immediately the room was filled with steam and hot water.

Every occupant of the barracks was awakened by the explosion, and the building was shaken. The explosion wrecked the pipes from their places and extinguished the gas jets, allowing the gas to escape and leaving the victims in utter darkness.

Burnett was nearest the boiler, and it rolled over on him, pinning him to the floor. Private Walter Worswick heard Burnett's cry for help, but in the darkness was unable to give him any assistance. Burnett was held prisoner for about a minute, when with a desperate effort he succeeded in freeing himself from his position, and, struggling to his feet, he made his way with difficulty to the hallway where he fell, and in struggling to his feet again the skin peeled from his fingers. Finally he managed to reach the basement window, the glass of which was broken. His cries brought assistance, and he was pulled through the aperture, suffering the greatest agony for every movement of his rescuers tore skin and flesh.

Private Worswick made his way to the bedroom occupied by Privates Sandry and Dunlevy, and the furnace room. The latter had already escaped through the window, and Sandry hurried Worswick after him. Sandry was severely cut about the neck by a splinter from the furnace. He was taken to the hospital, where he died at 6.30 a.m., the direct cause of death being prolonged suffocation. Besides the prolonged suffocation, the doctors hold out little hope of Thomas Worswick's recovery.

Twenty minutes after the first explosion occurred, just after Colonel Young had left the boiler room, a second explosion was heard. The injury to the barracks is not serious. A few doors are wrenched off and the floors are bulging up in some places. The officers were obliged to resort to the use of stoves, the heating apparatus being knocked out. Burnett and the Worswick brothers came from Halifax garrison about thirteen months ago. The others had been connected with Wolsley Barracks for some time.

ALLEGED IMPERSONATOR.

Said to Have Been the Cause of Annoying the Goleets.

New York, Dec. 28.—Detective Sergeant Collins started for Niagara Falls, Ont., to take charge of a man under arrest there, who is believed to be James Abel.

The man under arrest says his name is P. S. Hall. No information regarding the man being taken to the Niagara Falls was obtainable at the detective bureau to-day. Abel, it is alleged, posed as "J. Ogden Goelet, jun., and, claiming relationship to the well-known Goelet family, became engaged to Miss Grace Anderson of New York. The affair occurred just before the wedding of Miss Goelet to the Duke of Roxburgh. There is no such person as "J. Ogden Goelet, jun.," but the publicity given the affair and the fact that he claimed to be a brother of the prospective Duchess brought the family much undesirable notice in the papers. It is alleged that Abel made use of forged papers to carry out the fraud, and it is upon this charge that an indictment against him was secured in New York.

NEW YORK'S TRADE UNIONS.

Continue to Increase in Spite of Efforts Against Them.

Albany, N.Y., Dec. 28.—Despite the fact that there has been an alleged concentrated effort to discourage trade unionism, the New York State Department of Labor in its bulletin issued to-night for the quarter ending October 1 reports a great increase in membership and in unions established.

At the end of September the Bureau of Labor Statistics registered 2,877 trade unions in this State, this being an increase of 225 over the number six months previous. The total membership was 395,736, an increase of 38,634, or 11 per cent, in six months.

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THE PEOPLE

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gains. I thank you one and all for your kind reception. I am sure it must be a source of satisfaction to all independent men, as well as to many strong Liberals and Conservatives and all well wishers of the Province."

(Associated Press Despatches.)

Pembroke, Dec. 28.—The returns of Saturday's election show Mr. Dunlop, the Conservative candidate, elected by a majority in the neighborhood of 600. Both sides are surprised and the result is attributed largely to the influence of Mr. Gamery in the riding. Besides this, the Conservative candidate was personally very popular, and he worked for a long time in the riding before the Liberal, Mr. Hale, was nominated. The result reduces the majority of the Ross Government to three.

Returns follow:

Pembroke town	61	10	15	76
Cobden	103	10	15	128
Algona South	103	10	15	128
Algona and Fraser, 1	18	—	—	18
Algona and Fraser, 2	18	—	—	18
Algona and Fraser, 3	18	—	—	18
Bromley, 1	43	—	66	109
Bromley, 2	43	—	4	47
Bromley, 3	43	—	4	47
Petawawa	44	—	17	61
Wylie, 1	33	—	31	64
Rolph, Buchanan and	32	21	3	56
Ross, 1	10	21	8	39
Ross, 2	10	21	8	39
Ross, 3	10	21	8	39
Stafford	—	83	—	83
Westmeath, 1	82	—	21	103
Westmeath, 2	82	—	81	163
Westmeath, 3 and 4	82	64	66	212
Wilberforce and Algona	—	—	—	—
North, 1	—	44	—	44
North, 2	—	—	—	—
North, 3	—	—	—	—
North, 4	—	—	—	—
North, 5	—	91	—	91
Total	795	337	244	1376

Munro's majority in 1902, 492