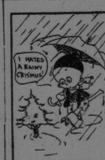


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THE WEATHER Southeastly gales with sleet or rain; Wednesday, fresh and westerly, with a cloudy and mild.

LOSS OF LIFE LIGHT IN CRASH OF PASSENGER TRAINS TOGETHER

Big Four Twentieth Century Hits Lake Shore Train

THREE ARE KILLED

Seven Seriously Hurt, 25 Are Cut and Bruised—Miracle That Many Lives Were Not Lost—The Probable Cause

Eric Pa., Dec. 14.—The Big Four Twentieth Century No. 26 eastbound second section enroute from St. Louis to New York was in a rear-end collision with passenger train No. 10 on the Lake Shore Railway at Northport, Pa., last night. By a seeming miracle but three Italians were killed, seven other persons seriously injured, and probably 25 more or less cut and bruised.

According to the story brought here by persons aboard a relief train, passenger train No. 10, for some reason unknown had been splintered by the heavy engine hauling the Twentieth Century.

Northeast being but a hamlet and at night cut off except by railway telegraph lines from the outside world, news of the wreck travelled slowly. Relief trains were rushed from this place and Conneaut, Ohio, in both places were notified to be prepared to take care of many injured. Ambulances and dead wagons were lined up at the railway depot here in anticipation of the catastrophe. At 3.40 a.m. relief train arrived here bearing the mutilated bodies of three Italians and seven persons seriously injured. These were all taken to the morgue and hospital.

MR. EDGESON HAD, SINCE 1868, BEEN COURT CRIB

With the death of Edward Edgeson, who occurred yesterday at his home, 102 Queen street, a well-known figure in court circles has passed away. Since 1868 Mr. Edgeson had acted as a member of the supreme court and his formal manner of opening and closing the court was always one of the interesting features of the circuit. For some months he had been confined to his home as a result of paralysis and he grew gradually weaker until the end came yesterday.

He is survived by his wife, who is practically an invalid, and two sisters. The funeral will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

FOREIGNERS CROWDED IN TORONTO WARD

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 13.—There are 9,250 foreigners living in the section of the city formerly known as St. John's ward, bounded by College, Beverley and Yonge streets, and the bay, according to a count made by the city medical health department. Of these foreigners 7,000 are Jews, 670 Russian Christians, 1,500 Italians, 100 Bosnian Polish Christians, 20 Greeks, 50 Germans, and 30 Bulgarians and Macedonians. "They are all living under cramped conditions," said Dr. Sheard, city medical health officer.

THE NEW CHANCELLOR IN HIS MADEN SPEECH

Berlin, Dec. 14.—Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg, the Silent Chancellor, as he has been called, delivered his maiden speech in the Reichstag. In simple language and with a measure of fact manner he set forth that the imperial government's policy was to stand aloof from parties and groups of parties, in short, that the government of Germany was not a government by party. Governmental measures would be submitted to the Reichstag for adoption, said the Chancellor, but he was not disposed to define the constellation of parties which he thought would support these measures.

GIRL CLUBS MASHER AND DRIVES HIM OUT OF SHOP

Police and Magistrate Do The Rest—Woman Makes Fourteenth Rescue From Drowning—Farm Team Struck By Train, Boy Killed

London, Ont., Dec. 14.—(Special)—Bert Jackson, a would-be masher, yesterday entered a local store when no one was in but Edna Hall, a pretty young woman, and proceeded to make himself too attentive. Miss Hall procured a club and drove him out of the store and in the police court Jackson was fined \$10 for using insulting language to the girl.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—(Special)—J. Boyle, of Mintz street, went through the ice while skating on Ashbridge Bay and was rescued by Mrs. Bateman, wife of Island Constable Bateman who lives on Fisherman's Island. Mrs. Bateman has saved fourteen persons from drowning within the past four years.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 14.—(Special)—The fifteen year old son of Peter Ambrose, sent to cut a hole in the ice to get water for the cattle was found by his father, dead face downward in the hole he had cut. He had been drowned in water only 2 1/2 feet deep.

Port Colborne, Ont., Dec. 14.—(Special)—A rig in which George Daybell, a farmer of Wainfleet Township, driving his four sons to school was struck by a Grand Trunk freight train at a crossing, five miles west of here yesterday. One boy, Joseph, aged 5 years, was instantly killed and Alonzo, aged 10, was severely injured. Daybell received only slight injuries and the other boys escaped unhurt.

Galt, Ont., Dec. 14.—(Special)—Eight persons left Galt yesterday afternoon for New York to be treated at the Pasteur Institute. They were all bitten by a supposed mad dog last week. The situation here is still serious. A dog catcher has been appointed and all dogs found running at large are being destroyed.

STORM CAUSES LOSS BUT PEOPLE GIVE IT A WELCOME

Heavy Rain Gladly Seen as it Breaks Drouth and Revives Industries in Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 13.—The drought which has existed throughout Pennsylvania almost without interruption since early last summer, was finally broken yesterday when a heavy rain followed a storm and sleet storm. Rain was still falling at 4 p.m. last night. The Susquehanna river more than a foot and creeks in every section of the country have watered their banks. In this city the rainfall amounted to almost two inches.

In Shenandoah the storm wrought havoc with the telephone, telegraph and electric light wires. A portion of the town as it were, was cut off from the outside world. The damage wrought by the storm, it was estimated, amounted to \$1,000,000. The telephone service is entirely out of commission. Despite the damage wrought by the storm, it was especially welcomed in the anthracite coal regions, where many collieries were forced to shut down and others were obliged to haul water long distances in order to operate their mines.

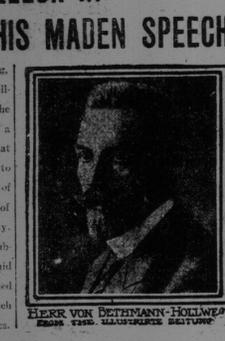
DOWN GANG PLANK WITH MARRIAGE LICENSE TO GREET HIS BRIDE

Quite a romance developed on the arrival of the steamer Hesperian at Halifax. The following is taken from the Chronicle of Dec. 13.—"A pretty romance was culminated on the arrival of the steamer when Miss Rosanna M. Tovey, a very checked girl, of Belvidere, Eng., and Ernest Sere, a rancher of Milestone, Sask., were married by Rev. Mr. Warner. Miss Tovey came out to join her future husband, who left her home town some years ago for the west and has now a flourishing farm. He has been in the city some days making arrangements for the wedding. As soon as the steamer was tied up to the dock Saturday, the bridegroom raced down the gang plank with the marriage license in his hand, and in a few hours the ceremony was performed. They leave for their western home in a few days."

W. RUTLEDGE IS SENT UP FOR TRIAL

Trento, N. S., Dec. 14.—(Special)—W. Rutledge's case was resumed this forenoon. No new witnesses were called. The evidence taken last week was read and the prisoner was asked if he wished to make any statement. He declined to say anything and was sent up for trial by a higher court.

Laurie Burgess and Rutledge have now both been sent up and the case of Wm. J. Burgess will come up again on Friday morning.



HERR VON BETHMANN-HOLLWEG

NEW YORKER MAY TALK TO MAN IN PARIS

London, Dec. 14.—(Special)—The Daily Mail is authority for the statement that within a few weeks apparatus will be installed which, if as successful as the experiments indicate, will enable the carrying on of verbal conversation between the Eiffel tower, Paris, and the highest building in New York.

The DeForest system of etheric telephony will be used.

DEBURY WILL CASE AGAIN IN PROBATE

In the probate court this morning, hearing was adjourned in the matter of the estate of Madam Debury. This matter having been adjourned from time to time for about two years, pending some proceedings which have not yet come up for hearing in equity, the court intimated that the rights of creditors could not thus be indefinitely postponed, and if it is not shown on the date to which adjournment is now made that satisfactory progress has been made, an application, if made, will be entertained for the appointment of an administrator, and if such application is not made that possibly an appointment would be made otherwise. Daniel Mallin, K. C., proctor for the executors named in one of the wills; E. T. C. Knowles, proctor for the executor and trustee of a deceased devisee; Amos A. Wilson, K. C., and Stephen S. Palmer, proctors for creditors.

REV. J. C. HARTLEY'S DAUGHTER DIES IN HOULTON, ME.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 14.—(Special)—In Houlton, Me., last night, Laura Hartley, youngest daughter of Rev. J. Clark Hartley, pastor of the Free Baptist church of that place, and formerly of this city, passed away, aged thirteen. She was the granddaughter of Ludlow Verza, of Fredericton. Her parents and one sister lived here. Interment will be made in Houlton.

Fredericton Has The Snow Storm and It's Heavy—Looks Like Good Sleighting

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 14.—(Special)—The snowstorm of the evening, a strong northerly wind prevailed, and it looks as if there would be sufficient snow to make excellent sleiding.

Christmas trade has been decidedly dull so far, owing to the soft weather and bad roads, but a good fall of snow will change things.

120 MILLION BUSHELS OF WESTERN WHEAT

Winnipeg, Dec. 13.—A yield of one hundred and twenty million bushels of wheat for western Canada, predicted by many early in the year, seems likely to be realized. The final returning returns are, of course, not yet available; but if the estimate of the provincial government is a fair criterion then one hundred and twenty million bushels will not be outside the mark.

Warehouse Commissioner Castle, has issued the following statement:—Estimated yield, provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, 116,813,838 bushels. Inspected Winnipeg 49,688 cars at 1.60 bushels each, 79,500,000; not inspected, 2,000,000; marketed at Winnipeg, not inspected, 200,000; marketed 64,888,000 bushels; allowance for seed 18,000,000; balance in farmers' hands, 20,747,838.

MAY BE HEIR OF EMMELINE WILLIAMS

It looks as if to the heirs to the fortune of Mrs. Emmeline Williams, who died in Boston some time ago and was said to have come from some point in the maritime provinces, are in New Brunswick. A few weeks ago it was thought that they were living in this city, but that claim was investigated and there was nothing to it. Another claimant now comes forth in the person of George Williams, of Scotch Settlement, but at present residing in Irish Settlement, Kings county. He says he is a cousin of the dead woman and the nearest heir to her property, and that he knows of no one else living at present who is more than a cousin to the woman.

If it is found that he is the nearest heir to her estate, he will probably follow up the matter in the hope of receiving a share of it. He is investigating.

BOY AT MAPLETON, N. S. SHOT DEAD BY RIFLE IN HANDS OF HIS PLAYMATE

They Were Examining Gun and Did Not Know it Was Loaded—Springhill Mine Owners Bring in Strike Breakers From Montreal

Yesterday the company spring a surprise. Amherst, N. S., Dec. 14.—(Special)—The little hamlet of Mapleton, a few miles from Spring Hill, was the scene of a shooting fatality last Saturday afternoon. Everett Brown and his 11 year old son Laurie called at the home of a relative named Westly Bird. Bird has a young son aged seven years, and the two lads were left playing in the kitchen together. Mr. Bird's son took down a rifle to exhibit it to his young visitor. Neither knew that the rifle was loaded, and in examining its workings, the rifle was discharged. The ball penetrated between Browns eyes killing him instantly.

For weeks past there has been no noticeable change in the labor conditions in Springhill. The best of order has prevailed. The officials have been keeping the pumps operation. Some have been employed gathering wood for winter fuel.

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