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GREAT CONVENTION OPENS; ALL OTHERS ARE SURPASSED

Remarkable Scenes at Giant Meeting in Massey Hall ---Five-Minute Ovation for Premier Ross.

THREE THOUSAND DELEGATES GATHERED AT TORONTO

Enormous Assembly Overflow the Vast Auditorium and Crowd Galleries—Senator Kerr Nominated as Temporary Chairman—Prohibitionists Active.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 25. — The greatest political gathering in the history of Canada opened today at a quarter to 11 o'clock. The convention surpassed all expectations. Three thousand Liberals, from every portion of the Province, were registered up to 10 o'clock today, and many more will arrive. The ground floor of Massey Hall, the finest auditorium in Canada, had been reserved for the delegates, but its seating capacity of 1,500 was inadequate, and the members overflowed into the balcony, driving visitors to the upper gallery. By half-past 10 o'clock, the great hall was completely filled, nearly 500 finding seats on the stage. The delegates from each riding sat together and the various contingents kept the hall ringing with cheers. Many carried banners, which were waved on high when the favorite son of some riding appeared on the platform, and when Premier Ross was seen making his way to the front the vast assembly rose and cheered for five minutes. This ovation was followed by another for Hon. J. M. Gibson, who opened the convention by nominating Senator Kerr as temporary chairman.

Senator Kerr, in a brief address, introduced the Premier, who was again greeted with a tornado of applause. Mr. Ross spoke briefly, as he is reserving his principal address for this evening. "Our opponents say it is time for a change," said the Premier, "but it does not look very much today as if there was going to be a change. (Cheers and laughter.) They say we have been in power too long. I do not think it is a crime to be in power if you serve your country well. Having been in power so long, and having discharged our duties in the interests of the people, I think we can give very good reasons why we should be in power still longer. Not to serve ourselves, but to serve the country, and keep alive these vestal fires which have burned on the altars of Liberalism, and kept it faithful to the liberties and the well-being of the people. If we can get into our hearts that the interests of the country are supreme, that nothing should stand in the way of good government, not even the success of leaders or parties, we will accomplish something that will add brighter lines to the record of Liberalism in Ontario." (Cheers.)

A long discussion ensued over the appointment of a nominating committee.

Mr. W. S. Calvert, M. P., moved the names of ten gentlemen, but some of the delegates insisted that each riding should be represented and this view prevailed. Mr. E. Parnell was chosen by the London delegation.

The convention is so large that it may become unwieldy unless it is kept well in hand by the permanent chairman, who is yet to be named. Senator Kerr was almost unequal to the task today. There is a disposition on the part of many delegates to talk freely, and in such an enormous assembly it will be difficult to keep the volume of discussion within limits. There is no prospect of the convention finishing today, and it may not conclude until late tomorrow night.

The prohibitionists flooded the meeting today with cards urging the abolition of the bar. When this question comes up there will be a warm and protracted debate. The work of organization will occupy the greater part of this afternoon's session.

DEAD, AGED 100 YEARS

Mas. Martha Lusley Passes Away at Forest, Ontario.

Forest, Nov. 23.—Mrs. Martha Lusley, mother of Joseph Lusley, of this town, died at her son's residence here yesterday at the advanced age of 100 years. Her maiden name was Webb, and she was born in Nova Scotia of U. E. Loyalist parents on Aug. 2, 1804. In 1824 she was married to Luther Lusley, and with her husband removed to this Province in 1832, settling in Bosanquet Township, in the county of Lambton in 1859. Here Mr. and Mrs. Lusley resided until the former's death in 1872, when Mrs. Lusley came to live with her son Joseph. Mrs. Lusley leaves four children, whose ages are from 73 to 80 years of age.

ASK ABOLITION OF PUBLIC BAR

Temperance Delegates at the Liberal Convention Draw Up a Resolution.

Toronto, Nov. 23.—"The abolition of the public bar, the treating system, and drinking in clubs, and the imposition of such other restrictions on the liquor traffic as shall most effectively curtail its operation and remedy its evils."

This was what the temperance delegates decided last night that they would ask the convention to adopt as the Liberal policy on the liquor question.

The meeting was held in the hall of the People's Cafe Yonge and Gould streets, and was attended by almost 200 earnest temperance workers. Mr. John McKay, of the Soo, proposed to amend the above proposition by adding a clause favoring government ownership of the monopoly.

A series of five-minute energetic and interesting speeches on the various temperance proposals so often discussed were made. Finally the gathering adopted the declaration as given above and appointed Rev. G. B. Brown, John McKay, F. S. Spence, Stapleton Caldecott and Mayor Urquhart a deputation to have the finding of the meeting brought before the resolutions committee of the conference.

A NAVAL MILITIA

The Minister of Marine to Presen an Important Measure.

Ottawa, Nov. 22. — The Minister of Marine will bring in a bill next session to create a naval militia. Next summer he will go to England for a couple of ships. In the meantime, there will be a school cruise on the cruiser Canada from Halifax to the West Indies. It will start from Halifax about the 15th of December for the West Indies with 90 on board. Mr. Prefontaine will also introduce legislation next session to abolish the harbor commissions at Montreal and Three Rivers, and bring the administration of the harbor more directly under the control of the department. Mr. Prefontaine leaves Montreal on Saturday for Toronto for a cruise on the lakes by the Vigilant.

DEVASTATED BY PRAIRIE FIRES

Flames Sweep Twenty Square Miles West of Rosser, Manitoba.

Rosser, Man., Nov. 22.—Prairie fires, fanned by a furious gale today, have devastated the country to the northwest of Rosser in a terrible manner. The conflagration was awful. As the flames swept along the fire guards were of no avail. Haystacks went up like rockets when touched off by the tongues of fire, which leaped yards ahead of the oncoming blaze.

The whole population fought valiantly to stem the destruction, and succeeded in saving Grosse Isle station. The residences of Messrs. Jull, James and Kellett, and Kensington School all narrowly escaped. Grosse Isle outbuilding caught fire, but were extinguished by heroic efforts. Several cars of wheat were also saved.

Thousands of tons of hay, and hundreds of acres of good bush were destroyed, and quantities of fences.

The fire is still burning, though the wind has abated, which will help the fire-fighters in their efforts to extinguish the holocaust.

The origin of the fire seems to have been a C. P. R. engine.

The extent of country burned is some 20 square miles.

KOOTENAY GOES LIBERAL

Galliher Elected by Big Majority —Cariboo Returns.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 22. — At 7:30 this evening 60 polling places give the following returns for Kootenay: Galliher, 2,216; Mackintosh, 1,544; Baker, 484.

At the same hour 33 places out of 139 in Yale-Cariboo give the following figures: Ross, 1,087; Burrill, 1,045.

Galliher's election is conceded by a sweeping majority, probably 700.

8:30 p.m.—Yale-Cariboo, Ross, 1,314; Burrill, 1,290; Mills (Socialist), 372. There are yet a number of polls to hear from, but Ross is probably elected by a good majority.

PHIL LOTT BACK IN BELLEVILLE

Reported That He Has With Him Man Who Made the Boxes.

Belleville, Ont., Nov. 23. — It is reported in the city that Phil Lott arrived here this morning from Watertown, N. Y., having with him the man who made the bogus ballot boxes, and that this man will tell on Friday for whom the boxes were made and to whom delivered. Some prominent names are mentioned.

Kingston, Ont., Nov. 22 — At 10:30 o'clock tonight Francis J. Reilly was located in Hotel Dieu Hospital under a doctor's care. The police ran down the clue at 9 o'clock, but it was long after that that his medical adviser was found, and permission given to the police to see Reilly. He will remain there over night. A guard remains with him. Reilly has been a patient there since Monday. The detectives did not secure Shibley. He went away yesterday, and is still absent.

NEW MINISTERS SWORN IN; FOUR TAKEN INTO CABINET

Hon. W. A. Charlton, Hon. G. A. Graham, Hon. A. G. McKay and Hon. F. E. Evanturel.

MR. GIBSON TO BE MEMBER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO

Toronto, Nov. 23. — The final step was taken in the reconstruction of the Ontario Government yesterday afternoon, four new members being sworn in by the Lieutenant-Governor, one member of the old cabinet being transferred to another department and a second retaining his seat without portfolio.

The cabinet is now composed as follows:

Hon. George W. Ross, Premier and Treasurer.

Hon. F. R. Latchford, Attorney-General.

Hon. Richard Harcourt, Minister of Education.

Hon. W. A. Charlton, Commissioner of Public Works.

Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture.

Hon. A. G. McKay, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Hon. George P. Graham, Provincial Secretary.

Hon. J. M. Gibson, minister without portfolio.

Hon. F. E. A. Evanturel, minister without portfolio.

During the afternoon the last meeting of the old cabinet took place in the council chamber at the Parliament buildings, all the members being present but Hon. Mr. Davis, who is at the St. Louis Fair. It was over at about 4 o'clock, and later the Premier, accompanied by Hon. Messrs. Dryden, Harcourt and Latchford, and the prospective cabinet members, and Mr. J. Lonsdale Capreol, clerk of the executive council, drove down to Government House, in the front drawing-room of which the swearing-in ceremony took place at about 5 o'clock. No others were present besides his honor and those mentioned. The oath of allegiance and the oath as member of the executive council, respectively, were sworn to by the new members together.

Hon. W. A. Charlton.

New Commissioner of Public Works in the Ontario Cabinet.

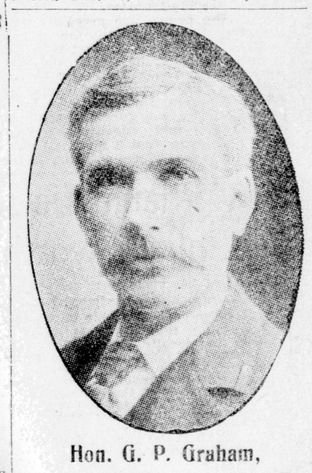
Hon. Mr. Latchford did not, of course, take these, having done so at the time of his appointment to his previous portfolio, that of public works. He, however, took the oath of office, and Hon. Messrs. Mackay, Graham and Charlton took it after him in the order named. Mr. Capreol, who administered the oaths, did so for the first time in his capacity as clerk of the executive council, though he had previously acted on similar occasions while assistant clerk. At the close of the proceedings his honor congratulated the new members, light refreshments were partaken of, and the party soon thereafter dispersed.

The new ministers with portfolio will assume their duties immediately. Hon. Mr. Stratton gave up his rooms to Hon. Mr. Graham yesterday evening. Hon. Mr. Latchford will today take possession of Hon. Mr. Gibson's rooms, and Hon. Mr. Davis' successor, Hon. Mr. Mackay, will at once take charge of the crown lands department. The new members of the cabinet are well known throughout the Province.

Mr. Charlton's Career.

Hon. William Andrew Charlton, who succeeds Hon. Mr. Latchford as Commissioner of Public Works, was born in Cattaraugus County, New York, and is the fourth and youngest son of Adam Charlton. His father was English and his mother Scotch. Adam Charlton had four sons and five daughters, all of whom are now living. The family came to Canada when Mr. Charlton was eight years of age, and for six years resided on a farm in South Dumfries, one mile south of the village of Ayr. He attended school at Ayr in winter time and part of each summer, and at other times helped on the farm. Then the family (all excepting the eldest son, John), went to the State of Iowa, where, with the exception of the time spent at school, Mr. Charlton remained at home on his father's farm for nearly seven years. Adam Charlton was a man who made a practice of reading and studying several hours each day, and his son William carried on some of his studies under his father's instructions at home. After about seven years in Iowa, Mr. Charlton came to Lynedoch, Ontario, to assist his brother, G. G. Charlton, in general business and lumbering, measuring logs in winter and working in a general store during the summer. For two seasons thereafter he was away studying, after which he re-engaged in general business and lumbering at Lynedoch, for a time under the style and firm of G. G. Charlton & Co., then Charlton & Ross, then W. A. Charlton & Co. In 1895 the store business was taken over by Mr. W. R. Holliday, who had been chief clerk for many years, during a large portion of which Mr. Charlton's time was largely taken up with outside business matters, lumbering, exploring, etc. For several years his business connections required him to be in New York City and Brooklyn from five to ten days each month, making and looking after building contracts and the rental and transfer of real estate there. While in business at Lynedoch Mr. Charlton was almost daily called upon to do conveyancing and similar work for people from far and near, and was frequently chosen by both parties to a dispute to settle their differences. He never acted under such circumstances except at the request of both parties. He was a member of the board of school trustees and secretary-treasurer for 21 years, and made it a rule to visit the school once or twice each month, taking great interest in the progress of the scholars and in beautifying the school grounds.

Mr. Charlton always had a fondness for exploring new countries, and for the past twenty years has made frequent excursions in Northern Ontario and Quebec, and before that time in Northern Michigan and other states. In 1897 the late Premier Hardy requested him to make a personal examination of the Moose River country north of the Canadian Pacific Railway and advise him as to the necessity of granting Government aid for the construction of railways in that new country, report upon the character of the country, the soil, timber, minerals, waterpower, the probable character and prospect of the future trade between Hudson's Bay and the main lines of railways, the source of supply in the Hudson's Bay territory, quantity, volume, etc. The examination was made and the report submitted Dec. 27, 1897. The report in



Hon. G. P. Graham,

Who Succeeds Mr. Stratton as Provincial Secretary.

pamphlet form contains 22 pages of printed matter, also four maps and sixteen photographic views. Four thousand copies were printed.

Mr. Stratton's Successor.

Mr. George P. Graham, of Brockville, was born at Egansville, Renfrew County, on March 31, 1859, and is the son of the late Rev. W. H. Graham, a pioneer minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, and who, after the union of the Methodist bodies in this country, was president of the Montreal conference. Since he was about 12 years of age, Mr. Graham has been steadily at work, the greater part of the time in connection with newspapers. When 21 years old he bought the Morrisburg Herald, and ran it with a considerable amount of success for thirteen years. Later he became assistant editor of the Ottawa Free Press, a position he held for a short time only, and in 1893 he went to Brockville as managing director, treasurer and editor of the Recorder of that city, a publication which he has made one of the brightest and most influential of provincial publications. Mr. Graham has long been in active public life in various capacities. Before he reached the age of 30 he was for some time reeve of Morrisburg, and a member of the counties council of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry. In 1891 he ran against Mr. J. P. Whitney, the leader of the Opposition in Dundas, but was defeated. He was first elected to the Legislature for Brockville in 1898, when he defeated Mr. John Culbert by 188 votes, but in 1902 this majority was increased to 376, just double, against Mr. Daniel O'Brien. From the moment of his appearance in the Legislature Mr. Graham's abilities won recognition, and his debating powers and executive capacity have proved of valuable assistance. During the last two sessions he has filled the important position of chairman of the public accounts committee in a manner acceptable to both the parties represented thereon.

The new Provincial Secretary has always taken an active interest in amateur sports. He was president of the first hockey club formed in Morrisburg, which won several championship

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THIRD SQUADRON FOR FAR EAST

Still Another May Be Sent From the Baltic, Also the Black Sea Ships.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 23. — A naval correspondent of the Nova Vremya urges the formation of a third squadron for service in the far east, and points out that the Slavo, a modern battleship, is now available at Cronstadt, to which he says will shortly be added two battleships and two cruisers of a somewhat older type, and fifteen torpedo boots, making a formidable flotilla. The writer suggests incidentally that there is still a possibility of getting out the Black Sea fleet, which, added to the above squadron, would wholly overmatch the remnants of Japan's sea power.

Washington, Nov. 23. — The Japanese legation has received the following cablegram from Tokio: "Port Arthur army reports that buildings near arsenal caught fire about noon, Nov. 22, owing to bombardment by our naval guns. At 9:40 p.m. still burning."

St. Petersburg, Nov. 23. — The Emperor and Empress at Tsarkoe-Selo yesterday inspected two batteries of quick-firing guns attached to the second and sixth East Siberian Rifles, which will start in a few days for the far east.

Berlin, Nov. 23. — The Mukden correspondent of the Lokal Anzeiger sends the following: "Reports of the death of General Kuroki persist, in spite of denials, and are revived by Chinese coming from the Japanese camps.

"First Lieutenant Schupkoff, who has just arrived from Port Arthur, reports that the Russians have laid out three lines of defenses which the Japanese must capture before they can reach the city, after which the Russians can retire to the coast forts, which are the strongest of all. The garrison, which comprises more than 40,000 men, is in good spirits. Lieut. Schupkoff believes that the fortress can hold out at least until the end of January."

Tokio, Nov. 23. — Five submarine boats arrived at Yokohama today. The submarine boats referred to in the dispatch from Tokio are probably the five boats shipped from Quincy Point, Mass., early in October last to New York, whence they were sent to Jersey City and the far west. They were valued at nearly $4,000,000, and were understood to be intended for Japan.

SAD TRAGEDY IN THE FAR WEST

Not Knowing Gun Was Loaded Girl Accidentally Kills Her Father.

Touchwood, N. W. T., Nov. 23.—John Colton, a rancher who resided near Kutawa, returning late from a shooting expedition, laid his gun on the table. His eldest daughter, not knowing the gun was loaded, picked it up, when the weapon slipped from her hands and striking a chair was discharged, the contents striking her father in the back, killing him instantly. Mr. Colton was formerly one of General Custer's scouts, and came to Kutawa two years ago from near Sioux City, Wyo. He leaves a widow and four children.

THE DOMINION'S INDIAN WARDS

Population Figures Show a General Increase Since 1893.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 23. — The department of Indian affair has received the figures of the Indian population for the year ending June 30, 1904. The population is 107,978, compared with 108,233 for last year, or a decrease of 265. There was, however, an increase in the population last year over 1893, when the Indian population was 99,717, so that the figures show a general increase, and point to the fact that the red people are being carefully looked after as wards of the Dominion.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Cooler

London, Wednesday, Nov. 23.

Sun rises..7:22 a.m. Moon rises..5:39 p.m.
Sun sets...4:47 p.m. Moon sets...7:32 a.m.

Toronto, Nov. 22—8 p.m.

A few light scattered showers have occurred today in the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Valleys, but the weather in Canada today generally has been fair and everywhere mild.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 46—48; Calgary, 22—48; Winnipeg, 24—38; Port Arthur, 34—42; Parry Sound, 30—46; Toronto, 32—52; Ottawa, 20—38; Montreal, 26—36; Quebec, 28—30; St. John, 34—38; Halifax, 38—48.

FORECASTS.

Wednesday, Nov. 23—8 a.m.

Today—Winds increasing to strong breezes and moderate gales, gradually shifting to southwest and northwest; fair and mild today; local showers during the night.

Thursday—Turning a little cooler.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	20	18	Cloudy
Winnipeg	36	22	Cloudy
Parry Sound	36	24	Cloudy
Toronto	32	32	Cloudy
Ottawa	24	22	Cloudy
Montreal	24	22	Cloudy
Quebec	32	28	Cloudy
Father Point	30	24	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

A depression is passing into the lake region this morning from the northwestward, and the outlook in Manitoba and the Northwest is colder. Strong breezes to moderate gales are indicated for the lakes.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Tuesday were: Highest, 50°; lowest, 33.5°.

DECLARES YOUNG HELD THE GUN

Witness for Nan Patterson Says He Saw the Fatal Shot Fired.

New York, Nov. 23. — When the trial of Nan Patterson for the murder of Caesar Young was resumed in the supreme court today, her attorney, Abraham Levy, declared that although the prosecution has erected several strong barriers through which the defense will have to batter its way to secure the acquittal of Miss Patterson, he had no fear that they would not succeed. He asserted that he would bring forward a witness who would tell a convincing story of having actually seen the shooting, no matter how strong the evidence of the prosecution to the effect that no one was within range of vision of the cab when the fatal shot was fired.

This witness was a passenger on a street car passing across West Broadway, a short distance from the scene of the tragedy, and in his narrative he will swear, from where he stood, though his glance was but momentary, he saw Nan Patterson's companion in the cab grasping a revolver in his hand, and struggling with the young woman, who was endeavoring to wrest it from him.

The skeleton which was brought into the case yesterday for the use of Coroner's Physician O'Hanlon, in describing the course of the bullet which caused Young's death, was again brought into the courtroom when the trial was resumed today. The ghastly exhibit was suspended near the witness stand when Mr. Levy, for the defense, continued the cross-examination of the coroner's physician, which was interrupted by the adjournment of court yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Levy, in his cross-examination, led Dr. O'Hanlon back over the ground covered in his direct testimony yesterday. The witness described in detail the autopsy which he performed on Young's body.

"If you had regarded the case as one of homicide would you have made a more careful examination?" asked Mr. Levy.

"I did not so regard it then as a case of homicide."

"Did you regard it as a case of suicide?"

"I did," the witness replied.

Dr. O'Hanlon said that while performing the autopsy he found three black marks on the second finger of Young's right hand, and he stripped off pieces of skin which were turned over to the district attorney. The witness was not permitted to answer a question as to whether the black marks were made by gunpowder.

SHOT AT SIR HARRY

British General in Sultan's Employ Has a Narrow Escape.

London, Nov. 23. — According to a dispatch from Tangier to the Daily Mail, Kaid Sir Harry MacLean, commander of the Sultan's bodyguard, while traveling from Laraiche to Tangier, by way of Arcilla, 25 miles southwest of Tangier, was fired upon and his horse killed. The kaid was not injured.

Gen. Sir Harry Aubrey de MacLean was formerly an officer of the British army service in the Sixty-ninth Foot, and was made a K. C. M. G. in 1901, for service rendered to the British Government.

FATAL OPTICAL ILLUSION

Son of Bishop of Ottawa Dived Into Shallow Water.

Ottawa, Nov. 22. — Hubert Hamilton, third son of the Bishop of Ottawa, died last night at Riverside, Cal. Last June the late Mr. Hamilton, who was an athletic young man, dived into the Riverside Y. M. C. A. swimming bath, supposing by reason of an optical illusion that it was full of water. There were, however, only three or four feet of water in the bath and he struck the concrete bottom with such force that he sustained a fracture of the bones of the neck. This caused a paralysis of the whole body, in which state the unfortunate young man lingered until death released him yesterday. Deceased was about 30 years of age, of genial character and engaging manner and will be deeply mourned by his many relatives and friends. He leaves a widow, formerly Miss Caulfield, of Toronto.

HANNA RENOMINATED

Will Contest West Lambton for the Conservatives.

Petrolea, Nov. 22.—Mr. W. J. Hanna was today renominated by the Conservatives to contest West Lambton for the Local House. The following officers were chosen unanimously: President, Mr. James Kittermaster; vice-president, Mr. George Moncrieff; secretary, S. A. Armstrong, Petrolea; treasurer, George Lucas; and the following vice-presidents for their various municipalities: Sombra, Peter Grant; Moore Township, Wm. Young; Sarnia Township, H. D. Kewley; Port Edward, C. Cook; Dawn, Guilford Butler; Enniskillen, W. A. Graham; Petrolea, John Kerr; Oil Springs, Robert Wray; Sarnia town, Thomas Kenny.

There were but two names placed before the convention, those of Mr. W. J. Hanna and Mr. George Moncrieff. Mr. Moncrieff declined in favor of Mr. Hanna, and on motion the nomination was made unanimous.

UNTIL EARL GREY ARRIVES

Sir Henri Taschereau Is Administrator of the Dominion.

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—Sir Henri Taschereau, chief justice of the supreme court, will act as administrator of Canada until the arrival of Earl Grey. Formerly, whenever the Governor-General was absent, the duties of administration devolved upon the officer commanding the Imperial troops at Halifax. Recently, however, the Imperial Government passed an order-in-council, which enables the highest judicial functionary in Canada to act as the head of the executive.

North Sea Commission.

London, Nov. 23. — A dispatch from Vienna says Emperor Francis Joseph has consented to choose the fifth member of the North Sea commission.

Raffle and Revolvers.

Minneapolis, Nov. 23. — During a turkey raffle in a suburban saloon last night three masked men entered and covered fourteen men with revolvers, ordering them to hold up their hands. All obeyed but the bartender of the saloon, Edward Mingo, who reached for his revolver. As he did so he was wounded in the face. This started a general fusillade, one of which instantly killed Alfred King. The robbers secured $20.

Investigating Disaster.

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 23. — Chief Inspector Duval, of the department of railways, Ottawa, yesterday morning commenced his investigation into the Thanksgiving Day level crossing disaster. Every motorman who has had charge of the trolley that was in the smash-up has been examined by him, for the purpose of ascertaining how the motor has behaved. Duval also has inspected the record of the disabled car to discover how often the car has been in for repairs. The inquest by the coroner will start tonight, and it is expected the motorman, Willis Armstrong, will be the first witness.

All England Tied Up By the Great Blizzard

Funerals Snowbound, Children Dug From Drifts and Railways Stopped.

London, Nov. 23. — Unprecedented snowfalls continue in the British provinces. Many places and villages are isolated, and everywhere in the north railway communication is delayed, and in some parts entirely stopped. There are instances of funerals being snowbound between the house and the cemetery, and children have had to be dug out of drifts between their houses and the schools. Even in West Cornwall and the Island of Jersey, where snow is a rarity, heavy falls are reported.

Ten to twenty degrees of frost were registered in the United Kingdom last night.

TWO SHIPS OVERDUE

Believed to Have Foundered in Recent Gale in the Gulf.

St. Johns, Nfld., Nov. 22. — The steamer Stord, coal laden, from Sydney, C. B., for St. Johns, with a crew of fourteen men, is now seven days out, whereas the ship's trip usually occupies forty-eight hours. It is thought she foundered in the gale of Saturday and Sunday. The steamer Orpheus, fish laden, from Labrador, for St. Johns, with a crew of ten men, it is feared, has met with the same fate.