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List of Dead In Empress Tragedy Now Is Given As 964; Doctor Tells How Disaster Happened

LATEST LIST OF THE EMPRESS DEAD

Montreal, May 30 — Basing a most careful compilation on the official figures of the number of passengers and crew aboard the Empress, as given out by the C. P. R., it would appear that out of the total of 1,867 passengers and crew aboard, 964 were lost and 403 saved.

Following is the summary: Passengers lost, 725: Saved—Men, twenty-six; children, none; women, twenty-one; one child.

The Old Mechanics' Institute Early Days Recalled—Founded in 1838 ---Names of Those Who Have Been President

The Mechanics' Institute of St. John was organized in 1838 by an association of gentlemen who desired to found an institution for the intellectual benefit of mechanics and others. The institute was incorporated in the following year and the names of the original members mentioned in the act were:

Penety's Political Notes, referring to the year 1840 says:— "On the 27th May Sir John Harvey said the corner-stone of the Mechanics' Institute. The celebration upon this occasion was upon a grander scale than in any former terms of the institute."

Signals Exchanged By Captain Kendall and Oncoming Collier; Then Full Speed Astern and The Crash

Storstad Backed Off and Sent Lifeboats to Rescue—As Great Liner Listed The People Stood on Plates of Sides

Few Could Get Life Belts—Hundreds Thrown Into Water in Night Attire and Struggled Shrieking For Help—Thrilling Tales Told By Other Survivors

Quebec, May 30—A notable and graphic conservative story of the wreck, told by the ship's doctor, Doctor J. F. Grant. He said: "During the early morning, a fog dropped around us, and we proceeded slowly. At 1:30 a. m. we put the pilot off at Father Point. At 1:52 the collier Storstad rammed the Empress of Ireland."

The collision and then I could not find the collier. "I could hear screams of terror and the sound of rushing water. I did not know what was wrong, but there was something to guide me as to the immediate danger. Finally I managed to get out of my stateroom, but was unable to walk up the alley-way, because of the list of the boat. I tried to crawl but could not."

REV. F. S. PORTER'S IMPRESSIONS OF NOTED BRITISH STATESMEN

St. John Minister Greatly Impressed With Asquith and Balfour, But Not With Bonar Law—He Also Heard Reginald McKenna and Austin Chamberlain—Was Present When Welsh Disestablishment Bill Passed Second Reading.

Rev. F. S. Porter, who is expected to sail from Glasgow today on his return from his European trip, gives in a letter just received a very interesting account of his impressions of the political situation and some other matters in the mother country. In the course of this letter, he says:— "I was exceedingly fortunate in securing separate admissions to the House of Commons on three occasions, and heard most of the first rank men on both sides. I heard the historic discussion on the second reading of the Welsh Disestablishment Bill, when the prime minister, Mr. Asquith, with Mr. McKenna, Bonar Law and other participated. I sat the session out for eight and a half hours without intermission, waiting until the division was taken at midnight, when the government showed a majority of 84."

"On the opposition benches there is no one to compare with Balfour. He is a veritable wizard with words, and is a dialectician of the very first rank. His diction, though not ornate, is elegant and classic. He unites the refinement of an accomplished scholar with the cunning of a skilled debater, and is a consummate artist. Bonar Law has a dashing style, but is too vituperative and vindictive. His pugilistic tactics are unbecomingly the spirit and traditions of the Imperial parliament."

LOST HEAVILY IN THE FIRE WHICH BURNED DOWN YORK THEATRE

Joan Lloyd's Costumes and Properties Valued at \$1,200—A Series of Reverses

The heaviest sufferer by the fire in York Theatre was Joan Lloyd, who, this week, put on the Mascot for the benefit of the public playgrounds. Mr. Lloyd had brought down from Hampton a number of large trunks filled with costumes and stage properties, which were valued at nearly \$1,200.

THOUSANDS READ TIMES FOR NEWS OF EMPRESS

Record Day in Newspaper Life of City—Nearly 16,000 Copies

As evidence of the widespread local interest in the St. Lawrence and also a tribute to the popularity of the Evening Times, it will be of interest to know that a record in newspaper circulation in St. John was attained by this paper last evening.

GOLD WATCH GIFT TO MR. VAN HORNE

An interesting event followed the close of the service in the Queen's rink last evening. Mr. F. Van Horne, soloist and leader of the choir will leave today to engage in evangelistic work elsewhere and, in recognition of his work while here, a handsome gold watch chain was presented to him last evening by Rev. Willington Camp on behalf of the members of the choir. Regret at his departure was expressed but Mr. Van Horne was assured of the prayers and best wishes of the many friends he has made while here.

FAIRVILLE NEWS.

The committee from the community council who were to solicit subscriptions from the Lancaster merchants are said to have met with a very encouraging response. Taggers started out from Orange Hall this morning at 10 a. m. and are expected to be back by 5 o'clock, which is the time set for the collection to be canvassed, the last of the territory will have been covered.

TALES OF SURVIVORS

Awful Scenes as Great Liner Went Down—Salvation Army Suffers Heavily

Quebec, May 30—Many and graphic were the stories brought to Quebec last night by the survivors of the most terrible tragedy in the annals of the St. Lawrence, the tragedy which in several of its features eclipse even the disaster which befell the Titanic. In the case of the Titanic there was time to prepare for death, but with the Empress there seems to have been little time for prayer and none for reflection. In many cases, indeed, death must have come before the victims realized that their last hour had come.

What Co-operation Means

It means the pulling together of two or more interests for a common purpose. When manufacturer and dealer pull together, the purpose is increased sales. The great meeting-ground for this work is the advertising columns of local newspapers like the Telegraph and Times.

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