

BUBONIC PLAGUE SPREADS AMONG THE MEXICANS.

Guatemala and Salvador Preparing for Bloodshed Soon.

Mexico City, Mexico, Feb. 23.—The case at Oso, near Culiacan, the capital of the State of Sinaloa, has been officially declared to be the plague, thus making certain the invasion of the disease into the interior of the State.

KING EDWARD OPENS BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

London, Cable.—King Edward, accompanied by Queen Alexandra and surrounded by the court and all the officers of state, opened Parliament this afternoon.

NEWS IN BRIEF CANADIAN.

The Ontario Legislature will meet on March 10. Councillor Bond, of Toronto Junction, has been confirmed in his seat.

TWO NEW DEPARTMENTS.

Important Changes at Ontario Agricultural College.

FOR WOMEN'S INSTITUTES.

Hon. John Dryden Asks for Grant of \$2,000.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Three more students of Cornell University died of typhoid fever, which is epidemic at Ithaca, N. Y.

HERD OF STEERS KILL BUYER

Irritates Cattle at Stockyards With Red Handkerchief.

HOTEL HOLOCAUST AT CEDAR RAPIDS.

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Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 23.—Fifteen or twenty persons were burned to death, and twice that number seriously injured in a fire that destroyed the Clifton Hotel at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, early to-day.

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Two Chinamen have been arrested at Darjeeling, India, on a charge of criminal conspiracy against the Chinese Government.

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BIG RAILWAY WRECK AT WHITBY JUNCTION.

Forty-four Injured—Six Seriously—Nobody Killed

Official List of the Injured. Toronto despatch.—The list of the injured is as follows: GEO. LAPPAGE, 6 Arthur street, Toronto, baggage man; injury to head, left ear cut, also cut on left side top of head and bruise to bones back of left ear.

Station Agent Rowen was in his telegraph office, from which a good view could be obtained of the track both east and west, and was watching the approaching train this morning when the disaster occurred.

Dr. McGillivray, of Whitby, who was one of the first to reach the Junction Hotel where the injured were being brought in, related last evening an interesting incident which is but illustrative of the self-denial and heroism displayed by many of the wounded.

The most serious case of all is that of George Lappage, the baggage man, whose head was injured. The man was able to walk about, but his mental faculties were impaired, and he was continually screaming and calling out, "My ear is cut. Upon examination, Dr. McGillivray found that his ear was all right, but that he had a fracture of the skull just behind the ear, and that he had lost a good deal of blood from cuts about the face.

The injured, with one or two exceptions, were brought on to Toronto. They arrived in two lots. The noon train from Peterborough brought in a contingent, and the afternoon local from the east, arriving at 4.30, an hour late, carried a dozen others.

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The following medical men were at the scene of the wreck and assisted in caring for the injured: Drs. McGillivray, Warren, M. Urann, and Bennett, of Whitby; Drs. Ford, Ho, McKay, Cockburn and Montgomery, of Oshawa; and Drs. Waters and Britton, of Toronto.

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