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GILLETTE'S EXECUTION

Court Decides That He Must Die the First Week of March.

Albany, Feb. 20.—Chester E. Gillette, of Cortland, convicted of the murder of his sweetheart, Grace, or "Billy" Brown, of South Otsego, is to die in the electric chair during the week beginning March 30.

The court of appeals, which unanimously sustained the judgment of conviction of murder in the first degree in a decision handed down last Tuesday, today fixed the new date for the execution of the death sentence.

Only by the supreme court of the United States or the clemency of Governor Hughes can the decree of the court be set aside.

ACCIDENT ON CRUISER.

Tokio, Feb. 21.—While the Japanese cruiser Akashi was engaged in towing work at Ariyaki in the Nagasaki prefecture on the evening of Feb. 20, a bombard gave way. Three non-commissioned officers were killed and two officers were injured. The Akashi returned to Kure.

DISCOURAGES EMIGRATION.

Rome, Feb. 21.—The Italian government publishes further telegrams from the Italian consuls at New York and San Francisco, discouraging emigration to America for the present.

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City and District

—Mr. John Warwick, 252½ Horton street, wishes to state he is not the person that figured in the police court on Wednesday.

Bank Clearings.

Local bank clearings for the week ending Feb. 20, totaled \$991,891, as compared with \$1,115,730 for the corresponding week last year.

A SPLENDID OUTLOOK

Finances of Federal Life Assurance Company in Most Healthy State.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Federal Life Assurance Company was held in Hamilton on Tuesday last when the report of the president was read. The report was one of the most encouraging ever presented to the shareholders, and all were highly delighted with the outlook. The finances were in a most healthy condition, and everybody was satisfied with the progress made.

During the past year 2,322 new applications for insurance had been accepted for a total of \$3,302,746.57. The income of the company showed a splendid increase, and the assets of the company have been added to during the year, \$289,770.12, making the assets now \$3,000,472.74.

Including cash dividends and dividends applied to the reduction of premiums with annuities, the total

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payment to policyholders amounted to \$287,268.17.

The adoption of the report was moved by President Dexter, and was seconded by Lieut.-Col. Kerns.

All the retiring directors were re-elected.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors all of the old officers were re-elected.

Several Claims for Damages Entered Board of Works Decides To Fight

Horses Seem To Have Been the Victims Principally of the Alleged Bad Roads.

At the meeting of the board of works last evening Mr. Ira Dicey applied for damages for injuries done his milk-sleigh by reason of the snow at the corner of Dundas and Adelaide streets, and threatened action against the city. On motion it was decided to recommend that the council defend the suit, and make the London Street Railway co-defendant.

Mr. James Calder also brought in a claim for injuries done his horse and cutter on Dundas and Wharncliffe road and it was recommended to defend this suit also, and make the London Street Railway co-defendant.

Petitions.

The petition for a cement sidewalk on Elmwood avenue between Edward and Cathcart streets was found to be

COAL COMBINE

Indiana And Illinois Field to Come Under One Management.

Chicago, Feb. 21.—The Record-Herald today says: Consolidation of the large coal-mining interests of Illinois and Indiana for the purpose of regulating the output and upholding prices now is under way. Two Chicago corporations, the Deering Coal Company, in which Rock Island and Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad, of this city, are said to be the principal stockholders and the O'Gara Coal Company, controlled by Chicago politicians and New York Central officials are leaders in the enterprise. The policy of owning the various companies while operating them under their present corporate names, is to be adopted. Among the other companies said to be in the consolidation are the Illinois Collieries Company, the Springfield Collieries Company and the New Kentucky Collieries Company. The reason given for the transfer of a large part of the capacity of the mines of the two states is to make the supply fit the demand. Production has gone so far ahead of the demand that the values are said to have decreased.

"The consolidation probably will be effected within three weeks or a month," said J. B. Royman, secretary of the Deering Coal Company, last night.

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TO THROW AWAY UNSOLD OYSTERS

High Prices of Alleged Combine Causes Waste of Luscious Bivalves.

Montreal, Que., Feb. 20.—Thousands of barrels of oysters will be thrown into the river by local dealers at the end of the bivalve season—or about the middle of April—owing to the dealers being unable to dispose of them. In consequence of the exorbitantly high prices which have prevailed throughout the past autumn and present winter.

Local fish dealers say the number of barrels which it will be necessary to sacrifice will be greater than at any previous time in the history of the trade. Last year about 2,000 barrels were thrown in the dump. The reason for this is that the prices this year have been almost prohibitory, because some Quebec and Ontario dealers believed the public would pay any price, and ordered their agents at the various oyster grounds in the Maritime Provinces to take all the oysters they could lay their hands on and pay the price.

This was the beginning of the trouble, as the fishermen, knowing that the catch would be small as compared with other years, stood pat for high prices, and got what they asked.

A few years ago, Canadians were able to purchase Malpeque oysters of fair size at prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$4 a barrel, and it was the custom for householders to store away each autumn in their cellars a barrel or two for use during winter months.

The small oyster counter was then a familiar object on nearly every street, these little oyster houses began to disappear, and finally, even the large restaurants could no longer afford to serve oysters at 40 or 50 cents a dozen.

It now seems that these advances in price are to be attributed to a combine, and that there has been no good reason for the exorbitant prices ranging from \$10 to \$15 a barrel now asked for oysters.

There are today in the cold storage warehouses of Montreal, thousands of oysters, which are unsalable.

Local fish dealers declare the present situation will lower the price of oysters next season to nearly half the present cost.

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STARTLINGLY SUDDEN

Demise of Lady Who Had Just Bred Her Mother—Sarnia News.

Sarnia, Feb. 20.—The Port Huron Herald records the startlingly sudden death of Mrs. John Simpson, who was here on Monday attending the funeral of her mother. Mr. Simpson was awakened early Wednesday morning by the cries of his baby, who had fallen out of bed, and on looking at his wife found her cold in death. She was apparently in good health on Tuesday. Heart disease was the supposed cause of Mrs. Simpson's death, which may have been hastened by excitement in connection with the recent demise of her mother.

The Lambton Medical Association on Wednesday elected Dr. D. B. Bent, of Sarnia, as president, and Dr. Chappelle, of Wyoming, as vice-president. After the election, Dr. Armstrong, of Oil Springs, read a very interesting paper on "Mucous Colitis." Several interesting medical and surgical cases were reported by Drs. Newell, Bell, Bentley and Henderson. Those present were: Drs. Bentley, Henderson, Bell and Bradley, of Sarnia; Newell, of Watford; Chappelle and Reid, of Wyoming; Armstrong, of Oil Springs, and Mulligan, Dunfield and Calder, of Petrolia. The next meeting will be held in Watford on the second Wednesday in May.

The "Clair" tunnel electrical equipment is practically ready for the prepping of trains through the big bore.

A new 200-foot passenger and freight boat, specially designed for the Detroit River service, will be built by the White Star Line. General Manager B. W. Parker is preparing the design, which is to combine the quick-loading freight facilities of a ferryboat with those of a passenger steamer.

Mr. E. Parsons and son, Arthur Parsons, were called away to Stratroy this week, owing to the death of the former's brother-in-law.

John Balster died on Tuesday at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. John Morrison, Petrolia, aged 75 years. Mr. Balster formerly kept a jewelry store in this town, and was at one time a member of the town council. He was much respected by all classes. On leaving Sarnia he went to the Western States, finally returning to live in Petrolia. Mrs. J. E. Proctor, of this town, and Mrs. Morrison, of Petrolia, are daughters of deceased.

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Commission Gives Permission for Capitalization of Fifty Millions.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 20.—The Canadian Northern Railway's capitalization was today increased by the railway commission from \$7,750,000 to \$12,500,000. The increase was made necessary because the committee reported the bill authorizing the construction of several additional branch lines in the west.

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