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Buffalo Youth Succumbs From Gun

Charge in Leg at Niagara.

Niagara-on-the-Lake, March 13.—A

fatal shooting accident occurred here

about 9 o'clock Saturday afternoon, in

which a young man named Haskell,

about 19 years of age, son of Dr. Has-

kell of Buffalo, lost his life.

Haskell, in company with a young

man named Shoemaker of Youngs-

town, N. Y., had been on the river

duck shooting. They afterward pulled

into McIntyre's dock, near the water-

works pumping station, and were firing

at a tin can on the end of the wharf.

Shoemaker was holding the gun with

the hammer up, when his foot slipped,

the jar discharging the weapon, the

charge entering Haskell's leg above the

knee, inflicting a horrible wound. The

unfortunate man was taken to the

pumping station and medical aid num-

moned, but he died 30 minutes later.

The coroner decided an inquest un-

necessary.

Dynamite Thawer Killed.

Winnipeg, March 13.—While thawing

some dynamite at Dunn's quarry at

Stony Mountain, Saturday morning,

William Smith, an employee, was in-

stantly killed in an explosion that fol-

lowed. The tragedy occurred at 10

o'clock. Smith was a well-known re-

sident of Stony Mountain. He was 40

years of age and leaves a family of

eight children and a widow.

Broke Leg at Paris.

Toronto, March 13.—William Wallace,

machinist, who boarded at the Nelson

House, while stepping from one car to

another at Paris Station, fell and broke

his leg. On his arrival in Toronto he

was taken in an ambulance to St.

Michael's Hospital.

HAVOC FROM SPREAD RAILS.

One Man Dead, 9 Hurt, and Many Cars

Badly Wrecked.

Butler, Pa., March 13.—The south-

bound express on the Buffalo, Rochester

and Pittsburgh Railway, was wrecked

Saturday night near McCalmont Sta-

tion three miles south of Butler. One

man was killed and nine injured. En-

gineer Edward Wilkes of Dubois, Pa.,

was killed, his body being buried un-

der his engine.

The express had just crossed a

bridge over Connoquessing Creek,

when the pony truck of the engine left

the rails, causing an axle to break. The

engine plunged into the bank at the

right of the track and the express car

which followed toppled over into the

creek. The other cars were derailed,

the car platforms were broken and the

second passenger coach was telescoped

six feet into the front car.

A spreading rail is blamed.

Cardiff, Wales, March 13.—Twenty-

six lives were lost as a result of the

explosion which occurred Friday in the

Cambrian colliery at Clydach Vale, in

the Rhondda Valley.

Frightened to Death.

Seymour, March 13.—Mrs. Cumming-

ham, wife of George Cunningham of

Seymour Bridge, dropped dead Saturday

afternoon about 2 o'clock. The chim-

ney caught fire, and the excitement in-

cident therewith evidently was the

cause of her death, as she had not be-

fore complained of feeling unwell.

No girl ever learns much at school

after she begins to press in her book

the flowers the boys gave her.

OUR WHEAT PRODUCTION.

Dr. Saunders on Canada's Advantages

of Climate and Soil.

Some very interesting statements re-

specting the future of Canada as a

wheat-growing country were made by

Dr. Saunders, Director of Experimental

Farms, in his evidence recently before

the Committee on Agriculture and

Colonization. Dr. Saunders stated that

the year 1904 was not, on the whole,

a very profitable one for the Canadian

farmer. Dry weather injured the crops

in the Maritime Provinces, and rust did

much damage in the west; but in On-

tario and Quebec, the conditions were

somewhat better. Altogether, how-

ever, about 80,000,000 bushels of wheat

were produced in the Dominion. Dr.

Saunders observed that the exports of

wheat from the United States are de-

clining rapidly. In 1902 they sent to

Great Britain 1,000,000 bushels, or 54

per cent of the latter's total needs. In

1903 only 45,000,000 bushels, and in

1904 12,000,000 bushels were exported.

Flour exports had similarly fallen off

from 7,000,000 bushels in 1903 to 4,000,

000 in 1904.

Canada's Advantages.

In the contest for the production of

wheat, Canada had many advantages

over other countries in soil and climate,

and much of our soil was now being

taken up by a steady influx of settlers.

The relative productiveness of our soil

was shown by the following compar-

ison of yields of wheat last year: Mani-

toba, 15.5 bushels per acre; Northwest

Territories, 18 bushels; North Dakota,

11.8 bushels; Minnesota, 12.8 bushels,

and South Dakota, 9.6. Our chief com-

petitors in the British market in the

future will probably be Russia, Argen-

tina and India. The relative value of

our wheat and theirs is shown by the

latest quotations in the Liverpool mar-

ket: Canadian No. 1 northern, \$1.14; No.

2 Northern, \$1.11; No. 3 Northern,

\$1.04; best Russian, \$1.05; Argentina,

99 cents; India, 91 cents. This was not

a bad showing for Canadian wheat for

last year, when there was very little

of our best wheat, No. 1 hard, pro-

duced.

Value of Improved Varieties.

Dr. Saunders added a word as to

cross-breeding, and quoted Mr. Angus

McKay, Superintendent of the Indian

Head Experimental Farm, that the new

varieties of Huron and Slaney

had been sown five days later, and rip-

ened seven days earlier, than Red Fife

in 1903, so that there was hope of get-

ting grains that would resist the danger

of frost.

Mr. Miller of Grey asked if the Cana-

dian West was not in danger of los-

ing its productiveness, as had the West-

ern States.

"That is a problem," Dr. Saunders

replied, "that we have been experi-

menting on ever since we began work

on our experimental farms in the west.

There is no doubt that in process of

time, if you continue to take from the

soil fertility and don't put anything

back, the crops will grow less. I do

not think that, in the case of the pre-

sent small crops in the United States,

because many of their fields have been

cultivated much longer than some of

the fields in the older parts of Mani-

toba, but they do not get the same

crops, I think mainly for the reason

that they are such poor farmers."

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THE HAT QUESTION.

Striking Feature Seen by Visitors in the
British House of Commons—
Old Man as an Equilibrist.A striking feature of the British
House of Commons to the unaccus-
tomed eye is the Hat. Nothing, in-
deed, seems more astonishing and
impolite than the inveterate habit of
members to wear their hats in the
House. It is a very old custom, the
origin of which is unknown. Some
have ascribed it to the days of
Charles I., and made of it a protest
against that monarch's attempted
invasion of the Privilege of the
House. Unfortunately, however,
there are older prints extant show-
ing members in the House with cov-
ered heads. Others go back to the
days when the representative Com-
mons held their deliberations un-
der an oak under the open canopy
of heaven. But whatever the origin
the hat plays a large part in the
internal economy of the House of
Commons. A member reserves his
seat by sitting in prayer and de-
positing the article on the spot he
occupied during his devotions. Dur-
ing the reign of Mr. Speaker, now
Lord, Peel some revolutionary
tendencies began to bring down two
topers, the most distinguished of
them placed on the bench while ad-
dressing the more shifty one, he felt
at liberty to take his ease elsewhere.
The momentous matter was referred
to Mr. Speaker, who, after his con-
sideration, delivered a solemn opin-
ion that the only headgear permis-
sible for seat reserving purpose was
the genuine covering actually in use
by the owner. The ingenious
scheme thus ingeniously snuffed
out and the House recovered its
wonted equilibrium.

Sitting on His Head.

With the hat, too, members must
salute Mr. Speaker on entering or
leaving the House. The lifting of
the hat also suffices for the moving
or seconding of a motion or a bill
where the member desires to reserve
his remarks to a subsequent stage
of the discussion. Once on his legs
the disposal of his Lincoln and Bennett
becomes a matter of some concern
to the member, as the obvious dan-
gers in the placing of it on the vacant space be-
hind. Indeed, there are dangers in
front of him as well as behind him.
There have been cases where the hon-
ourable member, in the excitement
of the occasion, has been guilty of the
exuberance of his perruque as to
deliver a resounding smack on the
topper in front. This is quite
enough to rouse the wrath of a
House as ready as