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A FIVE YEAR OLD TERRIBLY BURNED

The five-year-old daughter of Joseph Radic, 9 Young street, was terribly burned yesterday afternoon, when her clothing caught fire from a bonfire which children had lighted on Niagara street. The youngster's predicament was first noticed by the mother, who took the child to the street and commenced to throw sand on the burning clothing. A passer-by immediately went to the rescue and rolled the child over and over in the sand until the fire was subdued. The little one was burned about the abdomen and hips, her flesh being badly scarred. Dr. William Nichol, who was called, stated that the child had a chance to recover.

HORSE KILLED BY ELECTRICITY

He Touched the Street Car Tracks in East Ward This Morning.

A valuable horse belonging to the Brantford ice Company was instantly electrocuted shortly after 12 o'clock to-day at the corner of Victoria and Brock street. There was an approaching car at the time and it is thought the animal had one foot on one rail and a hind foot on the other rail, completing connection, rendered possible by defective band wires underground. If a horse could be killed in this way, civic authorities declare, then human life it not safe, in view of the condition of the street railway tracks in the East ward. Ald. McFarland, chairman of the Fire and Light Committee and Hydro Electric Engineer Ireland will this afternoon make an examination of the track. The horse killed was a very valuable one, the beast owned by Mr. Nightingale. For a couple of years, residents of Victoria street have been kicking apparently with justice, against the condition of the street railway tracks and this morning's accident may mean that something may be done.

WHERE WERE POLICE HERE?

Disgraceful Conduct by Driver Nearly Cost Little Girl Her Life.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stuart, who reside on the corner of Murray and Marlboro streets, met with a painful accident on Saturday afternoon. The child was playing on the lawn in front of her home, when a couple of men in a wagon—probably under the influence of liquor — deliberately drove their team across the lawn, instead of turning the corner of the street. One of the horses knocked the child down and stepped on her chest. She was picked up and carried into the house. Dr. Cole was summoned and attended to her injuries, which were slight. The little one is playing around again to-day.

If the name of the driver can be ascertained he will be prosecuted as it is a pure case of reckless and careless driving.

Conference To-day.

A committee from the Carpenters' Union are to-day interviewing the builders in the city in reference to the scale of wages being paid carpenters, hours of work and other matters pertaining to the building trade. It is well known that the carpenters have been dissatisfied with the wages they have been receiving and are asking for an increase. The officers of the union are doin gtheir best to bring about a settlement between the men and the contractors and hope to haev the matter sraighened out to-day.

NEW MEMBERS

AT a meeting of the directors of the Golf Club, held to-day, some ten new members were elected, the majority of them playng members. The coming season promises to be unusually successful. Arrangements were made to fill the positions of housekeeper and assistant groundsman made vacant by the resignation of the present occupants. The greens will be opened next Saturday afternoon for the first time if the weather conditions remain favorable this week. Mixed

CUT DOWN TREE

MR. GEORGE BALLACHEY was very much annoyed on Saturday when visiting his farm on the back street of Mt. Pleasant to find that during the winter some vandal had cut down a handsome elm tree for the purpose of routing out a 'coon. The farm house is not occupied during the winter months. There is no trace of the culprit. It is a pity that the miscreant cannot be brought to justice.

LABOR MEN MAKE REQUEST

They Address City Council Re Sale of Cheese, and Municipal Dwellings.

A communication is on file at the City Hall from the Trades and Labor Council which reads as follows:

Brantford, May 10, 1913.

The Mayor and Aldermen of Brantford. Greetings:

Gentlemen.— The Trades and Labor Council desire to call attention to the communication received by your body, which was forwarded by its municipal committee, regarding the matter of sale of cheese in the market house. We ask that the buildings and grounds committee submit to you its report re. our request.

Also, we would ask your honorable body to consider the desirability of procuring lands, for the erection of good dwellings by the city, same dwellings to be sold under a proper purchase system to worthy citizens at a reasonable rental rate.

Hoping that these matters will receive the attention they warrant, we remain,

Sincerely Yours, Sir,

The Municipal Committee of the Brantford Trades and Labor Council.

Very Sad

Drowning of Russell Adams a Heartfelt Blow to Family and Friends.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. David Adams and family, by hundreds of friends both in Brantford and Paris, in their recent sad bereavement of their son.

Russell left Brantford only a week ago on Wednesday to go to a point on the Trans-Continental about 250 miles north of Fort William. While there he was staying with a Mr. Gilbride, until his friend Mr. Jeffrey Preston of Stratford, a chum at school arrived and they were then going to camp out for the summer.

Russell was going to put in a couple of months practical work in the Trans-Continental repair shops at this point.

On the night of the fatality, in company with Mr. Gilbride's stenographer Mr Miles ahey started out paddling. Mr. Miles felt cold and came in about eight o'clock. Russell, however stayed out and when at 9 o'clock he had not returned a search party was organized and the upturned canoe was found; later the body was recovered.

The fatality is an exceptionally sad one, in view of the fact that Russell had just completed his first year in the School of Science, and the results were pust published on Friday, including Russell as one of the successful local boys.

His many school friends throughout the city and at Toronto, will feel deeply the great loss, as he was one of the most popular boys of the B. C. I. who had gone up to Toronto.

It is expected the body will arrive to-night about 8 o'clock, and the funeral will take place to-morrow to the Paris cemetery.

Complaints

There have been numerous complaints of late regarding motorists speeding up Brant Avenue without their tail lamps lighted. The police intend to stop this practice.

DELEGATES FROM ENGLAND HERE TO ARRANGE FOR WORLD'S GREATEST PEACE CONFERENCE

To confer with American colleagues regarding the international celebration in 1915 of the centenary of the signing of the Treaty of Ghent and the peace centennial among the English speaking nations, delegates from Belgium, Great Britain, Australia and Canada arrived recently in A[illegible]. They will arrange the details of w[illegible] is believed will be the greatest international peace celebration in the h[illegible]y of the w[illegible]

At the head of the British delegation is Lord Weardale, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Unio[illegible], representing the parliaments of twenty-one nations and prominent in the international pe[illegible] movement in Great B[illegible]tai[illegible] Among the other delegates from Great Britain are Moreton Frewen, f[illegible]merly [illegible] member of Parliament, who married Miss Clara Jerome, daughter of Leonard Jerome, of New York, and Earl Stanhope, nephew of Lord Weardale.

A BIG GRANT TO PORT DOVER HARBOR IN OTTAWA ESTIMATES

Government Will Take Action Which Will be of Great Advantage to Brantford and Other Municipalties---Supplementary Estimates Will be Down This Week.

It is understood that, acting on the report of engineers, the Ottawa Government has practically decided to make adequate improvements to the harbor at Port Dover. In this regard it is stated that a first grant for the purpose may appear in the supplementary estimates. Just what the significance of this announcement means will perhaps not appear on the surface to those who have not followed the far-reaching significance of such a move—not alone for Brantford primarily, but also for many other places affected by the Lake Erie & Northern Railway now under course of construction. A glance at the map will make the situation clear. Port Dover is almost directly opposite Erie, the capital city of Erie county, Pennsylvania, and the largest land-locked harbor on the United States side of Lake Erie. Its peculiarly advantageous situation has given it high rank as a shipping point. The port is closest to the Pennsylvania soft coal fields and also to Pittsburg, the great centre of steel manufacture. With Port Dover harbor dredged and adequate wharves erected, there will be a freight line between Dover and Erie, and the great significance of that fact is shown by these figures. Such a connection with the Lake Erie & Northern Railway at Port Dover would place Brantford manufacturers for soft coal and steel, of which they use large quantities, 76 miles nearer than the haul of the same by the present route to this city. Paris manufacturers would be placed about 70 miles nearer, Galt about 50 miles nearer, and even Hamilton 30 miles nearer than at the present time.

Celebrated Whit Monday

[Canadian Press Despatch]

NOTTINGHAM, Eng., May 12 —One of the band of militant suffragettes assigned to interfere with the pastimes of the men of the British Isles, celebrated Whit Monday, which is a general holiday here, by burning down the headquarters of the Nottingham Boat Club on the banks of the Trent River. The structure, which contained many valuable racing boats, skiffs, the loss being $10,000.

Loaded Down With Money

EVANSVILLE, Ind., May 12. —Weighted down with coins, which he had taken in at his saloon Saturday night, Edward Ruckmar, a saloonkeeper, was drowned in the Ohio River near here yesterday when his launch upset. Ruckmar, together with Frank Yeager, was running a trout line, and when both leaned over the same side of the launch to pull in a large fish, the boat upset. Yeager was rescued. Ruckmar, whose body had not been found early to-day, had about $150, mostly coins, in his pocket, and this is believed to have caused him to sink.

POST-MASTERS NOT A SUCCESS

As Government Agents For Old Age Annuity System.

[Canadian Press Despatch]

OTTAWA, Ont., May 12.— A general discussion of the annuity system and widening of the scope for the usefulness of post offices took place at the first morning sitting of the Commons to-day. The post-moster general introduced a bill increasing the maximum of annuition from 0600 to $1,000 owing to a demand for the higher figure. He admitted that postmasters had not made very efficient annuity agents but said the system would be put on a better working basis. W F MacLean suggested that government telephone, telegraph and parcels post systems be consolidated in the post office, open day and night. The Minister promised that the Parcels Post Bill would be brought in this week.

A resolution was introduced raising the maximum compensation for horses destroyed owing to contagious diseases to $500. Last year 638 horses were killed for this cause.

Budget Not Down Today

[Canadian Press Despatch]

OTTAWA, May 12.—It is probable that the budget speech will be delivered in the Commons this afternoon, owing to the fact that Hon. W. T. White has to leave on account of the sudden illness of his mother, and the uncertainty of the date of his return. As A. K. McLean, who is to reply to the Minister, is absent to-day, the Opposition will make an agreement to make the delivery of the speech contingent on the adjournment of the debate.

Mothers' Day.

Mothers had right of way at Wellington St. Sunday School yesterday afternoon. Mothers announced the hymns, led the singing, presided at the piano, read the lesson, offered prayer, gave the attendance and star rports—a further innovation was a chorus by eight grandmothers—while an appropriate mothers' song was rendered by Mrs. Limburg and and Misses Hyde and Limburg, making in all a real live Mothers' Day.

LITTLE TOTS START TO SEE THE BIG CITY

A little girl named Rust and a little boy named French, each three-year-old tots, decided to wander away from their parental home on Sydenham street, in Grand View, early yesterday morning. Hand in hand, they departed to see the gliding autos on the paved streets of the big city, and all the other wonders for big eyes. Their parents, however, became greatly distressed during the afternoon. They asked Chief Lewis to ring the fire bell. The police were also appealed to. Just at dark a resident of Sydenham street noticed the little ones, tired, hungry and in evident childish distress. They lingered with tear-dimmed eyes near Benwell's Hotel on Market street. Had they not been discovered, both would have fallen asleep on a doorstep. They were rushed home, where their parents were overjoyed to receive them.

GREAT CARE EXERCISED

AT the request of Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., a member of the architectural department of the Public Works has been in Brantford to inspect the location and foundations of the new building. Architect Hewitt had the mission, and his report will follow in a day or so. It is determined by the department that the structure shall be a credit in every possible way.

NEAR FATALITY IN SEWER HOLE

Fireman Bolton Saved a Life This Morning Through His Knowledge of First Aid

An accident, which might have had fatal results occurred this morning on West Mill street, when two employees of the sewer construction gang were overcome by sewer gas in a man-hole in front of 125 West Mill street. William Etheridge, living on West street, in company with Alex. Downes, of Able avenue, and a foreigner, Joe Chabbo, were working at a man hole on West Mill street, and in some manner Etheridge's ruler dropped in the hole, Downes immediately volunteered to go down after it. In going down the hole, which was about twenty-five feet deep; he was overcome by the gas and fell in. Joe Chabbo, a foreigner, living on Duke street, went down to help Downes out and he, too, was overcome, by the fumes and fell in. Etheridge realizing the precarious position they were in sent in a call for the firemen. In the meantime he secured a rope and went down the hole, fastened it about the two men and they were pulled out. Shortly after they were taken from the hole, Fireman Bolton, who has passed exams. in first aid works, happened along on his way home, and started work resuscitating Dwones, although the bystanders were all of opinion that it was to late. By the time Chief Lewis and five of the firemen arrived with the truck, Bolton had Downes breathing, and showing signs of life.

Dr. Nichol was summoned and Downes was brought around and immediately hustled to the hospital in the ambulance where he is still in a serious conldition.

Chabbo was able to walk home shortly afterwards.

Had it not been for the timely arrival of Fireman Bolton and his excellent work, Downes would doubtless have lost his life. Bolton as before mentioned is a first-aid man, and was apparently the only man who knew that Downes still had life in him.

Wm. Etheridge's presence of mind also helped to avoid a serious fatality. Both men deserve great praise for their work in the case.

Chief Lewis stated to a Courier representative this morning that had it not been for Etheridge and Bolton, that Downes and Chabbo would certainly have lost their lives.

Died at Ottawa.

Mrs. E. W. J. Hunt, 141 Rawdon street, has received the sad intelligence of the death of her sister at Ottawa, Miss Alice McGuffy. The deceased formerly resided in Brantford, and many friends will be sorry to learn of her demise. The funeral takes place on Tuesday afternoon from the residence of Mrs. Hunt.

ELECTED DIRECTORS

AT a meeting of the shareholders of the Kitchen Overall Company, held on Saturday afternoon, Messrs. Joseph Ruddy and J. Schultz were added to the board of directors. The affairs of the company were reported in a very prosperous state, and the industry promises to reach quite large proportions.

LIKE A BOLT FROM THE BLUE

Hotel Doors Were Closed Until 8 O'clock this Morning ---New Act in Force.

Like a bolt from the blue, as far as Brantford was concerned, came the order from Toronto which meant the keeping closed of all hotel bars to 8 o'clock in the morning instead of 6 o'clock, the former hour of opening. License Inspector Eacrett had to notify each hotel man on Sunday, that the new Hanna law went into effect to-day. The other important feature of the amended liquor act is the elimination of the bottle trade over bars, and in future drinks must be consumed on the premises.

Local hotel keepers were pleased with the change this morning. The early morning fellows were surprised when they found doors closed. Some enquired if the hotelkeeper had dropped dead during the night. The bartenders were particularly happy, and liked the change.

The announcement at Toronto was too late to reach the Canadian Press wires and was only carried in late editions of Toronto papers.

A Toronto desptch says: The coming into effect of the new act, closing the hotels until 8 o'clock in the morning, was not felt by the larger downtown bars here this morning, but in the smaller places and in the outlying districts, six o'clock found many men ready to enter the bars. There were fifty or more workingmen in front of one hotel, the Power House, and in the neighborhood of the larger northwest factories, the disappointed were forced to work without the regular "booster." Night workers also felt the working of the new act. Constables were posted at each hotel to watch.

SCHOOL BOARD TO GET $3500

Lake Erie and Northern Will Give That Amount for School Property.

The Lake Erie and Northern Railway Co., have practcailly arrived at an agreement, which is satisfactory to themselves and the Public School trustees, whereby the latter will receive $3,500 for the Morrell Street school property. This amount includes the building and grounds and the railway will, when the articles are signed be able to build their line through the school property. It might be stated that the survey goes right through the school building, of course necessitating its removal. This was one of the points which the L. E. and N. Ry. had to clear up before the right of way would be complete through that part of the city.

MERCHANTS TO CLOSE MONDAY

Observance of Victoria Day in Brantford Will be Split Up.

Brantford merchants when interviewed this morning, relative to the observance of Victoria Day, almost unanimously declared in favor of keeping shop open on May 24, Saturday, and closing on Monday. The factories, however, will likely keep the statutory holiday, giving their employes the advantage of holiday railway rates, which the clerks would not have, if the holiday is observed on Monday by the merchants. In all likelihood the stores will close Monday and remain open market day, Saturday.