

THE SUN, ST. JOHN, N. B. MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1906, SEVEN

THIRTY-EIGHT PERSONS KILLED AND MORE THAN SIXTY INJURED IN TRAIN WRECK

Appalling Disaster at 7 O'clock Last Night on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Near Washington.

Collision of Crowded Passenger Train With Frederick Special -- Officials Unable to Explain Cause of Accident, but Operator Said to be Responsible -- Bodies Scattered Along the Track for a Mile -- Many of the Injured Will Die.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—An appalling disaster occurred tonight at 7 o'clock on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Terra Cotta, about three miles from this city, in which about thirty-eight persons were killed and over sixty injured, some of them so seriously that they will die. The accident was caused by the collision of train No. 64, due here at 8:15 p. m. from Frederick, Md., known as the Frederick special, with a crowded passenger train.

DEAD BODIES SCATTERED ALONG TRACK.

The dead bodies were found lying beside the track for a considerable distance. The accident took place at 7:05 p. m. A dense fog was prevailing and made objects imperceptible a few feet ahead. It was impossible at first to determine the exact extent of the catastrophe.

A PASSENGER'S STORY.

District Attorney Baker, who was slightly injured and who walked a mile and a quarter to a drug store, in describing his experience to a representative of the Associated Press, said: "I was in the second car from the engine when the accident occurred. I was four seats from the end of the car and just as the train left Terra Cotta station the crash came. We were carried in the wreckage for some distance. I do not know how I got out of the wreckage, but I saw a groceryman of Washington, assisted me to the drug store."

Frank P. Holter, a newspaper man of Frederick, Md., who was slightly injured, in describing his experience said: "I was in the rear car next to the engine, talking with a man and his wife from Detroit, Mich. We were all standing up, the car being noisy and suddenly we heard an awful noise and then a crash. Women began screaming and the next thing I knew I found myself in the wreckage."

U. S. District Attorney D. W. Baker, who was a passenger on the forward car, suffered internal injuries. He was able to walk from the wreck to a drug store, where his injuries were treated. He was later taken to his home in an automobile.

Mr. Baker was returning from his farm in Hagerstown. When the news of the accident spread about Brook-

land many citizens, with their wives, hastened to the scene to give their aid and comfort to the wounded.

Mrs. H. P. Fisher of this city, while responding to the call of a sufferer, almost tumbled over the body of a two-year-old child lying near the tracks. The baby was terribly bruised, but was still alive.

It was said that the mother of the infant had been killed.

The ill-fated train runs only on Sunday for the benefit of many Washingtonians, who either have country places on the line or go to visit relatives. It leaves Frederick at four o'clock in the afternoon and is scheduled to reach Washington at 5:30 o'clock.

To consider the proper causes. We have not yet interrogated the operators and what the situation was.

"We shall institute an inquiry into the cause of the collision. The inquiry will begin tomorrow morning probably in Baltimore, where all the train records are. We shall make the inquiry as rapid as possible and shall give the results of it promptly to the public through the press."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Shortly before midnight a hospital train which had been sent from Washington, arrived at the scene of the wreck and the work of taking on the injured and the bodies of the dead was begun.

ANOTHER ROBBERY IN THE WEST END

W. C. Wilson's Drug Store Entered Early Saturday Morning. Between \$4 and \$5 in English Money and Some Cheap Cigars Taken — Canadian Money Distained

Another robbery is reported from the west end, and this time Wm. C. Wilson, the druggist, is the loser. Early Saturday morning, probably about five o'clock, Mr. Wilson's drug store was entered by burglars. A rather primitive method of entrance was employed—that of breaking a large window in the back door, with a stone. The burglars then crawled through the opening and passed into the front shop. While passing into the front store they went through the ice cream parlor, and here a number of boxes of valuable cigars were stored. None of them were taken, but on entering the front shop the burglars carried off a half-box of five cent cigars. They also searched the till and took from it all the English money that was in the drawer. There was between four and five dollars worth of English silver in the till. What little Canadian money had been in the drawer was untouched.

The idea of the men in leaving the Canadian money behind was doubtless to create the impression that the robbery had been committed by Englishmen, but several West Enders are suspected of the crime, although there is no definite knowledge of their guilt. The policeman reported that he passed the store between four o'clock and half past four and the robbery must have been committed after this hour. There have been a large number of robberies in the West End during the past season, and it is thought they are all the work of the same gang, one of whom is thought to be the "Peeping Tom," who created such a furore in the West End on Friday evening.

LORD STRATHCONA REMEMBERS FRIENDS

There were 177 passengers on board the steamship Lake Manitoba, which arrived yesterday morning. Of these fourteen were first cabin, twenty-nine second cabin, and one hundred and thirty-four in the steerage. The special train conveying the passengers bound for the West left the city at 2:30 o'clock.

Among the passengers were Miss G. Southern and Miss M. Miller, of the Victorian Order of Nurses. Miss Southern is to take charge of the home district for the order. Miss Miller left for Ontario on the special train in the afternoon. She will probably be stationed at Ottawa.

Eight large hampers arrived on the Lake Manitoba consigned to the prominent officials throughout Canada. They were sent here by Lord Strathcona, and contained boxes of pheasants. In each hamper there are four or five packages. The New Brunswickers to receive the pheasants are His Honor Lieutenant Governor Bowdler and Premier Tweedie. The leading officials of Nova Scotia will also receive birds. The remaining hampers will be shipped to Montreal and from that point distributed throughout the Dominion.

SIR WILFRID'S REPLY TO N. B. LIBERALS

President A. O. Skinner received on Saturday the following reply to the telegram containing the season's greetings sent to Sir Wilfrid Laurier by the New Brunswick Liberal Association on Friday afternoon:

"Accept my sincere thanks for your Christmas greetings, which I appreciate with all my heart. Allow me at the same time to express my warmest congratulations for the success of the convention."

"WILFRID LAURIER."

PENSACOLA, Fla., Dec. 29.—General Marcus T. Miller, U. S. A., retired, died at Fort Harrison last yesterday of heart disease.

Before you get Pen-Angle garments all the shrink is taken out.

Pen-Angle Underwear keeps you comfortable as well as warm, because it has short fibres that make undergarments shrink out of Pen-Angle wool.

\$100 IN GOLD FOR REV. A. B. COHOE

Tangible Mark of Appreciation from His Flock. Church, Under His Guidance Wipes Out Debt, and Shows Marked Progress — A Great Surprise to Preacher

At the termination of the closing hymn in Brussels St. Baptist Church last evening, and after Rev. A. B. Cohoe, the pastor, had preached a strenuous and inspiring sermon, on idealism in citizenship, Church Treasurer Frank Fales and Senior Deacon William Allwell stepped to the platform and on behalf of the congregation read an appreciative address, accompanied by a check for \$100, containing one hundred dollars in gold.

Rev. Mr. Cohoe was nonplussed. He found it difficult to express his thanks for the gift, and the consideration that prompted it, but said in part that he felt his work during his pastorate had been but feeble, not meriting any especial recognition.

"I made a vow when I assumed the charge," said the much surprised clergyman, "that in all I did would simply be myself, and I have sincerely endeavored to carry out that vow."

Thanks on behalf of Mrs. Cohoe were also extended by the pastor. The address which Mr. Fales read was as follows:

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 29, 1906. Dear Sir and Pastor:—It is now a little more than three years since you first came to the Brussels St. Baptist Church as pastor, and looking back over that period we find in every branch of church activity a great and growing improvement. In our homes a power for good, not only to our own church, but to those outside friends who favor us with their presence, listening to your interesting and helpful sermons.

The finance committee feel especially gratified at the condition of the church in respect to its indebtedness, and they are able to announce that the floating debt, which at the beginning of your pastorate was the result of 1903, has been entirely liquidated, and all current expenses paid to date. It is hoped soon to establish a sinking fund to meet the mortgage. This must be alike gratifying to you, as well as to the church, a position it has not enjoyed for a number of years past.

To you, sir, we feel that the present condition of the church is largely due to our hearts and prayers go up for you that the good work may continue and that your efforts may be blessed to even a greater degree of usefulness.

This also being the third anniversary of the union with your beloved helpmate, we take it as a fitting time to express our appreciation of your labors for the church, and ask you, on behalf of the church and congregation to accept this small gift as a mark of their love and friendship with the prayer that God may spare you both for years to come, laboring successfully in His vineyard.

We extend to you and Mrs. Cohoe the season's greetings and wish you both a very happy and prosperous New Year.

After the reading of this address, William Allwell, the pastor of the congregation and its oldest deacon, handed over the five \$20 gold pieces, involving divine blessings upon the recipient and his family. The whole incident coming abruptly as it did just prior to the benediction, had its emotional effect upon pastor and flock alike and half audible "Amen's" were raised throughout the auditorium.

Mr. Fales added that all sing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," which was done most heartily.

After the dismissal prayer, Rev. Mr. Cohoe was the centre of an informal reception, church members and unattached attendants adding their personal compliments.

MAY BE STERN OF NEW BRUNSWICK VESSEL

DIGBY, N. S., Dec. 29.—Gasoline boats which arrived at Prospect report having towed in Grand Passage Friday night, the stern of a vessel, which was the vessel, "Beatrice, Chatham, N. B." There are two vessels sailing from that port by the same name, one owned by the late Stanley and the other by N. Hillman Roy of Elmira, N. B.

In closing he made a few remarks of a personal nature. He said that he was not fond of farewell sermons and did not wish to make the parting sad, but rather to speak so as to leave some bright and happy memories behind him. He referred to the kind manner in which he had been treated during his seven years' ministry among them. Courtesy, consideration, companionship, sympathy and aid had always been extended to him. There had been some criticism of his work, but it had been made in a kindly spirit.

Continuing, he said that if he had made a failure in his efforts it was too late to make amends, but he did not think that. He had tried to preach the gospel of Christ to them. He strongly commended them to heartily support the church. To do so each churchman must claim his privilege and duty of performing his share of the work.

After the service the congregation adjourned to the schoolroom, where the members of the vestry and congregation presented an address to the Coadjutor Bishop Richardson.

At the service the Bishop bade farewell to the congregation, and after the address was presented delivered a brief valedictory.

Accompanied by Mrs. Richardson and family he will leave for Fredericton today.

Trinity church was crowded to the doors last evening when Coadjutor Bishop Richardson delivered his farewell sermon to his congregation.

Stolen Pleasure The children will show you the merits of Mooney's biscuits if you give them the chance.

Mooney's Perfection Cream Sodas have made themselves famous all over Canada in a very short time. Crisp, inviting, tasty. Different from any other cracker you have ever eaten. Say "Mooney's" to your grocer.

Another Great ...Piano Sale !..

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE OF PIANOS CONTINUED AT CUT PRICES :: ::

Now is your opportunity to get a good Piano at a great bargain.

- 1.—A Beautiful Grand Piano by the celebrated makers Collard & Collard, 7-13 octaves, length 5 feet, a beautiful burr walnut case. Perfectly new piano, consigned for the manufacturers and ordered for immediate sale. Regular price \$650.00. Will sell for \$475.00. Terms can be arranged if desired. This piano in the corner will not take up more room than the upright, and is much handsomer and better toned than the upright.
- 2.—Magnificent Upright Piano, Mason & Risch, 7-13 octaves, new, burr walnut case. Former price \$450.00. Will sell now for \$375.00. Terms, \$30.00 down and \$30.00 per quarter.
- 3.—A very fine Upright Grand Piano, by Mendelssohn Co., Toronto, 7-13 octaves, handsome walnut case, only slightly used, good as new. Former price \$450.00. Now offered at \$270.00. Terms: \$25.00 down and \$25.00 per quarter.
- 4.—Beautiful Upright Stainer Piano, up to date, 7-13 octaves, walnut case. Former price \$350.00. Now offered at \$270.00. Terms: \$20.00 down and \$7.00 per month.
- 5.—A nice Upright Piano by Kenney & Scribner, 7 octaves. Price \$65.00. Terms: \$5.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 6.—Another nice Upright Piano by John R. Colman, 7 octaves. Price \$75.00. Terms: \$5.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 7.—A fine Square Piano by Geo. H. Guild & Co., 7 octaves, walnut case. Former price \$450.00. Now \$130.00. Terms: \$10.00 down and \$5.00 per month.
- 8.—Beautiful Square Piano by Haines Bros., New York, 7 octaves, carved legs. Fine piano for a hall or drawing room, and much better value than an upright piano at the same price. Former value \$450.00, to clear, \$140.00. Terms: \$10.00 down and \$5.00 per month.
- 9.—Another fine Square Piano by Behring & Kilz, New York, 7 octaves. Former price \$450.00, now worth \$125.00. Terms: \$10.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 10.—A fine Piano by A. H. McPhail, Boston, 7 octaves. Regular price \$400.00. Now \$120.00. Terms: \$10.00 down and \$5.00 per month.
- 11.—A very fine Square Piano by Humbert, Boston, 7 octaves, good order. Will sell for \$70.00. Terms: \$5.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 12.—Square Vose & Sons' Piano, 7 octaves, very good condition. Regular price \$400.00. Now \$95.00. Terms: \$5.00 down and \$4.00 per month.
- 13.—Bell Organ, walnut case, 11 stops, illuminated pipe top. Original price \$175.00. Offered for \$35.00.
- 14.—Dominion Organ, iron mirror top, 13 stops. As good as new. Will sell for \$75.00.

Don't neglect this great opportunity. Call or write at once.

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GEORGE W. FOWLER, M. P., AND ASSOCIATES ALLEGE THEY WERE DECEIVED IN BIG LAND DEAL

Geo. W. Fowler, M. P., James Robinson, Fred. H. Hale, the Chalmers Land Co., Ltd., and others have entered an action in the supreme court of New Brunswick against Fox, Morgan and Co., Sydney, H. Shadlock, James T. White and Alfred W. Wright. The suit is brought to set aside an agreement made in May, 1905, for the sale of a tract of land in Mexico to the plaintiffs for the sum of \$325,000, and also the setting aside of a subsequent agreement supplementary to the one made in May, 1905, and also for the setting aside, cancellation or rescission of a promissory note made by a number of the plaintiffs in favor of the plaintiff company, but now held by the defendants, and also for the delivery of another promissory note of the value of \$22,250. The plaintiffs allege that they were induced to make the agreements through the fraud, misrepresentation and deceit of the defendants other than James T. White.

An injunction order has also been issued to restrain Fox, Morgan & Co. from proceeding with an action at law commenced by them in the supreme court of New Brunswick against the plaintiffs, and also to restrain the defendants from commencing or prosecuting any other action at law against the plaintiffs upon the two agreements and notes referred to in the foregoing.

BEACONCOUR, Nicolet county, Que., Dec. 29.—Charles R. Devlin, Liberal, was today elected a member of parliament for the county of Nicolet, defeating George Ball, the Conservative candidate by a majority of 351.

Mr. Devlin was given majorities as follows in six parishes, viz.: Nicolet, 21; St. Brigid, 21; St. Samuel, 3; St. Gertrude, 23; St. Sylvester, 9; St. Wenceslas, 15; St. Eulalie, 14; St. Perpetue, 101.

Majority for Mr. Devlin, 351.

KINGSTON, Dec. 29.—Aland Oronhyatekha, M. P., has been elected chief of the Tyendinaga Mohawk reservation and to the council of five. As he got the highest vote he is "big chief" or president. He is a son of Dr. Oronhyatekha, supreme chief of the reserve. The Independent Order of Foresters.

DANVILLE, Va., Dec. 30.—Two persons were killed and several others seriously injured in a wreck on the Southern railroad near here.

HALIFAX, Dec. 30.—The Intercolonial royal mail special broke all record in the run to Montreal with the mails landed on Saturday by the Alcanian liner Parisian from Liverpool. The steamer docked at noon, and two hours later the train was speeding west. The train made the run from Halifax to Truro, 24 miles, in 57 minutes, and continued at a record breaking speed right through to Montreal. The run between the two cities was made in 18 hours and 25 minutes, which is one hour and 25 minutes better than the record.

The Empress of Ireland sailed at 6.30 on Saturday night. The mail train arrived at six o'clock.

SENATOR THOMPSON HAS NARROW ESCAPE

FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 30.—Hon. Senator Thompson yesterday had a narrow escape from a serious accident. Mr. Thompson left his home in the afternoon, walking out Regent street and turned up Brunswick. He had no sooner turned the corner than a runaway horse, attached to a sled, rushed toward him, hurling him with force to the ground. Mr. Thompson received a bad shaking up, but otherwise escaped serious injury. He turned to his home on Regent st. The few who witnessed the mishap guard the senator's escape as a glorious one.

PATERSON'S COUGH DROPS

THEY WILL CURE