

SHAVES AND HAIR CUTS AT A PREMIUM; LONDON BARBERS ON STRIKE TODAY

Bosses Refuse the Wage Increase Asked, and the Knights of the Razor Resolve to Give Battle Forthwith.

Employers and Men Appear Confident—Latter Issue Statement to the Public.

The local tonsorial artists who hold union cards are on strike today. They worked till the usual hour Saturday night, trimming customers for Sunday, and then said au revoir to their employers.

The wages are now saying that it is a bad scrape, and that somebody is going to be singled. Both sides seem determined, though it is by no means certain whether they are filled with

The stern delight that warriors feel in foemen worthy of their STEEL.

Barbers Meet.

The barbers met yesterday and discussed the matter at some length. There was not a unanimous vote for a strike, but those in favor won out, and the terms of the bosses were refused. So none of them turned up for duty this morning. About 35 men are out and 20 shops are affected.

They then prepared a letter for publication in the papers, in which their side of the matter is presented. It is given in full below. It is self-explanatory. The men are confident of winning, and will fight it out.

The bosses are confident. They contend they cannot pay the increase, and refuse to do so.

Bosses Working. "We are working, and they are not," said one of them. "We gave them our answer last Wednesday, and we have not changed our minds a particle

lying shops all manned and open. Mr. Cambridge has his full complement working as his shop had no card. The bosses expect that this will be sufficient today, and that tomorrow the new men will be here.

The Men's Statement. Here is the men's letter: To the Editor of The Advertiser: The journeymen barbers held a special



HE IS SHAVING HIMSELF NOW

meeting this afternoon with their organizer, H. J. Halford, present. Every journeyman in the city was in attendance and one and all are of the opinion still that our demands are not too exorbitant and that we do not intend to recede from the position already taken. We think our demands are right and just and we do not think the bosses are justified in saying that they cannot pay the wages demanded. In view of the fact that living has almost doubled within the last year or so, and also in view of the fact that the prices have been raised, we cannot see where the bosses have "any kick coming" in paying the scale demanded. Our scale of wages up to the present. Continued on page nine.

THE RELIEF FUND

Table listing names and amounts for a relief fund, including Band concert, Bishop McEvay, London Street Railway Company, Toronto friend, etc.



WIFE TO THE RESCUE

since. We will leave the jobs open until tonight, and if the men come back, all well and good. But tomorrow we will begin to fill their places. I can get more than enough men to fill my shop, and the other shops can do the same. We are not worrying. We are going to stand pat, and we will win easily enough.

The shops are all opened with two and three men working in each one. Mr. White has two men, Mr. Brennan has two, the Tecumseh House has three, the Grigg House three, Putnam three, City Hotel two, with the out-

Russell Inquest Completed To-Night

It is expected that the inquest into the death of the late Miss Agnes Ann Russell, the young woman who died under what were alleged to be suspicious circumstances at the Brown House, in this city, some time ago, will be completed tonight, when the evidence of five or more important witnesses will be heard, and the result of the analysis of the stomach of the de-

ceased, which was sent to Toronto for examination, will be made known. The evidence of the two doctors, Stevenson and Drake, who conducted the post-mortem, and of a specialist from Toronto, will be heard, and possibly the evidence of Mr. William Brown, proprietor of the Brown House, where Miss Russell was employed.

Bill Haywood Not Guilty, Say the Boise Jurors

Acquitted of Charge of Conspiracy to Kill Steunenberg.

Boise, Idaho, July 28.—Into the bright sunlight of a beautiful Sabbath morning, Wm. D. Haywood, secretary and treasurer of the Western Federation of Miners, walked a free man today, acquitted of the murder of former Governor Frank Steunenberg. Probability of acquittal was freely predicted after Judge Fremont Wood read his charge, which was regarded as strongly favoring the defense. It was also freely predicted that in the event of Haywood's acquittal, the state would abandon the prosecution of his associates, Charles H. Moyer, president of the Federation, and Geo. A. Pettibone, of Denver. Statements from counsel and from Governor Gooding, issued today, dispelled this report. Governor Gooding said: "The verdict is a great surprise to me, and I be-

lieve to all citizens of Idaho, who have read or heard the evidence in the case. The state will continue a vigorous prosecution of Moyer and Pettibone, and Adams, and of Simpkins, when apprehended. There will be neither hesitation nor retreat."

Moyer May Be Freed. Application will be made to Judge Wood tomorrow to admit Moyer and Pettibone to bail, and it was said tonight that as to Moyer, whom it is admitted the state's case is weakest, a favorable consideration would not be unexpected. Not the least interesting of the comments made upon the verdict today was that of Harry Orchard, the confessed murderer of Steunenberg, and the witness on whom the state chiefly relied to prove its charge of a conspiracy among certain members of the Western Federation of Miners.

Statement by Orchard. When told that the state penitentiary had been acquitted, Orchard said: "Well, I have done my duty. I have told the truth. I would do no more. I believe in the law." (Continued on Page Nine)

BEACH HOTEL BURNS; GUESTS FLEE FOR LIFE

Mammoth Summer Hotel at Long Beach, N. Y., Wiped Out.

Long Beach, N. Y., July 29.—Eight hundred guests of the Long Beach Hotel, one of the largest seashore hotels on the Atlantic, had to flee for their lives early today when the hotel was burned to the sand. No one was killed. The guests lost all their clothing and personal effects. The fire was discovered on the first floor shortly after 9 o'clock. Hall-boys and bell-boys hurried through the smoky corridors and roused the sleeping guests. The flames gathered quick headway in the great wooden structure, and the guests had barely time to seize some scanty clothing and escape. The guests fled to the beaches and were taken care of by the cottagers. The hotel burned like tinder, and within a short time was a smoldering mass of ruins. Loss \$200,000.

RAN THEIR TRAIN THROUGH FLAMES

Brave C. P. R. Employees Avert Terrible Disaster to Chinese Special.

Fort William, Ont., July 28.—That another terrible wreck did not occur on the C. P. R. yesterday morning is due to the bravery of two of the company's employees, who risked their lives to save a trainload of Chinamen, who were going through to New York on a special train.

Engineer McAdam, who was on the engine drawing the Chinese special, was approaching the Rideout River at great speed, when, glancing ahead, he noticed that the big bridge was a mass of flames. He threw on the emergency brake and called to the fireman to jump, which both men succeeded in doing without any injury.

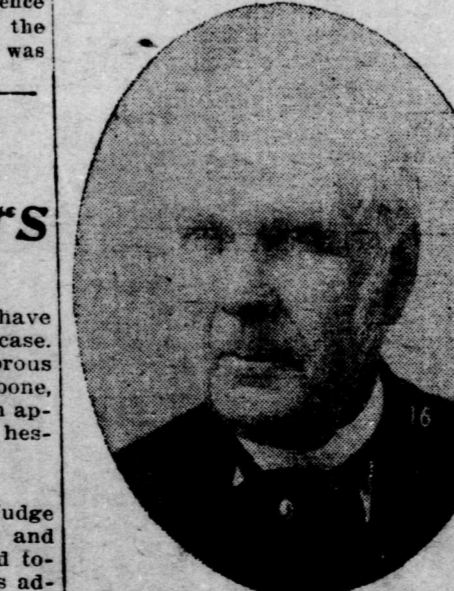
When the engineer gathered himself together he noticed that the train had run right into the middle of the burning bridge and that already some of the coaches were on fire. He immediately climbed aboard and ran forward to the engine through the cars. The engine was in the center of the flames, but the engineer pulled open the doors and the train was safely across the bridge. When safely across it was discovered that six coaches were still on the bridge, the coupling having broken loose when the brakes went on. Another train was also due in a few minutes, and there was grave danger of it running into the rear of the coaches.

Brakeman Wilson rose to the occasion and swam across the river, climbed up on the bank, hurried down the track and flagged the approaching train. The engine was soon uncoupled and three of the cars were pulled away in safety. Three others were totally consumed by the flames, but the occupants all escaped. Ten sections of the bridge were also destroyed, and all traffic was tied up for over seventeen hours.

GEORGE WATSON DIES, AGED 96

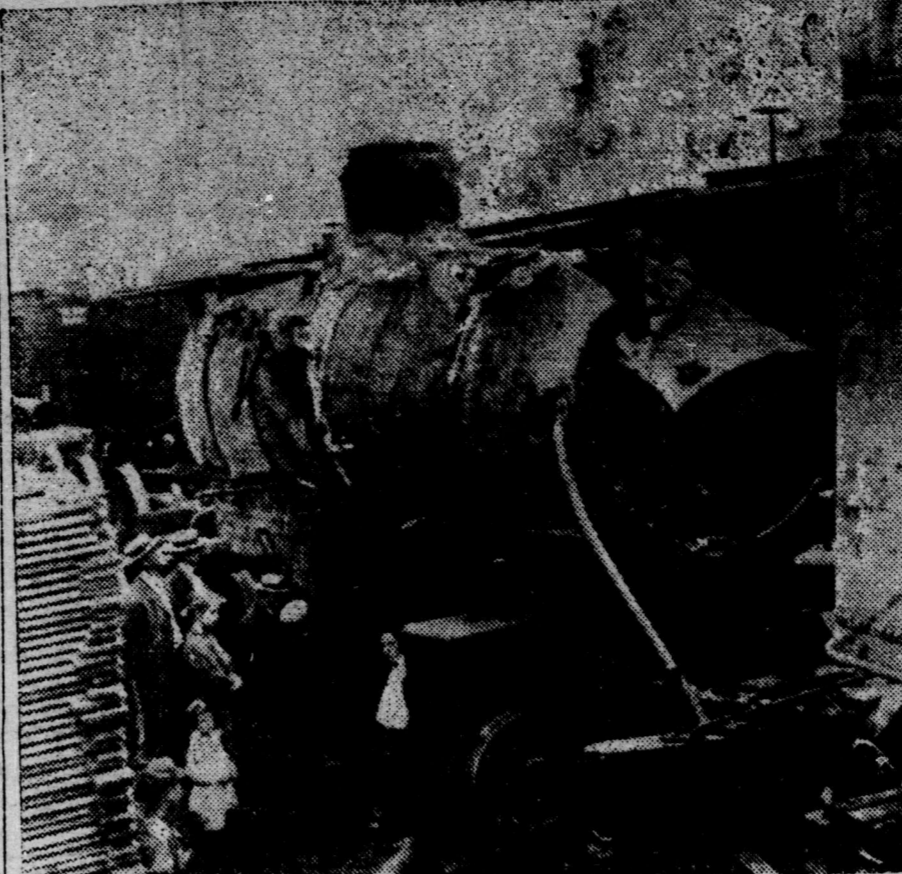
One of London's Oldest Residents Passed Away This Morning in South London.

The death occurred at his late residence, 90 Wellington road, this morning, of Mr. George Watson, a well-known architect of years ago, and one of the oldest inhabitants of London. The deceased, who was in his 96th



THE LATE GEORGE WATSON.

years, had been until a short time ago in his usual good health, which was something remarkable for a man of his age. He was born in England, but came to this country at an early age. Three sons and one daughter survive their father. They are: James and Richard, of this city; John, of Chatham, and Mrs. Gammage, of Port Huron. The funeral will be held on Wednesday at 3 o'clock to Woodland Cemetery.



WRECK OF A WABASH LOCOMOTIVE, WHICH EXPLODED NEAR SIMCOE, CAUSING THE DEATHS OF THREE TRAINMEN.

Twenty Perish in Tenement Fire

New York, July 29.—After an all-night search of the ruins of the six-story tenement at 222 Christie street, which was burned shortly after midnight, the police announced that there were twenty victims of the fire. The bodies of the dead were found in all sorts of unexpected places.

Almost all of the bodies were burned beyond recognition, many to such an extent that it was impossible to distinguish the sex. A majority of the victims were women and children.

Only five of the victims had been identified up to an early hour today. The burned building was one of those old-fashioned tenements common to the east side, with a store on the ground floor, with the apartments upstairs crowded with tenants, mainly Italians. The fire started in the store and swept through the buildings with such rapidity that a fifth of the one hundred tenants in the place met a horrible death. Another score, though they escaped with their lives, were more or less burned, or otherwise injured.

Foreman Had Ride in Ambulance

Stranger even than the pipe story of the lady who never swam in her life until she undertook to save, and which was paraded in the daily papers the other day, is the story of the Indian rubber qualities of one William Proctor, who resides in East London, and is foreman for the London Street Railway Company with its street-paving gang.

Saturday evening Mr. Proctor, for some unaccountable reason, attempted to get off a rapidly-moving street car at the corner of Dundas and Waterloo streets.

And worst of all, he attempted to get off in a manner affected by ladies—that is, the opposite to which the trolley was moving.

The result was he landed in a heap, bounced in the air several times, like a rubber ball, and then rolled into the gutter on the north side of the street.

Everybody thought he was killed. The car was stopped, the exact time of the accident was noted, and the conductor began looking around for witnesses.

In the meantime, several men carried the man into Dr. Piper's office, Springbank, enjoying the vaudeville there, as though nothing had happened. And today he is at work on Richmond street south, bossing the gang which is paving the street.

London Man Suffered Keenly in Wreck

Mr. C. H. Firth, of 419 King street, city, master of St. John's Lodge, No. 209a, A. F. and A. M., returned from Detroit Saturday, where he visited in Harper Hospital Mr. John H. Walton, the former Londoner, who was injured in the terrible wreck on the Pere Marquette at Salem, Mich., when 30 people were killed and nearly 100 were injured.

Mr. Firth found that the first stories of Mr. Walton's injuries, which were subsequently contradicted, were only too true.

Mr. Walton was lying in Harper Hospital with one leg broken and a body fearfully bruised in the wreck. He will recover, but he had a very close call for his life.

In the ward next to Mr. Walton lay his son, who was also very badly injured in the collision.

Mr. Firth said it was pitiable to hear the old gentleman pleading for information concerning the boys, but he was always put off with a good story.

Old-Time Londoner. As stated in The Advertiser of a week ago, Mr. Walton was a member of No. 209a, and when he was injured was immediately sent to this city. When in London he was employed by the firm of Stevens, Turner & Burns, and on Saturday Mr. Walton asked for the partners of this firm, remarking that he had worked for them for many years as a machinist.

He also spoke of the Masonry of twenty years ago in London, mentioning such men as the late Mr. J. E. Dewar and Mr. John Siddons. It is twenty years since he left London.

Rifle Bullet Crashes Into House Past Two Children

Close Call for Youngsters in the Home of Mr. Joseph Ploe, Muir Street.

A young fellow with a gun nearly brought about an accident at 6:30 Saturday evening. The two little children of Mr. Joseph Ploe, of Muir street, were seated at their supper, when a bullet entered the window, passing just behind their heads, and embedding itself in the wall. It has been discovered that the bullet was fired by a young man whose name is known to the county police, but is withheld for the time being. This careless shooting has been going on for weeks in this vicinity, the inhabitants being in constant fear of the stray bullets. Had the bullet's course been changed a few inches, two lives would have been

snuffed out, and the young man would have been forced to answer to a very serious charge.

The police say that possibly he does not realize how serious his action is, but if he knows anything of arms he must know that the practice of shooting in the city or county is most dangerous.

A Rifle Bullet.

The bullet was fired from a .303 British army rifle, and its carrying power may be known from the fact that, after covering the distance from where it was fired to Mr. Ploe's house, it penetrated the bedstead, partition, and intervening light brick wall, and lodged itself deep in the brick of the outside wall.

As has been said before, this is not the first case of such shooting, but whatever the object of the rifle practice may be, the authorities are bound that it will stop.

PASSENGER TRAIN ON WRONG TRACK

Pere Marquette Express Runs On to Siding at Horton Street, Saturday Night.

Saturday evening the Pere Marquette passenger train, which leave London at 7:05, narrowly averted an accident.

It seems that after the train came in from the Port a few minutes before 7 o'clock, the switch was left open, and when the 7:05 train pulled out it ran into a siding south of Horton street.

Fortunately the siding was clear of cars and no damage resulted. The engineer pulled the train up within a short distance when he found he was on the wrong track.

SLIPPED BENEATH WHEELS

M. C. R. Brakeman Crushed to Death in the Windsor Yards.

Windsor, Ont., July 29.—Oliver Caldwell, a switchman, aged 26, and married, whose home was in Windsor, was killed in the Michigan Central yards here last night. He was riding on the tailboard of a yard engine, and started to get off when he slipped, and in spite of the heroic efforts of James Bourke, a fellow switchman, to save him, fell on the track, was run over by the first car, and instantly killed.

Hamilton Labor Representative Booming New Labor Party in London

Mr. Allan Studholme, M.L.A., Addressed Local Unions—Circular Issued.

Mr. Allan Studholme, M. L. A., Hamilton, who spent several days in this city last week in the interests of the new Labor party which is being put forward by prominent labormen, has returned home.

While here, Mr. Studholme visited many of the local unions, explaining to the members the objects of the new party, and asking for the candidate who will be put forth the support of all workmen.

Winnipeg Convention.

The executive officers of the Trades Congress of Canada have sent out their official call for the annual convention. It is the 23rd gathering of the representatives of organized labor in Canada, and will open in the city of Winnipeg on Sept. 16.

It is understood the local labor men will appoint a delegate to the convention at the first meeting of the Trades and Labor Council in August.

The chief features of the circular are organization, laws passed by the Dominion Parliament and the future policy of labor regarding immigration. The circular says: Toiler's Everyday Life. "While the organization of the

SHOOTS SISTERS AND BROTHERS

Awful Crime by Member of a Distinguished American Family.

Paris, July 29.—Grief and sorrow reigns this morning in the residence near Neptune Park, of the stricken Huntington family, where last night Henry Huntington, son of Major Douglas St. Georges Huntington, shot down two sisters and two brothers at the moment the members of the family had gathered around the deathbed of the father.

Major Huntington is breathing his last. The condition of Elizabeth and Alonzo Huntington is today declared to be desperate, although not hopeless, the wounds inflicted by their brother upon Edith and Douglas Huntington are not grave. Mrs. Huntington, the wife of the dying major, is completely prostrated from shock, and confined to her bed. A few blocks away, Henry, who is regarded by his family and friends as demented, is in jail. He is dazed and confused, and hardly realizes the terrible thing he has done.

FATALITY AT BARRIE.

Barrie, July 29.—A fatal accident occurred in the Allandale G. C. T. R. yards shortly before 12 o'clock last night, when the night foreman of the yards, J. B. McDonald, was knocked down by some shunted cars, two of which passed over his body, killing him instantly. A widow and one daughter survive him.

Crushing Defeat for Raisuli; Within Few Hours of MacLean

Sheerelians Out to Rescue Kaid Refuse to Discuss Terms.

Tangier, July 29.—The Sheerelians on Saturday attacked villages belonging to the Kmasse tribe, in whose territory the bandit Raisuli holds Kaid Sir Harry MacLean prisoner. The troops burned and looted the villages, killing many of the inhabitants and taking a large number of prisoners. The government forces were completely victorious, but as the battle was fought within six hours' journey of where Kaid MacLean is believed to be

located, his position is regarded as most precarious than ever.

The Sheerelians troops were under the command of Kaid Bouchta, who has a personal account to settle with Raisuli, having been wounded by the bandit in a former encounter. Having reached the walled town of Sheeshuan on Saturday, the head of the Kmasse village met Bouchta and offered to discuss with him terms for the release of Kaid MacLean. The so eminent official declined to discuss the matter, and demanded the surrender forthwith of Raisuli. They then burned the village, occupied Sheeshuan and beheaded the rebels who had not been killed. Kaid Bouchta, who has been completely victorious, will now advance upon other villages, endeavoring to destroy Raisuli's influence. The Sultan is mobilizing the troops to assist in the search and capture of Raisuli.