

C. P. R. ENGINEER BEHEADED AT GUELPH LONDON MASONS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Charles Armstrong of Toronto Junction Was Instantly Killed.

EXPRESS LEFT THE MAIN LINE

Ran Into the Guelph and Goderich Branch—Struck Another Engine on the Siding.

Engineer Charles Armstrong, of Toronto, lost his life in an accident which occurred at Guelph Junction this morning at 4:20, when he was bringing the Masonic special from Toronto, on the C. P. R. to this city.

The engineer was beheaded, and the London special had a miraculous escape from being wrecked with its load of London Masons who had been visiting in the Queen City.

Guelph Junction is sixteen miles from the city of Guelph.

Switch Was Open.

The accident was a most peculiar one and seems to have been due to the switch of the Guelph and Goderich line opening onto the main line being left open.

Engineer Armstrong was driving mogul engine No. 748, and was making good time when nearing Guelph Junction.

The engine of a freight train from Goderich had run up on a coal siding on the G. and G. line to take coal, and in some manner not yet explained the switch from the main line onto the Guelph and Goderich line was left open.

Left Main Line.

The Masonic special ran into the open switch and started up the Guelph and Goderich line at full speed.

Engineer Armstrong noticed in a moment that something was wrong and put his head out of the cab.

The tender of the freight engine standing on the siding to take on coal was so close to the track that the engineer's head was instantly torn off, and the sides of every car in the train badly scraped.

A Miraculous Escape.

The Masons in the cars never knew what a miraculous escape they had from an awful death until the fireman succeeded in stopping the engine some distance down the track, and the train backed down again.

Engine 748 was damaged to such an extent that it took an hour and a half to repair it after which the train was brought to this city by Traveling Engineer Robb, who happened to be a passenger.

Hundreds of Masons.

In the day coaches were many Masons and their friends who had taken advantage of the special rates offered by the Masons to go to Toronto.

Had the tender stood a few inches further foul of the line, nothing could have prevented the sides being ripped out of the cars and the loss of life would have been terrible.

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HOSTLER WAS FINED BY SQUIRE CHITTICK

For Assaulting a Melbourne Hotel-keeper the Other Day.

Hiram Cushman, an Appin hostler, appeared before Squire Chittick this morning on a charge of having assaulted and used threatening and abusive language to A. N. Black, a Melbourne hotelkeeper, and upon pleaded guilty, was bound over to keep the peace, and fined \$5 and costs, amounting in all to about \$26.

The evidence of the complainant was to the effect that Cushman had, on the 5th of March, threatened his life, by saying, "I will kill you, you —."

The witness bore signs of having been engaged in a fist encounter.

EUGENE SCHMITZ RELEASED

The Ex-Frisco Mayor Out on a Bond of \$150,000.

San Francisco, March 11.—Eugene E. Schmitz was released from jail last night, after presenting bonds in the sum of \$150,000. His bondsmen are T. H. Williams and W. J. Dingee. The charges of extortion against him, on which he had not yet been tried, were dismissed.

YORK ST. LADY BADLY BURNED LAMP IGNITED CURTAINS

And Set Fire to the Room—Miss Gage's Cries Brought Her Assistance and the Blaze Was Smothered—Hands Painfully Injured.

A serious accident was narrowly averted at the boarding-house of Miss Cameron, 125 York street, this morning, when Miss Gage, a young lady boarder, in lighting a lamp, also ignited the curtains.

In a moment a small fire was in progress.

Miss Gage's cries attracted her sister, who succeeded in smothering the flames with a rug, having both hands painfully burned while doing so.

Beyond the destruction of the curtains, the blind and part of the carpet, the loss will be slight.

The fire department was not called.

NEW ELECTRICAL LINES TO TAP CITY OF LONDON

One Line From Grand Bend and the Other From Stratford—Charter Granted in One Case—Application Made in the Other—The Particulars.

There are two franchises for traction lines now in the public eye which are of much importance to Londoners. One is for a line from London to Stratford, promoted by Mr. A. E. Welch and other gentlemen well known through their connection with the Southwestern Traction Company. The other is for a line to run from Grand Bend, about 40 miles from London, on Lake Huron, to this city.

The Stratford Line.

The North Midland Railway Company must complete its line from London to Stratford and north into Huron within three years, and must

spend \$150,000, which is 15 per cent of its capital, in the next two years; failing this it will lose its charter. The two-year extension was granted yesterday morning by the private bills committee of the Legislature, but the committee insisted that \$150,000 be expended, as only \$500 has been spent since the charter was granted four years ago. The company hopes to place its bonds this year. Its line from London to Stratford, via St. Marys, will cost about \$800,000.

It was noticeable that the same solicitor represented the Southwestern Traction Company, which owns

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Cement Company Patches Up Trouble After a Sixteen Hours' Session

Charges Were Made But Not One of Them Was Proven.

After a meeting lasting from one o'clock in the afternoon until nearly midnight last night, the shareholders of the Colonial Cement Company, of Warton, finally succeeded in electing a board of directors, who subsequently elected Mr. W. Piper, of Lambeth; J. Morton, of Chatham; D. A. Wright, of Warton, and Dr. Teasdale, of this city.

Clergman Took Chair.

Throughout the afternoon charges and counter charges were brought

against some of the officers of the company, none of which were proven, and it was only after a very stormy time that it was decided to ask Rev. James Livingstone to take the chair, he being a neutral party, but a shareholder.

Thenforwarded the business was conducted properly.

A great deal of time was taken up in explaining to the large number of shareholders present the causes of the trouble.

Many of the stockholders were not present at the first meeting in Warton last week, and did not know of the troubles until by hearsay.

It was finally decided to let the matter drop and allow the charges to be forgotten.

The directors will try and arrange all the matters to the satisfaction of everybody, and carry on the business so that it will pay.

Some Prisoners Are So Very Rough Persist in Smashing Up the Cells

One Man Paid Dearly for the Fun—Alleged Embezzler Discharged.

If people keep on breaking up the cells the way they have been doing lately, and have to make good the damage and pay a fine besides, there will soon be a new police station evolved from the old one by a process entailing no expense on the part of the taxpayers.

James Seales is the second individual who has damaged his surroundings while in the cells. Seales was brought in in a very drunken condition last night and, it is said, deliberately broke part of the lavatory.

For being drunk he was fined \$10 and \$2 costs and for the damage he did while in captivity he was fined one dollar and ordered to make the damage good.

His bill to the plumber will amount

to about four dollars, so Mr. Seales' little evening will cost him altogether about \$17, to say nothing of the cost of the cargo he had on.

Anna Just, charged with stealing a diamond ring, was again remanded for a week.

Allowed to Go.

C. H. Joyce, the young insurance collector, who was charged with having misappropriated his company's funds, was allowed to go on suspended sentence, as he has made full restitution of the amounts missing.

The charges against him were withdrawn.

The long pending case against Mr. C. R. Somerville, which has been on the docket for months, was finally disposed of by Mr. Somerville paying a fine of \$1.

Mr. Somerville, it will be remembered, was charged with a breach of the bylaw for building a handsome stone coping around his new house.

The case of William Watson, who charged Richard Watson with maliciously damaging his property, was adjourned for a week.

LAKE IS MADE INSPECTOR-GENERAL

Ottawa, March 11.—A militia order was issued today appointing Major General Lake to be Inspector-General and Brigadier General Otter to be chief of staff from April 1.

R. E. Young, superintendent of swamp lands of the interior department, was examined before the public accounts committee today on the agricultural and mineral possibilities of the West. In regard to the wheat belt he said that as there was crop of 100,000,000 bushels in 1906, it required

no great stretch of the imagination to foresee a wheat crop of 300,000,000 bushels or three times the total amount of Canada's report at the present time. In the northern portions there were as much land as was now settled west of Winnipeg.

Mr. McPherson, M. P. Vancouver, received a telegram today from Mayor Bethune, Vancouver, asking him to get the Dominion Government to invite the American fleet to Vancouver. Mr. MacPherson will lay the matter before the Government at once.

LONDON WILL GO AFTER THE PLANT

Which Detroit Steel People Will Establish in Canada.

WOULD PROVE A BOOM FOR CITY

Chairman of the Manufacturers' Committee Is Out of the City Today.

The story that a large steel industry may be established in London has created not a little discussion among the citizens, and this morning it was one of the chief matters of conversation on the streets. St. Thomas thinks the plant is clinched for this city.

It is looked upon as one of the most favorable propositions that have been brought to the attention of the citizens.

A New Field.

"London wants more industries of that nature," said a prominent member of the board of trade this morning.

"It opens a new field of manufacture, and makes it possible that kindred manufactures may be located here."

"It is well worth looking into, and I hope the board of trade and the manufacturers' committee of the council get in touch with the promoters, and see that the claims of London are properly placed before them."

Chairman Away.

Ald. Ferguson, chairman of the manufacturers' committee, is out of the city today. He will be notified of the fact that this firm is looking for a location, and will probably get in touch with the promoters immediately.

Ald. Ferguson has declared in favor

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INDIAN PROVED A CLEVER FORGER

How the P. O. Money Order Was Raised \$9.

REDMAN IS A GOOD WRITER

Alleged That He Is Guilty, But He Maintains He Is Innocent.

Much interest is being shown at the court house in the case of Isaac Homer, the Muncey Indian, charged with the forgery of a postal money order. Homer appeared recently before Squire Chittick, and, although not formally committed, it is certain that he will be on Saturday when he comes up again to face additional evidence.

The Forgery.

The manner in which the forgery was committed is interesting. The order first called for one dollar and sixty-five cents, and was raised to ten dollars and sixty-five cents.

The words "One dollar" were written on the top line of the order, and the cents beneath.

In stead of erasing the entire word "one," the forger scratched off, with a penknife, the letter "e," and the right hand upper corner of the letter "o."

Then he placed a little dash on the right hand upper corner of the "o," making it look like a capital "T."

By erasing the joining line between the "o" and the "t" a space was made for the figure "9."

The Figures Fixed.

In the upper left hand corner of the money order were the figures "31 65," a fairly wide margin separating the "1" from the "6."

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Crack Catcher Landed for Londons Schedule To Be Drawn Up on 25th

Promoter Wreath Says Strong Man Will Preside Over League.

The Advertiser is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Paul B. Wreath, of New York city, the International Baseball League promoter, and holder of the London franchise, in which it is stated that the next meeting of the league will be held at Hamilton on the 25th of this month. At this meeting officers will be elected and a schedule adopted.

Mr. Wreath states that a number of good men are in view for the presidency, and that it is hoped that the league is fortunate enough to get the right one, as to be successful as head of such an organization one must have a thorough knowledge of baseball.

"This morning I received a signed contract from a man I have been trying to land for several weeks. This is Charles Bird, of Newark, N. J."

"Mr. Bird acted as playing manager of the Allentown club, of the Atlantic League, last year, and landed his club in second place. He is a capable catcher, and hit for 280 in that league. I am going slow in signing players, as I want only men whose records are good."

"I note the City League is reorganizing for the coming season, and I am glad to hear it, for it will create all the more interest."

Possible Site for New Fire Hall

Sites for the new fire halls have not yet been chosen, but it is expected that they will be chosen shortly.

Two locations have been favorably mentioned for the southeast hall. One is the old Five Ayles property at the corner of the Hamilton road and Adelaide street.

The Fitzmaurice property at the corner of Grey and Adelaide streets is also favorably mentioned.

Fire Chief Clark has made no statement regarding the property as yet.

The North End fire hall will be located in the vicinity of Oxford and William streets.

Niagara Power Before Committee

The tenders for coal will also be opened.

Ald. Booth will make his report concerning the firemen's benefit fund.

The estimates for the year will be considered also.

WOULD ESCORT PRINCE

Albany Burgess Corps Makes Application to Mayor of Quebec.

Quebec, March 10.—The mayor of Quebec has received an offer from the Albany Burgess corps to furnish a personal guard of honor to the Prince of Wales during his visit to Quebec for the tercentenary fetes.

He has referred the corps to the governor-general, through whom all matters relating to the reception of the prince have to be arranged.

The Albany corps, it is said, acted as personal escort to the present king when he visited Albany, in 1860, and gave a banquet in his honor.

NOTED JURIST DEAD.

Mexico City, March 11.—Secretary of State Joseph Algar is dead. He was attacked with pleuro-pneumonia two days ago. He was considered to be one of the most able jurists in the republic, and had been in the department of state many years.

Hand Hurt.

Brakeman Cuttle had the top of the middle finger of his right hand cut off yesterday while unloading Masonic paraphernalia at Toronto station. The injury was dressed in the Western Hospital.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND MILD. FORECASTS.

Toronto, March 11—8 a.m. Fresh to strong southwesterly winds; fair and mild today and Thursday.

Local Temperatures.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. yesterday were: Highest, 32°; lowest, 19°.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	28	24	Fair
Winnipeg	22	20	Cloudy
Port Arthur	22	20	Snow
Parry Sound	28	14	Cloudy
Thunder Bay	28	14	Cloudy
Ottawa	16	10	Cloudy
Montreal	16	12	Cloudy
Quebec	16	8	Cloudy
Father Point	10	6	Cloudy

The first column in the above table records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather is fair and mild throughout the Dominion.

The temperatures ranged between 50° and 60° yesterday in Alberta.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 23 below—22; Atlin, 20—22; Fort Simpson, 40—44; Victoria, 42—48; Vancouver, 42—47; Kamloops, 32—50; Edmonton, 24—40; Battleford, 23—44; Prince Albert, 24—40; Calgary, 34—38; Regina, 12—42; Winnipeg, 8—35; Parry Sound, 6 below—24; Toronto, 12—27; Ottawa, 2 below—18; Montreal, 2—18; Quebec, 8 below—14; St. John, zero—18; Halifax, 4—24.

LONDON MAN IN A \$500,000 ACTION JOE BOYLE AGAIN WINS IN COURT

HAS WIFE IN ONTARIO TOWN

John Heimer of Detroit Nevertheless Declares He Is Not a Bigamist.

A Detroit dispatch says: John Heimer, aged 29, a salesman living in Hamtramck, was brought before Justice Louis Merique, of that place, yesterday, on a charge of non-support, released, and immediately rearrested, charged with bigamy.

Lillian Wilder, who says that she was married to Heimer on Jan. 4,

last, was the complainant in both cases. She told Justice Merique that before the end of their honeymoon Heimer left her to support herself as best she could. She caused his arrest on a non-support charge, and while investigating found two men who said they knew Heimer had another wife in a little town in Ontario.

Heimer pleaded not guilty, and in default of bail was remanded to the county jail for sentence. In the meantime, Miss Wilder's parents, who are well-known residents of Hamtramck, are seeking to locate the first wife, who is said to have dropped her husband's name and to be going under the name of Emma Spaulding.

"I was married to Emma Spaulding," said Heimer at the county jail last night, "but she afterward got a divorce and married another man. My marriage to Miss Wilder was perfectly legal."

PLAINTIFF GETS \$27 DAMAGES

Mr. Anderson Wins Case Against Canadian Packing Company.

Judge Macbeth has rendered a decision in favor of the plaintiff for \$27 in the Anderson vs. Canadian Packing Company case which was recently heard in the first division court. \$60 had been asked for.

Mr. Anderson had rented a place of land in Pottersburg, adjoining the plant of the defendant company, and his horses were made sick by drinking from a creek into which sewage from the packing plant had been dumped.

MISS FEWINGS IS NOW RECOVERING

No Serious Results Looked For From Tuesday's Accident.

Miss Edith Fewings, who had such a remarkably close call from being killed at the Richmond street crossing of the Grand Trunk yesterday morning, will be taken to her home in St. Thomas tomorrow.

It is not anticipated that any serious results will follow the shock which Miss Fewings sustained.

FAMOUS DOG POISONED.

New York, March 11.—Mrs. George J. Gould's famous English bulldog, Heath Baronet, winner of 150 prizes in one year, for which Mr. Gould paid \$5,000, is the victim of poison.

The animal died Monday night in the Gould kennels at Lakewood. Whether the bulldog was poisoned by accident or design no one at the kennels would say. It is reported, however, that Mr. Gould has engaged a private detective to ferret the secret of Heath Baronet's mysterious death.

Books From Dawson.

In order to settle other matters of dispute between the two factions in regard to the payment of accounts the court has ordered the books of the company to be brought down from Dawson City. On their arrival, in about two weeks, either party may move for trial. In the meantime, although the injunction against the Detroit directors is dissolved, they are restrained from paying out any money belonging to the company.

ONE CRYSTAL HALL CASE TO COME UP AT ASSIZES

Tis Said It Will Be Impossible to Comply With Recent Order of Judge at Toronto Calling for Specific Grounds of Action in Each Suit.

There is a very strong possibility that but one of the actions resulting from the Reid disaster will come up at the assizes, which open here on the 23rd of this month.

The reason for this, according to the statement of one of the attorneys connected with some of the suits, is that much time will be required to meet the order of the Toronto judge, who recently decreed, upon motion of Mr. J. M. McEvoy, acting for Kernohan & Wilson, that the various plaintiffs must show specific cause for action.

MRS. SMITH'S CASE.

Up to date none of the seven actions have been set down, although it is probable that the case of Lillian Maud Smith, who sues for \$15,000 for the death of her husband, will be set down in a day or two by Mr. J. F. Pauls, her attorney.

This action names only W. J. Reid & Company as defendants, and is exempt from the ruling of the Toronto court.

Meredith, Fisher & MacDonald, who have a number of these actions in hand, are working hard to get the cases in shape for the coming court, but are not quite certain that they will be able to do so.

The fact that the Smith action is only against Reid & Company makes it appear that it is not, as first supposed, a test case for the remainder of the suits. Kernohan & Wilson, and Peter Smirles will still have the other plaintiffs to contend with, even if the firm of W. J. Reid & Company is successful in winning its case.