

## Suicide Ship Will Go Over Niagara Falls

Latest Stunt of Movie People to Send  
Lake-going Steamer Over Bow  
of Cataract.

NIAGARA FALLS, Sept. 10.—Sending a genuine lake-going steamer over the brink of Niagara Falls on September 18th is the latest movie thriller to be concocted with the cataract as the stage. The stunt is to be carried out as part of the production of a big film feature, and local details are being handled by Promoter James Stevens.

Negotiations for the purchase of the "Franklin," formerly in ferry service between Buffalo and Fort Erie have been opened by Mr. Stevens. Other negotiations for the purchase of a fifty-two foot cabin cruiser also have been started, and in the event of the Franklin deal not going through the cabin cruiser will be used, according to Mr. Stevens.

### Permission Gained.

Permission for staging the stunt, it was announced. According to Promoter Stevens, several "wrinkles" are being considered to make the affair a genuine heart-breaker from a screen standpoint. One feature suggested is that of placing a catapult on the deck of the ship so that it can throw a live man clear of the cataract just as the prow of the steamer goes over the brink. The man, according to the plans, would drop into the open river below the falls and be picked up by a small boat.

Another plan that Stevens says may be tried is that of running a wire from Prospect Point to a point on the Canadian side of the river. A pulley would be provided, and the hero of the thriller would grab it just as the boat started over the brink.

Promoter Stevens said that some two or three persons had approached him, asking permission to ride the steamer to her destruction. Such propositions, he said, were of course rejected.

That of any boat going over Niagara Falls would be splintered to bits is a foregone conclusion. The force of the cataract and the crash onto the rocks below the falls would reduce the biggest ship afloat to drift wood, Stevens declares, and no attempt to salvage any part of the boat selected to make the trip will have been given by both the United States and Canadian customs department.

### Leach Wants Chance.

Bobby Leach, the Canadian daredevil, who electrified the country in 1911 by going over the falls in a metal barrel, is said to be connected with the movie outfit planning the ship project, and may participate in it some way. Leach already has offered to go over the falls again in the same barrel that he used in 1911, providing he is paid \$2500. Leach, it was said, had considered going over the falls in the boat to be sent over September 18th, and attempted to jump to safety by means of a parachute. This, however, Stevens declared, is practically impossible.

## A Regretted Death

Mrs. George Maidens, Consecrated in Toronto on Tuesday last. The family lived in Consecration for about thirteen years and only last March moved to Toronto. Mrs. Maidens was a noted worker in the Woman's Institute and held the position of secretary during the trying time of the war. Owing to her ill-health Mrs. Maidens had to resign but remained a member. For several years the deceased had suffered from frequent attacks of pneumonia, and throat trouble, the effects of which finally caused her death. Interment took place in Albany cemetery on Thursday. Mrs. Maidens leaves a husband, two daughters, Mrs. Martin, Rochester, N.Y., and Miss May Maidens, Toronto, two sons, Robert Maidens and Thornton Maidens, both of Toronto, and a brother, Richard Hayes, Consecration.

## Head Cut When Thrown Off Wagon

Mr. James Pillsworth, Cobourg, received a severe cut on the head and painful injuries about the body on Tuesday morning. He was driving along the Front Road East, Cobourg, on a wagon loaded with flour belonging to A. Pratt & Son, when the horse became frightened at a ditching machine on the road. They started

to run away, Mr. Pillsworth being thrown out on his head, receiving a bad cut, and then against a wire fence. The wires springing threw him back against the wagon, and he was painfully injured about the body. He was brought to town and medical aid given him.

## Hand Weeding Done Away With

H. M. Hobson, supervisor of tracks for the Peterboro division of the Canadian National Railways, has ingeniously fitted up an automobile to run on the tracks and to do the weeding along the side of the track, work that has till now always been done by hand. The car, an old model Stevens-Duryea, which was bought in Milbrook, had not been used in five years, but was overhauled and now runs exceedingly well. Mr. Hobson devised a means of weeding that has proved far superior to any previous method used. Four discs similar to those used on a disc harrow on each side of the car do the work efficiently and are so constructed that the whole arm can swing back on the rear of car, the body of which has been stripped off.

At a speed of about four miles an hour the work can best be done. This is much faster than the old way and the upkeep of the machine is not heavy. This entire division from Belleville to Lindsay, Port Hope to Lakefield will be weeded by this efficient mechanical weeder.

## Albert College Graduate Marries

A very pretty but quiet wedding took place on Monday morning, Sept. 13th, at Sydenham Street Methodist parsonage, when Laura, only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Thompson, Brewers' Mills, was united in marriage to Alexander Hamilton Irwin, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Irwin, Joyceville. The bride, who is a graduate of Albert College, Belleville, looked charming in a navy blue serge suit and white fur, with black and turquoise blue hat, trimmed with ostrich feathers. She carried bouquet of asters and gladioli. The bride was attended by Miss Anna Trotter, who wore a navy serge suit and black feather trimmed hat. Mr. Charles Thompson, brother of the bride, acted as groomsmen. After the ceremony the bridal party returned to the home of the bride, 300 Albert Street, where luncheon was served. Amid showers of confetti and best wishes, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin took the fast train to Toronto and western points, and after spending a short honeymoon the happy couple will reside in Toronto.

## Detour Around Wreck

Because of the good work of track gangs under the direction of F. Giffin, supervisor of track on the sixth district, Grand Trunk Railway, only one passenger train was delayed through the freight wreck which occurred one mile east of Lansdowne Tuesday morning. This was the Toronto-Brockville train which transferred its passengers to another train made up at Kingston. So soon as the track gangs reached the scene they commenced the building of a track making a detour about the wreck and this was opened for traffic in time to permit the afternoon through trains to reach their destinations on time.

The Montreal, Brockville and Belleville wrecking crews worked at the scene of the accident all night, the men being busy transshipping wheat from the wrecked cars which were scattered about both tracks in the greatest confusion. The car responsible for the accident was a third from the locomotive, a broken wheel causing the "spill" and seven other cars followed it. The train was travelling at about 25 miles an hour at the time and 25 rail lengths of track were torn up by the derailed cars. It is expected that tonight will see the entire track cleaned up.

## ERNEST TURK BADLY HURT IN ACCIDENT

Ernest Turk, of the township of Haldimand, was severely injured last Friday while helping David Elder to thresh. The belt on the threshing machine broke, and Mr. Turk was in some way caught and thrown up in the air, being thrown a considerable distance. His jaw was broken, scalp cut, right bruised, and he received cuts on the back and legs. He was rendered unconscious. He was brought to Cobourg hospital, where his wounds were dressed and the fracture reduced by Drs. Lloyd and Wilkins.

## Road Foundations Need Real Thought

Important Feature of Highway Building is Rolling.

At the present time when the Dominion and Provincial Governments are appropriating vast sums for highway construction and cities, towns, villages and counties are selling debentures for raising funds for the roads which they are and intend building. This applies more particularly to roads built in the smaller towns and counties as in the larger cities the matter of proper foundations is usually well taken care of.

In many localities there exists today waterbound macadam roads which have outlived their usefulness as such and which in many instances can, if having a sufficient thickness of metal, with a small amount of shaping, be used as foundations for any of the various classes of bituminous pavements, both hotmix and penetration types.

Should the macadam be in bad shape, it should be scarified and the irregularities eliminated by an even layer of new stones which should be well rolled before the new surface is put down. Care should be taken in scarifying not to remove too much of the old surface. Particularly when widening a road or when the old crown is high, the centre of the road is often ripped up and the stone worked to the sides, thereby weakening the proposed foundation at the most important point. When an old macadam road with a high crown is intended to be used for a foundation, the metal in the centre of the road should be left intact and the edges brought to the desired thickness and grade. This insures a firm foundation in the centre of the road over which most of the traffic will travel.

A new rolled stone foundation regardless of subgrade, should never be less than six, or if heavy traffic is expected less than nine inches in thickness. To-day with the great demand for mileage an important feature in foundation construction is often sighted that of thorough rolling. Many materials and mixtures laid on foundation which have not been sufficiently compacted have been the subject of much criticism on account of their failure to stand up under traffic. Modern traffic demands smooth pavements which can only be obtained by having well consolidated foundations.

## Learn Facts of Laundry Work

When you get your washer be sure to insist that the demonstrator really demonstrates. You have a right to demand this, though of course sometimes they are in such haste after they are sure of their sale that they will not take much time to show you. And then follow instructions if you want best and easiest results.

Perhaps shaved soap is the most effective and harmless washing agent with the washing machine. But it takes time to shave, time to shave laundry soap. As an alternative you may use soap chips of some sort, but be sure always to pour very hot water—boiling water, in fact—on the soap chips so that they dissolve thoroughly before putting them into the washer. Otherwise the action on the clothes may be too strong. This is a good precaution either washing in a machine or in the good old fashioned way.

Ammonia used not too abundantly is as harmless as anything that you may use, and if you soak your clothes the night before a good plan is to mix a tub of water with the chill off. Add ammonia and let the clothes soak in this water all night. Then wring them out before putting them in the hot water and soap. Where you have a machine it is a simple matter to put them through the electric wringer. But wringers, electric wringers, especially have no consideration for buttons, so you must learn the trick of looking out for the buttons yourself when feeding the clothes.

Of course, you do not want to soak any woollens, stockings or knitted underthings. However, it helps to keep them for ten minutes in water in which you have mixed borax. Some people never use the washer for flannels or stockings, as it is not a difficult matter to wash them out on a board, though, of course woollens things should be rubbed as little as possible. And be sure not to use water that is too hot. To be perfectly accurate, it is not well to use water warmer than one hundred degrees, and if you wish to use it cooler than this, it will be better, though flannels should never be put into excessively cold water. Silk under

things should be kept from extremely hot water just as carefully as should woollens. Some persons never dry flannels or woollens of any sort with a wringer, preferring to have this done by hand.

With the usual wash, remember that no matter how well the things are washed your clothes will not appear clean if they are not thoroughly rinsed in more than one-rinse water. Remember, too, that even if you use a washer garments or table linen that are stained should be attended to before putting them in soap water. So the things to be laundered should be well sorted over. A good many stains will come out if you merely pour boiling water through them before they have been put into soap water. Also it is a good idea to check over clothes, that may be quite grimy, no matter if they have been worn only a short time, and then to rub the specially soiled spots with soap before putting them into wash. In this way you will not need to look out for the soiled spots later, nor will you have to wash the clothes so long if the specially soiled spots have already attended.

You may know—and you may not, for women of to-day really don't know much about laundry secrets—that if you have your clothes properly dried or have them hung properly and dried as they should be you can get along with less ironing and the ironing will be easier and will take less time.

For instance, table linen and bed linen should be hung and dried straight. If they are then it will be simpler to prepare them for ironing.

### REVERT TO STANDARD TIME.

After enjoying daylight saving for the past four months, Kingston went back to Standard time Monday night.

### HORSE BOLTED FOR ITS STABLE.

A horse belonging to Mr. Harry Trull, King Street East, Oshawa, took it into its head to strike for home on Saturday afternoon and made the run from Westmount in record time. The horse, attached to a buggy, was standing in front of a house on King street, in Westmount, when it suddenly bolted. Mr. Mogford, who was accompanying Mr. Trull, was unable to control the frightened animal and it ran along King to Mechanic, then north and along Bond street, returning to King street near the King street school, and lost no time in getting to its stable. In the course of its flight it shook aside all possible encumbrances, the buggy being left near the bridge over the creek. Fortunately no one was hurt. Mr. Mogford escaping without injury and pedestrians along the route giving the animal a wide berth.

### MISS GUESS VISITS KINGSTON.

Kingston market was honored on Saturday morning by the presence of Miss Lily Guess, Sydenham, who attended for the first time in twenty-one years. Miss Guess, who has been confined to her bed for the last twenty-one years, is now well and able to be around.

On Saturday morning Miss Guess decided that she would like to come to Kingston to see some of her friends and also to the city which she had not visited for so long. H. J. Knight, Sydenham, who drives the up-to-date Reo bus which carries the mail, and also passengers to and from Sydenham, had the honor of bringing Miss Guess to the city. When she arrived she was taken to the market where she was able to view the produce which the gardeners offered.

This being the first trip by motor Miss Guess has been able to have the sights which met her eye were indeed very interesting, as many changes have taken place since she drove to the old limestone city in a rig.

### HORNETS DESTROYING APPLES.

A Kingston citizen who has recently returned from a holiday trip at a camp at Bogart's-on-the-Bay, across from Deeronto, reports that the apple crop is being injured by wasps which are eating the fruit. The woods in the vicinity of the orchards, which are mostly affected, is a veritable hornet nest. It is thought that if these hornets are not driven out, thousands of dollars worth of apples will be destroyed. The farmers are endeavoring to do away with the pests, but so far their efforts have been in vain.

One of the lady campers had the sad experience while attempting to eat some jam, of being stung by a wasp which had found its way into the fruit, and by the way, into her mouth.

### RACING CAR BENT LAMP POSTS.

At eleven o'clock Friday night, two lamp posts at the corner of

Wellington and Princess streets, Kingston, were broken and the lights went out. The accident was witnessed by a Kingston citizen, who states that it was due to the trolley pole of a street car that was going down the street at high speed. He was sitting in the Randolph hotel and car tearing past. He ran out to the sidewalk, as he said, "to see what was going to happen." Just as the posts were broken he saw the King street car cross Princess street, and he concluded that there had been a race between the two cars all the way from the junction at the corner of Union and Alfred streets.

### ESCAPED FROM NAILED BOX.

Fully three thousand persons witnessed quite the most astonishing feat of magic ever performed in Kingston at Swift's wharf on Friday evening at 8:45 when the Great Blackstone escaped from a nailed box lowered into Lake Ontario. The box, which had been on view at the entrance of the Grand Opera House for the past week, was inspected by Joseph Nash, proprietor of the College Book Store, and Thomas Mills, employed by the Canada Steamship Lines and two Kingston newspapermen. The scribes were invited to the Blackstone and this they did with a firmness which could not be mistaken. His hands were tied behind his back with several knots, and the rope which bound his feet together was also fastened around his neck, permitting him to remain only in a crouched position. He was lifted into the box and the nails were inserted by the committee of inspection.

Precisely forty seconds after the lowering of the box into the water, Blackstone rose to the top, completely free of the ropes. After a short rest the magician dived into the water to reappear presently, when he was released from the box which had been firmly tied on all 2 G. Manton, 3 T. Leonard. No resides with heavy rope. The box was again inspected, not only by the committee but by scores of citizens who sought an explanation of the trick.

In conversation with the Whig, Mr. Blackstone stated that he had performed the trick so many times that he had failed to keep count but during the past fourteen years it is safe to say it has been done five hundred times. The feat was witnessed by thousands and they were loud in their praises of his skill and cleverness. All sides of the Canada Steamship Lines wharf, the Canadian Locomotive wharf, and the G.P.R. wharf were densely crowded and persons even climbed on top of a nearby locomotive to witness the exhibition. Nothing like it has ever been seen in Kingston before.

### WAS ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

At Cornwall on Sept. 5th, Ross Jamieson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sifton, was accidentally killed while cleaning a revolver.

### HEALTH BOARD DEFIED.

The Board of Health of Smith's Falls a few days ago promulgated a vaccination flat in connection with the pupils of the public schools and Collegiate Institute. At a special meeting of the Board of Education last week a resolution was adopted to the effect that the principal and vice-principals of the public schools and the principal of the Collegiate Institute be instructed to make no departing from past procedure until authorized by the board.

### SET OFF DYNAMITE.

About midnight Saturday, a terrific explosion was heard a mile east of St. Mary's cemetery, Kingston, and for a time it was thought that a serious accident had occurred. On investigation it was found that a number of young men had set off a charge of dynamite on the road, as a sort of pastime.

### PROGRESS ON BOAT.

Work on the new iron boat under construction at the Kingston plant of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company is progressing rapidly and most of the plates have been put on. The riveters and the bolters-up are quite busy and the various erecting gangs are rushing their parts of the work along. It is expected that the boat will go into the water some time this fall. No definite date has been set as yet.

### COBOURG TO SECURE RICE LAKE CANOE CO.

Last week Mr. Harry Langslow, of the Langslow-Fowler Co., obtained an option on the Rice Lake Canoe Company, of Gore's Landing. It is Mr. Langslow's intention, providing he can obtain a fixed assessment from the Cobourg council, to build a solid brick one-storey factory 50 x 100 feet, immediately north of the Langslow-Fowler furniture factory, and

build the canoes in Cobourg. At present the factory is operated by Messrs. Wm. Herald and John Foley, and four hands are employed, their output being about 150 canoes a year. Fifty hands will be employed here, with an output of 2,000 canoes a year, while motor boats will also be manufactured. The Rice Lake canoe has a world-wide reputation, and at present canoes are being shipped to Bermuda, Switzerland and South Africa.

### WOMAN SAVED THE HOUSE.

On Friday last the home of Mr. J. O'Mara, near Lombardy, was saved from fire by the heroic work of Mrs. O'Mara, her two daughters, thirteen and fifteen years, and Miss Victoria McNamee, aged fourteen. The fire started in the roof and two of the girls secured a ladder and applied water provided by Mrs. O'Mara, while the other girl jumped into a rig standing near, to which a horse was hitched, and made a run to a neighbor's place, where a gang of men (among whom was Mr. O'Mara) had assembled to thresh, who soon reached the O'Mara home by autos and put out the fire which had in the meantime been kept under control by Mrs. O'Mara and her two girls, Helen, on the ladder, and Kitty, on the roof. The men gave the girls great praise for their good work in keeping the fire under control.

### ENJOYING SPLENDID HEALTH.

Mrs. Thomas Wiggins, York Road, Prince Edward County, celebrated her 90th birthday on Aug. 25th. She is enjoying splendid health and walked two miles the previous week.

### COBOURG RACING PIGEON CLUB.

The second young bird race of the season was flown on Saturday last from Riverdale, 67 miles, with the following result: 1 C. J. Counter, 2 G. Manton, 3 T. Leonard. No resides with heavy rope. The box was again inspected, not only by the committee but by scores of citizens who sought an explanation of the trick.

### BOY PRISONERS TRY TO PENETRATE GAOL WALL.

Two young boys, who are doing a sentence for theft at the gaol at Cobourg, undertook a rather hard way of getting their liberty. They were put to work in the gaol yard, and when not watched started to take out the bricks in the 24-inch wall. As they were not able to work at it steadily, they put a large box up against where their operations were in progress. Governor McLaughlin, noticed the box, and on investigation found why and how it reached its position. The boys are still in gaol.

### LEFT \$1,025,000 ESTATE.

By the will of Charles H. Hayden, owner of Hayden Island, near Alexandria Bay, who died there on August 23 at the age of 84, a grandson Peter H. Hayden, at present summing at Chaffey's Locks, is a beneficiary to the extent of nine per cent. of 83 per cent. of the estate, probated at about \$1,021,000. Several bequests were made to servants. Hayden Island is not to be sold as long as survivors of the testator desire to keep it.

### APPOINTED TO SIGNALLERS.

It is announced in an order from Major-General E. C. Ashton, Adjutant-General, at Militia Headquarters, Ottawa, that Capt. E. Forde, D.S.O., has been appointed major and placed in command of a corps of the Canadian Permanent Signal Corps. The appointment of Major Philip Farnham, D.S.O., M.C., which was announced last week, is also contained in the order.

### G. O. C. ON TOUR.

Brig.-Gen. W. B. M. King, G.O.C., left Kingston Wednesday night for the western end of the district, where he will meet the officers of different corps and inspect armories. Gen. King goes from Kingston to Belleville and then to Cobourg, Port Hope, Trenton, Picton and Nanapanee, returning to Kingston, a meeting of officers being held at Belleville. Gen. King is anxious to become personally acquainted with all the officers of the district.

### PUBLISHER PASSED AWAY.

After a prolonged illness the death took place in Brockville hospital on Monday night of R. S. Pelton, editor and proprietor of the St. Lawrence News, Iroquois, and for many years connected with the weekly newspaper press of Ontario.

### END OF THUMB CUT OFF.

Kenneth Butler, an employee of the Cobourg Dyeing Co., had the end of his thumb cut off one day last

week, when it was nipped by a shearing machine.

**MOTOR TRUCKS MUST CARRY MIRRORS.**  
Inspector Paasmore, of Toronto, whose duties it is to look after the enforcement of the Motor Vehicles Act, has requested Chief Short of Lindsay, to see to it that all motor trucks are equipped with mirrors. There are a number of trucks in Lindsay, it is said, minus mirrors, and Chief Short intends prosecuting the owners unless they comply with the law.

### RENFREW'S CARNEGIE LIBRARY

The Renfrew Town Council has decided to purchase a lot on Raglan street as a site for the Carnegie Library, plans for which have already been approved by the Carnegie Commission. The amount of the grant is \$16,000, and a lot can probably be had for \$5,000. The work of building will proceed at once, the structure to cost in the neighborhood of \$8,000. Some members of Council are in favor of putting the building on the public park, Low Square, so in that case the site would cost nothing, and the \$5,000 proposed now for the location could be used for equipment, in accordance with the advice of the Central Library Board.

### AGROUND AT PRESQUELIE.

The tug Glide ran into the harbor at Cobourg on Tuesday for shelter on its way to Presqu'lie, where it is to pull the tug Russell off. While pulling a tow up the bay on Monday the Russell went aground, and had to be beached to save it from sinking. A diver was aboard the Glide to make repairs to the Russell.

### THREE VICTIMS BURIED.

The funeral of George E. McRae, his wife and their daughter Ina, all killed in a level crossing accident at Butler, Ind., took place at Lansdowne on Sunday. The funeral was held from the McRae homestead to Union church, where service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Ralph, Carleton Place, assisted by Rev. Mr. Fulcher, Lansdowne. Interment took place in the Union cemetery.

### SHEEP WORRIED BY ROVING DOGS.

"A little advice to the farmers to keep their dogs tied up now would be reasonable," a well-known North Monaghan farmer remarked Wednesday. Sheep worrying generally begins at this season of the year, and Richard Payne, of North Monaghan, who lost one lamb and three sheep on Monday night with three others wounded, which will in all probability die, is the first farmer to suffer. "Every dog should be tied up now and if they start wandering from home the best thing to do is to shoot them," he added.

### HAD THRILLING EXPERIENCE.

On Monday night during a severe electric storm M. Bain and C. Grandt of Crow Lake, had a thrilling experience, when the horses which they were driving lost the road in the darkness and plunged over a bridge which spans Crooked Creek. The horses, men and wagon were thrown into the water and it required quite a struggle for the men to release the horses from the wagon. It was so dark and the storm was so severe that it was impossible for the men to get the wagon out. The men rode to their homes on horseback and the wagon was recovered next day.

### YOUNG KINGSTON MAN DROWNED IN THE WEST.

Cyril Clarkson, aged seventeen, who left Kingston on August 9th last on the harvesters' excursion to the west, was drowned at Hadley near Kenaston, Sask., on Sunday last. Arthur Clarkson, who resides in Kingston, is a brother of the unfortunate young man. After receiving the telegram informing him of the fatality, a letter came to hand written by Cyril telling him of his position and stating that he was well and enjoying the best of health. No particulars of the occurrence have yet come to hand. The brothers came from England.

### TIMES TIGHTENING UP.

The banks are tightening up on loans and they are calling in all the money they possibly can to be used in moving the western crops. Bankers say that times are not as promising as they have been and a marked curtailment in the purchase of non-essential goods will take place.

While mowing his lawn a Towanda, Pa., man disturbed a wasp nest, and was made seriously ill from the stings.