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GAVE THEM A BAD JOLT.

Hydro Expert Forced to Take Back Former Recommendation. First Year Without Overdraft Since 1901.

John Patterson Asks City to Sell Him Some Land.

The Hydro aldermen, who charged that the plan to use Niagara power at the lower voltage at the Beach pump house was a scheme to increase the cost so that it would compare unfavorably with the price of Cataract power, got a jolt yesterday when P. W. Sotman, chief engineer of the Hydro Commission, supported the contention of Mayor McLaren and City Engineer Macallum.

Since 1901, when John S. Hendrie was Mayor, the record of the different Councils that held office, has been one long series of overdrafts until this year. In 1901 there was a small surplus, but after that the city hit the financial boggy until the Council this year brought it up with a yank.

John Patterson has asked the city to give him a price on the sand pit near the Desjardins canal, which is wanted as part of the right of way for the Hamilton, Waterloo & Guelph Railway.

The city, after paying for the pumps, electric motors and the pump house at the Beach, will have about \$22,000 left for the valves and connections, which will be about the most expensive part of the work.

Thanks to Chairman Gardner and the members of the Markets Committee, the reporters have an office in the City Hall now. It is on the second floor, near the assessment department.

Robert Soper, who made an excellent alderman when he was a member of the Council some years ago, will, his friends hope, be a candidate for School Trustee in Ward 4.

A. L. McAllister, the engineer who is making a report for the city on the route Hamilton is anxious to have the Dominion Government adopt for the new Erie-Ontario Canal, has got as far as Woodburn.

Secretary Brennan this morning notified the Cataract Power Company to begin at once the work of installing the fifty-two arc lamps in the new annex, authorized by the Council last night.

John A. Jones was granted a permit to-day for a brick house on Princess street, between Earl and Sherman avenues, to cost \$2,000.

The Hospital Board meets this afternoon and the Parks Board to-morrow night.

City Engineer Macallum will go to Toronto on Tuesday to confer with the Hydro engineers about the right-of-way for the power line through the city.

T. Launders, who is an alderman candidate, will be a hard man to beat in Ward 5.

Mayor McLaren and the committee appointed last night by the Council to confer with the Street Railway Company about the crowding of cars, met Manager Coleman and Superintendent Miller to-day. The company will run double cars on the western and eastern routes to handle the church crowds on Sunday.

The assessment department this year will send out nearly twenty thousand cards with information as to where they vote and what the different ballots are for. As the cards cannot be sent out until after nomination day, it means a big rush at the last minute.

FATHER FALLON IS BISHOP OF LONDON.

Once Noted Football Authority and Zealous, Earnest and Broad Minded Priest.

An Associated Press bulletin from Rome to-day says: Approving the recommendation of the consistorial congregation, as presented by the secretary, Cardinal De Lai, the Pope to-day appointed Rev. M. F. Fallon, of the Parochial Oblates of Buffalo, to the Bishopric of London, Canada, and the Rev. James O'Reilly, now rector of St. Anthony, of Padua, Minneapolis, to the Bishopric of Fargo, N. D.

Enquiries among the Catholic clergy here elicited the information that the official announcement of the appointment to the Bishopric of London would come through Archbishop McEvay, of Toronto. Father Fallon is a Canadian. He was born near Ottawa and is 42 years of age.

FAST TRAIN IN COLLISION.

Sixty Miles an Hour Flyer Crashes Into Train.

Three Italians Killed and 25 Persons Hurt.

How the Accident Happened—List of the Injured.

Erie, Pa., Dec. 14.—The New York Central Limited, eastbound, second section, en route from St. Louis, to New York, came together in a rear-end collision with passenger train No. 10 on the Lake Shore Railway at Northeast, Pa., 16 miles from here, last midnight.

According to the story brought here by a person aboard a relief train sent from here, passenger train No. 10, for some reason or other as yet undetermined, had not made the Northeast siding in time to give a clearance for the approach of the 60-mile-an-hour flyer.

Persons aboard the fast flyer were hardly aware that the collision had taken place, as the engineer of the flyer up to applied emergency brakes in time to save damage to his train, except the mutilation of the pilot and headlight of the engine.

Traffic was delayed about two hours, until the demolished coach, in which the three men met their death, had been cleared from the right of way.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 14.—The following partial list of injured was given out at the Lake Shore general offices here: Mrs. Edna Loshuf, New York city, head bruised.

Geo. F. McEnagle, Indian Harbor, Conn., slightly bruised. A. H. Whitner, Dunkirk, N. Y., spine injured, face cut.

Frank F. Cook, Greenbay, Wis., legs cut, rib fractured. E. L. Clogson, Jamaica Plains, Mass., leg fractured.

W. L. McFadden, Buffalo, left shoulder broken. L. Ficala, Cincinnati, slightly bruised.

Charles Chapman, Elyria, Ohio, rib fractured. W. E. Burr, New York city, generally bruised.

T. J. Hadding, Cleveland, head bruised. M. Masters, Cincinnati, head bruised. Unknown Italian, slightly bruised.

Buffalo, Dec. 13.—At the offices of the Lake Shore Railroad, in this city, it was said this morning that they had no additional details of the collision. Their wires being down, it was impossible to get any information here.

It was added that an investigation would be held here to-day. Both the limited and the train No. 10 had arrived here shortly after 5 o'clock this morning and proceeded onward.

CONVICTION QUASHED. In the case of Martin Bros., charged with renting cabs without a license which was tried recently, and on which they were found guilty on the ground that a livery license was not the same as a cab license an appeal was made and allowed, the conviction being

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Labor Fight

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ARE IN FAVOR OF SPEARING.

Fish and Game Association So Decided Last Night.

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There was also a discussion relative to the petition that was being circulated some time ago asking for the removal of Inspector Kerr, but no action was taken.

STORM DID IT.

Cut Off Light and Power on Some Circuits.

The sleet and wind storm during the night was the cause of the power supply in Dundas and in certain parts of the city and on the mountain being shut off at an early hour this morning. The storm caused a break in the mountain line at 6 o'clock a. m., which cut off the entire power and light service at Dundas, delayed the Hamilton and Brantford cars, and put out all the lights on the mountain brow. The break did not affect the Hamilton and Dundas car service, which is on a separate circuit.

The emergency gang were immediately sent out, and had the break repaired at 9 o'clock. A break in the wire at the John street bridge at 7 o'clock this morning crippled the factories of that district which use electric power. It did not affect the lighting system. The break was repaired shortly after 9 o'clock.

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DIED BY ROADSIDE IN RAIN AND SLEET.

James Arnold Started on a Three Mile Walk and Never Finished It.

Last night's storm of sleet and rain was the cause of the death of James Arnold. The contents of a bottle, which was found at his side, may have been a contributory, probably the primary, cause. Arnold was a farm hand, and had been working for David Gunning, whose place is three miles from Vinemount Station. He was about 35 years of age, as far as is known was not married, and had no friends or relatives hereabouts.

Two or three days ago Arnold left the farm and where he had spent the time his employer does not know. Yesterday he returned by train to Vinemount Station, and started to cover the three miles to the farm on foot. The storm was on and the roads were bad. Arnold trudged along for a mile. What he did after that can only be deduced from what was discovered this morning.

Water for Miners

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—Swept by a wind and rain storm which did damages amounting to thousands of dollars the coal regions of Eastern Pennsylvania have been relieved of a drought which has been almost continuous for the last six months.

During the last 60 days thousands of miners have been entirely idle or working on less than half time because of the lack of water at the collieries. But the storm which broke over the eastern section of the State on Sunday night and continued until late last night, will be the means of starting the mines in full operation.

Thousands of dollars have been spent by the larger coal companies in hauling water to the collieries in their efforts to keep their mines in operation.

PROVED FATAL

Fall of David Harvie Ended in His Death.

As a result of a fall outside of his door on Friday evening, David Harvie, aged 51 years, died at the City Hospital yesterday. Deceased was a native of Scotland and had resided in Hamilton for thirty years, during which time he was employed at the Garthshore-Thomson pipe foundry. He was a member of Queen City Tent of the Macabbees, Buffalo, and of the Moulders' Union, Hamilton. He leaves, besides a widow one daughter and two sons, Mrs. E. Harrison, John and David, all of this city. The funeral will take place from his late residence, 42 Caroline street north, to Hamilton cemetery on Thursday at 3.30 p. m.

FIRST AID

Was Badly Needed in a Case in Court.

With a cry that could be heard throughout the police station building, Charles Crow, 178 Barton street east, fell from his seat in the dock in police court this morning, to the floor. His face looked deathly pale, and blood streamed from his mouth, while his hands shook and his legs and body became rigid.

Several policemen rushed to the poor fellow's assistance, and carried him out to an adjoining room. It was at first feared that the grim reaper had passed sentence on one of the defendants in the dock. A lull in the court proceedings followed.

In the room to which Crow had been taken intelligent first aid would have been a good thing if any one present had had the necessary knowledge. A reporter suggested putting a pencil between the man's teeth to prevent him biting his tongue. After a short time Crow regained consciousness and was led back to the dock, charged with vagrancy and discharged.

The incident shows the need of giving the police proper instruction in first aid.

HARD ON THE WIRES.

A small electric wire hanging on the heavy feed wires running north on James street, at the corner of Gore street, caused some trouble last night. The wire had been loosened by the heavy snow-sleet hanging on it, and drooped until it just touched the feed wire. It began to flash at intervals of a few seconds, and a burry-up call was sent for the trouble man. He was soon on the job, and two of his assistants also answered the call. The wire was then tightened.

Mr. Williams examined the wires nearby, and discovered that a telephone wire was hanging across the feed wire in such a way as to make it dangerous.

IS THE KING OF VAGRANTS,

So Police Sergeant Said of One Michael King.

The king who entered was not garbed in ermine robes, no jewelled crown was on his head, his was not the hand that held a nation's destiny, but, nevertheless, he was attended by a train of followers—the police. His majesty, on whom all eyes gazed, was Michael King, "king of tramps," as he is known, and who is dishonored conferred on him by virtue of his aversion to soap and water, by contributing less to the gross receipts of railroad companies than any man in the western hemisphere; by being the most successful player on people's credulity. His majesty was docketed for vagrancy. He is old, but bent with years, and gives one the idea he has just fallen out of a scavenger barrel.

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"Who suggested it?" "I don't know, me likely," responded the witness. She added that the Taylors had gone to catch their horses in the pasture field and during that time she had remained on top of a hill.

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TO BROOKLYN

Rev. A. J. Vining Likely to be Invited There.

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