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KEEP POWER FRANCHISES FOR THE PEOPLE

Representatives of Municipalities Gathered at Berlin Call Upon Ontario Government to Allow Them to Generate Niagara Power.

Mayor Urquhart Leads Fight Against the Grafting Corporations—Assures Convention That Their Cause Can Be Won.

Berlin, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Representatives of many municipalities in Ontario met here to-day to consider what action should be taken to preserve Niagara power for the people, and prevent it from being held out by the government for private corporations. Tho the meeting was not unanimous quite it was decided that the municipalities should be given the opportunity of developing the power of Niagara if the government decides to not go into the business itself.

Resolutions were passed without any worry, but as they were passed there were distinct evidences of hatred for Toronto from Galt, Woodstock and a few other towns, which were disguised in the votes.

The convention was a representative one, and the Mayors of the various municipalities were interested inasmuch as all of them had a chance to speak.

The result of the meeting was, to put it in plain language, to ask the government to produce electrical energy for the people, or allow the people to get it for themselves. At the last moment it was decided to ask the government to refrain from granting any further power privileges to private corporations.

London With Toronto.

In many respects it was a grand meeting, particularly on account of its numbers, and also on account of its wealth of antipathy toward Toronto. The smaller places wanted the power for themselves, but hated to see anybody else get any of it in order to help them along. London alone stood out to aid Toronto's cause, but Toronto nevertheless seemed to make a fairly good fist of it out of the material at hand.

The meeting was a unique gathering of men who are doubtless great in their own end of the realm. The main idea was that Western Ontario had power within its reach at a reasonable price, and the point was to get it.

Wishes of the People.

There were a lot of good looking business-like persons at the convention when E. W. B. Snider of Berlin announced the meeting open. Mr. Snider said there were a number present who were interested in the electricity problem, and some of them might be inclined to blame the government for the way it looked upon it. If the government is not willing to undertake this work, which is of such magnitude, as they should respect it is only fair that we should undertake it ourselves, said Mr. Snider. He continued to the effect that the government should respect the wishes of the people, as well as the corporations, and he asked why we were to be subjected to millions of dollars per annum for coal which was going up in smoke, whereas the government could relieve us by giving us power from Niagara Falls. If a request was made in a proper way, he maintained that the government would come along with open arms and hug it. "But," he asserted, "we must approach this government all united and very careful. We should know thoroly what we are asking for and should ask for it carefully by approaching the government in a kind but firm manner."

Endorsed the Report.

This was about all the business done by a hungry gathering from all parts of the Province before dinnertime. They had a large report before them, which they would willingly have converted into chicken pie and soup, but it was a report, and the sub-committee endorsed it.

By the way, the meeting endorsed the report afterwards, with a few minor changes, but, while the endorsation was going on, Toronto was chewed up a bit for being greedy.

The following committee was appointed to protect municipal interests, and, in a crude, hurried way, they put the duties of the committee: "To look after legislation — George McLogan, Stratford; Ald F S Spence, Toronto; Mayor C F Maxwell, St Thomas; Mayor J H Hamilton, Guelph; ex-Mayor W Mills, Ingersoll; Mayor Burgoyne, St Catharines; Mayor Beck, London; Mayor Cant, Galt; Henry Bertram, Dundas; William Snyder, Waterloo; Mayor Halloran, Brantford.

Municipal Dignitaries There.

The convention was graced by the presence of not a few municipal dignitaries. The immense interest there is in the power question was thoroly manifested by the great gathering of influential people in the hall at Berlin.

Mr. Snider was an ideal chairman, and D. B. Delweiter made an energetic secretary.

While E. W. B. Snider was chairman, he was on several occasions reminded that he was not the only person present. He was geniality and good nature itself, but he was in a hard place, fighting as a stranger for the rights of Toronto, and the rest of the municipalities in the Province.

More Information Wanted.

"We want some more information," said ex-Mayor Woods of Brantford, and Chairman Snider smiled appreciably. "I am agreed, that, with the help of Toronto and the Provincial government, we would get more help than we would in any other way. We would have more benefit and cheaper power than we can get anywhere near."

"United action is our only way to get what we want," said Mayor Eden of Berlin, who was warmed up about the way the government treats municipalities.

Mayor Urquhart was quite vigilant, and he wanted the report of the committee to include a clause urging the government to take up the question of electrical energy. His remarks were greeted by prolonged cheers, and in reply he thought that the government could overcome any difficulties.

Mayor Urquhart made an important statement. He said: "If the government have been considerng the question we should strengthen their hands by a strong resolution."

It had been pronounced by the Premier of the province that the wishes of the municipalities should be considered, and it was an open secret that $5 per horse power had been offered by the Mackenzie-Pellatt syndicate.

He also quoted some figures which made the proposed expenditure per mile in Toronto look funny.

Allow the Municipalities.

The idea fully expressed at the early meeting of the convention was to urge the government to go it alone or to allow the municipalities to do something toward securing power.

Mayor Urquhart made quite a startling statement when he said he was sure the union would get all it wanted from the Ontario government. He spoke as a man who knew, and altho the representatives of the rural municipalities did not seem to catch onto it he was talking for the Ross government or anything else that was in sight.

A Government Measure.

Mayor Urquhart stated firmly: "From what Hon. Mr. Ross said to me a few days ago this power question is to be made a government measure. If the government will only take up this matter and climb over the legal difficulties we can win."

Mayor Urquhart, who seemed to have a lot of information up his sleeve, said the government was willing to grant all the concessions it could in the way of power to municipalities. His friend, Mr. Ross, had informed him in that direction.

This caused Mr. Snider to remark: "Well, Mayor Urquhart, if this meeting is united with the grace of the Ontario government, we may be able to do something. [Cheers.]

Smart Looking Chap.

Mayor Beck, M.L.A. of London, is a smart looking young chap, who evidently has his likes and dislikes. He said that Loudon was greatly interested in the power question, and required some assistance. He boosted up Toronto's Mayor a little, bit, but he did not forget Mayor Beck of London at any stage of the proceedings. He said: "The first thing we should do is to send a strong resolution to the government to assist this part of the country to be a manufacturing centre to provide for the wants of the rapidly growing Northwest Territory.

"As to the government controlling power no one would be better pleased to get it from the government than we would drop. I may say, too, that the Ontario government should get it, and the only expense should be what it cost the government to give it to us. If the Ontario government will not develop the power itself it has no right to refuse us the permission to handle the power ourselves," said Mayor Beck, who seemed to be vexed with the government. Mayor Beck gave great credit to the men of Waterloo County who had called the meeting, and he was cheered.

Mayor Eden of Berlin said: "We are a manufacturing town, and have prospered without any natural facilities. If we can get power from anywhere cheaper than we can get it here, we are satisfied to do it. We will thus prosper more than we have done in the past. What we want is information. Personally, my opinion is that the government should do what they can for us, anyway."

Mayor Urquhart was quite vigorous when he tackled the report which was put before the convention, and he said one point to be added was that the government should be respectfully urged to take up the question of electrical energy. [Cheers.] "There are difficulties in the way, but the government could surmount them," said the Mayor.

"I say," continued Mayor Urquhart, "if the government has been considering the question at all, we should strengthen their hands by a strong resolution." He said he had been promised by the Premier that such a resolution would be supported.

Mayor Halloran of Brantford said:

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THE BELL MONOPOLY

Not Anxious to Extend Its Lines to Small Places.

The following correspondence airs a complaint of many places that cannot get telephone connection. If we had a telephone law that would compel the Bell people to give connections, to prohibit contracts like the one between the C.P.R. and the Bell, all these little places would build their own lines. But the day of emancipation is at hand.

HOTEL NEWTONVILLE.

G. W. JONES, Proprietor.

Clarke, Ont., Feb. 16, 1903.

The people in this vicinity feel grateful to you for the action you are taking re the Bell Telephone Co. We corresponded here for some time with Mr. Baker, their manager for Ontario, to try and get a phone in our village. We offered to furnish and erect poles the full size the company required. This Mr. Baker told us we would have to do before our application would be considered. I am enclosing the last letter we received from that gentleman. We thought at this time we were going to have a phone, for we are but one mile from the main line. It is strange that people who live in the country can't have such a convenience when we are willing to pay for it, yes, more than pay for it.

G. W. Jones.

THE BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF CANADA, LTD.

HUGH C. BAKER,
Manager Ontario Department.

Hamilton, Feb. 28, 1898.

Rev. M. E. Wilson, Newtonville:

Dear Sir,—I am obliged for yours of 26th inst., and will bring the matter to the notice of our head office the first time I go to Montreal and see what we can do for you, as I think it is better to do that than to write about it **for the Directors are very much opposed to building any more lines to small places just now if it can be helped.**

Yours truly,
Hugh C. Baker, Manager.

Clarke (Newtonville) is a village off the Grand Trunk in Durham County. Mark the words of Mr. Baker, "If it can be helped." The people would soon help themselves, thousands and thousands of farmers all over Ontario would help themselves, by building independent lines if the Bell monopoly, is regulated by parliament as it ought to be regulated, and connection under reasonable tolls and access to all public places like railway stations were made compulsory.

There must be a thousand letters like this one of Mr. Baker's kicking about the country. Send some of them into The World and they'll help to make your M.P. blush for balking the telephone bill of last session.

Of course now the Bell people say they'll build lines anywhere! But the people want to build themselves.

TELEPHONES IN UNITED STATES.

Competition Has Brought Down Their Cost—One Dollar a Month for Residences.

Independent telephones are the rage all over the United States. There are thousands of private lines. The people there have fought and downed the Bell Co., in so far as being the only company in the business. Some cities and towns have the two systems. One of the towns that has worked out its emancipation is Columbus, Ohio. Read this announcement on the first page of the telephone directory of that thriving town:

A
TELEPHONE
In Your Business
Returns 500 per cent.
Rental — — $1.50 per month.
In Your Dwelling
Protects Your Family
Night and Day.
Rental — — $1.00 per month.

Can You Afford to
be Without One?

But, of course, there is an inconvenience where there are rival systems; you've got to have both phones, if you wish to have full connection. And the only cure of this is a state-owned system. This would allow municipalities to organize and equip a full, complete and yet cheap, system, joined up to private lines to smaller places, and joined up to the state trunk lines. Such a system would give seven-eighths of the farmers of Ontario telephone services for a dollar a month or less.

THE TELEPHONE CURE.

Empower the Municipalities to Go Into Business and Pass Federal Law.

Let Mr. Ross or Mr. Whitney introduce a bill authorizing municipalities to go into the telephone business, even townships to establish lines for farmers, and let the Federal parliament pass a law like the one proposed by Mr. Maclean last session, and there will be no more telephone grievances, but the greatest convenience of modern times will be in everyone's house. The municipalities thus empowered would be willing to give the Bell people a fair price for their local systems.

Smoking mixture, "Perfection," cool and sweet, best you ever smoked.—Alive Bollard, New Store, 128 Yonge St.

BIRTHS

HAULTAIN—At Grace Hospital, Toronto, Canada, on Sunday, Feb. 8, 1903, the wife of Theodore Arnold Haultain, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

BROUSE—At 95 St. George-street, Toronto, on Monday, Feb. 16, 1903, Florence Josephine, beloved wife of W. H. Brouse, and daughter of George Gooderham.

Funeral on Thursday, the 19th, at the Church of the Redeemer, West Bloor-street, at 3.30 o'clock. Interment in St. James' Cemetery.

NOLAN—On Feb. 17, 1903, at her son-in-law's residence, Richard Creaghe, 380 Parliament-street, Margaret Nolan, relict of the late Denis Nolan, resident of Toronto for 61 years.

Funeral Friday morning, at 8.30 o'clock, Feb. 20, to St. Michael's Church, thence to St. Michael's Cemetery.

WEBSTER—At her father's residence, Agincourt, on Tuesday, the 17th inst., Sophy, beloved daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Webster, in her 20th year.

Funeral on Thursday, Feb. 19, at 2 p.m., to Knox Church Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

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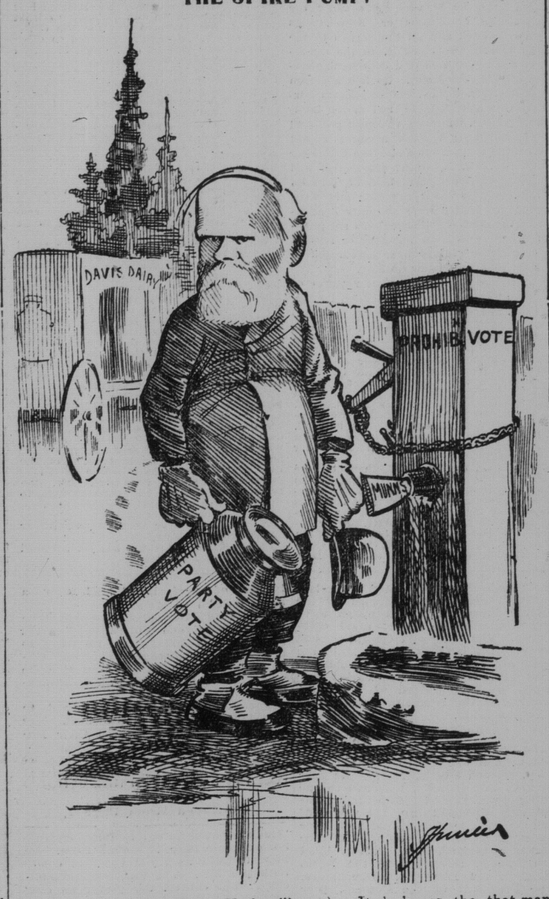
THE SPIKE PUMP.



ELIHU DAVIS (the North York milkman): It looks as tho that man Munns had determined to bust my milk route.

COL. FAREWELL FOR THE PEOPLE

President of Bell Telephone Company Cannot Refuse to Appear Before the Magistrate at Whitevale.

Special Agent Scott Offers to Surrender to Pickering and Markham Co-Operative Company Everything Demanded.

Whitby, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—"I should say offhand, without any extensive examination, that these farmers have a pretty good case," observed John E. Farewell, K. C., the Crown Attorney for Ontario County, to a World representative, while discussing the criminal case instituted against President Sise of the Bell Telephone Company. He had just finished reading Section 520 of the Criminal Code, on which the complaint is based.

Continuing, Mr. Farewell said: "This is a case of very great importance. The law does not make it obligatory on Crown Attorneys to attend proceedings before magistrates. It is our right to be present, however, where we desire. In cases so important as I conceive this to be, the Attorney-General usually instructs the Crown Attorney to be present. Had I been consulted, however, I should have advised that this case be laid before the Police Magistrate at Pickering. Even now, it could be transferred, or a new information could be sworn to, if the people interested so desired. But, perhaps it can be handled just as well at Whitevale. I cannot say positively that I will be at Whitevale on Monday, as I cannot tell what engagement I may have, but I will see later.

"As to costs for witnesses, I may say that a magistrate has no right to demand anything of the kind in advance. A witness may not demand his fees in advance for attending in response to a subpoena in a criminal case, for no fees are allowed a witness in such proceedings before a magistrate. A person receiving the magistrate's subpoena has no discretion. He **must** attend. The same is true of a summons.

"President Sise could not, if he would, refuse to come in response to that summons, unless he desired to take a chance of having an officer sent after him.

"In a criminal case, where no conviction is secured, the Crown bears the expense. Where the accused is convicted, he must bear all expense. Therefore, the magistrate cannot lose his fees; neither can anyone else who is entitled to receive such compensation.

"Now, as to the evidence—that must be secured, under the circumstances, by the farmers who are interested in the prosecution; tho, of course, if I should go over there and get mixed up in the case, I should do all I could toward securing evidence. Evidence in this case, however, ought to be a secondary matter, since the existence of the contract seems to be admitted."

GOES INTO TRAINING.

Montreal, Feb. 17.—"I am going into training, and will be prepared for the worst," was the answer given this morning by President Sise of the Bell Telephone Company, when seen at his office regarding the Whitevale incident. He said he had heard by telephone of a rumor to the effect that a summons had been issued, but he knew nothing further in the matter.

At noon Mr. Sise went home, having a pretty severe attack of rheumatism, but the treasurer of the company said the summons had not reached him up to this evening. It is understood, however, that the legal documents should reach President Sise in the morning. Mr. Sise refuses to say how he will treat Magistrate Davidson's summons.

BELL BECOMES GENEROUS.

Would Grant All Demands to Co-Operative 'Phone Company.

President Sise will either be in person at Whitevale, to answer Magistrate Davidson's summons for the alleged violation of the Criminal Code, in securing an exclusive contract with the railroads of Canada, or he will be represented by his counsel. He announced this privately yesterday. He was then confined to his bed with rheumatism. The magistrate has the right to require personal attendance, in response to the summons, but he may accept the appearance of the legal representative of the Bell Telephone president. He may impose a fine in that case without the presence of Mr. Sise.

This much was ascertained thru the company's special agent, W. C. Scott. Mr. Scott also said he would attend the hearing without being subpoenaed. He declared that he knew nothing of his own knowledge concerning the famous contract, but did not think its existence would be denied. He volunteered the information that the principal railroads in Canada, except the Intercolonial, have a similar contract with the telephone companies operating along their systems.

"I authorize The World to publish that the Bell Telephone Company is perfectly willing to grant the Pickering and Markham Co-operative Telephone Company the right to connect their line with the Locust Hill C. P. R. Station, as well as have a switch connection with the Bell Company at Markham.

This was the statement of W. C. Scott, special agent of the Bell Telephone, to The World yesterday.

Continuing, Mr. Scott said: "I am sure the Bell Company desires to be perfectly fair to these people. This offer we make holds good, also, to any rural section in Canada. We desire to promote this sort of thing. The Bell has not ordered any 'phones out at Brougham or Greenwood on account of this little difficulty. Two 'phones on Dr. Eastwood's system were taken out of Dr. Fisher's office at Brougham and the store of Mr. Gleeson at Brougham. Business reasons are responsible for these changes, and they do not relate to the efforts of the Co-operative Company.

Dr. Easbroods informs me that he offered Dr. Fish to continue service to him over his system with subscribers connection at Brougham, and that he is willing to give Mr. Gleeson the same connection.

"I may say this company will supply the co-operative company with one of our own men to put their line in condition, if necessary, to talk thru to Toronto over our switch board, the rural company merely to pay his day wages. Of course the line must be in good condition and so maintained or thru communication cannot be established over it. There will be no charge for the connection at Locust Hill station or the switchboard at Markham.

"Of course when a member of the rural company desires to talk with Toronto he must pay the regular toll at Markham for the connection. To me this seems perfectly fair. I have been over this ground, and I am familiar with the situation."

INTEREST WHITE-HOT.

Whole Countryside Pleased With Col. Farewell's Attitude.

Whitevale, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Interest in the telephone fight continues to absorb all other questions thru this section of the county. Nothing else is discussed, and farmers for thirty miles in every direction are making diligent enquiries daily as to the progress of the contest. Every day President Hoover of the Independent Company is in receipt of letters from Ontario, York and adjoining counties asking for details of the fight, and explaining that the farmers of different parts of these counties want to erect a telephone system as soon as they find "where they are at."

Some hitch in the proceedings was met yesterday when some of the Bell Company employes subpoenaed intimated that they would not respond unless their fees were paid in advance. There was some uncertainty as to the law on this score at first, but the farmers interested will not give these people any chance to avoid testifying on this score. They feel that since it is a criminal prosecution the Crown should look after the proceedings from now on, but they are ready to spend their money in defence of their rights. Magistrate Davidson has not yet communicated with Crown Attorney Farewell, but the business men of Whitevale, Locust Hill, Green River, Brougham and other towns in this part of the county are a unit in declaring that he will be present to combat the issues with the Bell Telephone Company representatives.

COMMONERS AND LORDS DISCUSS KING'S SPEECH

Campbell-Bannerman Comments Adversely on Britain-Germany Alliance re Venezuela.

KAISER CALLED STRONG BUT ROUGH

Balfour Declares Chamberlain's Actions in South Africa Have Support of His Colleagues.

London, Feb. 17.—When the House of Commons assembled for the transaction of business this afternoon, Speaker Gully read the King's speech to a somewhat slim gathering. Mr. Gretton, Conservative, moved the address in reply to the speech, and in doing so, expressed satisfaction at the termination of the Venezuelan blockade, and the fact that, thruout the difficult affair, cordial relations had been maintained with the United States.

Germany Strong, But Rough.

The Liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, said he desired information on the subjects of Venezuela and Macedonia, and on the great question of the settlement of affairs in South Africa. He commented on the fact that Germany was not mentioned in the King's speech in connection with Venezuela. He opposed co-operation with Germany in a matter like the Venezuelan question. Germany was strong, but rough. Germany, also, was not favorable to the Monroe Doctrine. If there had ever been a case for arbitration, the Venezuelan affair was one, and, if this course had been adopted in the first place, a great precedent would have been established towards the peaceful settlement of international questions.

Let Past Dead Sleep.

Referring to South Africa, Sir Henry said they might have differed in the past over the war, but now the war was over, he urged that they all work for the common purpose of laying the foundations for a new life in that part of the world. He heartily concurred in the sentiments and desires expressed by Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, for the fusion of the two white races in South Africa, but wanted to know if Mr. Chamberlain's acts were subject to the approval of his colleagues. If a bargain were made, who was to speak with authority for the nation?

In conclusion, Sir Henry, who spoke for an hour and a quarter, criticized the growth of the national expenditure.

Back Up Chamberlain.

Premier Balfour, in reply, said Mr. Chamberlain had consulted his colleagues. He added: "We entirely endorse and make ourselves responsible for the general policy he has declared in South Africa." In regard to the conditions prevailing in Macedonia, he said they were a constant menace to the peace of Europe. The administration of the laws was defective there. An incorruptible government was needed to introduce the primary elements of order in Macedonia.

In conclusion, he defended the action of the British government towards Venezuela. Broadly speaking, he added, the negotiations were carried out

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TEN-YEAR-OLD LAD SHOT.

Companion Tried to Hit Button on His Coat.

Cornwall, Feb. 17.—The 10-year-old son of Norton Yates, a cheesemaker at Cornwall Centre, lies in a critical condition at his father's home as a result of a gunshot at the hands of his young playmate, a lad named Runions. It appears the boys loaded the gun to shoot sparrows, and Yates told Runions that he could not shoot the button off his coat. Runions levelled the gun and pulled the trigger. The charge took effect in Yates' side, and the lad is in a critical condition.

FELL INTO BOILING WATER.

Brockville, Feb. 17.—A little child between two and three years of age named Casselman was terribly burned by falling into a pail of boiling water this afternoon. It is doubtful if the child will recover.

WHEN MITCHELL COMES.

President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers wil be in Toronto on the first Monday in April. The Executive of the American Federation of Labor meets here then. A great reception has been planned for him, and all the labor organizations in Toronto will take part.

A New Lot Every Day.

Every day now sees a new line of gentlemen's hats arriving at Dineens'. They were all specially selected by the company's representative in the foreign markets, and are absolutely the best made. Twenty-six cases of English hats arrived yesterday. The shipment includes Silks, Derby and Alpine Hats by all the London celebrates.

EXTREMELY COLD.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Ont., Feb. 17, 1903, 8 p.m.—The storm which passed from the middle Atlantic coast last night has caused gales and snow thruout the Maritime Provinces and severe cold has spread eastward to the seaboard. Temperatures below zero have occurred everywhere except in British Columbia, Alberta and Nova Scotia.

Minimum and maximum temperatures—Dawson, 10 below—2; Victoria, 32—42; Kamloops, 18—36; Calgary, 22—34; Qu'Appelle, 24 below—6 below; Winnipeg, 28 below—18 below; Port Arthur, 24 below—6 below; Parry Sound, 18 below—zero; Toronto, 6 below—7; Ottawa, 10 below—zero; Montreal, 0 below—4; Quebec, 4 below—zero; Halifax, 6—20.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes, Georgian Bay, Ottawa Valley, Upper and Lower St. Lawrence, Gulf, Maritime, Lake Superior, Manitoba—Fair and extremely cold; light snow flurries.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Feb. 17.	At.	From.
Saxonia	Liverpool	New York
Zeeland	Antwerp	New York
Oceanic	Queenstown	New York
Ultonia	Boston	Liverpool
Menia	Boston	Liverpool

CYCLONE SINKS BOAT DROWNING 17 PEOPLE

Thrown on Beam's End Shipped Enough Water to Swamp Her.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 17.—A cyclone struck the passenger steamer Olive, which plies between Franklin, Va., and Edenton, N.C., at 9.30 o'clock last night, and sent her to the bottom of the Chowan River, off Woodley's Pier, Mount Pleasant and Olive's Wharf.

Seventeen people are known to have been drowned, and others who were rescued are in a serious condition.

The whirlwind, when it struck, the Olive, threw her on her beam ends. When she righted it was only to sink, on account of the water she had taken in. A majority of the passengers and crew were below at the time, and had no opportunity to reach the pilot house of the vessel, which alone remained above water.

Captain Withy and five others saved themselves by standing all night in the pilot house in water up to their waists.

No complete list of the dead has been obtained, but it is known that the following perished:

Charles Lassiter, white; Mrs. Bennett, white, Franklin, Va., and her young child; an aged white woman, unknown. Nine members of the crew, colored. Three unknown passengers, one white.

At 6 o'clock this morning the river steamer Petit hove in sight and rescued the almost frozen survivors.

The Olive was a small single-screw steamer, owned by J. A. Pretlow of Franklin, Va., and has been plying between North Carolina and Virginia for several years. She left Franklin last evening for Edenton, and had almost reached her destination when the cyclone struck her.

Like the Breath of Morning
is the fragrance of dear old Sozodont. It's so sweet and cooling. The powder, too, is delicious.

HELP TO ASK FOR $50,000.

Montreal, Feb. 17.—After listening to President W. K. McNaught of the Toronto Exhibition, the Montreal branch of the Canadian Manufacturers Association agreed to join the demand to be made upon the Ottawa government for $50,000 in aid of the Toronto Dominion Exhibition.

Cigars 10c. Gatos and La Arrow, clear Havana, 5c each. Alive Bollard, 128 and 199 Yonge St.

MAYOR OF STRATHROY.

Strathroy, Feb. 17.—William Geddes has been elected mayor of this town by a majority of 7.

SANDERSON'S
MOUNTAIN DEW SCOTCH.
Never is off in flavor.

Try the Decanter at Thomas'.

CANADA TO JAMAICA.

Jamaicans Will Give $12,500 a Year to a Line of Boats.

Kingston, Jamaica, Feb. 17.—The legislature has adopted a resolution authorizing the government to pay $12,500 annually towards a subsidy for establishing a new, fast, direct steamship service between Canada and Jamaica. It is expected the Colonial Secretary, Sidney Olivier, will go to Ottawa shortly for the purpose of making definite arrangements.

Great Excitement at Pickering.

The mammoth SICHE GAS machine, built by the Siche Gas Co., for Pickering College, to light the college premises and supply gas for the laboratories, incubators, bunsens, power blowpipes, etc., arrived per G. T. R. yesterday. Everyone is looking forward to the grand inauguration when the plant is installed. Mr. Firth expects to have his College lit up by Saturday next.

Beware of imitations and infringements of the Siche System. There are about a dozen on the market already.

The following testimonies will show why our rivals imitate us:

Mr. John Hanson, Proprietor Pearsall House, Port Rowan, says: "I have used my Siche Gas Machine for about a year now, and it has given me the very best of satisfaction." Mrs. Graham, owner of "Viamede," Stony Lake, the celebrated summer resort, says: "After a fair test, we have found the Siche System of lighting satisfactory in every particular." "Easily cleaned and re-charged; always ready when wanted."—Keys & Bull, Weston. "Twenty-five per cent. cheaper than coal oil."—W. H. Banfield, Toronto. "The best light on the market to-day."—A. Rankin, Collins' Bay. "Its operation is simply perfect."—A. B. Moffat, Weston. "Safe, simple, economical and reliable."—Rev. Dr. Elmore Harris, Toronto.

And so we could run on for columns. Write us for our beautiful illustrated catalog for 1903 spring business. You will find out all about the best light on earth. SICHE GAS CO., 83 York-street, Toronto.

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WILL ARRIVE THIS WEEK.

H. W. Auden, B.A., the new principal of Upper Canada College, is expected to arrive in Toronto this week. He is on the Allan Line steamer Corinthian, which is now a couple of days overdue.

EDWARDS & COMPANY, Chartered Accountants, 26 Wellington St. East. Geo. Edwards F.C.A., A. H. Edwards.

KNOCKED DOWN BY A CAB.

Berlin, Feb. 17.—Prof. Mommsen, the historian, was knocked down by a cab to-day and sustained a slight injury. He was able to get home without assistance. Just the other day he hurt himself by falling from a ladder in his library.

Pipes—Brier, silver mounted, 34c each worth $1. Alive Bollard, 128 Yonge St.

Leaves for Ottawa Saturday.

Halifax, Feb. 17.—Hon. R. L. Borden, the leader of the Conservative party, will leave on Saturday to take up his parliamentary duties in Ottawa.

To Commercial Travelers and Others
See Walter H. Blight, Medical Building. 'Phone 2770 before placing your accident policy. 136

JURORS BLAME FATHER POISON KILLED CHILD

Verdict in Inquest Into the Cause of Janet Clark's Death at Collingwood.

Collingwood, Feb. 17.—The coroner's inquest on the body of Janet Clark was resumed at 7.30 this evening. The verdict of the jury was handed to the coroner by the foreman and read, as follows:

"The jury, upon oath, do say respecting the death of the child, Janet Clark, that they find, after carefully considering the evidence, that her death was caused thru strychnine poison found in the stomach by the government analyst, and further confirmed by the medical evidence offered, which accounted for the death of an otherwise healthy child.

"But as to how the strychnine found its way into the stomach is to them unknown. The evidence shows culpable negligence on the part of the deceased child's father in placing poisoned cheese within her reach.

"They also take this opportunity of strongly condemning the rapidly growing practice of insuring the lives of young children, and will suggest that legislation should be enacted at an early date, prohibiting this class of insurance."

The prisoner was taken before the Magistrate and formally discharged.

DROPPED DEAD, AGED 30.

Montreal, Feb. 17.—William S. Henderson, about 30 years of age, who has been employed in the gents furnishing establishment of R. J. Tooke for about three years, dropped dead in the store on St. James-street, at 8.30 a.m. today.

MR. EVANTUREL ILL.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—Hon. Mr. Evanturel is ill with pneumonia, at his home in Alfred. He caught cold while addressing a meeting at St. Anne de Prescott last Sunday week.

Highest Commendation.
"I may say that I have tried every paper in Toronto, but these little ads. in The World have brought me better results than any. I am very much pleased." Thus spoke Mr. Geddes, the Picture Dealer, of Spadina-avenue.

Coal Prices Away Down.

The People's Coal Co., Limited, are selling Egg, Stove and Nut sizes of Hard Coal at $7.50 per ton; Pea Coal, $6.50; Massillon Soft, at $6.50. This reduction in prices will be greatly appreciated by the public.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Retail Merchants' Association, annual meeting, Temple, 8 p.m.
Industrial School Board, 5 p.m.
Ontario Alliance, special meeting, Confederation Life Building, 3 p.m.
Fairs and Exhibitions' Association, Richmond Hall, 2 p.m.
Ross Liberal Club smoker, St. George's Hall, 8 p.m.
Annual dinner Chartered Accountants, Webb's, 7.30 p.m.

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