

## Operations on Ship Canal Will Be Resumed Shortly; Four or Five More Years' Work Yet

### Four or Five Years More Will Be Needed To Complete the New Welland Ship Canal

Work of Cutting Out Great Waterway Not More Than One-quarter Finished—Colossal Enterprise All the Way Through—8,600,000 Yards of Material to Construct Great Harbor at Port Weller.

It will take four or five years to complete the ninety million yard ship canal, work upon the construction of which it is expected to be resumed within a few days, is the statement of engineers in charge of the great work to a Journal representative.

Not more than one quarter of the work has been completed and some of the most difficult portions are yet to be taken up. In No. 3 section at Thorold, where the flight of three double locks and a fourth are being hewed out of the solid rock, the blasting has not gone half way down as yet.

The estimated time for four sections of a boat will be twenty minutes. Between Lakes Ontario and Erie there is a difference in level of 326 ft. and seven mammoth locks larger even than those of the Panama Canal will take the place of the 25 on the present Welland Canal which was built in the seventies. The locks will be lift locks each lock raising or lowering a vessel 46 and one half feet. The locks, a number of which have been partly completed are 800 feet long in the clear, 80 ft wide with depth of 30 ft. on water on sill. Perhaps the most interesting part of the canal will be the three twin flight locks, 4, 5, and 6, ascending the escarpment at Thorold. The locks are twin to allow vessels to pass each other, and thus save much time. There are entrance wells not less than 800 feet long on the west side at the lower and upper approaches to the locks.

Above Lock 7, nine miles from the Lake Ontario entrance, twin guard gates will be situated as a protection against accidents to the locks below the summit level. Above these the summit level extends about 16 miles to the guard lock at Port Colborne. All the way through the Ship Canal will be built for 25 feet depth of water but with provision made for deepening to 30 feet should occasion require. Sections 1, 2, and 3 are being cut through new territory, which previous to 1913 when the canal was started comprised some of the best fruit farms. Section 5 involves the widening of the present Welland Canal on the west side through what is known as the Deep Cut, a distance of 2 miles from Allanburg to Port Robinson, and the substructure of a bridge at the latter place.

Altogether there will be 22 bridges crossing the new waterway and except where these are located at locks it is intended to use bascule lift bridges affording vessels a clear channel 200 feet wide. The alignment of the canal, almost straight will afford easy navigation. The work will be resumed on the cost plus per centage basis, the contractors using the Government's equipment which was taken over on suspension of the canal work in 1916. After the Armistice it was decided to resume the work last year as far as the Reconstruction Period operations but there was trouble with the men last summer over hours and the canal was finally shut down entirely last autumn.

Now, parliament is passing \$5,500,000 in the estimates and this appropriation will cover the operations during the present year it is expected. The resumption of the canal building will give employment to thousands of men and make the Niagara District boom.

### Port Dalhousie Harbor is Free of Ice; Toronto Locked

Things are all ready this side of the lake to open navigation but reports from Toronto say the bay is still frozen solid with no signs of a breakup or of the ice moving out. This will keep back the opening of navigation considerably. The Dalhousie city is about ready to make her first trip of the season and the Captain expects to win the Toronto Harbor-master's silk hat. The ice in Port Dalhousie harbor broke up and left some time ago and the lake on this side is now clear away out. Everything at Port looks favorable to an early spring. Quite a lot of people visited the lakeside summer resort on Sunday.

### Tony Gingo Sent Up For Trial on a Charge Of Assaulting a Girl

Tony Gingo, the Italian charged with assaulting Miss Clara Morton, on the night of the 16th of March, ejected to be tried by a jury when arraigned in police court today. He was committed for trial. He was defended by E. H. Lancaster, and Crown Attorney Brennan prosecuted.

Miss Morton said she had attended a concert with a girl friend and left the church at 11 o'clock. Going home she went by Lake St. and Russell Ave. She saw a man cross Russell Ave. going back of Schenck's factory and as she was crossing Genaban St. she heard steps behind her. Then she heard a man running towards her. It was near her home and she ran closely followed by the man.

When she reached her yard she fell exhausted, to the ground. The man said, "You 'frail lady, me pick you up."

"I tried to get up," said Miss Morton, "and he pounced upon me holding me down on the ground. He had my hands pinned down. I yelled and he hit me five times on the face."

Miss Morton said her assailant said, "I shoot you," and then he got up and ran up Geneva St.

She said Gingo was the man who had attacked her. She identified him without hesitation.

Questioned by Mr. Lancaster, Miss

### Teiper, on Eve of Trial, Confident Fate is With Him

BUFFALO, March 29—Sitting on the edge of his cot in the cell at the county jail yesterday afternoon, John Edward Teiper said:

"I've steered myself against worrying. I'm going to be cool and take things as they come. If the motion for adjournment of my trial is denied tomorrow morning, I'm all set to believe it's for the best. I believe fate has stepped in and is taking a hand in my case. I have believed this since the first break came my way on March 13 1919. It was on that date that the appellate division reversed the verdict against me and ordered this new trial. Teiper is charged with the murder of his mother, Mrs. Agnes Teiper, on the Orchard Park road on the night of January 30, 1916. His brother, Fred Teiper, was killed and his sister Miss Grace Teiper, barely escaped the same fate.

At the first trial the prosecution proved to the satisfaction of the jury that Teiper murdered his mother, killed his brother and seriously wounded his sister. The jury returned a verdict of murder in the second degree against him. It is the contention of the defense that the tragedy was committed

### VINDICATES MRS. GOODERHAM'S ACTIONS

Mrs. John Bruce National President of the Daughters of the Empire has given out a statement in which all the actions of Mrs. A. E. Gooderham are vindicated. Mrs. Gooderham resigned her office as president and Mrs. Dr. Smith of this city also stepped from the office of National Educational Secretary to show her faith in Mrs. Gooderham.

### Storm Damage Estimated at Many Millions

CHICAGO, March 29—A score of persons were killed and 100 or more injured yesterday by a tornado that swept the country and a number of towns north and west of Chicago, and ravaged some of the city's northwestern suburbs. The property damage ran into millions of dollars, including the demolition of many buildings and the razing of telegraph and telephone lines. Communication with rural areas was for a time cut off.

Six persons were killed and a score injured when the tornado swept through the centre of Elgin, Ill., about 30 miles west of Chicago, causing \$4,000,000 damage to property. From Elgin the storm passed on to the northeast. Half a dozen business buildings, two churches and twenty residences were demolished in Elgin. Meager reports brought in by farmers indicated great damage in a wide spread rural region. Falling telegraph and telephone poles cut off communication and many trees uprooted by the twisting wind, so tangled the wires that restoration of communication presented a difficult problem.

Martial Law Proclaimed  
The Elgin company of the state militia was placed on duty to prevent looting of property laid open to the public by the unroofing and upsetting of stores. Military law was declared. Melrose Park, a suburb of Chicago, reported six dead and Dumpling, another suburb, and Wilmette, a north-shore town, each reported two dead.

At Melrose park on the western edge of Chicago, 60 houses were destroyed, the devastated area covering four blocks. The tornado followed in the wake of a severe hailstorm.

Last night six dead had been identified at Melrose Park, and it was predicted the fatality list would reach twelve. Scores were injured.

Fires followed the collapse of buildings and the fire departments of several suburbs were summoned.

A score of houses in Evanston, a northern suburb, were demolished and a number of persons injured, but no fatalities were reported. Roofs were carried from houses and trees were uprooted and carried a half block in some instances.

The damage in Wilmette was estimated at \$500,000. Many buildings in the business quarter were damaged, with the town hall and the Episcopal church. The storm tore a path 200 yards wide through the main part of Wilmette.

### THE WEATHER

TORONTO, Mar. 29—A pronounced disturbance which was over Iowa yesterday morning has moved to Northern Ontario causing showers or thunderstorms throughout the Province and in Western Quebec, the weather has been fair in other parts of the Dominion.

FORECASTS—Strong westerly winds, a few scattered showers but mostly fair colder tonight. Tuesday fair and somewhat colder.

### ESTIMATE MARASH MASSACRES COST 8,000 ARMENIAN LIVES

CONSTANTINOPLE, Mar. 29—Estimates of casualties during the massacres at Marash last month, sent here by Americans, place the loss of life at about 8,000 Armenians. During the disorders fifteen Turks were killed.

There are 10,000 Armenian refugees in Marash, of whom 2,000 are sheltered in American orphanages and hospitals.

### City Tax Rate Will To-night Be Struck; 36 Mills on the Dollar

This is An Increase of 4 1/2 Mills Over Last Year, the Board of Education Using 11 Mills on the Dollar on the Collegiate and Public Schools of City.

At the City Council meeting tonight it is expected that the rate for the present year will be struck. From what The Journal learns it will be 36 mills, 25 for the general city rate and 11 for the Board of Education. This will be an increase in the total over last year of about four and a half mills.

It is due largely to the fact that the law limits the amount which can be raised for general purposes and to the piling which has been done by the finance committee that the municipal expenses proper are to be kept to the 25 mill point. There have been demands made, which if granted would have led to an outlay that would require more than 25 mills. The efforts of the finance committee to keep things down are to be commended but the freedom with which the new Board of Education is spending money must take the breath away from the Councilors.

Under the law this board fixes its own rate and the Council is morally and legally bound to find the money out of the taxes of the people whether it likes the job or not. With the large expenditures for various things which the Board deems it well to lay out the taxation must necessarily be heavy to take care of the obligations. Ratepayers reading the report of the Council which will fix the rate at four and a half mills higher than it was last year should not overlook the fact that the increase actually put on by the Council is only .85 of a mill where as the balance of the increase is all made up by the increase demanded by the new Board of Education.

### C. OF C. DIRECTORS HOLD A LUNCHEON

The Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce had a little luncheon today at the Grand Central and talked over various matters.

### TEN MILLIONS IN GOLD ARRIVE TO HELP EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, March 29—Larded to the bulwarks with gold, the Red Star Liner Lapland arrived here this afternoon with \$10,000,000 in gold bullion from Europe. The bullion will help the sterling exchange rate in the United States and will help cover the enormous export of this country to England.

Not even the officers of the vessel knew the bullion was on board until they neared New York. One of the passengers on the Lapland was Charles A. Tornquist, finance minister of Argentina, who was abrid negotiating the new Argentina loan of \$200,000,000 to the Allies to cover Allied imports of meat and grain from his country.

### FIND BODY IN RIVER THAT RESEMBLES JEANNE DE KAY

PEORIA, Ill. March 29—The body of a woman whose description is said by officials to resemble that of Jeanne De Kay, missing Chicago settlement worker, was discovered floating in the river, three miles below Peoria last night.

### Singing of the Cantata, 'The Crucifixion,' an Event in Musical History of City

A very large congregation last night at the First Methodist church listened to the singing of the Cantata "The Crucifixion" by the capable choir of the church. Under the direction of Gerald Marks, the brilliant leader, the choir sang the inspiring cantata in perfect form, reflecting much credit both upon its members and on Mr. Marks. Besides directing Mr. Marks played the accompaniment. The choir was assisted by J. Elcho Fiddes, tenor, and Frank Oldfield, bass, both well known Toronto singers and they took the solo parts with wonderful success, delighting everybody. The male chorus made up of men of the choir sang selections with splendid effect. In the chorus work it was easily noticed that Mr. Marks has brought his choir into a fine state of efficiency and he holds remarkable control over the singers. The organization is well balanced and the choruses were sung with a precision and finish that resembled a beautiful machine if such an expression can be applied to art. Such efforts as that of Mr. Marks make for the raising of the musical status of a city, because it increases the number of music lovers and whets their appetite for more of that inspiring class of harmony. Mr. Marks and his choir are to be sincerely congratulated and with the hope that not too long an interval will take place before we have the opportunity of hearing another cantata sung by St. Paul street choir.

### Industrial Congress Planned For August

The Niagara District Industrial Association has decided to hold an important Industrial Congress in the District the first week in August.

The Congress will open at Niagara Falls Monday morning, luncheon will be taken at the Refectory with the Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commission, followed by a visit to the Queenston-Chippawa Power Canal in the afternoon, and a banquet at Clifton House in the evening.

On Tuesday the guests will be motored to Bridgeburg and Port Erie and lunch at Crystal Beach. A boat ride to Thorold and St. Catharines will be broken at Welland by dinner, the night being spent in this city.

On Wednesday morning Merriton, Thorold and the industrial section of Thorold Township will be visited, returning to Merriton or St. Catharines for lunch. In the afternoon this city would be covered and the guests motored to Port Dalhousie, Niagara-on-the-Lake, and Queenston to Niagara Falls where the conference will be brought to a close.

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