

CALL G. F. BAER A MURDERER

500 Mothers Want Coal Baron
Held for Child's
Death.

Philadelphia, June 4.—Fifty mothers, bearing a petition signed by 500 or more, marched down on Coroner Jermoloff this afternoon to demand the arrest of President George F. Baer, of Philadelphia and Reading Railway, on the charge of contributory negligence in the killing of William Johnson and his 8-year-old son, who were struck by a Reading train at the "death trap" grade crossing at Venango street, making a total of ten killed in the last year. The women were from Rising Sun, one of the old incorporated villages of Philadelphia, and their march was the result of a series of indignation meetings held since the accident took place a week ago.

They told the coroner that unless he acted they would tear up the tracks of the Reading Railroad. The coroner told the women that if they had acted sooner probably the grade would have been abolished long ago. This did not appease them, and they repeated their warning that unless something was done by the officials they would take the law into their own hands.

Prosecutor Hunts Evidence.
As a result of the action of the women, members of the district attorney's staff are at work with the coroner's people to collect evidence for the inquest tomorrow.

When the mothers crowded into the coroner's office there arose such a babel that nearly the entire office force fled. While the marchers were determined and angry, they had appointed no spokeswoman. Finally Mrs. Emma Buchanan, big, buxom, and mad, took the rostrum. Meanwhile four more were picked from the crowd to support her, and then the balance of the mothers subsided.

"It's murder that Baer's doing up our way," said Mrs. Buchanan. "His train is the 'death trap' and grade crossing four times daily on the way to and from school, and demands that President Baer be held for criminal negligence in causing the death of Johnson and his son."

This document is the most curious ever recorded at the city hall. It declares that each of the petitioners is a mother, that her child or children must cross the "death trap" and grade crossing four times daily on the way to and from school, and demands that President Baer be held for criminal negligence in causing the death of Johnson and his son.

Finds He Can Hold Baer.
It was the first time such retaliatory measures were ever asked in Philadelphia and at the moment the coroner did not know what to do. Later he found that he had the power to so hold the Reading's president if he wished.

It developed that among the women present were six whose children had either been killed or injured at the death trap. It was also brought out that the crossing is not only devoid of gates and walls, but that the watchman is a cripple and old, and is compelled to attend to both sides of the street. He works only in the daytime—from 7 in the morning until 7 at night—while all night the company has no one there to warn pedestrians.

It was also stated that the children could get to school in no other way than by crossing the tracks, unless they went many squares around.

BRITAIN AND THE HAGUE

Cabinet Agrees Upon Policy To Be Followed at Conference.

London, June 5.—The instructions to the British delegates to the peace conference at The Hague having been drawn up, the foreign office and the cabinet at its meeting yesterday agreed to the policy which is to be adopted by the delegates of Great Britain at the conference. There will be a meeting between Foreign Secretary Grey and the delegates at the foreign office as soon as the conference work is completed, and the British representatives will leave London for The Hague on June 13. Joseph H. Choate, of the American delegation, leaves England for Holland on the same date. He has had frequent opportunities of discussing the subject of the conference with Sir Edward Grey and Ambassador Reid, and one of the first callers at Mr. Choate's hotel upon his arrival here was Premier Campbell-Bannerman, with whom the ex-ambassador discussed the proposal to bring the question of the limitation of armament before the conference.

Mr. Choate has also received much attention socially. King Edward's reception of the American diplomat at the levee held at St. James' Palace on June 3 being particularly cordial. Mr. and Mrs. Choate lunched with the Prince and Princess of Wales yesterday.

When an imaginative woman gets her nerves in good offensive order, the family

AT FORTY

Some of the signs that life has passed its zenith appear. Exertion is followed by fatigues that are not quite worn off next morning and the beginning of that slow decline is commenced which culminates at seventy.

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DOM BRAGANZA WOULD BE KING

Will Await Invitation Before
Entering the Portuguese
Breath.

Vienna, June 5.—Dom Miguel de Braganza, head of the line of the house of Braganza, which formerly reigned over Portugal, announced today through the medium of the local newspapers his readiness to fill any vacancy in the Portuguese throne arising from the present constitutional dispute in that country.

Dom Miguel, who was born in 1853, and is an officer in the Austrian army, will await a sufficiently influential invitation before entering the breach, but there is no indication up to the present that this will be forthcoming.

The house of Braganza dates back to the end of the fourteenth century. The father of Dom Miguel was the late King Miguel I, Duke of Braganza, who seized the throne from his niece, Queen Maria II, daughter of Emperor Pedro I, of Brazil, and was King of Portugal from 1826 to 1834, when Queen Maria, after a civil war, was restored to the throne.

Queen Maria was the last sovereign of the house of Braganza proper, the present reigning house being the house of Braganza-Coburg, established by Queen Maria, who was in 1836 married to Duke Ferdinand of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha. Charles I, the reigning sovereign, is the third king of Portugal of the Braganza-Coburg line.

MUSIC AND DRAMA

Mary Manning's engagement in "Glorious Betsy," the new romantic comedy-drama written for her by Rita Johnson Young, will have its first appearance at the Grand this evening. The scenes of this play are laid in America and France, and its story deals with the courtship, love and marriage of Elizabeth Patterson, of Baltimore, to Jerome Bonaparte, during his visit to America in the year 1803. The Shuberts will make this the season's artistic event. "Glorious Betsy" will be surrounded by a strong company, which includes Messrs. Robert Warwick, Herbert Carr, H. S. Hadfield, Edgar Baume, Harold de Mecker, Reginald Barlow, James A. Dickson, William Bonnell, Edward Trevor, Edward Eagle, Misses Adora Andrews, Maud Hosford and Gertrude Clemens.

FRISCO TO AUSTRALIA

New Steamship Line to Operate Between U. S. and Antipodes.

New York, June 5.—A British steamship service is about to be started between San Francisco and Australasia, to take the place of the American Oceanic Line, which recently went out of operation. The first ship of the new service will sail on Aug. 1. The new service, which is to be called the Australian Mail Line, is backed by the British shipping firm of Andrew Weir & Co., of London and Glasgow. A regular monthly service will be maintained.

"HANGING OF THE CRANE"

Presentation at Home of a Worthy Wardville Couple.

A pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester King, in Wardville, on Friday evening, when about seventy-five young people assembled with them in their new home. The evening was largely spent in playing games and chatting. About 10:30 Miss Ella Quigley read a short address and Mr. James Hutchinson presented Mr. and Mrs. S. King with two oak rocking-chairs. Following is the address:

"Dear Friends,—We, a few of your many friends and associates, have assembled here this evening to celebrate 'The Hanging of the Crane,' in another hearty and home. Not for the purpose of mirth and jollity have we gathered around you, but to extend to you our hearty congratulations, and every best wish for a life of sweet harmony and peace, that as you go onward along life's rugged way, you may sometimes look backward upon the evening of your life with every sweet recollection, and may they indeed prove as a cherished memory within your hearts. As an appreciation of our earlier associations, and as a token of our kind regards, we have asked you to accept of our behalf these chairs, not for their intrinsic value, but as a memento of this occasion and the fellowship extended toward you on this evening of May 13, 1907. As we go out from your home tonight we pray that every gracious blessing may rest and abide within and around you. May you ever continue to be to us as we have known you in the past, and when your duty here be done, pass to that higher realm which awaits the true and faithful."

The address was signed in behalf of the friends present by David Snyder, Alfred Cook and W. R. McIntyre.

Mr. King made a suitable reply, thanking the friends for their kindness in spending a pleasant evening in their home, and for the handsome presents. Luncheon was served, and in the morning the guests took their departure, long to remember the pleasant evening spent with Mr. and Mrs. S. King.

Discussion as to the nature of radium still continues, some holding to the idea that it is a compound and not a chemical element. Sir George Lodge remarks that there is no necessity for settling the question offhand, that it is a matter of hypothesis; and Frederick Soddy, writing in Nature, says: "If as a result of the recent controversy it has been made clear that atomic disintegration is based on experimental facts, which even its most hostile opponents are unable to shake or explain in any other way, the best end of science will have been served."

GETTING BUSY AT FAIR OFFICES

Indication of the Western's Approach—Improvements at the Grounds.

The general office of the Western Fair Association is becoming a busy place again. There has been a very large amount of work done already, but as the season advances the work increases. The prize lists are about completed and several thousands of them will soon be mailed throughout the country. Three thousand hangers of beautiful designs are all ready to mail. The large three sheet poster is also ready to send out to the bill-posters throughout the country, while nearly four hundred bill-boards have been prepared to send out to the railway stations.

All the printing contracts and work done this year have been given to London firms, as the management considered that the proper thing to do, other thing being equal.

The dates this year are Sept. 6th to 14th. It is confidently expected that this year's Exhibition will be in advance of anything attempted by the Association before. Improvements are in progress at the grounds and some contracts have been let for further work. The Ground and Buildings Committee are busy making arrangements for new buildings which have been badly needed for so many years past.

The Attraction Committee, remembering the disappointment of the public last year with regard to the "Airship," have this year, at enormous expense, secured Knabenshue the famous Aeronaut, whose wonderful control will be seen daily; many other strong and pleasing features have also been engaged.

It is becoming more and more the general opinion of those interested that the business men and citizens of London should rally around the management of the Western Fair and help in every way possible to further its interests as success to the Exhibition means a great deal to the City of London.

All information about the coming Exhibition will be promptly and willingly given at the offices by the Secretary or his office staff.

HARRIETSVILLE WEDDING

Marriage of Mr. J. R. Pettit and Miss Maude Abbott.

The beautiful home of Mr. Edwin Abbott, Harrietsville, was the scene of a very fashionable and pretty wedding yesterday, when his eldest daughter, Maude, was married to Mr. James R. Pettit, of Belmont. W. W. Pring, of Avon, officiated. The bride, who was given away by her father, was supported by her sister, Miss Elva Abbott, while the groom was supported by his cousin, Mr. George Terryberry. Miss Elva Thompson played Mendelssohn's Wedding March.

Promptly at 4 o'clock the bride entered the drawing-room, leaning on the arm of her father, and took her place beneath an arch of evergreens, tastefully decorated with bunches of pink and white roses, tied with long white ribbons.

The bride was attired in a beautiful gown of white point d'esprit over white tulle, with trimmings of silk chiffon and satin ribbon, and wore an elaborate silk chignon, fastened with orange blossoms. She carried a large bouquet of bridal roses, and lilies of the valley. Miss Elva Abbott, the bridesmaid, wore a pale green embroidered tulle, with silk trimmings, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The house was beautifully decorated with evergreens, ferns and flowers.

The bride has been for a number of years a very valuable member of the English Church choir at Harrietsville. The presents were numerous and beautiful, among them being several checks, showing the high esteem in which the young couple are held. About 75 guests sat down to an elaborate dinner. The tables were decorated charmingly, with large bouquets of pink and white roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Pettit have the best wishes of their many friends. The happy couple will take up their residence on con. 8, South Dorchester, and will be at home to their many friends after June 25.

OUTSIDE DANGER ZONE

American Missionaries Not in the Disaffected Chinese Districts.

New York, June 5.—No American missionaries are believed to be among those mentioned in a special dispatch from Hong Kong to London, as fleeing from the Swatow and Pakhoi districts of China to Hong Kong for protection from mobs of Chinese. Neither the Methodists nor Presbyterians have missions in that section of China. Mr. Pollard, who was reported to have been mercilessly beaten and seriously wounded by the Chinese, is not known at the missionary headquarters here.

Amoy, China, June 5.—Telegraphic communication with Chang Chow, 30 miles up the river from here, is interrupted, and river navigation is suspended, the latter, however, owing to the increased duties levied on vessels and cargoes.

The local conditions at Chang Chow yesterday were reported to be favorable.

SKEPTICAL OF COBALT.

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SWIFT DEATH FOR FINANCIER

Noted English Capitalist Drops Dead in Streets of Toronto.

Toronto, June 5.—On the steps of the Parliament Buildings, James Mountfort, a financial man from London, England, dropped dead at noon today, without a moment's warning. A few minutes before he appeared to be in perfect health. Mr. Mountfort had been walking up the pavement in company with A. Claude MacDonnell, M. P., and Col. J. Carson, of Montreal.

"How beautiful those flowers are!" he remarked, glancing at the blooming tulips. At the steps he paused. "I'll have to wait a moment," he said. He put out his hand and grasped Col. Carson, gradually sinking to the pavement. He was carried upstairs into the department of public works. The incident on the steps had been noticed, and the attention of Hon. Dr. Reaume hastened to the scene, being at the side of the prostrate man within two minutes, but medical aid was of no avail. Life had already departed and heart failure had claimed another victim.

Mr. Mountfort was about 50 years of age and rather stout, weighing probably considerably over 200 pounds. He represented big English mining and financial interests, and had a letter of credit on the Bank of Montreal to a large amount. He came to Toronto this morning with Col. Carson, who is a member of the syndicate which recently acquired the Kerr Lake mining property in Ontario. Mr. Mountfort was accompanied by Col. Carson, who was on their way to see the deputy minister of mines, and Mr. Mountfort volunteered to accompany them. The coroner was notified, and Col. Carson at once cabled the sad news to London.

DEATH OF A PIONEER

Mr. Robert Hobbs Had Been a Middlesex Resident 75 Years.

Mr. Robert Hobbs, one of the oldest residents of Middlesex, passed away at his residence, concession 3, lot 19, West Nissouri, recently. Deceased was 85 years of age, and was hale and hearty until about four years ago. He was born in Ireland, but with his parents came to Canada at the age of 8 years. The family took up land in London Township, where the deceased lived until he married. He then went to West Nissouri, the country being a complete wilderness, and there built for himself and wife a log house. Mr. Hobbs was well known throughout the surrounding country, and was universally respected for his warmth of personality, kindness of heart, and his straightforward, honest dealings with his fellow men. He was a life-long Conservative. His wife predeceased him in 1882.

Of a family of twelve children seven survive to mourn the loss of an indulgent father. They are: Mrs. James Thompson, Deceased; Richard, Freeman, Mo. Mrs. John C. Gale, Dakota; Mrs. Wm. Taylor, 314 Hyman street, London; Mrs. John A. Tuckey, Hyde Park; Robert and Birdie, at home.

The interment took place at Birt Cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. J. Charlton McCracken. The Orange brethren taking charge of the remains there.

MISSIONARY BEATEN.

London, June 5.—A special dispatch received here from Hong Kong says that Mr. Pollard, a Methodist missionary at Chaotungfu, has been mercilessly beaten by the Chinese. His lungs were pierced by a weapon.

The missionaries are flocking into Hong Kong from the Swatow and Pakhoi districts.

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WEST MIDDLESEX SCHOOL REPORT

Inspector Johnson's Annual Review—Increase in Teachers' Salaries.

The annual report of the West Middlesex schools was submitted to the county council yesterday afternoon by Inspector Johnson.

The report contains much information of interest to the school supporters throughout the western part of the county. It shows the receipts for the year to have been \$73,681.86, with disbursements of \$57,375.70. The expenditures show an increase of \$2,188.46, caused by the advance in teachers' salaries, and the outlays in connection with buildings, libraries and school equipment. The following table was included in the report:

	For	Average
Teachers' Total Cost	Salaries	Per Room.
Adelaide	\$4,411.20	\$508.27
Cardno	7,214.50	865.74
Ekfrid	4,254.84	510.58
Lobo	4,498.00	539.76
Metcalfe	2,970.00	356.40
Mosa	3,081.07	369.73
E. Williams	2,644.60	317.35
W. Williams	2,440.00	292.80
Parish	1,852.50	222.30
Strathroy	4,995.01	599.40
Ailsa Craig	885.00	106.20
Glencoe	1,481.70	177.80
Newbury	800.89	96.11
Wardville	809.88	97.18

The average male salary in the rural schools shows an increase of \$14.72 and that of female teachers an increase of \$20.

The highest salary paid a male teacher in the rural schools was \$500; paid a female teacher \$462.50.

The total legislative grant received in the Inspectorate including that to the separate schools was \$2,688.

There were 27 male teachers and 79 female teachers employed, qualified as follows: Three firsts, 53 seconds, and 45 thirds.

The number of pupils enrolled was 4,356—boys, 2,249; girls, 2,107. Average attendance, 2,687.

THE ADRIATIC SAILS.

Southampton, England, June 5.—The White Star Line steamer Adriatic, which sailed from here for New York at 1 p. m. on her first western trip from Southampton, was given an enthusiastic send-off, many craft crowded with sightseers accompanying her down Southampton River. She took 750 emigrants who were stranded at French ports, owing to the strike of the seamen in France.

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