

NUMBER OF VICTIMS MAY REACH EIGHTY SIXTY PASSENGERS KNOWN TO BE DEAD

Appalling Scenes Followed the Wreck of Train on the Baltimore & Ohio Railway.

Connellsville, Pa., Dec. 23.—With a terrible crash and a grinding noise the Duquesne, limited, the fastest through passenger from Pittsburgh to New York on the Baltimore & Ohio, plunged into a pile of lumber at Laurel, Pa. Two miles west of Dawson, at 7:45 this evening, it is estimated that fully forty lives were lost and thirty persons were injured.

THE EMPLOYMENT OF CHINESE IN BRITISH COLONIES Has the Legislature Power to Prohibit Them Being Engaged?—Full Court Asked to Decide Question.

MAY ASK FOR TROOPS.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Ample police protection has been promised by the city officials in the livery "drivers' strike." Should this prove insufficient to prevent the destruction of vehicles, Governor Yates will be petitioned for a force large enough to secure to the people of Chicago the right to bury their dead.

DOMINION NEWS.

HAMILTON WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH WHILE LIVING FIRE.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Partridge, 33 years old, residing at 214 Mary street, who was burned last night by the explosion of coal oil with which she was lighting a fire in the stove, is dead.

EXPERTS ARRIVE FROM SIBERIA REACH VICTORIA ON STEAMER OLYMPIA

Fond an Excellent Coal Mine and Fishing Conditions Favorable to Cannery Operations.

From ports in China and Japan the steamer Olympia arrived on Thursday, bringing 60 Chinese for Victoria, 12 for points beyond, six salmon passengers destined for the American side, six European second class passengers, ten Japanese and eight Chinese, also for United States ports.

WOUNDED VARIETY ACTRESS AND AFTERWARDS COMMITTED SUICIDE.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 23.—Ethel Penny, a variety actress, has been shot and seriously wounded by Daniel O'Hare, because she refused to marry him.

SAD DEATH.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 24.—The wife of Rev. F. H. Hart, 22, at his home in Kansas City, Mo., and then made widow, Mrs. Hart, died at her home in this city at 10:30 p.m. today.

TYPHOID INCREASING.

More Than Four Hundred Cases at Pittsburg Since Beginning of Month. Pittsburg, Dec. 23.—Typhoid fever is rapidly increasing in this city, and threatens to take on the character of an epidemic.

FARMER'S CRIME.

Attempt to Poison Wife and Children—Informed Neighbors and Then Killed Himself. Whatcom, Dec. 23.—John Allison, a farmer living one mile from Burlington, Skagit county, yesterday, attempted to poison his wife and four children.

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FIRE DESTROYED STORE.

The fire destroyed the store on Carleton street, which was a large wooden building, and the loss is estimated at \$10,000.

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