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ENGINES SMASHED AT MONT JOLI

One Man Dies From Shock, Three Other Trainmen Painfully Injured.

A collision occurred at Mont Joli last Thursday afternoon about 3.40 which resulted in the death of Fireman Pelletier, and the injury of three other train men. Engineer Ed. Thomas and Fireman Robt. McAlister of Campbellton and the engineer of the light engine.

The collision was between No. 31, the West local, leaving Campbellton at 11 o'clock and a light engine No. 2925 and took place in the Mont Joli yard about eight hundred yards east of the depot. Both engines were travelling at a considerable speed and were badly broken up. The light engine was on its way to the shops when the accident occurred.

Fireman Pelletier was so badly crushed that he died about an hour after the accident.

Driver Thomas was quite badly injured and scalded about the head and his fireman McAlister also received severe bruises and shock.

IMPORTATION OF HARD LIQUOR

The N. B. Situation—Matter of Provincial and Dominion Referendum.

There has been considerable discussion of the sitiation regarding prohibition in New Brunswick, in view of the action taken by the Dominion government in permitting the importation of liquor for personal use into any province, after January 1.

The situation in New Brunswick is peculiar. There is a provincial act providing for a referendum on the question of prohibition. It is within the power of the government to hold this referendum at any time. If it were favorable to a continuance of prohibition it would then be necessary for the Dominion government, on application of the provincial legislature, to hold a referendum on the question whether liquor should be imported into the province or not.

It has been suggested that the Dominion referendum might be held first, but it is contended on the other hand that it should follow the provincial referendum on the question of prohibition. In any case the federal referendum cannot be held until the legislature asks for it, and that will throw it forward some time in the spring. It is said that May or June would be a very good time to have these questions submitted to the people. It is understood that the government has the whole subject under consideration, following the recent appearance before it of representatives of the Dominion Alliance. The present situation is a result of the action of parliament in "passing the buck" to the provinces.

BUSY AT THE BANKS.

Tuesday and yesterday were busy days at the banks. One of the local banks, although making what it considered ample preparations for the day, paid out very nearly every dollar it had on hand Tuesday, but had plenty on hand Wednesday morning. These two days were the largest pay days on record.

AMNESTY TO ALL MILITIA OFFENDERS

All Prisoners under Military Service Act and Deserters Pardoned.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Release of all Canadians imprisoned for offenses under the Military Act and the suspension of all proceedings against others is provided for in a proclamation which will appear in an extra of the Canadian Gazette to be issued on Monday. An order-in-council which was signed late on Saturday by His Excellency the Governor-General makes provision for this general amnesty to military offenders.

The order-in-council is based upon a report of Hon. C. J. Doherty, which sets forth the reasons which actuated the Government in deciding upon this important step.

"The Minister observes," says the report, "that it is in his opinion expedient, in view of the restoration of peace and for the general purposes of re-establishment that amnesty should be graciously extended to all such (military) offenders so that those now undergoing imprisonment may be discharged; so that pending prosecutions for the offenders aforesaid may be discontinued and so that all offenses heretofore committed and the penalties incurred and not actually enforced and paid shall be generally pardoned, forgiven and remitted. The Minister therefore recommends that a proclamation of general amnesty for offenders be issued in pursuance of the powers in that behalf vested in Your Excellency."

The adoption of this order-in-council means that unless delay occurs in connection with the issuance of the necessary proclamation there will be a general jail delivery of offenders under the Military Service Act on Monday. Exact figures of the number of prisoners to be released are not available tonight but as the terms of the majority of those imprisoned under the act have expired the number is not large. The majority of offenders paid fines and were not imprisoned. The greatest relief will be given by the amnesty to offenders against the Act who have not been apprehended but who have been sought for by the authorities.

Brownville, Me., Dec. 22.—Wrecking crews have been busy all day at the scene of Saturday's terrible catastrophe and have been confining their efforts to the search for bodies of victims.

During the afternoon two badly disfigured corpses were removed from the debris, which lines both sides of the line, bringing the total list of bodies up to twenty-four. It is feared that there are other bodies among the wreckage, so the work will be continued.

NO NEW PUMP YET IN SIGHT

Two Small Pumps at Walker Brook Keep Up Supply.

Two weeks afo it was thought that the water question had been solved as the town had an apparently good offer of an electric pump from a Montreal firm. The price seemed reasonable and at a special meeting of the Council it was decided to purchase said pump.

The firm which made the offer were dealers in second hand machinery and refused to sell unless the Town sent certified cheque with order. This the Council refused to do, but offered to sent cheque when pump was proved satisfactory, but this ofier was turned down, so no pump has been ordered.

A pump manufacturer was then asked to fill the order in thirty days, but would not guarantee delivery under sixty days, and this is how the matter still stands.

Two small pumps are pumping water during the day and the town is still using the Walker brook flow at night, with no water on the high levels, and no relief in sight.

SMALL BOY LOCKS UP POLICE FORCE

Was Refused Tickets to Christmas Celebration and Got Square.

New York, Dec. 22—Thirty-two New York policemen, including a captain and a lieutenant were locked in the East 51st Street Station tonight by a small boy who was refused a ticket to a Christmas celebration after the precinct allotment had been exhausted. The youngster, who brought his "gang" to get tickets, refused to leave until curtly ordered to "get out."

"All right we'll get out, but you won't," yelled the boy, who was last to leave. He swung the door to and bolted it from the outside. A locksmith was summoned by telephone and after labouring an hour finally cut the whole lock out. Meanwhile a crowd gathered and sang and danced in glee over the discomfiture of the prisoners.

UNDER THE MISTLETOE.

A Christmas Wireless.
To you and yours a wireless
Along the Good-will line
It brings a Christmas greeting
With love from me and mine.

TO SHORTEN BIG GAME SEASON

Bill to Make Season Shorter is Introduced in Quebec.

Quebec, Dec. 19—Reading was given to the Perrault Bill to amend the Quebec game laws in the Legislative Assembly today.

The bill as passed shortens the open season for big game as it decrees that moose, caribou and deer must not be killed before September 20. Up to the present the season opened on September 1.

The prohibition of the sale of partridges which was due to expire in 1920 has been extended to 1925.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Ann Chalmers.

Within hailing distance of the spot on which nearly ninety years ago she first set foot on Canadian soil, Mrs. Ann Chalmers, the grand old lady of Belledune, Gloucester County, N. B., was laid to rest in the little Presbyterian churchyard overlooking the Bay of Chaleur, on Monday, Dec. 15th.

Only four brief months ago she celebrated her hundredth birthday, on which occasion, in glowing health and spirits, she was the recipient of the heartfelt congratulations of all who knew her, for hers was truly a life spent in service and devotion. But with the advent of the fall weather came her first sickness in life, and it proved to be the last also; yet the tardy reaper was kind for she preserved her facilties to the end and the mould of her cheek in death was a wonder to behold. With her death there is removed the last remaining link in this family, and indeed, in these parts, boasting direct connection with Scotland, but if the chain is broken the tradition stands, perhaps finer than ever.

When a little girl of thirteen years Ann Galbraith (her maiden name) immigrated from West Kilbride, Ayrshire, Scotland, with her parents and other families of Scottish weavers bent upon forcing the reluctant hand of fortune in the Dominion of Canada. Pictou, N. S., was the objective of the party, but their little craft, the Margaret Ritchie, encountered such severe storms when nearing the completion of the voyage that she drifted up the Bay of Chaleur with the result that the rendezvous was changed and a landing was made at the point afterwards called Belledune, and it was there amid all the vigors of early Canadian settlement that the girl grew to womanhood and spent her magnificent life.

The deceased was born in West Kilbride on August 16th, 1819, the same year as Queen Victoria. On December 28th, 18 she was married to James Chalmers who had preceded her from Scotland, in the town of Bathurst, N. B. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Geo. McDonnell and it was the first recorded in the town.

There were ten children born of the marriage and of these, four are now living, namely: James Chalmers, Belledune; Mrs. Andrew Adams, Campbellton; Mrs. William Craig, Charlo; and Mrs. Elizabeth Chalmers, of Vancouver, B. C. These mourners are supplemented by no less than fifty grand and great grand children, her husband died in 1890.

Rev. A. D. Archibald of the Presbyterian church, Bathurst, conducted the funeral services, and paid fitting and graceful tribute to the splendid qualities of heart and mind that had distinguished the deceased lady throughout her extraordinary span of life.

The six pall bearers were grandchildren of the deceased. Their names follow: James Craig, Charlo; Gordon Craig, Charlo; Ernest Adams, Campbellton; [illegible] Adams, Campbellton, Gordon Chalmers, Bathurst; and Harold Chalmers, Belledune.

Mrs. Steven Coull.

Grand Cascapedia and vicinity was saddened on Sunday, December 7th, when it was learned that another useful life had been ended in the death of Mrs. Steven Coull which occurred at her home after a brief illness. The deceased who was about 31 years of age leaves to mourn the loss of a kind and loving wife and mother, a husband three daughters and one son.

The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon the 10th. The service at the home was conducted by Mr. Viret after which the remains were taken to St. Andrew's Church, New Richmond, where the service was conducted by Rev. L. J. King of Point a la Garde.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Coull and family in their sad bereavement.

MR. SPENCER'S LOSS A HEAVY ONE

He Will Rebuild the Gem Theatre in Fredericton—Films Burned.

In the total destruction by fire of the Gem Theatre, Fredericton, early Sunday morning, what is said to be one of the coziest and most prosperous picture houses in the Maritime Provinces was lost to the capital city. The building, although owned by Mrs. D. M. Richards, Fredericton, has been under lease for over two years to F. G. Spencer, who has expended upwards of ten thousand dollars on improvements and equipment.

A unique feature of the fire was the destruction of 15,000 feet of film, including very valuable features, the loss of which will be about twenty-five hundred dollars, besides the inconvenience resulting to their theatres in the territory.

Mr. Spencer carried only $5,000 insurance on equipment, although he had use and occupancy policies insuring income, and Mrs. Richards has, unfortunately, only $8,000 on her building.

MARY PICKFORD IN "THE HOODLUM"

Will Be Shown At the Opera House To-Day.

Portraying the role of a wealthy girl who is suddenly swept into the poorest of living conditions and a most sordid environment with serio-comic results, Mary Pickford will be seen in her second picture from her own studios, "The Hoodlum" at the Opera House to-day. The picture is an adaptation from "Burkses Amy" by Julie M. Lippmann.

FIRE AT GASPE.

At an early hour Saturday fire destroyed the Mourains Hotel and an adjoining building. At one time it looked as if the entire business section of Gaspe was doomed, but the fire was brought under control after a hard fight.

CAMPBELLTON MAN MARRIED IN WEST

Dept. Public Works
Jan. 20

Is Homeward Bound With His Bride After Wedding in West.

(Vancouver Province.)

At the home of the bride's parents, Captain and Mrs. A. G. Dixon, 1862 Venables street, on December 6, the marriage was solemnized of their daughter, Ellis Bruns, to Robert Mair of Campbellton, N. B. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Alexander Esler. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, entered the drawing room to the strains of the "Lohengrin" Wedding March, played by her sister, Miss Kathleen Dixon. She wore a beautiful gown of white charmeuse and georgette, with an exquisite veil of Brussels lace, arranged with orange blossoms. Her only ornament was a pearl necklace, the gift of the groom, and she carried a shower bouquet of white roses and carnations. She was attended by Miss Helena Dixon, gowned in apple green charmeuse, with trimmings of net and gold lace, and who carried a bouquet of pink carnations and maidenhair. The groom was supported by Jack Dixon.

The house was prettily decorated throughout with pink and white carnations and ivy, the ceremony being performed under an arch of ivy and pink chrysanthemums.

After the ceremony a dainty buffet supper was served.

The groom's gift to the bridesmaid and pianist were gold knitting pin brooches set with pearls, and to the best man a signet ring.

After a short honeymoon trip to Victoria Mr. and Mrs. Mair left for their home in Campbellton via Prince Rupert and Edmonton.

TWO VESSELS ARE CAUGT IN ICE IN ST. LAWRENCE

Quebec, Dec. 22.—The Canadian Recruit and the Canadian Spinner, the two vessels that were caught in drifting ice down the lower St. Lawrence last week, have been drifting helplessly since. The Recruit is now aground for the second time. She is in a precarious position but her crew was all saved Saturday in row-boats that put out from the shore at Tadousac to rescue them. The Spinner is still drifting slowly eastward and is some miles off Father Point.

RECORD PRICE FOR LUMBER

Fredericton, Dec. 22.—Christopher Murray of Dumfries, recently disposed of the standing timber on his farm at that place at a price in the vicinity of twenty thousand dollars. This is said to be a record price for lumber grown on a farm in York County.

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