

A VOLUME OF VERDICT.

CLOSE OF THE HUMBER CALAMITY CORONER'S INQUEST.

Conductor Barber, Engineer Jeffrey and the other highly respected... The coroner's inquest into the cause of the lamentable Humber disaster of Jan. 2 last, whereby twenty-eight people lost their lives, was concluded at 8:30 last night at the Parkdale town hall, which was crowded to the doors through the four hours that the hearing lasted.

The engineer of the special freight, which ran into the suburban train, Richard Jeffrey, was brought into the room by High Constable \$50. All the Grand Trunk officials that were present at the former hearings were in attendance, and the company's solicitor, Mr. John Bell, took a lively part in the proceedings.

The most remarkable part of the wind-up of the inquest was the long and detailed report of Mr. John Clarke, after the jury had locked up, producing a lengthy verdict from his pocket and getting the other members of the jury to sign it. The true cause of the accident is too serious a matter to allow of any such irregularities, and instead of Foreman Clarke's animus towards the Grand Trunk railway having any good effect it will only be the reverse.

A prominent lawyer present said to a World reporter that the same circumstances, the whole inquest would be quashed. The people looked in a good square verdict, and the blame placed on the Grand Trunk railway instead of this long rambling tirade in cant and dried, and important points of blame omitted altogether.

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FLYING CONFLAGRATION.

A TRAIN SET AFIRE BY OIL ON THE TRACK.

Nine or Ten People Killed—Others Badly Burned—A Panic Abroad—The Engineer Faces Sure Death.

BRADFORD, Pa., Jan. 15.—The engineer of train No. 2, a through train between Williamsport, N.Y., and Bradford, Pa., on the Erie narrow gauge system, rounding a curve two miles east of here at 8:45 this morning discovered oil on the track. He reversed the engine but too late, and the brakes could not hold the train. It dived into the oil, which was fresh and gassy. Sparks from the fire box ignited the oil, flames instantaneously enveloping the train, which dashed down a steep grade at the rate of forty-five miles an hour.

Here about forty passengers jumped from the doors and ran into the snow, which was three feet deep. At the curve, half a mile from Bradford, the train was stopped. The engine and the first two cars were burned and wrecked. The engineer, James Connelly, and one boy were burned and wounded. The engineer, James Connelly, and one boy were burned and wounded. The engineer, James Connelly, and one boy were burned and wounded.

Five men escaped with slight injuries, three met their death, being burned to a crisp, and three were likely to die. One report says an oil well was being torpedoes. As the train passed the fire-box was open, and the gas ignited, setting the well on fire.

Still Harping on the Pig Question—The Alexandria Episode.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—In the house Mr. Townsend introduced a bill authorizing the president during the recess of congress to prohibit any imports injurious to the public health from countries which prohibit the importation of American goods.

In the house the committee on naval affairs reported back a resolution calling on the secretary of the navy for information whether any United States officers or sailors rendered service to the British in the bombardment of Alexandria. Adopted.

Close of the Case for the Commonwealth.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 15.—At the trial of James Nutt, to-day, John Messmore, nine years old, a pale faced boy, testified that he remembered the killing of Duke.

On the afternoon of the day of the killing he was at Nutt's house playing with Willie Nutt, a boy of his own age. He saw and heard some shooting done. He saw Jim Nutt shoot the night of the killing. He had to do and I did it and was prepared to do it.

A Memorial from the Dealers Submitted to Congress.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—In a memorial of live stock dealers, submitted to the house to-day by Hatch, it is shown that the estimated number of neat cattle in the United States is forty-one million, representing 1250 million dollars.

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THINGS IN CANADA.

What the Ottawa Correspondent of the Daily Mail Says of the Capital and the Situation.

From London Vanity Fair, Dec. 29. OTTAWA, Dec. 10, 1883.—"The king is dead; long live the king!" was the cry of those who saw Lord Lorne and, soon after welcomed in his stead Henry Charles Keith Fitzmaurice, fifth marquis of Lansdowne, as the governor-general who should reign five years (by favor of his first minister) over the dominion of Canada and give its westerly dominions to the civil service element of the country.

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HAMILTON, Jan. 15.—A meeting of the executive committee of the Ontario Trades Benevolent Association was held here this afternoon.

A HAPPY SLEIGHING PARTY.

In which Premier John Norquay Takes Part—Out at Lambton Mills.

Sleighing parties are now in order, and every night sees a lot of them leave the city for the various rendezvous six to ten miles from the city.

At dinner Mr. Cox was asked to take the chair, and a happy choice it proved to be. After the usual toasts he gave the health of Premier Norquay, whom he highly complimented on the way he administered the affairs of his native Manitoba. The toast was enthusiastically received.

Mr. Norquay replied. He said it was not a political meeting, and he was not going to give them a political speech, but as his public acts had been so felicitously and so flatteringly referred to he could not help stating that he had always tried to serve his province to the best of his ability, and he was sure his friends in Ontario could not blame him for that.

Mr. Rutherford replied to the toast of our hosts, and narrated some of his daring doings in Wall street where he was now, he was proud to say, a prominent character, who was frequently sought by speculators and financiers alike.

Mr. Cox proposed the toast of wives and sweethearts, and he regretted that the absence of the notice had prevented their bringing them along, as the evening would have been all the pleasanter for their presence.

The party reached the city at half-past twelve.

A Crack Company.

Annual Meeting of D. Co., Q. O. R.—Reports—Retirement of the Captain.

This crack company of the Queen's Own held its annual meeting at the armory last night, there being a full attendance of members.

Business Troubles.

J. D. McRae, general store, Bolover, compromised at 60c on the \$5. Conkey, boots and shoes, Stratford, assigned in trust.

The Reader Question.

Nothing new has developed. The "composite series" which Mr. Ross proposed for the cabinet was made up of: primer and first book from the Canada Publishing Company's series, second and third book from Gage's series, fourth book Canada Publishing Company, fifth book Campbell & Son or Nelson series.

For Mrs. Barber.

Mr. Bingham of the Hub opened a subscription list in his hotel for the benefit of Mrs. Barber, wife of the unfortunate conductor, and raised \$50, \$10 of which he paid over to Mrs. Barber and the other \$40 he deposited in the bank, to be drawn out weekly in sums of \$10.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING.

I feel rather cozy in packing my valise for Ottawa—Ed. Blake. I wonder if I'll know the old place—David Mills. I know I shall—Sir Richard. I'm getting up a nice bill-of-fare for Sir John. The Colosseum must go—The British Columbia Delegation. I'm going to surprise the bankers with a banking bill amendment—Sir Leonard O'Brien. The Colosseum must go—The British Columbia Delegation.

A WEST END SCANDAL.

A DIVINE STUDENT CHARGED WITH BETRAYING A GIRL.

The Case Before the Session of West Presbyterian Church—The Accused Asserts His Innocence—Trying to Settle It.

For some time past the good people of West Presbyterian church have been exercised over a scandal that has arisen in their midst, the parties concerned being a young man named A. Cuthbertson, and a Miss Maggie Jackson. Cuthbertson is a student at Knox college, and during vacation engages in ministerial work. The girl lives with her widowed mother on Queen street west, near the jog at Beverley street.

Miss Jackson is young, fair and fond of company. Last fall she gave birth to a baby. When this became known to the congregation, little excitement was created. The girl accused Cuthbertson of being her betrayer. The student was summoned before the church session, and it was simply proterous to state that he was the father of her child. Correspondence that had passed between the parties came into the hands of the session constituting the session. From one of Cuthbertson's letters it appeared that he had quit calling on Miss Jackson on account of her keeping late hours with gentlemen whose names she would not even tell to her mother. The session gave to the parties a full hearing on different occasions, but neither was asked to be sworn, although the student was willing at any time to deny the paternity of the child.

Police Court Pointers.

Nine drunks per day before the week yesterday. Fred Perch, vagrant, got 60 days. Thomas Murray, on remand for theft of scrap iron, was further remanded till the 18th. Mike Hayes, fined \$50 and costs for 60 days for beating his wife. Two years in the penitentiary for monkey wrench for theft of overcoats. Denis McLaughry, stealing a G. T. R. motor car, was remanded till Friday. Annie Ferguson and Lottie Miller, on remand for charges of being drunk. John R. McDevitt, for threatening to shoot Thos. L. Kelly, was discharged on paying costs and entering into bonds to keep the peace for one year.

Midnight Moving.

A World reporter observed sleighs in front of St. Paul's, at 1 o'clock yesterday night. On making inquiry a carter said "We're moving the stuff up to Farley's," and on going inside Ald. Farley and his staff, along with the assignees, were seen to be busy valuing the goods and moving them out as fast as they could. When the alderman wasn't overhauling goods he was munching bologna sausage and bread, his object being, as he said, to get it all up his nose before morning.

The Latest and Best News From Our Canadian Exchanges.

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THE WORLD WOULD LIKE TO SEE.

THE ONTARIO JOCKEY CLUB GET UP A DINNER.

The Ontario Jockey club get up a dinner. Female voters better paid. The banks begin to let off the brakes. The railways have more traffic. The sleighing remains good for twenty days. And the city engineer fill up the holes on Yonge street.

WHERE ALL THE BAD CIGARS COME FROM.

And if there is a decent cigar in the city. Even at these cents apiece. And if the cigar men know how to keep them when they get 'em. What Charley Doberty has to say on the subject.

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