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Four Boys Cremated Wychwood Home Is Consumed by Fire

Only One of Family of Five Children Rescued From House of Edward Oldfield—Mother and One Son Slightly Injured and Burned in Escaping Thru Window.

DEAD.
Eddie Oldfield, aged 2.
Fred Oldfield, aged 3.
Willie Oldfield, aged 5.
Charles Oldfield, aged 6.
INJURED.
Mrs. Ernest Oldfield, cut on wrist and slightly burned.
Ernest Oldfield, aged 8, slightly burned.

Four young children of Edward Oldfield, harness maker, in the employ of Samuel Tress & Co., were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the home of the Oldfields at the corner of Wychwood-avenue and Vaughan-road, Wychwood, about 10 o'clock last night.

The wife of Mr. Oldfield and her eldest son Ernest were also slightly burned and cut with glass, but will recover. They were taken to the house of a neighbor, Mr. Hudson, where they were given medical treatment.

The mother was putting her five children to bed when a lamp exploded in her hand. She threw it downstairs, and in the excitement of the moment put her eldest boy, Ernest, out of a storey and a half window and jumped out after him. The blazing lamp started a conflagration, which spread rapidly and the distracted mother was unable to get back into the house after her little ones.

Four boys, Eddie, aged 2; Fred, aged 3; Willie, aged 5, and Charles, aged 7, were in bed, and before any of the neighbors arrived the house had been almost completely destroyed. Two hours afterwards the charred bodies were taken from the ruins by the firemen and held for the arrival of Coroner Gilmour of West Toronto.

A bucket brigade of 200 residents of the district was quickly organized, but the Oldfield home was past saving, and their attention was directed to the home of Henry Gill to the south. This house was damaged to the extent of about $200.

John Hilton, Wesley Moore and Mrs Rigby made several vain efforts to reach the bedroom where the four Oldfield boys were asleep, but were forced out of the house by the consuming flames. They called for help, and in a short time the hose wagon and hook and ladder truck from Ossington-avenue and the chemical engine from Yonge-street reached the scene.

The Oldfield house was worth about $600, and the furniture about $200. The loss is partly covered by insurance. Mr. Oldfield, who was in the city, did not reach his home until after it was destroyed. He is 37 years of age and has lived in the neighborhood two years.

The bereaved father and mother were housed last night at the home of Jas. Hutchison, Kenwood-avenue.

The bodies of the four children were removed to A. W. Miles' College-street undertaking establishment, by order of Coroner Charles Gilmour, who will hold an inquest there to-night.

The funeral will be held from Christ Church Mission, St. Clair and Kenwood-avenue, Monday.

BOY DROWNED IN DON

Harold White, Aged Five, Falls From Piling While at Play.

Harold White, aged five, son of William White of 13 Napier-street, was drowned in the Don, about 300 yards north of Queen-street, at 7 o'clock last night.

The body was recovered in five minutes, but Dr. Fish, who arrived on the scene early, was unable to restore the little life by the usual methods of resuscitation.

Harold was playing with a lad named Francis Baker, on the piling along the edge of the water, and in attempting to reach an object in the water tumbled in. His companion summoned Frank Corish, 72 Hamilton-street, who jumped into the water and after a short period of diving brought the body to shore.

ESCAPE OVER THE ICE

Five Passengers on Mongolian Make a Hazardous Trip.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., May 20.—Notwithstanding the efforts made to assist her, the Allan Line steamer Mongolian, which has been wedged in the ice off this harbor since yesterday, still remained imprisoned to-night.

It is thought that an attempt of the stout sealing steamer Diana to open a lane between the Mongolian and the narrow harbor opening will be successful by to-morrow morning.

That this will be possible was apparently indicated in the release of the coastal steamer Prospero, which today managed, unassisted, to extricate herself from the ice field.

The experience of five passengers including two women, of the Mongolian, who successfully crossed the uneven ice field between the ocean liner and shore, assured the others that a ready and fairly safe avenue of escape is available. The steamer is not damaged as yet.

On all sides of the steamer stretches an almost compact, altho irregular covering of ice which to the east in the direction of the sea, is in some places twenty-five miles off shore.

SEVEN YEARS FOR HORSE THIEF WHO ESCAPED THE POLICE

EDMONTON, May 20.—(Special.)—William Oscar King, arrested a year ago for horse stealing, subsequently escaping from the mounted police, was sentenced this afternoon to seven years after pleading guilty to ten counts.

He seemingly became penitent after his arrest a year ago and offered to show the police where a number of murdered men were buried. He made his escape in the dusk thru a stable window. A few weeks ago King foolhardily ventured back into the city and was recognized.

THE NEW MODERATOR.

DENVER, Colo., May 20.—Dr. Barkley of Detroit was named moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly.

TRADESMEN TO DISARM WORLD?

Could Create Peace Sentiment That Governments Would Obey—An Appeal to Taft.

MOHONK LAKE, May 20.—Business men, representing 58 chambers of commerce, from 19 states and Canada, who are attending the conference, to-day adopted a resolution urging President Taft to "take the initiative in leading the nations to a concurrent limitation or reduction in the armies and navies of the world."

The most emphatic address of the day was given by J. Allen Baker, a Canadian-born member of the British Parliament, who emphasized the continuous neighborliness and good-fellowship of the United States and Canada as an example for the nations of what the absence of armaments and fortifications on an international boundary will do to promote peace.

"I largely endorse," said Mr. Baker, "what President Butler has said as to the emotional insanity of the present mad race for battleships in Great Britain and Germany. Our house of commons is the chief sinner in having started the crazy competition in building Dreadnoughts, but you must remember that we have a yellow press in Great Britain, and you must not believe all that it says regarding the so-called German war scare."

The amicable relations between the United States and Canada were also described by Justice J. J. Maclaren of Toronto, who said that while individuals in a measure have become Christianized, "we still remain as nations and collectively largely barbarian and heathen."

Rev. Frederick Lynch, pastor of the Pilgrim Church, New York, declared that "it is the shame of the age that every Church in Germany, England and America is not protesting against these great pagan, overwhelming armaments."

Up to Business Men.

To-night Charles Richardson of Philadelphia presented a report of a special committee, showing that nearly 200 leading chambers of commerce and boards of trade, in all the large cities of the country, were co-operating with the conference in promoting international arbitration.

Mr. Richardson said: "It is within the power of business men to do more than any other class to create in our own and other great nations a public sentiment which no modern government could afford to ignore. It should, be said, moreover, that the present is a most propitious time for efforts of this kind. There is a growing tendency toward that mental attitude which led Lord Salisbury, the English prime minister, to write to the representative of Great Britain in Egypt, that if their military friends could have their way they would want to garrison the moon, in order to prevent an invasion from Mars.

"The enormous recent and prospective increase in national armaments is probably the most effective of all possible agencies for arresting the attention of the 'plain people' and forcing them to realize that ruinous outlays and rates of taxation that will paralyze the industries of the world, will be the inevitable results if they fail to demand and insist that their governments shall unite in establishing and forever maintaining better methods than those of war for securing justice and fairness in the settlement of all international differences."

Influential Bodies.

Among the 50 and more bodies represented by delegates were the National Association of Manufacturers, the National Boar dof Trade, the National Association of Clothiers, the National Business League of America, the National League of Commission Merchants, the Chambers of Commerce of a number of American cities and the Boards of Trade of Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg; the Business Men's Associations or Commercial Clubs of New Haven, Battle Creek and Seattle; the Manufacturers' Association and the Merchants' Association of New York, and the Trades' League of Philadelphia.

WIDENING OF YONGE ST. IS OPPOSED BY OWNERS

Civic Improvement Committee Encounters Obstacle, But Will Continue to Advocate Project

The project to widen Yonge-street by moving back the building line 24 feet received a considerable setback last night, when of the 53 property owners present at the meeting of the civic improvement committee at the city hall, 49 voted for a resolution against the undertaking, as outlined in the report of the executive.

The committee, while not encouraged, isn't at all minded to abandon the project. As pointed out by ex-Mayor Thomas Urquhart, who acted as chairman in the absence of Sir William Meredith, those owners present represented less than one-tenth of the Yonge-street property interests, and it is usual for the opponents of any movement to marshall in force.

A sub-committee of Mr. Urquhart, James Ryrie and Ald. Adams, will see Mayor Oliver on his return next week, and will arrange to have a report from civic officials on the cost of the widening along the lines previously published.

The chief speakers for the obstructionists were John Morison, W. J. Thurston, L. J. Applegath, Col. J. K. Leslie, and ex-Ald. Thomas Davies. Their chief arguments were that the widening would impair business on the east side, as a broad street would check the tendency of shoppers to cross over from the busier west side, and that as the work would be of public benefit, it shouldn't be taxed as a local improvement. The counter-arguments of Mr. Urquhart, John Firstbrook, Jas. Ryrie, J. P. Hynes and George Kerr, that the congestion was driving away business from Yonge-street to less crowded thorofares, didn't seem to convince the property owners present.

An effort will be made to have the property owners who favor the scheme turn out in strength.

MISSION NEARING CLOSE DEEPER NOTE STRUCK

Last Appearance of Evangelist Next Monday Night When He Tells Life Story

"He's never a gipsy."

"No, he's too much of a gentleman." This was the dialogue overheard as between two ladies leaving one of Gipsy Smith's meetings.

"Grace puts the polish on," was the Missioner's explanation at Massey Hall yesterday. He will tell the story of his life on Monday night, his last appearance in Toronto. Only 3843 tickets will be sold. To-day's meetings are at 2 o'clock and 7 for adults and at 4 for young people only aged between 10 and 20 years. There will be no meetings to-morrow and Sunday's are at 2.30 for women, 3.30 for men and the general meeting at 7.

"They tell me we haven't got the right kind of people to come to these meetings. I think they have if they have taken away 400 of these hymn books," Gipsy Smith said yesterday. "It's just as much of a sin to steal a hymn book as anything else."

The address in the afternoon introduced by Rev. Mr. Parker was on the Transfiguration as related in Luke ix.

"As He prayed, the fashion of His countenance was altered," read Gipsy Smith. "It was always so. The disciples had not seen it before. Nothing changes a face like constant fellowship with God. I have seen a face all marked with sin, unmistakeably the face of an evil person, become beautiful with prayer." The extraordinary pathos of a story told to Rev. J. H. Jowett by Rev. C. A. Berry made a remarkable impression on the audience when Gipsy Smith narrated it at the close of the afternoon address.

The evening service was in a much more solemn vein than usual. The text was: "What shall I do with Jesus?" Matthew xxvii., 22.

Their character, usefulness, happiness and destiny depended on the way they answered that question, he warned them. God wanted them to act so that some day they would not be ashamed of their conduct.

"Yes, you may turn your back on Jesus forever. That means night—lonely, deep, dark, starless night."

EARL GOES TO OLD COUNTRY.

OTTAWA, May 20.—(Special.)—Earl Grey goes to the old country early next month, but will make only a short visit and will not probably be accompanied by Countess Grey.

WAGON ROAD AT ONCE INTO GOWGANDA CAMP

Will Be Built From the End of C. N. R. at Sellwood by Ontario Government

Sudbury will have direct connection with Gowganda by means of a wagon road, which is to be built immediately from the end of the C. N. R. steel at Sellwood into the new camp.

An arrangement has been made with the public works department by which Archibald Mackenzie and W. J. Cowan of the Gowganda Transport Co. will build the road, and work will be commenced at once. As all the road houses and equipment were taken in last winter, work will be concentrated on the road itself. It should be ready for traffic in six or seven weeks and the cost will be about $50,000.

Meanwhile the C.P.R. is driving its road thru from Bisco and the Ontario Government a third road from Charlton on the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway.

ESCAPED AGAIN

ELDERLY PARTY (as he "gum-shoes" out): They thought they had me safe, but they can't hold your grandpa.

ROUNDING BOUNDARIES TWO DISTRICTS COME IN

Board of Control Approves Annexation of Earlscourt and Dovercourt on Fixed Assessment

The proposed annexation of Dovercourt and Earlscourt was approved by the board of control yesterday afternoon. A recommendation that this territory, covering about 800 acres and with a population of 3000, be taken in on the same terms as Wychwood and Bracondale, namely, a fixed assessment for five years, will be sent on to the city council.

The board has been of opinion since the inclusion of West Toronto within the city's boundaries that it would be advisable to square off the northern limit by annexing these districts, which lie between the recently annexed Wychwood and Bracondale, and the new seventh ward.

The controllers recently looked over the ground and were strongly impressed with the desirability of the move. It will mean drawing a line 500 or 600 feet north of St. Clair-avenue between the east limit of the seventh ward and Dufferin-street. Some consideration was given the idea of continuing the north limit east to Deer Park along this line, but as the added strip would be largely made up of market garden lands it was agreed that the line about 200 feet north of St. Clair-avenue should be followed.

The object in drawing the line so far north between the seventh ward and Dufferin-street is to take in the Earlscourt school above St. Clair-avenue on Dufferin-street, as, otherwise, the school would be cut off from a large portion of the section which supports it.

The board was confirmed in its decision by a deputation of the people of Dovercourt and Earlscourt, who waited upon it yesterday to request annexation. Harry Cutler, the spokesman, pointed out that the population was rapidly increasing and that the growing congestion, with the lack of sanitary conveniences, caused grave danger of an epidemic of disease.

F. H. Miller and William Carter, market gardeners, whose property is adjacent on the north to the proposed line, asked that their land be not included, and were assured that they need have no fears.

The controllers' recommendation will be received at the city council meeting on June 14, by which time a report on the annexation of the strip of land between the east city limit and Scarboro will be ready.

SIGNS ON HIGHWAYS

Ontario Motor League Doing Good Work Thruout Province.

The committee of the Ontario Motor League has decided to put up between 600 and 700 signs for the guidance of users of highways this year.

The signs are of three different types: one showing the number of miles to two different towns in opposite directions; another indicating points of danger, such as bad hills and railway crossings, and the third indicating direction by means of an arrow to a certain town, for which the name is given.

This Empire Day School Children Will Celebrate

His Excellency Earl Grey, Sir James Whitney and Others Will Review Parade in Queen's Park.

It will be appropriately celebrated by the school children of Toronto.

The annual parade of the Cadet Battalions and of the Flower Companies of the high and public schools will take place this afternoon. The parade will leave the armories at 2 o'clock and march to the park by way of Queen-street, Yonge-street and College-street.

His Excellency, Earl Grey, General Cotton and staff, Bishop Sweeny, Sir James Whitney, Hon. Dr. Pyne and others will review the parade in front of the parliament buildings.

After the parade, the monuments in the park will be decorated with the wreaths from the different schools.

At 11.30 the Veterans' Monument at Portland-street will be decorated by Niagara-street and Crawford-street schools. The Burns' Monument in the Horticultural Gardens and the Ryerson Monument in the Normal School grounds will also be decorated in the afternoon.

After the decoration of the monuments, short addresses will be given at the band stand north of the parliament buildings by His Excellency, Earl Grey, Bishop Sweeny, Sir James Whitney and Acting-Mayor Ward. Chairman Rawlinson will preside.

His Excellency will present the shield which he donated for the company making the best score at the rifle ranges to Ryerson school, and General Cotton will present the Chamberlain-Williams Cup and the Marshall cup for rifle shooting, both of which were won by the Dufferin school.

The prizes offered by the Daughters of the Empire will be presented by His Excellency, Earl Grey.

OVERCROWDING OF BOAT RESULTS IN 7 DROWNED

Party of Fifteen Returning From Church Thrown Into Water in Remote Part of Quebec

QUEBEC, May 20.—A report received here this afternoon from Ste. Anne des Monts, some 250 miles east of this city, states that a party of about 15 people, who were returning from church, were upset while crossing the river, and out of the number six adults and two children only were saved.

So far only three bodies have been recovered, those of Mrs. Lessvauer, Mrs. Gervais and a little daughter of Napoleon Vaillancour. Arthur Deroy and Phillippe Sinard are among the others.

Overcrowding of the boat caused the accident.

The 36th annual public meeting of the Y.W.C.A. will be held at 18 Elm-street on Friday, 20th, at 8 o'clock.

NO ROOM ON ESPLANADE RAILWAYS MUST MOVE

C.P.R. Has Been For Years Getting Hold of Property in North of City

"The C.P.R. has been gradually purchasing property between West Toronto and Leaside Junction along the North Toronto line for a number of years. The majority of the industrial plants bordering on the North Toronto line are located on property leased from the C.P.R. From the way traffic in and out of Toronto is increasing the company will have no other course open but to utilize the northern property for yards and lines in order to relieve the congestion on the Esplanade."

The foregoing statement was made yesterday by a prominent official of the C.P.R. Illustrating his argument, the official continued:

"We have at the present time about 32 miles of tracks on the Esplanade, including all spurs and switches. This is practically the same mileage that we had five years ago, notwithstanding that the business has been increasing at a rapid rate. Tracks are needed badly, but we haven't the room and have been obliged to spread out in West Toronto and over the Don. In fact, all the space down here is taken up with the handling of the merchandize shipments, and stock, coal and bulky shipments are now being taken care of at the outer yards. Because of the pressure for space on the Esplanade carload shipments for local delivery are of late being shunted to the outer yards until the moment consignees are ready to unload, when they are brought in and spotted. Realizing that terminal facilities will gradually shift from the Esplanade many industrial companies are acquiring sites on the outskirts. Among the large coal firms which have secured sites on the North Toronto line are the E. Rogers Company, Conger & Company, P. Burns & Company, Milne & Company and the Standard Fuel Company, The Cobban Manufacturing Company is another large manufactory which has anticipated the move, and has moved its plant over the Don."

The official interviewed said it was impossible to get the construction department to improve local shipping facilities, altho improvements were needed and had been applied for, a circumstance which he considered significant. He figured that plans for radical changes were in the air.

Enlarging on the increase of business, figures were quoted to show that during the last four years the C.P.'s freight business in Toronto had increased about 25 per cent.

Handling six hundred car loads of freight each day seems a pretty good job, but the G. T. Railway's Toronto staff is doing that quite nicely, according to figures supplied to The World reporter by the freight department.

During March of this year the G. T. shippers took 9905 car loads of goods from shippers of this city and brought in 6026 car loads. During 1905 8634 car loads were shipped out and 4570 car loads were brought to Toronto consignees. These figures mean a 23 per cent. increase of traffic handled in and out of Toronto in four years. Since 1906 the Grand Trunk has constructed a double track along the Esplanade and a number of new spurs, but is still greatly crowded in the down town portion of the city, but is gradually finding relief in westward extensions.

The grand jury of the sessions yesterday returned true bills against Andrew Cusack, charged with indecent assault, and George Wilson and Mrs. Bella Perry, charged with perjury.

CHAMPIONS WIN FROM REGINA 6 TO 4

Challengers Ahead First Quarter Two Goals to One—Looks as if New Westminster Will Retain the Minto Cup.

NEW WESTMINSTER, May 20.—(Special.)—Lack of boring in on the Westminster defence on the part of the home of the Reginas was the outstanding criticism of the visitor's game to-day when they went down to defeat before the champions with a score of 6 to 4.

Individually and in combination the prairie men played good lacrosse, but they did not make enough impression on the defence of the Royal Cityites. They paused when they should have gone against the salmon bellies in their lair, and on to-day's showing Westminster has no possible right to lose the Minto Cup to the present visitors.

Regina did not arrive in Westminster until noon, having put in their resting time on the coast up at Harrison Hot Springs. So it was practically their first appearance here when the ytrotted on the field at 2.45 o'clock, nearly twenty minutes ahead of the Westminster boys.

Five thousand people packed the grand stand and lined the oval of Queen's Park. The visitors were given a cheer when they reached the field, but what they received was but a faint whisper to the cheering that western folks put up when their players reached the field.

Protest Regina.

Just after noon to-day Westminster Club wired the protest to P. D. Ross, one of the cup trustees, against competition against Regina on the ground that many members of the team were not residents of Regina, and therefore not qualified to play. Written protest was also mailed to Mr. Ross.

Westminster won the toss and elected to play down the field for the steep grade at Queen's Park. Feeney drew the ball and Len Turnbull secured. A rush on the Regina net failed, and then the easterners carried the play to the Westminster end. The challengers circled around and around for a minute or two, but could not draw the defenders out from their flags. A poor toss lost the ball to the home team and immediately play went to the other end.

Westminster methods were in direct contrast to those of Regina. They bored right in on the net and Howard had to intercept a shot. For a brief spell the Royal City boys were busy defending their own net. Then Spring hit Howard with a wicked shot and soon after a shot

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THE NEW QUEBEC BRIDGE

Will Be Able to Carry Itself and Huge Load Besides.

OTTAWA, May 20.—Plans for the new Quebec bridge are so far advanced that the completed plans may be laid before the government within a short time.

The new bridge will have a span almost as great as the 1800-foot span of the first bridge. This means that the present piers, which cost a million and a half dollars, will be made use of. However, the new bridge will avoid the old weakness of the single tower, so the present plans will probably have to be duplicated on the river side. This will mean some shortening of the centre span and the length may be reduced to 1600 feet. The cantilever design will be retained and the structure will be built of nickel steel, which has vastly greater strength than the carbon steel of which the first bridge was built.

The new bridge will not only carry itself safely, but will carry any load that can be transported over 80-pound rails. The height of the bridge has been definitely fixed at 150 feet above water at high tide. The cost should be between six and seven millions.

NEW POWER SECRET

Nikola Tesla Says He Has Discovered Valuable Mechanical Principle.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Following the incorporation of the Tesla Propulsion Company, with $1,000,000 capital stock, at Albany, to exploit one of Nikola Tesla's inventions, Mr. Tesla announces the adoption of the device by the Alabama Consolidated Coal and Iron Company.

"I have discovered a mechanical principle, entirely new and of the greatest economic value," Mr. Tesla said: "It is a principle which minimizes the size of the power producing plant and increases to a maximum the power produced.

"In connection with this first plant I will install a turbine of my own invention, and the air blast will be supplied under a turbine principle. This new mechanical principle I have discovered is applicable to air, steam, gas or water power, and may be used for locomotives, automobiles or any form of power production. With it a locomotive as powerful as any now used would need to be less than half the size."

The Spring Race Meet.

This race meet is oing to break all ecords or "the probabilities" are very nuch astray. It's going to leave behind it he rich impression of gathering of splendidly-costumed women and well groomd men. It is "up to" every man to see that he assists in this— a new hat, for instance, something with style and quality to it's make-up. Dineen has gone to no end of trouble to secure absolutely exclusive styles in men's hats, such as are worn in London and New York by well-dressed men this spring. Get the hat His Majesty the King wears, made by Henry Heath, and sold only in Canada by Dineen, corner of Yonge and Temperance streets.

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