

# OTHER MINE EXPLOSION

## Night Men Killed in Mexico—Others May be Still Below.

A despatch from Mexico City at nightfall 68 bodies had been recovered from the Palau mine of the South Coahuila Coal Company, in the State of Coahuila, where an explosion occurred on Wednesday. Besides the night wounded have been brought to the surface. While an accurate estimate of the number at work when the explosion occurred is not yet possible, it is expected that few, if any, are still in the mine.

The Palau mine is considered one of the best equipped of Mexican mines with modern provisions for the safety of the workmen. A despatch from Primero, Colorado, says: Monday's explosion in the main mine of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co., claimed 75 victims and left 35 widows and 65 fatherless children. These facts were determined late Wednesday afternoon, when the official canvas of the company was completed and the names of the missing men were checked with the payroll.

# FROM BONNIE SCOTLAND

## NOTES OF INTEREST FROM BONNIE BANKS AND BRAES.

### Coal Going on in the Highlands and Lowlands of Auld Scotia.

The total export of coal for last year was 15,233,000 tons.

Edinburgh's migrants one day reached numbered 335, chiefly men.

The 1910-11 season at the credit of deposits in Dalkeith Savings Bank.

At Edinburgh 30 tons of coal were distributed among the poor of Strathguskar.

At Renfrew the Salvation Army are supplying free breakfasts to poor children.

One or two cases of diphtheria have been reported in Kirkcaldy district, one being fatal.

The Duke of Buccleuch has given each of 103 poor families in Dalkeith five oats of coal.

In Port Glasgow several shipyards are so busy that the New Year holidays were curtailed.

The shipbuilding firms in Greenock and Port Glasgow have orders representing over 100,000 tons.

Greenock is claiming a medal for virtue owing to having had fourteen "maiden" Courts last year.

The Royal Infirmary report of Edinburgh shows that 634 more patients were treated last year than in 1908.

Leith Dock revenue for the year amounted to £103,696—an increase of £7,695 compared with previous year.

During the past year Fraserburgh exported 475,333 barrels of cured herring to the continent. Some 2,800 tons of salmon, 2,650 tons of preserved herrings, 900 tons of manure and 10,000 empty barrels were also exported.

A Linlithgow farmer pulled the communication cord of a train to see if the train would stop. It cost him \$10.

In Edinburgh last year there were 10,256 apprehensions, showing a decrease compared with those of 1908 of 2,392.

Births in Edinburgh were last year 85 fewer than in previous year; in Glasgow 38, and deaths 1,000 fewer.

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# CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

## HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

### Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

### CANADA.

Mr. Wm. Burton, Toronto's paymaster, died on Thursday. An unsuccessful attempt was made to blow up the T. & N. O. Railway station at Cobalt with dynamite.

Rev. Thomas Nicholson, a native of Woodburn, Ont., may be appointed President of Boston University. Alfred Nevills, who it is alleged was injured by a lamp thrown at him by his wife, died in Hamilton Hospital on Thursday.

Manager Turner of the Canadian Copper Company denies that there is any combine in the nickel industry in Canada.

Eleanora Brown, alias Molly Booker, a colored woman, wanted in Bloomington, Ill., for the murder of her mistress, was arrested at Winnipeg.

### GREAT BRITAIN.

The first of the Australian destroyers was launched on Wednesday.

A lady journalist, who lost a lawsuit against Lord Northcliffe for wrongful dismissal, attempted to commit suicide in the office of The Daily Mail, on Thursday.

### UNITED STATES.

An agreement, by which a tariff war will be avoided has been reached by the United States and Germany.

Ten miners were killed in an explosion in a mine at Drakeboro, Ky. Seventeen others probably met death also.

A Persian student at Baltimore shot a lady student who spurned his attentions, and then committed suicide, on Thursday.

A woman at Wabash, Ind., was reunited to her husband whom she had for forty-eight years believed killed in one of the battles of the civil war.

A proposal is before the New York State Legislature to make the Governor responsible for the appointment of nearly all his executive officers instead of electing them.

### GENERAL.

Witnesses examined by the West Indies Commission at Kingston, Jamaica, stated that Canada's trade with that island could be increased by a subsidized weekly line of steamers.

### SALVATION ARMY FARM.

#### 1,000 Acres to be Utilized as Labor Supply Depot.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: A thousand acre farm is to be established by the Salvation Army near the city for supplying a place for unemployed men to work, and as a centre of the farm laborers and domestic servants brought to the west by the army. Market gardening will form a big part of the farm work, and it is hoped to make the venture self-supporting.

### HAVE REJECTED DEMANDS.

#### Railroads Will Not Increase Firemen's Wages.

A despatch from New York says: Sixty railroads in the country have notified the representatives of 32,000 firemen of the rejection of their demands for a 20 to 25 per cent. wage increase and other concessions. News of the rejection was contained in a private despatch from Chicago on Wednesday. The roads express a willingness to arbitrate the question of wages, but flatly refused other demands.

### HOW TO PAY A CITY DEBT.

#### Have Somebody Insured for a Suicide.

A despatch from Bridgeport, Conn., says: A man on his life for between \$3,000 and \$5,000, the city of Bridgeport, and receive the proceeds under the novel scheme for payment of the debt, presented by David S. 23, to the Bridgeport common council. He stipulates in return that the city erect to his memory a monument with a suitable inscription, acknowledging him the originator of municipal life insurance.

### STRATHCONA AND KAISER.

#### Each to Contribute \$5,000 for Relief of French Flood Sufferers.

A despatch from London says: Lord Strathcona, the Canadian High Commissioner, and Emperor William have each donated \$5,000 to the Mansion House fund for the relief of the sufferers by the French floods. The fund now amounts to \$1,000,000.

# THE WORLD'S MARKETS

## REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

### Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

### BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 8.—Flour—Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents, \$4.30 to \$4.35 in buyers' sacks on track, Toronto, and \$4.20 to \$4.25 outside in buyers' sacks. Manitoba flour, first patents, \$5.70; seconds, \$5.20 to \$5.30, and strong bakers', \$5 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.13, Bay ports, and No. 2 Northern \$1.11 Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 mixed red Winter or white \$1.07 to \$1.09 outside.

Barley—No. 2, 57c outside; No. 3 extra, 55c; No. 3 at 50 to 52c, and feed 48c outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, 38½ to 39c outside, and 41c on track, Toronto. Canada West oats, 43 to 43½c for No. 2 and 42 to 42½c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—83½ to 84c outside.

Rye—No. 2 68c outside.

Buckwheat—53½ to 55c outside for No. 2.

Corn—New kiln-dried No. 3 74½c, and No. 3 new yellow, selected, 71½c, Toronto freights.

Bran—\$22.50 in bags, Toronto, and shorts, \$24, in bags, Toronto.

### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—\$1.50 to \$3 per barrel, according to quality.

Beans—Car lots outside, \$1.75 to \$1.90, and small lots at \$2 to \$2.15 per bushel.

Hay—Combs, dozen, \$2 to \$2.10, and 10½ to 11c per lb.

Timothy—No. 1 timothy, \$13.50, and No. 2 at \$12 to \$12.50, Toronto.

Wheat—No. 2 75c on track, Toronto.

Pork—47 to 50c per bag on track, Ontario.

Turkeys, dressed, 17 to 18c per lb.; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 13c; chickens, 13 to 14c, and fowl, 10 to 11c.

### THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 22 to 23c; tubs and large rolls, 20 to 22c; inferior, 18 to 20c; creamery, 27c, and solids, 24 to 25c per lb.

Eggs—Case lots of new laid, 33 to 34c per dozen, and storage, 25c per dozen.

Cheese—12½c per lb. for large, and at 13c for twins.

### HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 14½ to 14¾c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, \$26.50 to \$27; short cut, \$28 to \$29.

Hams—Light to medium, 15 to 15½c; do., heavy, 14 to 14½c; rolls, 14 to 14½c; shoulders, 13 to 13½c; breakfast bacon, 17½ to 18c; backs, 19 to 20c.

Lard—Tierces, 15½c; tubs, 16c; pails, 16½c.

### BUSINESS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 8.—Oats—No. 2 Canadian Western, 46 to 46½c; No. 2, 45 to 45½c; Ontario No. 2 white, 44 to 44½c; do., No. 3 white, 43 to 43½c; do., No. 4 white, 42 to 42½c. Barley—No. 2, 59½ to 60c; No. 3, 58½c; No. 4, 56½c; feed barley, 54½c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.80; do., seconds, \$5.30; Winter wheat patents, \$5.50 to \$5.60; Manitoba strong bakers', \$5.10; straight rollers \$5.10 to \$5.25; do., in bags, \$2.40 to \$2.50. Feed—Ontario bran \$22.50 to \$23; Ontario middlings, \$23.50 to \$24; Manitoba bran, \$22; Manitoba shorts, \$23; pure grain mouille, \$31 to \$33; mixed mouille, \$27 to \$29. Cheese—westerns, 12 to 12½c; easterns, 11½ to 11¾c. Butter—Choicest creamery, 25 to 30c; fresh receipts at 24 to 25c. Eggs—Selected new laid, 36 to 38c; selected No. 1 stock, 28 to 30c, and No. 1 candled, 25 to 27c per dozen.

### UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Milwaukee, Feb. 8.—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.16½ to \$1.17½; No. 2 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; May, \$1.10½. Rye—No. 1, 81c. Corn—May, 66½c. Barley—Standard, 71½ to 71¾c.

Buffalo, Feb. 8.—Wheat—Spring wheat steady; No. 1 Northern, carloads, \$1.19½; Winter, No. 2 white, \$1.23. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 66½c; No. 4 yellow, 65½c; No. 3 corn, 65½ to 66c; No. 4 white, 64½ to 65c. Oats—Firm.

### LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 8.—There were no choice cattle on the market, and 8½c per lb. was about the top price paid; pretty good animals sold at 4½ to 5½c; common stock, 2½ to 3c per lb.; milch cows from \$30 to \$60 each. Calves from 4 to 6c per lb. Sheep 4½c per lb; lambs, 6½c per lb. Good lots of fat hogs from 9 to 9½c per lb.

# ALL DOGS MUST BE MUZZLED

## Spread of Rabies in Ontario May Lead to the Order.

A despatch from Toronto says: Rabies in a very violent form has broken out in several portions of Ontario, particularly the western district, and the provincial and Dominion authorities are now exchanging correspondence and taking steps to prevent the disease from spreading any farther. That the outbreak is a serious one is not doubted, but the provincial authorities prefer not to discuss it. Numerous dogs and cows have been destroyed as a result of the outbreak, and no less than four people have had to go to the Pasteur Institute at New York for treatment, the result of bites by mad dogs.

The Provincial Board of Health and Dr. J. G. Rutherford, Dominion veterinary director-general, are in conference with regard to the situation. The Dominion department has charge of all veterinary and live stock matters, while the provincial authorities look after all questions pertaining to health. Numerous conferences already have taken place at the Parliament Buildings with regard to what action is to be taken to cope with the spread of the disease.

It is altogether probable that a general inspection will be ordered and stringent regulations adopted to prevent the spread of hydrophobia, which has been alarming, to say the least. One order which may be issued is that all dogs in Ontario must be muzzled, and if so special officers will be appointed to enforce the order. The situation is regarded as being most dangerous in the cities. The real danger is from mad dogs running at large. Some owners of cattle have destroyed cows which have been bitten by mad dogs, and in two cases veterinarians were bitten while attending to sick cattle.

Investigation has proven that the origin of the outbreak is traceable to an episode which took place three or four weeks ago, when a mad dog ran across the International Bridge at Lewiston, to Queenston, and thence up the stone road to Niagara Falls, Ont., where it bit several dogs on its rampage. It finally fell exhausted in a field and died.

Dr. C. A. Hodgetts, secretary of

### C. P. R. IMPROVEMENT.

#### Company Expected to Spend \$20,000,000 in the West.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: The Canadian Pacific is preparing to expend a huge sum, said to be thirty million dollars, upon construction and betterment work in the west this season. The exact amount and the programme will be finally decided upon at the conference in Montreal within a few days, when Vice-President Whyte and his assistant, C. Dennis, will represent the western system. The double-tracking from Winnipeg to Brandon and the completion of 225 miles of track-laying connecting Moose Jaw with Castor, giving direct communication with Edmonton over the new line, will probably take place, and the Weyburn-Lethbridge line will also be completed.

at from \$4 to \$5.10. Sheep were weak and 25c lower, but lambs were steady at last quotations. Hogs weak and unchanged at \$8.10 f.e.b. and \$8.35 fed and watered.

### MR. MATHESON BREAKS ARM.

#### Provincial Treasurer Meets With Painful Accident.

A despatch from Toronto says: While proceeding down the walk from the Parliament buildings on Thursday evening shortly after the adjournment of the Legislature, Hon. A. J. Matheson slipped and fell, fracturing his left arm just below the shoulder. The accident occurred about one hundred feet from the entrance of the House, at a spot where the walk inclines rather sharply. The Provincial Treasurer, after being assisted to his feet by Col. Hugh Clark, M.P., of Centre Bruce, who was with him, was able to walk back to the rooms of the Hon. Dr. Pyne. The Minister of Education reduced the legislature, and Mr. Matheson was later removed in a private ambulance to the Western Hospital.

### VOTED RELATIVES INCREASES

#### Two Days Before the People Turned Them Out.

A despatch from Montreal says: There are many curious echoes from the city hall. A faction of the defeated host claim that two of the newly elected controllers may be proceeded against on the ground that they have not property qualifications. It also transpires that at a secret session of the road committee two days before the election, presided over by Chairman Giroux, a general increase was voted to the employees, a son of Giroux, getting an advance of \$600, and Gallery's cousin \$600.

### TRAVELLERS OBJECT.

#### Closing Winnipeg Postoffice on Sundays May Cause Trouble.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Commercial travellers who make this city their headquarters on Sundays are up in arms over the decision of the Government to close the Postoffice on Sunday at the request of the Lord's Day Alliance and most strenuous opposition is going to be offered to the innovation. A delegation may go to Ottawa to fight it.

### JAPAN'S NEW NAVY.

#### Twenty-One Warships are Being Added to the Fleet.

A despatch from Victoria, B. C., says: Twenty-one warships are to be built for addition to the Japanese navy by 1917, under the new programme, according to advices brought by the Awa Maru on Wednesday. Eleven, including four Dreadnoughts, are practically complete. The others are five cruisers and two despatch boats. The rest are about to be laid down.

### MERRITON BLOCK BURNED.

#### Fire Caused by Explosion of Store in Chinese Laundry.

A despatch from St. Catharines says: The explosion of a gasoline stove in a Chinese laundry in Merriton on Thursday caused a fire which almost completely destroyed the Hough Block, in which are situated Mrs. Hunniford's grocery, Chas. Roantree's barber shop, a Chinese laundry and an Italian fruit store. The Lincoln, Niordan and Merriton hose companies responded to the alarm, and after two hours' work succeeded in getting control of the fire. The loss is estimated at about \$5,000, with very little insurance.

# TRAGEDY AND CARNIVAL

## Parisians Must Not Block Sewers With Confetti During Celebrations.

A despatch from Paris says: The floods continue to subside. Communications are being restored on all sides, although much still remains to be done.

The telegraph lines are yet in poor shape, and messages are greatly delayed. Except for the distribution of food the distress in the suburbs is still unrelieved. The water there is still deep in the houses and factories. Work cannot be obtained. Access from Paris is also very difficult.

The prefect of police has forbidden the throwing of confetti during the carnival celebrations this week to block the sewers. (Anybody who has seen the amazing quantities of confetti strewn in fete times on boulevards and left to be swept in to the drains by snow-

gers will not wonder at the police order. Some of the newspapers are urging that the carnival celebrations be abandoned and that the money ordinarily spent on them be devoted to the sufferers. The greatest energy is being shown by the Health Department with the view to forestalling an epidemic. Many tons of disinfectants have been distributed already and the work continues ceaselessly. The Government will apply to Parliament for much larger appropriations. The first grant already has been absorbed. A partial indication of the commercial losses to be obtained from the sale of wine merchant stocks is being given by the