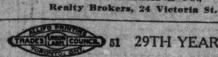
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51 29TH YEAR

But Circumstances Would Indicate That the Tragedy of an Ancaster Township Home Was an Ac-

> cident. THE DEAD.

PHILIP VANSICKLE, 82 years. WARTIN, his son, 23 years. HARRY, son-in-law of Philip, 32

ANCASTER, Ont., Jan. 31 .- (Staff) Special.)-Was the fire which destroyd the home of aged Phillip Vansickle, his son, son-in-law and daughter at erseyville, 18 miles west of Hamilton, Saturday morning, only a terrible accident or has the tragedy even a more

sinister meaning? a station on the G.T.R. to Brantford.

The theory that the deaths were due purely to accident is generally acceptsettlement, where the deaths occurred, all related more or less closely to the victims, but old Wesley Vansickle of Trinity, Ont., father of Harry Vansickle, the son-in-law of Phillip, stands

sickle, the son-in-law of Phillip, stands out stoutly for the theory of foul play. He gives no names, but hints broadly and cannot speak of the tragedy without passion, which at times almost swallows up his grief.

To-day he discussed the matter with The World at the ruins of the old homestead, which for 60 years has been occupied by passing generations of Vansickles and whose tottering walls and smoking ruins present a pitiful sight.

The facts from which he deduces his theory are those generally admitted.

Discovery of the Fire.

At 3 o'clock Friday afternoon Seth

Headwear

legular up to \$3.00 onday, 98c. Lamb Fur Carelt lined. Regular

Raccoon Fur Coats, about 10 years of

32.50, Monday sale

oques, in hockey

fine quality wool.

sale 18c.

5c yard.

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ssorted, per pail,

6 to 8 lbs. each,

lams, Lombard,

toes, 3 tins, 25c.

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Oranges, good

6-lb, tin, 49c.

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Tea, in black

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sickles and whose tottering walls and smoking ruins present a pitiful sight. The facts from which he deduces his theory are those generally admitted.

Biscovery of the Fire.

At 3 o'clock Friday afternoon Seth Vansickle, who lives almost opposite the burned house, was there and saw Meletta, his sister: the old man, his father; and Martin, his brother. He worked in the adjoining barns, which were used jointly by the old man and his sons with Harry. When they stopped at 7 o'clock Saturday morning Seth went to the pump outside his father's house and drew a pall-off water which he took back to his home. He says that he noticed smoke coming from the colmence of the big guns of the house and drew a pall-off water which he took back to his home. He says that he noticed smoke coming from the chimneys at either end of the house and orch were a pall-off water which he took back to his home. He says that he noticed smoke coming from the chimneys at either end of the house and orch were a pall-off water which he took back to his home. He says that he took back to his home. He says that he noticed smoke coming from the chimneys at either end of the house and drew a pall-off water which he took back to his home. He says that he took back to his home. He says that he took back to his home. He says that he took back to his home within had arlsen. There were no marks of foot prints to door or window that he could see at the east end of the house, which is that toward his own. He went back to his own house and did not see the other again until his cousin Peter Vansickle came rushing into his kitchen shortly after eleven o'clock cry-vansickle came rushing into his kitchen shortly after eleven o'clock cry-vansickle came rushing into his kitchen shortly after eleven o'clock cry-vansickle came rushing into his kitchen shortly after eleven o'clock cry-vansickle came rushing into his kitchen shortly after eleven o'clock cry-vansickle came rushing into his kitchen shortly after eleven o'clock cry-vansickle came rushing into his kitchen Vansickle came rushing into his kit-chen shortly after eleven o'clock cry-ing. "Come, father's house is burning and they are all inside."

It appears that the first to notice the fire were Bert and Peter, nephews of old Phillip Vansickle, who live immediately west of the homestead on opposite sides of the road. Bert and his son Stanley were at work in their barn when they noticed smoke issuing from the window sashes of the old man's house. The father sent Stanley to see what was the matter, but before he returned his father saw a little tongue of flame lick out upon the verandah which ran along the the road and told his brother Peter dinner bell and then ran to join Bert

in rescuing the inmates. Recovers One Body. Meanwhile Bert had reached the house. He rushed to the east end and around to the north corner, where the old man's room was situated on the

a heavy cloud of pungent smoke. Un-daunted, he clambered in and, groping about in the deadly fumes, stumbled over the old man's body, lying prostrate at the door of his room, which others had great difficulty, one being the state of the captain was soon brought ashore. The others had great difficulty, one being the captain was soon brought ashore. was closed.

He dragged it to the window, but was there so nearly overcome that he was forced to drop his burden and seek the pure air without.

At this juncture Seth, who had been called by Peter, came up. Together they pulled the body thru the window, wing in pails of water to keep back the smoke. It was two late: the man, aged and infirm, was dead. The body was carried to the carriage house and the three returned to the burning building. They strove to force their way in theu the east door, but were driven back by the heavy black smoke and tongues of flame which were fanned by the air, let in thru the broken

door and window. great throng had congregated, but flames, too, had gathered strength and any further attempt at rescue was

When the roof fell the work of searching for the bodies began. It was a horrible task for brothers and cousins to draw out the disfigured re-mains of their kin. These were burned almost beyond recognition. All were mixed with debris in the cellar

smouldering ruins.
Identifying the Remains. The body of Meletta, the daughter, was found at the northeast corner of The body could be recogome by the smoke.

d as that of a weman, and a paten clothing under the arm showed that had been still clothed in her night, ments and probably in bed when body of Martin, son of Phillip,

ound below his room in the south-Continued on Page 7.

Appendixless Doctors Will Dine Surgeon

More Than a Hundred Who Have Been Under Dr. Deaver's Knife to Tender Unique Testimonial.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 31.—That relentless foe of the veriform appendix. Dr. John B. Deaver, chief surgeon of the German Hospital, will soon have a remarkable tribute paid to him by 125 medical men from whom his fa-mous knife has banished all danger of

Mey Be Galled for Some Time Before the End of the Year, Perhaps in Toronto.

It is stated also that R. L. Borden is not altogether satisfied to accept the mandate of leadership from the party caucus at Ottawa, but wants to receive the command from a body of men gathered in convention, comprising, of course, the members and senators supporting the party in the present part

CREW NARROWLY ESCAPED Schooner Wrecked in Gale in the Bay of Fundy.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Jan. 31.—(Special.) front of the house. This would be -Capt. George and the crew of the about 11 o'clock. Bert dashed across two-masted schooner Wood Brothers, which was lost in yesterday's terrific storm, had a narrow escape from and then ran for the burning house.

As is the custom Peter sounded an drowning and were left in the icy waters of the Bay of Fundy for sev-

One Body.

braveness of the West Quaco Lightnext month.

had reached the house-keeper Brown and Lorenzo Brad-

The schooner, which was on the way old man's room was situated on the ground floor.

He smashed the window to be met by to abandon her. At the time they were several yards from shore and half exhausted, they struck out for the land. rescued as he was going down for the The schooner is a total loss, including 80,000 feet of lumber

ARRESTED AS FIRE BUG Big Fire at Emerson, Man., May Have Been "Set."

WINNIPEG, Jan. 31.-(Special.)-Incendiarism is alleged as the cause of Friday night's disastrous fire at Eemerson, and, following the representations made yesterday to the attorney-general's department, the elder of the firm of Pereles and brothers, dealers in "job lots," was arrested to-day. So intense is the excitement, that the the telegraph editor's desk and never townspeople threatened him with violence, and also demanded the arrest of

the others of the firm. The firm have been selling bank-rupt stocks and the fire broke out in their store, due, they claim, to a stove falling down. They carried \$8000 in-surance.

Premier Murray of Nova Scotia and Hon. B. F. Pearson left to-night for Toronto.

Lopukine, Former Head of Branch of Russian Secret Service, Charged With High

appendicitis.

Having been relieved of their appendices by him, they are going to express their appreciation of the good done them by his surgery by tendering him a dinner on the evening of Feb. 15 next at the University Club.

Beside these appendixless physicians and surgeons about forty others of Dr. Deaver's profession upon whom he has operated for other maladies will toast him at the dinner. From nine states many of these medical men will journey here to be present at the prospective feast. The others are practitioners in this city.

The dinner will be one of the strongthe paid agent/ of the secret police.

The dinner will be one of the strongest tributes ever paid a noted surgeon by members of his own profession who have benefited personally by his surgical instruments. There will be no toast to the absent ones."

The paid agent of the secret police.

The technical accusation is made in a paragraph setting forth that Lopukine was a member of the revolutionary organization. The technical accusation is made in

This is the sole question discussed thruout the whole countryside around the little hamlet known as the Jersey settlement, where the death occurred, which lies two miles west of Jerseyville a station on the G.T.R. to Brantford.

The absent ones."

Dr. Deaver, who was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1878, has perhaps performed more operations for appendicitis than any other strength of the absent ones."

The actual charge is that he furnished to Curtzeff, the leading Russian Socialist revolutionist in Paris, the information on which Azef was denounced, thereby handing over the government spy for revolutionary vengeance. It is also charged that Lopuking furnished. ed, thereby handing over the govern-ment spy for revolutionary vengeance. It is also charged that Lopukine furn-ished Curtzeff with two highly im-portant documents, betraying the whole organization of the Russian political busy in thousands of other surgical

> ngs of M. Sokoloff, the official awyer of the social revolutionists, who represents the party at the big trials, and is in close touch with its affairs, as well as the lodgings of two other prominent attorneys, Mm. Sliosberg and Braude. M. Sokoloff was also placed under temporary arrest.
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> A total of 17 other arrests have been

made, including a number of callers at Lopukine's house.

The case promises to throw light upon a most interesting chapter concerning the relations of the police and the terrorist organization.

mors have been current recently concerning the health of Queen Alexandra. Miss Knollys, her secretary, announced from Windsor Castle Saturday that the Queen has nearly recovered from her recent attack of influenza and hopes to return to London on Monday.

on on Monday.

The Queen's physicians advise her to reserve her strength for her coming visit to Berlin, for which reason it is probable that she will not accompany the King when he goes to

LORD CECIL A MISSIONARY

Will Go to China to Improve Education Methods.

LONDON, Jan. 31.-To Westernize the east by means of a Christian university in China, which will teach the drowning and were left in the icy waters of the Bay of Fundy for several hours.

All were finally rescued, thru the braveness of the West Quaco Light

The reverend gentleman who holds his noble title thru courtesy, is the son of the late Lord Salisbury, former prime minister of England. He is now the rector of Hatfield, the historic seat

UNKNOWN STEAMER LOST Goes Down in "the Graveyard of the Atlantic."

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 31.—The identity of a steamer which went down off Diamond Shoals, fourteen miles from Cape Hatteras, N.C., yesterday, probably with all hands, remains unknown still.

Daylight to-day furnished nothing to corroborate the testimony of those aboard the Diamond Shoals lightship, who, powerless to help, saw this latest tragedy of the well-named "graveyard of the Atlantic,"

tor-general for Ireland, against Mr. Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, shows the pitch of party feeling which has been roused in Ireland. Sir Edward said:

"As a man who has held high office in Ireland, I declare that at the present moment the condition of Ireland is the gravest scandal under any government of any country that has been seen in our time and is a foul stain on the British flag. I am not going to

"COLONIST" REGRETS.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 31.-(Special.)—The Colonist newspaper Saturday contained an apology for the publication of the false Borden telegram. explaining that the wire was taken off

MONTREAL, Jan. 31.—(Special).

Earthquake at Montreal

MONTREAL, Jan. 31 .- (Special) .- Montreal was shaken by an earthquake at 11.45 to-night. People in all parts of the city were awakened by the shock, which was so sharp that it was believed to be an

explosion. Men were sent out from police stations to investigate. While the shock gave a scare to the inhabitants, no damage is reported.

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RHEST PAISON WARDEN BALFOUR IN NO HURRY PATTENOUT TO CORNER' FOR DEMANDING BRIBE FOR A GENERAL ELECTION MAY DELIVERY IN WHEAT Armstrong of Michigan Peni- Would Defect to the standard of the compelled to the standard outside whose hearts and inclinations draw the standard of the standard outside whose hearts and inclinations draw the standard outside whose hearts are stand

upstairs while Armstrong told his wife, and believes it will do so.

The mutinous protectionist conspirators called the confederates are furious, but with both Fremier Asquith and Balfour in favor of postponing disappointments. asked him to be prepared to go on his bail. After a delay of nearly an hour Armstrong was released on \$6000 bail, Peek and Reynolds as his sureties, to appear for examination Feb. 8.

BIRRELL ROUNDLY ABUSED Sir Edward Carson's Outburst on Con-ditions in Ireland.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—The language of extreme denunciation used Friday by Sir Edward Carson, at one time solici-tor-general for Ireland, against Mr.

seen in our time and is a foul stain on the British flag. I am not going to make any personal attack on Mr. Birrell. He is beneath contempt. He is a mere party puppet playing the party game for the sake of Irish votes."

Sir Edward quoted statistics of last year's record of outrages in Ireland, which showed a vast increase over any previous year, while the government previous year, while the government does not make the slightest attempt

Balfour in favor of postponing dissolution the munineers will rage in vain.

I. N. Ford, in his cable to The Tribune, says:

Alternative budgets, based upon direct and indirect taxation, are looming up in the near future, and one may succeed the other within two years. When political conditions are so unsettled it is not strange that investors are sending their money abroad, and that business men are avoiding unnot be doubted that the pressure dipon of parliament this year is increasing. This course is urged on the ground that the Unionists are divided on the question of tariff reform; that the efforts of their confederates to prevent the nomination of Lord Robert Cecil and the vester trader to be the solution of the prime minister for the dissolution of forts of their confederates to prevent the nomination of Lord Robert Cecil and the vester trader to be above.

When Toronto citizens climbed out of their warm beds yesterday morning and hastened to betake them to their respective places of worship they fell as the bestom had fallen out of the thermometer.

But it really wasn't cold. At least the weather man and his work face to face.

Thirty years ago, as was known to all, the situation presented difficulties that seemed insuperable, but the Great God and Father looked down and saw him whom He had in his mind and His all-seeming when he face.

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in puce of land taxers. This course may be adopted if the chancellor of the exchequer finds it impracticable to produce anything but an unpopular budget.

There is another ground on which the candicals urge an early appeal to the country. That is the probability that the labor party, embarrassed by the decision of the court of appeals, will be forced to restrict its operations, owing to the difficulty of raising money for election expenses. With over the candidation of the difficulty of raising money for election expenses. With own of the state health department. The total number of marriages in 1905 there were about 74,000.

This condition is attributed to the marriage-license law, which went into effect about a year ago. The largest failing off is noted incumites situated near the border line, where, prior to the enactment of the new law, couples from other states having a marriage license law found it convenient to get married.

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FOR JEMANUIS BRIDE

FOR A GENERAL ELECTION

WAY DELIVERY IN WHEAT

In the string of Michigan Penitelitary Accused of Holding Up

Manufacturer for Large Amount.

Mould Deferalt for Two Years—

Liberais Would Like it Seon, to

Force Labor Coalition.

New York, Jan. 31.—(Special.)—W.

—Alien N. Armstrong, warden of Jackson state prison, was arrested.

Saturday afternoon on a charge of accepting a bribe. The warrant was issued on a complaint signed by Fred.

W. Green of Ionia, secretary of the Manufacturer for Large and Minneapolis and Chicago now a listed on a complaint signed by Fred.

W. Green of Ionia, secretary of the American, says: The positical situation has a contract at the prison.

There are really two charges, one of 200 on some other programs, have been of 200 on some other programs, and being the confidence on sicking to office, carrying of 200 on some other programs, and the promised to accept in burder of a some state of the confidence and sicking to office, carrying of 200 on some other programs, and the promised to accept in burder of a some office of growing disagree that as Patten stands and taker and plant with the board of control to permit the company to increase its espatial and sub
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The result of it is a deadlock, Prices

The coldest reported in the vicinity 25 years' work.

Keynote of Sermons of Bishop DuMoulin and Canon Mac-

Nab, Preaching Yesterday at St. Alban's.

"Build the Cathedral" was the note sounded by Rt. Rev. Dr. Du Moulin, Lord Bishop of Niagara, yesterday morning, in preaching the memorial rmon, honoring the late archbishop,

at St. Alban's Cathedral, The whole diocese, he said, the whole church, would desire that some suitable memorial be raised to the memory of this good man whose life was given

of this good man whose life was given without stint to its manifold interests. What should that memorial be? What would he have wished it to be? What would he choose it to be if it be possible for the spirits of just men made perfect to turn their attention to earthly affairs?

There was but one possible answer in the minds of all who knew the late beloved Primate and Archbishop of Toronto. Amid all his varied cares the erection, of a cathedral for the diocese was his primary desire, a cathedral which would be a centre of spiritual life and around which all the diocesan interests would cluster. In all ages men had so sought to honor the church, A cathedral was not built in a day or even a generation, nor some of them in many generations. It was no reproach to anyone that the cathedral was only in its opening stage. The great cathedrals of Europe and in its epening stage. The great cathedrals of Europe and of the mother country took, some of them, 300 and some of them 500 years before they stood out in holy splendor and magnificence as shrines fitting for the worship of the Great Cod.

eals, for fear that, should the Fatten crowd ever decide to give up the deal and throw their holdings of wheat on the market, great decline in prices might follow.

The result of it is a deadlock, Prices

the nomination of Lord Robert Cecil and other free traders are bitterly resented, and that Arthur Balfour's leadership is vacillating and uninspiring.

The Unionists certainly want to have the elections deferred until another freety.

of 8 above.

It was the wind that did it. The anemometer showed a maximum velocity, were known all over a diocess, much of which was as hard and inhospitable as Algoma itself for 30 years. This life of unceasing devotion had been all the elections deferred until another frosty.

rear, and the Liberal Government may not be ill advised in dragging them against their will before the electorate and exhibiting them as bread taxers in place of land taxers. This course may be adopted if the chancellor of many be adopted if the chancellor of many be adopted if the chancellor of ministree many be adopted in the vicinity of Toronto is from the Humber, where it dropped to 6 below in the morning.

The coldest reported in the vicinity of Toronto is from the Humber, where it dropped to 6 below in the morning.

In conclusion, Bishop Du Moulin said that all were cathedral builders in their way. Each built his little section. Each touched his own generation, and stronger men came forward to carry