

# Card of THANKS

You have been very kind to us in the Christmas patronage distribution. Our sales have climbed to a figure never before reached. Pardon any little failings or delays that might have inconvenienced you. We are all the time trying to better this store's service and with a little patience on your part we can accomplish wonders.

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## News-Record

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## THE FUEL PROBLEM.

The question of how to supply the citizens of Berlin with fuel occupying the attention of many thoughtful men. The News-Record had a conversation with Mr. Jacob Mohr on Tuesday regarding the supply of hard coal in Buffalo. This gentleman says there is a shortage of coal in Buffalo. A few days ago a Waterloo firm succeeded in getting a car and dividing it among its staff at \$8 a ton. A few loads of this reached Berlin and became known. One house that received such coal has been besieged by friends for the loan of a few hundred pounds and a man from Centerville came in and begged for a small quantity to relieve the distress of a sick child, which course was granted.

Mr. R. Pinke returned from Buffalo on Tuesday and succeeded in obtaining four cars to be shipped immediately but he says the price will be high, as hard coal is scarce there.

Mr. A. Frank made a visit to Buffalo also and reports the outlook as being very dark and he does not expect coal in any quantity until March.

Mr. Herman Boehmer has gone to Buffalo to trace several cars, of which R. Boehmer & Co. had the invoice last days ago.

The News-Record interviewed Mr. Black, the market clerk, and by phone this morning and learned that their town council had purchased 300 cords of dry maple wood at Durham which the Municipality is able to deliver to the citizens at \$3 a cord. The people are satisfied, and Mr. Black's action brought down the price from one to two dollars a cord.

The farmers have had to meet the town's price. Mr. Black says there is plenty of dry wood obtainable at Durham.

The Fuel Committee of the Berlin Town Council held a meeting last night and discussed the situation. The Committee decided to try and get both coal and wood. Telephone communications will be sent up north to inquire for wood at May or when in communication with a party in Black Rock, N. Y., to see if hard coal is obtainable. If so, a man will be sent over to make purchases.

Mr. J. Rohleder makes the suggestion that the Park Board engage men to fell the trees in the old town park and to sell the wood to the citizens. This is worthy of every consideration. The old park is no longer used; the Board is willing to sell it for building or manufacturing sites and therefore, it is willing to cut down pine, spruce and fir which there is a sufficient supply to supply the town for the winter.

The News-Record is pleased to see actively displayed in meeting an extraordinary situation and believes that "where there is a will there is a way."

## GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY IS BLAMED

For Employing Inexperienced Operators, One a Boy of 16.

No Charge Passed on Carson or Kerr—Wanted Jury Finds That After No. 5 Had Left Wounded by Inaction of Wrong Orders the Accident Could Have Been Avoided Had the Company Had More Experienced Men at These Points.

WYOMING, Dec. 31.—The following verdict was returned at 11:40 last night: We find that Arthur W. Ricketts was killed in the collision at Watford on the evening of Friday, Dec. 26, 1910.

"That said collision was caused by wrong orders being given No. 5 at Watford. Responsibility for this inaction of the switch at Watford was agreed upon as between Operator Carson and Despatcher Kerr.

"That the wrong orders were not given at the switch at Watford because the railway company had more experienced operators at these points, one being but a boy of 16, at each of which the despatcher having ample time to do it endeavored to get the opposing train stopped."

The jury engaged in a discussion of the evidence for three hours before arriving at their verdict.

Was Opening the Switch. James Smith, the head brakeman of Extra 773, with which the Flyer collided, was the first witness. "I was opening the switch at Watford to admit the freight when the wreck occurred. The freight ran a few cars past the switch. I lost some motion in opening the switch on account of the snow. We lost two minutes in backing the train to enter the switch. The locomotive's pilot struck us at the switch when No. 5 struck us. The switch was open. The freight drove the freight about two car lengths before we were delayed at Wyoming about eight minutes. I was on the engine as we passed out. The semaphores showed green, not red. The brakeman giving us the stop signal as we started out. That was before the semaphores were passed. The semaphores showed red. I told Conductor Graham, who was in the engine, that we had a stop signal from the rear. We both got on top and gave a 'high ball,' which meant that the conductor was on the engine. He did not reply. If the brakeman had signalled stop again it would have stopped the train. I did not see a stop signal from the rear before we started. Fifteen seconds I should say elapsed from the time the Flyer's headlight came into view from the semaphores. The light from the mogul engines cannot be discerned as far as those on the smaller engines. There was no signal showing red. I know the operator along the semaphores was up and shining his light on the Flyer. We were in the engine when we passed the semaphores. I was on the locomotive when the semaphores were located. We were delayed at Wyoming by frost in the locomotive's works when we took the switch at Watford.

James Tryer, night operator at Kingscourt. "I went to work at 6:30. My duties were attending to the engine and the switch. I had jumps in the yard and keeping up the fire in the station. I am supposed to be in the office all night. Between 9:45 and 10:15 that night I was in my office. I could hear messages passing over the wires between London and Stratford just as No. 5 was almost at my station the despatcher called and said 'Stop 5.' I replied 'Going through,' and at the same time threw the semaphores up. No. 5 was passing the semaphores at the time. I am not sure the locomotive had not passed the semaphores. Had the crew looked up they could have seen the red light. It was 10:05 when I got Kerr's call. I was sitting in the office for half an hour prior to receiving the call. The semaphores were just about to be thrown up. I was in a position to hear 'KC,' which is my call. I was not used to this call, since I had only heard this call once 'KC' or 'KC' in frequent repetitions. I got this call on the train wire.

Commercial Wire Different. "If Carson called me on the commercial wire I did not hear it. It was my duty to look for my own condition. My instrument was in proper condition.

"My experience as an operator consists of two nights at the Stratford office and these two nights at Kingscourt.

"I got employment after an examination by the chief despatcher at London. I went to his office and was examined. I am 16 years old. I think my salary is \$40 a month. I have not drawn salary, but that is the rule. I was studying telegraphy seven months. My examination I received two messages, but did not send any. I also wrote two train orders at 3:30 in the afternoon and remained until 7 at night. Then he told me to go to Stratford and there I learned telegraphy at Aylmer in the G.T.R. office. Three months ago I asked Chief Despatcher Goodwin for a position. I copied some for him, and he said my work was not good enough. The first night at Stratford I had no orders. The second night I took four orders. I went to Kingscourt. I did not understand the Kingscourt call very well.

Ticker Went Wrong. "The night of the wreck the first call got was from the despatcher. He asked me to report No. 5 on its arrival, and that I should call it next call I had to report was the train east at 9:30. My instrument was then all right, but after No. 5 passed I noticed that my sounder struck

## HOW TO TAKE MILK

Why it Disagrees With Some People. We often need a reviving stimulant after exhaustion nothing can rival the effects of hot milk (spiced slowly).

Some people say they cannot digest milk and these are the people who drink it down quickly so that the digestive action in playing, are not formed large curds which give trouble before they can be absorbed.

The right way is to sip the milk in small amounts, so that each mouthful, as it descends into the stomach, is surrounded by gastric fluid, and when this is done the effect is that of a mass of curds, in and out of which the keen gastric juice courses, speedily taking their effect of turning the curd into peptones that the stomach can take up.

To make sure of complete digestion take one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets afterwards, as the peptones which they contain increase the quantity and efficiency of the gastric juice. They supply the natural digestive ferments which all weak stomachs lack.

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The witness was asked to examine different sheets of the books showing the annulment, across each order was endorsed, "Annulled by order No. —" which indicated generally that the order was cancelled by another order properly numbered in succession.

The order book, commencing Dec. 16 and ending at the time of the accident, was exhibited. Every cancellation was regularly cancelled. Carson said he endorsed the file order "bust it" as he received the words from the despatcher and before he issued the clearance to Conductor McAdull.

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## WOMEN'S MINDS

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