

DIED SUDDENLY WHILE AT WORK

Mr. Samuel Friendship Found Dead in Room of Sterling Shoe Factory.

WELL-KNOWN SHOE MAN

Had Been Employed for Many Years by the Firm of Hyman & Co. Before Entering Sterlings.

Mr. Samuel Friendship, who gained a wide acquaintance during his many years in London, was stricken with heart failure while at work at Sterling's shoe factory this morning, and died instantly. He was in his 64th year.

Mr. Friendship has lived in London for practically his whole lifetime, and was formerly employed in an official capacity at the old Hyman shoe factory on Carling street 20 years ago.

Upon leaving that concern he accepted a position at St. Hyacinthe, Que., and remained there for a year before returning to London. Since then he has acted as superintendent of the cutting department at Sterlings.

This morning he left for his work in his usual good health, but was discovered by one of the employees, dead in a room into which he had gone alone a few minutes before.

Mr. Friendship was first found by Mr. George T. Broome, who endeavored to open the door of the room into which the old gentleman had gone.

He then called Superintendent Durgin, and the door was removed from the hinges, and the body was found sitting with his pipe in his hand, his death apparently having come most suddenly.

Dr. George Wilson was summoned, but life was extinct. Coroner MacLaren conducted an investigation but deemed an inquest unnecessary.

The deceased is survived by the following sons and daughters: James, of Chicago; Frank, of Cleveland; Albert, of London; Samuel, of London; Mrs. G. Khordis, of London; Mrs. A. Shinnick, of London, and Miss Annie, at home.

Awaiting Relatives.

Pending the arrival of relatives in his city from outside points, the funeral arrangements have not been completed. However, interment will be made at Woodland Cemetery, and the services will be conducted by Rev. Canon Craig of the Church of St. John the Evangelist.

LEAGUE PRESIDENT APPEARS IN COURT

Mr. J. P. Fitzgerald Charged With Being Responsible for the Flynn-Williams Bout.

Toronto, Jan. 19.—James P. Fitzgerald, secretary of the National Sporting Club, responsible for the Flynn-Williams bout, appeared in court this morning on a summons charging him with violation of the law regarding prize fights.

He was remanded for a week. This action is being brought by the Ontario Attorney General, who is testing the law regarding prize fights.

Fitzgerald is also president of the Canadian Baseball League.

LONDON BIRDS KNOWN ALL OVER THE WORLD

Shipment of Black Minorcas Is Made to Japan—Sum of \$150 Paid for Half a Dozen.

Mr. T. A. Faulds, Victor street, this city, has made arrangements for the shipment of six Single-Comb Black Minorcas to a gentleman residing in Yokohama, Japan. He received the sum of \$150 for the birds, the express charges for the journey of several thousands of miles will amount to \$20.50. Four of the birds are pullets, and two of them are cockerels.

BOY SNATCHES BAG OF WOODSTOCK LADY

One of Several Who Landed From Freight Car Makes Bold Steal.

[Canadian Press.]

Woodstock, Jan. 19.—As Mrs. Bremner, of this city, was turning into her home on Vanstatter avenue, a boy came from behind, snatched her handbag containing \$25, and ran away. Another boy came up and volunteered to catch the thief, but he, too, disappeared. It is known the boys came from a room in a freight train yesterday and a constable is on duty to see that the police expect to have him caught during the day.

CANADIAN NORTHERN IS SEEKING GOV'T AID

Ottawa, Jan. 18.—Sir William Mackenzie, president of the C. N. R. company, was in Ottawa today interviewing members of the Government with reference to Government co-operation in securing the completion of the company's transcontinental line.

Sir William was very non-committal in his replies to interviews as to the exact nature of his "agreement" with the Government, merely stating that "he was passing through Ottawa," and would leave for the west tonight, in connection with various matters in which the company was interested.

It is learned, however, by your correspondent that the main object now in view by the Canadian Northern is to secure from the Government liberal aid towards the completion of the British Columbia link of the transcontinental line from Vancouver Head Pass to Westminster and Vancouver.

KILLED BY FALL

Toronto, Jan. 19.—Frank Matson, of Concord avenue, while placing an electric wire bracket on the outside of a store at the corner of Bloor street and Lansdowne avenue this morning, fell from the ladder. His skull was fractured, and death resulted almost immediately.

EDWARD J. COZENS DIED IN GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Well-Known Former Londoner Passed Away in the Michigan City.

Word has been received in this city of the death of Mr. Edward J. Cozens, at his home at Grand Rapids, Mich. Mr. Cozens was a former Londoner, and his wife will accompany the remains to this city on Saturday morning.

The body will arrive at the G. T. R. depot here at 3:30 a.m. Saturday, and interment will be made at Woodland Cemetery in the afternoon. The services will be conducted by an Episcopal minister at the undertaking parlors of Smith, Son & Clark. No details as to the cause of Mr. Cozens' death have been learned in London.

His parents, the late Samuel and Hannah Cozens, are interred in Woodland Cemetery.

FINDS COFFIN READY ALTHOUGH MUCH ALIVE

Prospector Reported Frozen To Death in Porcupine Turns Up All Right.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, Jan. 19.—To have the story of his tragic death by freezing spread about and currently believed, and to come out of the back and find a coffin waiting for the bodies of himself and his companion, was the somewhat unique experience of Wm. A. Muir, formerly of this city, who was reported last week as having lost his life with a companion named Joseph Legault on Night Hawk Lake, in the Porcupine country. Muir has joined his wife and family at their home in Halesbury, and his relatives in Ottawa today received a letter from him in which he describes his experience and tells how the story originated.

Muir says he and Legault were on their way into Thomas Township with a toboggan loaded with provisions. The thermometer stood at 61 below zero.

"They met another prospector, Dick McGregor, who was coming out with his face badly frozen. McGregor advised the two men of the danger of making the journey, but being experienced prospectors, they decided to go on to their camp. Next day an Indian, crossing the lake came upon the bodies of two sleigh dogs, which had died of the cold. They were partly covered with snow, and the Indians, assuming they were human bodies, made no further investigation. He met McGregor and related his story of the finding of the frozen bodies of two men."

McGregor naturally concluded that the bodies were those of Muir and Legault, and the report rapidly spread through the mining country. Search parties were organized, but found nothing until they reached the Muir camp in Thomas, and found the two men alive and well.

Walter Smith, who was prostrated by the story of his death, the party immediately started out for Halesbury. "When I arrived at Porcupine," says Muir, "I found my coffin and that of Legault awaiting me on the station platform. I have been doing nothing but shake hands, read flattering obituaries in the newspapers, and answering letters and telegrams ever since." Legault's father resides in Montreal.

BROTHER AND SISTER WILL GET THE ESTATE

Late Walter Smith, Killed at Glencoe, Died Without Leaving a Will.

Proceedings are being taken by Black and Veckes to wind up the estate of Walter W. Smith, who was killed, with his brother, Henry Smith, in a level-crossing accident at North Glencoe on the C. P. R. two weeks ago.

Walter Smith left an estate valued at a little less than a thousand dollars, but died intestate. His property will, therefore, be divided between the only remaining brother, Herbert, of Seattle, sister, Louisa, of Engle, and nephews and nieces in the same city.

Smith had prepared for his wedding to Miss Hattie Lewis, of Nelson street, and had purchased a "couchette" and furnished a home on C. P. R. avenue, East London.

WIDOW BRINGS ACTION AGAINST THE M. C. R.

Mrs. Russell Oakes Sues Company for \$5,000 for Death of Her Husband.

The widow of Mr. Russell Oakes, the St. Catharines engineer who was killed in a run-off of a Michigan Central train at Ridgeway about a year ago, has commenced an action against the company for \$5,000 damages.

The writ has been issued by Messrs. Blackburn & Weekes, of this city. Oakes was qualified as an engineer at the time of his death, but was working on the fatal trip as a fireman. The engineer who was with him also met his death.

J. C. McDONALD IS A STRONG CANDIDATE

Interest continues to grow in the approaching contest for the arden-ship of Middlesex. So far some half dozen candidates have expressed an intention to seek the honor. J. C. McDonald, reeve of West Williams, is regarded as a particularly strong candidate. He is an old-time member of the council, in which he has sat for no less than fourteen years. His term has been consecutive with the exception of a break of two years a few terms ago, and his experience in previous councils would be very useful should he be elected warden.

DOVE OF PEACE AT CITY HALL

Everyone Appears Satisfied With the Glaubitz Arrangement Decided Upon.

EMPLOYEES HAD TALK

Consider That Their Rights Are Sufficiently Safeguarded by the Commission.

Peace reigns supreme at the city hall today, now that the question of the authority of General Manager Glaubitz has been definitely decided by the board of water commissioners.

"Everything is all right," said Mr. Glaubitz, "I am apparently well satisfied with conditions. When the Advertiser declared that he had nothing to say—that everything would continue as it had been in the past. He does not worry about the matter, whatever it may be, and will continue to go along as he did during the year just closed."

Secretary Ellwood is not agitated either, nor are the heads of the other departments. There was a conference between them Thursday evening, when the work of the various interests was gone over, and any differences existing were got rid of.

"Everything is all right," said Mr. Ellwood. "I have no complaint to make."

The members of the board thoroughly understand the situation, and are working harmoniously. They are all pleased that a situation that had threatened to demoralize the business of the commission was satisfactorily settled.

ST. THOMAS WON BY FIVE SHOTS

Semi-Finals in the Colts' Bonspiel Are Being Played Today.

The semi-finals in the colts' bonspiel are being played today, and it is likely that this evening in time to permit the finals being played this morning at the London Club rink only two games will be played, the St. Thomas and St. Thomas rinks participating. St. Thomas coming out in the lead by five shots. Both games were close, the St. Thomas rink winning by 15 to 14.

The other game resulted in a win for Skip Stanbury, of St. Thomas, over Skip Carven, of Paris, by 13 to 9. The other games in the semi-finals are being played this afternoon, the London Whistles and Drumbo rinks taking part.

BUILD ANOTHER BRIDGE OR TWO MORE SCHOOLS

Trustee A. M. Hunt Points Out the Need of the West London Structure.

Trustee A. M. Hunt, of the board of education, stated this morning that it was his opinion that unless the bridge were built of the southern and western districts of the city, it would be necessary to construct two schools instead of one in the near future.

"There is need for more school accommodation in West London," he stated, "and if the bridge was constructed it would be possible for some of the West London children to come over to South London, and vice versa, and the matter would be a different matter to the construction of a bridge without plans for the sum of \$20,000, however."

FALL PROVED FATAL

Mrs. Joseph Jefferson, of Wingham, Never Recovered From Injuries.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Wingham, Jan. 19.—Mrs. J. Jefferson, who fell some days ago and dislocated her hip, is dead at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bennett. Mrs. Jefferson was 58 years old, and it was feared at the time that the injuries she sustained would result fatally. The remains were taken to Clinton today for burial.

DIES FROM EXPOSURE

Unknown Man Found Lying by the Roadside Near Grimsby.

[Canadian Press.]

Hamilton, Jan. 19.—An unknown man was found lying by the roadside, east of Grimsby village, last night. He died this morning. Death is believed to have been due to a fit or exposure. He never regained consciousness, and the police have been unable so far to identify him. In his pocket was found a letter addressed to H. T. Morgan, 186 Church street, Toronto.

OTTAWA WOMAN'S DEATH

Ottawa, Jan. 18.—Mrs. G. W. Mitchell, wife of the former proprietor of the Ottawa Free Press, died very suddenly last night. She was taken suddenly ill while attending an amateur performance at the Unitarian Church, and succumbed in an ambulance just as she reached home. Deceased was born in Toronto, the daughter of Alex. Jacques, 63 years ago. She is survived by a large family.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—COLDER.

Forecast: Toronto, Jan. 19.—8 a.m. Fresh westerly wind; generally fair and considerably colder today and on Saturday.

Temperatures: The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock this morning:

High: Low: Weather: Toronto 32 20 Clear; Port Arthur 32 20 Clear; Fanny Sound 32 24 Fair; Toronto 38 24 Snow; Port Arthur 38 24 Snow; Montreal 30 28 Snow; Quebec 24 24 Rain; Father Point 18 18 Snow.

Minus (—) means below zero.

Weather Notes: A moderate depression covers Quebec, while decidedly cold weather prevails to the westward of the Great Lakes. Moderate snowfalls have occurred in Quebec and snow and rain in Ontario.

FIVE OF A FAMILY HURT BY EXPLOSION

The Whole Side of a House Blown Out in Dover Township.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Chatham, Ont., Jan. 19.—Five members of the Chappel family, who live on the sixth concession of Dover, are now in the hospital, and one may die, as a result of a gas explosion in the house last night. When one of the members of the family tried to light the lamps the explosion took place. The whole side of the house was blown out, and every window in the place was smashed. Every member of the family was seriously injured. They did not use gas in the house, but they have a windmill used to force the water from this well to the house. It is thought that the gas worked its way into the house through the water pipe, and as it is odorless its presence was not detected until the match was lit.

LONDON MAY FEEL A COAL PINCH

Cold Weather and Car Shortage Come at the Same Time.

DEMAND IS VERY GOOD

Londoners Must Keep Warm and Are Not Sparing the Money to Beat King Frost.

If the cold weather continues for the next two weeks with as great a persistency as it has during the past two weeks, the city of London will likely be facing a shortage in the coal supply.

The cold weather has been so general as to cause an unprecedented demand for coal, and the result is that the mines cannot handle all the shipments as the dealers in the city are facing.

There is also a shortage of cars to transport it in, and unless relief comes soon in the shape of milder weather, the situation will be serious.

A Big Demand.

The great demand comes from the big cities in the States, where the cold has been as intense as in Canada. The dealers there were not prepared for the continued cold weather, and during the past week or so orders have been pouring in for large quantities that it is almost impossible to handle them. On this side of the border the demand has not been so great, many of the dealers are getting low in their supply, and although they have carloads on order, there is no immediate prospect of their reaching here for a couple of weeks yet.

A Coal Famine.

If the cold continues until that time London and likely many other cities and towns in the country will be facing a coal famine. The local dealers, however, are optimistic over the situation, and claim that it will not be very serious. Many of them have large supplies on hand, and can handle all their orders for the next three weeks. Some of the dealers are very low, but there is no likelihood of the coal being raised. The railways are endeavoring to supply the mines with all the available cars, and unless some line is closed down the time until the snowstorms cease will be lots of coal by the end of the month.

FALLS INTO THE CELLAR BOTH ARMS BROKEN

Serious Accident to Mrs. Esther Walsh in a Wolfe Street Residence.

Mrs. Esther Walsh, a lady employed at the home of Mr. A. E. Ross, 310 Wolfe street, was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital last evening, suffering from fractures of both arms, and injuries sustained as a result of falling down the cellar steps at Mr. Ross' residence.

Mrs. Walsh was in the kitchen at the time, and had just turned on the kitchen gas prior to going into the hall. In the dark she mistook the cellar door for the hall door, and walking through it she fell down the steps. The occupants of the house heard her fall and went to her assistance. It was found that both arms had been broken, and she was badly bruised and suffering from the shock of the accident. Dr. Ferguson was called, and after setting the fractures, he ordered her taken to St. Joseph's Hospital.

MR. ROWELL SEES PREMIER

Makes Inquiries as to Accommodation in Parliament Buildings.

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The office at the head of the lobby will be occupied by Mr. Rowell. No secretary to the leader of the Opposition has yet been selected, and it is reported that Mr. Rowell sounded Sir James today on the Government's willingness to increase the allowance of \$1,000 voted the Opposition leader's secretary.

TRAVELLER DROPS DEAD

Representative of a Prescott Firm Meets Death at Berlin.

[Canadian Press.]

Berlin, Jan. 19.—Chas. Twitchell, a Toronto traveller, dropped dead at a Berlin station, nine miles west of here, last night. He was 60 years old, and has represented a Prescott firm for the past 30 years.

THE LAWRENCE STRIKE

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 19.—The situation in the textile mills of this city, where a strike of 15,000 operatives has been in force for a week, seemed unchanged when the mills opened today. About one-third of the usual number of operatives appeared at their places this morning, about the same number that have been at work for the past two days.

REFUSED TO LEAVE HIS POST

Rev. R. Elliott, of London, a Hero in the Chinese Fighting Zone.

PLACE IS A WILD ONE

Is at Work Upon a Combined School and Hospital, and Is Determined to See It Through.

In a little Christian settlement, founded by the famous "Cambridge Seven," and situated on one of the rivers of Chung-Ling, where the worst of the Chinese battles has occurred, Rev. Dr. Elliott, son of Mrs. J. H. Elliott, of 556 Ridout street, London, is holding his post despite the fact that the wilder of the revolutionists are situated in the district.

While practically all of the missionaries have left the district where the fighting has been at its height, upon being urged by the consuls, and in many cases forced to leave whether they wanted to or not, Dr. Elliott has persisted in remaining at his post.

Recently his colony began work on a combined school and hospital for the district, and were they to leave there is no doubt that the uncompleted work would be demolished by looters, with whom the district is filled.

STUCK AT POST.

The community in which the "Cambridge Seven" is located is largely populated by Christians, and is an isolated party in the territory through which the wave of revolt has rolled. On every hand, however, are bands of brigands, the most dangerous element in the revolution.

It was known that the danger was to confront the Canadian missionaries in China, friends of Dr. Elliott in this city made the prediction that no matter what came he would not leave his district.

A letter was received a few days ago by Mrs. Elliott, and while by this time it is several weeks old, there are many facts of interest.

DR. ELLIOTT'S LETTER.

One of Dr. Elliott's letters reads in part as follows:

"A few days ago every one was panic-stricken. Hundreds fled to the hills. Houses nearest the city walls were torn down, and money was collected to try and buy the release of things, however, are quieter now, and it is expected that the bulk of the fighting will be done in other places. It is wonderful how friendly both sides are to the missionaries. The motto of the revolutionary party is 'Destroy the Manchus. Protect Christians. Give Peace to the People.'"

Dr. Elliott states that the difficulty of funds in getting help for his new hospital. Owing to the disturbed state of the country it is impossible to procure money.

Mrs. Elliott states that people in China are confident that the revolution will succeed.

SAFE AT SHANGHAI.

As Mrs. N. J. Mortimore, of 456 Grey street, has received word of the safe arrival at Shanghai, China, of her son, Rev. J. H. Mortimore, together with Mrs. Mortimore (formerly Miss Cassidy), and their children.

Mr. Mortimore did not come from Shanghai with the party of twenty-five Canadians who arrived last Friday, and whose thrilling flight to safety was described in a special cable dispatch to The Advertiser, but arrived early in December, and has taken up housekeeping there. He will remain at Shanghai for some time until the trouble has subsided somewhat, and does not intend to come back to Canada, as he was home on furlough one year ago.

While Mr. and Mrs. Mortimore were in the thick of the trouble they were not molested, and they were able to save all their property.

TO RESUME THE WAR

Unless Ahmud Premier Gives In Fighting Will Resume on Jan. 28.

[Canadian Press.]

Nanking, China, Jan. 19.—It appears now to be absolutely certain that the fighting between the revolutionists and the imperialists will be resumed on the morning of Jan. 28, unless Premier Yuan Shi Kai concedes the demands of the Republican Government.

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ONE THOUSAND FALL IN ECUADOREAN FIGHT

The Government Troops Attack and Defeat an Army of the Rebels.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Jan. 19.—Over 1,000 men were killed and wounded in the battle yesterday at Yaguajay, to the northeast of this city.

An army supporting the Quito Government, under the command of Gen. Julio Andrade, formerly Ecuadorean minister to Colombia, attacked and defeated an army of Guayaquil troops, supporting the provincial government proclaimed by Gen. Montero, under the command of Gen. Flavio Alfaro.

Gen. Flavio Alfaro was wounded during the fighting, which was very severe. Gen. Eloy Alfaro has now been appointed commander-in-chief of the Guayaquil army.

ARABS AND TURKS IN TERRIFIC ATTACK

Forced Italian Troops Into an All Day Battle But Were Finally Repulsed

[Canadian Press.]

Tripoli, Jan. 19.—A terrific attack was made by a large body of Turks and Arabs yesterday on an Italian column which was on the march about ten miles from the town of Tripoli.

The Italian troops, which consisted of detachments of all arms, left Tripoli early in the morning on the way to Chirganish, a small oasis situated 10 or 11 miles along the coast to the west of the town, and surrounded by a number of fortifications which had hitherto given shelter to Arab irregulars.

Suddenly, as the soldiers were marching along the road, which runs parallel to the coast, they were attacked by a series of onslaughts by a large force of Turks and Arabs.

The Italians immediately took up position and threw up fire trenches. The enemy continued its attacks throughout the day, but finally retired.

Details of the losses have not yet been reported.

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END OF BURTON BILL

This Measure Fixes the Export of Niagara Power and Expires on the First of March.

Mr. O. E. Fleming, of Windsor, who approached the London and Port Stanley Board a week ago with an offer from the Lake Erie Coal Company to electrify the L. and P. S. Railway, was one of the delegates to Washington, D. C., Thursday afternoon, when the question of importation of Niagara power from Canada was discussed.

The reason for the discussion of the question is that the Burton bill, one of the results of the sessions of the international waterway commission, will expire on March 1.

This bill limits the exportation of power to the United States to 100,000-horsepower, while the treaty between Canada and the United States interpreted to give the power companies unlimited scope in exporting their product.