

DIED FROM BAD "BOOZE" "Stryker's Farm" Whiskey Claims More Victims. TWENTY-TWO DEAD.

Stomachs of Victims Found to Contain Wood Alcohol---Vendors of Cheap Liquor to be Arraigned.

New York, Oct. 17.—The Tribune says the list of 26 sudden deaths presumably from bad whiskey, known as "Strykers Farm" whiskey, was increased by two yesterday.

Hugo Weiss, a German, 55 years old, died in the hallway of his home in West 47th last night.

Another victim, according to the police, of "Strykers Farm" whiskey was found in a hallway and an ambulance from Roosevelt hospital came.

Police Captain Hussey at once assigned two detectives to the case. The wife of the dead man, according to the detectives said that her husband had been out of work and had been drinking for some time.

Charles Kourne, 39 years, of 10th Ave., dropped dead to-day in a spool on at 10th Ave. Coroner Scholer said last evening that he was strongly of the impression that the man had died of whiskey poisoning, but did not know whether Kourne had got his whiskey in the saloon he died in or elsewhere.

The coroner said he had heard on Saturday from the board of health that stomachs of the whiskey victims had been examined and had been found to contain wood-alcohol. He would wait a written report from the board of health before taking further action.

A ST. JOHN MAN KILLED. John Drummond, fell Under a Locomotive at Port Arthur.

Port Arthur, Ont., Oct. 17.—(Special.)—John Drummond, from West Fort William, a switchman on the Canadian Northern railway was killed by missing his footing and falling under the wheels of a locomotive, which passed over him, severing his body, and breaking his legs, and arms.

The only Drummond mentioned in the St. John directory is Samuel Drummond, 11 Whipple street, west end.

ONE SMOKED, ONE DIDN'T. They Were Roommates, and Quarreled, and One is Dead.

Holyoke, Mass., Oct. 15.—Patrick Claughlay, 70 years of age, who was injured in a quarrel with his room mate, William Gillware, 65 years of age, at the Brightside Institution yesterday afternoon, died tonight from his injuries.

SPANISH DON AT THE FRONT. Rome, Oct. 16.—News has reached relatives here of Don Jaime, son of Don Carlos, the pretender to the Spanish throne, that he has been injured by a fall from his horse at Russian headquarters in Manchuria.

THREE MONTHS IN THE JAIL. Fredericton, N. B., (Special.)—Private McGilchrist of the Royal regiment was today convicted before Police Magistrate Marsh on the charge of theft of shirts from Lieut. Domine and was sentenced to three months in jail.

FOUR DEAD FROM SMOKE. New York Fire Attended by Much Loss of Life. MORE MAY DIE.

In a Tenement House Blaze, Four Persons are Suffocated and Fifteen More Overcome by Smoke.

New York, Oct. 17.—Four persons were suffocated, and 15 were overcome by smoke, in a fire which gutted a five-story brick double tenement house at 15 Moore street, Williamsburg, early today.

The fire originated in the basement and ran up a dumb waiter shaft, causing a crowded flat to fill rapidly with smoke. The flames spread through the flat on the fourth and fifth floors, and escape for the persons asleep there, was cut off.

The firemen and police did heroic work and soon rescued more than a score. 15 of them were almost suffocated. These were removed to St. Catherine's hospital. Two were in a dying condition. One fireman in attempting a daring rescue was overcome by smoke and had to be carried out by his fellow fireman.

LOSS OF THE ANNIE M. ALLEN. Particulars of the Disaster to a Schooner in Which St. John Men are Interested.

Gloucester, Mass., Oct. 15.—Driven too far to the westward of her regular course while trying to enter this port, for a harbor, owing to the northerly gale and the heavy seas, the three masted schooner Annie M. Allen of Boston early Saturday ran ashore at a point between Norman's Woe reef and Magnolia point.

The vessel probably will be a total loss. Capt. William Ricker, and crew of six men reached shore safely in their own boats, after a hard struggle. The schooner was bound from Hillsboro N. B., for Newark, N. J., with a cargo of 600 tons of plaster. She left Fortland Friday and Capt. Ricker thinking he was to the westward of the breakerwater tried to make this harbor during the night.

When daylight came the crew of the Delany's Schoek life saving station sighted the vessel in distress and went to her assistance, but before they reached the scene the captain and crew had succeeded in getting ashore by their own efforts. The schooner is full of water and as she lies on a rocky bottom and is pounding badly, it is believed she will be broken to pieces.

THE ANNIE M. ALLEN registered 450 tons gross, 428 tons net, was 139 feet long, 32 feet in width and 14 feet deep. She was built at Kennebunkport, Me., in 1873 and was owned by Leonard A. Hewson of Quincy and Capt. Ricker. Both vessel and cargo were well insured.

UNCLE SAM'S WAR NOT ENDED YET. Washington, Oct. 15.—First Lt. Thomas F. Loudon, of the Philippine Scouts, has been convicted by court martial at Malabang of conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, in having permitted his command of 34 men to be harassed by seven natives whom he had employed as guides. Four of his men were killed and a quantity of arms and ammunition captured.

THE READY PISTOL. Covington, Ga., Oct. 16.—In a shooting affray today near Walnut Grove, about ten miles from here, John Thomson killed his cousin, Jesse Thomson, and fatally wounded his uncle, C. M. Thomson.

SUICIDE IN GLENGARRY. Cornwall, Oct. 17.—(Special.)—Thomas Summers of Summerstown, Glengarry committed suicide on Sunday. He had been absent in the southwestern states for several years and returned to old home on Friday. Sunday at noon when his sister took his dinner to him she found his lifeless body hanging by a strap from a transom.

ART TREASURES. Rome, Oct. 16.—The ministry of instruction has taken steps to repair the damage caused by heavy rain to the famous cathedral of Assis. Gotti's frescoes and other notable art treasures were injured by the rain.

Special features of interest will be added to the Evening Times as the work of organization is further advanced.

FIERCE BATTLE STILL RAGING.

This is the Eighth Day of Awful Conflict. The Baltic Fleet of 24 Vessels has Sailed for the Far East---Russian Army Stubbornly Disputing Every Foot of Ground, but With Fearful Loss---Conflicting Reports Received.

London, Oct. 17.—According to the Standard's Tokio correspondent, the Russians are being hard pressed over the Hun river and are retreating partly on Mukden and partly on Fushun.

Frightful Slaughter. There is a strong appeal for peace in the appalling tragedy which is now under enactment in Manchuria.

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PREMIER TWEEDIE Returned Today From His Trip to the West. HAD GOOD TIME.

Met Many New Brunswickers Who are Doing Well -- Was Royally Greeted -- Naturally Predicts Liberal Success.

Hon. L. Tweedie, premier of New Brunswick, accompanied by Mrs. Tweedie, Miss Weldon and the premier's youngest son were passengers on the Atlantic express to this city this morning.

The premier is delighted with his trip. He left the province some weeks ago and during his absence has visited some of the principal cities of the west. One great pleasure which they looked forward to was the meeting with their sons, Fred M. manager of the Princess mine, at Port Royal, 400 miles from Vancouver.

Maritime Boys Unite. Speaking of Vancouver the premier said, there is a strong maritime association at that place with a membership of over 1,000.

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LAURIER IN ONTARIO. He and Mr. Hyman Called on Bishop McEvay. HEALTH GOOD.

London, Ont., Oct. 17.—(Special.)—Sir Wilfred Laurier and Lady Laurier spent Sunday as guests of Hon. C. S. Hyman. During the day the premier and Mr. Hyman, called on Bishop McEvay. So much has the premier improved in health that he has consented to several amendments to his itinerary as first arranged.

INNES MAY RETIRE. Halifax, Oct. 17.—(Special.)—It is reported here today that Peter Innes, conservative candidate for Kings, will retire from the contest on the advice of his physicians.

SUICIDES ARE INCREASING. Statistics in United States Show that Even Children Ren Court Self-Destructive.

"During the last 13 years 77,617 cases of suicide have been reported in the newspapers of this country," says George P. Upton, in The Independent. The following table shows the total number a year, as well as the increase from 1891 to 1897, and again the increase from 1899 to 1904, which almost duplicates that from 1891 to 1897.

Table showing statistics of suicides in the United States from 1891 to 1904.

St. Louis has the largest number in proportion to its population, and these 11 cities follow it in the order named: Hoboken, Chicago, Oakland, Cal., New York City, Milwaukee, Cincinnati, Newark, N. J., Brooklyn, Boston, Indianapolis and New Orleans. To Fall River, Mass., belongs the credit of the lowest rate, 2.7 per 100,000.

Of the 77,617 persons tabled above, 57,317 were men and 20,400 women. Between the ages of ten and 25 suicides of women are more numerous than those of men between the same ages. It is one of the features of the case that suicides of women are increasing faster than those of men.

Another feature of the suicide situation is the increasing number of children who kill themselves. These suicides are almost without sufficient cause, and sometimes without any cause, at least from a playmate, a reprisal from a playmate, a reprimand at home, a rebuke from a teacher, envy of the success of a companion, pique over a fancied insult, disapprobation over a phermal love attachment in the case of weak and morbid, and sometimes degenerate natures account for many juvenile suicides.

Weak minded children of this kind seem to believe that instead of exciting pity for their foolishness they will by killing themselves punish those who have presumed to interfere with their caprices.

The agencies of self-murder are numerous, but 61,933 of the 77,617 victims have killed themselves either by poison or the revolver. Prior to 1894 the larger number shot themselves, but since that year poison has headed the list. It may be boldly affirmed that the steady increase in the use of poison is due to the ease with which carbolic acid can be obtained. More persons kill themselves with it than with all other kinds of poison combined.

Turning to the other agencies, we find that 2,976 ended life by hanging 6,091 by drowning, 4,447 by the knife, 809 by throwing themselves in front of locomotives, 735 by jumping from roofs and windows, 294 by fire, 77 by dynamite and 227 in miscellaneous ways, some of them displaying remarkable ingenuity and courage on the part of the self-murderers.