

## BOY SAVED TWO OTHERS FROM DROWNING

RALPH WADE OF DEVON  
PERFORMED PLUCKY ACT

Jack Rideout and Hilton Taylor  
Fall Into Grievess Creek—  
The Rescuer Had to  
Dive.

The lives of two young boys belonging to Devon were saved Friday evening last by the daring of another boy about the same age who went into the icy waters of Grievess Creek and rescued his companions from drowning. The boy is Ralph Wade son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wade of Neill street Devon. The boys whom he brought out of the water are Hilton Taylor and Jack Rideout.

### Fell From Improvised Raft.

The high water in the St. John River was backed up the water of Grievess Creek and given the stream which ordinarily is shallow a depth sufficient to drown a person. The boys of the vicinity have taken advantage of the fact that sections of the wooden sidewalk of the old bridge which is being replaced are floating about in the creek. These make improvised rafts. It was from one of these that young Rideout and Taylor went into the water on Friday. Other boys were near but thought the two in the water could swim. Young Wade saw that they were in difficulty but others with him said they were all right. In a short time however it was seen that Taylor had disappeared beneath the water. Rideout was able to keep his head up but could not get out.

### Had to Dive.

At this juncture young Wade jumped into the creek. He had to dive to get Taylor and when he did get a hold on him could swim only with great difficulty. Had he had any greater distance to go it is doubtful if he could have got the boy out. He also got young Rideout out of his dangerous situation.

### Male Choir

At last evening's service at Brunswick Street Baptist Church a male choir of about fifty voices rendered excellent music.

### On Fishing Excursion

Frank L. Fay of Greenville, Pa., and Morris Ackerman of Cleveland, O., are at the Barker House this morning. They are on their way to Cain's River to fish with W. Harry Allen as guide.

### Playgrounds Committee

His Worship the Mayor has called a meeting of citizens at the City Council Chamber at five o'clock Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of selecting a Public Playgrounds Committee.

### To Reside Here

Archibald Fraser will reoccupy his residence on Woodstock Road about June 1st. It is understood that Mr. Fraser will make his home here in the future.

### Baptism Last Night

At last evening's service of the Reformed Baptist Church one member was received into the church by baptism. The revival meetings will be continued on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week.

### Had Ribs Broken

Scott Cowperthwaite a driver of the C. N. R. met with an accident while at work on Friday last which resulted in two of his ribs being fractured. Otherwise he would have been driver on the ill-fated freight which was wrecked this morning.

### Dominion Alliance Tuesday

The meeting of the New Brunswick Branch Dominion Alliance at which matters connected with prohibition and the coming provincial referendum will be discussed will be held at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow the sessions beginning at 11 a. m. and 2 p. m. The sessions will be open to the public.

### At the Gaiety

"Fires of Faith" is the photoplay at the Gaiety for Monday and Tuesday. It has a threefold attraction including in its cast Eugene O'Brien, whom all the ladies adore, Catharine Calvert, a leading American actress, and Ruby De Remer, one of the prettiest girls to appear in the chorus of Ziegfelds Follies.

### C. N. R. Hotel for P. E. Island

A movement is under way by the C. N. R. officials, it is understood to establish a summer hotel in North Wiltshire, Prince Edward Island, a section of the Province which is noted for sunshine and gentle breezes. Options on thirty acres of land have been secured from the farmers by men who are accredited with representing the railway people and it is said that the ground will be broken this year.

### Four Generations

St. John Globe: J. N. Woodman C. P. R. divisional superintendent, returned this afternoon from Fort William, Ont., where he attended the marriage of his son, T. G. Woodman, to Miss Elmina Piper, on the 5th instant at the home of the bride's mother. Mr. Woodman was accompanied by his wife, father and granddaughter four generations of the family being present at the wedding. The bride and groom will reside at Montreal.

## TWO KILLED WHEN C. N. R. ENGINE WENT INTO NASHWAAK RIVER THIS MORNING—THIRD MAN SCALDED

Driver Frank Gillis, of Newcastle, and Brakeman John Estabrooks, of Fredericton, Lost Their Lives, and Fireman Clifford Hughes was Severely Scalded—Death of Estabrooks Awful Feature of the Tragedy—Both Married Men With Families—Rising Water in the Nashwaak Washed Away Part of Embankment at Approach to Bridge.

The most serious train wreck which ever occurred in this part of the province took place this morning at about 5.45 o'clock when the C. N. R. freight from this city to Newcastle went over the embankment at this end of the bridge which spans the Nashwaak River about a mile above Marysville. The train, which left here about five o'clock this morning was in charge of Conductor Walter Long, the other members of the crew being Frank Gillis, driver; Clifford Hughes, fireman; and John Estabrooks and Nehemiah Osborne brakemen. Of these, Frank Gillis and John Estabrooks are dead and Clifford Hughes is severely scalded. The doomed train reached Marysville about 5.30 and the accident occurred about a quarter to six. Previous to this train a light engine, which has been on the run between Cross Creek and Stanley and has been undergoing repairs in shops at South Devon had passed over the bridge without any accident and it is thought by railway men that the jarring of the first one might have caused the cave-in which resulted in the derailment of the heavier train. There were sixteen cars in all and of these, two besides the engine, were derailed and thrown over the embankment, and into the river.

### Residents Tried to Stop Train.

Last night the water in the river rose over three feet and this morning it was noticed that the embankment at the northern end of the bridge had caved in. Some of the residents, as soon as this was seen rushed out to flag the oncoming freight, but they were unaware of the more serious breaking away at the other end of the bridge. It is not known whether the driver of the freight attempted to pull up his train or not, but at any rate it would have been impossible for him to have seen the danger signal until he was almost at the point of danger on account of a sharp curve at the approach to the bridge.

### Hughes Jumped from Train

The engine rolled completely over and the front part of it rested and is still resting on the concrete abutment built around the first pier. Thus the cab, was thrown into the water and it was in this that the two men were imprisoned and met their death. It is the custom for one of the brakemen to ride in the engine, and for this reason Estabrooks was there. Hughes the

fireman, who is badly scalded about the arm, neck and face, says that he does not know how he escaped but when he was first seen he was soaking wet. The theory is that he jumped, being on the left side of the cab, just as the engine left the rails.

### An Awful Feature

John Estabrooks' death was the most awful feature of the tragedy. He was imprisoned in the overturned engine, his foot being caught in the fire-box and only his head protruding above the water. He inhaled all who approached to get a saw or anything and cut off his leg and free him, and the agonies he suffered must have been beyond all human imagination. Three doctors were present soon after the accident and their unanimous opinion was that cutting off the imprisoned member would result in immediate death. In this position, then, the unfortunate man was compelled to remain and after three hours and forty five minutes died from the shock and the icy water. He was conscious till the last and conversed with those about him. After life left him he was cut loose from the wreck and the body was taken to his home. The sympathy of the community goes out to his wife and child, who reside in this city.

### Gillis Was Drowned

Frank Gillis, the other man killed is a resident of Newcastle and was on this run as a spare man. The regular driver, a man by name of Scott Cowperthwaite, was the regular driver on this train, but a few days ago had the misfortune to crack several ribs, and Gillis, much against his will was put in charge of the engine and brought the train down on Saturday. He was returning with it at the time of his death. It is understood that he is survived by a wife and three or four children. He, like Estabrooks, was imprisoned in the cab, but it was not until after several hours searching that his body was located. It was then some time before it could be freed and it was finally brought to the surface about noon. The clothes of the dead man had been caught in some way, and although there was a burn on the side of his face it is thought that death resulted from drowning.

### Crane Could Not be Used

Besides the engine, two cars loaded with pulp-wood went over, and were completely wrecked. A wrecking

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