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SERIOUS COLLISION ON NEW YORK CENTRAL

Four Passengers Killed and Many Injured at Batavia Early This Morning--Special Train Dashed Into Express With Frightful Results--Passengers Were Asleep When the Disaster Occurred--Several of the Injured Will Die.

Batavia, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Four passengers probably asleep in their berths aboard the New York Central's Boston and Buffalo west bound express, were ground to death as that train stood at the Batavia station early today. Two others were fatally injured and the condition of eight is more or less serious. The engine of train No. 20, the New York Central's western express, struck the rear of train 49, the Boston and Buffalo express with frightful compact and shattering force the rear car of train 49, a sleeper crumbled before it. The engine was reduced to wreckage beneath which the four dead were found. The mutilation of their bodies was so extensive and live steam played such havoc, that early identification was impossible. In at least two cases it probably will have to be made from circumstantial evidence. The only indication as to the identity of any killed beneath the engine was a silver locket and masonic charm inscribed "Cassius C. Perrin, 9581 Mecca Temple, New York."

The plume of the engine continued through the sleeping car into the rear of a day coach ahead. Nearly all the injured however, were in the sleeper. The instantaneous wreckage caused by the telescoping locomotive involved the passengers. Nearly all had been asleep when the shock came. There were desperate fights with debris and many of the passengers not reported among the injured at the hospitals were completely exhausted with their struggle to extricate themselves from the shattered car and to help the injured. Scalding jets of escaping steam from the punctured boiler of the locomotive added to the torture of those disabled and delayed the work of rescuers. Officials and uninjured passengers of both trains used every available means of removing wreckage from those pinned and by noon it was thought no more dead or injured would be found. Disregard of signals by the engineer of the western express caused the wreck according to statement issued by Supt. Everett of the western division of New York.

C. P. R. THE MARKET LEADER ON HEAVY TRADING TODAY

New York, Jan. 13.—Wall Street—There was some fairly wide openings in the initial trading on the stock market today. United States Steel opened with a block of 7,000 shares from 74½ to 75 as against yesterday closing price of 74½. Other large lots of the same stock sent the price up to 75½. Reading showed a gain of one point on a block of 2500 shares and Baltimore and Ohio a gain of 1½ points. The weakest feature was St. Louis, southwestern which declined one point.

Quotations from direct private wires of J. M. Robinson & Son, Bankers, St. John, N. B., Members of Montreal Stock Exchange.

Amalgamated	63½	63½
Atchafalca	103	102½
Smelters	75½	75
Brooklyn	76½	76½
Canadian Pacific	206½	209
Great Northern Pfd.	124½	124
Pennsylvania	126½	126½
Reading ex-div.	154½	154½
Soo	135	136½
Southern Pacific	116 5-6	116½
Union Pacific	174½	174½
U. S. Steel, Com.	75½	75
Quebec Ry.	61	61
Dominion Iron Com.	58	58

MONTREAL MORNING SALES

C. P. R.—150 @ 206½, 10 @ 205½, 100 @ 205½, 10 @ 205½, 50 @ 206, 45 @ 206½, 35 @ 206½, 25 @ 206½, 200 @ 207, 100 @ 207½, 250 @ 207½, 25 @ 207½, 107, Com.—250 @ 207½, 50 @ 207½, 75 @ 57½, 250 @ 58, 100 @ 58½, 100 @ 58½, 25 @ 58½.

Detroit—25 @ 65½, 300 @ 66½, 20 @ 67½, 50 @ 67, 200 @ 67½, 200 @ 67½, 5 @ 67½, 50 @ 67½, 45 @ 68, 125 @ 67½.

Quebec Ry.—50 @ 61.

Soo—100 @ 134½, 125 @ 134½, 35 @ 135, 25 @ 136½, 5 @ 134½, 50 @ 135½.

RETURNING TO WEST

Mr. Otis Staples of Wycliffe B.C., who has been here and elsewhere in the East for some weeks will return home tomorrow. His sister Miss Lillian Staples will accompany him.

Dr. Carter, Chief Superintendent of Education and F. B. Meagher, Inspector of Schools in Carleton and Victoria Counties, came to Perth on Monday to attend the meeting held Monday night to consider the consolidation of schools.—Victoria Co. News.

U. S. FLEET IN SCOUTING TRIP



Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—Night and mist are what are most feared by Rear Admiral Sidney A. Staunton commanding the special scouting fleet which left Hampton Roads to locate the approaching battle ship fleet, and, if possible, send out timely warning of the "enemy's" approach. Smoke probably is what Rear Admiral Schroeder, commanding the battle ship fleet, is much concerned about. Naval officers, in discussing the problem, explained how helpful the smoke from the fleet may prove to the scouting vessels which have started out to locate it. There is no getting rid of this smoke, it is explained, as it hangs for hours in the air or is blown along as a tall tale sign.

MANY KILLED IN RIOTING AT BOMBAY

Bombay, Jan. 13.—Eighteen persons were killed and twenty-four others wounded during yesterday's rioting. As usual, the occasion of the Muhammadan festival brought about a clash between Sunnites and the Shaks and troops called out to restore order, fired several volleys into the mob.

ST. JOHN WOMAN ATTACKED BY BURGLAR

St. John, Jan. 13.—A cowardly case of assault and attempted robbery was committed at an early hour this morning at the corner of Britain and Carmarthen streets.

Mrs. Mary Normansell is the proprietor of a little grocery store there. She lives all alone in a room at the rear. She was in bed sleeping when she was suddenly seized by some unknown man. He took hold of her by the throat and choking her demanded money. She told him it was in the outside shop.

He went out in that direction, leaving the woman in a semi-conscious condition. He ransacked the contents of the store looking for valuables, but it is uncertain whether he got anything or not.

Mrs. Normansell, after the man had left the store, managed to get out of bed and drag herself to the house of a neighbor, George E. Lavers, crying for help. The poor woman was covered with blood and Lavers, after taking her in and caring for her called the police.

Mrs. Normansell lapsed into unconsciousness and Dr. Broderick was summoned to attend her. She is about 60 years of age and is in a critical condition.

Thewhole force of police are working on the case.

GERMAN STEAMER ASHORE; TWELVE SEAMEN DROWNED

Bremerhaven, Germany, Jan. 13.—The German steamer Maria Russ, from Hamburg for Nantes, went aground near Nordney Lightship on Wednesday night, according to advices received here. Twelve of the crew were drowned. A schooner went to the rescue but was unable to put out her boat, owing to the high seas. Three of the men on the Maria Russ attempted to launch a boat but a huge sea swept it overboard. These three men were also swept into the water, but were rescued.

NEWSPAPER MAN LOST HIS LIFE IN CINCINNATI FIRE

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 13.—A low cut shoe identified last night as one that was worn by George L. Hayman the reporter of the Cincinnati Enquirer, supposed to have been lost in the fire, was found during the day by searchers in the Chamber of Commerce.

The condition of the shoe indicated that it had been pulled from his foot and his body evidently thrust farther downward. Identification of the shoe by Hayman's wife apparently settles all doubt as to Hayman's fate.

Despondent because of the probable death of two of his fellow employees in the brokerage firm, whose offices were wrecked in the fire, John Dillman, aged 53, committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. Dillman has been under great stress since the disaster and spent most of yesterday watching the firemen as they dug in the ruins.

BUBONIC PLAGUE SPREADING RAPIDLY

Peking, Jan. 13.—Bubonic plague in Manchuria is spreading rapidly. Reports received here state that hundreds of persons are dying every day and that the number of fatalities is increasing.

STOLEN MONEY REFUNDED TO AMERICAN TOURISTS

Constantinople, Jan. 13.—Following the submission of the Bedouin chiefs in Syria, the money stolen from a party of tourists in El Kerak last December has been refunded. The tourists referred to in the Constantinople despatch consisted of a party of eight, in charge of the Rev. W. R. Miller, of Chicago. They were encamped at El Kerak when the Bedouins rebelled and attacked the town. The tourists were set upon and relieved of their possession, but were not personally injured in any way.

WELL KNOWN BARONET DEAD AT LIVERPOOL

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 13.—Cable despatches to this city announce the death in Liverpool of Sir Thomas Brocklebank, Bart., father of Mrs. George Westinghouse, Jr., of this city. He was 63 years old.

FORGER CAUGHT IN TORONTO BY DETECTIVES

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—Michael Weinberg alias Joseph Oestricher, after being chased through Germany and the United States by some of the world's greatest sleuths was arrested at Toronto, yesterday by the Dominion police. He is wanted on a charge of forging bills of exchange at Hennaue Germany. He will be taken to Halifax en route to Germany early in the week.

MANY TRAINS STALLED BY HEAVY STORMS

Sacramento, Calif., Jan. 13.—East and west bound overland trains of the Southern Pacific and Western Pacific Railroads have been stalled since yesterday and the lines of communication were destroyed in the Sierras during one of the heaviest snow storms and blizzards that has raged in twenty years. According to officials of the roads, every available plow has been utilized. It is expected that the blockade will be lifted today.

WEDDING IN HIGH LIFE CAUSES SOME SURPRISE

London, Jan. 13.—Surprise has been caused in London by the marriage of the Earl Cadogan to his cousin, the Countess Palagi at Florence. The Earl of Cadogan is one of the wealthiest of London's ground land lords and a great entertainer of royalty. Three heirs to the title have died during his lifetime.

U. S. PENSION PAPERS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Washington, Jan. 13.—Thousands of documents in pension cases were destroyed early this morning in a fire in the office of the United States Pension Agency in the Pension Bureau Building. The origin of the fire is unknown and the damage can't be estimated until after a thorough investigation.

Lives of anarchists remind us in a manner far from tame. If we're looking out for trouble we shall surely find the same. Central America produces other things beside revolutions, but not many.

MUCH INTEREST IN SCHENK CASE

Rumor That a Commission in Lunacy May Take Up the Case

Prosecution Will Attempt to Prove That Defendant Bought Quantities of Poison.

Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 13.—The Schenk case today is more or less a continuation of the presentation begun yesterday. There were many rumors last night that the trial was to be stopped and a commission in lunacy appointed to take up the case of Mrs. Laura Schenk, the accused in the case. Counsel for both sides were most emphatic today in denying that any such move had been contemplated.

Cross cutting Attorney Handlin, seemingly to offset any expectations of the defence, asserted this morning that within the next two days a witness would be called by the state who would show that Mrs. Schenk purchased quantities of arsenic and sugar of lead shortly before the return of her husband from Europe. It is not expected today that the trial would be concluded this week.

PORTUGUESE SOLDIERS HAVE MUTINIED

Paris, Jan. 13.—A news agency despatch from Madrid says that a traveller arriving there from Kadajose, 4 miles from the Portuguese frontier declares that the soldiers in the fortresses at Elvas, Portugal, have mutinied, demanding increased pay. The Elvas workmen have struck in sympathy.

Lisbon, Jan. 13.—Railroad communication throughout the republic is practically paralyzed as a result of the strike of employees who went out Wednesday. Portugal is cut off by land from the rest of Europe. Today the strikers have refused to permit the southern express to leave the capital. Mail from abroad is reaching here by steamer. The strikers have rejected an offer of a 25 per cent. increase in their wages.

MURDERED YOUTH HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED

Altany, N. J., Jan. 13.—The body of the five-year-old boy found dead in a swamp on the Schenectady Road last Tuesday, and believed to have been murdered by the forcible administration of carbolic acid, was identified by relatives today as that of George Melber, of Schenectady.

Schenectady, N. Y., Jan. 13.—The Schenectady police believe that the child found dead in a swamp near Albany, is the five-year-old George Melber of this city. Relatives identified him from a picture.

Schenectady, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Mrs. Edith Melber, mother of George Melber, who is supposed to be the Albany murder victim, has left the family where she was employed as a domestic. The woman by whom she was employed states that last Friday afternoon Mrs. Melber left for Albany with little Georgie, saying that she was going to meet the child's uncle, who would take him out west. The child has been in the Children's Home for nearly a year, but was taken from there by the mother about three weeks ago.

MAJOR EATON GOING TO KINGSTON

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—It is announced at the adjutant general's office that Major Eaton, formerly of Ottawa, will be in charge of one of the batteries at Kingston, probably "A" Battery. He is on leave of absence, and is understood to be at Halifax, N. S. now. From there he will shortly go to Kingston.

Miss Hughes and Miss Hannabury, our popular school teachers, who have been spending the holidays in Fredericton have returned to their duties here.—Grand Falls.

BOLD BURGLAR STILL AT LARGE

Victim of Assault and Robbery at St. John in Critical State

Large Sum of Money and Some Jewelry Escaped the Notice of the Culprit.

St. John, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—The condition of Mrs. Normansell, the elderly lady who was attacked by a burglar in her home last night, is considered very critical today. There are no new features to report in connection with this case. The police are diligently searching for the culprit, and hope to be able to run him down. It is said that he had a towel over his face when he entered Mrs. Normansell's room. A man's handkerchief, showing blood stains, was found in the bedroom after his departure.

The thief in his haste overlooked a satchel containing one hundred dollars and he also failed to find the sum of four hundred dollars which the woman had hid beneath her pillow. But it is believed however, that he secured a goodly sum of money. A diamond ring and gold watch lying on the bureau, also escaped his notice.

Mrs. Normansell had been a sufferer from heart trouble for sometime. She had planned to leave shortly on an extended visit.

ENGINEER SCAMMELL HOME FROM EUROPE

St. John, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—Mr. J. K. Scammell, District Engineer for the Public Works Department, returned this morning after two months trip abroad, made in the interests of the department. He inspected many of the harbors of Great Britain and the continent during his visit. He is satisfied that great developments will take place at Courtenay Bay before long as he regards the conditions most favorable.

MISS GLADYS ROSS DEAD AT ST. JOHN

St. John, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—Miss Gladys Ross, daughter of Mr. R. L. Ross, terminal superintendent of the I. C. R. died here this morning. She contracted a severe cold which developed in hasty tuberculosis, causing her death. She was twenty years of age.

The man who writes it 1910 at this period is in a bad way and should lose no time in seeing a doctor.

HOCKEY TOMORROW.

The Gibson Tigers will meet a Fredericton team tomorrow at the Arctic Rink. The line-up of the Gibson team, in all probability will be Forbes or Carman, goal; Babbitt, point; Barker, cover point; Titus, cover; Sewell, centre; Flood and Davidson, wings.

COLLEGE NOTES

Chancellor Jones will leave next week for Quebec, where he will attend a meeting of the Conservation Commission and the Dominion Forestry Convention.

The first meeting of the Boxing Club of U. N. B. will be held this afternoon in the Gym. Those who are taking part in the college play "Twelfth Night," have been preparing their parts during the holidays and the first rehearsal will take place this afternoon. The amateur actors include Miss Beatrice Carleton, Miss Maud Greenlaw, Miss Corbett, Prof. Geoghegan, M. W. Jennings, Jack Feeney, H. G. Deedes, H. F. Barnes, G. Feeney, R. F. Eastman, G. Melrose, Frank McGibbon, J. T. Hebert and E. M. Balkan. The new calendars are being distributed and announce that the fall term will begin two weeks earlier than usual, commencing on September 14th. The present term will end on June 1st.