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HORRIBLE CAPE BRETON TRAGEDY.

Man, His Wife and Two Children Believed to Have Been Foully Murdered.

CHARRED REMAINS WITH SKULLS CRUSHED FOUND IN RUINS OF THEIR HOME.

Alleged Motive for Crime.

Sydney, N. S., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—A terrible tragedy occurred at Dominion No. 1 early this morning.

Four charred and blackened corpses, those of Anton Stetka, his wife and two children, were found among the ruins of his burned dwelling.

Great mystery surrounds the occurrence, and so far the details are meagre, but the circumstances point to a crime of the most desperate character.

The fire was discovered by Conductor Cathie, who came through the Dominion in charge of a train of empty cars. The engineer gave the alarm and the trainmen rushed up to the burning building and rapped on the door.

The house was burning fiercely inside and the flames were just beginning to break through, according to some neighbors, who hurried to the scene. The fire had apparently started down stairs. The people had been in the habit of keeping a fire on in the kitchen at night.

The parents and children all slept in the same room. The fire made great headway and it was supposed that the inmates had made their escape.

At three o'clock the walls of the house fell in, and after a search among the ruins the bodies were discovered.

The children were locked in each other's arms, and the skulls of the wife and children were found to be broken and that of the husband entirely removed.

An axe was found between the two bedrooms.

Stetka and his wife were Austrians and had been residing at Dominion for about three years. The children were a girl and a boy, aged four and two years respectively.

About six months ago Stetka purchased a house from Henry Mitchell, and had practically paid for it, but during the past few days he expressed a desire to return to Austria. This is said to be due to something that occurred about three months ago.

On a pay night during the absence of her husband, Mrs. Stetka is alleged to have been the victim of an attempted criminal assault made by a Newfoundlander named Selgrove, who was subsequently arrested and committed to the supreme court. He now lies in jail awaiting trial and his mother lives quite near the home of the Stetkas.

The theory receiving the most credence is that the whole family was murdered by enemies.

Coroner Phalen has empanelled a jury and an inquest will be held this afternoon.

A TRAGIC DEATH.

Prominent Charitable Lady Met A Fully Sudden End at Church Gathering.

New York, Feb. 16.—(Special.)—In the presence of many friends with whom she carried on numerous charitable objects, Mrs. Catherine Ortell, wife of Otto Ortell, superintendent of the schools, fell dead last night in the arms of Rev. John Justin, pastor of Columbia Street German Reformed Church, Union Hill, N. J., where installation services of the Christian Endeavor Society were being held.

The tragic incident came swiftly, men, women and children who were grouped about the stricken woman hardly realized what had happened.

It is supposed that Mrs. Ortell had been overcome by the heat and people moved away to give her air. As she lay upon the carpet Rev. Dr. Justin shook his head.

Doctors Justin and Spalding came quickly, but they saw death had been instantaneous.

When Mrs. Ortell came to the meeting she was one of the most active there. It was well towards the end of the installation that Rev. Mr. Justin saw that she was suffering. He moved quickly to her side and inquired if she was ill, but before a reply came her eyes closed, a gasp came from her lips and she reeled and fell forward dead in the arms of the minister.

TEACHERS GET RAISE.

Toronto Board of Education Deals Liberally with their Employees.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Salary increases aggregating \$60,000 to teachers of the city, were passed at a meeting of the board of education last night.

The maximum for male principals is increased from \$1,800 to \$2,000, annual increases \$100, while that of lady principals is increased from \$750 to \$800 each.

The minimum male assistants' salary is increased from \$700 to \$800, the maximum \$1,000 being attained in five years.

The minimum salary of lady teachers is increased to \$400 by annual increases of \$50 until the maximum of \$850 is reached in ten years. Inspectors' salaries are increased from \$2,600 to \$3,000.

THE STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, Feb. 16.—(Special.)—The stock market quotations today were as follows:

Dominion Coal, 82, 82, 81.
Dominion Iron and Steel, 31½, 31½, 31.
Dominion Iron and Steel, pfd., 82, 81, 81½.
Nova Scotia Steel, 70, 70, 70.
C. P. R., 172½, 172½, 172½.
Twin City, 117½, 116½, 116½.
Montreal Power, 93½, 93, 93.
Rich. & Ont. Nav., 83½, 83, 83.

DIED CELEBRATING 86TH BIRTHDAY.

Victim's Body Found in His Chair With Empty Pint Bottle That Had Contained Alcohol.

Bennington, Vt., Feb. 15.—Abraham Young was found by his son dead in a chair at the table in his home near South Shaftesbury Tuesday morning. The dead man was 86 years old Monday and to help celebrate the event he came to this village Saturday afternoon and procured two pint bottles of alcohol. When his body was found one full bottle was on the table as well as one that was empty. The old man had been dead several hours. Alcoholism and heart failure ended his life.

From all reports, he and his son, whose wife died recently, sat up drinking until the younger man made his way to bed, leaving the father sitting in the chair. The two lived together.

The father of the son's wife died in the same house under the same conditions, four years ago. The Youngs came from Burke ten years ago, the son having secured work in the Eagle Square Company's works. Several members of the family reside in Burke and one son in Chester.

HORSEMEN TO MEET.

The Maritime Horsemen's Association will hold its annual meeting in the city council chamber here on Friday, February 23rd, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

Lt. Col. Dunbar at one time acting D. O. C. of New Brunswick, has been gazetted deputy assistant adjutant general at Quebec.

APPRECIATED AT SUSSEX

Complimentary Address to Mr. R. B. Rossborough Formerly of Fredericton.

Sussex, N. B., Feb. 15.—Mr. R. B. Rossborough, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, who leaves here to take charge of the new branch which is about to be opened at London, Ont., was agreeably surprised this afternoon when this presence was requested by the following address, which was assembled a gathering of merchants and other friends.

Mayor James A. Murray, on behalf of those present and others, presented Mr. Rossborough with a very handsome fitted hand bag, accompanied by the following address, which was signed by the leading men of the place.

Mr. R. B. Rossborough.—We have called today to discharge a duty, pleasant in some respects, unpleasant in others. We assure you that when we learned of your transfer to another branch, the announcement brought with it feelings mingled with pleasure and regret—pleasure from the fact that your worth has fully commended itself to the management followed; regret inasmuch as we are about to lose an upright and valued citizen and a good comrade.

During your four years' residence in Sussex, you have proved yourself a desirable factor in the progress of the community, and we assure you that you will not soon be forgotten by those who have known you best. We trust that in your new position you will find much that is congenial and that success will attend your efforts in the larger centre in an equal if not greater measure than here. We ask you to accept this gift as coming from friends who appreciate the loss they will sustain by your departure.

We were to omit to also express our sense of the loss Sussex will sustain in the going from us of your good wife, we would have only partially attained the object of our coming. We extend to her our heartiest felicitations, and we hope that she will find in her new home all that goes to make pleasant a woman's life.

We say adieu but not good bye.

Sussex, N. B., Feb. 15, 1906.
Mr. Rossborough is expected here tonight or tomorrow to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Rossborough, before going to his new home.

THRILLING TALE BY COL. EMERSON.

Soldier and War Correspondent Tells Harvard Men How He Ran the Japanese Blockade at Port Arthur.

"Running the Port Arthur Blockade," told by a man who did it, kept the men who filled the living room of the Harvard Union keyed up to a high pitch, says the Boston Herald. It was a thrilling story by an interesting man whose personality was ever uppermost during his talk of an hour and a half. Col. Edwin Emerson, Harvard '91, a noted war correspondent and soldier, was the lecturer. Col. Emerson has seen service in all the recent years, was a Rough Rider, a war correspondent in South America, where he was breveted by the Colombian government, and was the only war correspondent during the recent Russian-Japanese war who saw service in the field with both armies. He was in Manchuria, at Mukden and Harbin with the Russians, and at Nuchwang and Tashitshao with the Japanese. After this he ran the blockade at Port Arthur and interviewed General Stoessel.

Remarkable pictures of his blockade running were thrown on the canvas. The lecturer said his frail boat was blown ahead through the Japanese fleet, while searchlights flashed all around. When land was nearly reached the boat was caught and then came out and picked him in a whirlpool. A Russian guard up and took him prisoner into Port Arthur.

The lecturer described his visit to Gen. Stoessel, with whom he dined on horseflesh. Japanese shells jarred the building as they talked.

Emmerson and his companion were sent out of Port Arthur after Vice-roy Alexieff had given special orders to admit no correspondents. They were given a Chinese junk and turned loose with a captain who could not understand any language they could speak and he ran them into the Japanese fleet. They were sent to the Jap naval base at Sascho, where they were kept in close confinement for six weeks.

After the capitulation Painter Lindpainter, a photographer, who assisted Emmerson, came out of the doomed city and found Emmerson in Japan, where he delivered to him the pictures he had taken and also negatives that Emmerson had left to be developed. The compact for the future delivery of the pictures had been made with the clause: "If we ever get out alive." At the time it was made it looked as if no man would get out of the besieged city.

A GENUINE CLEARANCE SALE.

We have too much stock. We must have cash at once. We will sell anything in our house at cost and under. Before you buy elsewhere come in and see what you can buy and how far your money will go at M. Fickler & Co.'s sale.—4.

TEMPLEMAN POPULAR.

All Classes Supporting Him in Victoria—No Opposition Likely.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—The nomination papers of Hon. Wm. Templeman are being circulated by a committee, and the result so far indicates that when they are filed with the returning officer on the 27th inst. they will in the representative character of the signatories form a record in the political history of the city.

Not only are they being signed by prominent Liberals, but by a number of Conservatives, and the labor men have endorsed Mr. Templeman's candidature.

The committee expect that all classes

of the community will signify their hearty coincidence in the nomination of Mr. Templeman, now that the claims of British Columbia to a portfolio have at last been recognized by the selection of Victoria's veteran politician. By his appointment an honor has been done the city, which will probably be recognized by his return by acclamation. He is on his way home from Ottawa.

SUNDAY STREET CARS.

Winnipeg, Feb. 16.—(Special.)—It is rumored that it has been practically decided to inaugurate a Sunday street car service in Winnipeg, about the middle of March. According to this rumor, there is an understanding regarding the matter between the city council and the Street Railway Company, consequently further authority to run Sunday cars will not be required.