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FORTY-TWO BODIES HAVE ALREADY BEEN RECOVERED

Railway Accident on Australian Road Was a Terrible Tragedy

Number of Injured Placed at
Eighty-Eight --- Scene Re-
sembled That of a Battle-
field

Melbourne, Australia, April 21.—Forty-two bodies have been taken out of the wreckage caused by the railroad collision at Braybrook Junction, near Melbourne, April 19. It is believed that several others are still buried under the debris. The number of persons injured is placed at eighty-eight.

Many of the victims in the train from Ballarat were just settling in their seats when the crash came. The conductor had signalled to the engineer to start and was in the act of stepping into the engine when he saw the approaching Bendigo train. He sprang aside in time to save himself. The station was in darkness and a scene of indescribable horror followed the collision. Three of the cars took fire and many of the victims were burned beyond recognition. A member of the fire brigade found the bodies of his two sisters buried in the wreckage.

An eyewitness to the disaster says the scene resembled that of a battlefield. Several of the victims died as they were being lifted from the wreckage. The driver of the Bendigo train says that he saw the signals and when the brakes failed to act he reversed the engine but was unable to check the train.

WENT TO SLEEP ON A RAILWAY TRACK

But It Proved To Be The Last
Sleep When A Train Came
Along

Bunko, La., April 21.—Three men went to sleep on the Texas and Pacific Railroad tracks near here shortly before midnight last night and as a result two of them are dead and the other so badly mangled that he is expected to die. The dead are William Regan of New Haven and Edward Cole of Buffalo. The injured man is Pat Melis of Greenock, Scotland. He said that he and his companions knew that a train would pass, but expected to be awakened by the noise. He did awaken but was so late in trying to arouse his companions he himself was struck. He said that all three men were out of work.

TRIED TO DESTROY KOREAN RAILROAD

Tokio, April 21.—An attempt to destroy the railroad leading from the coast to the capital of Korea on the morning of April 16, was discovered before any serious damage had been done, and Prince Ito arrived at Seoul on schedule time.

The Salvationists, of the west side, will give a concert in their hall tonight at 8 o'clock. The entertainment is entitled "Katy's White Robe," and there will be seventeen scenes.

The city corps will unite with west side for the occasion, and Brigadier Turner and Major Phillips will be present.

NUN LEAVES CONVENT TO WED MAN OF HER CHOICE

A Worker In a Convent Laundry Gains Love of Pretty Inmate

Omaha, April 20.—Florence Tinsley, a sister in the Convent of the Good Shepherd, yesterday joined her betrothed, Maxwell Hirsch, outside the convent walls. The nun was released by a writ of habeas corpus, which proved that she is of legal age, which stated that she and Hirsch had pledged themselves to each other under the common law, which promised solemnly that they will be publicly married as soon as the girl's mother arrives in Omaha.

Miss Tinsley's mother, then a widow, placed her, a mere child in the convent seven years ago, that she might be educated religiously, eventually she joined the sisterhood. About six months ago Hirsch, a handsome light-haired fellow of twenty-six years, came here from Chicago and got employment in the laundry of the nuns.

One day he saw Miss Tinsley leaning over the railing of the elevator-shaft on the floor above the laundry, looking down on him. She had never heard a man's voice since she entered the convent, and when a priest delivered a sermon there, she had never been outside the convent walls, her daily exercise in its courtyard was taken in silence and always in company with older sisters.

Again and again the girl, a brunette of beautiful figure, returned to the railing and looked down, however fleetingly, on Hirsch. Not a word passed between them, of course, but who can say that they did not make love telepathically. Three months ago they began to write to each other, exchanging notes, hidden

HELIE DE SAGAN INTERVIEWED IN PARIS

He is Going to Italy To-
day to Meet Madame
Gould -- Says America
Was Torture to Him

Paris, April 21.—Prince Helie de Sagan gave an interview to a representative of the Journal at the house of a friend last night, before he left for Naples, in which he admitted that he was going to Italy to meet Madame Anna Gould, formerly Countess de Castellano, to whom he is reported to be engaged, but he refused to give any intimation as to when and where the marriage would take place, saying: "The future is in the hands of God." The Prince described his experience in America as "torture." He said he was everywhere besieged by a legion of reporters and a horde of photographers and that the most odious and most ridiculous things were printed about him and Madame Gould. They even announced that their marriage had occurred secretly in New Jersey, he said, "which was as false as the reported family dinners at which my fate was discussed." He declared also that even a high prelate of the Catholic church took notice of his presence by issuing a manifesto against divorce and this induced the clergy each Sunday to preach violent sermons against him and Madame Gould.

CHATHAM ELECTIONS

Chatham, April 21.—(Special)—An interest is being taken in the town elections today. Over \$1,000 was paid in taxes during the few days prior to the election day by citizens anxious to qualify as voters. It is anticipated that a large percentage of qualified voters will go to the polls but owing to the large number of candidates the votes will be much split up. At the present time the indications point to the election of two old councillors and six new men. Street talk concedes the election to J. Fred Benson, W. F. Cassidy, F. E. Neale, R. A. Snowball, A. N. Williams, R. L. Loggie, Ed. Callahan, J. Y. Mersereau, or John B. Bell. Polling began at 10 o'clock and will close at 4.

LAURE PERSONALS

Dr. Maurice Peters was a passenger to the city on today's Boston train. Senator Gilmour came in from Montreal on today's Atlantic Express. Postoffice Inspector Collier came in on the Montreal train today. Dr. James Hannay arrived in the city on today's Montreal train. Peter Lefebvre came in on today's Montreal train.

MAJOR TAYLOR BEATEN.

Boston, April 21.—Joe Fogler, of New York and Walter Bangett, of Syracuse, riding as a team, defeated Major Taylor, the first heat was half a mile, time 1:06 3/5, and the second, 1 mile, time 2:16 2/5.

A NEW BOWLING RECORD.

Chicago, April 21.—A new world's record was made in the two-men event of a state bowling tournament in progress here, when Jack Hoffenkamp and Herman Glasner, Chicago men, totalling 1,339 pins last night. The former record was 1,338, rolled by Edward Blount and Charles Dewitt in the Canadian meet at Toronto, recently. The scores were: Hoffenkamp, 247, 212, 229. Glasner 193, 209, 189—1,339.

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DEFEAT FOR WARD SYSTEM PREDICTED BY WARD MEN

Very Light Vote is Being Polled To-day---Mayoralty Contest Will be Close and Exciting While There is Much Doubt as to Result in Prince, Queens, Kings, Guys, Victoria and Dufferin Wards

Election day dawned bright and clear and in the various wards the candidates and their henchmen were early at work. Judging from the talk of the workers the vote will be a very light one. Each interest seems to be evincing the majority of the citizens. In the wards where there is a contest for an alderman quite an effort is being made to get out a good vote, but where there are only contests for mayor and alderman-at-large little interest is manifested.

A trip around to the various wards this morning revealed the fact that Alderman Bullock has a very complete organization while Mayor Seans had few representatives at the polls. From all that can be gathered it would appear, however, that the contest for the mayoralty chair will be a very close and exciting one. While many predict Bullock as a winner, there are others who are just as emphatic in claiming the victory for the present mayor.

In Prince ward it was acknowledged by the workers for both Sproul and Morrison that the fight would be very close and neither party felt that they could safely claim a victory. The vote in this ward is likely to be the heaviest of all the wards.

CONDITIONS ARE SERIOUS

Russian Detachment in Persia is in a Very Tight Place

St. Petersburg, April 21.—Associated Press dispatches setting forth the grave situation of the Russian detachment in Persia are fully confirmed by official reports received at the Foreign Office from the Russian commander at Yelavopol in Transcaucasia, ninety miles from Tiflis.

No further news from the commanders of the detachments at Belesovar and Shirin, which are menaced by the Kurdish brigands, has been received here, but information has come that communication along an important trade route running southward from the Caspian Sea into Persia has been interrupted by an uprising of the bandit population. As a result caravans are afraid to venture out of Lenkoran.

Tiflis, April 21.—On account of the threatening situation on the Persian frontier and the urgent demand for reinforcements received from the commanders of the Russian forces in that district, 2,000 men have been sent from here into the disturbed territory.

These reinforcements will take several days to reach the scene of hostility, which is sixty miles from the nearest railroad point through a difficult country.

HIGHER RAIL FREIGHT RATES.

New York, April 21.—That railroad freight rates should be increased was the consensus of opinion at a conference of the presidents of nearly all of the eastern trunk lines held at the office of the Trunk Line Association yesterday.

No final action was taken in the matter which will be further considered by the individual roads.

George F. Baer, president of the Reading Railroad Company, presided at today's conference.

Montreal, April 21.—(Special)—Fire this morning at Chateaugay Basin destroyed Sampson's Hotel, the Central House, a large wooden structure which took fire from a defective chimney. Three other houses and the New York Central station were badly damaged. Loss is estimated at \$20,000.

Baron Hayashi, Japanese minister to China, has been ordered home from Peking and will be sent to Baron Ito, now councillor of the Japanese embassy at London, will succeed to the vacant place at Peking. Baron Chinda will go to Berlin and Baron Ishii will succeed him as vice minister of agricultural affairs. The appointments are soon to be officially announced.

Another attempt was made yesterday to kill President Estrada Cabrera, of Guatemala, at Guatemala city, the capital of the republic, in a series of explosions. The president escaped with the loss of a finger.

Baron Kato, of Tokio, started today for St. Petersburg, to arrange for Russian connections with both the Japanese railroads in Korea. Two experts accompanied him.

In Queens, where Elkin, Hetherington and Wilson are fighting for honors the indications point to a majority for the first named.

In Kings, Ald. Hamm, Chas. Jones and O'Brien appear to be the favorites. It will be favorable to each, but from what can be gathered there seems to be a feeling that Jones will be the successful one.

Ald. Vanwart feels confident that Dukes will again give him a majority, though Frank Potts and his friends feel sure that he is a winner. There will probably be no change in this ward.

In Dufferin ward there is a strong feeling that Alderman Willett will go down to defeat before Coholan. Strenuous efforts are being made to elect the new man.

There seems to be considerable doubt as to the result in Victoria where R. R. Patchell is seeking to supplant Ald. Pickett.

It is freely stated that in both Dufferin and Victoria wards, George McArthur of the firm of McArthur & McVay, contractors on the water extension, has been working energetically to defeat the two present aldermen. It seems likely, however, that Alderman Pickett will be re-elected.

OTTAWA NEWS

Railway Commission Meets To- morrow--Transvaal to Adopt Lemieux Act

Ottawa, Ont., April 21.—(Special)—The railway commission meets tomorrow when twenty-two cases will come up for hearing. On Friday railway rules will be considered. The commission has ordered an inspection of every railway station in Canada to ascertain provisions for the public and also to see whether the rules as to trains entering the stations are being observed.

On Friday the commission will be considering the Transvaal railway act which the government of the Transvaal is going to adopt the Lemieux Act as an ideal measure to settle labor disputes.

COMMISSION TO HEAR FREDERICTON'S CASE

Railway Commission Will Enquire
Into Alleged Discrimination

Ottawa, Ont., April 21.—(Special)—The railway commission on Thursday next will take up the complaint of Fredericton against the C. P. R. and Grand Trunk for discriminating in rates from Montreal and points west against that city.

STOLE \$30,000 TO CORNER CHEESE

Madison, Wis., April 20.—It was his attempt to corner the limburger cheese market that led Edwin C. Story, cashier of the Citizens' National bank of Belleville, near here, to embezzle \$30,000 of the bank's funds.

The cashier was charged with the belief that there are millions in limburger. Belleville is the central market in the state for that brand of cheese.

The temptation to speculate was too strong for Story; he nibbled at the bait, first "borrowed" the bank's money five years ago, lost it, and has kept on borrowing until the state bank officials smelled a rat, then discovered his thefts.

When accused of the embezzlement Story took poison and is critically ill. His salary was only \$900 a year; his household expenses were more than that sum.

He is married and has one daughter, a graduate of the Chicago art institute.

The bank's directors have made good Story's defalcation and the institution will resume business. The directors are informed, it is said, that Story's agents in Milwaukee, where great quantities of limburger are consumed, deceived him and sold far under the price he fixed.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Rebecca Agnes Road was held from her late home, 4 Paradise Row, this afternoon at 2:30. Service was conducted by Rev. L. A. McLean and interment was in Cedar Hill.

The funeral of Mrs. Dora Walker was held this afternoon at 4 o'clock from her late home, Bellevue avenue. Service was conducted by Rev. A. A. Graham, and interment was in Cedar Hill.

The body of Miss Charlotte Hart arrived from New York on today's Boston train. The funeral will take place tomorrow from the residence of Dr. George U. Hay, 31 Lennox street, at 2:30. Interment will be in Fernhill.

In Lorne the indications point to the return of Ald. Holder though the friends of H. R. Roberts are working hard in his interests.

It is hard to forecast the result in Guys, but there is an impression that John T. Brown will succeed in winning out over L. E. Smith and Ald. Baskin.

The three present aldermen-at-large are likely to be returned and the fourth will probably be W. E. Scully, though Messrs. Sims, Clark and Hunter express confidence in the result.

As far as can be learned the majority of the ballots are being worked in favor of a return to the system of election by the city at large. The polls close at 4 o'clock, and the results should be known shortly after 6 o'clock.

Up to 1:30 o'clock 325 votes had been cast in Queens ward, 160 in Dukes ward, and about 200 in Prince ward. In Dukes ward Ald. Vanwart was wearing a smile and had a rose on his lapel, while Mr. Potts had a smile and a carnation. One of the smiles will, no doubt, vanish tonight. Which one?

LONG SENTENCES IMPOSED TODAY

Montreal Judge Gives Seven- teen Men Sentences Aggre- gating One Hundred And Twelve Years

Montreal, April 21.—(Special)—In the court of Kings bench this morning, Justice Lavergne sentenced seventeen men to one hundred and twelve years in the penitentiary. The three Italians who were mixed up in the St. David's Lane tragedy got sentences of twelve, fifteen and nineteen years.

REDUCE DISCOUNT ON CANADIAN COIN

Seattle Banks Will Handle it at a Cheaper Rate Than Heretofore

Seattle, Wn., April 21.—Seattle clearing house banks have agreed to reduce discount rates on Canadian currency one-half. Hereafter the discount rates will be one-half of one per cent. on sums not over \$100 with a minimum of ten cents. On any sum over \$100 the charge will be one eighth of one per cent. The new charges are just sufficient to cover actual cost of shipping the currency back to Canada and getting returns.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, April 21.—(Special)—Stocks were dull on the resumption of trading after the holidays today. Dom. Steel sold at 11 3/4 to 12 and pfd. at 65 to 64 3/4; Canadian Pacific sold at 154 3/4; Power, 95 7/8; Ohio Traction, 18, and Mexican, 48.

New York, April 21.—Opening transactions in stocks were so meagre as to have no significance. National Lead declined 3/4, and Republic Steel pfd, a point. With these exceptions none of the changes exceeded half a point.

Cleveland, Ohio, April 21.—The life saving crew that last night went out into the Lake to search for a steamer believed to be on fire, returned to shore early this morning and reported that no burning steamer could be found. Residents along the shore reported the burning steamer earlier in the evening. It was believed to be the Maine, but word has been received from Astubula that the Maine is said 200 miles from this port.

OF COURSE SHE COULDN'T.

Wife—Mrs. Temper threw a flatiron at her husband because he accidentally sat down on her new bonnet. Now, I couldn't do a thing like that.

Hubby—You couldn't?

Wife—Of course not. I haven't any new bonnet.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC OUT FOR "THE OPEN SHOP"

VENEZUELA TO HAVE WIRELESS

Stations Will Be Installed
in Four Towns--Row
With Cable Company
the Cause

San Juan, P. R. April 21.—E. C. Newton, a representative of the DeForest Wireless Telegraph Company left here on Saturday by the steamer Philadelphia for Venezuela to arrange with President Castro for the installation of four stations at different towns. It is understood that President Castro is seeking to establish a wireless service chiefly because of the strained relations that exist between that administration and the French Cable Co.

The concession of the French Cable Co., dates from 1888. Within recent years the operation of the concession has been attended by many difficulties, finally ending in a complete rupture between Castro and the company. The latter committing its interests in Venezuela to the care of the French government who have given assurances that it would afford the company any protection against arbitrary action. The difficulty between the Venezuelan government and the cable company arose through a disagreement over the contract, the latter one having been modified in 1900. The company paid a large sum to President Castro and his ministers for such modification and in 1902 Castro tried again to obtain money which was refused. The fight has continued ever since.

ANOTHER WOMAN LEAVES HUSBAND

Mrs. Alex. W. Shay of 45 Erin Street is Among the Missing

Mrs. Alexander W. Shay, of 45 Erin street, has been missing since Saturday night, and her whereabouts up to the present is a mystery to her husband and relatives in the city.

Her husband is a teamster and she has four children, the youngest of whom, a ten-months-old babe, is being cared for by Mrs. Allan, who occupies the lower flat of the same house, and who, when today said that Mr. Shay was greatly troubled over his wife's disappearance. He had inquired of her brother, Mr. Whalen, who resides in Carleton and who said he had seen nothing of the missing woman. Inquiries in other directions failed to throw any light on the matter. Her strange departure is said to have resulted from a misunderstanding with her husband, and it is thought she might have gone to her people in Point de Chen.

EQUITY COURT

The regular session of the equity court was held this morning. His Honor, Chief Justice Barker, presiding.

In the matter of Golding vs. McGilvery, a motion for an order to set down the argument on executions was dismissed, the defendant being allowed time to file an amended answer.

In Boyne vs. Boyne, the chief justice decided that the insurance policy with the legacy goes to Mrs. Agnes Boyne.

In Bishop vs. Gaudin, a foreclosure suit an order was made to take the bill pro confesso for want of an appearance which was also the case in the similar suit of White vs. McGilgan.

In McKenzie vs. McLeod a motion was made to confirm the referee's report, which was granted.

The case of the Presbyterian church vs. Donald Morrison, executor of the late Thos. Johnston is being heard this afternoon.

Venezuela has placed an embargo on Cuban tobacco.

James Nicholson, of Canterbury, was this morning convicted by Judge Wilson under the speedy trials act, on a charge of assaulting his stepfather with intent to commit robbery, and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment in the penitentiary.

John Sullivan, the complainant, Mrs. Sullivan, mother of the accused, and Jailor Hawthorne gave evidence for the crown.

Sullivan testified that the prisoner attacked him in the barn, after throwing a blanket over his head, made off with his pocket book, containing thirty-one cents. He had been paid a considerable sum of money a few days before, but it was in his wife's possession at the time of the robbery.

The prisoner was the only witness for the defence and he denied all knowledge of the robbery. He swore that he had slept in a railway water tank that night and was at Canterbury station at the time the robbery occurred. The prisoner's story sounded very fishy and no credence was placed in it by the court.

In passing sentence, Judge Wilson gave him some good advice for the future.

Solicitor-general McLeod represented the crown and Peter J. Hughes defended the prisoner. The trial occupied two hours and fifteen minutes.

Mrs. Gannon, wife of Wm. Gannon, traveler for J. F. Vanhuskirk, died here last night from bronchial trouble. She was a daughter of the late John Grass of Waasias and was forty-nine years of age. A husband and several children survive.

Provincial Secretary Fleming is here today on departmental business. He will go to Victoria county the latter part of this week to investigate matters in connection with the enforcement of the license law.

Three Scott Act cases, two of which are for second offences, are to come before the police court on Friday morning. A Duncan Gunter is the complainant. Three county cases are to be taken up on the twenty-eighth.

The weather here turned quite cold last night and an inch of snow fell. The ice in the river remains quite solid.

Big Railway Com- pany Threatens to Fight the Unions to a Finish

Men Abrogate Working Agree-
ments---Serious Clash Dur-
ing Strike in a Brantford
Factory

Winnipeg, Man., April 21.—(Special)—The employees of the eastern lines of the Canadian Pacific Railway system sprang a coup on the company when they took the war into the enemy's camp and abrogated all the working agreements. This is believed to be a defensive act, calculated to influence the company in dealing with the western unions. The company, on its part, posted the proposed working rates for shops, which plainly indicate an intention to throw them open in defiance of organized labor.

Leading men in local unions to whom the rules were shown, stated that the rules must be incomplete as exhibited, and that there must be additional rules and regulations for the several trades.

Officials of the company, however, state the rules posted in the shops yesterday are complete and that there are no other supplementary schedules of any kind. With reference to the possibility of serious trouble, it was stated last night that either the men or the company would in all probability invoke the intervention of the Lemieux act.

A conference between representatives of the company and the unions will be held tomorrow.

A Clash at Brantford

Brantford, Ont., April 21.—(Special)—Affairs at the Buck stove works where 150 moulders have been out on strike for three weeks assumed a serious aspect last night when at the closing hour the strikers attacked the non-union man on picket duty. George Battye, a striker, was badly hurt in the melee, his face being beaten with the butt end of a revolver and receiving internal injuries. He was removed to the hospital. This riot was the second of the day's events. During the morning the union men from elevated positions on the Grand Trunk tracks gave some strike breakers a fusillade of stones, while the latter were on their way to work. One strike breaker had to be removed to the hospital.

The moulders struck because certain reductions were made in their pay on the piece work basis by reason of defective product, which they allege was due to poor material and not to any fault in their work. The issue could not be adjusted, so the men quit work and were replaced by local and outside strike-breakers, the firm declaring it would take on the non-union strikers. The strikers are still out and do a daily picket in the vicinity of the works.

TROUBLE WITH THE ICE

Six steamers with large cargoes of coal from Louisburg, N.S., are now en route for Montreal, maneuvering with the ice floes for a chance to get up the St. Lawrence river.

Two steamers, the Norfolk and the Borgstad, went by the way of the straits of Canso, but met the ice in the straits and were forced to turn back. They will now try the northern side of the island. The other steamers are the Wasie, Kamford, and Felix.

EXACT DEFINITION.

"What's the difference between vision and sight?"
"See those two girls across the street?"
"Yes."
"Well, the pretty one I would call a vision of loveliness, but the other one—she's a sight."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Samuel de Champlain McNamara is the name of the baby boy born to Mrs. T. F. McNamara, a passenger on the G. P. R. steamer, Lake Champlain, while the steamer was in mid-Atlantic. A morning paper stated that the name of the mother was McDonald and Mr. McNamara has asked The Times to correct the error.

TWO YEARS PENITENTIARY FOR ASSAULT AND ROBBERY

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Fredericton This Morning---Other News From
the Capital

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THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

JOY IN NEW YORK.

New York, April 21.—(Special)—It is Harry's move. Evelyn was in the limelight last week, and this week Harry is clamoring for recognition. Turn about is fair play. The rest of the Thaw family will be heard from in due season. Next to the Declaration of Independence and the abolition of slavery the people of the United States hold as one of their dearest possessions the achievements of the Thaw.

BIRDIE'S HAT.

Anxious Lily—The Easter hat worn by the beautiful Miss Birdie McWhat, referred to yesterday, is a "Merry Widow." The box in which it was carried home from the milliner's has been converted into a playhouse by Birdie's little brothers and their playmates. It will seat six of them without crowding. Birdie has been taking athletic exercise for some weeks, and is quite confident of her ability to navigate in a gale on King street without losing her equilibrium. She is taking daily exercise on the golf links.

A FRIEND IN NEED.

The pathetic effort made by the weather man to cover the streets with snow on the day of the civic elections, so that an exasperated electorate would neither break its neck on the way to the polls, nor be tempted to destroy the aldermanic candidates, was the subject of universal comment this morning. It may have been misplaced sympathy, but it was well-meant.