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Friday, May 31st, 1907.

Railway Companies and Accidents.

The fatal accident at the Esplanade level crossing in Toronto, last Friday night, is indignantly commented upon by the whole city press. Under the above heading the World says:

"Probably in no other civilized community in the world-save those on this continent-could there be any doubt regarding the duty of railway companies Duggan 68, H. Pogue 66, S. Minthorne to conduct their service under proper 64, E. Warren 56, E. Shane 48, J. Ellery regulations for the protection of the general public, and to provide bridge accommodation necessary for the public safety and convenience. Yet there is the utmost difficulty-amounting almost to impossibility-to get the Dominion government and parliament to recognize the responsibility resting upon them to compel railroads to adopt precautions absolutely required, or to punish the individuals responsible either for their lack or for their breach. The truth is that corporation influence so dominates Dominion politics that nothing short of a populer upheaval will succeed in restoring the relations between the state and the public service companies to their proper basis.

"The loss of life, both in Canada and the United States, in connection with railroad accidents occurring from preventible causes, is appalling. Theoretically everyone, even a railroad official, R. Campbell 6. admits that safety should be the prime consideration in public transportation. But, day in and day out, the companies continue to massacre and maim passengers on their trains, and pedestrians and others who have lawful occasion to cross their lines, simply because regulations are ignored and proper and reasonable safeguards are not provided or are ignored. With Canada's rapidly growing population and the increase in railroad traveling, and in the use of level crossings, more stringent government supervision is imperatively demanded, remedies as will compel railroad companies to operate their lines with due regard to the public safety. And there

companied by loss of life or not, and that of a character which will reveal its cause. Defective tracks and appliances, imperfect or disregarded regulations, can thus be ascertained, and efficient measures taken to protect the people." That's the talk! But when will the "efficient measures" be taken? Not for

should be, too, governmental enquiry in-

to every railway accident, whether ac-

a long time, we fear. The railroad companies will not do anything, except uner compulsion; and they have so much pull" in various ways that it is exceedingly difficult to induce the wielders of compulsion to hit them with it. The Globe says: " It needed no prophet to foretell that what happened on Friday night was sure to happen." Then why did n't.the Globe foretell it, and keep on foretelling it in every issue until the citizens got wrathy and forced the authorities to take action. It is unendurable that the lives and limbs of the residents of Toronto, and of visitors to that city, should be at the mercy of a "soulless corporation"; but we fancy that they will be for a good while longer, unless action in the matter be expedited by the kiling or maining of some distinguished personage at one of the level crossings. It a member of the cabinet, the president of a railway company, or even a mere millionaire, got run over by a train, it would be a mighty good thing for the common people, and nearly all the papers would be lamenting the loss of so "valuable" a life.

Obituary.

JAMES PATTERSON:

The death of Mr. James Patterson removes one of the oldest residents of this vicinity, he being one of the old County of Fermanagh people who settled in Verulam during and before the middle of the last century. Of a kindly nature and jovial disposition, he was respected and liked by all who knew him. He first settled in the township of Smith, and later in the township of Verulam, where he resided until about a year ago. His wife and one son predeceased him several years, and he is survived by three sons, Thomas, of Tilbury, Ont., Robert and Johnston in the North-west, and five daughters, Mrs. Thos. Junkin, Verulam, Mrs. John Graham Jr., Fenelon, Miss Maggie, Toronto, Miss Sarah, Port Hope, and Miss Jemima, of Fenelon. Mr. Patterson was a staunch Liberal in politics and a member of the Baptist church. His funeral on Tuesday was very largely attended, the Masons and Independent Foresters attending in large numbers.

JAMES ELLIS.

James Ellis, almost universally known as "Big Jim Ellis," was born in Verulam township seventy-one years ago, and spent his youth in that township. In his early manhood he followed the lumbering business with various firms then operating in this locality, almost always in the capacity of foreman or "boss. His unfailing good nature, fondness of a joke, along with his fine physique and strength, made him an exceptional favorite with his men and endeared him to his friends. Many an anecdote is told of "Jim" and his exploits. About thirty years ago he moved to the Parry Sound district, following the receding lumber trade, and there he became as well known and liked as in his native place. A vacancy occurring in the agency of the Crown Lands for that district a few years ago, he was appointed to the office and discharged its duties faithfully until the time of his death, which occurred at ment at Fenelon Falls on Sunday, May his old friends. His wife, to whom he then adjourned. was married more than forty years ago, survives him, as also do three daughters, Mrs. Milton: Pearce and Mrs. James utes of last meeting were read and con- by a score of 6 to 0.

Ludgate, of Parry Sound, and Miss Agnes, | firmed. of Depot Harbor. His adherence to the Liberal cause in politics was a strong feature of his whole career.

School Report.

Junior 3rd class; arithmetic; value 100 .- M. Sheehey 83, C. Duggan 75, Z. McFarland 65, H. Pogue 60, J. Ellery 46, F. Chambers 35, G. Jewell 13, L. Kearns 13, E. Warren 0, E. Shane 0, D. Ouilette absent.

Spelling, value 100 .- L. Kearns 92, G. Jewell 86, F. Chambers 82, Z. McFarland 82, D. Ouilette 72, M. Sheehey 72, C. 46, J. Northey 34.

Senior 2nd; arithmetic, value 100 .-A. Barry 88, E. Byrnell 84, M. Pearce 81, G. Brock 80, E. Jackett 77, G. Shane 72, M. McDougall 67, J. Sutherland 64, H. Heard 60, R. Cooper 60, E. Junkin 60, M. Whytall 54, G. Wilson 48, E. Maybee 46, K. Ingram 44, W. McTavish 43, M. Arnold 43, J. Ouilette 43, V. Connell 34, R. Palmer 0, K. McIntosh absent.

Senior 2nd; spelling; 100.—G. Shane 98, G. Brock 90, E. Maybee 88, M. Whytall 88, J. Sutherland 88, R. Palmer 86, H. Heard 86, M. Pearce 83, A. Barry 84, G. Wilson 84, J. Ouilette 80, W. McTavish 78, R. Cooper 78, E. Junkin 78, K. Ingram 76, M. McDougall 76, V. Connell 72, E Byrnell 70, M. Arnold 68, K. McIntosh

68, E. Jackett 36. Junior 2nd class .- E. Miller 96, G. Peterkin 84, M. Clark 80, K. Twomey 74, J. Lane 66, B. Shane 60, P. Donaldson 58,

Personals.

Mr. J. R. Graham, of Kirkfield, was at the Fails on Wednesday.

Mr. Arthur Jewell, of Vancouver, is

visiting his parents at the Falls.
Miss Mary Kelly and her friend, Miss Fee, both of Lindsay, spent Victoria Day at the Falls.

Mr. Andrew McFarland was in Toronto on business from Thursday of last week until Monday.

Messrs. Chas. Junkin and R. C. Brandon, of Cannington, spent Monday with friends in Fenelon Falls. Mrs. Joseph Welsh, of Toronto, was

visitor at Mr. Geo. Martin's from Thursday of last week until Monday. Mrs. James Ellis and Miss Agnes Ellis, of Parry Sound, were at Mrs. John A. El-

lis's during their stay in town. Mr. M. Whaley and eldest daughter, Miss Muriel, visited friends on the 24th in Peterborough and Campbellford.

Mr. Jas, Ludgate and Mr. Oscar Ellis, of Parry Sound, spent Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Junkin. Mr. Thos. Chadwick, of Uxbridge, has

taken a position on the Standard Chemical Co.'s staff of employees at the Falls.
Mr. Thomas Patterson, of Tilbury, attended the funeral of his father, the late James Patterson, on Tuesday at Fenelon

Falls. Mr. A. D. Macleod, teller of the Farmer's Bank, Williamstown, spent Victoria Day with the Rev. and Mrs. French at

the Falls. Mr. W. S. Scott, of Toronto, was at the Falls from Thursday until Monday, preparing his cottage on Cameron lake for

the summer's occupancy. Miss Dorothy French, who is preparing for matriculation at Uxbridge High School, spent from Friday until Monday

with her parents at the Falls. Mr. James Junkin, of Bobcaygeon, attended the funerals of two old friends this week -his cousin, the late Jas. Ellis,

and the late James Patterson. Mrs. W. T. Junkin and her youngest two children spent the 24th in Bobcaygeon with Mrs. H. V. Cosh and Mrs. Ir-

vine Junkin, returning on Saturday. Messrs. H. E. Austin and Geo. Wilson, of Toronto, Chas. Deyman, of Hamilton, and Lewis Deyman, Jr., of Peterborough, spent Victoria Day at their homes at the Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Pearce, of Parry Sound, were the guests of Mr. Thomas Robson, over Sunday, while attending the funeral of the late James Ellis, of Parry Sound.

Mr. Albert Moss and family, just out from near London, England, have become residents of the Falls. Mr. Moss, who is a blacksmith by trade, is in the em-

ploy of Mr. Charles Kelly. Mr. John D. Smith and two nieces, the Misses Smith, of Port Hope, and Mrs. Elias P. Smith, of New Liskeard, spent from Wednesday of last week until Saturday at the Hotel Kawartha.

Mr. M. T. McEachern, of McGill college, Montreal, has been at the Falls since Thursday last. He is this week taking charge of the north ward school, during the absence of the principal, Mr.

F. E. Speir. Mr. and Mrs. Delamere and their son Rudolph, of Toronto, spent Vlctoria Day at their summer residence on Birch Island, Balsam Lake. When returning to the Falls on Monday afternoon to take the 5 o'clock train for the city, the gale on Balsam lake proved too much for their launch, which was driven ashore near Rosedale. Fortunately, the boat grounded on a sandy beach, and the party escaped with a slight wetting. They drove from Rosedale to the Falls, and went through to Toronto on Tuesday morning, none the worse for their

Somerville Council.

shipwreck.

Burnt River, May 25th, 1907 Council met as Court of Revision. The members having been sworn, Mr. Carew was elected chairman.

Mr. James Pogue appealed, complaining that his assessment was too high. The assessment was confirmed, and changes were made in the roll in cases

The reeve took the chair, and the min-

Mr. Taylor complained that a lawyer was not engaged in the appeal of Brodie & Forrester against the award of the

fence-viewers. The sum of \$200 was granted to supplement a grant of \$400 by the government; \$100 was granted to be spent on the road between Coboconk and McFarlane's, to supplement a grant of the sams amount by the government; and Mr. John Wilson was authorized to get cement tile for two culverts.

Mr. Thos. Byrnes addressed the conncil re the bridge built by the government, and which was taken away by the spring floods; and it was decided to petition the government to have the bridge rebuilt.

- Accounts amounting to \$80.50 were passed. A grant of ten dollars made last year, to deepen ditch and repair culvert on the Kinmount road in the 12th concession, was re-voted, the same not having been spent last year.

Notice was given that a by-law will be introduced at the next meeting of this council to amend by-laws 556 & 561. The council then adjourned, to meet at Burnt River on Saturday, June 22nd.

Powles' Corner.

(Correspondence of the Gazette)

The Provincial Government has voted \$75,000 for the purpose of teaching the school children to be loyal. For our part we do n't think much of this flag business. The last year Mr. Thomas Mark taught school here he had a flag-staff put up and purchased a new flag; and that flag was hoisted every public holiday, and whenever there was a death in the community the flag could be seen at half mast; but since Mr. Mark left the fing has never been raised. So we can see quite clearly that the Government is going to try and inculcate a spirit of loyalty amongst the school teachers, as well as amongst the pupils. A few new shingles on some of the school houses would do more good than a flag, and the one in S. S. No. 4, Fenelon, could be included in the number. The press and the public denounce the expenditure of such a large sum of money for loyalty

On Wednesday, the 16th, Mr. Robert Eyres raised his new barn. Mr. Thomas Archer was civil engineer of the struc-

The first of this week Mr. J. B. Powles shot a very large hawk. It measured 3 feet 9 in. from tip to tip of its wings, and we would judge, from its general make-up, that it could knock out any hen, or rooster either, in the first round.

Mr. Robert Jackett, of Fenelon Falls, has leased the Robe farm for ranching purposes, and already has about forty head of cattle on it. The grass is not growing very fast, as the sun has been going down behind an iceberg for some time past, and getting up cold in the

On the 24th Mr. Alex. McGee delivered ten or twelve head of cattle, which were shipped from Cameron. They were a fine lot, and no doubt would command a good figure.

There has not been much improvement in Mrs. E. Kendall's condition since last week, and her many frinds are anxiously hoping to hear thal she is getting better. Victoria Day passed off very quietly here. Mr. Norman Martin took a spin

up to Cameron in his automobile, accompanied by his father. Mr. John Willock is busy framing the timbers for Mr. H. W. Johnston's barn, and Messrs. Lane and Wessels are doing

the mason work. Some snow fell here on Monday evening, but not enough to maks sleighing.

This kind of weather, if continued, will cause a lot of auction sales next winter.

Burnt River.

(Correspondence of the Gazette)

The 24th of May was royally celebrated at Burnt River, and the weather was all that could be desired for a holiday. The people of the surrounding country came in early and enjoyed themselves. The ice cream stand run by the ladies of St. Luke's church was so well patronized that the supply was not equal to the demand. The dinner and tea under the same management appeared to give such good satisfaction that the provision was

entirely exhausted.
We will let the Fenelon Falls boys tell about the football games. We don't want to blow (for them); all the same we are pleased that they came, and hope that they were so well pleased that they will como again.

At the concert in the evening the hall was packed full, and all present wore well rewarded, as the concert would have been a credit to a much larger. place than Burnt River.

COURT OF REVISION .- The village Court of Revision was held on Wednesday evening. The proceedings will be pub+ .lished next week.

TEA .- The Parish Workers of St. James' church purpose holding a 10 centtea at the residence of Mrs. J. J. Townley, on the evening of Thursday, June-13th, from 5 to 8 o'clock.

C. O. O. F. NOTICE. - The members of Loyal Trent Valley Lodge are requested to take notice that the D. D. G. M. has. signified his intention of paying an of-ficial visit to the lodge on Monday evening, June 3rd. A good attendance is re-

VICTORIA DAY.—The holiday passed: quietly in the village, there being "nothing doing." Two excursion parties visited the Kirkfield lift lock, many went up the lake in small, boats, and a good crowd attended the celebration at Burnt Parry Sound on May 24th. The inter- where parties had sold property since | River, where a couple of football matches the assessing was done, etc. The roll | between teams from this village and 26th, was attended by a large number of was confirmed, and the Court of Revision | that section, were the chief attraction. The first game resulted in a tie, neitherside scoring a goal, and the other game,. a boys' contest, was won by the Falls.