

# AN ITALIAN WAS MURDERED

## Two Others Wounded in a Stabbing Affray at Toronto

A despatch from Toronto says: Jealousy over a woman was the cause of a row on Friday night at the rear of 40 Agnes Street, which ended in one man being killed and three others badly wounded. The dead man is John Russello, laborer, who lived at 40 Agnes Street. He had his throat badly gashed with a large butcher knife, and the man who is under arrest charged with the murder is Donato Panzini, of 93 Elm Street. Vincent Accioli, who also lives at the Agnes Street house, is under arrest on a charge of carrying firearms. Andy Male, who had his head badly cut, is being held as a material witness. Frank Russello, the brother of the murdered man, is in St. Michael's Hospital. He has a bad cut in the head and the thumb of his left hand is almost severed.

It appears that Panzini and the

dead man were infatuated with the same girl, a young woman by the name of Fratorti, whose father has a boarding-house at 40 Agnes Street. A number of people had gathered at the Agnes Street house, and, according to the story told the police by Anthony Fratorti, Panzini, with some others, came to his place on Friday evening with the intention of making trouble.

The question of their affections for the one lady naturally came up and it was decided to fight it out in the back yard. This is one of the versions the police were able to obtain on Friday night, and they think it is correct in many details. The Italians are loth to speak on the subject and it was a considerable time after the murder before the correct name of the dead man was found out.

### MATTHEWS ACQUITTED.

#### Not Guilty of the Murder of Johanna Brimacombe.

A despatch from Cobourg says: Henry I. Matthews, jun., was acquitted on Saturday night of the charge of murdering Miss Josephine of Johanna Brimacombe. The Court assembled shortly before 11 o'clock, and the court room and the halls leading to it were crowded. The jurymen almost noiselessly filed into their places, and they all looked haggard. One or two were visibly affected by emotion. The prisoner preserved a quiet demeanor and appeared unmoved in countenance. Only the deeper lines about his face revealed the ordeal of suspense which he has undergone. He glanced at his counsel, the Crown Attorney, and the representatives of the press, and then looked straight at the foreman of the jury.

"Gentlemen of the jury, have you agreed on a verdict?" asked the Clerk of the Court.

"We have," answered the foreman.

"And it is?" "Not guilty," was the answer.

The throngs in the rear of the court room behind the prisoner's dock and at the entrance broke into cheers that were echoed to the streets, and told the waiting crowds outside of the happy outcome of the trial for the accused.

### "TIRED OF ALL."

#### Hamilton Man Blows Out His Brains in Manitoba.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: "I'm tired of it all. It's not worth the struggle, and I am going to end it." Penning these words on a slip of paper, W. H. Blair, of Hamilton, Ont., drew a revolver and blew out his brains on Sunday. The tragedy took place on the high-road, three miles from Rosser. He was identified by his name being tattooed on his right arm.

A cotton clearing house has been established in New York.

# JARDINE WILL BE HANGED

## Last Chapter in the Murder of Lizzie Anderson at Goderich

A despatch from Goderich says: Edward Jardine will be hanged on Friday, June 16. He was found guilty by the jury on Friday afternoon of the murder of Lizzie Anderson, after a trial lasting two days and a half.

Except for a slightly heightened color, the prisoner displayed no signs of agitation. He stood in a slouching attitude in the prisoner's box during the passing of the sentence by Chief Justice Falconbridge and afterwards walked from the courtroom, unflatteringly, ahead of and unsupported by the constable. He was taken to the jail. The jury returned shortly before noon, and when the court met again at 1.15 they were ready with their verdict. The foreman simply announced that they had found a verdict of guilty. Jardine, sitting in the box with

George Vanstone, the other man to be tried for murder, was ordered to stand up.

"It is not my practice, under these circumstances, to dwell upon the enormity of the crime. If you have not by this time realized the terrible nature of your offence, it is impossible that any words of mine could make you do so. In passing sentence on you," the Judge said to him, "I warn you not to have any hope of commutation of the extreme penalty of the law for the crime you have committed. I would, however, recommend you to spend the rest of your days on earth in preparation for your entry into the world to come. On Friday, the 16th of June, you will be taken to the place of execution, there to be hanged by the neck until you are dead. May God have mercy on your soul."

# WESTERN ELECTRIC LINES

## Transportation Enterprise to Operate From Niagara Falls to London.

A despatch from London, Ont., says: Mr. Malcolm J. Kent, a director of the London Electric Railway Company, on Wednesday afternoon gave the first definite statement regarding a merger which may mean a change of management for the London Street Railway Company. Mr. Kent stated that an option had been given on the street railway. This has not been taken up as yet, but the deal, he said, will likely be closed one way or the other, within a week.

Mr. Kent did not feel himself in a position to state definitely the purpose of the proposed change, but he gave this general idea:—The movement here is one of many

which aim to bring street railways and radials under one management. When this is done the districts between here and Niagara, which are not already served by radials, will have such lines constructed. These and the street railways brought in will get their power from the main company.

The merger, it is believed, is but the widening of the movement which started in Toronto during the past few days. It will give the power companies, behind which are Mackenzie & Mann and a number of New York capitalists, a market for their power, and will enable the companies to serve the people along the transmission lines which will be erected.

# PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

## REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

### Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

#### BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, April 18.—Flour—Winter wheat 90 per cent, patents, \$3.35 to \$3.40 at seaboard. Manitoba flours—First patents, \$5.40; second patents, \$4.90, and strong bakers', \$4.70, on track, Toronto.

Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 97c cash, and 95½c May delivery, Bay ports; No. 2 Northern, 94½c cash, and 93c, May delivery, Bay ports.

Ontario Wheat—No. 2 red and white 82 to 83c, outside.

Barley—Malting qualities, 66 to 68c, and feed 53 to 57c, outside.

Oats—Ontario, 32½ to 33c, outside, and 33 to 35½c, on track, Toronto. No. 2 W. C. oats, 37c, and No. 3, 36c, Bay ports.

Corn—No. 3 American, 56 to 56½c, Toronto freight.

Peas—No. 2 at 80 to 81c outside.

Buckwheat—No. 1 at 49 to 50c outside.

Bran—Manitobas, \$23, in bags, Toronto, and shorts, \$24.50, in bags, Toronto; Ontario shorts, \$24.50 to \$25.

#### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Spys, \$5 to \$6; Baldwins, \$4 to \$4.50; No. 2 assorted, \$3.50 to \$4.50 per barrel.

Beans—Car lots, \$1.75 to \$1.80, and small lots, \$1.90 to \$2.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 10 to 11c per lb.; No. 1 comb, wholesale, \$2 to \$2.50 per dozen; No. 2 comb, wholesale, \$1.75 to \$2 per dozen.

Baled hay—No. 1 at \$11.50 to \$13 on track, and No. 2 at \$9 to \$10.50.

Baled Straw—\$6.50 to \$7, on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—Car lots, 90 to 95c per bag, and New Brunswick, \$1 to \$1.05.

Poultry—Wholesale prices of dressed poultry.—Chickens, 15 to 16c per lb.; fowl, 11 to 13c per lb.; turkeys, 19 to 21c per lb. Live, 1 to 2c less.

#### LOCAL DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Dairy prints, 19 to 20c; inferior, 16 to 17c. Creamery quoted at 27 to 28c per lb. for rolls, 24 to 24½c for solids, and 22½ to 23c for separator prints.

Eggs—Case lots 18c per dozen. Cheese—Large, 14c, and twins at 14½c.

#### HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 11 to 11½c per lb., in case lots; mess pork, \$20 to \$20.50; do., short cut, 23.50 to \$24; pickled rolls, \$20.

Hams—Light to medium, 15c; do., heavy, 12 to 13c; rolls, 11½ to 12c; breakfast bacon, 15½ to 17c; backs, 18 to 18½c.

Lard—Tierces, 11c; tubs, 11¼c; fails, 11½c.

#### BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, April 18.—Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 38¼ to 39c, car lots ex store; extra No. 1 feed, 38¼ to 38½c; No. 3 C. W., 37¼ to 38c; No. 2 local white, 36 to 36½c; No. 3 local white, 35 to 35½c; No. 4 local white, 34 to 34½c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.30; seconds, \$4.80; Winter wheat patents, \$4.50; strong bakers', \$4.60; straight rollers, \$4 to \$4.25; in bags, \$1.75 to \$1.85. Rolled oats—Per barrel, \$4.15; bag of 90 lbs., \$1.95. Corn—American No. 3 yellow, 59 to 59½c. Mill-feed—Bran, Ontario, \$22 to \$23; Manitoba, \$21 to \$23; middlings, Ontario, \$24 to \$25; shorts, Manitoba, 23 to \$25; moullie, \$25 to 30. Eggs—Fresh, 17 to 19c. Cheese—Westerns, 11½ to 11¾c. Butter—Choice, 25 to 25½c; seconds, 23 to 24½c.

#### LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, April 18.—Choice steers brought 6½c; good, 6 to 6½c; fairly good, 5½ to 5¾c; fair, 5 to 5½c, and the lower grades, 4½ to 4¾c per lb. Cows sold at from 3½ to 5½c, and bulls at from 4 to 5½c per lb. Hogs scored a further decline of 25c per 100 lbs. Calves, \$10 to \$12, and the lower grades from that down to \$2 each. Old sheep brought from \$5 to \$10 each, and Spring lambs from \$4 to \$9 each.

#### UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Buffalo, April 18.—Wheat—Spring No. 1 Northern, carloads store, \$1.04-1.3; Winter scarce. Corn—No. 3 yellow, \$4.1-8c; No. 4 yellow, 53c; No. 3 corn, 52 to 52½c; No. 4 corn, 50¼ to 50½c, all on track, through

# SPRING OPENING IN THE WEST

## Telegram From Immigration Commissioner Gives Strong Facts

A despatch from Ottawa says: The following are extracts from a telegram from Mr. J. Bruce Walker, Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, to the Superintendent of Immigration at Ottawa:—

"Seeding is general this week throughout the whole of western Canada. The seed bed is in fine condition, while the moisture is everywhere abundant."

"Five thousand overseas immigrants, most of them from England, arrived in Winnipeg during the first three days of this week."

"The Canadian Northern Railway is calling for tenders for the construction of the mountain section in British Columbia, running through the Fraser and Thompson canyon, its cost approximating fifteen million dollars."

"During the year ending March 31st last 33,853 head of live stock entered Canada from the United States. Of this number 12,853 were horses. During the first ten days of April of this year one thousand cars of settlers' stock and effects passed through the gateway at North Portal, destined to Saskatchewan and Alberta. New settlers are entering western Canada during March and April at the average rate of fifteen hundred per

day. These are being absorbed by western communities rapidly and satisfactorily.

"Real estate values in farm and city property in the Province of Manitoba have advanced materially during this month. The increase in western lands in the prairie provinces runs from two to three dollars per acre since the first of March."

"Five special trains have passed through Emerson during this week, travelling via Chicago and Winnipeg, thence by Grand Trunk Pacific to Edmonton, carrying overseas immigrants and a large number of repatriated French-Canadians from the New England States."

"The Grand Trunk Pacific is calling for tenders and is ready to commence the erection immediately of a new palatial hotel in Winnipeg city."

"Building permits in Winnipeg, Vancouver, and Calgary during the month of March aggregate three million dollars."

"The work of reconstructing the Brandon Asylum for the Insane, which was burned down in the early part of last winter, has commenced. The contract has been let to a local firm and the new structure will cost one and a half million dollars."

some months in the hospital. It seems she had awaited the opportunity to get even.

### PLAGUE ABATING.

#### But Lawlessness on the Part of the Chinese Continues.

A despatch from Seattle, Washington says: Lawlessness continues in Manchuria. Six Japanese were killed recently in a village on the Chinese Eastern Railway. While a party of Russian soldiers were proceeding along the border near Harbin, they were fired at by 200 Chinese troops. The Russian fled. The abatement of the plague in Manchuria continues.

### FARM LABOR SCARCE.

#### Big Wages Being Paid by Farmers in Western Ontario.

A despatch from Chatham says: Scarcity of farm labor through the entire Western Ontario Peninsula has grown to an acute question with the farmers. So scarce are farm hands that big wages are being paid to inexperienced men by the farmers who are up against the question of getting their work done, and having men to do it. The increased acreage in tobacco plant through the western counties has considerable to do with the shortage, more being required to look after the plants.

billed. Oats—No. 2 white, 36½c; No. 3 white, 35½c; No. 4 white, 35c. Barley—Malting, \$1.06 to \$1.10.

Minneapolis, April 18.—Wheat—May, 94½c; July, 95-7-8c; September, 89-1-8c. Cash—No. 1 hard, 98½c; No. 1 Northern, 97½c; 98½c; No. 2 Northern, 94 to 96½c; No. 3 wheat, 91½ to 94½c. Bran—\$21.50 to \$22. Flour—First patents, \$4.45 to \$4.75; do., seconds, \$4.35 to \$4.65; first clears, \$2.95 to \$3.40; do., seconds, \$1.95 to \$3.60.

### CUT OFF HUSBAND'S HEAD.

#### Woman in Hospital for Months from Wounds He Inflicted.

A despatch from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., says: Peter Napolitina, an Italian, living near James street, Little Italy, known here as Peter Naplesik, was killed on Sunday evening by his wife, Margery. The woman admits having committed the murder and is now in jail. Napolitina was employed on the night shift at the steel plant, and was asleep in bed when his wife attacked him with an axe. The first blow struck him on the forehead and nearly severed the crown of his head. Four blows followed, the last one all but severing the head from the body. The woman then proceeded out on to the street and told passers-by what she had done. The murder is the echo of the case last Fall, when Napolitina returned home unexpectedly, and stabbed her several times. She was for

# CHAMPAGNE RIOTS IN FRANCE

## 7,000 Men March on Epernay—Troops Charge With Bayonets

A despatch from Chalons-sur-Marne, France, says: The rioting in the wine district threatens to assume the proportions of the widespread disorders in the champagne districts four years ago, which resulted in the proclamation of martial law. Wine presses and wine cellars in several towns have been demolished, and hundreds of thousands of bottles of champagne destroyed.

At Damery six wine houses were wrecked, and the streets so littered with broken bottles and a mixture of mud and wine that traffic has been impeded.

At Ventuil the rioters destroyed several large wine presses, and the troops were forced to charge with fixed bayonets before the mob could be dispersed.

Seven thousand wine-makers, well organized, were marching on Epernay the champagne entrepot, from Damery with the intention of destroying the Epernay wine cellars. Several thousand troops have been concentrated at Epernay and at other threatened points in that vicinity. The troops are awaiting the advancing manifestants and

have received orders to use every endeavor to preserve order and prevent the destruction of property.

A despatch from Damery, Department of Marne, France, says: The "champagne" riots, which began in this department on Tuesday, were continued on Wednesday morning by the excited populace. Wine cellars are being destroyed and the disorder is spreading in spite of the presence of troops called out to preserve order. During the progress of the advance they sang revolutionary hymns and waved red standards. This they did to disown the Government, which they affirm has abandoned them to ruin. They declare the Government acted as a result of the steps taken by the makers of inferior grades of wine. The column had reached the town of Ay at noon. Co-operating with another band, which had reached Ay from a different direction, the rioters proceeded to Ventuil, where they destroyed the huge wine presses. Troops, which had hurriedly been despatched to Ventuil, charged and dispersed the mob, but not until the manifestants had accomplished their purpose.