NINE MEN WERE KILLED

Premature Discharge of Dynamite Causes Havoc on the Transcontinental.

A despatch from Kenora, Ont., says: Buried under an avalanche of rock from a dynamite explosion, nine men lost their lives at Simmons' sub-contract on the Transcontinental Railway construction, about two miles east of the Winnipeg River on Thursday afternoon. The dead are:—Harvey Bradley, George Munser, Thomas Burgess, Englishmen; Robert Gray, a Scotchman; Christopher Wagelein, a Dutchman; Dymytro Jehemac, a Russian, and Getulio Roberti, Pasqualate Trimbuli, Luigi Biribin, Italian. The injured are:—A. McDonald and Patrick Shorten.

All the dead men were muckers, working in a deep rock cut, while the two injured were engaged in loading drill holes at the top of the cut, when the explosion occurred. The holes, which were 18 feet deep, had been "sprung" on Monday, and should have been cool. At the time of the accident, nearly two boxes of dynamite had been placed in one of the holes. The loaders were using wooden tamp-sticks, and what caused the explosion is a mystery.

The force of the explosion was mostly expended at the bottom of the cut, and it seemed to shoot the rock right out on the unfortunate muckers, who were working there, and for this reason the two men at the top owe their escape from death. Eight of the men were killed outright, while the other man died while being taken to the hospital. McDonald and Shorten, the loaders, were thrown a few feet by the concussion, and were badly injured about the face and arms. They will recover, however.

The work of recovering the mangled bodies of the dead men from under the mass of rock under which they were buried took several hours.

A pathetic feature in connection with the accident, is that the wives of two of the Englishmen who were killed are now on the ocean on their way to Canada to join their husbands.

MAN DEAD, WIFE MAY DIE.

Brutal Murder Committed in Vancouver on Saturday.

A despatch from Vancouver, B. C., says: A waterfront murder of a most brutal type occurred early on Saturday morning. The victim was an Irish fisherman named Pat O'Brien. His throat was cut from ear to ear. He had been dead probably ten hours when the police became aware that a crime had been committed. The dead man's Indian wife was also frightfully injured. Her throat is cut and gashed, and though she was taken to the General Hospital and is still alive, it will be almost a miracle if she recovers. A negro, name unknown, is suspected of the terrible crime. The killing followed a row in which liquor played a prominent part. The police on Saturday night arrested a negro named James Moor, who has been identified as the man seen hanging around the scene of the murder.

TWO BROTHERS DROWNED.

Their Boat Upset While Fishing at Cornwall.

A despatch from Cornwall says: Two young Englishmen, James and Albert Lillie, aged respectively 18 and 12 years, were drowned in the St. Lawrence here on Saturday afternoon. The Lillies came here about a year ago from Elgin, England, and although unfamiliar with the currents and eddies of the St. Lawrence they were fond of fishing. They were in a boat about 75 yards from shore when the current from the by-wash at lock 17 upset their craft. The older boy held on to the boat till he saw a lad named Archambault coming to Alfred's assistance, when he let go. Archambault, fearing that the two drowning boys would pull him under, turned back. Neither of the Lillies could swim, and they soon disappeared.

DIED IN HIS CHURCH PEW.

Sudden End of Daniel McIntosh, an Aged Man.

A despatch from Toronto says: While sitting in his pew in Chalmers Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning, Mr. Daniel McIntosh, an aged member, and an elder of the church, suddenly fell over dead. He had walked to the church from his home at 135 Beatrice street, and upon his arrival there had complained of shortness of breath. He was not in his seat more than a few moments when he expired. Rev. Mr. McPherson, the pastor, was so much affected that when news came from the vestry, to which Mr. McIntosh had been removed, that death had followed the attack, he dismissed the congregation.

EARLY AND GOOD.

Fine Sample of Growing Wheat From Springhill District, Man.

A despatch from Neepawa, Manitoba, says: Wheat 21 inches high was brought into the registry office on Saturday by Spara Ward of Springhill district. It shows the shot blade plainly and the head is at the lowest joint. It was pulled from a field of summer fallow, which from this indication should ripen about August 4th. Apparently an average season from now till harvest will bring an excellent crop of wheat, ripe not later than August 10th.

EARL OF DERBY DEAD.

Was Governor-General of Canada From 1888 to 1893.

A despatch from London says: Frederick Arthur Stanley, sixteenth Earl of Derby, who was Governor-General of Canada from 1888 to 1893, bearing then the title of Lord Stanley of Preston, died suddenly here on Sunday.

DEATH BY GASOLINE FUMES.

Italian Suffocated While in Pit at Stratford Shops.

A despatch from Stratford says: An extraordinary fatality occurred at the G. T. R. shops here on Friday afternoon when Antonio Pasquale, an Italian workman, was asphyxiated by gasoline gas while working at the botton of an underground reservoir pit. A companion, who was with him at the time drawing gasolene, was also rendered unconscious, but was finally resuscitated. The rescued man says Pasquale complained of a headache and sat down. He seated himself beside him, but could not get up. Pasquale's head dropped and then he fell in a heap. At this stage he himself lost consciousness and his memory was a blank until he opened his eyes in the outer air.

STURGEON LAKE GOLD.

Samples That Assay Seventy Dollars to the Ton.

A despatch from Port Arthur says: A rich gold find is reported from the vicinity of Sturgeon Lake, where four prospectors, Messrs. T. Fay, H. Bell, C. Hickler and P. Hassard, have been working. The former two came in on Thursday, bringing with them some fine samples of quartz, and have registered claims in the name of their syndicate. The assays show $70 to the ton. Fifteen veins have been found on their claims, one of which is eight feet wide, and can be traced for two hundred yards.

ACCUSED OF CAUSING FIRE

Chester Buckberough, Tillsonburg Blacksmith, Under Arrest.

A despatch from Tillsonburg, Ont., says: Chester Buckberough, a man about thirty years of age, and well known about town, was arrested by Provincial Detective Miller shortly after 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon on suspicion of being concerned in the burning of the Queen's Hotel on May 20 last, when three persons lost their lives and five others were seriously injured.

Detective Miller and Chief of Police John Thilton have been quietly working on the case ever since the fire, and believe they have a strong case against the prisoner. They have established a motive and possess evidence that points very strongly toward Buckberough. Last February, after Buckberough had been placed on the "list as a person to whom liquor must not be served," John Mero, proprietor of the burned hotel, had him arrested for trespass. It is said that the man nursed a passionate desire for vengeance, and was heard by several persons to assert that he would one day "get even with Mero." At the time of the fatal fire Buckberough was observed hanging around the locality shortly after the alarm was given.

The prisoner was taken before Justices of the Peace Hills and Stinson and remanded for a week. He was then removed to Woodstock jail, and will be lodged there until Thursday next, when he will be brought back to Tillsonburg for preliminary hearing on a charge of arson.

Buckberough at the time of his arrest was working as a blacksmith, but is not noted about town for any regularity of occupation, and hotelkeepers were not allowed to supply him with liquor. He is married, but for some time has been separated from his wife.

LEADING MARKETS

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, June 16.—Ontario Wheat — No. 2, white and red in rather free supply, between 86c and 87c outside; No. 2 mixed, a little lower on same basis.

Manitoba Wheat—Dull market; quotations at Georgian Bay ports, No. 1 northern, $1.09; No. 2 northern, $1.06; No. 3 northern, $1.03½.

Oats — No. 2 white, comparatively steady, between 46c and 47c outside; No 2 mixed, 44c.

Corn—No. 3 yellow, offering lower at 79c to 80c, but still above the market; no business.

Flour — Manitoba patents special brands, $6; seconds, $5.40; strong bakers', $5.30; winter wheat patents, easier, offering now at $3.30.

Barley—No. 2, fairly plentiful at 55c to 58c.

Peas—No. 2, practically all gone; nominal price 92c.

Rye—No. 2, some inquiry, but none offering; quotation about 88c.

Buckwheat—No. 2, market pretty well cleaned up; nominally quoted 64½c to 65c.

Bran—Prices begin to decline; offered outside at $18.50 to $19; about $20.50 track here.

Shorts—$21 outside.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Wholesale quotations are:—

Eggs—New-laid, 17c to 17½c.

Honey—Strained steady at 11c to 12c per pound for 60-pound pails, and 12c to 13c for 5 to 10-pound pails. Combs at $1.75 to $2.50 per dozen.

Butter—The market is steady, but prices are not yet down to a storage or export level.

Creamery, prints	21c to 22c
do solids	19c to 20c
Dairy prints, choice	18c to 19c
do prints, ordinary	16c to 18c
do tub	17c to 18c
Inferior	15c to 16c

Potatoes—Prices of Ontarios are about 10c lower. Very few Delawares are coming through now; Ontarios, 70c to 80c; Delaware, 90c to 95c in car lots on track here.

Beans—$1.90 to $2 for primes, and $2 to $2.10 for hand-picked.

Cheese—Per pound, 11¾ to 12c.

Baled Straw—At $7.50 to $8.50.

Baled Hay—Timothy is quoted at $11 to $12 per ton in car lots on track here.

PROVISIONS.

Pork—Short cut, $22 to $22.50 per barrel; mess, $18.50 to $19.

Lard—Tierces, 11¾c; tubs, 12c; pails, 12¼c.

Smoked and Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, 10½c to 11c, tons and cases; hams, medium and light, 13½c to 14c; hams, large, 11½c to 12c; backs, 16c to 16½c; shoulders, 9¾c to 10c; rolls, 10c to 10½c; breakfast bacon, 14c to 15c; green meats, out of pickle, 1c less than smoked.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, June 16.—Flour—Manitoba spring wheat patents, $6.10 to $6.20; second patents, $5.50 to $5.70; winter wheat patents, $5.25 to $5.75; straight rollers, $4.25 to $4.50; in bags, $2 to $2.15; extra, $1.50 to $1.75.

Rolled Oats—$2.75 in bags of 90 pounds.

Oats—No. 2, 52c to 53c; No. 3, 49c to 50c; No. 4, 48c to 48½c; rejected, 46½c to 47c; Manitoba rejected, 48c to 48½c.

Cornmeal—$1.75 to $1.85 per bag.

Millfeed—Ontario bran in bags, $21 to $22; shorts, $23 to $24; Manitoba bran in bags, $23; shorts, $24 to $25.

Butter—Is quoted at a wide range, 20c to 22½c per pound.

Eggs—Selected, 18c; No. 1, 16½c to 17c, and No. 2, 14c per dozen.

Flour—Choice spring wheat patents, $6.10; seconds, $5.50; winter wheat patents, $5; straight rollers, $4.50 to $4.75; do., in bags, $2.12 to $2.25; extra, $1.70 to $1.80.

Provisions—Barrels short cut mess, $22.50; half barrels, $11.50; clear fat backs, $23; dry salt long clear backs, 11c; barrels plate beef, $17.40; half barrels do., $9; compound lard, 8¾c to 9¼c; pure lard, 12½c to 13c; kettle rendered, 13c to 13½c; hams 12½c to 14c, according to size; breakfast bacon, 14c to 15c; Windsor bacon, 15c to 16c; fresh-killed abattoir-dressed hogs, $9.25 to $9.50; live, $6.75.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Milwaukee, June 16.—Wheat—Quiet; No. 1 Northern, $1.09 to $1.11; No. 2 Northern, $1.07 to $1.08½; July, 86¼ to 86⅝c. Rye—No. 1, 79c. Barley—Dull, No. 1, 57c; sample, 47 to 58c. Corn — No 3, 71½c; July, 67⅞c asked.

Minneapolis, June 16.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, $1.07¾ to $1.08¼; No. 1 Northern, $1.05¾ to $1.06¼; No. 2 Northern, $1.03¾ to $1.04¼; No. 3 Northern, 99¾ to $1.02¼; July, $1.02; Sept., 87⅜ to 87½c. Bran—In bulk, $19.75 to $20.00. Flour—First patents, $5.45 to $5.60; second patents, $5.30 to $5.45; first clears, $4.25 to $4.35; second clears, $3.55 to $3.65.

Buffalo, N. Y., June 16. — Wheat — Spring, easy; No. 1 Northern, $1.07 in carloads; Winter, steady; No. 2 red, 96c. Corn—Cash, lower; No. 2 yellow, 76c; No. 2 white, 77c. Oats—Steady; No. 2 white, 55 to 55½c; No. 2 mixed, 51¼c. Barley—60c. Rye—88c; No. 1 on track. Canal freights, Wheat, 5c to New York.

New York, June 16.—Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red, 98c elevator; No. 2 red, 99c spot f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, $1.15⅝ f.o.b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, $1.04¼ f.o.b. afloat.

CATTLE MARKET.

Toronto, June 16.—Quite a number of very select exporters' were on the market, and for these from $6 to $6.40 was paid. A few very choice butchers' sold at over $6. Good cows were rather hard to get, and were in strong demand. In some cases as high as $5.25 was paid for specially good ones. The poorer grades, however, were weak, selling down to $2.50 for old grass cows.

There is still a good demand for stockers. They bring from $3.25 to $4.50.

Milk cows are not wanted quite so much, but good ones can always demand a good price.

Although there was a pretty liberal run of calves the market was firm at $5 to $5.50. Sheep were steady, but the trade in them is quiet at present. There has been a scarcity of good quality lambs this spring, which makes a wide range in the prices.

All the hogs were taken for the local trade at unchanged prices, namely, $6, fed and watered off cars Toronto, and $5.75 f.o.b.

GOOD CROPS AND ECONOMY

Two Things Mr. Byron E. Walker Says Canada Needs.

A despatch from Toronto says: "What Canada needs is a good crop and a year of economy. That will bring us back to normal.'

This was the statement Mr. Byron E. Walker, President of the Bank of Commerce, made on Wednesday, regarding the outlook this year. The bank has received crop reports from all over the west, and the outlook is said to be particularly hopeful.

"A good crop would not alone be sufficient," continued Mr. Walker, "and perhaps it is because we have not been badly enough punished that we do not fully realize that. The West may think that the depression was caused by a bad crop. As a matter of fact the bad crop was only an incident. The depression would have come without it. In the States they had good crops, got more for their cereals, and their cotton than before, but they had worse trouble financially than Canada had.

"The real cause of depression was the tendency and the practice of people in living ahead of themselves. If there is a splendid crop and Canadians have not learned their lesson, they will start cutting the same wide swath of over-expenditure. Then there will be the same inevitable trouble following. The country needs a year of economy.

"The natural result of a good crop will be that money will be easier. Municipalities will find themselves able to sell their bonds. Some of them, perhaps, will take advantage of this to plunge into improvements on the old large scale. This will not be justified, for the country needs caution as well as crop."

A despatch from Montreal says: In an interview Sir George Drummond, President of the Bank of Montreal, spoke in generally favorable terms as to the outlook of business throughout the country. Sir George said that he did not expect to see a complete recovery of trade conditions in a very near future, but with good crops the Dominion would surely experience a complete renewal of its trade activities.

"A great deal," continued Sir George, "necessarily depends on the success of our next harvest, and from present indications there is every reason to expect bountiful crops. There is as much money in Canada to-day as ever; but one sees a certain lack of present confidence, which, however, will gradually disappear. In some quarters people are asking for cheaper money, but I do not expect to see lower rates in Canada, at least for the present.

"I am of the opinion that speculation in stocks or business generally should be discouraged, as present business conditions do not warrant it. However, I fail to see any reason for uneasiness, as all signs indicate that there will be steady and certain recovery in all lines of products and industries."

PRESIDENT ROY ARRESTED.

Latest Move in the Bank of St. John Failure.

A despatch from Montreal says: An important move was made in the Bank of St. John affairs on Thursday night when Hon. Philippe Roy, former President of the bank, was arrested on a charge of making false returns to the Government. It is alleged that in the current loan columns of the returns sent to the Government were found promissory notes long since outlawed, and which are without any value whatever. The arrest was made through Crown Prosecutor Hibbard, who acted under instructions from the Attorney-General. Mr. Roy was allowed out on bail of $2,000, and will be tried as soon as the necessary steps can be taken. It is said that the liabilities of the bank amount to over $500,000, and the assets to not more than $200,000. Mr Roy is personally very wealthy, being the owner of the St. John's waterworks and electric light plant, and other industries in the town and Province. He was Speaker of the last Provincial Legislature, and ran for Mayor of Montreal last February, being defeated by Mr. Louis Payette.

MAY BUILD NEW WELLAND CANAL.

Important Statement by the Minister in the House.

A despatch from Ottawa says: In the House of Commons on Thursday morning Hon. Mr. Graham intimated that it was the intention of the Government to procure estimates of the cost of deepening the Welland Canal to a draught of 25 feet, and also of the cost of an entirely new canal. He had been told by engineers it would be cheaper to build a new canal. In reply to Mr. Lancaster, Mr. Graham said he was prepared to say that if we were to carry our own traffic as well as American traffic the Welland Canal would have to be deepened. As to the new canal, the scheme would reduce the number of locks 75 per cent., and though he could not say definitely, he thought the cost would approximate $25,000,000 or $30,000,000. There were advantages in the new canal owing to the shorter distances and fewer locks.

CROPS ARE FLOURISHING.

Trip of C. P. R. Land Commissioner Through Three Provinces.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Mr. J. Doupe, Assistant Land Commissioner for the C. P. R., has returned from a trip covering almost the entire three Provinces, and gives it as his opinion that he has never seen such magnificent crops nor the promise of such abundant yields. Out in Alberta the fall wheat is up from twenty-four to thirty inches, and in some places is in the shot blade.

A despatch from Lethbridge says: The benefit to the crops from the great rains will more than compensate for any loss from high water. Fall wheat can now get along without any more rain till the harvest time.

Carleton county jurors will receive $2.50 per day hereafter.

Special pensions will be issued at the instance of Col. Hughes, M.P., by the War Office to needy British veterans in Canada.

WIFE MURDER AND SUICIDE

Discarded Husband Perpetrator of Double Crime on Farm in New Ontario.

A despatch from Cobalt says: The village of Earlton, about 25 miles north of here, was stirred by a double tragedy on Wednesday afternoon, when Chas. E. Marshall, aged 32 years, shot and killed his wife, aged 24 years, and then shot himself, blowing the top of his head off. The tragedy happened on the farm of Mrs. Marchall's father, Absalom Gray, about one mile from the town.

Marshall first met his wife while he was attached to a regiment of the U. S. A., stationed in Fort Niagara, about five years ago. They were married at Lewiston, N. Y., about a year ago. They came to this country on a visit from Niagara Falls, and returned on Dec. 17th last to take up their abode, Marshall getting work on the farm of his wife's brother, James Gray.

About a week ago Marshall went back to Niagara Falls, his wife refusing to live with him any longer. Shortly after he went away they received a letter saying that he would repent if his wife would come back to him. The day before he came back he wrote and said he would be away for a year. He returned, however, on the Cobalt special on Wednesday morning. Instead of taking the road to the farm he struck off through the woods.

Marshall's father-in-law saw him coming and suspecting that something was wrong he started towards the house. When within a few feet of the building he heard four shots and on entering the house found Marshall lying on the dining-room floor dead with the top of his head blown off and his daughter in the kitchen dying. When he got to his daughter she said, "He killed me, father," and expired. She was shot through the arm, right thigh, and in the breast.