PASTOR ACCUSED OF MURDER

A Reward for the Arrest of Rev. J. H. Carmichael.

A despatch from Port Huron says: By means of two false teeth it was definitely established on Friday afternoon that Gideon Browning, a carpenter of Adair Village, was the man who was butchered on Tuesday evening of last week in the little Rattle Run Methodist Church in Columbus Township.

With part of the mystery which has enshrouded the brutal crime thus cleared, the supervisors of St. Clair County immediately offered a reward of $500 for the arrest of Rev. John H. Carmichael of Adair, pastor of the little church, and the man who was at first supposed to have been killed, dismembered and then burned in the church stoves, thus becomes the alleged murderer. He is a man over 6 feet tall, weighing more than 200 pounds.

Strenuous efforts to discover some motive for the destruction of the carpenter by the minister were fruitless. Rumors that Carmichael had been seen crossing the St. Clair River into Canada could not be corroborated. An officer sent to St. Thomas, Ont., reported no trace of him there.

The wife and daughter of the minister were examined on Friday by the prosecuting attorney here, and he stated afterward that he was convinced that they knew nothing of the murderer nor the man's disappearance. A statement by Mrs. Carmichael, that her husband's sister is an inmate of an insane asylum in West Virginia, may explain some of the horrible features of the crime, if the authorities' suspicious about Rev. Mr. Carmichael are borne out. Mrs. Carmichael also said that her husband was moody and restless the night before he disappeared, and apparently brooding over something.

It was also learned that on Monday, the day before the murder, Rev. Mr. Carmichael came to the post-office in Adair, apparently much agitated and perturbed, and received a letter which he took away without opening.

ADULTERATED PEPPER.

One of the Worst Articles of Food Sold in Canada.

A despatch from Ottawa says: A bulletin has been issued by the Inland Revenue Department giving the results of analysis of 298 samples of ground pepper sold throughout the Dominion. Of 146 samples sold as white pepper, 32, or 22 per cent., were adulterated, and of 152 samples sold as black pepper 37, or 24 per cent., were adulterated. While the results show considerable improvement over the analyses made in previous years, the bulletin points out that ground peppers still remain one of the most badly adulterated articles of food in Canada. Some of the adulterated samples contained sand, cocoanut shells and various forms of dirt. The chief centres of adulteration are in and about Montreal and Winnipeg.

ATTACKED WITH A HAMMER.

Wife of Manitoba Farmer Victim of Hired Man.

A despatch from Brandon, Manitoba, says: Mrs. Hunter Cooper, wife of a well known farmer living near Bradwardine, while driving home on Wednesday was attacked by the hired man, named Harry Scarr, an Englishman, 18 years of age. Armed with a hammer, Scarr struck Mrs. Cooper a number of times over the head, fracturing her skull. He then went to Bradwardine, and meeting Mr. Cooper informed him of what he had done. Scarr was kept under surveillance for a few hours and then arrested and placed in a box car awaiting transportation to jail here.

KILLED BY BROTHER.

Shot Aimed at Rabbit Entered Man's Leg.

A despatch from Petrolea says: James Bullock was shot and killed on Thursday by his brother Bert, who aimed at a running rabbit and hit James in the leg. The accident took place on the farm of John Doyle, near Oil Springs.

WILL COST TWO LIVES.

Dynamite Explosion in Transcontinental Railway Camp.

A despatch from Kenora says: Another tragedy involving the death of one man and the fatal injury of another from an explosion of dynamite occurred in McCrea & Courtney's construction camp on the National Transcontinental last Monday. The dead man was Hendrickson, a Swede, and the injured man is named Anderson. They were spooning out a hole which had been sprung a few days previously, when the iron struck part of an unexploded cartridge and a terrific explosion followed. The injured man is in the hospital here.

C. P. R. WESTERN LINES.

Thirty Million Dollars Required This Year.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Thirty million dollars was mentioned on Thursday at the local offices of the Canadian Pacific as the sum which Second Vice-President Whyte will ask from the treasury of the company to be expended on western lines during the season of 1909. Mr. Whyte will leave for the east on Friday and will spend the following week in Montreal. He will be accompanied by the chief engineer for western lines, J. E. Schwitzer, who for several weeks past has been devoting his entire time to a consideration of the work to be done next year in connection with the building of additional track and betterment and maintenance of existing lines.

FIVE MEN FROZEN TO DEATH.

Report Received at Edmonton From Beyond Pembina River.

A despatch from Edmonton, Alta. says: A report has been received here of five men being frozen to death 150 miles west of here and beyond Pembina River. Meagre information to hand says the victims were all Frenchmen, who left Stony Plain three days ago, intending to travel to Macleod, and that they all met their melancholy fate just a short distance beyond the 109th mile house.

MOUNTED POLICE MISSING

It Is Feared They Have Been Drowned in Hudson's Bay.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Messrs. R. D. Fry, F. Peters, and E. Morrier, surveyors, who have been working at Fort Churchill for some months, the latter two being engaged in laying out a townsite there under the direction of the Dominion Government, arrived in Winnipeg on Wednesday morning after an arduous trip in by dog train. All three were clothed in the Esquimau garb of reindeer skins. They bring the startling intelligence that two patrols of mounted police have been lost in the vicinity of Churchill and Fullerton. One of the missing parties was in charge of Inspector Peltier of the R.N.W.M.P., and the other was in charge of Sergt. Donaldson. Inspector Peltier, accompanied by a party of Indians, left Athabasca Landing early this year for Chesterfield Inlet, on the annual patrol trip, and in search of missing Geological Surveyor Caldwell, who has been lost for two years in the north. In August Sergt. Donaldson left Churchill for Fullerton, the northest point north in Canada inhabited by white men, to meet Inspector Peltier. Both parties were to return to Churchill by September 1, but as yet have not shown up. Sergt. Donaldson was in charge of a squad of four, Corporal Reeves, an interpreter and two Esquimos. They travelled in one of the small coast steamers from Fort Churchill, and it is thought that this vessel may have capsized on the Hudson Bay. A party was sent out from Fort Churchill on November 22 by Major Moody to search for the missing men. They are travelling by dog train, and will go north to Fullerton. "Hudson Bay is always open," said Mr. Morrier, when asked about navigation on the Bay. At Churchill the ice left on July 10, and it froze over again on November 10. The Hudson Bay steamer Pelican was at Churchill in August. In July it was tied up at York Factory for twelve days, on account of ice in the mouth of the river. The only place where serious trouble would be encountered would be at the Straits, where the ice blocks up, but there is said to be an open channel through this.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

CANADA.

Alex. McDonald, known as "The King of the Klondike," died suddenly at Clear Creek.

An important drainage project to apply to the whole Province is being considered by the Government.

The C. P. R. is giving a low rate on grain shipments west to encourage the Pacific expert trade.

The C. P. R. will probably withdraw the half-rate fares granted to ministers in parts of the west.

The Passenger Agents' Association has refused to grant excursion rates to the Montreal Winter Carnival.

Game and fishery licenses and fines for violations of the game laws aggregated $30,000 during 1908, in Ontario.

C. De Forbes was sentenced at Winnipeg to twenty-three months in jail for forgery and misappropriation of funds.

Mr. T. S. Acheson has been appointed grain agent of the C. P. R., to control the transportation of the western crop.

Recorder Dupuis of Montreal severely criticizes Rev. Arthur French's methods of fighting the social evil in that city.

The Winnipeg City Council let contracts amounting to a million dollars for the construction of a municipal power plant.

A large amount of money will be spent in improvement to the plant of the Lake Superior corporation at Sault Ste. Marie, according to Mr. Clergue.

Irene Haffy, a Welland girl, was saved from drowning in a most gallant manner by Donald McElvride, after she had broken through the ice while skating.

The Board of Trade of Vancouver has sent a protest to Sir Wilfrid Laurier against the poaching of American fishermen in the waters around Queen Charlotte Island.

It was stated at the annual meeting of the Eastern Ontario Dairymen at Prescott that a cow could be kept through the winter at a cost of two dollers a month.

The C. N. R. is said to have made an agreement to build five hundred miles of new railway in Alberta, under Provincial bond guarantee of fifteen thousand dollars a mile.

GREAT BRITAIN.

It is expected that the new treaty between Britain and the United States will be signed in a few days.

Mr. Henniker Heaton says Mr. Lemieux's visit to England has given the movement for penny-a-word cables a decided impetus.

UNITED STATES.

The New York State Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution favoring reciprocity with Canada.

Four cattle rustlers were killed in a pitched battle with members of a vigilance committee near San Diego, Cal.

President Roosevelt has refused to allow Attorney-General Bonaparte to answer a question asked him by the Senate.

Five boys, whose ages run from eight to thirteen years, have been arrested at St. Louis, Mo., on a charge of murdering a peddler.

Eight night-riders accused at Union City, Tenn., of lynching Capt. Rankin were convicted of murder, six in the first degree, two in the second.

GENERAL.

Fifteen persons lost their lives in floods in Costa Rica.

The Shah of Persia has issued a manifesto revoking the constitution.

The Kaiser has decided to travel less and to live more simply this year.

Sixteen British sailors were drowned at Sydney, N.S.W., when their pinnace was sunk in a collision.

Australia will probably send a representative to the conference of the Governments interested in the all-red route.

It is understood that the Sultan of Turkey will use his influence to keep the Mohammedans of India loyal to British rule.

The French elections have resulted in a Government victory, the Radical-Socialist bloc making a net gain of fifteen seats.

Kang Yu Wei, the Chinese reform leader, has declared that Yuan Shi Kai bribed a physician to poison the late Emperor.

German manufacturers are complaining that the surtax of 20 per cent. levied on their goods has ruined their trade with Canada.

The Queen of Italy has organized a Sewing Society in the Quirinal at Rome, and noble ladies and workgirls toil together there, making clothes for earthquake sufferers.

The Government of Italy proposes to meet the financial consequences of the earthquake by levying a special land tax of five per cent., and a tax of one cent on each railway ticket sold.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

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

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Jan. 12.—Flour — Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents quoted at $3.70 to-day in buyers' sacks for export. Manitoba flour, first patents, $5.80 on track, Toronto; second patents, $5.30, and strong bakers', $5.10 to $5.20.

Wheat — Manitoba, $1.09 to $1.09½ for No. 1 Northern, at $1.06 for No. 2 Northern, and at $1.04 for No. 3 Northern, Georgian Bay ports. No. 1 Northern is quoted at $1.13, all rail, and No. 2 Northern at $1.10, all rail.

Ontario Wheat—No. 2 white, 94 to 94½c outside; No. 2 red Winter at 95c outside, and No. 2 mixed at 94c outside.

Oats—Ontario No. 2 white, 39 to 39½c outside, and at 41½ to 42c on track, Toronto; No. 2 Western Canada oats, 41½c, lake ports, and No. 1 feed, 42c, lake ports.

Rye—No. 2 quoted at 70c outside.

Barley—No. 2 at 55c outside; No. 3 extra at 53c and No. 3 at 51c.

Buckwheat—56 to 56½c outside.

Peas—No. 2 quoted at 86c outside.

Corn—No. 2 American yellow nominal at 67½ to 68c on track, Toronto, and No. 3 yellow at 60c Toronto.

Bran—Cars, $19.50 in bulk outside. Shorts, $21 to $22 in bulk outside.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Winter stock $3 to $4 per barrel for good qualities, and at $2 to $2.50 for cooking apples.

Beans—Prime, $1.70 to $1.75, and hand-picked, $1.80 to $1.85 per bush.

Honey—Combs, $2 to $2.75 per dozen, and strained, 10 to 11c per pound.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $10 to $10.50 per ton on track here, and No. 2 at $7 to $8.

Straw—$7 to $7.50 on track.

Potatoes—Ontarios 60c per bag. Delawares, 75 to 80c per bag on track.

Poultry—Chickens, dressed, 10 to 12c per pound; fowl, 7 to 9c; ducks, 10 to 12c; geese, 10 to 11c per pound; turkeys, 16 to 18c per pound.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 25 to 27c; tubs, 22 to 24c; inferior, 20 to 21c. Creamery rolls, 28 to 29c, and solids, 27c.

Eggs—Case lots of cold storage, 26 to 27c per dozen; selections, 30 to 31c, and new laid 40c per dozen.

Cheese—Large cheese, 13½c per pound, and twins, 13¾c.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 10¾ to 11c per pound in case lots; mess pork, $19 to $19.50; short cut, $22.50.

Hams—Light to medium, 13 to 13½c; do., heavy, 12c; rolls, 10½ to 10¾c; shoulders, 10 to 10½c; backs, 16 to 16½c; breakfast bacon, 14½ to 15c.

Lard—Tierces, 12¼c; tubs, 12½c; pails, 12¾c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Jan. 12.—Grain—Canadian Western No. 2 white oats at 46½c; extra No. 1 feed oats at 45½c; and No. 2 feed at 45c per bushel, in car lots, ex store. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts at $6, seconds at $5.50; Winter wheat patents, $5 to $5.25; straight roller, $4.60 to $4.70; do., in bags, $2.15 to $2.25; extra, $1.75 to $1.85. Feed—Manitoba bran, $21; shorts, $24; Ontario bran, $21 to $21.50; middlings, $24.50 to $25.50; shorts, $24.50 to $25 per ton, including bags; pure grain mouille, $30 to $32; milled grades, $25 to $28 per ton. Cheese—Westerns, 12¼ to 12½c, and Easterns at 11¾ to 12c. Butter—25½ to 26c, and September make at 26½ to 27c. Eggs—New-laid at 35c, selected stock at 27½ to 28c, and No. 1 stock at 24½ to 25c per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Buffalo, Jan. 12.—Wheat—Spring wheat, higher; No. 1 Northern, carloads, store, $1.14⅝; Winter, firm. Corn—Strong. Oats—Firm. Barley—Feed to malting, 62 to 70c

Minneapolis, Jan. 12.—Wheat—May, $1.09⅜ to $1.09½; July, $1.09⅜; cash No. 1 hard, $1.11 to $1.11¼; No. 1 Northern, $1.10 to $1.10¼; No. 2 Northern, $1.07½ to $1.08; No. 3 Northern, $1.04¼ to $1.06¼. Bran—$19.00. Flour—First patents, $5.40 to $5.65; second patents, $5.30 to $5.40; first clears, $4.00 to $4.10; second clears, $2.95 to $3.10.

Milwaukee, Jan. 12—Wheat — No. 1 Northern, $1.11½; No. 2 Northern, $1.09 to $1.10; May, $1.07⅝ asked. Rye—No. 1, 74½ to 75c. Corn—May, 61½c. Barley—Standard, 66½ to 67c; samples, 60½ to 65c; No. 3, 62 to 63c; No. 4, 60½ to 62c.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Toronto, Jan. 12.—Business was brisk; prices good and steady, with practically no change. Everything was cleared out before the market closed. A few extra choice cattle sold at good prices, but the export trade was only moderate, owing to the limited space available on vessels sailing next week. Good steers sold at $5.35. Butchers'—Business active; prices steady at last week's quotations, viz.: $4 to $4.50 for good cattle, and $4.50 to $4.80 for extra choice. Sheep—Firmer. Lambs—Steady. Hogs—Firm and unchanged.

MANY QUAKES YET TO COME

Likely to Occur in Sicily for Two Years Says Observatory Director

A despatch from Rome says: The people of Messina mourn more than anything else the destruction of their cathedral, the glory of Messina, which had been famous for centuries, defying all former earthquakes, with its beautiful cyclopic monolith column and glorious Norman, Angevin and Aragonese tombs of kings of Italy. All are ruined. The condition of the Calabarse Provinces is most desolate. They are an immense silent necropolis, stretching from the Ionian to the Tyrrhonian Sea.

Father Alfari, director of the Florence Observatory, is of the opinion that earthquakes will continue two or three years, being violent at the beginning and gradually decreasing. During the following three months shocks will be felt at Messina and Reggio. If of frequent occurrence they will be slight, if infrequent they will be violent. Hence Father Alfari warns the rescuers at Messina and Reggio to be cautious.

RESCUED ALIVE FROM RUINS.

Earthquakes continue at Messina. Most of the shocks are slight, but several have been rather violent, causing the collapse of several houses that remained standing after the shock of Dec. 28.

Ten persons were rescued alive from the ruins on Tuesday. Soldiers are burying the bodies found on the surface of the ruins. Two thousand were entrenched in deep ditches on Wednesday. Food is plentiful. The evacuation of Messina is being hastened. Survivors are arriving at Naples on every train. Five hundred arrived at Rome on Tuesday. A majority of them were forwarded to Milan and Genoa.

Gen. Mazza, who is in supreme command in the earthquake area, has telegraphed to Premier Gioletta that the securities of the Banca di Italia, the Banca Commerciale, the Navigazione Generale Italana and the Societa Veloce, have been recovered from the ruins of the buildings occupied by those concerns. He adds that help is being given to other banks and commercial firms in searching for their securities.

Dowager Queen Margherita will donate $200,000 to build and endow an orphanage for 100 children whose parents were killed in the recent earthquake.

An earthquake started a landslide on the mountain above Iocati, Sicily, on Wednesday. Several houses were demolished and four persons were killed.

The Bishop of Tropea, Calabria, reports that 500 churches in his diocese alone were destroyed by the earthquake.

TO REBUILD RUINED CITY.

A despatch from Rome says: A special session of the Chamber of Deputies, called to adopt measures for the alleviation of the situation in Calabria and Messina, met on Friday night. Over 400 members were present and the galleries were crowded with visitors. The scene was a most solemn and pathetic one. Signor Macora, president of the Chamber, made a speech commemorating those who lost their lives through the earthquake, to which the Deputies listened, standing in religious silence. Signor Macora was often interrupted by his own and the Deputies' sobs and weeping, especially the Sicilian and Calabrian Deputies, all of whom had lost relatives and friends in the disaster. He spoke feelingly of the tributes of sympathy shown by the entire world, and praised the King and Queen for being among the first to go to the stricken districts. He expressed gratitude for the help given by the vessels of the foreign navies, the men of which performed works of heroism, and had united with Italian soldiers and sailors to aid suffering humanity. He concluded his speech by declaring that the ruined cities would rise again. The only time the silence was broken in the course of the speech was when Signor Macora referred to the King and Queen and the foreign warships, at which the Deputies cheered.

Premier Giolitti presented a project of law regulating the situation. He thanked all the nations of the world for aid they had given. He also declared that Reggio and Messina would be rebuilt.

Slight earthquakes continue. The worst have occurred at Reggio, where several damaged buildings collapsed.

FELL ON ANOTHER MAN.

Peter Peterson Killed in Mine at Giroux Lake.

A despatch from Cobalt says: On Wednesday night another fatal accident took place at the Davis mine, Giroux Lake. Four men were engaged in a shaft down sixty-five feet; three had gone down the ladderway. Peter Peterson, a Finlander, single, aged 32, called down to his partners below that he was coming down a rope used on the whim for hoisting. Peterson started down the rope, which gave way, precipitating him to the bottom of the shaft sixty-five feet and killing him instantly. Peterson fell upon Mat Nearmee below. Nearmee is in the Red Cross Hospital. His injuries are not considered fatal unless complications set in.

FOUNDRIES HIRING MEN.

Rush of Orders for Iron Goods Sign of Good Times.

A despatch from Toronto says: The big foundries and factories are increasing their pay rolls in consequence of the rush of orders for iron goods. Managers of every important concern in the city anticipate a very busy season, and expect to have their shops running to the fullest capacity in a few weeks. The relations between the iron workers and moulders unions and the employers is most cordial, which makes the outlook for the men exceedingly bright.

THIEVES BUSY AT SIMCOE.

Police Force is in Jail and Public Can't Find Clue.

A despatch from Simcoe says: The office of J. B. Jackson, coal dealer, was entered on Thursday night. The safe was broken open and about $20 in silver was taken. There have been a number of petty robberies lately, and as the whole police force is in jail there is no clue to the thieves. No competent police protection has been provided by the town since Malone was arrested.

FORTY KILLED IN CHURCH.

Time-Worn Pillars of Ancient Building Gave Way.

A despatch from Berne, Switzerland, says: During divine service on Sunday an ancient church near Sion suddenly collapsed, burying the worshippers in the ruins. Practically all the members of the congregation were killed or injured. The wildest panic prevailed, those who escaped rushing through the field shouting that an earthquake had overtaken the village. Other villagers joined in the outcry and were with difficulty calmed. After an hour's exertion, the fire company of the place extricated 40 corpses, but it is believed that there is still a number under the timbers. Sixty persons were badly injured. The collapse of the church was caused by the time-worn pillars in the underground crypt giving away.

MAGISTRATE AND JAILER.

Take Part in a Free Fight at Ste. Agathe, Que.

A despatch from Montreal says: A sensational story is reported here from St. Agathe, a small town in the Laurentians, a short distance north of this city. While the trial of a man named Roberts was in progress Jailer Loiseau entered and ordered several witnesses to refuse to give evidence. The presiding Magistrate ordered a policeman to arrest the jailer, but he refused. The Magistrate then tried to make the arrest, but a free fight followed. A Judge then condemned the jailer for contempt of court, and ordered Bailiff Garceau to take charge of the jailer. Another fight followed in which the jailer came out best. The Magistrate has declared that he will resign unless the jailer is dismissed.

25 KILLED IN MINE.

Spark From Trolley Pole Ignited Pocket of Gas.

A despatch from Duquern, Illinois, says: A disastrous gas explosion, in which 25 men lost their lives occurred on Sunday in Joseph Leiter's famous colliery at Zegler. A spark from a trolley pole of an electric motor coming in contact with a pocket of gas is given as the cause of the explosion. Eight bodies yet remain in the mine, but they will be recovered before morning it is thought. Joseph Leither personally conducted the first relief party that descended into the mine to recover the bodies. The lone survivor of the explosion was an Italian youth who escaped unharmed.