DISASTER NEAR GRIMSBY

Express Struck Sleigh at Crossing, Crushing Out Five Lives.

A despatch from Grimsby, Ont., says: Speeding through the village in the half dark of the early morning, Grand Trunk express No. 8, eastbound on Saturday morning crashed into a sleigh full of people returning from a dance at Winona. Three persons were almost instantly killed, one died in a few minutes, another later in Hamilton hospital, and two were injured.

The dead are: Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson, Mr. George Teeter and his wife, and Gordon Nelson. Mrs. Teeter lived only a few minutes. The lives of three were snuffed out instantly.

INFANT'S MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.

Miss Lottie Teeter, aged seventeen, was badly shaken up, and is thought to be injured internally, though the doctors think she will recover. Gordon Nelson was taken to Hamilton hospital, where he succumbed later. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Teeter was with the party, and had a miraculous escape, receiving only a few bruises.

RUNNING AT HIGH SPEED.

The accident happened right in Grimsby, just east of the station. The express does not stop here, and was running at high speed, stated by some to be sixty miles an hour. The track is straight at this point, but the station and the dwelling-house opposite may have hidden the view of the approaching train from the driver of the sleigh. The engineer gave the customary warning whistles as he neared the crossing, the train crew claim, but they were unheard or heard too late, for the locomotive struck the sleigh as it was almost square on the rails.

DASHED AGAINST A SHANTY.

The terrified cry from those who saw the train at the last moment had not died away before the sleigh was dashed against the watchman's shanty and demolished. In the twinkling of an eye three of the party were crushed to death, and a fourth so injured as to succumb soon after. Both horses were instantly killed. The occupants of the sleigh were not thrown very far on account of the presence of the shanty, being simply jolted out.

PICKED UP THE DEAD.

The express was at once stopped, and kindly hands carried the dead and injured into the station building, close by. Dr. Morris and Dr. Smith were soon on the scene, and did what they could for those who were suffering. A trained nurse who was on her way to New York gave most timely aid to Miss Teeter. Dr. Morris went to Hamilton with Nelson on the regular westbound train at seven o'clock.

PARTY WERE HEAVILY MUFFLED.

The ill-fated rig was being driven back from Winona by William Wilson, who was employed by J. W. Van Dyke, and who, with his wife, was killed. The party were heavily muffled up to protect themselves from the frosty air, and this seems to be the only reason why the noise of the oncoming train was not heard. No doubt it was heard, but too late for the team to drag the sleigh from its grip on the steel rails.

SEVEN IN THE SLEIGH.

The five persons killed and the two injured composed the entire party, there being but seven in the sleigh. One of the survivors being an infant, there remains but Miss Teeter to tell the story of the disaster. Grimsby, and, indeed, the whole vicinity, is filled with deepest sorrow and consternation over the terrible event. One child of Mr. and Mrs. Teeter survives, in addition to the baby girl who was with the party, and escaped with slight bruises.

WILSONS LEAVE FIVE CHILDREN.

Five children of the Wilson family are left orphans. Four are at the home in Grimsby, and one in Hamilton, where he is undergoing an operation. There is a watchman stationed at this crossing during the day, but not at night. There are no gates at this point.

THE DEADLY COAL GAS.

Prince Edward County Family Nearly Asphyxiated.

A despatch from Kingston says: The family of Mr. Dulmage, Bloomfield, narrowly escaped asphyxiation on Friday morning. The father awoke from a partial stupor and roused the household. The lid of the coal stove had been left off and the house had filled with noxious gas. A boy of 12 and a 14-year-old daughter were unconscious for hours.

OTTAWA'S FIRE LOSS.

Only $71,876 Last Year, Compared With Half Million in 1907.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The total loss from fires in Ottawa during the last year was much smaller than it has been for many years. The total loss in 1908 was only $71,876.88, as compared with a total loss of over half a million the previous year.

A COMPLICATED BUSINESS

Success of Dairying Depends on the Farmers' Intelligence.

A despatch from Brantford says: The forty-seventh annual convention of the Western Ontario Dairymen's Association was held in this city on Wednesday, and proved the most successful gathering in the history of the association. President Creelman of the Ontario Agricultural College, and Deputy Minister of Agriculture C. C. James delivered addresses, in which was urged closer study and application to soil cultivation, which was the basic element to success in the dairying trade. Increased earnings as a result of tile-drained fields, said Mr. Creelman, paid for the expenditure in three years, according to practical experiences. He also adduced statistics to show the increase in productivity from propore variation of crops.

Deputy Minister James in his remarks pointed out that dairying proved the most difficult problem in manufacture. In this connection he instanced the various stages of the industry, from the cultivation of the soil, through plant production, to the animate life of a cow, whose milk-producing qualities depended on the former conditions. It was a complicated business, demanding the highest intelligence. He urged the clearing of swamp lands, the selection of the best seed, the weeding out of old cows, which were merely pensioners on the farms, a proper study of the feeding question, and the erection of well-equipped factories. These things would make dairying a wonderfully rich business, with the market of the world open to Canadians.

REVIEW OF THE INDUSTRY.

President Brodie reviewed the dairy industry for the past few years. From 1900 to 1907 the production of cheese had fallen off by 1,137 tons, but the price secured had been greater. Butter production had increased by 651 tons. The point was emphasized that increased production from the individual cow was the object to be attained. In western Ontario, particularly, the production of cheese and butter has more than been maintained during the past year.

C. F. Whitley delivered an address on the benefits derived from keeping the records of milk-production from each cow, by weighing the same three times a week. The directors again decided to promote a dairy herd competition, for which medals and cash prizes were offered. The principal winners last year were as follows:—John W. Cornish, Harrietsville, 8 Holstein, 7,234 pounds of milk and $68.50 per cow during the season of 6 months; Seymour Cuthbert, Sweaburg, 14 Holsteins, 7,200 pounds and $67.58 per cow; W. E. Thomson, Woodstock, 11 Holsteins, 7,000 pounds and $59.44 per cow.

SIBERIA'S BUTTER.

An address by J. A. Ruddick, Cold Storage Commissioner of the Dominion, on "Dairy Industry from the Canadian Standpoint," formed one of the closing features of the convention. The Siberian export of butter, he said, was now second in volume to the Danish, and threatened to enter into serious competition with the Canadian trade. The new trans-Siberian railway had opened up an enormous dairying territory, where people lived in primitive surroundings and where butter could be produced at a rate ruinous to Canadian industry, in which there was much higher scale of living. The chief hope of Canadians lay in bringing to dairy operations the advantages of science, the result of a more advanced civilization. There was a greater opportunity than generally believed in the encouragement of larger home consumption.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

CANADA.

A new canala from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario is projected.

Hampel's box factory in Brantford was burned. Loss $10,000.

Senator J. K. Kerr of Toronto, has been appointed Speaker of the Senate.

Mr. J. Lorne McDougall, ex-Auditor-General, died at Ottawa, on Friday.

Prof. Sexton of Halifax says Canada needs a national system of technical education.

Mr. Robert Fleming of Edinburgh and his associates have already put $6,000,000 into the Soo industries.

Ontario architects complain of the custom whereby United States architects are allowed to do business in Canada.

The contract for Montreal's ice palace has been let to Charles Thackery & Co. The building will cost about $7,000.

The Winnipeg City Council will probably buy the street railway and power plant from the company now operating them.

Ald. Lesperance of Montreal is accused of holding up a contract for the city stables until the contractor would pay him $1,000.

Professor Prince has been appointed by the Dominion Government to confer with the Provincial Governments regarding the fisheries.

Henry Dingle, a South African veteran, sold his land grant, and was robbed of the $400 he received for it in an Ottawa hotel, on Friday.

Former C. P. R. Agent Tully of Emerson, Man., has been sentenced to a month in jail for overcharging for tickets and pocketing the surplus.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Carrie Nation was arrested during a raid on a saloon in Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Sir Conan Doyle was operated on on Sunday for an intestinal affection. He is recovering.

The first step has been taken toward the formation of an International Shipowners' Union for the reduction of conpetition and the maintaining of freight charges.

UNITED STATES.

A bill has passed the Tenessee Senate prohibiting the sale of liquor within four miles of any schoolhouse in the State.

Prof. A. L. Lowel has been chosen by the corporation of Harvard University to succeed President Eliot, who retires in May.

The suit of the United States Government to dissolve the Standard Oil Company has already cost the litigants $10,000,000.

Owing to the disorganization caused by the earthquake the prices of lemons have advanced 75 cents to a dollar a box in New York.

Cardeno F. King, a former Boston broker, was sentenced to not less than ten years in prison for larceny and embezzlement.

The Hains trial at Flushing, N. Y., ended in the acquittal, on Friday, of the accused, who was charged with aiding his brother to murder Wm. E. Annis.

J. B. F. Rinehart, wrecker of the Farmers' and Drovers' National Bank at Waynesburg, Pa., has been sentenced to fifteen years in prison.

GENERAL.

Prussia will have a deficit of $44,000,000 this year.

The Duke of Connaught visited the ruins of Messina on Tuesday.

A telephone exchange has been installed at Lyons, France, by a Toronto company.

A revolt, threatening the existence of the monarchy, is believed to be imminent in Portugal.

A man was rescued alive from the ruins of Messina after having been a fortnight entombed.

Prof. Paterno, an eminent Italian scientist, declares Messina can never be rebuilt upon its former site.

General Stoessel and Admiral Nebogatoff have appealed for a pardon or the commutation of their sentences.

Admiral Rojestvensky, who commanded the Russian fleet at the disastrous battle of the Sea of Japan in 1905, is dead.

The British and United States Ministers at Pekin have asked the Chinese Foreign Board to give reasons for the dismissal of Yuan Shi Kai.

A SETTLER ASPHYXIATED.

Body Lay in Shanty Two Weeks Before it Was Discovered.

A despatch from Davidson, Sask., says: Another lonely homesteader has met a melancholy fate. The victim was Edward Marmoy, who lived eighteen miles west of here. He had been asphyxiated by coal gas, and the body lay in his shack for two weeks before it was discovered.

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. 19.—Flour—Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents, $3.70 in buyers' sacks outside for export. Manitoba flour, first patents, $8.50 on track, Toronto; second patents, $5.30, and strong bakers', $5.10 to $5.20.

Wheat—Manitoba wheat, $1.09 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, $1.13½, all rail, and No. 2 Northern at 1.10½, all rail.

Oats—Ontario No. 2 white, 39 to 40c outside, and at 42 to 42½c on track, Toronto; No. 2 Western Canada oats, 44½c lake ports, and No. 1 feed, 42c lake ports.

Rye—No. 2, 68 to 68½c outside.

Barley—No. 2 barley quoted at 56c outside; No. 3 extra at 54c, and No. 3 at 52c.

Buckwheat—56 to 56½c outside.

Peas—No. 2 quoted at 86 to 86½c outside.

Corn—No. 2 American yellow nominal at 67½c on track, Toronto, and No. 3 yellow at 66½c, Toronto; Canadian, 63½c.

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

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Winter stock, $3.50 to $4.50 per barrel for good qualities, and $2 to $3 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, $10.50 to $11 per ton on track here, and No 2, $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, 11 to 13c per pound; fowl, 8 to 9c; ducks, 11 to 13c; geese, 11 to 12c; turkeys, 17 to 18c per pound.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 25 to 26c; tubs and large rolls, 22 to 23c; inferior, 20 to 21c. Creamery rolls, 28 to 29c, and solids, 28c.

Eggs—Case lots of cold storage, 25 to 26c per dozen; selections, 29 to 30c, and new laid 33 to 35c per dozen.

Cheese—Large cheese, 13¼ to 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, 10¾ to 10¾c; shoulders, 10 to 10½c; backs, 16 to 16½c; breakfast bacon, 14½ to 15c.

Lard—Tierces, 12c; tubs, 12½c; pails, 12¾c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Jan. 19.—Grain — The market for oats is stronger and prices were advanced ½c per bushel to-day. Peas, No. 2, 94 to 95c; oats, Canadian Western No. 2 white, 46½c; No. 1 extra feed, 46c; No. 1 feed, 45½c; Ontario No. 2 white, 44½ to 45½c; Ontario No. 3, 44 to 44½c; Ontario No. 4 white, 43½c. Barley—No. 2, 63 to 64½c; Manitoba feed barley, 57 to 58c; buckwheat, 59 to 60c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $6; Manitoba Spring wheat patents, seconds, $5.50; strong bakers', $5.30; Winter wheat patents, $5 to $5.25; straight rollers, $4.60 to $4.70; straight rollers, in bags, $2.15 to $2.25; extras, in bags, $1.75 to $1.88. Feed—Manitoba bran, $21; Manitoba shorts, $24; Ontario bran, $21 to $21.50; Ontario shorts, $24 to $24.50; Ontario middlings, $24.50 to $25; pure grain mouille, $28 to $30; mixed mouille, $25 to $27. Cheese—Finest western, 12¼ to 12½c; easterns, 11¾ to 12¼c. Butter—Finest creamery, 26½ to 27c; fresh receipts, 25½ to 26c. Eggs—New laid, 35 to 40c; selected stock, 27½ to 28c; No. 1 stock, 24½ to 25c.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Minneapolis, Jan. 19.—Wheat — May, $1.07¾; July, $1.08¼; cash, No. 1 hard, $1.09¾; No. 1 Northern, $1.08¾; No. 2 Northern, $1.06½ to $1.06¾; No. 3 Northern, $1.03½ to $1.05. Bran—$19.50 to $19.75. Flour—First patents, $5.40 to $5.60; second patents, $5.25 to $5.45; first clears, $4.00 to $4.10; second clears, $2.95 to $3.05.

Milwaukee, Jan. 19.—Wheat — No. 1 Northern, $1.10; No. 2 Northern, $1.07 to $1.09; May, $1.06 asked. Rye—No. 1, 76½c. Corn—May, 61½ to 61⅝c bid. Barley—Standard, 66c; samples, 65½ to 66c; No. 3, 62 to 63c; No. 4, 61½c.

Duluth, Jan. 19.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, $1.06⅞; No. 1 Northern, $1.07⅛; No. 2 Northern, $1.05⅛; May, $1.07⅛; July, $1.07.

Buffalo, Jan. 19.—Wheat — Firm; No. 1 Northern, carloads, $1.13; Winter, steady. Corn—Steady. Oats—Firm.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Toronto, Jan. 19.—Best butcher cattle were scarce, and only a moderate supply of export cattle offering, which were in brisk demand at firm prices, $5.30 to $5.50 being paid for the best. There was a fairly heavy run to-day, including a large number of poorly finished cattle, with a good demand for choice stockers and heavy feeders. Sheep and lambs—Market firm and higher. Hogs—Prices firm at $6.50 for selected, fed and watered. Butcher—Active demand for medium-class of steers, heifers and good butcher cows. Common and canners steady. Veal calves—Steady at late prices. Stockers—Firmer at $3 to $3.75; good heavy feeders, $4 to $4.60.

MOIR ESCAPES THE GALLOWS

London Murderer Will Spend His Life in Insane Asylum.

A despatch from London, Ont., says: Pte. Moir, who shot and killed Sergt. Lloyd in the Wolseley Barracks here, was on Thursday afternoon acquitted of murder, after 15 minutes' deliberation by the jury, on the ground of insanity. He will be sent to the insane asylum at Hamilton.

Four doctors, Dr. W. J. Robinson, superintendent of the London Asylum; Dr. C. K. Clark, head of the Toronto Asylum; Dr. Bruce Smith, inspector of asylums, and Dr. A. J. Johnson, of Toronto, testified, and all agreed, that Moir was an epileptic, and that when the murder was committed he was in a befogged, semi-conscious condition and knew absolutely nothing of what was taking place. It was quite possible that Moir might act in a fairly reasonable manner and still know nothing of what he was doing.

Counsel agreed to dispense with addresses and Sir William Meredith summed up briefly, pointing out that the evidence went all one way to indicate Moir's irresponsibility.

"You could have reached no other verdict," he said, when the jury returned it. Under the verdict the prisoner will be kept in close confinement till the pleasure of the Crown is known, which means practically he will be confined in an asylum for life. This trial shows the public are in danger from epileptics such as the unfortunate prisoner. Such people may go around without having knowledge of their condition and their homicidal mania may develop at any time.

TWENTY-ONE KILLED.

Terrible Wreck on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad.

A despatch from Glenwood Springs, Colorado, says: Twenty-one persons were killed and more than forty injured seriously between 9 and 10 o'clock Friday night when a west-bound passenger train and an eastbound freight on the Denver & Rio Grande Railway collided head-on between Dotsori and Spruce Creek. It is expected that at least a dozen of the injured will die of their wounds. The wreck is said to be due to a misunderstanding of orders by Gustave Oleson, engineer of the passenger train, though Oleson claims that he understood his instructions perfectly, but misread his watch, thus encroaching on the time of the freight train.

CARS PLUNGED DOWN BANK

Two Engineers Were Killed Near ale Y British Columbia.

A despatch from Kamloops, B. C., says: At one o'clock on Friday afternoon train No. 97 was derailed by a snow slide about 7½ miles east of Yale, on account of recent heavy snowfalls in this district. The train was being handled by two engines, and these, together with baggage, mail, express and colonist cars, went down the bank of the Fraser River. Three other cars were also derailed. Engineers Carscadden and Foster were killed and three trainmen and a number of passengers injured. None of the injuries are serious and the passengers are being made comfortable in the sleeping cars, which were not derailed. The train is reported to have been running at a speed of only fifteen miles per hour at the time and it is stated that only the caution with which trains are operated over this section of the road, particularly during the season when snow slides may be looked for, prevented the accident turning out more seriously. A relief train was at once despatched from North Bend and another with doctors and nurses from Vancouver.

STARVED FOR TEN DAYS.

Party of Three Men Lost on Lake Winnipegosis.

A despatch from Winnipegosis, Man., says: T. Walker and two Galicians, S. Mowscza and F. Antoniuk, left the wood camp of J. Parker at Long Point two weeks ago to walk in here, a distance of eighty miles, through the bitter cold. They got lost after they had been out only one day, and Walker became separated from his companions and has almost certainly perished. The Galicians were found by accident on the ice of the lake, where they had fallen helpless on Thursday, and were at once hurried to the hospital in Dauphin, where it has been found necessary to amputate one man's foot and parts of both hands, while his almost equally unfortunate companion will lose a foot. They had been without food for ten days when picked up by a party of fishermen. Search for the body of Walker is progressing, but there is no hope of finding him alive.

MANY INJURED IN WRECK

Broken Tire Threw Railway Coach Into the Ditch Near Guelph.

A despatch from Guelph, Ont., says: A serious accident, fortunately not attended with loss of life, occurred shortly after eleven o'clock on Thursday morning on the south line of the Grand Trunk Railway, two miles from Guelph Junction. When the heavily-laden morning passenger train which leaves here at 10.40 was in the vicinity of Gourock the rear coach left the track, due to a broken tire, and went into the ditch. The coach overturned, and a scene of terrible confusion ensued amongst the passengers, among whom were several Guelphites, the members of the Brantford professional hockey team which played here on Wednesday night, and the Hamilton Thistles curling team, going home from the Fergus bonspiel.

A large number of these received more or less serious injuries, but it is not yet known if any of them are likely to prove fatal. The seriously injured are:—Alexander Stewart, Guelph, both legs seriously hurt; Harold Bartman, Tobermory, back seriously injured, and internal injuries; George Gillis, Acton, internal injuries, extent not known; J. Marks, Brantford, arm broken, ribs crushed, and severe cuts. The following sustained injuries:—R. H. Brydon, Guelph; J. H. McCormick, Guelph; G. B. Ryan, Guelph; F. W. Goulding, Buffalo; Brakesman Kearns, Mr. and Mrs. J. Knowles, Guelph; Miss Craig, Aberfoyle; J. H. R. Anderson, Hamilton; R. Jasper, Guelph; J. M. Darling, Callendar; Warran Moore, Battineau, N.D.; Miss Angeline Holm and Miss Agnes Holm, Hespeler. The following members of the Brantford professional hockey team were also injured; J. Marks, T. Hutton, W. Miller, T. Smith, and J. Bradley.

LATER.

An official enquiry into the cause of the overturning of the passenger coach, which brought injury to so many persons in the accident in the G. T. R. south line on Thursday morning, has been concluded. Agent Hayes declared there is not the slightest doubt but that a tire on the wheel of the rear truck came off and was the cause of the coach leaving the track.