BENCH WARRANT ISSUED

Florence Kinrade Ignores the Summons to Attend Inquest.

Hamilton, April 23.—Florence Kinrade again failed to respond to the subpoena requiring her attendance at the inquest of the body of her sister, Ethel, to-night, and Coroner Anderson, after a rather warm passage at arms between the lawyers, granted a motion for the issuance of a bench warrant to compel her presence on Monday evening.

Mr. Geo. Lynch-Staunton advised the coroner that his clients were acting under his advice in ignoring the authority of the Court and asked for a longer adjournment in order that the legality of his position might be decided by a proper forum.

Dr. Anderson took exception to the lawyer's tone and peremptorily refused to alter his decision. He accordingly drew up the warrant, with the assistance of Crown Attorney Washington, immediately after the adjournment and the document was entrusted to the care of Detective John Miller, who will convey it to Toronto for execution to-morrow morning.

Mr. Staunton declined to state what further action he purposed taking, but other legal authorities said that his only remedy would be an application for a writ of habeas corpus after the arrest had been made, which would seem to be another reason for withholding the execution of the warrant until the last possible moment before the time for taking a train to Hamilton on Monday afternoon.

Crown Attorney Washington also instructed the coroner to issue fresh subpoenas for Mr. and Mrs. Kinrade for Monday evening, remarking that if they also chose to disobey the order, more bench warrants would be required.

SHOCKING CRIME COMMITTED

Wife of a Manitoba Settler Outraged and Beaten to Death.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Investigations by the police on Friday of the circumstances surrounding the death of Mrs. Lewis James, whose body was found in their lonely shack by her husband on Thursday evening on his return from work, with marks of violence upon it, show that one of the most brutal and revolting crimes in recent years in the west was committed. She had been assaulted and then murdered by some man, who has escaped without leaving any clue upon which pursuit at present seems possible. The murderer also stole her watch and a small sum of money which was in the house.

The autopsy was performed on Friday and revealed the fact that the skull had been fractured by a blow on the forehead with a short club, which is now in the hands of the police, and which was found on Friday outside the little home. In the hurried examination of the body on Thursday night medical men were of the opinion that the wound on the head might have been caused by the dead woman falling in a fit, as it was learned she was subject to such seizures. It was not until Friday morning that the terrible crime was revealed in all its revolting features. She had mentioned the fact to her husband the day before that a vicious-looking tramp had frightened her badly by looking in the window. She gave him a description of the man, but so far no trace of him has been secured.

THE CANTEEN MUST GO.

District Officers Receive Definite Instructions.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Instructions have been sent out by the Militia Department to the various district officers commanding throughout Canada that the standing order against liquor being sold in the military camps must be rigidly enforced. There has always been an order against the selling of liquor at camps, but it has usually been more or less evaded, and as long as the canteen sold only to members of the regiment it was not molested. The movement against the canteen by temperance organizations, resulting in verdicts in the courts against the canteen, has now been supplemented by the above departmental instructions.

40,000,000 STARS IN SKY.

Everything in Movement in the Stellar World.

A despatch from Paris says: Forty million stars are expected to be shown in a photographic map of the skies which the International Congress of Astronomers is now preparing. It is declared that results already obtained prove that great activity reigns in the stellar world; that everything is in movement. The French astronomer, M. Renaudat, believes that ultimately an exact knowledge of the mystery of the constitution of the universe will be reached. Much attention is being devoted to the planet or asteroid Eros, which plays an important role in the measurements of stellar distances.

THEFT AND ARSON.

Seventeen Head of Cattle Burned in a Barn.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: The Provincial police arrested a young farmer named Henry Watson of Winnipeg Beach on Saturday on a charge of stealing a team of horses from another farmer named Chambers and afterwards setting fire to his stable, causing the death of seventeen head of cattle. He confessed the crime, but said the burning of the barn was an accident, as he let a match fall when taking out the horses.

JUDGE FINKLE RUN OVER.

Tried to Board a Moving Train at Niagara.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, Ont., says: Judge Finkle of Woodstock was severely injured while attempting to board a Grand Trunk train here on Friday night, and as a result had to have four toes amputated. The Judge attempted to board the train when it was moving. His foot slipped and he was thrown under the wheels, which passed over his right foot. He was taken to the hospital, where four toes were amputated by Dr. Wilson, the company's surgeon.

70,000 DEAD IN MESSINA.

Estimate of the Number of Earthquake Victims.

A despatch from Messina says: An official estimate places the number of bodies of the earthquake victims recovered at 25,000, and of those still in the ruins at 45,000. Both figures are the minimum.

INCREASE OF 800,000 ACRES

High Prices Will Mean More Land Sown in Wheat in the West.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: The prospect of an increased grain acreage in the Prairie Provinces as a result of high prices, is attracting much attention. Frank O. Fowler, secretary of the North-West Grain Dealers' Association, is in receipt of many wires from Eastern cities on the subject. He said on Wednesday:

"The natural increase in acreage this year will be about 800,000 acres at a rough estimate. This is the result of lands thrown open and homesteading. The acreage last year was about 6,700,000 acres in Manitoba. This year it will be about 7,500,000 acres. At an average crop of 17 or 18 bushels per acre, which is a small one, this will mean an increase in the estimates of last year of about 15,000,000 bushels. Add this to the estimated 100,000,000 bushels of last year, and it will be seen that this year's crop may be roughly estimated at about 115,000,000 bushels. Of course, this is taking every advantage and disadvantage into consideration."

In older sections, Mr. Fowler thinks, the acreage may increase to some considerable extent.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

CANADA.

The possession of indecent pictures will be made a criminal offence.

Three Chinese restaurants and a bakery were burned at Cobalt on Saturday.

A new steel vessel for the Canadian lake trade has sailed from Middlesboro', England.

Mr. Stanley of The Fernie Ledge was fined $100 for criticizing a British Columbia Judge.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has given notice of a bill to create a separate Department of Labor.

Two men were killed at Calgary and a third fatally injured by the caving in of a trench, on Friday.

The four-year-old daughter of Mr. A. L. Chown was killed by a street car at Hamilton, on Friday.

Owing to the breakup of the roads the postoffice will only accept letters for delivery at Gowganda and district points.

Some cars on the Sudbury local rolled over the embankment near Barnesdale, on Saturday, but no passengers were injured.

Mrs. Maxwell of Peterboro' has given $5,000 to Presbyterian Chinese missions, and the money will be used to found a school at Honan.

Hamilton License Commissioners cut off two hotel and two store licenses, and gave a couple of other hotelmen orders to get out of the business.

Samples of reported finds of coal on the north shore of Lake Superior have been examined by Government experts and found to be of little value.

Number 4 party of the Hudson's Bay survey has not been heard from for a long time, and it is feared they will be unable to get out until the opening of the streams.

A party of Italians refused free passage across the Victoria Bridge at Montreal shot the toll collector in the jaw, on Saturday, knocking out several of his teeth.

The Montreal Board of Trade refused the invitation of the Detroit Board to the conference on better trade relations, saying the matter had no interest for them.

John Nevills was committed for trial at Hamilton on the charge of shooting Constable Smith with intent. Smith swore the prisoner was the man who shot him.

It is reported that the Canadian Northern will divert traffic to Duluth for a time to make extensive repairs to the line from Fort Frances east to Port Arthur.

An order in Council has been passed making the new million acre forest reserve in the Rainy River district a game preserve, Ontario reaining absolute control.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Hon. Ronald Ramsay, a brother of the Earl of Dalhousie, who spent some time in Canada, committed suicide by jumping from an Atlantic liner.

UNITED STATES.

Four persons lost their lives in a fire in a hotel at Topeka, Kansas, on Saturday.

It is proposed at Washington to break the Patten wheat corner by admitting Canadian grain free for a time.

The United States Government has lost $6,000,000 on Paris gowns smuggled into the country in the last ten years.

An amendment has been introduced in the United States Senate to the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill, providing for a graduated income tax.

The United States will sell at auction from $60,000 to $100,000 worth of French gowns and finery seized by customs officials at New York.

GENERAL.

A Detroit widow committed suicide on the grave of her husband.

Eighteen persons were killed in Friday's earthquake shock in Portugal.

The Sultan of Turkey is reported insane. The decree deposing him has been signed.

P. F. Collier, the founder of Collier's weekly, dropped dead suddenly on Friday night.

An agreement has been reached at Constantinople by which the Sultan is to retain his throne.

Nineteen persons were drowned off Christiania when the Norwegian steamer Edith went down in a collision.

An unconfirmed report has reached St. Petersburg of the massacre of 2,000 persons by Turcoman tribesmen at Astrabad.

Col. E. J. Bell of Laramie, Wyo., has made a wager of $10,000 that his farm will produce more oats per acre than any land in western Canada.

M. Camille Flammarion, the French scientist, thinks it useless to signal to Mars. The Martians gave up signalling to earth millions of years ago.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Dairy Produce at

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, April 27.—Flour — Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents, $4.80 to $5 to-day in buyers' sacks outside for export. Manitoba flour, first patents, $6.10 to $6.40 on track Toronto; second patents, $5.50 to $5.90, and strong bakers', $5.40 to $5.80, on track, Toronto.

Wheat—No. 1 Northern, $1.30½ spot, Bay ports, and for May delivery as follows:—No. 1 Northern, $1.27, and No. 2 Northern, $1.24.

Ontario Wheat—No. 2 wheat, $1.18 to $1.19 outside.

Barley—No. 3 extra. 58c outside, and No. 3, 56 to 57c outside.

Oats—Ontario No. 2 white, 47½ to 48c on track, Toronto, and 45 to 46c outside. No. 2 Western Canada oats, 47½c. Collingwood, and No. 3, 46½c Bay ports; No. 2 Western Canada, all rail, 51c.

Peas—No. 2, 95 to 96c outside.

Rye—No. 2, 72 to 73c outside.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 63 to 64c outside.

Corn—No. 2 American yellow, 80 to 81½c on track, Toronto, and No. 2, 79 to 79½c on track, Toronto. Canadian corn, 73 to 74c on track, Toronto.

Bran—Cars, $23.50 in bulk outside. Shorts, $23.50 to $24 in bulk outside.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—$4.50 to $5.50 for choice qualities, and $3.50 to $4 for seconds.

Beans—Prime, $1.90 to $2, and hand-picked, $2.10 to $2.15 per bushel.

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

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $10.50 to $10.75 per ton on track here, and lower grades, $8 to $9 a ton.

Straw—$6.50 to $7.50 on track.

Potatoes—Car lots, 90c per bag on track.

Poultry—Chickens, dressed, 15 to 17c per pound; fowl, 12 to 13c; turkeys, 20 to 22c per pound.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 21 to 23c; tubs and large rolls, 16 to 18c; inferior, 14 to 15c; creamery rolls, 25 to 26c, and solids, 20 to 21c.

Eggs—18 to 19c per dozen in case lots.

Cheese—Large cheese, old, 14 to 14¼c per pound, and twins, 14¼ to 14½c; new cheese, 13½c.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 12 to 12½c per pound in case lots; mess pork, $20.50 to $21.50; short cut, $23 to $24.

Hams—Light to medium, 14 to 14½c; do., heavy, 13 to 13½c; rolls, 11 to 11¼c; shoulders, 10¾c; backs, 16½ to 17c; breakfast bacon, 15½ to 16c.

Lard—Tierces, 13¼c; tubs, 13½c; pails, 13¾c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, April 27.—Peas—No. 2, $1.03 to $1.04. Oats—Canadian Western No. 2, 51 to 51½c; extra No. 1 feed, 50½ to 51c; No. 1 feed, 50 to 50½c; Ontario No. 2, 50 to 50½c; Ontario No. 3, 49 to 49½c; Ontario No. 4, 48 to 48½c; No. 2 barley, 66 to 67c; feed, 59½ to 60c; buckwheat, 69½ to 70c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $6.10 to $6.50; Manitoba Spring wheat patents, seconds, $5.60 to $6; Manitoba strong bakers', $5.40 to $5.80; Winter wheat patents, $5.75; straight rollers, $5.50 to $5.60; do., in bags, $2.70 to $2.75; extra, in bags, $2.25 to $2.35. Feed—Manitoba bran, $22 to $23; do., shorts, $24 to $25; Ontario bran, $23 to $24; do., shorts, $24.50 to $25; Ontario middlings, $25 to $25.50; pure grain mouille, $33 to $35; mixed mouille, $28 to $30. Cheese—12¾ to 13c for old stock. Butter—New milk creamery, 22 to 23½c; old stock, 19 to 20½c. Eggs—19 to 19½c per dozen.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, April 27.—Prime beeves sold at 5½ to near 6c per pound; pretty good cattle, 4½ to 5¼c and the common stock from 3 to 4½c per pound. Milch cows sold at $25 to $60 each; a lot of six good cows were bought at $56 each. Calves sold at from $1.50 to $7 each, or 2c to 5½c per pound. Sheep, 5c per pound for old, and 6c per pound for yearlings. Spring lambs $3.50 to $6 each. Good lots of fat hogs sold at 8c to 8¼c per pound.

Toronto, April 27.—The number of exporters' was limited, and the highest price paid for a few picked animals was $5.60. The export trade was slow, but best grades of stock, of good weight, sold readily. Cows, poorly finished bulls and common grades were about 10c. lower. Stockers and feeders—Fair demand, and prices steady. Milkers and springers dull. Calves—Easier; "Bobs" unsaleable. Sheep and lambs—Steady at last quotations. Hogs—Steady demand, and prices firm around $7.20 f.o.b., but in a number of cases $7.25 and $7.30 have been paid in the country, and $7.40 to $7.50, fed and watered, at the market.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Buffalo, April 27. — Wheat — Spring wheat, No. 1 Northern, carloads, store, $1.27½; Winter, No. 2 red, $1.42; No. 3 extra red, $1.40½; No. 2 white, $1.40. Corn—Higher; No. 3 yellow, 77¼c; No. 4 yellow, 76¼c; No. 3 corn, 76½ to 77c; No. 4 corn, 76c; No. 3 white, 78c. Oats—Higher; No. 2 white, 59c; No. 3 white, 57½ to 58½c; No. 4 white, 56½ to 57½c. Barley — Feed to malting, 68 to 74c.

Detroit, April 27.—Wheat — No. 1 white, cash, $1.41; No. 2 red, $1.41; May, $1.41; July, $1.17; Sept., $1.09½.

EARTHQUAKE AT LISBON.

Number of Buildings Shattered and Fires Started.

A despatch from Lisbon, Portugal, says: There was a violent shock of earthquake here on Friday evening. The ground rose and fell in wave-like motions, buildings swayed and a number of them were partly demolished. The populace fled in panic to the streets. Firemen extinguished fires that broke out as a result of the disturbance.

VOTES FOR WOMEN.

New Brunswick Legislature Passes A Resolution.

A despatch from St. John, N. B., says: By a vote of 18 to 17, the Provincial Legislature on Thursday night passed a resolution by W. F. Hatheway, preliminary to the introduction of a bill giving the privileges of the provincial franchise to all women entitled to vote in civic elections. The bill is expected to pass.

15,000 SLAIN IN MASSACRES

Fanatacism Against Christians at Its Greatest Height.

A despatch from Constantinople says: While no official or reliable figures are available, one of the Embassies estimates that 15,000 persons have been massacred in Asia Minor. The outlook continues very ugly. Fanaticism seems to be at its wildest height. It is reported to have been awakened by reactionaries, who have represented that the Young Turks are leagued with the Christians, and who have raised the cry that Islam is endangered. The local Moslems, as ignorant as they are bigoted, were readily moved and their fury is growing. Aleppo, Antioch, Hadin, Ekbaz and Deurtyul are among the towns and villages now threatened. There is an American mission at Aleppo and the missionaries are stated to be in extreme danger, although thus far they have not been attacked.

The French mission at Ekbaz is besieged. The Village of Deurtyul is compassed by fanatics. The Armenian inhabitants have sent a messenger to Aleppo to beg for help. He reports that the outskirts of the village were burning when he left. The whole population of the Village of Karikhan has been wiped out. It is reported that four Germans are among the killed at Bakje. The position at Tarsus is better. The mission buildings, which are now protected, are sheltering 3,000 fugitives.

The victims of Tarsus number about fifty, but many more have been killed in the surrounding country. Everywhere the massacres have been carried out with the greatest ferocity, women and children sharing the fate of the men.

The British Consul at Adana reports extreme misery owing to there being no food in the town. A large number of the survivors are starving. The Consul begs that help be sent.

BUYS BELL COMPANY OUT

Province of Saskatchewan Has Gone Into Telephone Ownership.

A despatch from Regina says: Hon. Mr. Calder Wednesday night announced the successful termination of the negotiations with Mr. L. B. McFarlane, Montreal, representing the Bell Company, and himself, as Minister of Telephones. The negotiations were protracted, but time in this case was money, as the price, $367,500 compared more than favorably with the price paid by either of the sister Provinces, and of the agreed price $10,000 is to be returned for unearned rentals. The Minister forecasted vigorous extensions for the future, and the acquiring and running of local exchanges hitherto left to private or municipal enterprises. Questioned regarding the possible acquisition of the Moose Jaw & Saskatchewan Telephone Company's business, the Minister declined to commit himself beyond the statement that it was under consideration.

BLOW RESULTED IN DEATH.

Man Knocked Down and His Skull Fractured.

A despatch from Toronto says: With his skull terribly fractured as a result of being knocked down at the corner of Duchess and George streets, William Gordon, a middle-aged carpenter, who lived at 59 Frederick street, died in St. Michael's Hospital Saturday evening. Two hours after his death was reported to the police Detective Harry Armstrong with nothing but a good description of the assailant to guide him, arrested Gilbert Oliver, aged twenty-nine years, of 129 Elm street, on a charge of murder. Oliver, who has served terms for theft and assault, was identified at Court Street Police Station by several spectators of the assault.

QUAKES ALL OVER SPAIN.

Panic Caused by Earth Tremblings in Many Cities.

A despatch from Madrid says: Heavy earthquake shocks were felt on Saturday at Cordova, Seville, Badajoz and other points, including this city, Valladolid, Huelva, Herz and Malaga. Everywhere they caused a panic, but no loss of life is reported, and the material damage was small.

THREE MEN BLOWN UP.

Blasting Accident at Haliburton—Two in Critical Condition.

A despatch from Haliburton says: William Handcock, George Handcock, and Geo. West were blown up with blasting compound on Saturday evening. William Handcock and West are in a very critical condition. George Handcock will recover.

KILLED WITH A HATCHET

Macedonian Murdered in a Boarding House in Toronto.

A despatch from Toronto says: With the head hacked almost to pieces with a hatchet, the body of Evan Simoff, a Macedonian, was found lying in a pool of blood in a boarding house at 16 Eastern avenue on Thursday morning. Palla Stefoff, a fellow-countryman and a half cousin of the deceased, was taken into custody as a material witness. The hatchet with which the crime was committed was found beside the body. This is the second murder that has occurred in the Macedonian colony in the city during the past two years. The hatchet, which had been used with deadly effect, was found on the floor a few feet from the body of the victim. Robbery was apparently the motive, as the man's trousers were loosened at the waist, where it was believed he carried a belt containing money. Moreover, blood stains in the right hand pocket indicated that the murderer had thrust his hands into the pocket. That there had been no struggle was evidenced by the fact that the few pieces of old furniture in the room in which the deed was committed had not been disturbed.

The murderer, who had apparently been frightened before completing his search of the victim's clothing, overlooked a bag containing $100 in gold of Macedonian denomination, which was found sewed to the linen of the victim's inside vest. The murdered man wore two pairs of trousers and two vests.