PRISONER SHOOTS THREE MEN

Startling Deed at Windsor of Man Arrested for Bicycle Stealing.

A despatch from Windsor says: Without a word of warning, Herman Martin, alias Kraft, a bicycle-thief, pulled a big 38-calibre revolver out of his hip pocket as the officers were about to search him at police headquarters on Friday night, and fired five shots in quick succession, four of which took effect. George B. Quamby, caretaker of the City Hall, is the most seriously wounded, the bullet entering through the fleshy part of the arm and lodging in the back just behind the shoulder. Police Sergeant William Reid was shot twice. One ball took off a piece of the finger of his left hand, and another hit him in the right shoulder, making a bad but not serious flesh wound. Policeman William Lister was shot through the right arm. That none of the officers were killed is little short of a miracle, as the shots were fired at a range of less than five feet.

Immediately after the shooting the prisoner ran out of the building and hid in McLain's lumber yard, close by, where he was captured a few minutes later by Policeman Frank Cade. Martin made no resistance.

DROWNED AT GALT.

Two Students Went Out in Canoe and Upset.

A despatch from Galt says: The first drowning accident of the season in the Grand River occurred about 2 o'clock on Friday afternoon. The victim was Carl Stahlschmidt, son of Mr. W. Stahlschmidt of Preston. Clarence Goodfellow, son of Mr. B. Goodfellow, Galt, had a narrow escape. All went well until just back of the collegiate, when the canoe capsized. Goodfellow was able to swim, but Stahlschmidt was not. The former made a heroic attempt to save his companion's life. He grasped him and held him above the water for some time. Finally Stahlschmidt in his struggles carried Goodfellow down twice, and the latter was compelled to release his hold. He swam to the shore completely exhausted, and had to be assisted up the bank. Stahlschmidt sank immediately. The body was recovered at 6 o'clock.

TOWN IN ALGOMA BURNED.

Only a Few Building Are Left in Chelmsford.

A despatch from Chelmsford says: Chelmsford was visited on Tuesday night by the most disastrous fire in the history of the town. Practically the whole town, with the exception of two hotels and two churches, was burned to the ground. The fire started in the dwelling above Pyne Bros. general store by the explosion of a gasoline lamp at 10.15 p.m. At 12.30 the whole business block was a mass of ruins. The burned buildings include Pyne Bros.' general store, J. David's pool-room and barber shop, J. Large's general store, Dumas' shoe store, Cayen's bake shop, the Methodist church, and other buildings, including stables and outhouses. A conservative estimate of the total loss is $30,000, with little insurance. There was no fire protection in the town.

FATHER ATTACKED BOY.

Sad Case at Brantford Arising Out of Theft Charge.

A despatch from Brantford says: The police had a peculiar case to deal with on Saturday. On Friday night Messrs. Higginbotham & Cameron's Drug store was robbed. Suspicion fell on the fourteen-year-old boy employed at the store, and his detention followed. His father on being notified, went to the police station, where he became so enraged that he lost his mental balance, making an attempt to kill the boy. Three constables had all they could do to subdue him, but not before he had done considerable damage at the police station. Only a couple of dollars were secured at the robbery.

TWO BIG FAILURES.

Member of One Firm Placed Under Arrest at Montreal.

A despatch from Montreal says: Two of the heaviest business failures that have occurred in Montreal for a long time were filed here on Saturday, in each case there being a very marked difference between the liabilities and assets of the insolvent firms. Israel Grossman went under with liabilities of $85,815. It is estimated by the liquidators that his assets will be in the neighborhood of $10,000, after taking out the secured creditors. After being in business for less than a year, Messrs. Shaer and Eliasoph, also assigned on Saturday. They had accumulated liabilities of $34,023, and outside of their secured creditors their estate is appraised at about $7,000. Mr. Eliasoph, the financial member of the firm, was arrested, charged with attempting to defraud his creditors. He pleaded not guilty and was liberated on $1,000 bail.

STRIKE AT OWEN SOUND.

C. P. R. Dockmen so Decide by a Large Majority.

A despatch from Owen Sound says: The result of a ballot of the striking Canadian Pacific Railway through freight men taken on Sunday, was an almost unanimous decision to continue the strike and reject the offer made on Saturday night by the company of a scale of 16 cents an hour for day work and 18 cents an hour for Sunday and night work. The suggestion of some of the leaders that the men would accept this offer was turned down on Saturday night at a meeting in Victoria Park and again at a meeting in the Town Hall, where a ballot showed 115 against and 15 for the acceptance of the offer.

INDIAN CONSPIRATORS.

Eighteen Were Sentenced in Court at Alipur.

A despatch from Calcutta says: Sentences were handed down on Thursday in the court of Alipur, a suburb of Calcutta, in the cases of thirty-five natives who were arrested here last summer charged with complicity in the Anarchist conspiracy of May, 1908. Two of the men were condemned to death, ten to transportation for life, three to transportation for ten years, three to transportation for seven years, while eighteen were acquitted. Ashutosh Biswas, a public prosecutor, who was engaged in the conduct of these cases, was shot dead in the Alipur court last February.

TO BUILD DIRIGIBLE AIRSHIPS

Scientific Department Has Been Created by the British Government.

A despatch from London says: The Government has taken an important step in recognition of the obviously growing seriousness of the problem of aeronautics from the national standpoint, by the creating of a new scientific department to study the problem in reference to Imperial defence. Prime Minister Asquith announced on Wednesday in the House of Commons that the work of devising and building dirigible airships had been divided between the army and the navy. With the view to ensuring that the highest scientific talent will be brought to bear on the task, the Government has requested the National Physical Laboratory to organize a special department for continuous investigations, experimental and otherwise, of the questions which must from time to time be solved in order to adequately guide the construction of airships. The investigations will be carried out under a special committee, of which Lord Rayleigh is president, and R. T. Glazebrook, chairman. Several other prominent physicists are members. Adequate funds have been allotted for the work.

From a conversation with Secretary of War Haldane it was gathered that the Government's Defence Committee is resolved to try to place Great Britain in the forefront of the world in scientific investigation of aviation. The new department will exist for continuous research, and experiment with models, somewhat as warship designers do. The army and navy are experimenting with air vessels of all types, and will submit their problems to the committee, which will endeavor to discover sufficiently the causes of defects, and suggest remedies, which will be tested by the experimenters. The aim is to make the organization the most complete in the world. It is understood that the visit of Orville and Wilbur Wright to the War Office had a direct bearing on the new scheme.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

CANADA.

Judge Hanington of New Brunswick is dead.

The T. & N. O. Railway Commission gave an order for 2,000 tons of rails.

A conference of Provincial Premiers may be held in British Columbia this year.

The C. N. R. has taken over the charter of the Saskatchewan Northwestern Railway.

The Attorney-General of Ontario says the investigation of the Kinrade case will not be dropped.

The organization of a corps of school cadet instructors is authorized by the Department of Militia.

Three children of Charles Crossman were suffocated in a fire that gutted the family residence at Sackville, N.B.

John Ostrander, a Hamilton cab driver, was sentenced to two months in pail for overcharging a passenger.

Mr. W. B. Calder of Beamsville, who was stopped and robbed by a highwayman, followed the thief and effected his capture with the aid of a policeman.

The Council of the Strathcona Trust have decided to offer cash prizes for essays on the best method of introducing physical and military training in the schools.

GREAT BRITAIN.

In a speech at Liverpool Lord Charles Beresford lectured the British people upon their excitability.

It is understood that an Imperial conference on the defence of the empire will probably be called for July.

The Cunard Steamship Line is estimating the time lost by the stops made at Queenstown by mail steamers.

J. Pointer, the Labor candidate, was elected to the British Commons from the Attercliffe division of Sheffield.

UNITED STATES.

The steamer Shores is reported lost on Lake Superior, with twenty-one passengers on board.

Walter Wellman will make an attempt in August to reach the north pole in a dirigible balloon.

Seventy-seven persons were killed by automobiles in New York during the past twelve months.

Prof. Chas. A. Publow, of Cornell University, has been offered a place on the Royal Commission which is to investigate the sources of Canada's milk supply.

GENERAL.

The Shah of Persia has proclaimed a political amnesty.

Hilmi Pasha has again become Grand Vizier of Turkey.

Two men and a boy were killed by a live wire in Paris.

The Shah of Persia has garnted his people a new constitution.

The general weakness of the Pope is causing anxiety at the Vatican

The explosion of a bomb injured twenty persons in Buenos Ayres.

Massacres of Christians took place at Adana again on Monday.

Chancellor Von Buelow threatens to resign unelss his financial reform plans are adopted.

Thirteen civilians and soldiers convicted of murder were hanged in Constantinople on Monday.

The French Government has bid defiance to the labor unions that are trying to force its hand.

The girding of the sword on Mohemmed V., the new Sultan, took place at Constantinople on Monday.

A compromise will probably be reached on the points in dispute in regard to the South African Union.

Five hundred pianos and nearly ten thousand revolvers have been found in the Yildiz Kiosk, the pataee of the deposed Sultan.

Premier Clemenceau of France declares he will resign rather than yield to the revolutionary civil servants.

It is believed that the crew of the American whaling ship, Carrie D. Knowles, who have been mourned as dead for over four years, are incarcerated in a Venezuelan prison.

TIMBER GOING FAST.

None East of Rockies in Fifty Years, Says Expert.

A despatch from Chicago says: Within ten or fifteen years, according to J. H. Finney, Secretary and Treasurer of the Appalachian Forestry Association, there will not be a stick of timber standing east of the Rockies, and within fifty years the entire country will be as barren of timber as the American desert, unless something is done to avert the disaster. This statement is made in a communication to the Traffic Club. Regarding the coal situation, Mr. Finney declares the country consumes on an average five tons per capita and wastes three.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

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

Toronto, May 11.—Flour—Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents $4.90 to $5 to-day in buyers' sacks outside for export; on track, Toronto, $5.30 to $5.40. 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, May delivery, $1.28, Bay ports; No. 2, $1.25½ and No. 3 $1.23½.

Ontario wheat—No. 2, $1.25 outside.

Barley—No. 3 extra 60c. outside, and No. 3 58c. outside.

Oats—Ontario No. 2 white 48 to 48½ c. on track, Toronto, and 46 to 46½ outside; No. 2 Western Canada 48c., and No. 3 47c. outside.

Peas—No. 2, 95 to 96c. outside.

Rye—No. 2 73 to 74c. outside.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 95 to 96c. outside.

Corn—No. 2 American yellow 81½c. on track, Toronto, and No. 2 at 80½c. on track, Toronto. Canadian yellow, 75 to 76c. on track, Toronto.

Bran—Cars of Manitoba, $23.50 in sacks; Toronto freights. Shorts, $24.50 to $25, Toronto freights.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—$4 to $5 for choice qualities, and $3 to $3.50 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 lb.

Maple Syrup—95c. to $1 a gallon.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, 12 to $13 a ton on track here, and lower grades at $10 to $10.50 a ton.

Straw—$7.50 to $8 on track.

Potatoes—Car lots, 85 to 90c. per bag on track. Delawares, $1.10 to $1.15.

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

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—Case lots, 19c. per dozen.

Cheese—Large cheese, old, 14 to 14¼c. per pound and twins, 14¼ to 14½c.; new cheese, dull at 12¼ to 12½c.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 13 to 13¼c. per lb. in case lots; mess pork, $21 to $21.50; short cut, $23 to $24.

Hams—Light to medium, 14 to 15c, do. heavy, 13 to 13½c.; rolls, 11½ to 11¾c.; shoulders, 10¾ to 11c.; backs, 17 to 17½c.; breakfast bacon 15½ to 16c.

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

BUSINESS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, May 5: Peas—No. 2, $1.05 to $1.06. Oats—Canadian Western No. 2, 52 to 52½c.; extra No. 1 feed, 51 to 51¼c.; No. 1 feed, 50½ to 50c.; No. 2 barley, 66 to 67c.; feed, 59½ to 60c.; buckwheat, 69½ to 70c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $6.10; do., seconds, $5.60; Manitoba strong bakers', $5.40; Winter wheat patents, $5.75; straight rollers, $5.50 to $5.60; do., in bags, $2.70 to $2.75; extras, 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 mouillie, $33 to $35; mixed mouillie $28 to $30. Cheese—11½ to 11¾c. Butter—24¾ to 25c.; old stock, 19½ to 22½c. Eggs—19 to 19½c. per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Chicago May 11.—Wheat—Cash—No. 2 red, $1.48 to $1.49½; No. 3 red, $1.43 to $1.47; No. 2 hard, $1.29 to $1.39; No. 3 hard, $1.25 to $1.33; No. 1 Northern, $1.30 to $1.31½; No. 2 Northern, $1.27 to $1.30; No. 3 Spring, $1.25 to $1.30. Corn—No. 2, 74 to 74½c.; No. 2 white, 75c.; No. 2 yellow, 74¾ to 75c.; No. 3, 73 to 73¾c.; No. 3 yellow, 74½ to 74¾c.; No. 4, 73c. Oats—No. 2 white, 58c.; No. 3 white, 56 to 58c.; No. 4 white, 55 to 57c.; standard, 58c.

Minneapolis, May 11.—Wheat—May, $1.28¾; July, $1.25½; Sept., $1.07½ to $1.07⅝; Cash, No. 1 hard, $1.29¼ to $1.29¾; No. 1 Northern, $1.28¼ to $1.28¾; No. 2 Northern, $1.26¼ to $1.26¾; No. 3 Northern, $1.24¼ to $1.25¼. Flour—First patents, $6.10 to $6.30; second patents, $6 to $6.20; first clears, $4.75 to $4.95; second clears $3.45 to $3.55. Bran—In bulk, $23.50 to $24.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, May 11.—Milkmen's strippers sold from 3½ to near 5c. per lb.; prime beeves sold at 5½ to 6c.; pretty good animals, 4½ to 5½c.; common stock, 3 to 4½c. per lb. Milch cows from $25 to $55 each. Calves from $2 to $8 each. The sheep were all shorn, and sold at 5 to 6c. per lb. Lambs, $3.50 to $6.50 each. Good lots of fat hogs sold at about 8c. per lb.

Toronto, May 13.—The demand for butcher cattle was so strong that everything of fair quality and weight sold readily at from $5 to $5.50. Stockers and feeders rose from 25 to 50 cents. Heavy feeding steers were selling from $5 upwards. Milkers and springers, actaive demand for best grades, but common unsaleable. Calves, firm and unchanged. Sheep and lambs, firm and unchanged. Hogs, $7.40 to $7.50 fed and watered, and $7.15 to $7.25 f.o.b.

LIGHTNING KILLS STUDENT

Another Was Seriously Injured on the Campus of Woodstock College.

A despatch from Woodstock, Ont., says: In the severe electrical storm which passed over the city late on Thursday afternoon lightning struck and killed James Merrigold, aged 15, of Hamilton. Edgar Knight, aged 18, of Burk's Falls, was also struck, and for a time it was thought that he was fatally injured. He revived, however, and at night was pronounced out of danger. Both young men were students of Woodstock College, and were on the campus when the tragedy occurred. An inter-year football match was in progress when the storm came up, about 5.30 o'clock, and a conference took place as to whether or not the game should be postponed. Most of the boys, together with a number of spectators, took shelter under a tree on the campus.

When it was decided to postpone the game, all but Merrigold and Knight ran for the building. The two lads remained under the tree. The players had just reached the college building when a bolt struck young Merrigold and his companion. Seeing their plight, the boys rushed out and brought the lads in. Merrigold only lived a short time, and it was only by the utmost effort by the doctors that Knight's life was saved. The tree under which they were standing was not struck. The dead lad was a son of Robt. Merrigold, of Hamilton, formerly of this city.

BLINDED BY LIME.

Two Ottawa Children Victims of an Explosion.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Sparling Beach, the ten-year-old son of Mr. Beach of 275 McLeod street, had an eye burned out and the other injured, and his four-year-old sister, Annie Beach, had her eyes also burned in an explosion of lime. The boy and his sister were playing in the yard with a tomato can filled with lime, and wishing to see it boil, poured water into the can. Both children were leaning over it at the time, when it exploded in their faces, with the results stated. It is probable that the boy will eventually lose his sight, while the girl will probably recover the use of both her eyes.

ROYAL CHIEF TO SIX NATIONS.

Letter from Prince of Wales Joyously Acclaimed.

A despatch from Brantford says: Three rousing war whoops marked the conclusion of the reading of a long letter from the Prince of Wales to the Six Nation Indians in council at Ohsweken on Tuesday. The Prince thanked the chiefs for electing him to the Turtle Clan, and expressed the belief that should the occasion arise the Six Nations would be found worthy of their glorious traditions in the field.

B. C. RANCHES FIRESWEPT.

Settlers are Forced to Flee for Their Lives.

A despatch from Kamloops, B. C., says: Hundreds of thousands of dollars in property have been destroyed and scores of ranchers forced to flee for their lives as the result of a disastrous bush fire that swept the country from Notch Hill as far east as Three Valley and south from Sicamous as far as Vernon. Among the losses are two large sawmills, the Carlin Mill, $75,000, and the Carrigan Mill, on Salmon River, $35,000. Several mill hands had to flee for their lives. Three large bush fires have been burning for several days and a gale soon brought them into contact. In Mara District the loss will be heaviest, for scores of ranch properties are completely devastated. On the main line of the C.P.R. fences and telegraph lines are destroyed for nearly twenty miles. West of Kamloops wires are down from high winds. Reports show that destructive fires are still burning in Spallumcheen Valley, near Enderby.

LAKE CHAMPLAIN DAMAGED.

Big C. P. R. Liner Had a Narrow Escape.

A despatch from St. John's Nfld., says: A very narrow escape was encountered by the C. P. R. liner Lake Champlain, inward bound, with her 737 passengers on Thursday evening, when the big vessel collided, head-on, with an iceberg, sustaining injuries which necessitated her putting into port and landing her passengers here. The accident occurred some fifty miles out from Cape Race, about 6 o'clock in the evening, during a dense fog. Fortunately, the Lake Champlain was going very slowly, or there would be no report of the accident until the wreckage was picked up, as nothing is so disastrous to a steamer as a collision with an iceberg.

BURNED IN PRAIRIE FIRE

Theodore Bruning, a Saskatchewan Farmer Lost His Lite.

A despatch from Moose Jaw says: The body of Theodore Bruning, a farmer, who lived about eighty-five miles south of Moose Jaw, reached the city on Thursday morning. He had lost his life in a prairie fire which started near Limerick on Monday, and bore westward with terrible rapidity. Bruning's own place was well protected and he rushed over to help save the place of a neighbor by starting a back fire. The main fire came on so rapidly, however, that before he could get to a place of safety the flames were upon him. The unfortunate man lived through the night, but died Tuesday morning. He was 38 years of age, and had been in the country less than a year, coming from Minto, N. D. He was starting farming on a large scale, having two sections of land. He leaves a widow, but no family.

The latest reports from the burned districts to the south and southwest of the city confirm the worst fears respecting the serious nature of the damage done. Many settlers lost nearly everything they possessed. One of the heaviest losers was H. Cathcart, who had a thrashing outfit, a stable, a shed, and much machinery destroyed, making a total loss of $5,000. Henry Bates lost considerable grain, his implements and a large new barn, making a total loss of about $3,000. J. Downey lost two cars of lumber, which he had just removed to his farm to erect new buildings.

MILITIA CAMPS MUST BE DRY

Stringent Orders Have Been Issued to Commanding Officers.

A despatch from Ottawa says: As a result of a conference of the Dominion Alliance and the Moral and Social Reform Council with Sir Frederick Borden and the Militia Council recently regarding camps of instruction, Colonel Lessard, Adjutant-General, has sent out the following letter to the various militia officers:—"In view of the near approach of the dates for the camps of instruction this year, I have the honor by direction to inform you that the Minister wishes you to take all possible precautions to prevent the sale of liquor in camps, in officers' as well as in all other messes and canteens, even to members of the same, it being contrary to law. I am to state that the Minister will hold you as well as all other commandants personally responsible that the law is not broken, and that no spirituous liquor whatever is sold in the camp."