CROPS DEVASTATED BY HAIL

Great Storms, Traveling Erratically, Do Damage in the West.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: The present are anxious days with the western farmer. Mid-August frequently sees night frosts, which occasionally do great damage, but so far the lowest temperatures have been well up in the forties. However, a danger peculiar to extremely high temperatures is violent rain, which is not infrequently preceded by hail. Manitoba and Saskatchewan are being daily visited by these storms, traveling erratically. The areas affected usually are small and individuals are sufferers rather than communities, and the aggregate will not materially suffer from this cause.

Rosthern, in central Saskatchewan, had 2,000 acres devastated by hail Wednesday, while on Thursday Langham, Yorkton and Hanley, in the same province, suffered, four townships in the latter and two in Langham being reported totally destroyed, Yorkton's loss being appraised at a thousand acres.

The rain will invigorate and help to fill the latter grains. It will delay the maturing of riper grains, giving rust and fungolds a chance to attack the grain, but this is not likely to affect anything seriously, and with the settling of the weather it is safe to say that better than an average crop will be garnered.

The heaviest rain of several seasons fell here on Thursday afternoon, preceded by hail.

REVENUE INCREASING.

A Handsome Gain for the First Four Months.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The revenue of Canada shows a handsome gain for the first four months of the present year. It totals $30,030,311, an increase of four and a half million. During July alone the revenue was $8,437,-438, or a million and three-quarters more than during the previous July. The increase in revenue came chiefly from customs collections, which show a gain of three and a half millions during the four months. There was a decline of a hundred thousand dollars in excise collections, an increase of $25,000 in the postal revenue, and an increase of $333,000 from railways and public works. The expenditure on consolidated account for the four months, as far as returns are in, was twenty and three-quarter millions, which is an increase of about three millions. The expenditure on capital account, as far as returned for the four months, is six and a half millions, an increase of about a million.

BLOCKED BY CATERPILLARS.

Seven Miles of the Insects on C. P. R. in Maine.

A despatch from Mattawameag, Maine, says: The mechanical department of the Canadian Pecific Railway's Atlantic division, from Montreal to St. John, N. B., part of which crosses Maine on the Maine Central, has been called on to continue an arrangement for ridding the line of a pest which is seldom or never encountered by this road anywhere else than on a particular section of the local division. On two recent nights the line of caterpillars was seven miles in length between these two stations. Two engines had to be put ahead of the Montreal train, and even with the additional power the distance was covered very slowly.

BABY'S HEAD STRUCK WHEEL.

Mrs. Lawrence's Infant Killed in Runaway Accident.

A despatch from Belleville says: While Mrs. Sanford Lawrence and another woman were driving past the old Wily homestead in Marmora, on Saturday, t eh horse, frightened at some object, became unmanageable, with the result that Mrs. Lawrence, who was carrying a baby about seven weeks old, was thrown from the rig. In falling the baby struck its head on the rim of the wheel, it is thought, the skull being crushed in and death ensuing in about fifteen minutes. Although severely shaken up, Mrs. Lawrence was not seriously injured.

ELECTRIC SMELTING.

Dr. Haanel Says Ontario and Quebec Can Beat the World.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Another report favoring the smelting of iron ores by electricity will shortly be issued by Dr. Haanel, Director of Mines. He has recently investigated the electric smelting process of the world and has found that sixty electric furnaces have been established during the last four years. In Sweden the cost of smelting is $12.40 a ton, but in his report Dr. Haanel will say that with the abundance of water-powers in Ontario and Quebec the cost in Canada should be much lower.

STOLEN BILLS CIRCULATING.

Traders Bank Unsigned Notes Appear in Frontenac.

A despatch from Kingston says: Bills on the Traders Bank, and stolen from a C. P. R. train some months ago, are reported to be in circulation in North Frontenac. The bills are insufficiently signed, as they do not bear the name of the manager of the bank at Toronto. Detectives are at work and are seeking to trace the bills back to the original passers. They have descriptions of men seeking to get rid of them at country stores and country stations.

GANANOQUE GIRL ARRESTED.

Charged With Theft of $3,000 From Local Railway.

A despatch from Gananoque says: On Tuesday Chief Bourke placed under arrest Miss Grace Henderson. She is charged with the theft of $2,682 from the Thousand Island Railway Company, of which she was bookkeeper, also with the theft of a cheque for $570 from the Axle Company paid in freight charges, and another cheque for $96.04, paid by a retail house. Before Justice of the Peace Murphy she pleaded not guilty and was allowed to go on bail of $6,000.

NEW FISHERY REGULATIONS.

Full Year's Notice Given Before They Take Effect.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The new international regulations to govern the fisheries of Canada and the United States, agreed upon by Prof. E. E. Prince and Prof. David Starr Jordan, will not go into effect until 1911. They will be published simultaneously in December next, so that a full year's notice will be given to all concerned.

Eighty thousand men have been locked out by employers in Sweden.

BLOOD FLOWING IN SPAIN

There Is Wholesale Shooting of Prisoners in Barcelona.

The Barcelona correspondent of the London Telegraph says that for the present quiet is restored, yet there are certain doubts whether the revolution has received its death blow. Martial law is still in force. The civil guards and police, armed with rifles, still patrol the streets. The wholesale shooting of prisoners after court-martial still goes on at the Fortress of Montjuich. Rumor states that the revolutionists will recommence outrages unless the remaining prisoners are released. Arrests continue on a large scale. Prisoners are constantly seen with their hands tied behind their backs and escorted by civil guards. Two well known journalists of Anarchistic tendencies were arrested Monday. Many officers and soldiers are deserting and crossing the frontier. Many bodies have been found under the ruins of the convents. Members of the Red Cross can be still seen transporting charred remains. Optimists should not omit to note the large bloodstains on the uniforms of the Red Cross men.

The correspondent, in a despatch dated Monday, describes children playing at revolution, shooting at each other with toy rifles, and crying "Viva la Republica." He declares it would take volumes to describe the desolation now spreading its cloak over Barcelona. In speaking of the convent Church of the Magdalen, he says: "The whole place is a heap of ruins, which are still smoking, although the place was set on fire five days ago. In the garden there were thirty vaults where dead sisters were buried. The coffins from these were pulled down and opened, and the corpses thrown about the garden. Then they were placed in sheets and heaped in a pile and set on fire. The rooms were pillaged. What walls are left are inscribed with drawings and writings too obscene to repeat."

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

CANADA.

Hebrew bakers are on strike at Montreal.

Mr. William Bowman of London, Ont., died on Friday.

By a vote of 537 to 77 Calgary decided in favor of Sunday cars.

Rev. W. R. Newell says a woman is safer in Shanghai than in Chicago.

About 120 electrical workers at Winnipeg are on strike for increased pay.

Judge Lavergne of Quebec has decided that Sunday work in bakeries is legal.

Stanley Sharpe of Kingston, aged 19, was struck by an iron bar and fatally injured.

The Canadian Northern short line from Montreal to Quebec will be opened this month.

J. T. Kane, letter-sorter in the Montreal Postoffice, was arrested on a charge of stealing letters.

Hugo Fortier of Montreal has been sentenced to five years in penitentiary for robbing his father.

Ontario authorities have instituted proceedings against storekeepers employing women workers at night.

Douglas Hamilton, a street railway conductor, was arrested at Hamilton on a charge of robbing the company.

The T. & N. O. Railway Commission has decided to instal telephone connections at various places on their line.

Sandy Ferguson of Toronto fell over the bank of Niagara River and was saved by his clothing catching in a bush about fifty feet down the bank.

A band of gypsies from the United States entered Canada at Sault Ste. Marie. They are going to the west to take up farms, and had $11,-000 in gold with them.

For assaulting Manager McEachren, a man named Porteous was sentenced at Glace Bay to two months in jail. Matthew Cherrie, who assaulted General Manager Duggan, was also sentenced to two months or a fine of thirty dollars.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, meeting in Winnipeg, passed a strong resolution in favor of a change in the law under which trainmen are prosecuted for carelessness in connection with accidents.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The London Daily Mail, which has bitterly opposed Mr. Lloyd-George's budget, now admits that the country generally does not sympathize with the plea of the land-owners.

Emperor Nicholas concluded his visit to King Edward on Thursday afternoon, and on board the Imperial yacht Standart, he left Cowes for Kiel, escorted by Russian and British cruisers.

UNITED STATES.

President Taft signed the Payne tariff bill at Washington on Thursday.

Mrs. Panelli, an Italian woman, killed her husband and a woman with whom he had run away at Canton, N. Y.

William Haney, believed to be one of the men concerned in the train hold-up at Ducks, B. C., has been cornered by the Los Angeles police.

George Vandyke, the lumber king of New England, and his chauffeur, were killed when the auto in which they were riding plunged into the Connecticut River, on Sunday.

GENERAL.

The British steamer Maori foundered on the South African coast.

France will probably enlist 40,000 black soldiers for service in Algeria.

The European powers will not allow a war between Turkey and Greece.

A number of towns in the Spanish province of Catalonia have proclaimed a republic.

Charles Brown, a Buffalo banker, committed suicide on board the steamer Vaderland near Antwerp.

Japan will proceed with the reconstruction of the Antung-Mukden Railroad without China's consent.

The British steamer Waratah, en route from Sydney, N.S.W., with 300 persons aboard, is missing.

REACHED THE CENTURY.

Death of Alexander M. Scott at London, Ont.

A despatch from London says: Mr. Alex. M. Scott died here on Wednesday night, aged 100 years and 2 months. He served under Papineau in 1837, was in California during the gold rush, and was a veteran of the American Civil War. He lived here 40 years. His father lived to be 107, and a sister died in Scotland 3 years ago aged 102. Of a family of six the youngest to die was 96.

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, Aug. 10.—Flour — Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents from old wheat, $4.75 to $4.80 in buyers' sacks outside for export, and at $4.90 to $5 on track, Toronto. Manitoba flour, first patents, $6.10 to $6.20 on track, Toronto; second patents, $5.65 to $5.75, and strong bakers', $5.40 to $5.50 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 Northern, $1.22 Georgian Bay ports; No. 2 at $1.19, and No. 3 at $1.18.

Ontario Wheat—New, No. 2, $1 a bushel.

Barley—Old No. 3 extra, 61 to 62c outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, 54½c to 55c on track, Toronto, and 52 to 52½c outside. No. 2 Western Canada oats, 47c, and No. 3, 46c, Bay ports.

Peas—Prices nominal.

Buckwheat—Prices nominal.

Corn—No. 2 American yellow, 77½ to 78c on track, Toronto. Canadian yellow, 75 to 76c on track, Toronto.

Bran—$19.50 to $20 for Ontario bran outside in bulk. Manitoba, $22 in sacks, Toronto freights; shorts, $24, Toronto freights.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Beans—Prime, $2.20 to $2.25, and hand-picked, $2.40 to $2.45 per bushel.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $13 to $14 a ton on track here, and lower grades $9 to $10.50.

Straw—$7 to $7.50 on track.

Potatoes—United States new, $3 per barrel; new Canadian, $1.-10 to $1.15 per bushel.

Poultry — Chickens, yearlings, dressed, 12 to 13c per lb.; fowl, 9 to 10c; turkeys, 14 to 16c per lb.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 19 to 20c; tubs and large rolls, 18 to 19c; inferior, 15 to 16c; creamery, 23 to 23½c, and separator, 19 to 20c per lb.

Eggs—Case lots, 21½ to 22c per dozen.

Cheese—New, 12c for large and 12¼c for twins.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 13½ to 14c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, $23.50; short cut, $25.50 to $26.

Hams—Light to medium, 15½ to 16c; do., heavy, 14 to 14½c; rolls, 12¾ to 13c; shoulders, 12 to 12¼c; backs, 18 to 18½c, and breakfast bacon, 16½ to 17c.

Lard—Tierces, 14½c; tubs, 14¾c; pails, 15c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Aug. 10.—Oats — No. 2 Canadian Western, 50 to 51c; No. 1 extra feed, 49¾ to 50¾c; No. 1 feed, 49½ to 50½c; No. 3 Canadian Western, 49 to 50c. Barley—No. 2, 71 to 72c; Manitoba feed barley, 66 to 67c. Buckwheat — 69½ to 70c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $6.30; Manitoba Spring wheat patents, seconds, $5.80; Winter wheat patents, $6.50; Manitoba strong bakers, $5.60; straight rollers, $6.25 to $6.35; straight rollers in bags, $2.-90 to $3; extras in bags, $2.70 to $2.80. Feed—Manitoba bran, $22; Manitoba shorts, $24; pure grain mouille, $33 to $35; mixed mouille, $28 to $30. Cheese—Westerns, 11¾ to 11⅞c; eastern, 11¼ to 11½c. Butter—Finest creamery, 22c. Eggs—24c, and No. 1 candled at 30c per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—Cash wheat—No. 2 red, $1.02½ to $1.05½; No. 3 red, 98c to $1.02½; No. 2 hard, $1.03 to $1.09; No. 3 hard, $1.00 to $1.04½. Corn—No. 2, 66 to 67c; No. 2 yellow, 68 to 69c; No. 3, 66 to 66¼c; No. 4, 62 to 64c. Oats—No. 2 white, 39c; No. 3 white, 37¾ to 39½c, standard, 39½c.

Minneapolis, Aug. 10.—Wheat — Sept., $1.00⅞ to $1.01; Dec., 99½ to 99⅝c; cash, No. 1 Northern, $1.-25; No. 2 Northern, $1.23; No. 3 Northern, $1.19 to $1.21; No. 1 Durum, $1.05; No. 2 Durum, $1.-03½. Bran—In 100-lb. sacks, $20.-50. Flour—First patents, $5.80 to $6; second patents, $5.70 to $5.90; first clears, $4.95 to $5.25; second clears, $3.35 to $3.55.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Aug. 10.—A few of the best cattle sold at about 5¼c per lb.; pretty good animals sold at 4 to 5c per lb; common stock at 2½ to 3¾c per lb.; milch cows sold at $25 to $50 each. Calves sold at $2.50 to $9 each. Sheep sold at 3½ to 4c per lb.; lambs at about 6½c per lb. Good lots of fat hogs sold at about 8½c per lb.

Toronto, Aug. 10.—Sheep and lambs were weak from 20 to 25c lower all round. Calves—A trifle dearer. Milkers and Springers—Steady, but as there were very few on offer, prices were firm. Stockers and feeders—$3 to $3.60. Hogs—Selects quoted at $7.85 f.o.b. and at $8.10, fed and watered.

BOY MURDERS LITTLE GIRL

Six-Year-Old Child Tied to a Tree by Foster-Brother and Brains Beaten Out.

A despatch from Guysboro', N.S., says: A cold-blooded murder committed a week ago at Boylston, a few miles outside of this town, has just come to light. On Thursday afternoon the adopted thirteen-year-old son of Joseph Issert, a negro, living at Boylston, in the absence of his foster-parents, tied their six-year-old daughter to a tree and beat her brains out. The Isserts were away on a picnic, and returning home, found the child tied up to a tree, dead. They applied to the overseers of the poor for assistance to bury the child, and this was granted. Later the suspicions of the authorities were aroused, and it was decided to exhume the body and hold an autopsy. This was done, and then it was ascertained that the child had been murdered. The boy was arrested. An inquiry was held before Coroner Ewart and a verdict of murder returned. Two other boys are also held as accomplices.

KITCHENER'S NEW POST.

Is to be Inspector of all the Overseas Forces.

A despatch from London says: Lord Kitchener has been appointed to the Mediterranean command, recently vacated by the Duke of Connaught. He will first visit Australia, inspect the troops there, and advise on the best way of giving effect to certain proposals for developments which are being discussed at the Imperial Defence Conference. In some quarters it is believed that there is an intention to co-ordinate all the military forces of the empire and place Lord Kitchener at the head of the organization, which will have the Imperial army for its special care. Events would seem to be moving in this direction, says the Daily Graphic. There can be no question that Lord Kitchener is of all men the one best suited for a command of this kind. The Express declares that Lord Kitchener's new post is synonymous with the inspectorship of all the overseas forces.

SHOT WIFE AS SHE SLEPT.

Mrs. Joseph J. Hunter Murdered by Her Husband.

A despatch from Lindsay says: At Bobcaygeon on Saturday morning last Joseph J. Hunter, proprietor of the Royal Hotel, in the most deliberate and coldblooded manner murdered his young wife while she slept. The crime was committed about the hour of 4-30 a.m., while the members of the household and the many guests slept soundly, with the exception of one or two attendants who were about early. A glance inside the bedroom told the deadly tale. There on the bed lay the prostrate form of the young wife, blood flowing from an ugly gunshot wound in her head. The servant rushed forward and wrested the gun from Hunter. County Constable James McMullen responded promptly. He immediately called on Mr. George Taylor, the village Magistrate, who in the regular way issued a warrant for Hunter's arrest. The prisoner was securely guarded and placed on board the early morning train for Lindsay, where he was lodged in the county jail.

FAILURE OF FISHERIES.

Serious Condition Faces 25,000 Men in Labrador.

A despatch from St. John's, Nfld., says: Advices from Labrador, through the fishery cruiser Fiona, which arrived here on Sunday, report the failure of the fisheries of that coast, owing to ice blockades. Unless this barrier is removed soon a serious situation for 25,000 men and their families is inevitable. These men compose the crews of the vessels which usually are engaged in the Labrador fisheries. Their average catch constitutes about one-third of Newfoundland's total.

YOUNG GIRL'S SUICIDE.

Clara Braithwaite Found Hanging From a Tree.

A despatch from Brantford says: Clara Braithwaite, a girl thirteen years of age, the daughter of George Braithwaite, hotelkeeper at Harrisburg, was found hanging from a tree in the orchard near her father's house early on Wednesday evening. The body was first noticed by the crew of a Grand Trunk train running past the spot. The train was stopped and the crew, on cutting the body down, found life extinct. The case is thought to be suicide, although a motive is lacking.

FEWER CIGARETTES SMOKED.

Act Prohibiting Sale to Boys Has Had Good Effect.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The act for the suppression of the cigarette evil, which has been in force about eight months, is having a beneficial effect in the decreasing of consumption. The falling off in the twelve months covered by a statement just issued by the Department of Inland Revenue was over thirty million cigarettes. Of domestic make 354,000,000 were consumed in this period, representing a decline of 28,000,000, while of the imported kind the sale was 12,750,-000, a decline of 2,000,000. The Act has been in force for eight of the twelve months covered by the figures given.

THOUSANDS AT A LIFT.

Immense Run of Sockeyes Reported From the Pacific.

A despatch from Victoria, B. C., says: Trap tenders arriving on Sunday morning from fish traps report an immense run of cockeyes. The traps are taking from 20,000 to 50,-000 fish each lift. No sooner were they empty than they began to fill up again.

WORK FOR MR. McGUIGAN.

May Become President of Lake Superior Corporation.

A despatch from Montreal says: It is reported here that Mr. F. H. McGuigan, formerly of the Grand Trunk, and now building the Niagara power transmission lines, is to become President of the Lake Superior Corporation at the Soo. It is said that the salary of $25,000 will be attached to the position which Mr. McGuigan is to occupy.

USED RAZOR ON HOTEL MAN.

George Gould Was Fined $20 and Costs at Brantford.

A despatch from Brantford says: Twenty dollars and costs was the fine imposed by Police Magistrate Livingston on Wednesday morning on George Gould for slashing Wesley Scott, proprietor of the Langford Hotel, with a razor last week.

THE PEOPLE ARE ARMING

The Labor Trouble in Sweden Is Becoming More Acute.

A despatch from Stockholm says: The labor conflict in Sweden shows signs of becoming more acute and the ranks of the strikers are considerably swelled. But the general strike called for Wednesday has not yet become entirely effective. Many organizations, although sympathizing with the strikers, hesitate to join them actively.

The employees of the street car lines and the cab drivers stopped work and neither cabs nor street cars are available. The troops are protecting the gas works and the electric lighting plant, and this step has incensed the workmen, whose leader threatens to call a strike unless the soldiers are withdrawn.

A corps of workmen some thousand strong is being organized with the object of maintaining order, and the people generally, bankers, merchants, etc., are arming themselves for self-protection. The gun shops of the city are practically denuded of revolvers and small arms.

Although the railroad men have not decided to strike, the Government is taking the precaution to guard the tracks with troops, fearing attempts to blow up bridges or injure the permanent way. Quantities of dynamite are reported to have mysteriously disappeared recently from the Government stores.

The leaders of the strikers claim that the end of the week will see a notable spread of the movement; that the railroad, postal, telegraph and telephone employees, and the printers will by that time have joined.

All milk supplies have been cut off and thousands of babies are suffering from lack of nourishment and change from cows' milk to canned milk.