A RIOT AT FORT WILLIAM

Six Officers and Four Civilians Shot in the Fight.

A despatch from Fort William, Ont., says: Nine men were wounded on Thursday morning in a fight between C.P.R. special constables and a number of striking truckers. It was shortly before noon that the trouble which precipitated the biggest riot ever seen in Fort William started, and it came like an explosion of a barrel of gunpowder on a quiet street. A posse of C.P.R. police which had been brought down from Winnipeg, was marched from the sheds to the boarding-house, in the vicinity. Their progress was accompanied by hoots and yells and demonstrations from the large crowd of strikers. While the police were eating their dinner the strikers apparently determined that they would not be allowed to leave the boarding-house. Constable Ball was the first one to make his appearance in the doorway, and he was immediately accosted by a couple of burly strikers and told he would have to remain indoors, as well as his men. According to eye witnesses, the constable drew his baton and attempted to hit the striker. Quick as a flash the latter had drawn a revolver and sent a bullet into the chief's abdomen.

A FIERCE BATTLE.

Then the battle was on. Rifles and revolvers were brought into play in every direction, shooting from the corners of houses and from behind cars, the fusilade of the men directed at the police lasted fully fifteen minutes. The strikers massed, and drove the C.P.R. men back into the bunk-house. They fired through the windows, and were preparing to storm the house when Chief Dodds, backed by Sergt. Taylor and the constables of the city force, prevailed on the strikers to stay away from the house. All the windows in the bunk-house and all of the C.P.R. yard buildings were smashed by bullets.

KEPT UP FIRE.

The strikers, in response to Chief Dodds, slowly retreated back to McTavish Street, but further they refused to budge, and they kept up an intermittent fire under the very eyes of the police officials. They loaded and fired regardless of the fact that they were ordered repeatedly in the name of the King to disperse to their homes.

The battle lasted at least fifteen minutes, and in the meantime word of the situation was received by Mayor Pelletier, and he immediately decided to call out the militia. Later the Mayor proceeded to the docks and read the Riot Act. Two hundred militiamen of the 96th Regiment quickly assembled in both cities, and long before dark were on the scene and complete masters of the situation.

The strikers, after their show of strength against the police earlier in the day, are now cowed and submissive.

THE INJURED.

None of the victims are injured so seriously that death is likely to result, the only one for whom there are any fears is Constable Ball. A report from the hospital late on Thursday night is that he is doing well and unless complications set in will recover. Constable Carpenter, of the C.P.R. police, has a wound in the knee which may cripple him, but is not dangerous to life.

The list as far as can be ascertained now is:— Sergt. Taylor, of city police, slight; C. M. Dickenson, of Times Journal, slight; Chief Constable Ball, C.P.R. police, seriously wounded in abdomen; Constable Carpenter, C.P.R. constable, knee badly smashed; Two other constables slightly wounded. Two strikers, Greeks, names unknown. John Lake, butcher at coal docks, bullet grazed forehead, only slightly wounded.

The appearance of the militia on the scene had a salutary effect on the mob and they scattered so quickly that it was not even necessary for the militiamen to load their rifles, although each man had been served with several rounds of ball cartridges.

STRIKERS RETURN TO WORK.

Fort William, Aug. 15.—The striking C. P. R. freight handlers will return to work to-morrow morning. A mass meeting of 5,000 strikers and friends was held this afternoon, and was addressed by Mayor Pelletier, who urged the men to resume employment and submit their grievance to a board of arbitration under the Lemieux Disputes Act. General Manager Bury of the Canadian Pacific had previously given his consent to the mayor to take the men back if they agreed to arbitratio . The strikers were inclined to demand the release of 15 companions sent to jail for riotous conduct, and they also wanted the withdrawal of the troops, but Mayor Pelletier replied that the law must take its course. Finally, the strikers accepted the mayor's proposal, and were given 36 hours within which to return to employment with the company. Nearly 150 strikebreakers arrived this morning, making four hundred working to-day, enabling steamer Manitoba to unload and get away.

EDMONTON THRILLED.

A Hungarian's Effort to Terrorize the City.

A despatch from Edmonton, Alberta, says: A Hungarian desperado with a loaded revolver and a dangerous-looking knife dashing east down Grierson street, and firing back as he ran at Sergt Nicholson and other members of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, who were in pursuit, was the thrilling sight which gave Edmonton all the pictured appearances of the wild and woolly west for a few minutes on Saturday afternoon. The man who created the trouble, and who was eventually landed in the cells at the R. N. M. W. P. Barracks without killing or wounding any one of his pursuers or spectators, is named Milan Obernovitch. He told the police through an interpreter, that he came to Edmonton a few days ago from Calgary, and that he has been in Canada about fourteen months.

JOSEPH HUNTER COMMITTED.

Bobcaygeon Man Will be Tried for Wife-murder in September.

A despatch from Lindsay says: Joseph Hunter, charged with murdering his wife at Bobcaygeon on August 7th, was up before County Magistrate Moore on Saturday. Crown Attorney Devlin conducted the prosecution; Mr. L. V. O'Connor appeared for the accused. Hunter, pale and wan looking, but not in the least nervous, was led in by Chief of Police Vincent, and without glancing to either side took his place in the prisoner's chair. Only five or six witnesses were examined; the accused had nothing to say, and the Magistrate committed him to the Fall Assizes, which will commence on the 27th day of September next.

Dr. F. T. Leys of Detroit is protesting against the probate in London, Ont., of the will of his mother, widow of the late Col. F. Leys

GEN. FRENCH FOR CANADA

War Secretary Announces His Appointment as Result of Imperial Conference.

A despatch from London says: In a speech at Bradford on Friday night, Secretary for War Haldane expressed the greatest satisfaction that the Imperial Conference on the naval and military defences of the Empire had arrived at an agreement. He announced that while Lord Kitchener, the newly-appointed Inspector-General of the Mediterranean forces, was in Australasia, Lieut.-Gen. Sir John French commander of the First Army Corps, was going to Canada to work out the details of the plan there.

One great homogeneous Imperial British army, uniformly trained and equipped, is to be the outcome of the Imperial Conferences on the naval and military defences of the Empire held at the Foreign Office.

In general terms the plan provides that all troops of self-governing colonies shall undergo precisely the same training as the home regulars in order to be ready to take their places beside the latter whenever and wherever necessity may arise. Military training colleges along the lines of the staff college at Camberly are to be established in the over-sea dominions, and there is to be a continuous interchange of officers from all parts of the Empire so as to ensure absolute uniformity of organization and training.

In a recent speech outlining the probable strength of this army of the Empire, War Secretary Haldane estimated that the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa could furnish a total of forty-six divisions. This is equivalent to twenty-three army corps, which is the strength of the German army.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

CANADA.

Parliament will probably meet on November 4.

Prince Albert Masons will erect a sixty-thousand-dollar temple.

Prosperity reported at all points along the route of the T. & N. O. Railway.

Toronto's share of Toronto Railway earnings for July exceeded $2,000 per day.

The Ontario Government has begun the construction of roadways in New Ontario.

Fire did damage to the extent of $30,000 to stores and houses in Little Britain, on Saturday.

The Canadian Northern agreement with its maintenance-of-way men has been signed.

William P. Roppel, aged fifteen years, was dragged by a runaway horse at Underwood and killed, on Friday.

The Oxford flour mills at Norwich and the Hocken Lumber Company's mill near Parry Sound were burned on Thursday.

The Ontario Government is cancelling the licenses of those holders who have three convictions recorded against them.

Immigration returns for June show an increase. The number coming from the United States is increasing very fast.

The mail bag stolen from Brighton station last June was picked up on a farm near the town on Friday. It was empty.

The New Brunswick Board of Education decided to adopt military and physical training in the public schools and Provincial University.

The C. P. R. train crew which ran down the two nuns on the bridge at Bordeaux, Que., were exonerated from blame by the Coroner's jury.

The Grand Trunk Pacific will build a line to Emerson, Man., and from there secure running rights over the Northern Pacific to the Twin Cities.

A promenade collapsed at the St. Agathe, Quebec, regatta, on Saturday, and five hundred people dropped through to a floating dock, fifty of them being thrown into the water. Fortunately no one was seriously hurt.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Fifty-one persons were killed by automobiles in Chicago in the last seven months.

A Royal Commission has been appointed to report on trade relations between Canada and the United States.

The committee investigating the charges made by Lord Charles Beresford regarding the condition of the British defences has reported that the country is not in danger.

Lord Rosebery has offered his magnificent seacoast villa near Naples to the British Government as a Summer residence for its Ambassador at Rome. The Government, it is said, has accepted the gift, and the transfer will take place in a few days' time.

UNITED STATES.

Danger of a strike of street railwaymen in Chicago has been averted.

A California professor is experimenting with a machine which flies like an eagle.

Poultry fanciers claim that the day of the three-hundred-egg hen is close at hand.

C. F. Willard made a cross-country flight of twelve miles in his aeroplane on Long Island, on Friday.

A convict at Middleton, N. Y., killed a man who had helped send him to prison many years ago.

The court house at Washington, Ky., where "Uncle Tom" was sold was destroyed by lightning on Friday.

Rafael Cascone was shot and fatally wounded in New York by an Italian boy whose brother Cascone had killed.

The special tariff session of the United States Congress cost the nation between $800,000 and $900,000.

Justice Mills, at White Plains, on Thursday, decided that Harry Thaw is still insane and not fit to be released from the asylum.

GENERAL.

The Swedish strikers are returning to work.

The Riff tribesmen in Morocco are seeking to make peace with Spain.

Three passengers in a balloon have succeeded in making the trip across the Alps.

Forty-two aeroplanes will take part in the great competition at Rheims this month.

China has yielded to the demands of Japan with reference to the Antung-Mukden railroad.

The youthful Shah of Persia weeps incessantly, crying to be allowed to join his father.

All the vessels of the Spanish navy have been ordered to concentrate at Melilla, Morocco.

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. 17.—Flour — Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents from old wheat, $4.50 to $4.75 in buyers' sacks outside for export, and $4.75 to $4.90 on track, Toronto. Flour from new wheat, $4 to $4.10 outside. 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, $1.19, Georgian Bay ports; No. 2 at $1.16½, and No. 3 at $1.15.

Ontario Wheat—New No. 2, 97 to 98c, outside points.

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

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, 50 to 51c on track, Toronto, and 47 to 47½c outside. No. 2 Western Canada oats, 45c, and No. 3, 44c, Bay ports.

Peas—Prices nominal.

Buckwheat—Prices nominal.

Corn—No. 2 American yellow 77c 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—$7.50 to $8 on track.

Potatoes—United States new, $2.75 to $3 per barrel; new Canadian, 75 to 90c per bushel.

Poultry — Chickens, yearlings, dressed, 13 to 15c per pound; fowl, 10 to 11c; turkeys, 14 to 16c per pound.

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 pound.

Eggs—Case lots, 21½ to 22c per dozen.

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

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 13¾ to 14c per pound 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, 13 to 13½c; shoulders, 12½ to 13c; backs, 18 to 18½c; breakfast bacon, 16½ to 17c.

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

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Aug. 17.—Oats—No. 2 Canadian Western, 48½ to 49c; No. 1 extra feed, 48 to 48½c; No. 1 feed, 47¾ to 48¼c; No. 3 Canadian Western, 47 to 47½c. Barley—No. 2, 71 to 72c; Manitoba feed barley, 66 to 67c; buckwheat, 69½ to 70c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $6.30; do., seconds, $5.80; Winter wheat patents, $6.50; Manitoba strong bakers, $5.60; straight rollers, $6.25 to $6.35; do., in bags, $2.90 to $3; extras, in bags, $2.70 to $2.80. Feed—Manitoba bran, $22; do., shorts, $24; pure grain mouille, $33 to $35; mixed mouille, $28 to $30. Cheese—Western, 11⅝ to 11¾c; easterns at 11⅜ to 11½c. Butter—Finest creamery, 21½ to 21¾c. Eggs—Selected 24c; No. 1 candled, 20c.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Minneapolis, Aug. 17.—Wheat—Sept., 98⅜ to 98½c; Dec., 95½ to 95⅝c; May, 99⅝ to 99¾c; cash, No. 1 hard, $1.36; No. 1 Northern, $1.35; No. 2 Northern, $1.33; No. 3 Northern, $1.28 to $1.30. Bran — In 100-lb. sacks, $20.50. Flour — First patents, $5.90 to $6.10; second patents, $5.80 to $6; first clears $4.95 to $5.25; second clears, $3.35 to $3.65.

Chicago, Aug 17.—Cash wheat—No. 2 red, 1.00½ to $1.02½; No. 3 red, 89c to $1.00½; No. 2 hard, $1.00½ to $1.04; No. 3 hard, 89c to $1.02. Corn—No. 2, 67¼ to 68c; No. 2 white, 71 to 71½c; No. 2 yellow, 68¾ to 69c; No. 3, 67c; No. 3 white, 71½c; No. 3 yellow, 68½ to 69c; No. 4, 65 to 66c. Oats—No. 3 white, 36½ to 37¼c; standard, 37¼ to 37½c.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, Aug. 17.—Prime beeves sold at 5⅛c per lb.; pretty good animals, 4 to 5c; common stock, 2½ to 3¾c per lb. There were several superior milch cows on the market, for which from $55 to $60 was asked; the other cows sold at $25 to $50 each. One buyer bought eight good calves at $9 each; common calves sold at $3 to $5 each. Shippers are paying 4c per lb. for good large sheep; the others sell at 3½ to 3¾c per lb. Lambs sell at 6 to 6½c per lb. Good lots of fat hogs sold at about 8½c per lb.

Toronto, Aug. 17.—Extra choice well finished butchers' steers and heifers sold at $5.60 per cwt., whilst $5.30 and $5.40 were easily obtained for ordinary good loads. Exporters' $6 to $6.25 per cwt. Young lambs were 50 to 75c higher than last week. Sheep and calves also hardened. Hogs, $7.65 f.o.b., and $7.90, fed and watered.

GOLD FOUND IN NOVA SCOTIA

Strike of Very Rich Quartz Reported From Halifax County.

A despatch from Halifax, N. S., says: The report of another rich strike of gold in the eastern part of Halifax county reached the city on Tuesday. The strike has been made at Meagher's Grant, near Musquodobolt. For some time it has been known to certain parties that a rich body of arsenic was situated near Meagher's Grant. About three weeks ago Otis Mills of Meagher's Grant, Captain Richard Williams and Ernest Hill of Dartmouth took up a number of claims and started working for arsenic. A good deal of this quartz was struck and an assay was made which showed $12 per ton arsenic and $3 per ton gold. Men were engaged to work the claim, and it was not until Tuesday that any startling discovery was made. Then a vein of quartz was uncovered which proved to be not only rich in arsenic, but also to have a far larger percentage of gold. It is stated that mining men who have seen the samples of the ore pronounce it to be the best they have ever seen.

SAVES SISTER'S LIFE.

Eleven-Year-Old Girl Pluckily Plunges Into River.

A despatch from Morrisburg says: While some little girls were bathing in the St. Lawrence River, near Point Iroquois, Beryl Pelton, daughter of the editor of The St. Lawrence News, stepped into a deep hole, with a treacherous undercurrent. She was swept off her feet in a moment and was being carried out into the main current when her young sister, Norma, 11 years of age, standing on the bank, without a moment's hesitation, rushed into the river with her clothes and shoes on, and, wading out nearly to her neck, succeeded in reaching her older sister and with difficulty pulled her into shallow water, thus saving her life.

KILLED IN GRAVEL PIT.

Two Huntsville Laborers Meet With Sudden Death.

A despatch from Huntsville says: Caught under a mass of falling gravel in the pit in which they were working, James Hughes and John Beswick met death sometime on Friday afternoon. When they had not returned to town by seven o'clock on Friday night, a search party, fearing an accident, was organized and hurried to the pit, two miles distant. Beswick was found under nine inches of gravel and Hughes under about fifteen inches. The mass had fallen several feet and the men would not know what struck them. Hughes leaves a widow and three children.

NINE PERSONS ARE INJURED.

Runaway North Vancouver Car Fell Into Inlet.

A despatch from Vancouver, B. C., says: Nine people were more or less painfully injured on Thursday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, when a North Vancouver street car ran away, owing to the brakes failing to work, and fell into the inlet. The motorman, Kelly, jumped at Frst Street, and injured his skull, but Conductor Jones stuck to his post, because he said he was afraid the women and children would try and clamber out into the water. His nose was broken. Mr. Arnold Kealy is among the injured. The passengers were rather panicky, but several showed great pluck.

HORSE JUMPED INTO TRAIN.

Got Between Tender and Baggage Car and Was Killed.

A despatch from Montreal says: The Boston & Maine express, which left Sherbrooke on Tuesday night, met with a peculiar mishap at Eustis. When going at a fair speed a loose horse on the road jumped between the tender and the baggage car, with the result that two cars were derailed and the horse instantly killed. No one on the train was injured.

T. N. O. PROFITS.

Net Earnings in June, $77,475; For Six Months, $377,529.

A despatch from Toronto says: Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway earnings continue to mount upward. The report for June shows a remarkably good state of affairs. The gross revenue from operation for the month was $131,850. The expenses were $73,648, leaving a net revenue from operation of $58,202. The amount received from ore royalties was $19,273, making the total net receipts $77,475, as compared with $30,573 for June, 1908. For six months ended June 30, the net revenue from operation was $309,174 and from ore royalties $68,355, making a total of $377,529, compared with $55,103 for the same period last year. "This return," said Hon. A. J. Matheson, provincial secretary, on Friday, "is most gratifying both to the government and to the commission. I am in hopes that we will have enough surplus revenue to pay the amount required for interest and sinking fund on the whole cost of the road."

CROPS DEVASTATED.

One of the Worst Storms in Years on Bay of Fundy.

A despatch from Annapolis, N. S., says: One of the fiercest gales that has visited the Bay of Fundy coast this year, raged here for several hours on Wednesday morning and the damage is reported heavy. Grain and corn crops have in many localities been totally ruined, while other crops have suffered to a lesser extent. Hay that had been cut and cocked was blown broadcast over the surrounding country. Many of the orchards are reported to have been completely raked by the gale. Reports arrived from the Bay shore describe the damage done to fishing tackle as heavy.

BIG GROWTH IN GRAIN.

Some Striking Samples From Northern Ontario.

A despatch from Toronto says: Mr. J. G. Campbell, Crown Lands agent at Cochrane, on the T. & N. O. Railway, has forwarded to the Provincial Department of Agriculture some splendid samples of grains grown in Lamarche township. The specimens give some idea of the agricultural possibilities of the northern district now being opened up. The hay is 61½ inches in height, the oats 50½, and the wheat 48½ inches.

KILLED IN A FIRE.

Five Persons Lost Their Lives at Hancock, Michigan.

A despatch from Detroit, says: A special to the News from Hancock, Mich., says five persons lost their lives there early on Thursday, when the residence of Edward Dionne was burned. They are: Mrs. Dionne, Edward Dionne, Jr., aged 8; Lee Dionne, an infant; a ten-year-old girl named Racine, and a fifth person whose name has not been learned.

CHILD'S LIFE SAVED BY DOG

The Sagacious Collie Gave an Alarm While Chained Up.

A despatch from London, Ont., says: Catherine Brash, aged fourteen months, whose parents live at the corner of Victoria and Colborne streets, was, on Tuesday evening, saved from drowning through the alarm given by a collie that was chained nearby. The baby girl, in creeping around, fell into a rain-barrel partially sunk in the ground. Mrs. Brash heard the dog bark, and at first paid no attention. Then the collie, tugging at its chain, started to whine and bark more loudly than ever, and the mother, looking about, discovered the child's feet protuding from the water barrel. The little one was at once pulled out and a doctor brought. The baby was then unconscious and black in the face; but after an hour she began to revive and no serious results are expected, unless unforeseen complications develop. When the child was rescued the dog's demonstrations of joy were as strenuous as had been the alarm that he had so faithfully given.