CEMETERY NEAR WHIRLPOOL

Problem of Disposing of Victims of Niagara River May Be Settled.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, Ont., says: If the plan proposed by the members of the Queen Victoria Park Commission for the disposal of the Niagara's unidentified dead is carried out, this city will have one of the most unique cemeteries in the world, for there will be row after row of graves, each containing the body, invariably maimed, of an unknown person.

The problem of disposing of the unidentified bodies found each year in the Niagara River is one that has long puzzled the city officials, and quite recently the undertakers practically refused to handle the bodies, especially those taken from the whirlpool, unless some one guaranteed them expenses. The undertakers declare that to bring a body from the pool to the top of the bank and hold it for a couple of days or more and then bury it was worth $40, providing the city would furnish and open the grave.

At a conference between the members of the Town Council and the Park Commission, which has jurisdiction over the Niagara Park system, of which the grounds adjacent to the whirlpool are a part, it was agreed that the city would furnish the grave and have it opened if the Park Commission would pay the undertaker. It is proposed to have the unique cemetery located near the whirlpool. When a body is recovered it will be locked up carefully and notations made of every peculiar mark on it that might lead to an identification. The clothes will also be saved and a description taken. The grave in which the body is placed will be numbered and a record kept showing the description of the body in that grave. That record will be kept by the city and will probably come under the direction of the coroner.

ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE.

Prisoners Make United Attack on Turnkey.

A despatch from Montreal says: Ten prisoners confined in the Bedford jail at Sweetsburg made a determined attempt for freedom. On Thursday night the acting turnkey, Deputy Scott, who is 78 years old, was attacked by the men when he was about to lock them up for the night and so badly beaten that he had to go to the hospital. His shouts for help brought High Constable Boisvert, who, with his revolver, succeeded in getting the men behind the bars. The plot to escape had been well arranged, as a rope was later found hanging out of the window ready for the use of the prisoners. Scott is in the hospital. The men will get an extension of sentence for the assault and attempt to escape.

THE CITIES OF CANADA.

Praised by Glasgow Magistrate at New York.

A despatch from New York says: Mr. James Shaw Maxwell, Senior Magistrate of the City of Glasgow, who is making an extensive tour of the United States and Canada, arrived in New York on Tuesday. Although Mr. Maxwell's purpose in visiting America is for the transaction of private business, he is taking advantage of the opportunity to study public institutions. He declares he has been greatly impressed with those he has already visited in Chicago, Boston, Toronto and Ottawa. Coming, as he does, from the birthplace of municipal ownership, Mr. Maxwell professes surprise that the citizens of the large municipalities are not more interested in that problem. "From what I have already observed," he said, "the Canadian cities are far ahead of those in the United States in many respects. They appear to be better regulated, and are kept cleaner."

PEMBINA COAL FIELDS.

The Grand Trunk Pacific to Tap the District.

A despatch from Montreal says: The G. T. P. officials announce the finding of valuable coal lands near Pembina and are planning to tap the district. The track-laying is being rushed with all possible speed, and it is said that when the rails reach the Pembina River one of the first shipments over the new line will be of machinery for the development of these coal properties. It is expected that the railway company will secure fuel here for the entire line west of Edmonton. It is stated also that the coal is the very best bituminous, and very much superior to the lignite coal in the Edmonton district.

AUTUMN LAKE TRAFFIC.

Nearly the Entire Tonnage Will be in Operation.

A despatch from Detroit, Mich., says: President Livingston of the Lake Carriers' Association, says: "But 55 per cent. of the lake tonnage was in commission last year. This fall between 90 and 100 per cent. of the boats will be in operation. Grain rates have not yet been fixed, but vesselmen expect to get three cents per bushel when the fall rush comes. Ore rates are at present 65 cents per ton, but in all probability and judging from the increasing conditions of prosperity carriers will get a rate of $1, the latter part of the season. Next season will be one of the best in the history of lake commerce, according to the present indications. All available tonnage will find business."

TRAIN FELL THROUGH BRIDGE

No One Was Killed by a Forty-foot Drop.

A despatch from Victoria, B. C., says: That the age of miracles is not yet past, is demonstrated by the experience of a Great Northern passenger train from Grand Forks for Spokane on Sunday morning. The locomotive, mail car, combination baggage and express, and passenger coaches with a number of passengers, dropped through a burning bridge into a gulch some forty feet below, but without the killing or fatal injuring of anyone, although the train is a total wreck, and the financial loss exceeds $25,000.

READY AND EFFICIENT.

Forces Prepared to Serve in Any Part of the Empire.

A despatch from London says: It is understood that New Zealand will provide cruisers for New Zealand waters instead of a Dreadnought for the fleet. At the final meeting of the Imperial Defence Conference on Thursday a resolution was brought forward to the effect that all the naval and military forces of the empire shall be so organized that each shall be in a position to render efficient service in an emergency in any part of the empire.

SAFE TRAVELLING.

Remarkable Record of British Railroads Made Last Year.

A despatch from London says: Statistics issued by the Board of Trade show that not a single passenger in the United Kingdom lost his life in a train wreck during the year 1908, though many persons were killed by railway trains in various other ways, such as crossing the tracks, trespassing, etc.

GROWTH OF CANADA'S TRADE

The Bank Statement for July Shows Further Expansion.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The bank statement for July, as compared with the statement for June, indicates continued growth and expansion of trade throughout the Dominion. Deposits increased by $7,229,621. Current loans in Canada increased by $4,608,772, and call loans in Canada by nearly $2,000,000. Loans outside of Canada decreased by $1,219,115, thus indicating the continued withdrawal of funds from the United States to meet the business demands of the Dominion.

An astounding improvement is to be noted between the current statement and the statement for July, 1908, the aggregate deposits having increased during these twelve months by $122,000,000.

A comparison between the statements for July, 1908 and 1909, respectively, follows:—

	July, 1908.	July, 1909
Current loans in Canada	$525,271,185	$539,821,041
Current loans elsewhere	23,153,095	32,753,385
Call loans in Canada	40,467,165	54,603,054
Call loans elsewhere	54,915,935	114,685,537
Deposits payable on demand	164,791,398	222,555,749
Deposits payable after notice	402,964,565	466,337,816

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

CANADA.

Code telegraph messages will have to pay higher rates after Sept. 1st.

There is a rush to Otter township, where rich finds of silver are reported.

A scheme has been outlined for the formation of the nucleus of a Canadian navy.

Harold McQueen, a Hamilton boy, was bitten by a dog, and it is feared rabies may result.

Port Arthur will expend $10,000 in the extension of the local telephone system and improvements.

J. Duggan of Montreal is charged with locking two horses up in an empty stable and leaving them to starve.

A resolution was passed by the Maritime Board of Trade in favor of a union of the three eastern Provinces.

Lord Strathcona in Montreal spoke most hopefully of the prospects of rapid progress for the Dominion.

President James Ross of the Dominion Coal Company reiterates his determination to fight the striking miners to a finish.

The Coroner's jury in the Michael Hall case at Simcoe found that death was caused by a shot fired by some unknown person.

Wilfrid Bourque of West Farnham, Que., and another man were killed in an automobile race at Indianapolis, Ind., on Thursday.

After October 1st Montreal consumers will get their electricity for ten cents a kilowatt, instead of fifteen cents, as at present.

Mr. Robert Meighen, President of the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, declares that farmers will do better by holding their wheat.

The Bank of Commerce estimates the western wheat crop at 113,979,000 bushels, the oat crop at 157,537,000 bushels, and the barley crop at 24,320,000 bushels.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Lady Alma-Tadema, wife of the famous artist, is dead.

Eight suffragettes were arrested in London on Thursday.

Suffragettes caused disturbances at several public meetings in Britain.

Ten men attempted to rob a large jewellery store in Cheapside, London, on Saturday.

A proposal was made to adopt a great Red Cross system within the British Empire to work with the territorial army.

UNITED STATES.

A man having $1,000,000 in counterfeit notes was arrested in Kentucky.

A natural gas explosion in Cleveland wrecked a building and injured ten.

Women led the rioting strikers at McKee's Rocks, Pa., on Friday, and had to be dispersed by troops.

A rumor current in New York says that Harriman has secured control of the New York Central lines.

An inexhaustible supply of pitch blende, from which radium is obtained, has been discovered in California.

Two trainmen were killed on the Pere Marquette Railroad, near Lansing, Mich., by an explosion of the locomotive boiler.

Three persons were killed in an automobile accident Saturday during races on the motor speedway at Indianapolis.

Harry Eckley, formerly of Toronto, was killed by strike sympathizers in a riot at McKee's Rocks, Pa., on Saturday.

Dr. Herbert D. Pease, a native of Toronto, has been appointed director of bacteriological work in the Lederie laboratories, New York.

GENERAL.

A Chinese patrol was assaulted by a body of Japanese soldiers in Manchuria.

Eighty per cent. of the deaths among letter-sorters in Australia are due to tuberculosis.

Greece has sent a note to Turkey saying that she will abide by the decision of the protecting powers in the Cretan affair.

Several villages in the State of Victoria, Australia, have been submerged by floods, and great damage has been done.

KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT.

Four Vancouver Ladies Lost Their Lives in Seattle.

A despatch from Vancouver, B. C., says: The four Vancouver ladies, who perished in the auto accident in Seattle on Thursday night were: Mrs. Grothe, aged 36, wife of a C.P.R. employee; Mrs. Colvin, aged 26, wife of a shoe merchant; Miss Agnes Cowan, sister of Mrs. Colvin and daughter of a prominent real estate broker; Maggie Paul, a teacher in Seymour School. Miss Paul was to have been married shortly. Her mother died last year.

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. 24.—Flour—Ontario wheat 90 per cent patents from old wheat, $4.30 to $4.50 in buyers' sacks outside for export, and $4.60 to $4.70 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, $5.70 to $5.90, and strong bakers', $5.50 to $5.60 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, $1.21½ Georgian Bay ports; No. 2 at $1.18½, and No. 3 at $1.16.

Ontario wheat—New No. 2, 95 to 97c at outside points.

Barley—No. 2, 58c; No. 3, 56c.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, 48½ to 49c on track, Toronto, and 47 to 47½c outside. No. 2 Western Canada oats, 45½ to 46c, and No. 3 45c, Bay ports.

Peas—No. 2, 90 to 92c outside, nominal.

Buckwheat—Prices purely nominal.

Corn—No. 2 American yellow 78½ to 79c on track, lake ports. Canadian 75c on track, Toronto.

Bran—$19.50 to $20 for Ontario bran outsid , in bulk. Manitoba, $21 in sacks, Toronto freights; shorts, $24, Toronto freights.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Beans—Prime, $2.20 to $2.25, and hand-picked, $2.50 to $2.60 per bush.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, new, $13.50 to $14.50 a ton on track here, and lower grades $9 to $9.50.

Straw—$7.50 to $8 on track.

Potatoes—New Canadian, 65 to 75c per bushel.

Poultry—Chickens, yearlings, dressed, 14 to 16c per lb.; fowl, 11 to 13c; turkeys, 16 to 18c per lb.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 19 to 21c; tubs and large rolls, 18 to 19c; inferior, 15 to 16c; creamery, 23 to 24c, and separator, 22½ to 23½c per lb.

Eggs—Case lots, 21½ to 22c per dozen.

Cheese—New, 12½c for large, and at 12¾c for twins.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 13¾ to 14c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, $23.50; short cut, $25.

Hams—Light to medium, 15 to 15½c; do., heavy, 14 to 14½c; rolls, 13½ to 14c; shoulders, 12½ to 13c; backs, 17 to 17½c; breakfast bacon, 16c.

Lard—Tierces, 14½c; tubs, 13¾c; pails, 15c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Aug. 24.—Oats — No. 2 Canadian Western, 46 to 46½c; No. 1 extra feed, 45½ to 46c; No. 1 feed, 45 to 45½c; Canadian Western, 45½c. Barley—No. 2, 66 to 67c; Manitoba feed barley, 64 to 65c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, $5.80, second at $5.40, and strong bakers $5.20 per bbl. Manitoba Spring wheat patents, nominal, $5.90; Manitoba Spring wheat patents, seconds, $5.40; Winter wheat patents, $5; Manitoba strong bakers, $5.20; straight rollers, $5.75; straight rollers, in bags, $2.65 to $2.75; extras in bags, $2.40 to $2.50. Feed—Ontario bran, $22 to $23; Ontario middlings, $23.50 to $24.50; Manitoba bran, $22; Manitoba shorts, $24; pure grain mouille, $28 to $30; mixed mouille, $25 to $27. Cheese—Westerns, 11¾ to 12c and easterns 11½ to 11⅝c. Butter—Finest creamery, 21¾ to 22c. Eggs—Selected stock, 25½ to 26c; No. 1 candled, 22½ to 23c, and No. 2, 16 to 19c per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Minneapolis, Aug. 24.—Wheat—Sept., $1.00⅞ to $1.01; Dec., 97⅞c; May, $1.01¾; cash, No. 1 hard, $1.36; No. 1 Northern, $1.35; No. 2 Northern, $1.30 to $1.33; No. 3 Northern, $1.25 to $1.29. Flour—First patents, $6 to $6.20; second patents, $5.90 to $6.10; first clears, $4.95 to $5.25; second clears, $3.35 to $3.65. Bran—In hundred pound sacks, $2.50.

Chicago, Aug. 24.—Cash wheat—No. 2 red, $1.04⅜ to $1.08; No. 3 red, 94c to $1.03; No. 2 hard, $1.02¾ to $1.06½; No. 3 hard, 94c to $1.03; No. 3 Spring, $1.01. Corn—No. 2, 68½ to 69c; No. 2 white, 71½ to 72c; No. 2 yellow, 71¼ to 71½c; No. 3, 68¼ to 68½c; No. 3 white, 37½ to 39½c; No. 4 white, 38¼ to 39c; standard, 39½ to 40c.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Aug. 24.—A few of the best cattle sold at about 5c per lb., but they were not extra; pretty good animals, 3¾ to 4¾c, and the common stock 2¼ to 3½c per lb. Calves, from $2.50 to $7 each. Sheep, 3½ to 3¾c and lambs, 5¾ to 6c per lb. Good lots of fat hogs at about 8½c per lb. Milch cows from $25 to $55 each.

Toronto, Aug. 24.—Exporters' were steady, with but few on offer. There was a fair demand for good stockers. Milkers and Springers—Steady and unchanged. Calves—Slightly easier. Sheep and Lambs—Decline in prices of about 10 to 15c. Hogs—Selects were quoted at $7.75 f.o.b. and $8, fed and watered.

$500,000 FIRE AT ORILLIA

Tudhope Company's Carriage and Auto Buggy Works Laid in Ruins.

A despatch from Orillia, Ont., says: The Tudhope Company's carriage, and Tudhope-McIntyre auto buggy factories, were burned to the ground on Saturday afternoon. The fire started in the paint shop and spread to the neighboring buildings almost before an alarm could be sent in. Only a few men were on the premises, as during the summer months the hands have been given a Saturday afternoon holiday. The factory had been very busy this year, and considerable stock was on hand, including about half the expected output of cutters for the coming season. Besides the factory, seven houses on the property, owned by the company, and two houses, and Thomson and Company's bakery, on the north side of Colborne Street, were destroyed. The loss on the factory and stock will be about $500,000, and the insurance about $200,000. The houses would average about $1,000 apiece, and Thomson and Company's loss is probably $3,000.

J. R. Eaton and Son's large planing mill across the road was saved. The firemen worked hard, but the task was hopeless from the first, as three of the large buildings were frame structures. The Barrie Fire Brigade came to the assistance of the local brigade, but the fire was well under control when they arrived. The fire was terrific, and the heat could be felt for blocks.

No one was seriously injured, but there were a number of minor casualties. Mr. E. Long, of the E. Long Mfg. Co., had a toe broken, and L. G. Black, the well known cricketer, received a severe scalp wound. All the Tudhope Company's stock of buggies, cutters and automobiles was a total loss. Eight autos were already set up for the Toronto Exhibition, and these also were burnt, besides 50 gasoline engines. 300 hands were employed. All the owners of the houses destroyed were able to get their furniture out.

J. B. Tudhope, head of the Tudhope Carriage Works, in which the fire started, said the origin of the blaze was a mystery.

ELEVATOR LAW DEAD LETTER

Wheat Crop in the West Is Estimated to Be 100,000,000 Bushels.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: The grain of the Canadian North-West is being harvested, and the farmers are speculating as to the possible price, particularly of wheat. According to the opinions of local grain men another decline is in store, but think that it will be slight, and a fairly good and steady price will be maintained. Satisfaction with existing crop conditions is general, and if frost and hail keep off until cutting is completed, the crop will be a large one. The average estimate of the wheat output is over 100,000,000 bushels. The directors of the Grain Growers' Grain Company fixed the commission for this season for handling wheat at one cent a bushel; barley, three-quarters of a cent a bushel; and oats at half a cent a bushel. This action was the outcome of a referendum taken from the five thousand shareholders of the company. Out of 2,000 replies to hand, 90 per cent. favor a commission.

Officials say that the elevator owners can underbid the Grain Company for track wheat because they have the storage of it in their own hands. When it was pointed out that, under the law, elevator owners were obliged to store wheat in their elevators for anyone desiring it, the officers stated that the law was a dead-letter, as the elevator people absolutely refused to store wheat for other dealers or farmers last year. Complaint was made to Mr. Castle, the warehouse commissioner, a number of times, and he promised to rectify the wrong, but it was never done.

$10,000,000 CONTRACT LET.

Foley and Co. to Build Second Section of G. T. P.

A despatch from Prince Rupert, B. C., says: The Grand Trunk Pacific has awarded to Foley, Welch and Stewart a new contract for the second section east of Prince Rupert. It will be 140 miles from Copper River east to Aldermere. This leaves a gap of less than 500 miles, and contracts for this may be let before the end of the year. The new contract was for approximately $10,000,000. There are several long tunnels, one half a mile in length. The line will cross the Skeena River by a cantilever bridge sixteen miles below Hazleton.

DEATH OF ROBERT REID.

Was a Member of the Transcontinental Commission.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Word was received here on Sunday of the death on Saturday night at Agunquit, Maine, of Mr. Robert Reid, member of the National Transcontinental Railway Commission. Mr. Reid was born in London, Ont., and was engaged for many years in the paper box manufacturing business at that place. He was appointed a member of the National Transcontinental Railway Commission in September, 1904. Mr. Reid had been in poor health for some time, but the announcement of his death came as a shock and surprise to his many friends at the capital, as he had been on the street and at his office only a few days ago.

A LITTLE HEROINE.

Anna Stadt Will Receive Humane Medal for Life-saving.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, Ont., says: For the heroic rescue from drowning of her nine-year-old companion, Anna Stadt will receive a life-saving medal from the Humane Society. Anna is only twelve years old. The rescue took place last Tuesday, when Mina Greenwood, the nine-year-old daughter of Officer Greenwood, was carried out beyond her depth in Chippewa Creek. The little heroine dived into the water and saved the drowning child just as she was sinking for the last time.

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS SOAR.

Big Increase Every Working Day This Month.

A despatch from Toronto says: Mr. J H. Bertram, Collector of Customs at the port of Toronto, reports that receipts for August are $25,0000 ahead of the same period in 1908, and $60,000 ahead of 1907, which was the best month in the history of the Toronto Customs House. The average has been over $50,000 per day for this month. These figures indicate healthy business conditions.

ELEVEN DROWN IN BUNKS

Sudden Filling of Sails By Wind Causes Schooner to Upset

A despatch from Halifax, N. S., says: The Gloucester fishing schooner Orinoco, Capt. Larkin, while proceeding to the Banks, met with an accident on Thursday morning, 25 miles off Sambro, which caused her to fill and sink in three minutes. Eleven of the crew of 16, all Nova Scotians, with two exceptions, went down with the schooner. The five men saved were all on deck at the time of the accident.

The mishap was caused in this way: The vessel had been allowed to come to the wind to trim her jib sheets. She misstayed, came around and was left dead in the wind when her sails suddenly filled again and the schooner went over and in three minutes the waves rolled over the place where the vessel had been. The six men on deck cut away the dories. After rowing 50 miles, the survivors reached land at Ironbound and Little Tancock, and were thence sent to Lunenburg.