THREE PEOPLE SUFFOCATED

Gas From a Coal Stove, Which Had Been Lighted for the First time.

A despatch from Aurora says: Suffocated by coal gas which escaped from a new stove, Mrs. Rebecca Flintoff, her granddaughter, Laura McDonald, and a boarder, Fred Blake, were found dead on Thursday in the home of Mrs. Flintoff on Machell avenue here. The discovery of the bodies was made about noon, when Mrs. C. W. Flintoff, a niece of Mrs. Flintoff, became suspicious that something was wrong when she did not notice any signs of life about the place. With a neighbor she went to the home of Mrs. Flintoff, and after knocking at the door and getting no response an entrance was forced. Admittance had to be secured by a rear door, as there were storm windows on the house. When the back door was forced in the smell of coal gas was so strong as to almost overcome those who had secured an entrance. Fred Blake, who was a boarder, was found dead in his bed, and on going into the room occupied by Mrs. Flintoff and her granddaughter, both were found dead. Drs. Hillary and Stevenson, who were hastily summoned, gave it as their opinion that the three persons had been dead at least twenty-four hours. An examination of the bodies indicated death from suffocation, and Coroner Scott of Newmarket, after making an investigation, decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

ANOTHER RAILWAY HORROR

Car Full of Japanese Laborers Submerged in British Columbia.

A despatch from Vancouver, B. C., says: Speeding through a howling storm in the darkness, while the people of Vancouver and New Westminster slumbered in the long Sunday morning rest, a gang of Japanese track laborers who had turned out to repair the ravages the Great Northern Railway had suffered during the worst night's weather in years went headlong to death, the bridge near Sapperton collapsing under the weight of the heavy work train. At least twenty and perhaps thirty unfortunate Japanese are reported dead, and others more or less seriously injured are in the hospital here and at Westminster.

The train left Vancouver in the morning at 5.30 and reached Sapperton at 6.15. The track passes by a bridge over the Burnett River, and a heavy flood had submerged the track on both sides. The train was in the swirling waters almost before those on board were aware the bridge had been reached. Locomotive 456, with Engineer Beattigor at the throttle and Fireman Kent in the cab, passed over in safety, but the first car, carrying the heavy road-making apparatus, crashed through into the torrent, dragging the engine from one side and the car loaded with the men on the other into the water.

Many of those on board were entangled in the wreckage and were drowned without a chance for their lives. Others were killed outright. Three white men, the engineer, the fireman and Conductor Ellis, escaped, the two former with slight injuries. A white man named Davis was injured and is now in the Vancouver General Hospital. Three bodies recovered on this side of the river have been brought to Vancouver, five injured have been taken to the Memorial Hospital, while the remains of the other dead and others of the injured have been taken to Westminster. The Burnett River carried some poor battered bodies out to the Fraser.

SHOT BY A LUNATIC.

Buffalo Man Murdered in Public Library.

A despatch from Buffalo says: Without explanation or warning, but with a deliberation that made the accomplishment of his murderous purpose simple, Charles Strohl, an employee of a bakery, walked into the reading-room of the Buffalo Public Library on Friday, pulled a revolver and shot and instantly killed Franz Stendtz, who boarded with Mrs. Decola on Broadway. The murderer rushed out of the building, pursued by a number of people, and turning into an alley, exchanged shots with his pursuers, one shot striking an officer in the hand, disabling him. By this time fifteen hundred people had gathered. Strohl, taking shelter behind a brick wall, occasionally looked over and fired. For fifteen minutes he held the crowd at bay. Finally, after the police had fired 40 or 50 shots they executed a flank movement. Strohl broke for cover, but was finally cornered and caught.

BURNED HERSELF TO DEATH.

Woman Soaked Clothing in Oil and Ignited It.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, N Y., says: Mrs. Florence Bishop, 60 years old, committed suicide on Wednesday at her home in Coomer's Road, a few miles from this city. She took her life by soaking her garments in coal oil and incinerating herself. Alexander Gillies found Mrs. Bishop's body in a smoke house. It was a mass of burned flesh and charred bones. A note found among the dead woman's effects told of the writer's determination to end her life by fire.

ITALIAN HANGED.

Spanelli Pays Penalty for Murder of Chinaman.

A despatch from North Bay says: Sam Spanelli, a young Italian, was hanged here early on Friday morning. He passed a rather restless night, being up several times. He walked calmly to the scaffold. Life was declared extinct at 7.17, thirteen and three-quarter minutes after the trap fell. Spanelli was convicted before Judge Riddell of killing a young Chinaman, Ming Chew, in a restaurant brawl at Haileybury, July 30th, using a dirk twelve inches long. Special precautions were taken by Sheriff Varin in view of sinister rumors that the prisoner was a Black Hand leader, and that Italians were coming into town in large numbers in pursuance of a plot to dynamite the jail. Four extra constables were placed on duty but nothing occurred to cause trouble.

WILL BE RUSH FOR GOLD

Hundreds of Prospectors Are Going to Porcupine Lake.

A despatch from Toronto says: There there will be a rush into the Porcupine Lake gold district in northern Ontario during the coming winter which will equal that into Gowganda of last winter is the opinion of Mr. A. L. Reading of Toronto, who has just returned from that part of the country. There are already hundreds of prospectors in the district, he says, and coming down the river on his way back to civilization he met no less than eighteen canoes with prospectors on the way up. The rivers and lakes are now frozen up, and gangs of men are at work cutting a road through the bush from the head of Frederick House Lake to permit of the entrance of sleighs. There are hundreds of prospectors waiting at Haileybury until this road is completed, and more prospectors are arriving at Haileybury every day.

So far the discoveries of free gold in this district have been confined to within a radius of three miles from Porcupine Lake, but the prospectors have branched out for about ten or twelve miles. The discoveries made are all on the surface. There are marked indications of erosion in this section, while surrounding it are swamps and clay several feet in thickness, which facts lead prospectors to believe that the gold extends over a considerable area.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

CANADA.

Tenders for the new Quebec bridge will be called early in the coming year.

Rev. George B. Cutten, B. D., of Columbus, Ohio, has been appointed President of Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S.

A frieight train ran into a stock train at Moose Jaw. Two stockmen, named Oliver and Bolton, were killed, and about twenty-five head of cattle.

The London, Ont., City Council will ask the Lieutenant-Governor to declare the population to be 50,000, so that a vote on Sunday cars may be taken.

Mrs. S. J. Guthrie and her daughter Clara were arrested on a charge of perjury in connection with the Barrie fire inquest. Mr. Guthrie gave bail for them.

Mrs. Cawthrop of Caradoc township has been the object of a number of annoying tricks on the part of some cowardly enemy, and his latest prank was to pour coal oil into her well.

The Nova Scotia Steel directors' meeting in Montreal, on Friday, declared a stock bonus of 20 per cent. and a dividend of 1 per cent. to holders of common stock, thus putting the common on a 4 per cent. basis.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Bishop of Hereford has announced that he will support the budget because it means social welfare.

Miss Christabel Pankhurst was prevented by students and others from speaking at a suffragette gathering at Bristol.

It is rumored that Sir Maurice Debunsen may succeed Mr. James Bryce as British Ambassador to the United States.

The President of the German Reichstag stated in London that in his opinion the day of high protection is approaching its end.

The British House of Commons accepted the amendments of the House of Lords to the Irish land bill and passed the measure.

Great Britain and Germany are said to have reached an understanding for co-operation in securing the rights of the natives in the Congo.

Mr. A. V. Dicey, the eminent constitutional authority, supports the House of Lords because he believes the budget tends toward corruption.

UNITED STATES.

Four persons lost their lives through an explosion on a gasoline launch at Muskegon, Mich.

Two members of a wedding party were killed in Georgia when their automobile fell from a bridge.

Six persons were killed at Los Angeles when a trolley car struck the automobile in which they were riding.

John Stuart Kennedy, the millionaire, who died recently in New York, left $5,000,000 to the Presbyterian Foreign Mission Board.

A girl employed in a Pittsburg departmental store contracted leprosy from false hair which she purchased and wore.

Plans have been submitted to the New York Board of Estimates for the construction of an aqueduct 300 feet beneath the surface of the city.

A number of prominent financial men in the United States are backing the Wright brothers in a corporation for the manufacture of aeroplanes.

GENERAL.

Volcanic eruptions continue with increasing violence in Teneriffe.

Count Leo Tolstoi has appealed to the people of the world to stop the growth of armies and navies.

The negotiations looking to peace in Morocco have proved futile and hostilities have been resumed.

Quantities of ancient art treasures are said to have been discovered under an ancient castle in South Spain.

Hubert Latham, the aviator, rode to a hunting party in his monoplane and returned in the same way, carrying game bag and gun.

Several applications have been made to the Paris authorities for permission to establish slaughter-houses for the slaughter of dogs.

ENTOMBED IN A MINE.

Over Two Hundred Japanese Miners in Danger.

A despatch from Tokio says: Heavy loss of life is feared as the result of an explosion on Thursday in a coal mine at Onoura, Fukuoka Province. Fifteen men are known to have perished, while 228 miners are entombed in the workings. Every effort is being made to rescue them, but their fate as yet is in doubt.

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, Nov. 30.—Flour — Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents, $4.30 to $4.35 in buyers' sacks on track, Toronto, and $4.15 to $4.20 outside in buyers' sacks, Manitoba flour, first patents, $5.60 on track, Toronto; second patents, $5.10 to $5.20, and strong bakers', $4.90 to $5 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 Northern $1.04½, Bay ports, and No. 2 Northern, $1.03, Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 mixed, $1.04 to $1.05 outside, and No. 2 white and red at $1.05 and $1.06 outside.

Barley—No. 2, 60 to 61c outside, and No. 3 extra, 58 to 59c outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, new, 37 to 38c outside. Canada West oats, 38¾c for No. 2, and 37¾c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—88 to 89c outside.

Rye—No. 2, 74 to 75c outside.

Buckwheat—55c high freights, and at 56c low freights.

Corn—Old No. 2 American yellow, 72 to 72½c Toronto, and new No. 3 yellow, 67c track, Toronto.

Bran—$21 in bags, Toronto, and shorts, $23.50 in bags, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—$2 to $3.50 per barrel, according to quality.

Beans—$1.60 to $1.65 per bushel at outside points in large lots.

Honey—Combs, dozen, $2.25 to $3; extracted, 10½c per lb.

Hay—No. 1 timothy $15 to $15.50 and No. 2 at $13.50 to $14 on track, Toronto.

Straw—$8.50 to $9.50 on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—45 to 50c per bag on track for Ontarios.

Poultry—Chickens, dressed, 11 to 13c per lb.; fowl, 8 to 9c; turkeys, 15 to 17c lb.; ducks, lb., 11 to 12c, geese, 9 to 10c per lb.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 23 to 24c; tubs and large rolls, 21 to 22c; inferior, 18 to 19c; creamery, 26½ to 27½c, and solids, 25 to 25½c per lb

Eggs—Case lots, 30 to 32c per dozen for fresh, and 26 to 27c for storage.

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

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 14 to 14½c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, $26.50; short cut, $28 to $28.50.

Hams—Light to medium, 15 to 16c; do., heavy, 14 to 14½c; rolls, 14 to 14½c; shoulders, 12¾ to 13c; backs, 19 to 20c; breakfast bacon, 17 to 18c.

Lard—Tierces, 15½c; tubs, 15¾c; pails, 16c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Nov. 30.—Oats — No. 2 Canadian Western, 40½ to 41½c. Barley—No. 2, 66 to 67c; Manitoba feed barley, 52 to 53c bushel. Buckwheat—58 to 58½c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.70; Manitoba Spring wheat patents, seconds, $5.20; Winter wheat patents, $5.50 to $6; Manitoba strong bakers', $5; straight rollers, $5.10 to $5.25; straight rollers, in bags, $2.40 to $2.50. Feed—Ontario bran, $20 to $21.50; Ontario middlings, $23 to $23.50; Manitoba bran, $19 to $20; Manitoba shorts, $22 to $23; pure grain mouille, $32 to $33; mouille, $25 to $27. Cheese—Westerns, 11⅜ to 11⅝c for late Fall make, while early Fall make is held at 11⅞ to 12c. Butter — Finest creamery, 25 to 25¼c, and fresh receipts, 24¼ to 25c. Eggs—Selected stock, 27 to 28c, and No. 1 candlel at 25 to 26c per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Chicago, Nov. 30.—Cash Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.19 to $1.23; No. 3 red, $1.10 to $1.18; No. 2 hard, $1.10½ to $1.11¼; No. 3 hard, $1.03 to $1.09; No. 1 Northern, $1.11 to $1.12; No. 2 Northern, $1.08 to $1.09½; No. 3 Spring, $1.06 to $1.09 Corn—No. 2, 63 to 63¾c; No. 2 yellow, 64½c; No. 3 (new), 59½c; No. 3 white (new), 59 to 59½c; No. 3 yellow (new), 50½c; No. 3, 40c; No. 4 (new), 57 to 58¼c. Oats—No. 2 white, 42c; No. 3 white, 40c; No. 3 white, 39½ to 40c; No.. 4 white, 39 to 39½c; standard, 41½c.

Buffalo, Nov. 30.—Wheat—Spring wheat firm; No. 1 Northern, carloads store $1.12¾c; Winter steady. Corn—Firmer; No. 3 yellow, 64½c; No. 4 yellow, 62c; No. 4 corn, 60c. Oats—Stronger; Barley feed to malting, 63 to 70c.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Nov. 30.—Prime beeves sold at 4⅝c to 5¼c per lb., pretty good animals at 3¼c to 4½c, and the common stock at 2c to 3c, while the lean canners brought from 1½c to 2c per lb. Milch cows, $30 to $60 each. Calves, from 3c to near 6c per lb., sheep, 3½c to a little over 3¾c per lb., lambs 5½c to 6c per lb. Good lots of fat hogs sold at 8½c to 8⅝c per lb.

Toronto, Nov. 30.—Stockers and feeders were in active demand, especially short-keep steers and heifers. Milkers and springers were a little easier; this was due rather because the cows were not in the best condition than to any falling off in the demand. Sheep and lambs were steady to firm. Calves firm and unchanged. Hogs weak at $7.35 to $7.40 f.o.b. and $7.60 to $7.65, fed and watered.

THE FINANCES OF ONTARIO

The Provincial Government Makes an Important Announcement.

A despatch from Toronto says: Owing to the fact that the Provincial revenue for the short year of ten months is considerably over the estimate and that the Province has not spent as much as was voted by the Legislature last session, Hon. A. J. Matheson stated on Friday morning that Ontario's revenue would be within $100,000 of the expenditure, while the calendar year would show a surplus of several hundred thousand dollars. In this estimate no account is taken of capital expenditure on the power scheme, the T. & N. O. Railway and good roads.

The subtraction of the months of November and December removes considerable revenue, notably in license fees and timber duties. The increase in revenue over the estimates for the ten months amounts to about $1,250,000, the most notable increases being: Crown lands, $500,000; law stamps, $5,000; public institutions, $20,00; Central Prison industries, $7,000; Provincial Secretary's Department, $82,000; Agricultural Department and stationary engineers, $28,000; succession duties, $275,000; supplementary revenue, $29,000; license branch, $50,000; T. & N. O. Railway, $250,000; game and fish branch, $17,000, and collected arrears of Algoma taxes, $9,800.

BANKER SENT TO PRISON.

Sentenced to Ten Years for Embezzlement.

A despatch from Madison, Wisconsin, says: Phil Allen, jun., former Vice-President of the First National Bank of Mineral Point, Wis., appeared on Friday before Judge Sanborn in the United States District Court, pleaded guilty to four out of twenty-six counts in the indictment against him, and was sentenced to ten years in the Federal Prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, the maximum under the law of any one count. Allen was charged with embezzling $168,000 from the Mineral Point bank.

TWO TUGS SEIZED.

Important Capture Made on Lake Superior.

A despatch from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., says: On Thursday afternoon Game Warden Calbeck made an important seizure of tugs and fishing equipment at Richardson's Harbor, Lake Superior. The tugs Argo and Alberta belonging to Gerow Bros. of Rossport were captured, the charge being fishing out of season. Seven men, including four of the Gerow brothers, were brought to the Soo, and served with papers on Friday. A large quantity of fish were taken with the seized tugs.

SASKATCHEWAN IS HAPPY.

The Crop all Thrashed or Securely Stacked.

A despatch from Regina says: It is estimated by C. P. R. officials that not more than five per cent. of the entire crop in Saskatchewan remains unthrashed at the present time, and this is all securely stacked. In the other two Provinces all the grain was thrashed some time ago. All the requirements of cars for shipping have been remarkably well met.

CANADA AT CHICAGO SHOW.

Has Big Display at Exhibition of Live Stock.

A despatch from Chicago says: Canada is playing its usual important part in the International Live Stock Exposition, which is now on in full swing. Ontario, especially, is well represented. Beside the large display of stock from that province, the Agricultural College of Ontario has its young stock experts in judging contests. The Agricultural College of Ontario, which is probably the best known institution of its kind in the world, is conceded better than an even chance to win in the students' stock judging contest. Practically every State in the Union was represented in some few classes, while Canada has no small part in the exposition. Particularly notable were the Canadian entries of sheep and hogs. The State university experiment farms have important entries in all classes, many of their cattle plainly showing championship class. The independent exhibitors are not, however, so fearsome of their pork entries as they have been in past years.

DYNAMITE IN THE OVEN.

Homesteader Nearly Kills Wife and Wrecked House.

A despatch from Lethbridge says: August Lesowski, a homesteader, four miles south of Bow Island, on Tuesday put two sticks of dynamite in the stove to thaw. His wife saw smoke coming from the oven and opened the door. The dynamite exploded, and pieces of steel struck Mrs. Lesowski in several places and nearly blinded her. She was taken to Lethbridge Hospital, and will likely live. The house was wrecked, but no one else was hurt.

LANDSLIDE IN GORGE.

Tons of Rock Fell on Railway at Niagara Falls.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, Ont., says: One of the worst landslides in many months tied the Gorge Railroad up for some time on Wednesday. Tons of rock fell from the river bank, burying the scenic railway tracks. Dynamiting had to be resorted to before the debris could be cleared away. No one was injured.

The Quebec Government sent 700 volumes for the Provincial library.

The Compagnie Transatlantic is planning to run mail steamers between France and Canada.

THEY WANT THEIR DEAD

Sad Scenes Round the Sealed Shaft of St. Paul Mine.

A despatch from Cherry, Illinois, says: Not since the recovery of the first bodies from the depth of the fire-wrecked St. Paul mine here have such scenes been witnessed as the heartrending picture at the sealed mouth of the mine on Thursday. Hundreds of grief-stricken women, with worn faces and fatherless children clinging in fear to their dresses, gathered in groups about the shaft of the mine, sobbing and moaning. Their sacred dead are lost for ever. The realization of the horrible end of the great disaster has aroused a frantic grief. Women fell on their knees, dragging their children with them, sobbing out their cries of despair. Many men in Cherry still cling to the belief that with the sealing of the mine living men among the nearly 200 still missing have been doomed to death. Mine experts scout the idea and state that such is an impossibility.

"Nothing can be done until the fire has died out, and the extreme danger of entering the shaft is eliminated," declared W. W. Taylor, superintendent of the mine.

The dissatisfaction of the miners at the step taken by the mine officials was openly voiced.

"They are thinking only of saving property and don't care about the dead," exclaimed one greyhaired Scotch miner. "We want our dead. The women want the bodies. The company will never get any service from these miners."

Rumors, which were started by remarks of miners who lingered about the shaft, had it that there existed a plot to "rush" the mine plant and destroy the sealing. The company officials scouted the idea and declared they did not expect trouble.