OVER 150 PERSONS PERISH

Passenger Steamer From Marseilles to Algiers Wrecked.

A despatch from Palma, Island of Majorca, says: Swept helplessly from her course in one of the wildest storms that has swept the Mediterranean Sea in forty years, the French Transatlantic Steamship Company's steamer General Chanzy crashed at full speed, in the dead of night, on treacherous reefs near the Island of Minorca, and all but one of the 157 souls on board perished.

The sole survivor is an Algerian customs officer, Marcel Rodel, who was rescued by a fisherman and lies at present in the hospital at Cindadela, raving, as a result of the tortures through which he passed, and unable to give an account of the disaster.

Of the ship's company there were 87 passengers, of whom 30 were in the first cabin. The crew numbered 70. The ship was in command of Captain Cayol, one of the most careful officers of the line. He never before had met with an accident. He soon was to have retired from the service.

The passengers of the Chanzy were mostly French officers and officials returning to their posts in Algeria, accompanied by their wives and children, a few soldiers, some Italians and Turks, and one priest. The only Anglo-Saxon names on the passenger list were Green and Stakely. They were members of an opera troupe of eleven which had been engaged to sing at the Casino in Algiers.

The General Chanzy sailed from Marseilles on Wednesday at noon, and was due to arrive at Algiers on Thursday afternoon.

The Chanzy is a total wreck. Steamers have been despatched from Spain and from points in the Balearic Islands to the scene of the catastrophe. Among the victims was the celebrated Parisian music hall singer, Francis Dufor, as well as other prominent music hall favorites.

The General Chanzy struck at 9 o'clock Thursday night. Other ships in the neighborhood had safely outridden the storm, but the Chanzy was lifted off her course through the Balearic Archipelago and brought up on the coast of Minorca, in the vicinity of Ciudadela. Fishermen at daybreak picked up Rodel clinging to a piece of wreckage.

FELL INTO THE TURBINE.

Edward Keho Killed at Niagara Falls.

A despatch from Niagara Falls says: Falling into the forebay of No. 1 plant of the Niagara Falls Power Company, Edward Keho, aged 56, was instantly killed on Thursday morning. His body passed under the racks and fell 150 feet on to the turbine wheels of a ten thousand horsepower generator. When his body was found it was jammed in the wheel casing, and was terribly mutilated. Keho was keeping the penstock free from ice when he lost his balance and fell into the water, which quickly carried him down. Frank Buchanan saw him fall, but was powerless to save him. The dead man leaves a wife and six children.

LEG SEVERED BY SLEIGH.

Woodstock Lad Stealing a Ride Fell Under Runner.

A despatch from Woodstock, Ont., says: A lad named Arthurs, six years of age, jumped off a sleigh containing a load of brick after school on Wednesday afternoon, and, getting under the runners, his leg was cut off just below the knee. His recovery is expected.

FRANCE SENDS HER THANKS.

Canada's Contribution to Flood Relief is Handed Over.

A despatch from Ottawa says: At the opening of the House on Thursday Mr. Fielding read a telegram from Sir Francis Bertie, British Ambassador at Paris, acknowledging the receipt of Canada's gift of $50,000 to assist the sufferers from the floods in France. The message said: "Money handed over to French Minister of Foreign Affairs, who requests that the deep gratitude of the Government of the Republic, who are much touched at this generous sympathy, be conveyed to the people of Canada."

MAD DOG KILLED.

Men in Pere Marquette Shops Visited by Snapping Terrier.

A despatch from St. Thomas says: A stray Scotch terrier, frothing at the mouth, suffering from frequent convulsions and evidently infected with rabies in an advanced stage, invaded the Pere Marquette shops on Thursday and created a panic among the employees. One of the men killed the beast with a crow-bar.

A MILITARY AIRSHIP.

Launch of Huge Craft for Use of British Army.

A despatch from London says: The British army appears at last to have recured a workable airship after many false starts. Manned by Col. Capper and four assistants, the huge fish-shaped craft was launched from the Military balloon factory at Farnborough on Saturday. An hour was occupied in a flight over Laffin's Plain to Aldershot Camp, and back to its shed. The airship travelled several hundred feet above the highest points passed over and appeared to answer its helm perfectly. It seemed to be under thorough control throughout the trip and maintained a good speed even when driven in the teeth of a stiff breeze. The new machine is many times greater in size than its predecessors, being 170 feet in length with pointed ends and having fin-like projections on either side. Framework extends below the body for about three-fourths of its length. The propellers are attached to its sides.

FIRE VISITS THE CAPITAL.

The Loss to Three Firms Will Total $92,000.

A despatch from Ottawa says: A fire which occurred in a Rideau Street building at noon on Sunday caused damage to the building and contents amounting to $92,000. The building was occupied by Hugh Carson Limited, saddlers; T. Shore, hardware dealer, and F. W. Lord, furniture dealer. The loss was distributed as follows:—High Carson, Limited, $75,000, with $35,000 insurance; T. Shore, $6,000, with $5,000 insurance, and F. W. Lord, damage caused by water, $1,500. The building, which belonged to W. J. Charleson and J. B. Duford, was damaged to the extent of $10,000. It was fully insured

DOG PICKED UP AT SEA.

Big Newfoundland Swimming Hundred Miles From Land.

A despatch from Vancouver says: The steamer Fred J. Wood, which arrived from the Pacific coast on Sunday, reports picking up a large black Newfoundland dog one hundred miles from land. The animal was almost dead from exhaustion. He recovered and now seems none the worse. He wore no collar, and was apparently lost overboard from some passing ship.

FIFTY PERSONS DROWNED

British Steamer Lima Wrecked on One of the Islands of the Huamblin Passage.

A despatch from Santiago, Chile, says: The Pacific Navigation Company's steamer Lima is ashore on one of the islands of the Huamblin passage of the Straits of Magellan, and will probably be a total loss. The chief pilot and fifty passengers were drowned.

The British steamer Hatunmet rescued 205 of the persons aboard the stranded steamer, but was forced to leave 88 aboard, as there was great danger that she, herself, would be swept on the rocks by the storm that prevailed at the time.

The Chilean Government, immediately on receipt of the news that the Lima had been wrecked, despatched the protected cruiser Minisho Jenteno to the rescue, and the Pacific Navigation Comapny sent five steamers at top speed to the Straits of Magellan.

The Lima is a British vessel owned in Liverpool, and plying between that port and the ports of South America. She was last reported as sailing from Bahia Blanca, Argentina, on January 26, and was on her way to Chilean and Peruvian ports.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

CANADA.

The Legislatures of Alberta and Manitoba opened on Thursday.

An outbreak of trachoma has been discovered among Regina school children.

The Grand Trunk Railway's half-yearly statement has given great satisfaction on the London market.

An employee of the Montreal registry office has absconded with a shortage of $5,000 in his accounts.

As Galt has abandoned the annual horse show, Brantford will make an attempt to secure it as an annual fixture.

Mr. John Redmond's declaration of policy has caused some embarrassment and much speculation in British political circles.

William Masson, a special constable at Montreal, was fined thirty dollars for annoying a young woman, and his license was cancelled.

The body of Robert J. Brown, the Ottawa teacher, who disappeared some time ago, has been found on the shore of Okanagan Lake, B. C.

The British and American expeditions which are soon to make a dash for the South Pole from different sides may co-operate to a certain extent.

GREAT BRITAIN.

M. Cecil W. Norton, the British Liberal Whip, says the Budget will have been passed in a fortnight's time.

The Independent Labor party has decided to make the question of votes for women an issue in Britain.

The Daily Chronicle expresses the opinion that the next Governor-General of Canada will be a statesman of personal prestige.

Keir Hardie declared at the meeting of the Independent Labor party that the Laborites in the British Parliament would still remain independent.

Mr. Redmond announced at a meeting of the United Irish League that he would put the Government out of office unless it had both the will and the power to deal with the Lord's veto.

UNITED STATES.

The Grand Trunk Railway is seeking an entry to Providence, R. I.

The firemen on the Michigan Central are demanding an increase in wages.

Three children were burned to death in a fire at Ogdensburg on Wednesday.

A newly married couple were murdered at Cleveland by a creditor who could not get his money from them.

It is probable that Congress will vote Commander Peary a medal of honor instead of promoting him to the rank of Rear-Admiral.

The National Geographic Society of the United States has begun a campaign for funds to send an expedition in search of the South Pole.

Bennet C. Silver, who was accused of Black Hand practices at New York, pulled out his moustache, one hair at a time, in an attempt to make it impossible for a witness to identify him.

GENERAL.

The French Antarctic expedition under Dr. Charcot did not reach the South Pole.

The Indian Government will release all the political prisoners who were ordered deported fourteen months ago.

The Spanish Premier has resigned and a Cabinet has been formed by Senor Canalejas, leader of the extreme Liberals.

BOILER KILLED SIX MEN.

Exploded While They Were Warming Themselves About It.

A despatch from Bay City, Mich., says: While a score of workmen were warming themselves in the boiler room of Princing's sawmill at Crumpia on Thursday waiting for the whistle to start the day's work, the boiler exploded, instantly killing six of the men and injuring all the others. The mill was wrecked, debris being scattered 100 feet in every direction. It is believed that cold water was forced into the boiler when the water was low, causing an excess of steam.

CZARINA'S CONDITION GRAVE

Unable to Recognize Either Her Husband or Children.

A despatch from Berlin says: The Vienna correspondent of the Tageblatt professes to have information that the condition of the Czarina is so grave that she is unable to recognize the Czar or her children.

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, Feb. 15.—Flour — Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents, $4.25 to $4.30 in buyers' sacks on track, Toronto, and $4.15 to $4.20 outside in buyers' sacks. Manitoba flour, first patents, $5.70; seconds, $5.20 to $5.30, and strong bakers', $5 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, $1.12, Bay ports, and No. 2 Northern at $1.10, Bay ports.

Ontario Wheat—No. 2 mixed red Winter or white, $1.07 to $1.08 outside.

Barley—No. 2, 57c outside; No. 3 extra, 55c; No. 3 at 50 to 52c, and feed, 48c outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, 39 to 40c outside, and 42 to 42½c on track Toronto. Canada West oats, 42½ to 43c for No. 2, and 41½ to 42c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—84 to 85c for No. 2 for shipment at outside points.

Rye—No. 2, 68c outside.

Buckwheat—53½ to 54c outside for No. 2.

Corn—New kiln-dried No. 3, 73c, and No. 3 new yellow, selected, 70c, Toronto freights.

Bran—$22.50 in bags, Toronto, and shorts, $24, in bags, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—$1.50 to $3 per barrel, according to quality.

Beans—Car lots outside, $1.80 to $1.90, and small lots at $2 to $2.15 per bushel.

Honey—Combs, dozen, $2 to $2.50; extracted, 10½ to 11c per lb.

Baled hay—No. 1 timothy, $13.50 to $14, and No. 2 at $12 to $12.50 on track, Toronto.

Baled Straw—$7.50 on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—47 to 50c per bag on track for Ontarios.

Poultry—Turkeys, dressed, 17 to 18c per lb.; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 13c; chickens, 13 to 14c, and fowl, 10 to 11c.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 22 to 23c; tubs and large rolls, 20 to 21c; inferior, 18 to 20c; creamery, 27, and solids, 24 to 25c per lb.

Eggs—Case lots of new laid, 30 to 32c per dozen, and storage, 25c per doz.

Cheese—12¾c per lb. for large, and at 13c for twins.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon, long clear, 14½ to 14¾c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, $27; short cut, $28.50 to $29.

Hams—Light to medium, 15 to 15½c; do., heavy, 14 to 14½c; rolls, 14 to 14¼c; shoulders, 13 to 13¼c; breakfast bacon, 17 to 17½c; backs, 18½ to 19½c.

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

BUSINESS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 15.—Oats—No. 2 Canadian Western, 45½ to 46c; No. 2 oats, 44½ to 45c; Ontario No. 2 white, 43½ to 44c; Ontario No. 3 white, 42½ to 43c; Ontario No. 4 white, 41½ to 42c. Barley—No. 2, 59½ to 60c; No. 3, 58½c; No. 4, 56½c; feed barley, 54½c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.80; do., seconds, $5.30; Winter wheat patents, $5.50 to $5.60; Manitoba strong bakers', $5.10; straight rollers, $5.10 to $5.25; do., in bags, $2.40 to $2.50. Feed—Ontario bran,, $22.50 to $23; Ontario middlings, $23.50 to $24; Manitoba bran, $22; do., shorts, $23; pure grain mouillie, $31 to $33; mixed mouillie, $27 to $29. Cheese—Sept. and Oct. make western, 12 to 12½c; easterns at 11¾ to 12c. Butter—choicest creamery, 26 to 26½c; fresh receipts at 24½ to 25½c. Eggs—Selected stock, 28 to 30c; No. 1 candled, 25 to 27c per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Buffalo, Feb. 15.—Wheat—Spring wheat firm; No. 1 Northern, carloads store, $1.19⅝; Winter steady. Corn—Strong. Oats—Firm. Rye—No. 2, on track, 88c.

Chicago, Feb. 15.—Cash wheat—No. 2 red, $1.24 to $1.25; No. 3 red, $1.18 to $1.22; No. 2 hard, $1.13 to $1.14; No. 3 hard, $1.10½ to $1.12½; No. 1 Northern, $1.14¼ to $1.14½; No. 2 Northern, $1.13¼ to $1.13½; No. 2 Spring, $1.10½ to $1.13. Corn—No. 2, 63½c; No. 2 white, 64 to 65c; No. 2 yellow, 63½ to 64½c; No. 3, 62 to 62½c; No. 3 white, 62 to 63c; No. 3 yellow 62½ to 63c; No. 4, 57½ to 58½c; No. 4 yellow, 58 to 59½c. Oats—No. 2 47½c; No. 2 white, 48¼ to 49c; No. 3, 47¼c; No. 3 white, 46¾ to 47¾c; No. 4 white, 46 to 46¾c; standard, 47½ to 48⅝c.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, Feb. 15.—Prime beeves sold at from 5½ to 6¼c per lb.; pretty good animals, 4¾ to 5¼c; common stock, 3 to 4c per lb. Large bulls from 3¾ to 4¾c per lb; milch cows from $30 to $50 each. Calves from 4 to 6c per lb. Sheep 4¾ to 5c per lb.; lambs, 6½ to 7c per lb. Good lots of fat hogs about 9c per lb

Toronto, Feb. 15.—The quality of the cattle was medium to good, with a sprinkling of choice steers and light exporters'; the latter sold up to $6. A few picked butchers' realized $5.75 to $5.80, but these were exceptions. Ordinary good loads sold at $5 to $5.60; cows sold from $4 to $4.60, and bulls from $4.25 to $5.25. Milkers and springers were steady. Sheep and lambs firmer owing to the limited supply. Lambs selling at $6.50 to $7.25; sheep at $4.50 to $5. Hogs were quoted at $8 to $8.10 f.o.b., and $8.25 to $8.30 fed and watered.

THE FUTURE OF CANADA

Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario Says It Lies in Her Farms.

A despatch from Toronto says: That the future of the Dominion lies in the productive development of our farming land was the opinion expressed by Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, in his address on Wednesday night at the banquet of the Holstein Breeders' Association. He contended that a responsibility lay on all farmers to cultivate and assist one another in cultivating their areas to the highest degree of productiveness by scientific agricultural study and the diffusion of knowledge among their less fortunate neighbors.

Education, the speaker said, was the basis of the development of any people, and best of all was the securing of this education in an independent manner. In Ontario there were two classes of farmers that the province had to deal with; those who kept abreast with new ideas for improvement of orchards and farms and the indifferent class who lagged behind and remained poor. Ontario, he said, had more than its share of the latter class. To assist these farmers the Department of Agriculture, which, he believed, was one of the best in the world for organization, had started the Agricultural College at Guelph, which after 25 years had shown a marked influence in farming life. To this institution 1,000 men came every year to study, but the speaker claimed they were the men who least needed the education. The province was trying to get after the backward agriculturist. With this in view, the department had started three years ago to locate branches in different parts of the province, where representatives would be stationed to assist farmers in cultivating crops. There would soon be fourteen of these, he said, and the movement had been doing much to better conditions.

The farmer to-day, he said, was having his innings, and the public were at the mercy of the producers. Prices had risen on all products, and there was no chance of there coming down. The reason for this, he said, was that during the last ten years the farming population had suffered a big decrease and the cities were becoming filled up rapidly. Therefore the producers were unable to meet the demands of the consumers.

TRAIN STRUCK HANDCAR.

Three Railway Men Hurt Near Bying Inlet.

A despatch from Sudbury says: Albert Hodgman, foreman, with two sectionmen, Tiklena and Criear, trackmen on the Toronto-Sudbury branch of the C. P. R. between French and Bying Inlet, while returning from Bying Inlet on Thursday afternoon ran into the Toronto Sudbury local train before they noticed it. Their jigger was smashed to pieces. Hodgman was seveverely bruised about the head, and Tiklena's jaw broken and his scalp injured. Criear was cut about the face and his back injured. Criear managed to jump before the collision came, but was hit with flying debris. All three were brought to Sudbury General Hospital on the train. All are expected to recover

RUSSIAN EGGS COMPETE.

A Consignment of Six Thousand Dozen Received in Montreal.

A despatch from Montreal says: Montrealers will have an opportunity of judging what kind of hen fruit the poultry yards of Russia can produce, as a consignment of 6,000 dozen eggs has been received here from Riga, Russia. Strange as it may seem, these eggs can be brought approximately 5,000 miles at a price to compete with the local eggs. It is believed to be the first time a commercial transaction of this nature has taken place, but there have been previous instances of foodstuffs being brought from abroad at a time when the local prices were extremely high. Butter has been shipped to England and reimported before now owing to the scarcity of the product and consequent high prices.

FREEZES GERMS TO DEATH.

Philadelphia Doctor's Method of Treating Cancer.

A despatch from Philadelphia says: A new method of treating cancer of the skin by freezing was demonstrated to Philadelphia physicians on Wednesday by Dr. Ralph Bernstein, who has been practising for two years what he asserts is an original method of treatment. Liquid air has been used for experimentation before, but Dr. Bernstein's method of using solidified carbon dioxide is said to be unique. He produced at the meeting of the Tri-county Medical Society a number of cases and made clinical demonstrations with the freezing mixture. The parts were frozen from three to five minutes. This process, it is asserted, kills the cancer germs. At intervals of three weeks the operation is repeated.

RAN TO HIS DEATH.

Live Wire Killed One Man and Injured Two.

A despatch from Vancouver, B. C, says: In a desperate flight from a deadly glare flash of nearly thirty thousand volts in the street railway transmission tower at Barnet on Wednesday night, Lee Weaver, aged thirty, was killed, and J. Dempster and H. Smith injured. The three men were making certain repairs on the dead line in the tower when another line thirty feet away used to carry electricity to the city broke. Terrified by the blinding brilliance of the arc formed by the current between the ends severed the wiremen rushed for the tower door. At the door they touched the corrugated iron sheeting of the tower, which had become heavily charged. Weaver was electrocuted instantly, and the woorwork on the tower set on fire.

A STRICKEN FAMILY.

Six Members Down With Typhoid Fever.

A despatch from Peterboro says: Four patients suffering from typhoid fever were brought to the city from Hastings on Thursday night, and are now in the Nicholls' Hospital. They are Mrs. Sidney Sharpe, and three daughters, aged three, nine and eleven years, respectively. The family, which was composed of father and mother, two sons, and three daughters was, with the exception of Mr. Sharpe, stricken with typhoid fever about two weeks ago. One son, aged eighteen, died, and the family physician has given up all hope for the recovery of the other boy.

PATIENTS FROM ONTARIO

Nine Receiving Treatment at the Pasteur Institute in New York.

A despatch from New York says: During the first six weeks of the present year fifteen patients from the Province of Ontario have received treatment for rabies at the Pasteur Institute here. There are at present eight persons receiving treatment—three from Tilbury, two from Strathroy, two from Atwood, and one from Grimsby. The others have been cured. Twenty-two persons from Ontario received treatment last year, six in 1908, and one in 1906.

Dr. George G. Rambaud, Director of the Institute, says regarding the order that all dogs shall be tied up or muzzled in Western Ontario: "It is the safest, easiest, and cheapest plan to eradicate an outbreak of rabies. A dog bitten by a dog having rabies should be quarantined for at least 5 months, as 50 per cent. will develop rabies in three months, and one per cent. in five or six months."