

AN ITALIAN MURDERED LEADING MARKETS

Stabbing Affray at Collingwood Results Fatal.

A despatch from Collingwood says: An Italian and a knife are responsible for one man's death, the victim being Antonio Ferri, a member of a gang of Italians engaged on the sewerage work at the time. The killing occurred on Wednesday evening, and the same day. The trouble occurred on Monday afternoon, and arose over the payment of a share in the purchase of some liquor. Ferri, it is said, refusing to pay his share. As far as can be learned, these two men became engaged in a serious quarrel, when Ferri threw a glass at Ruzzo, who rushed at him with a jackknife, stabbing him. Ferri was removed to the hospital, where upon examination Dr. McBroome found two very deep gashes and four smaller

wounds, one of the former being over the heart and the others in the abdomen. Ruzzo immediately fled and has not yet been captured. It is believed that he is hiding in the woods a few miles south of the town. Ferri lingered until early Friday morning. Before his death he made his will, leaving some \$600 in a local bank to a brother, Camille Ferri, who lives at Sault Ste. Marie. He also made an ante-mortem statement before John Nettleton, Police-Magistrate, in which he gave the cause of the quarrel, as already stated, and admitted that he was the first offender, throwing a drinking-glass at Ruzzo, who rushed at him, stabbing him six times with his knife.

PULLED HIS ARM OFF.

Remarkable Exhibition of Strength and Nerve.

A despatch from Moncton, N. B., says: A destructive fire at Blind River, at an early hour on Thursday morning, did \$150,000 damage to the plants of the Dominion Lumber Co., McIvor and McDonald, Mouthrop Lumber Co., Hope Lumber Co., Morgan Lumber Co., White Pine Lumber Co., etc. The fire started from an unknown cause at the extreme end of the tramway, on the water front and before being noted had gained considerable headway. The firemen at Blind River were unable to cope with the conflagration and the fire spread to the dock, which was the greatest loss. The docks held almost 600,000 feet of lumber, nearly half of which was destroyed. The firemen were compelled to remove a portion of the tramway with dynamite, and throw the lumber into the river before the fire could be stopped.

SKUNK EMPTIED THEATRE.

Caused Panic at Performance at Meriden, Connecticut.

A despatch from Meriden, Conn., says: A skunk wandered into the auditorium of the Hanover Park Summer Theatre on Tuesday night, a woman screamed and the frightened persons in the audience leaped from their seats. Women joined men in clambering over a high railing. Policeman M. J. Kelly, unfamiliar with skunks, attempted to catch the animal, but retreated and standing at a safe distance, opened fire with his revolver. He emptied it but none of the shots took effect. Frank McNabb, one of the spectators, cornered the skunk and killed it with a club. Then he went home by a circuitous route. The management announced to vacant seats that the performance was called off.

PIRE INTO BOILING WATER.

Italian Employed in London Factory Meets With Terrible Accident.

A despatch from London, Ont., says: Paul Wotell, an Italian employed in the canning department of the McClary Manufacturing Co., fell into a vat of boiling water on Thursday morning and was so badly scalded that he may die. Three-fourths of the surface of his body was immersed, and the skin peeled off his breast, back and arms. He was removed to Victoria Hospital. Wotell is a single man and has only been in the city a short time.

POISON IN CANNED BEANS.

New York. Nearly Died at Brooklyn.

A despatch from Brooklyn says: Mrs. Eisenstein, of New York City, who has been camping up the river from Brockville, almost lost her life on Wednesday from being poisoned by eating canned beans. Her condition became so alarming that she was brought here, and placed in an hospital. She is now reported to be much better, but is not yet out of danger, although she is expected to recover.

ONLY HALF A PACK.

Salmon Canneries Have Had a Bad Season—An Oil Year.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Reports of the Fisheries Department show that the salmon pack this year will be an exceptionally poor one. The British Columbia Packers' Association estimate the pack at 225,000 cases of 48 pounds each as against 473,674 cases in 1903 the corresponding "oil" year. The season on the Fraser River closed on August 25, and before that date the deficiency can not possibly be made up.

MARCONI SERVICE FOR CANADA.

Promised for September Next at Moderate Rates to Cape Breton.

A despatch from London says: Marconi announces a wireless service for Canada in September from Clifton, Ireland, to Cape Breton. The ordinary rate will be 5d., and the press rate 2d., plus fund charges. A large volume of business is expected.

SNAKE STARTLED EXPRESSMAN

It Escaped From Box in a Car at Montreal.

A despatch from Montreal says: Men at work about the Canadian Pacific depot are still talking of the peculiar consignment that came through Montreal on Wednesday on its way to Toronto. It should have been transferred to North Bay, but someone blundered and so it came as far as Montreal. A couple of expressmen stepped into the car in which the consignment lay, and proceeded to clear it out. Suddenly one of them gave a yell, and, with his hair up and his eyes popping out,

jumped for the door. His companion should to do the work alone started intent for a brief and fleeting second into a corner of the car, after which he emitted a yell worse than the other, one and tried to climb up the side of the car in his terror. The fact is, the snake, the men saw a snake, had escaped from the box in the course of its trip to Toronto, where it is to be used for exhibition purposes.

MISS FRASER'S PENSION.

Grant of Six Hundred Dollars From British Columbia Government.

A despatch from Victoria, B. C., says: The Government of British Columbia has granted an annuity for life of \$600 to Miss Harriet Fraser of Toronto. Miss Fraser is the daughter of Simon Fraser, the Northwest Company, who was the first to thoroughly explore the river that bears his name.

The building and machinery of Can-

ada's mint will cost \$600,000 and salaries and wages will total \$30,000 per annum.

NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

The Superintendent Has Issued His Annual Report.

The Superintendent of Neglected and Dependent Children, Ontario, has issued his report of the work done during the past year, and the matter contained therein is very interesting, because it deals with the most hopeful, helpful and encouraging work that governments or philanthropists can engage in. The work deals with human beings—children—not in the mass, but as individuals.

No doubt many of our readers have heard of Children's Aid Societies in an indefinite way, but if they wish to get a close acquaintance with this important work they should send for a copy of Mr. Kelso's report. The Children's Aid Society, an organization of voluntary workers who are interested in helping all children, but more especially those who by reason of their environment seem to be fated to become the waifs, the outcasts, and the predatory members of society. Families are growing up in all parts of our province, the parents of which are not only giving reasonable care, sustenance and good example to their children, but are themselves the children's chief examples of vice and evil-doing. The aim of the Children's Aid work is, after exhausting every reasonable means to improve the lot of the children in their own houses, to apply for guardianship, and, if that fails, to turn them over to the care of the Government. They are not placed in institutions, but are placed in foster-homes, where they receive the ordinary individual care and treatment they should have received in their own homes. They are regularly visited by authorized persons, who inquire carefully into their treatment by their foster-parents, and if this is not satisfactory, the children are removed.

Now let us see what this means. Children who are almost certain, if left in their own homes, to grow up into dissolute and probably criminal, are removed to institutions that is beneficial, morally, mentally, the family home surroundings are preserved as far as possible. Families who in evil surroundings would have developed criminal habits and have cost our municipal and provincial Governments thousands of dollars are at a trifling cost made respectable, self-supporting citizens.

We spend a good deal of money and energy trying to overcome the criminal classes; could we not spend some of that energy and a very little of the money in preventing children growing up to be criminals?

There are at present 60 Children's Aid Societies in Ontario. About 400 children are being fed and clothed, and the remaining 200 are in various stages of recovery.

Flour—Choice spring wheat palewheat, \$3.10 to \$3.25 per barrel.

Bacon—Old—Old bacon is practically

stable at \$12.50 to \$15.

New bacon is steady at \$12.50 to \$15.

Bacon—Steady; hams, 12c.

Peas—Firm at 18c to 19c; selects

steamed from 19c to 20c.

Peas—Hand-picked and \$1.50 to \$1.55 per pound.

Potatoes—Eastern, dull at 8c to 9c;

bright new potatoes, firm at \$3.25 to \$3.50 per barrel in car lots on track.

Bacon—Hay—Old bacon is

steady at \$12.50 to \$15.

New bacon is steady at \$12.50 to \$15.

Bacon—Shaw—\$7.25 to \$7.50 per ton in car lots on track here.

PROVISIONS.

Dressed Hogs—\$9.75 for lightweights

and \$9.25 for heavies.

Pork—Short cut, \$2.75 to \$3.00 for bar-

rels; mess, \$2.00 to \$2.15.

Smoked and Dried Meats—Long

legs—lions, medium, and 16c to 17c;

shoulders, 10c to 11c; backs, 16c to 17c;

liver, 10c to 11c; pickles, 12c.

Lard—Steady; hams, 12c.

Peas—Firm at 18c to 19c.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Aug. 20—Oats, continue firm, and a steady business is being done.

Sales of round lots of Manitoba No. 2 white were made at \$8.25 and car lots

of 40 per bushel ex-store.

Flour—Choice spring wheat palewheat,

\$5.10 to \$5.20; seconds, \$4.50 to \$4.60;

winter wheat, \$4.05 to \$4.15;

strong winter, \$2.25 to \$2.40; ex-store,

10c to 15c.

Reiced Oats—Remain quiet at \$2.25 per bag; cornmeal is steady at \$1.15 to \$1.25 per bag.

Milled—Manitoba, firm in bags

\$20.00; shorts, \$2.10 to \$2.25; long Ontario, 14c to 15c; 14c to 15c; 14c to 15c; shorts, \$2.50 to \$2.60; milled, 14c to 15c.

Ham—No. 1, \$7.00 to \$7.25; No. 2, \$15.00 to \$16.00; No. 3, \$15.00 to \$16.00; and clover mixed, \$12.50 to \$13.00 per barrel.

Butter—Twistings are up at 22c to 22c 1/2; Quiche, at 21c to 21c 1/2; Reicks, at 21c to 21c 1/2; packages, 10c to 11c; casters, 10c to 11c.

Eggs—Sales of selected eggs were made at 20c to 25c in single and round lots of straight receipt.

Meat—Lamb at 17c to 18c; No. 2 shoulder at 17c to 18c; No. 2 shoulder at 14c to 16c; No. 2 shoulder at 12c to 14c.

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