

TWO LIVES WERE LOST IN A DROWNING ACCIDENT YESTERDAY

TWENTY FIREMEN PERISHED NOBLY

While Fighting Flames An Iron Canopy Fell Crushing Chiefs and Men.

Special to The Guardian. CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Twenty or more firemen, among whom are Fire Marshall Horan, Battalion Chief Burroughs and Lieut Fitzgerald, were killed today when they were crushed beneath the heavy iron canopy which fell on them while fighting fire.

LIFE-SAVERS DROWN

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The members of the volunteer life saving crew at Rockaway Beach (L. I.), Bridge Road and David Jamison, are missing and are thought to have perished today when the new boat they were trying out with three other members of the crew, upset in the surf. Wm. Cassidy, one of the five, was taken from the water in an exhausted condition, while the two others, Fred Volmer and Wm. Phillips, made their way ashore.

FIGHTER TAKES A CHANCE WITH DEATH

PHILADELPHIA, December 20.—"A prize fighter takes the same chance of death as a football player when he enters a contest," said Corner Ford today, when he discharged John Kalne, a young pugilist, from custody, and exonerating him from all blame in the death of John Empof, whose skull was fractured in a bout at the Nonpareil Athletic club last Friday night.

EXCITING SCENE NOT ON THE BILLS

NEW YORK, December 20.—During the progress of a melodrama in a theatre in Brooklyn last night, a wolf in a wire enclosure on the stage escaped and jumped over the footlights and into the audience, attacking Mrs. Florence Baumgarten and Miss Tessie Vernatter. Both were hit on the hands. The brute leaped about snapping and snarling. Policeman Costrage, with blows from his night stick quelled the animal, but not before he also had received a laceration of the hand. When the wolf had been caught again the show proceeded.

GREATEST PREACHER IN THE WORLD

Written for S. S. S. by Rev. G. O. Home Troop, of Montserrat. The Christmas Day commemorates the advent of the greatest Preacher mankind has ever known. "Never man spake like this Man."

UNIONISTS ORGANISING CAMPAIGN

Special to The Guardian. LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Canadian Associated Press understands that a joint committee of the Unionist Associations of Ireland will meet in February to organize a campaign in England and Scotland against the Home Rule Campaign.

WILL THIS MAKE FINNAN HADDIES ANY CHEAPER

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—The railway commission this morning ordered the Dominion Atlantic Railway Company to reduce the rate on Finnan haddies from Digby to St. John from twenty cents to eight cents a hundred for car lots and eleven cents for smaller lots.

MARITIME TRAVELLER'S BANQUET

HALIFAX, Dec. 20.—The Maritime Commercial Travellers' Association held their annual banquet at the Queen Hotel tonight. It was a brilliant affair and was attended by over 150 guests. President D. Rutherford was in the chair. At the plate of each guest was a handsome fountain pen, a souvenir of the occasion.

THE ACTION OF D. A. R. IS ILLEGAL

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—Chief Commissioner Mabee today declared illegal action of the Dominion Atlantic railway in removing Finnan haddies from the general classification in the freight tariff. The complaint was made by the Maritime Fish Corporation and had reference to shipments between St. John and Digby. The case was presented on behalf of the company by J. E. Walsh, of the maritime association.

RECORD CHRISTMAS MAILS

MONTREAL, Dec. 20.—Montreal post office officials calculate that over 1,000,000 letters and even more magazines and newspapers were sent to England from all over Canada by the Empress of Britain which sailed last Friday with the Christmas mails.

Candidates and Subscribers

On account of the terrific snow fall of subscriptions on Saturday last, it will be impossible to catch up with the work for at least a week or ten days, and the Circulation Manager, asks the candidates and subscribers to have patience. Wishing you all a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

MANITOBA TOWN BADLY SCORCHED

Special to The Guardian. WINNIPEG, Dec. 22.—The business section of Bradwardine in this Province was wiped out by a fire which started early this morning. The Massey-Harris warehouse, Bank of Hamilton and several stores were burned.

MANY PRESENTS FOR HATTIE LEBLANC

ST. JOHN, Dec. 21.—"I am very glad the trial is over and that I am going back home. I am as happy as I can be." In this way did Miss Hattie LeBlanc, the young Cape Breton girl who was recently acquitted of the murder of Clarence Glover, in Cambridge, Mass., reply to a Times reporter who sought an interview this morning as she passed through the city on her way to her home in West Arichat, C. B.

CH'TOWN BUSINESS COLLEGE CLOSES

The closing exercises of the Charlottetown Business College and Institute of Short-hand and Typewriting took place last evening in the Assembly Room of the College, which was packed to the doors with interested spectators, a number of former students and business men being among those present.

COMMUNICATION WITH MAINLAND

The Minto arrived in this port at 11.00 a. m., yesterday and leaves this morning on return to Pictou at 7.30.

A Hot Shot on Home Shopping

Dealing with foreign mail order houses is like handling a balky mule—you only get the "bray."

COLD

Special to The Guardian. TORONTO, Dec. 23.—Moderate, variable winds, fine and cold. The temperature at three o'clock this morning was eighteen degrees above zero.

LITTLE VESSEL MAY HAVE SUNK

Special to The Guardian. ST. JOHN, Dec. 22.—Apprehension is felt for the little packet schooner Susie N.

HAD HIS LEG AMPUTATED

Yesterday morning James W. Brown, a sailor belonging to Chester, N. S., was brought to the city on the Murray Harbor train from Vernon River and registered at the Osborne House.

"BIG BILL" GETS 18 YEA

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Eighteen years in the prison at Charlottetown was the sentence passed upon William J. (Big Bill) Keilher today for aiding and abetting bookkeeper George W. Coleman in looting the Bank of Cambridge.

AUTOMOBILE PLUNGED OVER EMBANKMENT

NEW ORLEANS, La., December 20.—One woman was drowned and five others narrowly escape death in the waters of the Old Basin Canal here just after midnight this morning, when an automobile in which Jessie Smith and five male companions were riding, plunged over the embankment into twenty feet of water.

HEROIC ACT AT TRURO STATION

TRURO, December 19.—A very thrilling rescue of a little girl from certain death occurred at this station this evening. The little lady wandered from her mother's side and strayed on the track, without being noticed. The mother missed the child and asked a young man to help her search. This he proceeded to do. He discovered her some twenty yards up the track running headlong towards the incoming express from Halifax. The young man threw off his coat and both barely escaped serious injury, the front of the engine caught his leg and threw both him and the child several feet to one side.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

SAUSAGES and sausage meat for your Xmas Turkey. Order early at Tanton's. 12-23d31. ONIONS, 10 lbs for 30c at Tanton's. 12-22d31. FRESH EGGS 30c dozen at Tanton's. 12-22d31.

FAITHFUL POLICEMEN HONORED

Special to The Guardian. LONDON, Dec. 22.—A public funeral was given today to the three officers shot down by the Russian Terrorists whom they had frustrated in an attempt at burglary last Saturday night.

FEARS THAT BANGOR SCHOONER MARCUS EDWARD IS LOST

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 20.—Captain A. B. Merrill of the schooner N. E. Ayer, which arrived here today from Provincetown, reports that on last Thursday, off Chatham, when the snow storm came up, he saw the Bangor schooner Marcus Edward shortening sail, as he was doing.

TERMS OF MERGER OF TELEGRAPH COMPANIES

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The provisional agreement for the amalgamation of the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Anglo-American Cable Company stipulates that the former will give the cable company an unconditional guarantee of a 3 3/4 per cent. dividend in perpetuity on the total capital of \$35,000,000.

DR. FREDERICK COOK NEARING NEW YORK

NEW YORK, December 20.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the traveller of Brooklyn, N. Y., will return to this city on the steamer George Washington which is due to arrive on Thursday evening. Dr. Cook has not been in the city since his disappearance shortly after the submission of his polar records to the university of Copenhagen, over a year ago.

\$1,000,000 WORTH OF CANADIAN CREAM

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—Cream to the value of \$1,000,000 was exported from Ontario and Quebec to the state of New York, between April the first and November 30th. A clause in the Payne Aldrich act changed the duty upon cream from five cents per pound to five cents per gallon. This led to an enormous increase in the export of Canadian cream, causing a number of cheese factories in the eastern townships to go out of business.

Notice to Subscribers

On account of the enormous increase in the price of paper, wages, living also extremely high, necessitates a larger revenue to meet increasing expenses. In fact everything necessary to the production of a newspaper is advancing in price so rapidly that the management is unable to longer furnish the paper at present rates.

BOLTON HORROR GROWING WORSE

None Escaped, 360 Dead Philadelphia's Dead in Recent Fire Number 20.

Special to The Guardian. BOLTON, Eng., Dec. 22.—The disaster at Hulton colliery is greater than at first thought. It is now probable that at least 360 lives were lost.

SANDY MCLEOD BACK

"Sandy" is back. Of course this refers to Sandy McLeod, the Scotch wrestler of repute, whose acquaintances here number scores.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

TO LET, that desirable residence on Upper Hillsboro Street. Recently occupied by E. H. Esler; possession given at once. Apply to T. L. Atkinson, 7 Upper Hillsboro St. 10-24d1. LOST, between McKinnon Drug Co. and Bayfield St., purse containing sum of money. Finder rewarded by leaving at McKinnon Drug Co. 12-23d11. RAW FURS, I will pay for fox from seven fifty to eight dollars and fifty. Mink five to nine dollars. Alex. Stewart, cor. Queen and Bayfield St. 12-23d1p. TRAPPERS, I invite comparison of prices on fox, mink and muskrat with any local or foreign quotations. See me before selling or shipping. J. D. Jenkins, 163 Queen St., Charlottetown. 12-23d31p. Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.