

## FATAL ACCIDENT AT CORDOVA

21.

Conrad Fredrikson, a native of Norway, 42 years of age, who came to Canada when about eighteen years of age, was the victim of an accident at Cordova Gold Mines last Friday forenoon which resulted in his death. He was working at the 500 foot level, protected by a bunk, when a timber fell from the 200 foot level. It dropped with such force that it broke through the bunk striking Fredrikson on the right leg almost tearing it off below the knee and severing an artery. The medical officer was summoned from Havelock and Dr. D,J, Holdcroft responded and rendered first aid but the victim only lived a short time.

So far as is known the deceased has no living relatives, but for about five years he had made his home with Mr. E.J. Martin, Actinolite. For about four years he was employed by Henniger & Scott Construction Company and was well liked by his fellow workmen. He had also made a lot of friends since going to Cordova Mines.

The funeral was held on Sunday. The service was conducted at the home of Mr. Martin, Actinolite, by Rev. Merritt Price, after which the remains were conveyed to Marmora Protestant Cemetery for interment. Rural Dean A.B. Caldwell pronounced the committal sentences at the graveside. A number of officials of Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company and quite a number of residents of Cordova attended the service at Actinolite and also at the cemetery.

The pall bearers were John Bell, John Anderson, Edward Flynn, sr., Edward Flynn, jr., G. Dalhgren and Morris Martin.

August 29, 1935

**MARMORA TEACHER  
FREEZES TO DEATH  
WALKING IN SLEEP**

The village of Marmora was shocked early this morning on hearing of the death of Miss Hilda Thompson, 29 year old member of the Marmora Public School staff who was found dead from exposure on ice covered land between the village skating rink and Crowe River. The body was found about 4 a.m. by a search party composed of Constable P. Gray, F. S. Johnston, T. R. Wells, N. Mumby and W. C. Spry.

Missed from her room about 2 o'clock, F. S. Johnston, a neighbor was notified, who in turn got in touch with Constable Gray and a search party was quickly organized. The deceased girl was clad only in her night attire and it is believed while sleep walking she stepped into the river but made her way to the shore for the body was found a fair distance from the bank. Suffering from a nervous breakdown, the late Miss Thompson had been granted leave of absence from her school duties.

A daughter of Dr. David and Mrs. Thompson of the village, she leaves to mourn the loss, one sister Jean of New York City and one brother James at home. She was an ardent member of St. Andrew's United Church and deeply interested in the welfare of young children.

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**LITTLE LAD DRANK LYE**

23.

Donald, the 15 month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dermot Bedore, of Marmora township, was the victim of an accident which resulted in his death yesterday. It is reported his mother was using lye for cleaning purposes when the little lad drank some of it. He was taken to Belleville Hospital but died shortly afterwards. He will be buried tomorrow morning.

August 13, 1936

## WOLFE SISTERS DIE

24.

The two aged sisters who, although possessing a substantial bank account, died of starvation and neglect in Amsterdam, N.Y., on the day before Christmas were born near Madoc.

These two sisters died within three days of each other, the younger one because no help had been called for her when she became ill, the other because she lay down and starved to death when her sister died.

The sisters, Josetta Labarge Wolfe 90, and Augusta, 68, were born on a homestead in Madoc. A nephew, Charles Labarge, of Peterborough, who was named heir to Augusta's \$1800. bank account, left on Christmas Day to attend to funeral arrangements.

Augusta had, apparently, been accustomed to looking after her older sister, Josetta, who was, doctors claimed, mentally unbalanced. When Augusta became ill and retired to her bed, Josetta did not summon aid. Instead she, too, went to bed. Three days after death claimed Augusta, Josetta was dead. She had starved to death.

The aged couple had been living together in Amsterdam for several years. Their death was discovered when neighbours became alarmed at not seeing them for several days. Police broke down the door of their house and a Coroner's investigation was launched.

Josetta, the investigation revealed, had been married to a man named Wolfe, and bore him a son whom she had not seen for fifteen years.

Early in October of this year, Charles Labarge received a letter from Amsterdam, revealing that the younger sister was not well. Her illness, however, was not considered serious.

December 31, 1936

**MARMORAN DIES  
AFTER CRASH  
UPON HIGHWAY**

Two car accidents, one attended with fatal results, occurred on No. 7 Highway east of Marmora on Saturday afternoon and evening.

Stanley Jackson, 47, of Marmora, was engaged about seven miles east of the village, throwing rock off the highway following grading, when about 4 p.m. a car driven by Leo Cleary of Hastings skidded into Jackson, knocking him down and passing partly over his body to occasion serious injuries.

Dr. H. Crawford, Marmora, was summoned to the scene and after the injured man had been conveyed to his home, advised his removal to St. Joseph's Hospital, Peterborough, where about 8 p.m. he succumbed.

Also in the Cleary car were Mr. and Mrs. V. Keogan of Hastings and another lady passenger. Provincial Officer Art Dymond of Madoc investigated and Constable P. Gray was also in attendance. Mr. Jackson leaves a widow and six young children to mourn his passing, besides two brothers, Thomas, Cobalt and William, Marmora; and one sister, Mrs. Clayton Graham, Cordova.

Coroner Dr. H. Young of Peterborough will conduct an inquest at Havelock, it is expected, on Wednesday evening.

The funeral of the late Stanley Jackson will be held on Tuesday afternoon from St. Paul's Anglican Church and will be conducted by Rural Dean A. B. Caldwell.

August 18, 1938

**BRUTAL ASSAULT MADE  
UPON CAFE PROPRIETOR**

26.

Len Lung, proprietor of the Glossy Cafe was attacked early this morning and badly beaten over the head while he was standing over the stove in his restaurant preparing a meal.

Ike Neal, 60, of this village, was later arrested at his boarding house by Provincial Officer Hatch and Constable Percy Gray and lodged in the Marmora jail.

Neal is alleged by police to have entered the restaurant early this morning and ordered three breakfasts for miners and while Len Lung was preparing the same he was struck over the head. He was knocked unconscious but came to about six o'clock this morning and was seen running up the street with blood flowing from his wounds and he was shouting the name of "Ike Neal."

The Chinaman was taken to the office of Dr. Crawford where it was found he had seven wounds in the head and a possible fractured skull. He was later removed to Belleville hospital.

January 19, 1939

**MARMORA RESTAURANT PROPRIETOR  
DESCRIBES ATTACK MADE IN  
PRELIMINARY HEARING IN BELLEVILLE**

27.

Isaac "Ike" Neal, 67 year old Marmora laborer, was committed for trial at the next court of criminal jurisdiction, by Magistrate J. L. Lloyd in County Police Court held in Belleville yesterday. Neal was charged that he did unlawfully wound one Lem Lung, Marmora Chinese restaurant proprietor on Dec. 10 last, and thereby committed the indictable offence of attempt to murder.

The principal witnesses heard yesterday were Dr. E. R. Frankish, Medico-legal expert of the Province of Ontario, and Lem Lung, Chinese cafe owner, who was allegedly attacked and beaten over the head and face by the accused man.

**DR. FRANKISH CALLED**

Dr. Frankish, the first witness called, produced the blood stained clothes said to have been worn by Neal and Lem Lung on the morning of the alleged attack which occurred in the kitchen of Lung's restaurant in Marmora. A hammer, which police say was used in the attack upon Lung and later found in Neal's home, was also introduced by Dr. Frankish.

Dr. Frankish concluded his testimony by stating he had analyzed blood received by him from Dr. G. S. Cronk of this city, which was later stated by the latter to have been taken from Lem Lung. Dr. Frankish could not identify this blood test with the stains on the clothing.

Lem lung, the victim of the alleged attack, was the final witness.

**INTERPRETER USED**

"When is the Deloro Mine payday?" asked Mr. Donnan.

" The 10th and 25th of the month,"

"Do you cash mine cheques for some of the employees?" asked the Crown

"Yes, up to \$90.00 and \$120.00"

"What knowledge did Isaac Neal have of this practice?" asked Mr. Donnan.

"He saw me pay out money many times" assured Lem Lung as he went on to tell as to how Neal had come to his restaurant on December 8th and 9th consecutively and requested Lung to open his business early in order to prepare breakfast for himself and three friends.

"Did Neal come in on the morning of the 9th?" asked Mr. Donnan.

"Yes, but he tell me that his friends could not come today as they were drunk" was Lung's reply, as he added that Neal came back that night and again ordered breakfast for the morning of Dec. 10th.

#### BENT OVER TABLE

Lung stated he was bent over a table buttering toast when he was struck on the head from behind. "Did you see this hammer?" asked Mr. Donnan, introducing the hammer presented by Dr. Frankish.

"I see nothing. I was blinded and semi-conscious. He grab me by collar and hit me on face and head many times. I bleeding bad when I shout "Neal killing me" Then I run out door and Pat O'Connor take me to doctor" concluded Lung.

Other witnesses testified at the previous sittings of the court, including police officers who arrested Neal and obtained blood-stained clothes and the hammer in question.

Neal was not represented by counsel and did not plead to the charge. When Magistrate Lloyd asked Neal if he had any evidence on his own behalf, the accused answered "Not now."

Crown Attorney B. C. Donnan assured the court he had procured adequate counsel for Neal at his trial, however. The accused man was lodged in the county jail awaiting the next sitting of criminal court jurisdiction.



**MARMORA MAN IS  
KILLED  
IN PENITENTIARY**

29.

Isaac (Ike) Neal, Marmora mechanic who was sentenced to two years and nine months in Kingston Penitentiary last February on a charge of assault, was killed in the penitentiary late Friday afternoon.

Neal had been working in the prison machine shop, on an engine lathe turning a heavy piece of metal, and it is believed the piece of steel flew off and struck him on the forehead, causing a fracture of the skull and death. Neal while in Marmora often worked as a mechanic, and because of his ability in this line was put to work in the machine shop at the prison.

Late in 1938 he was arrested and charged with assaulting a Chinese, the owner of a cafe in Marmora, and causing grievous bodily harm. He was taken to Belleville jail by Constable Percy Gray and Provincial Officer Hatch of Marmora and later convicted and sentenced. The Chinese recovered.

Neal's body was forwarded to Marmora for burial today and an inquest was ordered at the penitentiary before the release of the body.

**RAWDON TOWNSHIP COUPLE FOUND DEAD  
BY MAILMAN; GRAIN THIEF IS BEING SOUGHT**

He tied his team of horses to a fence post half a mile from the tiny farm house and started on foot across the field in a diagonal line, murder in his mind.

Half way across the field, as he neared a little hardwood bush that belonged to his intended victims, he heard the sound of two woodcutters, Charlie Dunham and his son Jack, at work. He halted, then turned back on his tracks because this was one place he didn't want anyone to remember seeing him. He stopped in time too, because neither Charlie nor his son recognized him, although they saw him coming toward them. They didn't see a gun, though.

So he went back to his team, untied them, climbed aboard the sleigh and turned back to the south along the sideroad along which he had just come. He skirted around a concession and approached the farm from the opposite direction to miss the wood cutters. He came on foot across the fields from the direction of the farm that used to belong to Morley Murray. Morley was a bachelor and 13 years ago his barn was burned to the ground, his body found in the embers. Murder was suspected that time too, but nothing was ever proved. Maybe this wasn't the first time this man had crossed that same field with murder in his mind.

He came to the barn from the rear and entered it. Maybe he hid in the haymow and waited for his victim to come to the barn to milk his cows. Maybe he hid downstairs somewhere. Maybe he was known to aged Arnold Wellman and entered conversation with him. Maybe, even, he borrowed Mr. Wellman's shotgun for his job, for Mr Wellman was known to own a shotgun and it can't be found.

In any case he stood at point blank range, and watched the old man start to milk a cow, his head pressed against the animal, his face away from his murder. He raised the shotgun and pulled the trigger.

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When the shot hit him the 77 year old man was flung back from his milk stool to the floor. Half his head was blown away. Blood spattered the wall behind him and even the cow he had been milking. A big chunk of his skull, torn away, hit the wall and ricocheted 20 feet.

The murderer left his victim and went to the house to look for another. He found her in bed, where she had been for 10 days previous suffering from a heart ailment. She was 73 year old Mrs. Wellman. He poled the barrel of the gun inside the door and pulled the trigger again. The result was worse, for he blew off all one side of her head.

Then he went back for his team and brought them boldly right up the laneway to the barn. He went into a shed and took ten bags of grain out and piled them into the sleigh. He went into the house and ransacked it for valuables, strewn the floors with their contents. And then he drove off.

That is the way police and neighbors reconstructed the most horrible murder ever committed in this district, one of the most gruesome and mysterious in this country.

All of rich Rawdon township is aroused and the residents who flocked to the scene in dozens yesterday were both horrified and shocked by the savage crime. "A fiend is living in our midst," one of them said. "He must be caught or none of us is safe." "It begins to look as though we old people aren't safe living alone," said Theodore Reid. Mr. Reid and his wife live alone on the next farm to the Wellmans.

Police are apparently of the same mind about bringing the murderer to justice for there were at least a dozen of them, provincial police and R.C.M.P.'s at the farm house yesterday. They were headed by Sergeant Harry Thompson and Inspector Frank Gardiner of Belleville, and Dr. E.R. Frankish, and Dr. M.L. Robinson, ballistics experts associated with the Criminal Investigation Dept. arrived today. They scoured the district, following foot and sleigh tracks, interviewing residents of the district, but their efforts were hampered by near impassable roads.

Cars choked the side road from Harold, were continually being halted for long periods when one of their number got out of the single track into the deep snow. Inspector Gardiner and three police spent almost an hour getting their car turned about when they wanted to travel back to Marmora.

It was the callousness and brutality of the crime that residents found hard to believe despite the evidence before their eyes. For the aged couple were among the best loved people in all the district. "They worked like slaves all their lives." one farmer said. "All they wanted was to see that their children had the best education possible and they sacrificed all they had to give it to them." And give it to them they did, for all three children are now members in high standing of the medical profession. They are Dr. A. Lorne Wellman of Waterloo, Dr. Marvin Wellman, of Whitby, and Dr. Victoria Wellman, of Chicago. Dr. Victoria Wellman was home with her parents for nearly a month and left just after Christmas. She knew her mother was ailing and her last words before leaving were to make her mother promise that if her condition were worse was to let her know immediately and she would return by plane.

Mrs. David Wellman, niece of the murdered couple, said the children had been trying for some time to get their parents to leave the farm and retire to the city, promising to care for them. But they would have none of it, she said they liked their life on the farm and the independence that went with it.

All the children were to have been home this Sunday when their parents were celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary.

Although the murders were not discovered until late yesterday morning police believe they were committed between three and four o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Wellman was in the habit of milking his two cows between these hours and again early in the morning. However, the cows had not been milked in the morning in the opinion of other farmers. Added to that was the fact that the telephone in the home had not been answered the previous night.

It was about ten o'clock in the morning that the double murder was discovered by Edmond Faulkner, rural mail carrier who lives just outside the hamlet of Harold. He is distantly related to the old couple and was in the habit of calling in at the house every other day to see how they were getting along because he knew Mrs. Wellman's health was not good.

He went into the house yesterday morning and noticed that no fire had been lighted in the stove. The house was cold. He looked into the bedroom and saw Mrs. Wellman asleep. He went out quietly and on down to the barn to ask Mr. Wellman why he had not lighted the fire. In the stable, beside the overturned milk stool and pail he found the dead man. Quickly he went back to the house, found that Mrs. Wellman, too was dead, and raced off to get assistance from the closest neighbor, Theodore Reid.

The fact that no shots were heard was explained by the fact that the closest farm was more than a quarter of a mile distant and was down in the valley. The Wellman farm could not be seen from any other farm.

A further motive, beyond theft of ten bags of grain, lay in the possibility the murderer believed the old couple had a good deal of money in the house. For only a month ago Mr. Wellman had sold some livestock and had had a sale of his farm equipment. He had even sold his sleigh so that only a wagon was left on the property. When he took his grain to be milled on Monday he used that wagon rather than a sleigh. For that reason, too, it was known that the sleigh that entered the farm yard and left did not belong to him.

But if the murderer thought to get a large sum of money, he was disappointed, for Mr. Wellman had been paid by cheque for the livestock and had banked the other money.

Surviving are two sons, Dr. Lorne Wellman, Waterloo, Dr. Marvin Wellman, Whitby, and Dr. Iona Victoria Wellman, Chicago. Drs. Marvin and Iona practiced together in Marmora for a couple of years after Dr. Thomson gave up his practice.

The funeral was held from the R. B. Duffin funeral home in Stirling and the service was conducted by Rev. James E. Beckel, secretary of the Bay of Quinte Conference of the United Church of Canada. Over a thousand citizens from all parts of the district gathered to pay their last respects to the deceased. Interment was made in Rylstone Cemetery.

On Friday evening, Frederick Thain, 46 year old farmer, neighbor of the deceased, was arrested at his home and was charged with the double murder. He was taken to Belleville jail after appearing before Miss Mary Butler, Justice of the Peace, and being remanded untel Thursday, Feb. 8th. Mr Thain was eating supper with his wife and three children when the arrest was made.

#### THAIN DIES FOR MURDER OF NEIGHBORS

Frederick Thain, 46, who murdered his two aged friends on an adjoining farm about 4 a.m. last Jan 31st, 1940, to conceal his theft of \$14 worth of grist grain on previous night, was hanged here this morning. His victims were Arnold Wellman, 77, and his wife Nancy, 74, who were buried Feb. 4, the fiftyfifth anniversary of their wedding.

Deputy Attorney-General C.L. Snyder, who acted as Crown Prosecutor at Thain's trial here last October, received word yesterday in Toronto from the Under-Secretary of State in Ottawa the slayer's execution was to go ahead as scheduled.

Last summer, while in jail awaiting trial, Thain admitted the double murder to Sergeant H. Thompson of the Provincial Police, but after he was found guilty by a jury Oct. 31st, he said: "I say before God I am not guilty."

"I entered the barn and saw Mr. Wellman milking the cow," said Thain in his confession. "Walking up behind him I hollered and let him have both barrels. I then went outside and cried."

Since he was sentenced by Mr. Justice Keiller MacKay Thain has remained in his cell seemingly content with his lot. Officials of the county jail have remarked from time to time he seemed to be happy and was gaining weight.

## PAID WITH HIS LIFE

35.

Frederick Thain, 46 year old Rawdon farmer, paid with his life early Tuesday morning for the murder of his 77 year old neighbour, Arnold Wellman, in the latter's barn Jan. 31, 1949. Thain was also charged with shooting Mrs. Wellman, who was confined to her bed by illness, on the same day. He was convicted at the autumn assizes in October. In sub-zero weather Thain walked to the scaffold at 1:07 Tuesday morning. He appeared cheerful and faced the end without flinching, first thanking the officials present for his treatment. A police escort, a minister and the executioner were the only ones present. At 8 o'clock an inquest was held at the County Court buildings with Coroner Dr. J.J. Robertson presiding.

January 16, 1941

**GEORGE RICE, R.C.A.F. VETERAN AND  
CHUM KILLED IN MOTOR ACCIDENT**

36.

One of the most shocking accidents in the history of Marmora occurred about nine o'clock Saturday evening, as a result of which George Richard Rice, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rice, and a war time chum, Edward J. Flynn, lost their lives. The accident occurred on the hill on No. 7 highway, a short distance west of the bridge, where the old Havelock road branches off.

George Rice and three other buddies of the R.C.A.F. were enjoying a week end visit at Crowe Lake at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rice. All had started for the village, George and Flynn riding the former's motor cycle, while Mr. and Mrs. Rice and the other two followed in Mr. Rice's auto. As the motorcycle came down the hill, following a car, Mr. Gilbert Steenburgh was proceeding up the hill on a business trip to a home on the old road. He stopped to let a car pass and then turned left, not seeing the motorcycle, which was obscured by the car, until it was too late. George Rice who was driving the motorcycle tried to pass between the car and the guard rails at the side of the road, but just missed by a few inches. The cycle struck the left front fender of Steenburgh's car with a very heavy impact crushing and knocking off the left headlight and the left front wheel. The bodies of both boys were hurled through the air striking the guard posts and wires. Edward Flynn was instantly killed and George Rice died in less than an hour.

A few minutes after the accident Dr. H. Crawford and Constable Lavender reached the scene of the tragedy. F. N. Marett & Co. ambulance was summoned and George, accompanied by his mother and Dr. Crawford, started for Belleville General Hospital, followed by Mr. Rice in his auto, but he passed away before the hospital was reached.

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J. H. Hatch, Provincial Constable, and Dr. S. Eagleson, of Madoc, a coroner for the County of Hastings, were promptly notified and soon reached the scene of the accident. After a preliminary examination the Coroner ordered the removal of the body of Flynn to F. N. Marett & Co.'s undertaking rooms. The Provincial officer decided the collision was entirely accidental and unless some new evidence is brought out at the inquest no blame is attached to anyone.

George R. Rice was 22 years of age, was born in Marmora and spent all his life here until he enlisted in the R.C.A.F. early in the war. A boy of exemplary character he was very popular with young and old alike and was held in high esteem. In high school he was a fine student, admired by his teachers and popular with other students in the school.

After enlisting in the R.C.A.F. and training in Canada he was sent overseas for future training in England. He then served in North Africa and other parts of that continent and after in Italy in a special branch of the R.C.A.F.

His closest friend during the war years was Edward Flynn. They trained together, went overseas together, served in the same war areas and returned together, both escaping without injury. In recent months they had been rooming in the same house on Beatty Ave., Toronto. For both death came in the same tragic accident.

Besides his grief stricken parents George is survived by two sisters Mrs. Dandy (Evelyn) and Mrs. Fobert (Kathleen), both of Toronto. The sympathy of the whole community goes out to the family in their bereavement. An older brother, James lost his life about fifteen years ago as a result of the accidental discharge of a shot gun while duck hunting, which makes this tragedy seem all the harder to bear.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon under the auspices of Marmora Branch No. 237 Canadian Legion and was a very impressive one. Proceeding from the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Rice at Crowe Lake the cortege was met at the Memorial Building by a detachment of the R.C.A.F. from Trenton Airport, under the command of Fl. Lieut. Hook and a large number of veterans of World War I and II, who marched ahead of the hearse to St. Paul's Anglican Church. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. J. M. Brownlie, rector, who also conducted the burial service at the graveside.

The R.C.A.F. men and veterans also marched to the cemetery and after Rev. Mr. Brownlie had completed his part of the service, the Canadian Legion service was conducted by President Wilbert Mumby and veterans dropped a poppy in the grave and saluted. The last post and Reveille were impressively sounded by L.A.C. Beaudra a bugler of the R.C.A.F. A photographer from the R.C.A.F. also took a number of pictures. The pall bearers were Sergt. Don Prentice, of the R.C.A.F. and veterans of the last war Ted Gazeley, Robert Gray, Bill Prentice, David Crawford and Glen Lavender.

Instructions were received by F. N. Marett & Co. to ship the body of Ed. J. Flynn to Toronto where the funeral will take place. It is reported that his mother, who resides in England will reach Toronto by airplane for the obsequies.

Last Sunday morning a memorial service was held in St. Paul's church for the late George R. Rice. The rector, Rev. J. M. Brownlie, officiated, and delivered an impressive sermon, taking as his text "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever," Beautiful flowers on the altar were in memory of George Rice and his brother James, who died in 1931, and the late Rev. A. B. Caldwell, former rector of the parish, who passed away at Gananoque a year ago.

**CORONER'S JURY ATTACHES  
NO BLAME TO ANYONE**

39.

The inquest in connection with the death of the late George Rice and Edward Flynn, who died as the result of an accident on No. 7 highway just west of the bridge on the evening of Saturday, July 27th was held in the town hall yesterday afternoon. Coroner Dr. Eagleson, of Madoc, presided and County Crown Attorney B. C. Donnan, K. C., of Belleville, conducted the investigation

The following composed the jury and gave their verdict after hearing the evidence: Vincent Lynch, foreman, Wm. Regan, Don Robertson, Gordon Jarvis and Wm. Shannon.

Seven witnesses in all were called in the following order: Dr. Hamilton Crawford, Prov. Officer J. H. Hatch, F. R. Wells, Jas A. Rice, Jack Williams, Vernon Morgan, and Gilbert Steenburgh. Williams and Morgan are the chums of the deceased who were with Mr. and Mrs. Rice in their car and witnessed the accident. Messrs. Rice, Williams, Morgan and Steenburgh were eye witnesses of the tragedy and quietly told how it occurred. Members of the jury, through the Crown Attorney, asked the witnesses quite a number of questions to have the whole picture before them in arriving at their verdict.

The verdict attached no blame to anyone and after the usual opening form was as follows: "That Edward Flynn died at the village of Marmora on the 27th day of July, 1946, and George Rice died in an ambulance, while proceeding from the village of Marmora to the city of Belleville; both deaths being the result of personal injuries sustained when a motorcycle, driven by George Rice, upon which Edward Flynn was a passenger, collided with a motor car driven by Gilbert Steenburgh on highway no 7, in the village of Marmora in the County of Hastings.

**ACCIDENT IN GRAVEL PIT**

40.

Mr. Thomas Moffatt, sr. met with an accident last Tuesday which resulted in his death. He was at work in a gravel pit when it caved in breaking both his legs at the ankles and almost burying him. He was released and taken home but passed away. The funeral took place at Zion Church and interment in the cemetery. He is survived by his widow, two sons and two daughters.

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