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TORNADO PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

F=2 ONT

1. DATE AND TIME SAT 10. 6. 1911 1900 LOCAL

2. LOCATION OR PATH (attach map) OWEN SOUND (FROM THE NW)

3. PATH LENGTH ☐ NOT KNOWN ☐ <1mi; ☐ 1-4mi; ☒ 7 5-10mi; ☐ 11-50mi; ☐ LENGTH IF>50mi

4. PATH WIDTH U 5. TORNADO PART OF SQUALL LINE? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☑ UNKNOWN:

6. ANY UNUSUAL COLORATION? ☑ YES; ☐ NO; ☐ UNKNOWN

7. ANY UNUSUAL SOUND? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☐ UNKNOWN

8. IF ANSWER TO 6 OR 7 YES, ELABORATE; 6, A STRANGE YELLOWISH TINGE

9. LIST ANY ASSOCIATED PHENOMENA (Such as hail, vivid lightning heavy rain, no rain, etc.) HAIL. IN THE HARBOUR THE WATER ROSE 4 FT ABOVE DATUM FALLING IN LESS THAN 1/2 HR TO ABOUT 4 FT BELOW DATUM & ABOUT 8 FT BETWEEN EBB AND FLOW.

10. TOTAL DAMAGE ESTIMATE $ 11. TOTAL DEATHS NONE

12. TOTAL INJURED NONE 13. TOTAL HOMELESS U

14. LIST ALL REFERENCES

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15. SUMMARIZE REMARKS PERTAINING TO (a) FUNNEL; (b) INTERESTING OR CAPRICIOUS EVENTS.

(a) "IN A FEW MINUTES A TORNADO, ACCOMPANIED BY A HAILSTORM SWEPT DOWN ON THE TOWN. IT CAME FROM THE NORTHWEST AND CONTINUED FOR BETWEEN 5 AND 10 MINUTES".

(b) A LARGE NUMBER OF TREES DEVASTATED. THE FRONT OF a cement block building in Owen Sound blew out, the wreckage falling in a mass on the sidewalk. The tornado struck the Northern Navigation Company's steamer 'Germanic' and carried it with terrific force against the dock. As it keeled over the passengers became panic stricken.

* Elsewhere 3 men killed by lightning.


GEORGIAN BAY ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK
GIANTS TOMB
BEAUSOLEIL
HOPE
BECKWITH
HAY I
GRIFFITH I
WHITE CLOUD I
CAPE RICH
CHRISTIAN I
Barrow Bay
Cape Croker
Hope Bay
Pike Bay
Howdenvale
Red Bay
Oxenden
North Keppel
Oliphant
Wiarton
Kemble
SAUBLE FALLS
Sauble Falls
Sauble Beach North
Sauble Beach
Hepworth
Shallow Lake
East Linton
Balmy Beach
Leith
Brookholm
Annan
Park Head
Sauble Beach South
Springmount
Alvanley
Allenford
Elsinore
Chippawa Hill
Kirksyth
Rockford
Bognor
Sunnyside Beach
Meaford
Thornbury
Clarksburg
CRAIGLEITH
Craigleith
Wasaga Beach
WASAGA BEACH (NC)
Walters Falls
Heathcote
Rocklyn
Ravenna
Collingwood
Nottawa
Gibraltar
Brocks Beach
Sunnidale Corners
Oakview Beach
Springhurst Beach
Edenvale
SPRINGWATER (NC)
Stayner
DEVILS GLEN
Singhampton
Duntroon
Glen Huron
New Lowell
Brentwood
Avening
Creemore
Angus
Dunedin
Glencairn
Lisle
Honeywood
Redickville
Terra Nova
Badjeros
Maxwell
Eugenia
Irish Lake
Flesherton
Ceylon
Priceville
Markdale
Mooresburg
Dornoch
Williamsford
Berkeley
Kimberley
Feversham
Desboro
Dobbinton
North Bruce
Paisley
Chesley
Scone
Elmwood
Pinkerton
Glammis
Edeo Grove
Cargill
Arkwright
Burgoyne
Keady
Keward
Tara
Chatsworth
Owen Sound
Hanover
Walkerton
Carlsruhe
Chepstow
Allan Park
Durham
Swinton Park
Dundalk
Varney
Dromore
Hopeville
Corbetton
Greenock
Riverdale
Formosa
Kinloss
Kinlough
Holyrood
Neustadt
Holstein
Ayton
Shelburne
Riverview
Primrose
Violet Hill
Rosemont
Maidmay
Teeswater
Belmore
Lakelet
Whitechurch
Clifford
Conn
Monticello
Mount Forest
Camilla
Glen Cross
Laurel
Orangeville
Mono Mills
Tottenham
Hockley Valley
Mono Centre
Schomberg
Cardigan
Loretto
Beeton
Bond Head
Alliston
Newton Robinson
Colgan
Dunkerron
Lloydtown
Palgrave
Snowball
Oak Ridges
Kettleby
Cookstown
Evered
Manfield
Corbetton
Harriston
Damascus
Grand Valley
Wingham
Lower Wingham
Wroxeter
Gorrie
Fordwich
Renilworth
Bluevale
Palmerston
Arthur
Rothsay
Belgrave
Kurtzville
Molesworth
Gowanstown
Moorefield
Wallace
Drayton
Alma
Goldstone
Brussels
Blyth
Ethel
Cranbrook
Walton
Kinburn
Winthrop
Listowel
Britton
Atwood
Newry
Dorking
Glen Allan
Floradale
Macton
Wallenstein
Yatton
Elmira
Elora
Salem
Fergus
Inverough
Ospringe
Ballinafad
Glen Williams
Terra Cotta
Belfountain
Orton
Hillsburgh
Erin
Inglewood
Cheltenham
Caledon
Forks of the Credit
Sandhill Jct
Claude
Victoria
Tullamore
Woodbridge
Snelgrove
Claireville
Malton
Bramalea
BRAMPTON
Huttonville
Meadowvale
Norval
Whaley Corners
Ashgrove
Acton
Stewarttown
Georgetown
Limehouse
Rockwood
Bruceden
Speyside
Eden Mills
Hornby
Brookville
Haltonville
Milton
Omagh
Campbellville
Morriston
Puslinch
Kilbride
Freelton
Carlisle
Flamborough Centre
Waterdown
Oakville
Port Credit
Lorne Park
Clarkson
BRONTE CREEK (NC)
BURLINGTON
HAMILTON
Stoney Creek
Winona
Grimsby Beach
Grimsby
Beamsville
Vineland Sta.
Jordan
Smithville
Caistor Ctr.
Caistorville
Winslow
Bismarck
Wellandport
Fenwick
Canfield
Dunnville
Port Maitland
Stormness
Willow Bay
Lowbanks
ROCK POINT
SEALKIRK
Long Pt Bay
Mount Hope
Binbrook
Carluke
Middleport
Caledonia
Blackheath
N. Seneca
Ohsweken
Willow Grove
Cainsville
Onondaga
Brantford
Paris
Princeton
Gobles
Eastwood
Muir
Bishopgate
Oxford Ctr
Cathcart
Burford
Mt. Pleasant
Harley
Scotland
Oakland
Wilsonville
Bealton
Springvale
Hagersville
Decewsville
Nelles Corners
Villa Nova
Waterford
Garnet
Lynden
Ancaster
Dundas
Copetown
Greensville
Millgrove
Westover
Rockton W.
Flamborough
Sheffield
Waterdown
Wyndham
Troy
Harrisburg
Glen Morris
Glen George
Peters Corners
Branchton
Galt
Preston
Hespeler
Blair
Ayr
Drumbo
Wolverton
Plattsville
Washington
Haysville
New Dundee
New Hamburg
Baden
Petersburg
Wellesley
Bamberg
Crosshill
Poole
Brunner
Rostock
Wartburg
Mitchell
Staffa
Cromarty
Fullarton
Sebringville
Amulree
Gads Hill
Phillipsburg
Shakespeare
STRATFORD FESTIVAL
STRATFORD
St. Pauls Sta.
Kirkton
Woodham
Tavistock
Cassel
Bright
Hickson
Harrington
West
Innerkip
Lakeside
Huntingford
Perrys Lane
Eastwood
Embro
Kintore
Denfield
Birr
Bryanston
Thamesford
Thorndale
Lucan
Elginfield
Wellburn
Medina
Uniondale
Granton
Prospect Hill
St. Marys
Whalen Cors.
Woodstock
Ingersoll
Holbrook
Folden Cors
Sweaburg
Beachville
Salford
Verschoyle
Mount Elgin
Otterville
Burgessville
Norwich
Kelvin
Vanessa
Bookton
Teeterville
Tillsonburg
Courtland
Delhi
Nixon
Simcoe
Lynedoch
Atherton
Greens Cor.
Vittoria
Port Dover
Port Ryerse
Fishers Glen
Normandale
Turkey Point
TURKEY PT
Long Point Bay
Port Rowan
Long Point
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Clear Creek
Port Burwell
Fairground
Cultus
IROQUOIS BEACH
Port Bruce
PORT BRUCE (NC)
JOHN E. PEARCE (NC)
Port Stanley
Vienna
Sparta
Copenhagen
Union
Mt. Salem
Eingal
Shedden
Orwell
Jaffa
Aylmer
Richmond
Mabee
Corinth
Eden
Lynhurst
New Sarum
Belmont
Glanworth
Lyons
Mapleton
Elgin Royal
Lambeth
Scottsville
Delaware
Arva
Komoka
Thamesford
Thorndale
Crumlin
Dorchester
Pumpkin Pt.
Wilton Grove
Mossley
Crampton
Harrietsville
Gladstone
Ostrander
Culloden
Springfield
Dereham Ctr.

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WILD TORNADO SWEEPS OWEN SOUND DISTRICT

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TWO MEN KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Storm Was Bad in Western Ontario Around London and Woodstock.

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

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Killed by Lightning.

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Thomas Bell, Eastwood, was struck by a belt and was knocked unconscious in the field. He got to the house with his father's assistance, and again lost consciousness. He later recovered, and is resting quietly. Thos. Hart, East Oxford, had two valuable horses killed, and as Mrs. Bert Travers was feeding the chickens under an oak tree it was struck and ripped to splinters. The chickens were killed, but the woman was not badly shocked.

Damages at London.

London, Ont., June 11.—A terrific electrical storm broke out over London at 7 o'clock this morning and within less than half an hour caused much damage throughout the district. The four-faced clock was knocked out of the Custom House tower. The building was not ignited, but several hundred dollars will be required to make repairs. A large portion of the steeple was smashed off the Cronyn Memorial Church. A short circuit in the electrical wiring set fire to the basement of the Normal School, but the blaze was luckily discovered by the gardener, who was passing and who entered the building to escape the storm. Trees were smashed and other havoc caused.

TORNADO AND SEICHE, OWEN SOUND, ONTARIO.

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STORM DATE: ABOUT 9AM. SAT. JUNE 10 1911
"AND TOWARD EVENING."

WIND AND HAIL LEAVE TRAIL OF DESTRUCTION

Bolt Kills John Murphy At Owen Sound and Fatally Injures Two Others—Hundreds of Panes of Glass Are Broken.

Special to The Free Press.

OWEN SOUND, Ont., June 10.—Never in its history has the town been visited by a storm so severe or so destructive as that of to-day. The net result is one man dead, two dangerously injured, and a dozen hurt to a lesser extent. The property loss will run into the thousands, as yet not even an approximate estimate can be formed.

About nine o'clock in the forenoon an electrical gale from the west struck the town with a heavy rainfall. John Murphy, a workman at the John Harrison & Sons factory was struck by lightning, being killed outright. The same bolt followed the steel rails of the tramway on which Murphy had been standing when struck, and, passing into the sawmill, tossed men about like ninepins. A blue flame played all over the machinery. Robert Hutton, Murphy's mate, was standing within a few feet of him when the fatal shock came, and he was thrown headlong from the tram. He was hurried home in a helpless condition. Arthur Burman, an employe at the North American Bent Chair Company, was standing 60 feet from the spot where Murphy was killed, and the same shock affected him so seriously that he may not live, having been rendered unconscious for two hours.

Murphy was a married man, living on the east hill, and leaves a widow and several small children.

ANOTHER IN EVENING.

Throughout the day the air was heavy and moist, and toward evening once more lurid clouds banked up in the west, and almost simultaneously another nebulous mass of clouds gathered in the east, and strange, though it may appear, both these masses hurried toward each other. They met and broke in a terrific demoralising tornado, with Owen Sound as the vortex. The storm presented a sight of appalling grandeur as it swooped down upon the town, lightning uninterrmittent, the thunder a steady crashing roar as of heavy artillery, rain in a solid mass, which in a few minutes turned to a perfect sheet of hail, not ordinary, but large, irregular-shaped pieces of ice several inches in diameter. Windows were broken, glass hurled into the houses, trees uprooted or branches torn off, outbuildings tossed about in a heap of wreckage, and over all a paralyzing pandemonium of noise, which sent many women into hysterics, completed a quarter of an hour of terror to every inhabitant in the town.

OVER IN TEN MINUTES.

The fury of the storm was expended in about ten minutes, and when it had abated the streets presented a most abandoned spectacle, water ran down the streets in floods, some of the streets being covered a foot deep with water, carrying smaller wreckage and branches.

Hundreds of windows throughout the town yawned bleakly, devoid of glass, and displaying blinds and curtains slitted and tattered in ribbons.

MANY NARROW ESCAPES.

There were numerous instances of narrow escapes from injury. At the Oriental Cafe several customers were being served with lunch when the storm came. Without warning the entire front of the structure, a brick veneer building, fell out into the street, with it went the front of the fruit store and a barber shop, occupied by Thomas McGavin.

All evening a gang of men were engaged clearing away the debris. Over on Thirteenth street west a dairy delivery rig was deserted by its driver, and, the horse maddened by the sting of the icy downpour, tore madly up the street, and, passing the front door of a dwelling wide open, dashed into the parlor, leaving the vehicle jammed in the doorway. The loss will total thousands of dollars, and there is not glass enough in town to supply the demand. Over 400 lights were broken in the Taylor-Pringle plant, 150 in the county jail, about 600 in the chair factory and the Harrison mills. Several plate glass windows on the main street also were broken.

The damage at one of the four greenhouses in town is placed at over $300.

In the country the damage has not yet been fully ascertained, but the storm zone, which was about three miles in width, swept everything before it for several miles east and west of the town. Several barns are unroofed, some reported completely blown down, fences blown down, and stock wandering about widespread, constitutes the tally of destruction in the country.

CROPS BADLY DAMAGED.

Crops are reported hammered into the ground out in Keppel Township in the storm belt. Reports of several fatalities in the country are unconfirmed, owing to the fact that the wires are out of commission. The fury of the tempest, and the amount of rainfall, and the resultant freshet, can be comprehended from the fact that the Sydenham River varied eight feet from low water mark to high water mark during the day.

The subsidence of the water in the harbor, owing to a tidal wave movement up the river, was so marked that the C. P. R. steamer Assiniboia rested on the bottom, and heeled over to such an extent that several extra lines were thrown out to restrain her.

BAD AT LISTOWEL.

Special to The Free Press.

LISTOWEL, June 11.—The worst electrical and windstorm in the history of Listowel passed over the town to-day. It seemed as though this place were caught in the vortex of a whirlwind. The damage will run high into the thousands. Many barns in the vicinity were left roofless—among them those of Thomas Gibson, Thomas Landerkin and Richard Channey, and several silos were wrecked. The Crystal Palace, a place of entertainment to the east of the town, had the tower and upper story lifted off. Trees were uprooted and thrown across the streets, and rural telephone lines were put out of commission.

→ SUN. JUNE 11.

TORNADO.

AT GODERICH.

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GODERICH, June 11.—Rain, hail and wind united to produce a bd storm which passed over here this afternoon. A high wind carried along the rain in sheets, and the force was sufficient to blow down trees of some size. As far as known no damage was done in the surrounding country either by hail or the lightning.

P.M. SUN. JUNE 11