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GREAT BRITAIN IS SOMEWHAT IRRITATED

By the Course Germany Is Following On the Moroccoean Question

London, Sept. 3.—It was learned today that the British government is holding aloof from Mulai Hafid, the new Sultan of Morocco, for the present but that it proposes to recognize him in due time.

British officialdom is irritated by the course adopted by Germany which it regards as an attempt to gain influence over Mulai Hafid by stealing a march on the other powers.

Berlin, Sept. 2.—The action of Germany concerning Morocco it was explained today is limited to the suggestion of signatories of the Algeciras act that the time has arrived to recognize Mulai Hafid as sultan of Morocco.

Official wonderment is expressed at the agitation of the French and English newspapers over the occurrence. They act as if Germany had done something outside of her privileges, instead of something that one of the signatory powers must do if the Moroccan situation is to be cleared up.

Paris, Sept. 2.—A morning newspaper prints an interview with Mohammedan Sidiel Mookheri, Moroccan minister of foreign affairs in which he declares that after reflection and consultation with his ministers, Abdel Aziz had definitely resolved to give up the struggle, although he has not yet decided whether he will relinquish the throne quietly, or formally abdicate. The present intention of Abdel Abziz is to make a two or three years' pilgrimage to the Holy Land after which he will return to *Morocco.* He *wishes to be allowed to* retire at either Fez, Morocco City or Menquinez.

HON. CLIFFORD SIFTON IS WILLING TO RUN

Brandon, Man., Sept. 3.—The Hon. Clifford Sifton has stated definitely that he is willing to again accept the Liberal nomination for the Dominion constituency of Brandon.

Dr. Harcourt, chairman of the Liberal executive committee received a letter from Mr. Sifton today in which he expressed his willingness to accept the nomination if it was the unanimous wish of the Liberals of the riding.

This declaration of Mr. Sifton will be received with the greatest satisfaction and pleasure by every Liberal and many Independent Conservatives of the riding and there is no doubt whatever that Mr. Sifton will be the unanimous choice of the convention to be held on Sept. 22.

COMES TO FERNIE'S AID

Provincial Government Will Grant $35,000

The city council held a meeting on Friday night in the temporary civic building and several matters of importance were discussed and dealt with. A communication from W. R. Ross, M.P.P., was read by the Mayor, informing the council that Premier McBride and his colleagues at Victoria, had decided to grant to the city of Fernie the sum of $35,000 for the following purposes: Public School $25,000; city buildings, $5,000; sidewalks and streets, $5,000. The government also expressed their willingness to meet the wishes of the city in the matter of exchanging building sites. The new provincial buildings to be erected on the school site and the city hall to occupy the lot lately occupied by the court house; the public school to be built in the north end of the town. The question of an electric light service was also taken up and the council was addressed by P. L. Eckstein barrister, on behalf of clients who were prepared to instal a system if the municipality did not wish to undertake the establishment of a plant. He requested that a committee of the council be appointed, before whom he could submit a proposition and discuss the matter. A committee was appointed for the purpose and the proposition laid before them, but nothing of a definite nature was decided upon. Several building permits were granted and the extension of the fire limits was discussed, it being added to add several blocks to the present limits. The council then adjourned.

A co-operative store is to be opened here immediately, the building being already nearing completion. The store is most conveniently situated on the main business street and the promoters are sparing no effort to make it up to date in all particulars.

The foundations of the new brewery are completed and the superstructure will be rushed up as rapidly as possible.

A prominent hotel proprietor was summoned before the magistrate yesterday charged with selling liquor on his premises, and the case being proved a fine of $100 and costs was imposed.—Lethbridge Herald.

MR. DUNLOP REMOVED

John Dunlop, who has held the position of government immigration officer between Macleod and international boundary line for the past two years, has been transferred to the American side. Mr. Dunlop will now have charge of the territory between Kingsgate and Spokane.—Lethbridge Herald.

F. H. SHERMAN TO RUN IN CALGARY

Seems Quite Certain That He Will Be Nominated By Socialists

Calgary, Sept. 3.—On Saturday night next the Socialists of the district of Calgary will meet in solemn conclave and select a candidate to contest the riding in the coming Dominion election.

The meeting has been called and it does not seem to be for the purpose of deciding whether or not a candidate shall be put in the field but rather upon what candidate shall be selected.

Only one man has been mentioned very prominently and that is Frank Sherman of Fernie who has been in a number of contests in the province of Alberta. He is not a resident of the riding but it is estimated that he is probably the strongest man that can be brought out.

Mr. Sherman will be in the city on Saturday in connection with a conference of lawyers representing the labor interests regarding the recent decision of Mr. Justice Stuart, that the miners' union in Strathcona had no local standing and were not in a position to recover damages from the mine owners there.

BRICK FOR FERNIE FROM LETHBRIDGE

The contracts for supplying lumber and other building material, to be purchased by the relief committee have been awarded and given to local firms, with the exception of the brick, which was secured by a Lethbridge firm. The Elk Lumber company secured the contract for the lumber and J.D.Quail's and Whimster & Co.'s tenders for the hardware were accepted.

The Fernie club has decided to build at once and plans for their new quarters are being prepared, and when finished it will be one of the best in town.

An important real estate deal was put through when the Bank of Hamilton purchased from A. C. Liphart & Co. the lot at the corner of Cox street and Victoria avenue. The price paid was seven thousand dollars. It is the intention of the bank to erect a handsome building immediately.

G. N. R. Wants Boilermakers

Twenty-six boiler makers are wanted by the Great Northern who will pay 46 cents per hour. This was the news given to the local strikers at their meeting today. More sensational tman this is the report that when the strikers at Montreal went to the shops for their tools the foremen told them to leave them for the men would all be back in their old places in a few days.

The strikers say that two men left the local shops today.

The circulars state that an auxiliary started out from Calgary to pick up three freight trains that were ditched but that it was itself run into the ditch. Also that engine 1607 is pulling pasengers without a pilot, and that a coach passed through Fort William without brake shoes and with the brake heads almost worn off. At Fort William no work is being done in the back shops.

It is said that when the strike breakers want money they quit work then hire again after getting the C. G.'s.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS

A young clerk of the Metropolitan Bank at Harrowsmith, Ont., is missing with a parcel containing $1,200.

J. M. Brown, a farmer aged 76, formerly of Listowel, Ont., was found dead in a field at Chilliwack, B. C.

Hon. R. Harcourt has declined the Liberal nomination for Haldimand and Monk for the Commons for personal reasons.

R. L. Borden has sold his handsome residence property "Pinehurst," at Halifax to Robert Pickford.

RUNNING THE TRAINS ON SUNDAY

Grand Trunk Has An Application Before Railway Commission

Ottawa, Sept. 2.—After hearing further arguments in respect to the Grand Trunk's application for an order permitting the making up and movement of trains on Sunday when necessary, Judge Mabee of the commission announced that judgment would be given at a future sitting of the board. The order when issued will probably apply to all railways in Canada.

Mr. Cowan, counsel for the Grand Trunk, summed up the requests of the company as follows:

That its employees shall have permission to break up through trains on Sunday when this is necessary and to forward such to their destination.

To allow the furnishing of a through service to cattle shippers.

To allow the company to deliver empty box cars on Sunday to points along their lines, for the loading of cattle on Monday.

To allow the company to load and unload grain at lake ports and to forward grain trains to their destination on Sundays, where traffic would otherwise be subjected to undue delay.

Want Licenses For Fernie Hotels

The license commissioners met on Wednesday evening in the city offices to discuss the re-opening of the bars of the different hotels in town. Every license in the city was cancelled at time of the fire and now that temporary hotels have been erected and opened by some of the hotel men they want to open their bars as well. As these hotels are all located on different sites and in different blocks than previous to the fire their former licenses are void.

COLEMAN MINER CHANGES HANDS

The Coleman Miner changed hands last week passing from the ownership of Y. S. Shepard, Lethbridge to a stock company organized for the purpose of taking it over. The company is known as the Foothills Job Printing and News Co., Ltd. The officers are A. C. Kemmis, Pincher Creek, president; James Dougall, Blairmore, sec.-treas.; and H. E. Lyon, Blairmore, managing director. Other prominent Conservatives are among the stockholders. Under the new management the paper will be avowedly independent in politics, but it may be said in advance that it will support John Herron for re-election, and, as well, all other candidates for office who run as Conservatives, That much may be taken for granted from the fact that all the owners are Conservatives and most of them of the ultra partisan kind who of course have not embarked in the newspaper business in this district they expect to realize from the venture.—Frank Paper.

THE STEELE DRAWING

The drawing got up some months ago for the benefit of Thomas Steele came off at the regular meeting of Coleman Local Union 2633 on Aug. 14th and the following were the prize winners.

1st. Alois Moffe, Frank, ticket No. 661.

2nd. S. Drew, Cardiff, ticket No. 1174.

3rd. Wm. Davis, Lethbridge, ticket No. 2080.

4th W. Biner, Lethbridge, ticket No. 661.

5th. Chas. Peacock, Lethbridge, ticket No. 2075.

6th. A. Mills, Taber, ticket No. 3630.

Signed on behalf of the Local:
WM. GRAHAM,
Secretary.

A GOOD ADDRESS

E. T. Kingsley, editor of the Western Clarion, spoke on the labor problems on Monday night. Owing to there being no hall available the address had to be given in front of the Miners' Union building. Mr. Kingsley is a very clever speaker and enlightened his listeners on many points. Mr. Kingsley is a broad minded man, and this fact accounts for the good he is doing the cause. The great trouble with a lot of other speakers we have heard is their terrible narrow mindedness, which make no friends for any cause. Mr. Kingsley is just the opposite and always men Mr Kingsley is touring the sits down on the narrow minded country in the interests of the Socialists.

F. B. HELM DEAD

Calgary, Sept. 2. F. B. Helm, manager of the Northern Crown Bank died here today after an operation for appendicitis. He belonged to Port Hope, Ont.

Guelph, Ont., Sept. 3.—Emma Walger, aged 19, a waitress at Fergus, confesses to having deserted a three-weeks-old infant in a swamp near here.

Harry Phillips, a street car conductor in St. Catherines, threw a man off a car causing him to fall and break a rib. The conductor is now being held on a charge of assault.

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IS AUSTRALIA GOING TO QUIT?

Significant Statement By the Premier at Melbourne

London, Sept. 2.—A despatch published here says that in the course of a speech before the American officers at Melbourne, Alfred Deakin, the prime minister said: "As Americans were unable to take a first place in the world until they had a fleet, so Australia canot be content until it does not accept defense at any hands but its own."

FREIGHT TRAINS ON SUNDAY

Railway Commission May Modify Application of Lord's Day Act

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 1.—It is almost certain that an order will be issued by the railway commission in a short time modifying to some extent the application of the Lord's Day Act, as to the movement of freight trains on Sunday. After listening to the arguments for and against the application of the Grand Trunk and Pere Marquette railways to allow the making up and movement of freight trains on the Sabbath, Judge Mabee gave an assurance that the matter would be dealt with. Some sort of an order, he said, would be issued to clear up the present situation.

T. E. Collins Dead At Great Falls

Great Falls, September 1.—T. E. Collins is dead. He was one of the best known citizens of Montana.

T. E. Collins has been a resident of Great Falls almost since the founding of the city. He located in Montana in 1864. He was elected to the Montana Territorial legislature in 1869 and in 1872 he was sent to the Senate. In 1880 he went into the private banking business at Fort Benton. In 1884 he came to Great Falls and organized the First National Bank. He was also instrumental in getting the Great Falls and Canada railroad built from here to Lethbridge, and was the vice president of the company for some time. The town of Collins on that line is named after him.

He was Democratic candidate for Governor in 1892.

Republicans Win in Vermont

White River Junction, Vermont, Sept. 1.—Returns in the state elections today from forty towns out of 6 citys and 240 towns give Prouty, Republican, 5152; Burke, Democrat, 1222; Backus, Independence League, 80. Same cities and towns in 1904 gave Bell, Republican, 5027; Porter, Democrat, 1465.

White River Jct., Sept. 2.—Complete returns from yesterday's state election in Vermont on the vote for governor received this p.m. shows the total vote of the parties as 66,747 and G. H. Prouty, Republican, has a plurality over Burke of 29,376.

SAY AWAY FROM AUSTRALIA

Canadians Should Not Go There Unless They Have Plenty of Means

Ottawa, Sept. 2.—J. S. Larke, Canadian trade commissioner at Sydney, Australia strongly advises Canadians not to go to Australia unless they have sufficient means to keep them for a considerable time after they arrive. He says a number of Canadians who recently went to that colony have endeavored to work their passage back to Canada. Larke had frequent applications for assistance for passage and in some cases for money from Canadians who, owing to their inability to get work are reduced to almost distress.

CAME THROUGH O. K.

New York, Sept. 1.—The Trust Company of America upon which a sensational run was precipitated upon during the financial stringency of 1907 has operated its business so successfully as to enable it to pay off a $25,000,000 loan in its entirety. The company in point of assets and liabilities was the second largest in the country and the run which it successfully sustained exceeded any ever known in the history of America.

TOO MANY DRUGGISTS

Toronto, Sept. 2.—At the first annual meeting last night of the Canada Pharmaceutical association. Mr. N. C. Polson, Kingston said too many druggists are being turned out by Canadian colleges and it would be better if every college of pharmacy in the Dominion would close for ten years. The meeting decided that every retailer should refuse to handle goods prices of which were not protected with a view of checking the cutting of prices by manufacturers.

GLASS MANUFACTURER DEAD

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 2.—Thomas Wightman, Sr., 90 years old, said to be the oldest glass manufacturer in this country, vice president of the First National Bank of Pittsburg, vice president of the Safe Deposit and Trust Co., also interested in philanthropic work, died at his home here last night.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSIONERS

Dominion Government Selects Two Splendid Men

Ottawa, Sept. 2.—The Civil Service Act came into force today and the members of the inside service are now under the jurisdiction of Prof. Shortt, of Queens University, and M. G. Larochelle, of Montreal, who have been named as the two commissioners to administer the Act. The commissioners, as one of their first duties, will name a permanent secretary. It is understood that Wm. Foran, of the state department, will be chosen for this post as he is peculiarly fitted to fill the position, both by experience and ability, having been connected with the old civil service board as secretary for many years, and having conducted all of the examinations for many years, and having conducted all of the examinations which have been held annually. The two commissioners will come to Ottawa and will take up their work immediately. Both are regarded as well qualified for the place.

RAKE UP DREYFUS CASE

Paris, Sept. 2.—A Paris morning paper states that an attempt will be made to rake up the refuse of the Dreyfus case at the forthcoming case of Louis Gregori, who shot Major Dreyfus at the canonization of Emile Zola last June.

BURGLARS AT WORK

Several Claresholm Stores Entered Monday Night

Claresholm, Sept 1.—Several stores were entered last night by burglars and the tills rifled. Little money was secured but a considerable quantity of fire arms and cutlery was taken from Teskey & Robertson's hardware store. The parties have not been apprehended.

H. Smith while at Wilcox's farm southeast of here, was dragged in a four horse disc harrow and seriously injured. It is expected he will recover but he will be maimed for life.

A BIG SHORTAGE

Havana, Sept. 2.—Ricardo Rodriguez, chief of the bureau of supplies and vouchers in the Havana post office, who disappeared after the discovery of a shortage in that department amounting to $53,135 was arrested by the police last night. He was in hiding and disguised when the police, who have been searching for him since Friday, found him. Rodrigquez is 70 years of age and was employed for ten years in the Philadelphia postoffice, entering the Cuban services from that city at the time of the first American intervention.

SEVEN VISITORS DROWNED

Deer Island, Me., Sept. 1.—Seven summer visitors out of a party of ten were drowned by the capsizing of a 35-foot sloop in Penobscot Bay off this island today. The drowned:

Miss Alice Torrey, Washington, D. C.

Miss Kellogg, Baltimore, Md.

Lutia Kellogg, Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Lucy S. Crawley, Philadelphia.

Miss Elizabeth Green, of Mount Holyoke Seminary.

Miss Jackson-Hutchins, of Bangor, Me.

FELL AND WAS KILLED

Toronto, Sept. 1. Hugh Demeraco, a western Indian, aged 25, fell from a window in the Empire building shortly before noon today and was instantly killed. He was a bookkeeper for a manufacturer's agent and was looking out the window and either lost his balance or became faint.

GALE CAUSES BOATS TO LAY UP

Terrible Storm Rages All Over English Channel

London, Eng., Sept. 1.—Late tonight the gale which has prevailed all over the English Channel for the last 48 hours showed little sign of abating. Much damage was done ashore as well as on the sea. The wind at times blew at the rate of 70 miles an hour, almost unprecedented at this time of the year. Never before has it been necessary in the summer to suspend the boat service between Folkstone and Dover and the mid day service to Calais.

WILL COURT IN A CHURCH

St. Louis Minister Will Hereafter Keep an Open Church for All Sweethearts

St. Louis, Sept. 2.—Announcement was made today by Rev. W. F. Andrews, pastor of the Centennary M. E Church of the South, that on Friday the church parlors will open for the fall season for the reception of young men and their sweethearts. There will be music and refreshments and chaperons will be provided for the gathering.

A great many young women have no place to entertain their beaux at home or in the boarding houses, said Rev. Andrews, and they have to stroll around the city to enjoy each other's company. Our city church parlors will be open to just such young people. Our church chaperones will be there, whom mothers can have confidence in, and girls who come without escorts will be looked after. The expenses connected with the social evenings will be met from the general church fund.

BLINDED BY EXPLOSION

Terrible Accident to New Yorker in Wilds of New Brunswick

Fredericton, N. B., Sept. 1.—Arthur Robinson, a wealthy New York stock broker, who was on a fishing trip in the wilds of Miramichi, was the victim of an explosion of a gasoline tank in a motor boat. His hands and face were badly lacerated, and he was badly injured about the head and face. Mr. Robinson was fifty miles away from civilization at the time and one of the guides travelled the entire distance on foot and returned with a doctor and two nurses. Mr. Robinson was blinded by the explosion and it is feared his sight cannot be restored. He is a brother in law of H. S. Hole, of Montreal.

THREE SCRAPS AT FRISCO

San Francisco, Sept. 2.—Three pugilistic events, each involving the championship of its respective class will be decided in California next week. One of them is an International match between Owen Moran, the English champion and Abe Attel, the holder of the feather-weight title in America. The other two are between Stanley Ketchell and Bill Hopkie for the middleweight championship and Battling Nelson and Joe Gans for the lightweight title.

SHOOTING ACCIDENT

Brandon, Man., Sept. 1.—A serious accident occurred early this evening when David Lloyd, a local traveller for the Massey Harris company, had part of his forehead shot away and Charle Seran, a young lad had a hole torn in his right shoulder by the accidental discharge of a gun. Lloyd and Crane, with W. Shaw and J. G. Lover, and A. Crane were returning to the city from spending the day duck shooting.

BAD FOREST FIRE

Stockton, Cal., Sept. 2.—A telephone message received here this morning from Murphy's, Calvas county, is to the effect that the forest fire has gotten in the Calaveras big grove and the big tree known as the Mother of the Forest, a monster Sequoia 327 feet in height and 78 feet in circumference has been burning all night. No other trees have caught fire thus far, but the gravest alarm is felt.

TO HELP MANUAL TRAINING

Brandon, Man., Sept. 1.—Brandon's new collegiate was formally opened this evening, when hundreds of citizens visited the new building, which has cost over $80,000 and is considered the most modern school of its kind in Canada. Hon. G. R. Goldwell, minister of education, was the principal speaker, and during his remarks stated that his department would give annually $200 per room for every school that taught manual training.

NOTICE

We hereby give you notice and require you to make payment of the sum of $1,080.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum from the 1st day of June 1906 until payment, being two instalments of principal of $540.00 due on the 1st day of December in each of the years of 1906 and 1907, by virtue of an agreement dated the 1st day of June 1906 and made between yourself, W. H. Collins of the one part and John Mott of Elko of the other part, by which you agreed to purchase portions of lot 321, group 1, Kootenay for the sum of $3,000.00.

AND we further give you notice, that if you fail to carry out the said contract by making said payment within one month from this date the said agreement will be cancelled and all payments hitherto made shall be forfeited to the undermentioned vendors as provided by the said agreement.

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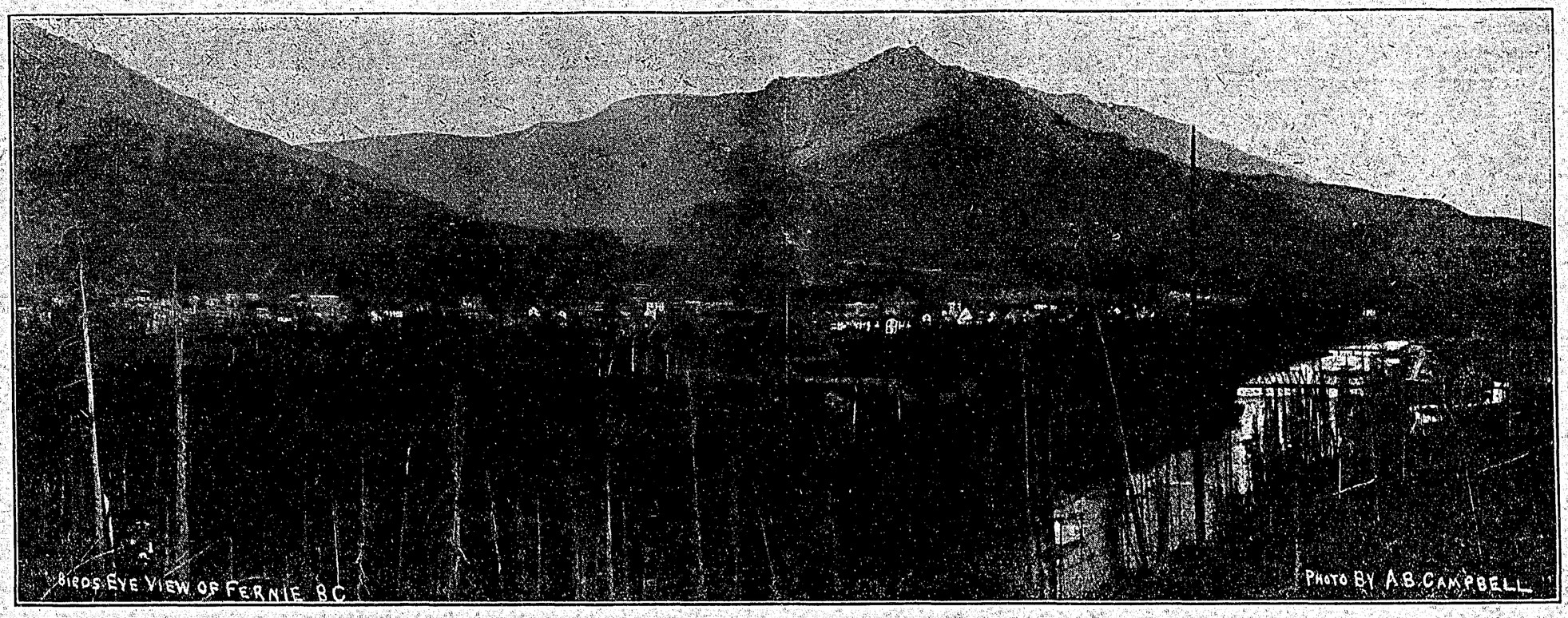


(Photo by Campbell.) A PANORAMIC VIEW OF FERNIE BEFORE THE FIRE

THE RIGHT HON. JOHN BURNS

There are many interesting passages in the Life Story of the President of the Local Government Board—a book by Mr. Arthur Page Grubb, published by Mr. Edwin Dalton today. The general outline of that story is, of course, pretty well known. When a lad Mr. Burns was for a time a choirister in the parish church of St. Mary's Battersea. At the age of of ten he went to Price's Candle Factory. A couple of years later he was acting as page boy. Next we find him as a rivet-lad in Wilson's Engineering Works at Vauxhall, and frequently earning an extra shilling or pot-boy in a neighboring public-house. By dint of much economy, he saved enough from his scanty wages to apprentice himself at the age of fourteen to the engineering firm of Thorn's at Millbank. For twelve months after his apprenticeship was finished he was engineering at Akassa, on the delta of the Niger. On his return home he took up his residence in London, and has remained there ever since.

A Notable Speech

Mr. Burns began early to take an interest in public affairs, was a member of a local parliament, and was soon a ready speaker. At the Industrial Remuneration Conference he made a notable reply to Mr. Frederic Harrison, who had suggested the "moralization" of industry and capital.

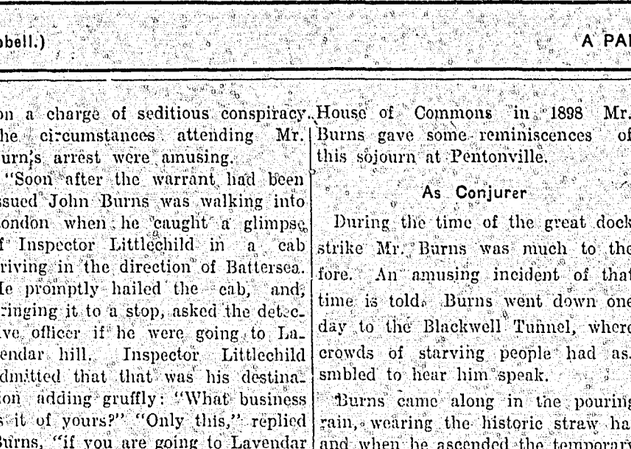
"Moralize capital!" exclaimed the young engineer. "You might as well try to moralize the lion who is about to devour the lamb. You might as well attempt to moralize the boa-constrictor who has its coils about the body of its victims. Could you moralize the retired capitalist out of his 300 square miles of deer forest, or out of his steam yacht, or out of the guinea orchid he wears in his buttonhole? All such privileges and luxuries have been secured by the exploitation of labor, by the prostitution of genius and ability to the very lowest degree."

The speech brought Mr. Burns an invitation from the Social Democratic Federation to contest West Nottingham in the cause of labor. But West Nottinghom would have none of him. When the poll was declared, out of 11,064 votes, Mr. Burns polled only 598.

His First Arrest

Mr. Burns has been more than once in the hands of the police. When Mr. Childers was at the Home Office he was taken into custody, with Hyndman, Champion and Williams, on a charge of seditious conspiracy. The circumstances attending Mr. Burn's arrest were amusing.

"Soon after the warrant had been issued John Burns was walking into London when he caught a glimpse of Inspector Littlechild in a cab driving in the direction of Battersea. He promptly hailed the cab, and, bringing it to a stop, asked the detective officer if he were going to Lavendar hill. Inspector Littlechild admitted that that was his destination adding gruffly: "What business is it of yours?" "Only this," replied Burns, "if you are going to Lavendar hill to arrest John Burns I thought I might spare you the trouble. I am John Burs, and yau had better take me now." Still more astonished, the officer got down and produced his warrant. "Never mind reading it," said the prisoner, "I know its contents." So in a trice the cab was dismissed and the Socialist orator and Scotland Yard Inspector walked off to the police headquarters in the friendliest manner imaginable.



SOME OF THE G. N. ROLLING STOCK
(Photo by W. G. Barclay, Michel.)

The trial took place at the Old Bailey but did not result in Mr. Burns going to jail.

At Pentonville

Mr. Burns was less fortunate the next time he was in custody. This was in connection with the Trafalgar square riots of 'Bloody Sunday.' He and Mr. Cunningham Graham, who was charged with him, were sentenced to three months' imprisonment in Pentonville:

"Mr. Cunningham Graham devoted his enforced leisure to studying the Book of Job as apposite literary occupation for a vindicator of free speech in durance vile. John Burns was less fortunate, for his reading left no particular memory except that some sympathetic friend smuggled into jail for him a copy of 'The Prince of the House of David.'"

The prisoner was soon on good terms with the authorities, and in a short time his behavior was so exemplary that he was given a post in the infirmary where he had a small library to draw upon.

In a debate on prison reform in the House of Commons in 1898 Mr. Burns gave some reminiscences of this sojourn at Pentonville.

As Conjurer

During the time of the great dock strike Mr. Burns was much to the fore. An amusing incident of that time is told. Burns went down one day to the Blackwell Tunnel, where crowds of starving people had assmbled to hear him speak.

Burns came along in the pouring rain, wearing the historic straw hat and when he ascended the temporary platform his heart was evidently touched at the sight of his auditors' misery. Suddenly he smiled, then took off his hat with the manner of a conjurer, turning it upside down, waved it in the air three times, and produced from it with all the deftness of the practised "prestidigitateur" a seemingly endless string of sausages smoking hot. Jocosely remarking, "It's the seasoning that does it," he proceeded to distribute them to the hungry crowd."

It was during one of the marches of the dockers led by Mr. Burns that an admiring publican called out to him as he passed that he would give him £100 for the straw hat he wore that day. Mr. Burns' reply was to offer the hat as a gift if the publican would give up selling whiskey!

His Verdict on His Work

Space forbids further quotation from this interesting book. Our extracts may fittingly conclude with a reference to a conversation Mr. Burns had on one occasion with Mr. Stead. Mr. Burns said "You have been at it up and down for nearly twenty years. Do you feel it has been worth the labor? . . . 'Worth it!' Mr. Stead made answer, "a thousand times, yes. It is a privilege to have lived in these times; and of the illusions of my youth, if I have lost one, I have gained many more.' 'Just so I feel," exclaimed Burns, "if I had to begin it all over again I should just do the same. It is magnificent to have had a hand in so great a work for our fellows."—Westminster Gazette.

DEFENDS THE MACHINISTS

The following letter in reply to two editorials attacking the C. P. R. machinists was sent to the Ottawa Citizen:

Dear Sir:—My attention has been called to the editorials in your issues of Aug. 7 and 8 headed "The C. P. R. Strike—A Large Question." I entirely agree with your statement that arbitration is an excellent thing, also that arbitration is powerless when one party has decided on war from the outset. But I entirely disagree with your editorial statement wherein you say: "The company evidently did not want trouble"

The company has been the aggressor all through. The primary cause of the need of a board was the aggressive action of the company in cancelling the schedules of its employees in the mechanical department on western lines, and a statement that the schedule of the employees in the car department on western lines would also be cancelled on the expiration of the award given by a board and mutually agreed to last December.

Therefore, I say the companw did want trouble, and it is they, and not the men who had decided on war. In fact, one of their officials admitted to our secretary-treasurer that they had expected trouble and had prepared to cope with it. I agree with you the company were not anxious for arbitration; they expected the men would be so aroused by the attack which threatened their very existence as an organized body, and if successful would deprive them of all right to do any collective bargaining for the sale of their labor and the conditions under which the same should be sold, and further, would leave every man in those departments attacked, to the tender mercies of the officials, without any protection, such as hitherto has been afforded by committees who would compel at least some show of investigation into all grievances either individual or general. "Yes, they expected the men would defy the Lemieux act and go out on strike.

Now, there is another wrong impression that your editorial of the 7th would give to any person not conversant with the facts, viz., that the company had agreed from the outset to accept the board's finding. This is absolutely incorrect. And not until the company were pretty well satisfied that the men would refuse to accept the MAJORITY FINDING, not until then did they notify the department of their acceptance of the board's findings. Therefore, the actual fact is that neither the company nor the men agreed either tacitly or formally to accept the findings of the board either on the formation of the board or at any part of the proceedings. You say when they found the decision was against them the employees refused to be bound by it. Why not tell the whole truth and say that when the company found that the decision was for them AND NOT TILL THEN DID THEY AGREE TO ACCEPT IT. Moreover, the company violated the spirit of the award by arbitrarily putting it into effect without first conferring with the committe and drawing up joint schedule embodying these charges. You make a great play of words on the men choosing the time to call a strike. Now let me correct you. We did not choose this time. The company chose the time when they cancelled our agreements, May 1st. The men took the only legitimate course open to them to defend their rights and used the only effective protest they possess at the present time, i.e., the strike, just as soon as the company positively declared themselves and the law had been complied with. You state the interests of the men naturally loom large in their own eyes. But at this particular juncture they dwindle almost to the vanishing point in the eyes of the people of Canada.

In reply I say, self preservation is the first law of nature, and all the people of Canada are not so blind as The Citizen would seemingly like them to be. And the wage workers of Canada and lots of farmers are looking on with both an interested and encouraging look on the struggle of these employees to maintain their rights against this giant corporation, which owes all its greatness and wealth to the people of Canada.

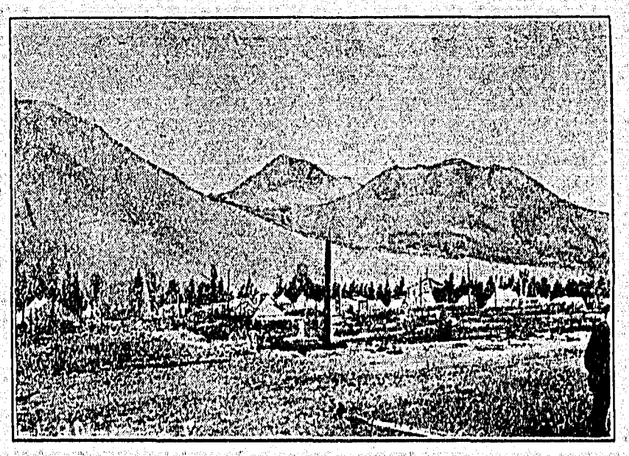
The company is today spending more in unnecesary special police, principally hired from foreign detective agencies, than would pay the difference for a long period in conditions that the majority award gave and the conditions that we hitherto enjoyed.

I think you will allow then that the strike was not brought on intentionally by the men at a critical moment, but that the time came around in the natural order of events. The company lighted the fuse on the 1st of April; the arbitration board timed the explosion, which took place on August 5, causing a great industrial upheaval, for which no one is to blame only a greedy, grasping corporation, who thought to take advantage of the depression in business and add to their already large store of wealth by trimming a liittle of the wages of certain of their employees, who they thought would be powerless to resist on account of their having been through a period of months of halt time and some even less.

In conclusion, I agree with you in part that it is not right that a law should jeopardise the interests of the many.

In this instance the few who are doing the jeopardizing act are a few of the company's officials, by refusing to at least give the men a share of the prosperity by leaving the conditions and wages unchanged, and I believe the right-thinking public will agree with me in placing the blame where it belongs.

Yours truly,
BELL HARDY,
General Chairman of Federated Trades.
Montreal, Aug. 14.



SHOWING THE TENTS BEING RUSHED UP
(Photo by W. G. Barclay, Michel.)

SIR WILFRID DENIES RUMORS

No Truth in the Report of Retirements From the Cabinet

Ottawa, Sept. 1.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier gives emphatic denial to a report of serious disagreement with the minister of trade and commerce and of Sir Richard Cartwright's prospective retirement, also retirement of Sir Frederick Borden, Hon. L. P. Brodeur, Hon. A. B. Aylesworth and Hon. R W. Scott.

Regarding a report that Lord Strathcona was to retire fram the Canadian High Commissionership in London with an earldom and that his place would be taken by Sir Montague Allen, of the Allen line of steamships, of Montreal, Sir Wilfrid said Lord Strathcona recently had not intimated any desire to retire. He did make such intimation a few years ago, but the premier begged him to remain and he was good enough to yield to those wishes and as long as his health remained good, Sir Wilfrid desires him to remain.

ITALIANS FOR THE CROW

Montreal, Aug. 26.—Hundreds of Italians swarmed around the labor department at C. P. R. headquarters this morning, the news having got abroad that laborers were required. They were engaged wholesale and will leave tonight on special trains for the Crow's Nest division, where they will be put to work on the company's property recently devastated by the big fire around Fernie.

ATHLETICS AT HALIFAX

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 29.—The C. A. A. meet here today was very successful. Kerr, of Hamilton, won the 220 yards race though he was beaten in the 100 yards by Schaefer, of Halifax.

Longboat won the five mile event. The West End Y. M. C. A. carried off the victory in points while Dr. McDonald, of New Glasgow, made the largest individual score.

ONTARIO NOMINATIONS

Montreal, Sept. 1.—The following nominations for the Commons took place on Saturday. Brant: J. H. Nunan, Conservative. Peel: E. G. Graham, Liberal: North Essex: O. E. Fleming, Conservative.

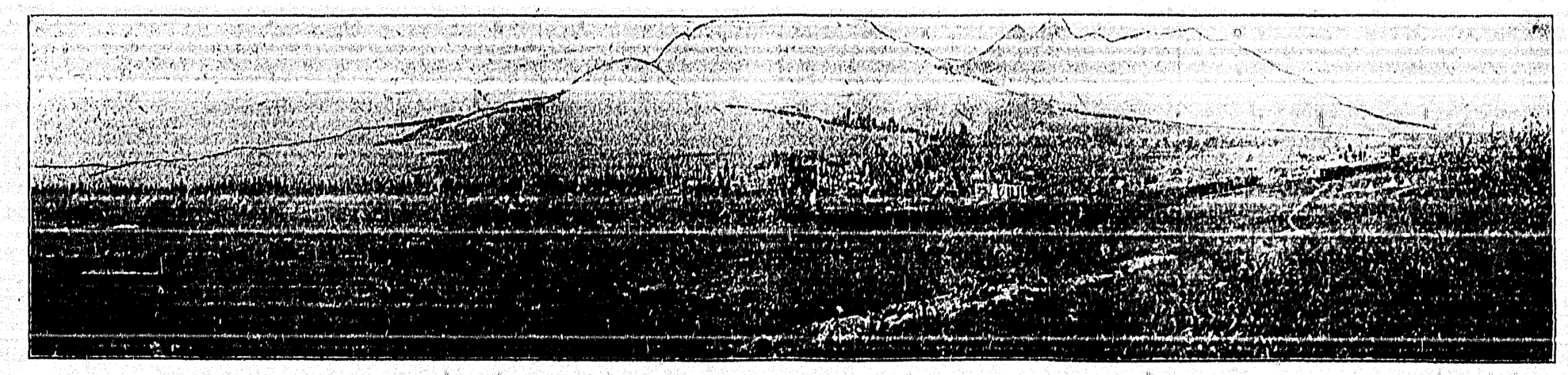
GOOD FOR VANCOUVER

Vancouver, Sept. 1.—Notwithstanding the supposed slackness in real estate, Vancouver registry returns for July are the greatest yet. The building figures of the year to date are one million dollars in advance of the same period last year.

MAY NOT RATIFY TREATY

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Strong influences are at work against the ratification of the new Franco Canadian trade treaty by the French Senate and it is extremely doubtful under the circumstances whether the treaty will become a law in the present form.

FERNIE AFTER THE GREAT FIRE



(Photo by W. G. Barclay, Michel.) A PANORAMIC VIEW TAKEN TWO DAYS AFTER THE TERRIBLE DESTRUCTION WROUGHT BY THE FLAMES

HE TRAVELLED 1,000 MILES IN THREE WEEKS

Hon. W. H. Cushing Gives Account of His Trip Through the North Country

Edmonton, Aug. 29.—The Minister of Public Works, who returned Tuesday night from his trip to Peace River, left yesterday afternoon for Calgary where he will spend a few days before returning to Edmonton. This visit of the Hon. Mr. Cushing is notable as the first ever made into the north country by a minister of the crown, but the people had been waiting for some time for the visit.

As was said in the Cree address presented to Mr. Cushing at Lesser Slave Lake: "For a long time we natives of this country have heard of a government at Edmonton, of men working for the welfare of the country and we have been waiting for one of you to come." The hearty welcome with which the minister of public works was received at every point of settlement was evidenced in every available way. The scattered settlers assembled at each post, flags were set flying and addresses of welcome were delivered.

"I can only repeat that we have a magnificent country in our north land," said Mr. Cushing to a Bulletin representative yesterday. The minister was then back again in his office, busied with some details of work requiring his attention, but which he kindly left aside to speak of the north country with an appreciation to which the business-like minister of public works is not readily stirred.

"It is a magnificent country and should support a teeming population in a few decades. It has an excellent climate, and a fertile soil. It is well timbered, and has an abundant water supply. It would be hard to find a finer country anywhere. "There are settlers scattered all through the whole country, and some of them have fine farms, demonstrating that wheat, fruits and all kinds of garden vegetables may be grown there.

"In the three weeks I was absent I travelled about 1,000 miles in all, by stage and boat, along the main trail and side trips through a splendid country which must be seen to be realized. And yet I cannot say that I penetrated to any degree into that immense fertile region northwest of here. I feel that I have seen a great deal, but I know that was but a small portion of what still lies undeveloped there.

"Perhaps the most attractive district I saw during my trip was the settlement along the Prairie River, 15 miles west of Lesser Slave Lake. This district has been surveyed and several homesteads taken up. Wherever the ground is broken it looks like an old hay meadow, with very rich soil. There is a good deal of timber in this district, as there is in fact everywhere we passed. The whole land is pleasantly diversified. For instance, at one place on Fletcher Bredin's farm there is a level stretch of prairie, 80 to 100 acres in area, as level as a floor and covered with the most luxuriant vegetation. On parts of this there was wild hay that rose on a level with the horse's back as we drove through it. This fine prairie stretch was entirely surrounded by a belt of good timber. And this is only one place that illustrates the nature of the country. It is like a park.

"Here and all through the country between Lesser Slave Lake and Peace River Landing were some of the largest poplar trees I have ever seen. They were from one foot to eighteen inches in diameter and from 75 to 100 feet in height."

ROAD GANGS AT WORK

"What are the roads like in the north?"

"In places they are very good; in other places for short stretches they are pretty bad, but we have road gangs at work up there, and they are endeavoring to remedy matters just as soon as possible. From Lesser Slave Lake to Peace River landing, a distance of over 100 miles, a light team of horses took our democrat, with three heavy men in it and our supplies and bedding, over the road in 10 hours. The first day we did 55 miles. This is good evidence of the nature of the road.

"It was bad, however, in a couple of places, and the driver made a detour of about four miles at each of these spots. Our road crews were working up toward these places, how ever and by the end of this week they should have one repaired and the other probably also. The reason this road is not better is that formerly it was merely a track through the forest, quite shaded by the trees, and of course the sun had no chance to dry up the roads. Our road workers are cutting out a road allowance of sixty feet and grading it, and the result should be a very good road.

"The department also has two crews of men at work on the road between Athabasca Landing and Lesser Slave Lake. Here we have not followed the old trail, but are cutting out an altogether new highway. The roads are not all we want them to be yet, but we will make them so as expeditiously as we can."

"Did you address any meetings?"

"At Lesser Slave Lake they had what was a big reception rather than a meeting on my return, I was trying to make my trip against time and passed quickly through the post as I went up. But they insisted I should stay longer as I returned. They held a reception there at the post. All the settlers from the neighboring districts had come in, and addresses of welcome were given me by Archdeacon Scott in English, by Dr. Belanger in French and by Dan Ferguson in Cree. I replied and Mr. Bredin also spoke at some length It was a very pleasant meeting. This reception and the good accommodation afforded us at the post were pleasant surprises to one who has never been north before. They presented me here, too, with a magnificent bouquet of flowers from the Catholic convent garden. The variety and bloom were astonishing, and I only regretted I could not bring them down to Edmonton. In this same garden I saw an apple tree laden with fruit.

AT PEACE RIVER

"At Peace River Landing I spent a night and lay with Mr. Brick, the member for that district, and with the Mounted Police officers. I drove about the district. Mr. Brick's farm, 12 miles from the Landing, is a very fine one. His crops are good this year but not so good as last season's. He had a bumper crop then. In one lot alone he sold 1,000 bushels at $1.25 a bushel to the Hudson Bay Co. for their mill at Fort Vermilion, and the rest of his wheat he held for higher prices. That sold for seed realized $1.50 a bushel.

"The country up toward the Peace River I found resembled Edmonton district greatly, with pleasant open stretches and bluffs of good timber. The resemblance is remarkably strong even the rivers showing the same high banks and the land sloping back from them. Along the Athabasca at many points passed the land just now seems less promising, because it has been burned over and the surface soil has suffered from this. But new undergrowth is springing up and in time the soil will be all right again. The under layers are of good black loam. Around Athabasca Landing the land east and west of the trail is good for several miles, then deteriorates for a distance, but back again in the interior is said to be good also.

"Going from the Landing to Lesser Slave Lake post we journeyed by two steamers, the old Northern Light and the new Midnight Sun. I was surprised to find a boat so comfortably equipped as this new one up there. In fact the north is full of surprises —pleasant surprises mostly.

"I was surprised, and somewhat amused when our driver on the first day out from Lesser Slave Lake halted for supper at a halfbreed's house, and in the coolest manner possible took possession of the kitchen to cook our meal. Next morning he did the same thing. The family didn't object at all. They seemed rather to like it, and he told us that was only the way of the country."

At Athabasca Landing last Saturday evening a banquet was tendered the minister by the board of trade of that enterprising town. Leslie Wood was chairman. "The banquet was as delicious and as well served as one could possibly desire," the minister commented on this. "It was a very pleasant evening. James Wood, Messrs. Lessard and Gagnon and two clergymen of the town spoke after the banquet. It made a very happy conclusion to a good trip. I was told I could not make the trip in three weeks as I planned before starting, but it was done in exactly three weeks."

Mr. Cushing, who is looking particularly well and bright after the trip, says he feels extremely well. He had been indisposed for some time before going north, and his physician advised him to postpone the trip. He carried out his plans however, and found that it had only done him a great deal of good. With the exception of two nights he had tented out all the way, the bedding for the party being carried along with them. Mr. Cushing, who had not done any camping out for 21 years, found it quite a novelty.

"When do you expect to make another trip to the north?" he was asked.

"I am not prepared to say just when, but I certainly hope to return some day. When they pressed me to stay longer this time I could only tell them that now I had felt 'the lure of the wild' I would have to go back. For settled or not, that is a land of wonderful possibilities."

POTATO BUGS STALL TRAIN

Bristol, Sept. 1.—Potato bugs on the rails near Lazy Lane stalled eight trolley cars with excursionists on board, bound to Lake Compounce today. In spite of the terrific slaughter the bugs held possession of the tracks until the car men could sand the tracks.

WAS MEMBER FOR HALIFAX CO.

Halifax, Sept. 1.—George Mitchell, M. P. P. of Halifax county, and member of the West India Mercantile firm of G. P. Mitchell Sons, died today aged 82 years.

Showing the Coal Company's Office. The Only Business Building, with the Exception of the Western Canada Wholesale Co.'s Warehouse, that Escaped the Fire Demon.
(Photo by W. G. Barclay ,Michel.)

TRADES UNIONS AND PROTECTION

(Canadian Courier)

In some ways trades unions are better than a protective tariff. A tariff may not keep foreign goods out; it may only make them expensive. Trades unions sometimes prevent people buying foreign goods even when they are cheapest. From this point of view the trades union is a great friend of the manufacturer. The latter never admits it, because that might endanger the benefit. He keeps quiet and conceals his delight.

In the recent election in Saskatchewan, the unions fought against the Scott government because it had some school books printed in New York. It was a rush order and facilities there for such work were better, and no doubt the price was lower. The Union fought so that other governments might be warned against a similar practice. The Canadian book publishers were delighted with the campaign, because it will help them to sell inferior books at higher prices.

The "Courier" believes in Canada for the Canadians and in the spending of Canadian money at home. It is not so foolish however, as to be blind to the possible exceptions. There is a sane policy of "Canada for the Canadians" and an insane policy of the same kind. The "Courier" does not desire to be considered insane. Canada should manufacture her own materials if possible, but she should not allow any set of manufacturers to have such a monopoly that they will cease to be progressive Canadian book publishers have been terribly backward. They have been and are today producing school books which are a disgrace to the printing art. If they wish to hold the business, they must learn to do better. The Saskatchewan and Alberta governments have taught them that.

$1,000 FOR FORMER PRINCIPAL

Lindsay, Ont., Aug. 28.—The Alumni Society of the Lindsay Collegiate Institute this morning presented Mr. J. C. Harstone, former principal of the collegiate, with a cheque for $1,000. Mr. Harstone leaves for Walkerton this morning.

TUTTLE SELLS PROPERTY

Fernie, B. C., Sept. 1.—W. W Tuttle mayor of Fernie disposed of his valuable property yesterday which is situated on the corner of Cox street and Victoria Avenue, lots 8, 9 and 10 in block 10. The price paid was fifteen thousand dollars cash and the deal was put through by Sherwood Herchmer, barrister of this city. It is rumored this property was bought for the Home bank, who will erect a costly building on it for their banking business in the spring. This is considered the most valuable site in the city and at present the Trites Wood company and the Royal Hotel have their temporary buildings erected on it.

Isn't This a Dandy?

Some sensational fish stories have been reported from this vicinity but the following from Port Jarvis, N. Y., has them all beaten.

While fishing in Lake Henry, in Wayne County, Pa., one week ago, John Ruddy, of Scranton, set his pole in the boat to take lunch. When he turned around his pole was disappearing beneath the surface. He hauled up his anchor and gave chase to the pole, but as the fish had reached deep water, the pole was soon drawn out of sight. Ruddy tried the lake again yesterday and saw his pole floating on the surface of the water. He tried to pull it up but the line was he thought caught. Then something at the other end of the line towed him around the lake for half an hour. Finally he tired the fish out, hauled it alongside the boat and lifted it in. It was a catfish weighing sixteen and one-quarter pounds. The fish was thirty-two inches long and measured six inches between the eyes.

The Spirit of the Western Pioneer

This is the way the Canadian West is being built up. The incident is described by William Hard, representing Everybody's Magazine, with a party of American correspondents, now in Alberta:—

"I discovered the most progressive man in North America yesterday in a box car on the spur leading from the Canadian Northern to the Grand Trunk Pacific, near Saskatoon.

"He sat on top of his piano, and on the forward end of the car were bricks imported personally from the United States. In the rear end were bird cages, bags of seed wheat and other things. All the material for success in a new country, not forgetting the bricks, was present.

"When I asked him how soon he was going to reach his destination this immigrant replied that he expected to go there as soon as the rails had been laid along which his car could be hauled.

"He was billed to a station not on the map when his car started. He is now helping the construction gang to make the railway which will make his home.

"He is the incarnation of the spirit of the Northwest, which not only keeps pace with its facilities but outruns them."

LAURIER'S5 CHAFFEUR FINED

Ottawa, Aug. 31.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier's chaffeur, H. Nap. Berks, was fined $20 and costs for speeding the handsome automobile which Lord Strathcona presented to the premier. Lady Laurier was in the automobile at the time of the excessive speeding.

BURNED FARMER'S PROPERTY

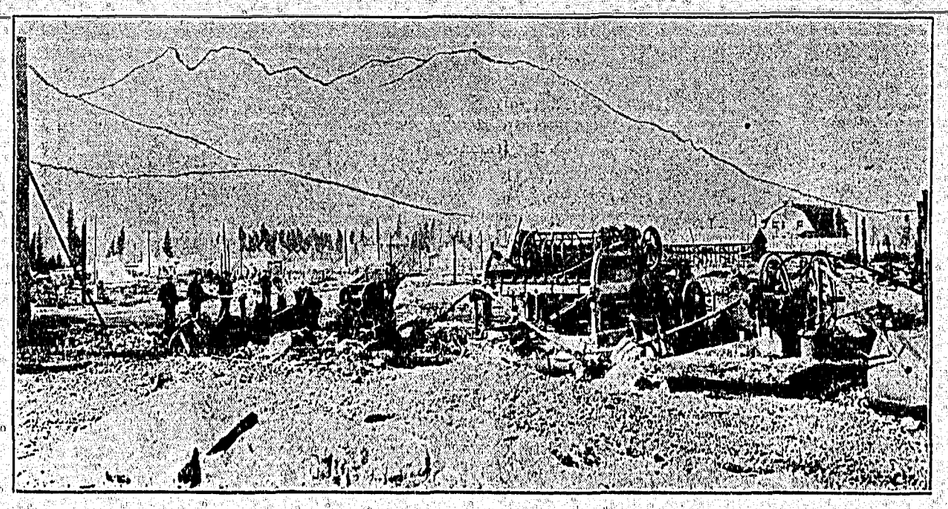
Hamilton, Ont., Sept. 2.—The residents of Silverdale, of Lincoln county are incensed over a deliberate piece of incindiarism. The barns of Byron Beamer were burned down this morning with their seasons crop, horses, cattle and farming implements by a man who stole a horse and buggy.

NEW COMMISSIONERS

Ottawa, Sept. 2.—The three additional members of the Board of Railway commissioners provided for by the act passed last session it is said will not be appointed before next weeks and perhaps not until later on. The east, middle west and far west will be represented in the selection.

The woman suffrage movement must be making great headway in the English jails.—Cleveland Leader.

PRINTING PLANT AFTER THE BLAZE



ALL THAT IS LEFT OF THE LEDGER PLANT (Photo by W. G. Barclay ,Michel.)

IMMIGRATION FALLING OFF

As Result of the New Policy Adopted by the Department

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 1.—The difficulties and restriction with which Canada surrounds the emigrant who comes to enter the Dominion has made an effect upon the arrivals.

Last winter the Minister of the Interior adopted a policy of selecting immigrants from the best countries of the world. It was required that all immigrants to gain admission must come direct from the country of their origin and must possess $25 in cash. The object was to keep track of the newcomers and insure that they did not become a public charge.

At the beginning of April Inspectors were placed along the United States boundary to prevent immigrants who could not get in otherwise coming in by that route.

The July returns show that 11,322 immigrants arrived during the month while in the same month the year before the arrivals numbered 26,341 or a decrease of 57 per cent. During the first six months of the year the arrivals numbered 107,451 against 185,760 during the first six months of 1907, a decline of 45 per cent. Since the inspectors were placed along the United States boundary on April 1, they have turned back 323 persons as undesirables, thus justifying their usefulness in three months. During the first six months of the year 437 were refused permission to land at Canadian ports and 972 persons were returned to the country from which they came.

Committed For Trial

Cardston, Aug. 29.—Mrs. Vadnais and her brother, Bissett, were committed for trial at the next sitting of the Supreme Court on the charge of attempted murder. Mrs. Vadnais was allowed out on bail but Bissett was held.

The cause of the row did not develop in evidence though it appears Vadnais had been on a drunk and came home and threatened to do all sorts of things to Bissett. Vadnais gave evidence but did not implicate his wife.

SULTAN MUST HANG

Manilla, Sept. 3.—The territorial supreme court decided today that the Sultan of Dunahmarra must hang for the part he took in the raid on Phrang, Island of Mindanao, July 5, wherein J. N. McDonald of that place was killed by the raiders.

WILL TICKLE JOHN D.

Albany, N. Y., Sept. 3.—Dr. Baron R. Lewis, who last year was commissioned by the Rockefeller family association to trace the family history in Europe announced today at the annual reunion of the Rockefeller family that in his researches he found that the family of which John D. Rockefeller is a member of noble lineage. He reported that certain members of the family at one time held the title of baron in Southern France.

VELVET CHAFF WHEAT

Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 3.—The appeal boards of Minneapolis and Duluth have decided that velvet chaff wheat which is entitled, because of its inferiority, to a separate classification and should be known hereafter as velvet chaff wheat No. 1, 2, 3 and 4.

FELL 500 FEET

Waterville, Me., Sept. 3.—In full view of 25,000 horrified spectators on the Central Maine Fair Grounds here late today, Charles Oliver Jones, the well known aeronaut of Hammondsport, N. Y. fell a distance of 500 feet to his death. Among the witnesses of the frightful plunge, were the man's wife and children.

Small Fire At Macleod

Macleod, Alta., Sept. 3.—A bad fire was narrowly avoided last night at 6 o'clock. Arthur Young's stable was burned. There was a high wind but the fire brigade extinguished the fire in about 40 minutes.

OMAHA M. D. KILLED

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 3.—Dr. Frederick T. Rustin, one of the best known surgeons in the West, a former Yale football star was shot and killed as he was entering his home early this morning. There is no clue to the murderer. He had remained out late for election returns.

GREENWAY WILL BE ONE

Ottawa, Sept. 3.—It is tolerably certain that Hon. Thomas Greenway will be one of the new railway commissioners but the other two members have not yet been selected.

BRIGADIER DEWITT DEAD

Washington, Sept. 3.—Word was today received at the War Department of the death from heart disease at Yellow Stone Park, Wyoming, of Brigadier Calvin DeWitt, retired.

WILFRID TRANSFERRED

Ottawa, Sept. 3.—Dr. William Wilfrid Campbell, Canadian poet, who for years held a position in Canadian privy council has been transferred to the Dominion archives.

COW BOY SUICIDED

Liverpool, Sept. 3.—George Price, a cowboy playing with a wild west show committed suicide today. He was to have been married today to a Liverpool waitress.

THE MAN FOR GLENGARRY

Alexandria, Ont., Sept. 3.—Glengarry Liberals have nominated J. A. McMillan, ex-M.P.P., for the Commons.

STRUCK BY A CAR

Halifax, Sept. 3.—Howard D. Troop head of the big shipping firm of Troop & Son was struck by a small car on which edgings were being carried away at the mill of John Moore today and severely injured about the head and neck. He is in the hospital and in a serious conditin.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

The standing of the leading clubs in the National League today is as follows:

Clubs	Won	Lost	P.C.
New York	71	45	.612
Pittsburg	73	47	.608
Chicago	72	48	.600

GETTING NEAR G. T. P.

Toronto, Sept. 3.—The Temiskaming and Northern Ry. has been completed to within eighteen or nineteen miles of the eastern division of the Grand Trunk Pacific. It is expected that this strip will be completed by October.

RAILROAD TO HOLY CITY

Medina, Sept. 1.—The new railway from Damascus to Medina, the Holy City, was opened today with most impressive ceremonies.

JAS. CONMEE AGAIN

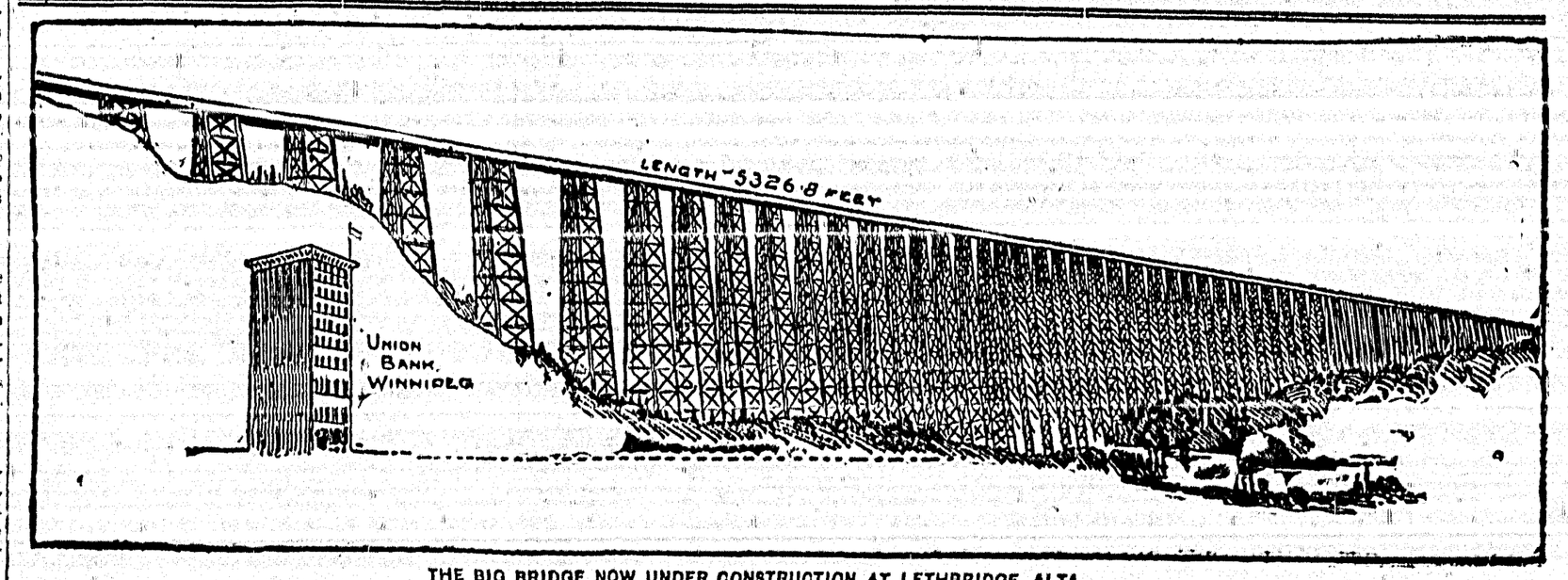
Kenora, Ont., Sept. 3.—The Liberal convention met here tonight to nominate a candidate for the constituency of Rainy River. Jas. Conmee, the present member was unanimously chosen.

CAR STRUCK CARRIAGE

Ottawa, Ills., Sept. 3.—Two persons were killed, two fatally hurt and three seriously injured near here last night when an electric car on the Illinois Valley line struck a carriage in which were Walter Snell, a wealthy farmer and a party of six persons.

COURT IN FAR NORTH

Edmonton, Altla., Sept. 3.—In a few days Judge Noel of the district court leaves for the north country for the first sittings of any court held in that section. The judge's party leaves Edmonton at the end of the week and will be accompanied to Athabasca Landing by an escort of the R. N. W. M. P. who have up to the present represented forces and majesty of law and order in the north.



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TAILORS BACK AT WORK

New York, Sept. 1.—Under improved conditions, with wages advanced, according to the announcement made by the strike leaders today, 3,000 of the striking tailors in this city have returned to work.

SIR LOUIS JETTE A JUDGE

Ottawa, Sept. 2.—At yesterday's cabinet council effect was given to the appointment of Sir Alphonze Pelletier to the Lieutenant Governorship of Quebec. His place on the Superior court bench will be taken by Sir Louis Jette.

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Governor Killed In Tabriz Fight

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—Ain. Ed. Dowleh, the newly appointed governor of Tabriz, was killed during the engagement. His son, Naire Es Sulstan was immediately appointed to succeed him. Before Naire could collect his forces he was attacked a second time by Satarkupn and in this encounter the casualties were very heavy. The fighting is still going on. The foreign office here has not received any advices regarding the Tabriz situation.

INSPECTOR KILLED

Ottawa, Sept. 1.—John Miller, Grand Trunk inspector, aged 52 was killed this morning in the railway yard by a shunting engine.

TO TOUR THE WEST

Montreal, Sept. 2.—Senator Forget and R. B. Angus, director of the C. P. R. left this morning for a tour over that company's lines to the Pacific coast.

YOUNG LADY DUCKED

Port Robinson, Sept. 2.—An unknown man attempted to shoot Miss Margaret Young of Niagara Falls south. The man emerged from the woods as the young woman was driving past. She ducked when she saw him draw a weapon and escaped injury.

CURLERS INVITED TO SCOTLAND

Toronto, Sept. 2.—Secretary McFadden, of the Ontario Curling association, has received a letter from the Royal Caledonian club of Scotland, inviting seven rinks of Canadian curlers to visit Scotland during Lord Strathcona's presidency of the club, which extends over the winter of 1908-09.

MANY INFANTS DIE

London, Ont., Sept. 1.—Thirty-nine infants have succumbed to the epidemic of cholera infantum which is raging in London. More than 200 babies are still very seriously ill and the hospitals have all the cases they can look after.

LAIRD TAKES ACTION

Regina, Sask., Sept. 1.—A writ was issued this morning by H. W. Laird against Walter Scott, premier of Saskatchewan for twenty-five thousand dollars for alleged libel. This follows upon the criminal action taken by Mr. Laird against Scott during the recent election.

DEMOCRATIC VICE-CHAIRMAN

New York, Sept. 2.—Robert F. Hudspeth, chairman of New Jersey state Democratic committee announced today that he has been appointed and has accepted the position of vice-chairman of the national democratic committee and that he will be eastern campaign manager for W. J. Bryan.

SURPRISE IN WISCONSIN

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 2.—One of the greatest sensations of the primary election was the defeat of Congressman John J. Jenkins, of the eleventh district by Irvine L. Lenror, former speaker of the Assembly by a strong LaFollette majority. For governor the Republicans have chosen James O. Davidson present incumbent to head their ticket, John A. Aylward will head the Democrats.

Coal Creek.

The Rev. Isaac Steenson at the outset of a powerful address at Coal Creek said his reasons for being on a Socialist platform were: First—His deep interest in the welfare of workingmen, who were the bulwarks of society. Second—His belief that conditions under which they were living were not right and his last reason—The firm conviction that matters could be adjusted and made more congenial for everybody.

He dwelt upon the many non-essentials men were continually bringing forward in their criticism, without them ever enquiring into such subjects for themselves, but allowing their minds to run riot on somebody else's pet phrase. Momentous questions were before us which demanded the attention of our deepest thought, one of those greatest essentials being "the golden rule of life, the doing unto others as we would they do unto us."

The only One, he said, Who ever conducted a monopoly for the benefit of the people, was God, the most generous being in the Universe, Who created all men alike as far as the three great essentials of life were concerned—light, air and water. These were three necessaries that the cunning graft of man could not monopolize.

After dwelling one some people's objections to Christianity on the grounds of unworthy adherents and professors, he argued that the same objections were raised against Socialism and professing Socialists who would stoop to charge seven dollars per month for a miserable shack of one room, which, he said, was not fit for a horse, and referring back to Christianity said that the Church's two-fold duty was spiritual and temporal.

Some people argued against Socialism because it was started and carried on by the poor. "So was Christianity," said Mr. Steenson, emphasizing the fact that Christ was the poorest of men, being born in a borrowed manger, riding on a borrowed ass, having not where to lay his head and laid to rest in a borrowed tomb. His disciples were men who knew the pain of poverty, and so, he argued, Socialism had nothing to blush for in the fact of its promoters being poor men, men who knew how to lay the needs of their class before the world. He ridiculed Roosevelt's term "herd" when he said that "Socialism meant to place all in one common herd," thinking the term had too much of the brutal in it.

Mr. Steenson then asserted that men could not be alike. Morally, mentally and physically we were different. We had the men who were capable, but that, under Socialism a fair field would be open to all and where none would be favored. How could Socialism achieve these improved conditions, he asked. First—By sending men who know your ins and outs, the conditions under which you were living, and men who had your deepest welfare at heart—these were the men to represnt you in your lgislative chambers. Capture the reins of Government. Municipally, you could work out great improvements for yourselves by being more strongly represented, but, above all, he pleaded, "Let your individual character be beyond suspicion." Seek by your daily life and example to practice what you preach. Live your Socialism and the day will surely come when you shall see your conditions in life vastly sweeter than you have them at present and you shall rest with the consciousness that you have done what you could for the uplifting of your fellow man.

After a few questions, Mr. Gray, who acted as chairman, regretted that probably Mr. Steenson would not again address them, ald felt they were losing one whose services they so keenly appreciated, but expressed the sntiments of all in wishing him success in his new field of labor, and thus the meeting was adjourned until the visit of "Old Man" Kingsley, as Mayor Evans called him, who is expected some time in September, probably the first week.

It is with great sorrow that we record the sudden death of Mrs. Henderson, mother of our esteemed citizen, Norman Henderson.

It is only a month or two ago that she came to visit her son, during which time although only in moderate health, she has been able to get about among her many friends. Her cheery smiles and kindly words, although they shall be missed, shall not be lost. Mr. Steenson had a few words with her just ten minutes before her departure from these earthly scenes. Apparently, her death was totally unexpected. We join with others our expressions of sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Henderson and family in their sad bereavement.

The Presbyterians of Coal Creek in recognition of the service of their pastor, Mr. Steenson, held a farewell and presentation meeting last Friday night at which was gathered a representative company. Refreshments were served at 8 o'clock with a taste and decorum seldom seen in a mining village, after which Schoolmaster Jay took the chair. In a few well-chosen remarks he introduced the program of the evening, expressing regret that one was on the point of leaving them just when his worth was becoming realized, but mingled with regrets were joys to know that their esteemed pastor was leaving them for a nobler and more active sphere in life. After songs by Mr. R. Samson, Mr. Nicholson, Miss Gray and Miss McCourt, Mr. Alex. McFegan was called upon to present a purse and the following address to Mr. Steenson:

To Rev. Mr. Steenson,

Our beloved Pastor and Brother in Christ:—

"We, the undersigned, on behalf of the people and Church members of Coal Creek Presbyterian Church wish to convey our heartfelt sorrow at your departure from our midst to another field of usefulness for our Great Master.

"As we look back into the year during which you have ministered to our spiritual needs, happy and pleasant memories float into our minds. You have not only been our minister, but you have also been our companion, sharing our sorrows and joys. You have been a constant visitor at our homes and there your cheerful voice and pleasant smile will be missed as much as the lessons you taught and the grand sentiments you expressed from your sacred desk. Your deeds of kindness and generosity, which characterize your nature and your moral and Christian life will still remain with us and live on in silence in the tablets of our memories and although you depart to another and larger field of labor, your life will continue to speak eloquently in our midst.

As you go forth from our midst, whether you may be called upon to go into the high places or into the lowly places of the land—one thing is evident—You will carry with you a kind and loving heart which will radiate around your life and power, besides leaving behind you holy and beneficent influences.

To show the high esteem with which you are regarded by us all for your labors amongst us, we desire to present you with this address and request you to accept of this small donation as a token of our gratitude for your faithful ministry to us.

Signed in Christian Fellowship:

I. E. Jay, Dougall Mitchell, Robert Samson, Alex. McFegan, J. Lloyd Hughes.

Mr. Steenson feelingly responded after which words of appreciation were spoken by the Rev. Wm. Boulton and Mr. R. Bamborrough (Methodist), and Messrs. Draper, Hughes and Miller. "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," concluding a beautiful, well spent evening.

As a token of respect the churches were draped in black on Sunday the late Mrs. Henderson having been an active worker among the Methodists before the Church of her choice (Presbyterian) established a cause in the Creek. There, she was a Sunday School teacher until she went to visit her old home in Nova Scotia. A goodly number followed her to the grave where a short burial service was conducted by Rev. Isaac Steenson, assisted by the Rev. Wm. Boulton.

Death has also robbed Mr. and Mrs. Oldburg of a tender plant before it could feel and realize the blasts of the cold, cold world of sorrow and suffering.

The tenderest plants are often attended with the greatest care and somehow or other find the warmest place in the human heart, thus making their loss all the more keenly felt. Our sympathies go out to the bereaved in their loss.

The schools resumed active business on Monday after a prolonged vacation. Our mothers are therefore rejoicing that Mr. Jay has taken charge of our young brothers and sisters for a few hours each day. Under his correction and instruction they ought to make useful men and women.

The school managers have been in a little dilemma. A certain applicant for the position as teacher in the small school disappointed them at the eleventh hour, even after his acceptance of the position. It is a pity such cases as this cannot be handled so as to make examples of such delinquents.

The fact of the schools resuming ought to remove the scare from certain people as to a further outbreak of scarlet fever and typhoid. Yet care must still be taken.

Special reference ought to be made to the departure of two old timers. Harry Scott and Tom Reilly, two, inseparable characters, left by the G.N.R. Saturday. They were both highly esteemed in our midst and their departure leaves us all the poorer in various respects.

Their services on the relief cars were greatly appreciated and many who came to them for supplies with a heavy heart shall never forget the cheerfulness of our friends now gone. They were ever obliging and civil, sometimes under very trying circumstances, as for the jokes they had during those two weeks of rush and worry—well, they were simply side-splitting. However, they drove dull care away to the outer regions and lifted many a burden from laden hearts. We hope to see them back again in the spring after their tour through the United States and the land of thistles, Scotland.

Three families also left last Saturday for England, Mrs. T. Sprouston and Miss Jenkinson going on a three months' visit, the others being Mrs. Wm. Puckey and four children and Mr. Joseph Radford and family. All are sailing with the Empress of Britain.

Travelling is not always attended with pleasure and those among us who bid good-bye to our many friends who left the C. P. R. depot last Saturday night will be sorry to hear that Mrs. Wm. Puckey, has been compelled to leave that homely company of fellow travellers on account of one of her children taking seriously ill. A telegram was rushed on from Moose Jaw on Monday for Mr. Puckey to go at once and at the time of writing friends are anxiously awaiting further news. Mr. Puckey left here for Moose Jaw with the 6.3 train.

"Good Lord! What's the matter with all the folk at the Creek?" is a common question among the ladies present, the majority of whom are troubled with homesickness.

Rev. Isaac Steenson left for a visit to Nelson on Monday, but is expected to preach his farewell sermon on Sunday, Sept. 6th, prior to his departure for Montreal, where he has engagements for Sept. 13th. Those who desire a seat in his church tomorow night would be well advised not to linger for Coal Creek time, which is habitually 30 minutes late everywhere else but at the timekeeper's office. The time for the evening service is 7.30.

Mrs. and Miss Maggie Smith left on Monday night for Pincher Creek on avisit to David James, (late boss of No. 5 mine) with his two children who have been visiting their grandmother during the summer vacation.

CRAZY MAN ON STOCK EX. CHANGE

London, Sept. 2.—A man giving the name of Edward Harrison who apparently was not responsible for his actions, caused a commotion on the floor of the Stock Exchange today by firing three shots from a revolver. When the reports were heard the members made a rush for the exits and business was stopped for some time. No one was hurt.

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HE THINKS HE IS HOODWINKING THE LABOR MEN. WE THINK NOT.

SUICIDE'S MESSAGES

Winnipeg, Aug. 31.—Leaving a letter several pages in length which contained a few words to each of the fourteen occupants of his boarding house, but in which he made no allusion to the reason for taking his life, John Gorfar, an Englishman 35 years of age, yesterday afternoon drained a bottle of laudanum which caused his death a few hours later.

ACCIDENT AT HAMILTON

Hamilton, Sept. 1.—A serious accident at the Hamilton Steel & Iron Co. this afternoon resulted in the probably fatal burning of one man and the serious injury to five others. A ten ton ladle of molten steel burst and the contents scattered among the workmen. Robert Connelly was taken to the hospital and John Southam was burned all over the body.

TO FLY ACROSS CHANNEL

Paris, Sept. 1.—The morning papers declare that a Russian, named Prince Bologotoff has decided to attempt to cross the British Channel in an aeroplane. He has commissioned the brothers, Voisin, aeroplane builders to construct a large machine.

WILL OPEN TOMORROW

Soo, Ont., Aug. 29.—It is announced that the steel mills in the Canadian Soo will be opened on September 1, with enough work in sight to keep the force of 1,500 men at work many months. Big orders have been received from the Canadian Pacific and the Grand Trunk Pacific.

NORTH YORK CONSERVATIVES

Toronto, Aug. 31.—The North York Conservative executive at a meeting Saturday, decided to tender the nomination for the federal house to Hon. J. J. Foy.

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THE U.S. FLEET GETS A FINE WELCOME

An Immense Throng Greets Sailors at Melbourne

Melbourne, Aug. 31.—The streets of Melbourne late tonight were filled with surging, good humored crowds, numbering hundreds of thousands, to do honor to the visiting Americans who arrived here on Saturday aboard the sixteen great battleships and the scenes challenged comparison with those of an election night in New York, though happily the ear ticklers and the blasts from the tin trumpets were dispensed with. The crush in the principal thoroughfares, was so great that many women fainted and several persons were injured. The entire day was set apart for jollification and the day will ever live in the memory of the inhabitants. The federal government tonight tendered a banquet to the officers of the visiting warships at the Parliament House at which Lord Northcote, governor-general of the commonwealth and prime minister Deakin made brilliant speeches, throughout which prominence was given to the friendly feeling which exists between the Commonwealth and the United States. Rear Admiral Sperry, commander in chief of the American fleet replying on behalf of the American navy, declared that a rupture between the English speaking nations would not only be a loss but a crime. Tonight Admiral Sperry was presented with an address by the Commonwealth. The city tonight is a spectacle of magnificence and splendor.

All the public buildings are ablaze with electric lights, notable in this respect being the Commonwealth State buildings and Princess bridge of the Central Railway, where a striking illumination picture of the battleship was displayed.

ROYALTY IN MOTOR UPSET IN DITCH

Berlin, Sept. 1.—Particulars of an automobile accident to Crown Prince Friedrich Wilhelm and the Crown Princess, during their recent visit to Metz, have just leaked out. A hay cart forced the Prince's motor into a ditch where it turned over. The occupants of the car suffered no injury but were unable to get from under the machine until peasants came to their assistance. The crown prince handed over a sum of money for the benefit of the poor section.

A BIG FIRE IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Aug. 31.—A fire which broke out at six o'clock, just as the employees were leaving the building, did $60,000 damage to the big produce storage warehouse of Gunn Langlois & Co., which at the time of the fire contained over half a million dollars worth of butter, cheese and eggs Good work by the firemen, assisted by the employees of the company, kept the blaze confined to the compartment in which it started, though for a time there was danger of the fire reaching the ammonia tank in connection with the freezing plants. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

WYOMING MINES TO CLOSE DOWN

Butte, Mont., Aug. 31.—In consequence of the failure of the coal mine operators and mine workers to reach an agreement at a conference which was held in this city last Friday and Saturday all of the mines in the state of Wyoming under the control of the mine operators' association of Wyoming were closed down tonight and will remain closed for an indefinite period.

MOTHER AND CHILDREN DROWNED

New York, Sept. 1.—Mrs. Richard Rudermacher, 33 years old of Brooklyn and her two children, Ida 11 years old and Richard 4 years old, were drowned at Broad Channel, Jamaica Bay last night. The boy accidentally toppled overboard. Ida screamed and then jumped overboard to save him. The girl managed to reach her brother but was dragged under the surface just as Mrs. Rudermacher, who had been attracted by the girl's cry, reached the scene. The mother without hesitating dived after her children.

FERNIE MAN KILLED

North Bay, Sept. 1.—A man supposed from papers found on him to be Norman McGee, of Fernie, B.C., was cut to pieces on the track at Ridout, west of here yesterday. At Woman river, another man was caught on a bridge and killed by the train. Letters and papers found on him indicate that his name is James McLean, of Fort Wililam, formerly of Dundee, Scotland.

RESCUED INDIAN CHIEFS

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 31.—A hundred Indians of Salmon Arm just south of Kamloops are threatening to go on the warpath, fearing that they are about to have their fishing rights taken away from them. Local authorities state that the situation has got beyond their control. On Wednesday last two Indian chiefs were arrested for seting fish traps illegally, but were rescued from the court house by a band of fifty Indians.

JOHN STANSFIELD DENIES IT ALL

M. P. for Colchester Makes Statement Concerning Charges

Halifax, Aug. 31.—John Stansfield, M. P., has addressed a statement respecting Alonzo R. Baine, charged with violating the Dominion Election Act in connection with the election of the 28th of November last, in which he declared that he did not before, at the time, or since the election, himself, or through anyone else have any dealings in any way with said A. R. Baine, in respect to politics or any other matter. In regard to the election, he says: "I went into it, passed through it, and came out of it with clean hands. I in no way violated the law. I instructed my friends and supporters to strictly observe the law in every particular and they have since assured me they did so.

MILK RIVER COMMISSION

Has Gone Over Ground on International Boundary to Settle Dispute About Waters

Helena, Aug. 31.—For the purpose of ascertaininf and agreeing on the controlling factors of the irrigation waters supply and allied matters, as a basis for negotiations for the division of the waters of the Milk river and St. Mary's lake and river between Canada and the United States, an international commission has just completed a trip over the St. Mary's lak country, the St. Mary's river and the Milk river in Canada.

Henry N. Savage, supervising engineer in the northwest of the reclamation service, who was one of the commissioners was in the city today. The other members were: Director, F. H. Newell, of Washington, head of the reclamation service, representing the departfent of state; Dr. F. W. King, of Ottawa, Canada, representing the Canadian government; and John Stewart, superintendent of irrigatio in Alberta.

Mr. Savage says that work has been started on the Milk river project. Equipment is being assembled at the site of the Dodson dam; 100 teams are at work on the canal system and before September 1 there will be another hundred teams at work.

THE TRIAL OF THE HAINES

New York, Aug. 31.—After a conference today with District Attorney Jerome, with regard to the plan of the prosecution to be adopted by him in the trial of Capt. Peter Hains, Jr., and his brother T. Jenkins Hains, charged with the killing of W. E. Annis, August 15th, the district attorney of Queen's County said that he was going to be largely governed in his preparations of the case by Mr. Jerome. Mr. Darrin said he would do this because of the similarity of the case of Harry K. Thaw, the prosecution of which Mr. Jerome conducted and that of the Hains Bros.

JOE MARTIN UNDECIDED

Vancouver, Aug. 31.—Joseph Martin returned today from a three months' trip to the old country. He states that he is yet undecided as to whether or not he will enter federal politics.

STABBED THE AGENT

Three Rivers, Que., Aug. 31.—Lafontaine, C. P. R. station agent at Crandes Hill was stabbed by one of a party of fighting shanty men, whom he had remonstrated with for creating a disturbance in the station. The assailant was arrested, but his name is not known here. Mr. Lafontaine is seriously though not fatally injured.

SET FIRE TO BARNS

Brockville, Ont., Aug. 31.—The police are watching for a tramp who destroyed the barns and outbuildings of a farmer named William Curtis, living in Leeds county. Curtis refused to allow the tramp a night's lodging and the man immediately set the buildings on fire.

VADNAIS DID NOT IMPLICATE WIFE

Charged All the Shooting to Bissett, the Brother-in-law --- He Told His Story in Court

Cardston, Aug. 29.— The Vadnais preliminary hearing case was called up at about 4.30 on Saturday afternoon, before Insp. Belcher, of the R. N.W.M.P., of Pincher Creek.

The accused, Mr. Bissett and Mrs. Vadnais, were represented by P. J. Nolan, the noted criminal lawyer of Calgary. The prosecution was conducted by Corporal Miles of Twin Lakes Detachment, who made the arrests and his evidence was the first taken. He showed that he had been called to the scene through Mr. Vernon Shaw, who came for him at the request of the Hendry brothers.. Mr. Shaw had been sworn in as a constable pro tem and the two repaired with all haste to the scene of the trouble. It was dark but by the assistance of a lantern he found Mr. Vadnais lying wounded in the Hendry granary, Mrs. Vadnais with a .44 calibre revolver in her hand near by and Mr. Bissett with his gun pocketed. The two had been arrested, searched, and their weapons taken from them. When approached Mrs. Vadnais had said "I want a doctor for this man—I shoot to protect myself."

The guns were placed in evidence, each having one cartridge discharged—a big .44 and a 32 calibre small pocket pistol.

The constable brought all of them to Cardston with Mr. Shaw's assistance, placing Mr. Vadnais in the care of Dr. Stacpoole, who was the next witness called.

He described the Rounds, stating that the bullets had passed through the right forearm just above the wrist and the other had struck the third rib on the left side of the sternum, had glanced and lodged in the muscle of the arm from which it had been extracted on the morning of the 25th. He identified the bullet produced by Corporal Miles.

The third witness was a French Canadian who did not speak English so an adjournment was had until 7.30 in the evening, at which time Miss Stewart of the Public School staff, was induced reluctantly to act as interpreter.

The witness had seen the first shot fired and knew the details of the beginning of the affair. Mr. Vadnais had returned from Cardston in a troublesome mood.

He found the family at supper and ordered Bissett out of the house and upon his refusal tried to put him out. As others present clung to him, Mr. V. could not eject him, so he gave up the attempt and ran outside to the granary where he procured a club and came back for Bissett with his club raised.

As Mr. Vadnais went to step up to the threshold, being some six feet away, Mr. Bissett stood in the doorway and fired, inflicting the wound in the chest and left upper arm. Witness was positive that he heard only one shot fired.

Mr. Vadnais, the injured man in the affray, was the next witness. He told of his attempt to put Mr. Bissett out of the house and said that B. threatened him with a knife and when he returned with the club and was going to enter, Mr. B. shot him. He turned and fled to the corral, 125 yards from his house, changed his mind and started for Hendry's, the nearest neighbors, Mr. B. chasing him toward their ranch. When part way over he fell to the ground with his arm partly under his head. B. was shouting to him to come back. While on the ground he was shot again, when he again got up and started to run for Hendry's. The house was locked and Hendry said to put him in the granary and he was carried there by two of the Hendry's.

But before falling to the ground he had grabbed Hendry and tried to hold him between himself and his assailant, but Hendry jerked away and grabbed Mr. B., causing the gun to fall to the ground from whence witness said Mrs. Vadnais picked it up.

As it was near ten o'clock in the evening, as counsel for the accused, Mr. Nolan asked that Mrs. Vadnais be released from custody but Mr. Justice Belcher could not see it that way, but ruled that he would commit both for trial, and allow Mrs. Vadnais a release on $2,000 bail and would hold Mr. Bissett in custody.

The same evening Mr. and Mrs. Vadnais with their children departed for the ranch.

C.P.R. BLOCKED EAST OF WINNIPEG

Fifteen Passenger Trains Held Up at Way Stations

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 1.—Fifteen passenger trains besides all freight and stock trains on the line of the C.P.R. between Winnipeg and Fort William, are held up at way stations and side tracks between these two points as a result of a cloud burst which flooded the main line between Horner and Ignace on Sunday morning. It is stated by railway men to be one of the worst disasters of this kind that has ever happened in Western Canada. Not a train has reached Winnipeg from the east since Saturday morning and it is estimated that from eight to ten thousand people are being kept waiting at points along the line. In addition to this, eastern mails in transit to points through the West are all held back for from fifty to sixty hours as mail going east and all express matter likewise has been delayed for the period. Earl Grey and party are on one of the late trains.

GRAIN RECEIPTS SMALL

Fort William, Aug. 27.—Receipts of grain at the terminal points here are falling off till the present average does not run over 20 cars.

THE WHALE SEASON

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 31.—Advices from the Arctic received today state that 25 whales have been caught at the stations at Point Barrow, Point Hope and St. Lawrence Island. Most of the whales were small but considerable bone was obtained. Nearly all the vessels of the whaling fleet did well in the spring and it is thought large catches will be reported when they return from their cruise to the westward.

SCRAP AT TORONTO

Toronto, Aug. 30.—Wm. Grey, blacksmith, aged 25 was stabbed twice in the body and once in the neck by John Malone, aged 65 in a row at Beverly St., Saturday afternoon. Grey says Malone was assaulting a woman boarder and he went to her rescue.

MORE MEN AT FORT WILLIAM

Fort William, Aug. 30.—Another carload of men arrived today to work in the shops and round house. It is claimed that over twenty of these are competent machinists. Several of the men are ready and are being moved to Winnipeg.

LORD STRATHCONA'S AGENT

Montreal, Sept. 1.—Robt. Turnbull, Lord Strathcona's representative in Montreal, died yesterday of pneumonia, aged 67 years.

A SERIOUS MISTAKE

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TRADES UNIONISM

Trades unionism is doing things collectively that cannot be done individually. Like the marshalling of an army, it realizes that there is danger that it is unable to meet that danger while acting as individuals and organizes and drills its forces to take care of itself.

Trades unionism means collective bargaining; it realizes that labor is a force and a strong factor in the industries of the world; that the force to which it has hitherto been opposed have ceased to do their busines individually and are organized into syndicates, pools and trusts, and that the organization of these forces bodes no good, but ill, to labor while it remains unorganized; that unorganized it cannot get the just fruits of its labor and forms itself into an organization, thereby expecting to, and insisting that, whatever bargaining is done it must be for the collective body and not for the individual. It has no enmity to the man of wealth, the capitalist. It seeks to pull no man down, but to elevate itself. Unfortunately the capitalist arrogant in his position, assumes that there is only one side of the question to be considered, that he is capable of "running his own business," and that labor must be content to accept just such conditions as his business or lack of business knowledge will permit.

When labor organizes the capitalist naturally gets alarmed, and if circumstances permit, tries to force back the recognition of the other factor, feeling that to recognize it is going to interfere with his profits, compel him to deal justly with his workmen and improve the conditions by which they are surrounded. Hence there is a resort to all kinds of methods that could not be exceeded by the cruelest methods of barbarians in order to beat down and defeat the efforts of the workers. These sometimes result in violation of the law, sometimes in murder and bloodshed, and are generally caused by the actions of special police, who are supposed to be guardians of the peace, and instead are ruffians and hirelings of the corporations, who would disgrace a "Bashi Bazouk." Evidence of that character is now very plentiful in Alabama.

Trades unionism is not now, nor ever was, an advocate of lawlessness. It depends on the justice and righteousness of the cause to force its way to a recognition of its rights and not in anarchy and riot and bloodshed. Unfortunately capital generally is not so scrupulous in its methods; it cares not how it succeeds if it can only succeed at all. The deepest, darkest and blackest crimes recorded in history, and, we might say, thousands not recorded, have been and are being committed every day by the hireling of the insatiable greed of the anarchists in the ranks of the capitalists today. They are the worst enemies to the government and to the capital that is disposed to be just and fair and to the wage earner that can be found in this broad land.

Trades unionism does not believe in "class conflict." It is not an advocate of hate, but one of love. It does not preach organization because it hates the man with wealth, but because it does not believe that the man with wealth has got more than his share in the business and seeks to prevent it in future. It insists it is a co-partner in the development of industry and in its prosecution to a successful end. It wants to be fair and just in all its dealings with the employer. It will conduct its campaign along peace ful lines and is bound to have its principles recognized and its policy pursued.

Evidence of this is to be found in the large number of employers who have recognized this principle and are today meeting their employees as a man should do with man and reasoning out the matter before adopting a wage scale. And this number is increasing and will continue. They have arrived at the conclusion that industrial peace is better than industrial war; that it means good feeling with them and the employee, and with that good feeling both get better results than having embryonic war continually.

Trades unionism is bound to succeed and in the end prove a blessing to the world.—Mine Workers' Journal.

A Sensation In Calgary

Calgary, September 3.—Detected in the work of sending out goods belonging to the Georgeson Co., wholesale grocers of Calgary, George T. Stoddard, head shipper for the company, found himself in a decidedly unpleasant predicament on Saturday morning last. It is stated that the theft of goods from the company has been going on for the last five years and the amount involved is about $7,000.

Mr. Stoddard is an active worker in politics, being allied to the Conservative party, and is also a prominent fraternal society man. This denouement consequently created a great sensation.

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A PART OF VICTORIA AVENUE, THE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS STREET
(Photo by W. G. Barclay, Michel.)

LOCALS.

We did not notice a very large crowd of capitalists present at E. H. Kingsley's meeting on Monday night. The workers were there and went away well pleased with Mr. Kingsely's address.

Fred Waylett has opened up just opposite the King Edward Hotel. As Fred is an old time print man he ought to make good. Watch for his ad. next issue.

Posters are out announcing a Labor Day celebration at Cranbrook. The Fats of Cranbrook and our old Reliable Fats are scheduled to play ball. Cheap rates will be obtainable on the C. P. R. See Chas. Fyfe.

The Free Press received their car of machinery on Tuesday and all hands are busy unloading the same.

Our new cement building is being rushed as fast as possible. The outfit should reach here in about two weeks now, and our readers can expect a "better Ledger" than ever.

A rumor which we hope is not true is going around to the effect that the steam laundry is not to be resumed. Don't get cold feet Casey, the citizens will back you up and thus help to run out some of our measley almond eyed Chinks.

Ross Bros. late of the Queen's hotel have sold out to Mr. Robichand, and are contemplating going into business in Vancouver.

Don't forget the Salvation Army benefit on Monday. A good programme has been arranged.

President F. H. Sherman returned on Tuesday's fluer from a short visit to Taber.

J. A. Macdonald paid our city a flying visit during the week.

We are pleased to see A. W. Bleasdell back to town, and able to be around again.

Joe Whelan, of Wallace, Idaho, was visiting in our city a few days last week with his brothers of the Napanee.

J. "Peck" McSwaney, an old time printer blew into town last week. He thinks Fernie looks good to him for a few.

Geore Meikle now says he is going to start up at Michel, and already has a car of machinery on the way.

The Rev. Hat, superintendent of Baptist Missions for Manitoba and the North West, conducted special services here last Thursday, using the Methodist Church.

A new ten foot seam of good coal is reported to have ben struck at Hosmer.

T. Biggs went to Coleman on Tuesday evening. Tom is combining business with pleasure. He is expecting to meet Mrs. Biggs, who with Miss Evelyn is on her way home, after a few months visit in England.

Bishop Dontewell, was in the city last week in the interests of the Catholic cause and reports that the church will be rebuilt here on a larger scale than before.

Alex. Reeby, an Austrian, foreman of a construction crew on the G. N., was fatally hurt in the G. N. yards last week. He was taken to the Michel hospital but died the same night at 10.30. He was buried at Michel.

The new residence of William Lancaster on Stork avenue which is the first of the permanent build[illegible] under construction, is well advanced. Messrs. Egg and Haldane are the architects.

Poor tea is poor economy—use "Salada" and you will appreciate the excellent qualities of high-grade tea.

The Salvation Army have completed arrangements through Major F. Morris, of Vancouver Headquarters, for the erection of a new citadel here. The building which has been designed by Messrs Egg and Haldane, architects of this city, will be of Todd Bros'., Fernie, brick, with concrete trimmings and finished throughout in an up-to-date way. The contract has been let to Messrs. Digby and Walde who will commence work immediately.

The re-building of Bean Bros. Foundry has already started, and is under the care of Messrs. Egg and Haldane, architects. The building is being planned on modern lines and will be of solid concrete walls and fireproof.

Inquiry Into the Steamboat Disaster on Lake Winnipeg

Winnipeg, Sept. 2.—Several points of importance bearing on the appalling loss of life in the burning of the steamer, Premier, at Warren's Landing last month were brought out at the opening session of the inquiry before Commander Spain in the court house yesterday afternoon.

Antoine Coutre, of Selkirk, whose wife was among the victims, swore that the main stairway of the vessel was blocked by two piles of wood. He also declared an Indian named Hart, wha was employed as watchman at the landing was in the habit of sleeping at his post. Captain Stevens, Coutre said, seemed to be paralyzed during the disaster and stood on the wharf without doing anything to stop the flames or rescue those in danger.

Coutre said that had an attempt been made the vessel he thought might have been saved. In the examination of the steamboat Inspector Phillips it was brought out that the Premier had no certificate covering her electric lighting equipment, as required by law.

Several witnesses were examined during the forenoon and the session was adjourned until 10.30 this morning.

Explosives Create Serious Injuries to a Man Near Taber

Taber, Sept. 1.—A farewell party was tendered Elder C. E. Shultz, last evening in Shirt's Opera House, prior to his departure for a mission to the Netherlands.

Birche's orchestra was at its best. The spacious hall was well filled and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent. The proceeds were amply large enough to convince Mr. Shultz that he has many friends in Taber.

James Parks and family of Spokane, Washington, arrived in Taber this morning with a car of household effects and machinery. They are desirous of securing a homestead and will make their home in Taber.

As the result of a shocking and painful accident yesterday F. B. Henderson, who is living with his family on his homestead near Woodpecker, is suffering the loss of his thumb, the index and the tip of the second fingers of the right hand.

It appears that Mr. Henderson's small boys found at or near by the coal mine, some nitro glycerine caps used for the explosion of giant powder in the mine. The children, thinking they were mere play things brought them home and were in the act of gouging out of one of them the powder. The father fearing they might get injured, took the explosive from them. He, heedless, however, poured from one of them some powder upon the hot stove, which instantly ignited, the flame following the stream of powder into the cap, exploding it into countless pieces with the above described results. Dr. Leach dressed his injuries.

The farmers have done a rushing business today disposing of their grain at 80 cents per bushel.

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Washington, Sept. 1.—Senator MacCumber who has just returned from a visit to President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft today expressed the opinion that the extra session of Congress which is to be called after the fourth of next March for the revision of the tariff, will be of long duration and that it will witness many stubborn contests over the various schedules which it is proposed to change.

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Ireland Gets Better Treatment But Still Demands Home Rule

Dublin, Sept. 2.—At a meeting of the Central Branch of the United Irish League yesterday John Redmond, who presided, dilated upon the importance of the last parliamentary session as far as Ireland was concerned. He considered that the Irish University Bill was one of the greatest emancipation measures of the century and he would always be proud of his share in its adoption.

Ireland, he said, would receive nearly four million dollars a year under the old age pensions bill which would benefit seventy thousand people in Ireland. These and other measures were the substantial result of the parliamentary work.

He uttered a warning to the British government however, that there was still important work to be done in connection with the land legislation in the congested districts, failing which the Nationalists could not be responsible for the maintenance of the peace of Ireland.

A resolution was adopted embodying the customary demand for home rule, another resolution offered by John Dillon was unanimously carried thanking their kinsmen of the United States for the invitation extended to John Redmond and Joseph Devlin to attend, the convention of the United Irish League of America to be held in the fall at Boston.

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