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THE FERNIE DISASTER

The Scenic Desolation Beggars Description--First Personal Account Given by a Woman Depicts Awfulness of Ordeal the Sufferers Went Through.

CALGARY, Aug. 4.— The first personal account of the terrible suffering that the unfortunate people of Fernie had to undergo was related to an Albertan reporter last night by Mrs. Geo. Crossman, who with her sister, Miss Maud Hogan, came in from the south last night, and are stopping with relatives on Twelfth avenue.

On Saturday afternoon she and her sister were engaged in the ordinary work of the house when Mr. Crossman came in to say that the fire which had been raging in the bush for the last few days was threatening the city itself. Hastily they collected a few things that it was possible to take, and with Mrs. Crossman carrying her little baby, they all took refuge in the Western Canada Wholesale Company's new fire-proof building, where it was thought they would be safe from the terrible flames which were then rising from every part of the doomed town. Soon, however the awful shower of sparks and burning pieces of wood began to have effect on the building, and it was decided to remove all the women and children over to the freight sheds where a train was being made up to carry them to a place of safety, if such could be found.

Mrs. Crossman waited until the very last as her husband thought they would be safer where they were than anywhere else. At last the outlook became so threatening that it became imperative for them to seek another place of safety.

A Dash for Safety.

They therefore determined to cross to the sheds which were a mass of flames, and board the train. Mrs. Crossman and her sister were both soaked with water and the baby was wrapped up in a wet blanket that their clothes might not catch fire on their way across. The journey was made in safety, and when they reached the train their clothes were quite dry, and as the distance was only across the street it may be imagined how great was the heat.

On the train were men, wo- and children of all nationalities all mixed up together and sitting three and four on a seat.

Terrible Babel.

The babel of sounds was terrible, men shouting, and frantic, hysterical women separated from their children shrieking in vain for their lost ones. It was a most pitiful sight, some were dressed in all their finery, and others had scarcely anything to wear at all. There were women dressed only in petticoats, wearing the most gorgeous hats and others with nothing on their heads at all. There were hundreds of children, some with their parents, and some who had lost them in the confusion. The scene was almost indescribable, says Mrs. Crossman. The train then pulled out and made for Hosmer. Part of that town was in flames when they reached it. The original intention had been to get right through to Michel, but shortly after leaving Hosmer they were told that the Michel bridge was burned. The train then backed again, to stop for the night between Hosmer and Fernie, passing on its way back through the greatest danger, for they had to pass for about a mile between blazing brush on both sides. The windows of the cars became so hot that it was impossible to touch them, and the heat and smoke were absolutely stifling.

Shrieking Prayers.

All this time the foreign women were shrieking prayers at the top of their voices, all adding to the terrible confusion of the scene.

After passing through this fire belt, the train reached a safe part and stopped there for the night. While they lay there condensed milk was sent out from Fernie for the women and children by volunteers. After spending a heart-rending night of anxiety and misery, the train returned to Fernie on Sunday morning, and found the fire had burned itself out there during the night. They found that the building where they had been on the previous evening had not been burned after all, thanks to the heroic and untiring efforts of the firemen, to whom sufficient praise cannot be given for the desperate and successful fight they put up against the flames.

Melancholy Spectacle.

The ruins presented a most melancholy spectacle; in nearly every case nothing was left except the walls, and even these in most cases had disappeared. The streets were full of debris, trunks, beds and other belongings which had been pulled on to the streets in the hope of saving them, were all lying in a charred mass of cinders. The dead bodies of horses were also lying here and there. The dead bodies of several little girls had been found in different parts of the city and there are doubtless many more that have not yet been found.

Says 62 Suffocated.

In one part of the bush sixty men and two women were suffocated to death through attempting to save themselves by backsetting the fire. In the midst of all these scenes of misery, there were not wanting a few amusing incidents. There was one lady who had not been able to save anything but her little pet dog, and who went about petting it and saying: "I have saved my precious pet; thank God, I saved him."

Another who had carried away her old tom cat, kept saying, "Do look at my poor cat; why it's quite worn out, poor dear."

One little girl had spent the night in the woods with an old rooster as her companion, which has doubtless been put to a different use by this time.

Women Ford River.

Mrs. Crossman speaks also of many who had to ford the river to reach a place of safety. There were women, too, who had to do this, and it is feared that many who went down to the river to escape the scorching heat, only went to their death, for the bruns was burnt right down to the water's edge.

Altogether, the unhappy residents of Fernie have had such an experience as may well last their memory all their lives, and they may be thankful that the fire did not come upon them as they slept, in which case the results are too frightful to contemplate.

MANY CASUALTIES

NELSON, Aug. 4.—The following special was received from Fernie last night:

The scene of desolation today in this city beggars description. Tottering walls and smouldering ruins mark the spot where a few hours ago commodious stores, handsome bank and hotel buildings adorned the business streets, and all that remains of the comfortable homes and of residential streets are heaps of charred and smoking embers. Already the casualty list has reached distressing proportions, ten bodies having been recovered from the ruins and some of them identified.

In West Fernie the dead bodies of Walter Ford, with those of his wife and two small children were found in a well, into which they had jumped for safety only to perish by suffocation.

In a nearby house an aged and crippled woman named Turner lost her life.

Lena Bell, a colored woman, perished in her house at the north end of the town being unable to escape [illegible] house, and it is feared

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NEW MINE TO BE OPENED OUT

Wellington Colliery Company Laying Track and Sinking Shaft Near McLean's Ranch.

The Wellington Colliery Company has some important developments under progress which will have a vital effect upon the future of the town, and will give just that touch of stability and security which alone was wanting to assure prosperity and expansion to the city. The dependence of the town on the Extension mines has always been a bug bear to the townspeople. Everybody recognized that there was a term to their activity and after that, what then? This was the question that residents and business men alike asked themselves. Naturally with such doubts of the city's future ever present in their minds there was no inclination to speculate, and any proposition to lay out money on the improvement of the town was doomed to miscarry.

It was useless to quote the assurances of men who were in a position tto know. The dead hand of doubt and distruct lay over the city and clogged every movement of reform and progress. Something more than mere general assurances the people demanded and now they have got it.

The company is even now busy with the opening out of a new mine. Practically they have a virgin coal field of the same acreage as that now being worked at the Extension mines The seam has been tapped in several places and there is seven feet of clean coal. There is none of the dirt overlaying the seam which has added so much to the cost and difficulty of working the Extension coals. The seam runs from the McLean ranch away up to the lakes and down to Fiddick's and so far as as yet been discovered, there is little pitch to it. The coal also is of the best quality.

A shaft is to be sunk somewhere in the vicinity of the McLean farm and a start has been made to lay a spur from the Extension track to the spot So soon as the road has been laid in a shaft will be sunk and a modern pit head erected.

It may be said that this step was contemplated by the company some five years ago, but the strike intervened. After that the state of the coal market never justified the step being taken; but now the market itself and the approaching exhaustion of the Extension mines not only justifies, but necessitates a new field being opened out.

Accordingly the work has been started, and instead of the dreaded falling off in the staple industry of the town there will be an added impetus. Apart from its actual and present importance the new venture means the making of the town. It will give that confidence to investment and speculation which the town has always lacked and the future can now be safely left to look after itself. With a new mine and one that is expected to be better than the old, there cannot but be a larger and more prosperous town.

SAD DROWNING FATALITY

Little Mary Keserich Slips Into a Deep Hole at the Dam, and is Lost.

A sad drowning accident occurred on Monday morning by which Mary, the twelve year old girl of Mr. and Mrs. Keserich, met with a tragic end. Mary and some smaller brothers and sisters had gone out to play and took the road to the Wellington Colliery Company's dam, where the water of a running creek is stored for the purpose of running the washer at the bunkers. Beneath the dam there is a narrow channel, worn in the rocks to a depth of five feet, while all around there is ideal shade for a picnic party.

The young folk were out for a picnic in their way, and some of them got down to the rocky channel of the creek. Among these were Mary Kesserich and Stephane Slogard. The rocks are slippery, and the first hint of danger came when little Stephanie slipped and almost slid into the deep channel. Happily a bigger girl in the person of Agnes Burke, had happened along, and she, with Mary Keserich drew the little one out of the cut.

Undismayed by the danger of the place the little ones continued to play around, and a few minutes later Mary Keserich slipped right in. The channel is only about five or six feet wide, but the edges are slippery and none of the many children could or dared to reach out to the struggling girl. Mary cried out for help and struggled for life, but she was unable to save herself, and no help was forthcoming, and in full view of her playmates, she sank to the bottom of the channel.

Meantime one of the children had run off home to get help, and Mary's distracted father raced off to the scene of the accident. He plunged right into the channel and brought his little girl out, but she showed no traces of life. Quickly he bore the body home and Dr. Frost, who had promptly responded to an urgent summons, tried every means to resuscitate the little one, but without avail. She had been too long in the water; life was extinct.

The deepest sympathy will go out to Mr. and Mrs. Keserich in their sad bereavement.

The funeral will take place this afternoon after the arrival of the miners' train, so as to give friends of the afflicted family an opportunity of attending it.

Perhaps one of the most important steps ever undertaken by a labor organization in this country is planned in an effort of the union cigarmakers of Minneapolis, Minn., to enlist the aid and co-operation of the manufacturers of label cigars in a joint advertising plan.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Pleasant Gathering and Close Contests on the Local Court.

The tennis tournament on Saturday at the local court produced some exciting matches, and in the end honors were left fairly even, Nanaimo on actual games played, claimed the lead; but on the play of the last match of the day, which was left unfinished, the local pair looked all over winners. Had the game been played out the scores would almost certainly have been evened up. But even then, a tie on foreign ground is counted a moral victory, and there is no dissatisfaction with the result.

The games were late in starting, and were on the whole, so evenly and stubbornly contested that three sets were required to settle the issue. Thus it was that the full schedule of games was not played out, and that the last game was left unfinished in favor of Ladysmith.

There was a very large gathering and much enthusiasm was displayed by all present. Perhaps, above all, most noticeable was the fine spirit of sociability that existed between the contesting parties and their friends, and all present were agreed that it was the most pleasant tournament that has yet taken place between the two towns.

The following were matches played:

Miss Ramsay beat Miss Kitchin, 6-4, 5-7, 6-3.

Teague and Grundy beat De Gex and Bryant, 8-6, 6-2.

Miss Teague beat Miss Kitto, three sets—6-8, 3-6, 8-6.

Hayne and Mrs. Peto beat Foulkes and Mrs. DeGex, 6-4, 4-6, 6-0.

Kitto beat Teague (3 sets) 5—7, 6—0, 6—1.

Miss Ramsay and Mrs. Frost, vs. Misses Kitchin and Teague, 6-1—unfinished (8 all second set).

SMITH'S REQUEST REFUSED

City Council Have Routine Session and Discuss Sanitary Matters.

The twenty-ninth meeting of the City Council was held in the City Hall on Monday evening. Mayor Nicholson presided and there were present Ald. Campbell, Roberts, McKinnell, Brown, and Matheson.

A letter was read from Messrs. Langley & Williams, of Vancouver, regarding the proposed electric lighting of the city. Mr. Williams is the engineer who superintended the construction work of the Crofton and Tyee smelters and while in Ladysmith recently went into the lighting question with the a view of interesting a syndicate in the matter. The firm had in its possession the plans and estimates. Mr. Williams had them prepared, and it would instal the plant for the city at a reasonable price. If their firm was favored with the contract, it would charge nothing for the preparation of these plans and estimates.

On motion the letter was ordered filed for future reference.

Two letters were read, one from Fire Chief of Victoria and the other from the Secretary of the Convention to be held in Victoria, dealing with Fire Chief Smitg's request for a grant of $25.00 to enable him to attend the Convention. Both writers pointed out the importance of the Convention to firemen and urged the Council to send their fire chief down.

Ald. Matheson said he was perfectly willing to pay the actual travelling expenses of the Fire Chief to Victoria. He thought $15.00 would be enough and he moved to that effect.

Ald. Brown said he was of the same opinion as he was last week. It would be a useless waste of money

On motion the letters were ordered filed.

A letter was read from a Toronto firm asking if the city had yet sold its debentures. On motion the communication was received and the Clerk instructed to forward a suitable reply.

A communication from another firm was read asking for a reply to a former letter in which they offered to dispose of the debentures at 94.

Mayor Nicholson was not in favor of rushing to a bargain. Mr. Dunsmuir would be at home shortly and they could approach him again. Last time Mr. Dunsmuir had referred him to the C.P.R. Company, since when he (the Mayor) had learned that Mr. Dunsmuir was a director of that company and he thought he ought to be approached again.

On motion the letter was ordered filed, and the clerk instructed to send a suitable reply.

A letter was read from Mr. F. Corsini asking for lumber to complete the sidewalk from Mr. Alton's to his residence. The place was very swampy and the sidewalk was badly needed.

It was decided to furnish the necessary lumber.

Sanitary Inspector Callander reported that many of the closets in town were in a most unsatisfactory condition. In a large number of the closets wooden boxes were used instead of proper buckets and they were a nuisance. He asked for the authority of the Council to order the people to replace these wooden boxes with suitable receptacles.

Mayor Nicholson said that there was no doubt that many of the closets were in a bad state. According to the by-law neither coal oil tins nor wooden boxes were permissible. If they meant to enforce their by-laws they should see that proper buckets were used.

Ald. McKinnell was of the opinion that so long as a closet was clean it did not matter what kind of a receptacle was used. What was wanted was cleanliness and if this could be obtained by coal oil tins, or boxes, then there was no need to go any further.

Mayor Nicholson argued that coal oil tins were never satisfactory.

Ald. McKinnell moved the communication be received and filed.

Mayor Nicholson thought that that was the wrong way to deal with such a communication. The medical and sanitary officers were trying to do their duty and the Council ought to help them.

Ald. Campbell thought that the wooden boxes should be replaced by galvanized iron buckets and it was agreed that the provisions of the by-law be carried out.

Accounts, totalling $688.70 were presented and referred to the Finance Committee to be paid if found correct.

Under the head of deferred business the question of the Fire Chief's request for $35.00 to enable him to attend the Fire Chief's Convention at Victoria was brought up again.

Mayor Nicholson said that there was one thing to be said, and that was that delegates were often sent by various societies to various conventions where the benefit to be gained was not very obvious. It was not a great matter after all.

Ald. Roberts said that he did not see why their chief should not go to Victoria. Other cities were sending representatives and they could do the same. He seconded Ald. Matheson's motion that $15.00 be granted to defray expenses.

Ald. Roberts and Ald. Matheson voted for the motion, and Ald. McKinnell, Brown and Campbell voted against. The motion was therefore lost.

Fire Chief Smith drew the attention of the Council to a place on Fifth Avenue where some houses were surrounded by heavy brush. It was a dangerous place and should be attended to.

Fire Chief Smith also asked for leave of absence to attend the Fire Chief's Convention in October. His request was granted and Road Foreman Callander was instructed to look up Fifth Avenue and report at the next meeting of the Council.

The meeting was then adjourned.

BRITISH WARSHIP MADE GREAT RUN.

COWES, Aug. 4.—The Indomitable which brought the Prince of Wales from Quebec, during four hours in the early part of the voyage, made 26.5 knots an hour. Although for the 2,000 miles from land to land she beat the record of the Cunard Line ships, the vessel was not stripped to enhance her racing powers, but carried her heavy guns, her magazines full of ammunition and all the equipment of active service. The longest day's run was 605 knots.

The engineers consider the feat of the Indomitable a splendid tribute to the Parsons turbine.

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THE FERNIE FIRE.

The appalling fate which has befallen the town of Fernie calls for prompt and general measures of relief. Before the shock of the accident in the mine has had time to die away, and while even the work of rescue is still in progress the town is caught and swept with a devastating wave of fire. Practically the place is wiped out. The flames, fanned by a strong breeze, sweep everything before them. The fire comes so suddenly and spreads so rapidly that the people are given no chance, even to save their domestic possessions. Now they are facing black, irretrievable ruin. There is bound to be some suffering, some hardship among the homeless families. Money and provisions poured out of British Columbia to the relief of the San Francisco sufferers. The need may not be so great or so urgent at Fernie, but need there is sureto be, and some general movemight be started right away to relieve the distress and suffering of the devastated town.

FORTUNE'S TIDE.

The statement which we make in our news columns regarding the opening out of a new mine by the Wellington Colliery Company may not be news to many of our readers. There may be some, however, who had not heard of it, and there are few, we imagine, who are fully acquainted with the real magnitude of the new developments or realized their vital importance to the future of the city. What is happening is that a mine is being opened out which will be the equa, of the Extension mines. The seam of coal is in some respects better than that which is beiog worked at Extension, and the acerage is just about the same in extent. The new mine will mean a new lease of life to our city. It means more than that. That there was a term to the existence of the Extension mines everybody knew. As to what would come after nobody seemed to know. It was this uncertainty as to the future that destroyed all confidence in the stability of the town. No one had faith enough to speculate and corporate enterprise was impossible and so the town drifted into stagnation—into a settled rut the end of which was desertion and desolation.

All this is now changed. The life of the town is assured. Confidence will be reborn. Investment and speculation will follow. Real estate prices will leap to unprecedented figures, and property will just double in value. Prosperity is at our doors, and a future such as was never dreamed of is now dawning for us. This is no irresponsible boosting. We have even now knowledge of figures to prove our assertions. The city, we repeat, is coming into its own. The need for good government was never greater, for the town is now to be made or marred. There is no longer any excuse or palliation for the knocker. Prosperity is knocking at our gates. A new lease of life has been openly given us, and as citizens with material issues at stake, it behooves us, one and all, to realize our full responsibilities and take full advantage of the rising tide of fortune.

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REFUSED.

The Council, at their meeting on Monday evening, succeeded in reaching a decision in the matter of Fire Chief Smith's request for a grant of $25 to enable him to attend the convention of the Fire Chiefs, to be held in Victoria. The Council, by a majority vote refused the request. It is, of course, a very small matter in itself, but it is symtomatic of so much that has been done in Ladysmith that a few brief remarks may be permissible. The aldermen who voted against Fire Chief Smith's requisition took the ground that the city had nothing to gain from such a trip, and that therefore it would be a waste of money. With this sentiment there is of course no fault to be found. But are the aldermen sure that their ground is sound, or is it merely a pious opinion. More than that, the fire chief is a servant of the Council, and that he should wish to attend the convention augurs the liveliest interest in his work. If he was prepared to make a sacrifice of time and money, assuredly the city could do as much. Finally the city has surely a certain amount of dignity to maintain. What would be thought of the Fraternal society which refused to send delegates to an annual convention, on the ground that nothing was to be gained by it, and that therefore it would be a waste of money. That society would be rightly designated as a precious cheap outfit; and what is true of a society is true of a city council. The fact is that successive councils in Ladysmith have always taken themselves too cheaply, and dragged the city along in the wake of its neighbors and rivals. What is lacking is a broader view of their office and functions, and the assumption of a larger dignity.

THE FERNIE DISASTER

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two other women fell victims to the fire fiend in the same house.

The body of a small unidentified boy was found in a residential street, while an unknown man has been taken from the ashes in the old town. It is rumored that seven bodies are lying beside the Great Northern tracks between here and Hosmer.

Outside towns have responded nobly to the appeal for assistance and provisions, tents and absolute necessities coming in steadily and the homeless receiving food and shelter. Expressions of sympathy, and offers of money and provisions are being received from towns far and wide, and such kindness is keenly appreciated by the afflicted citizens. Many undesirables are arriving in town on the prospect of free food and lodging and no work.

When the most urgent work is completed, the more general will be attended to in an efficient manner by the police. A spirit of hopefulness in the future of Fernie is apparent everywhere, and despondency has no place on the part of anyone.

AID FOR FERNIE.

CALGARY, Aug. 4.—The Turf Club the fire brigade and horsemen have combined to get up a big race tomorrow, the entire receipts to be devoted to Fernie fire sufferers. The city of Calgary is giving $3,000 for relief of the Fernie sufferers.

Premier Rutherford and Hon. C. W. Cross met in Calgary yesterday and decided on a grant of $5,000 for the Fernie sufferers.

MICHEL THREATENED.

Michel, Aug. 3.—No damage has been done to Michel as yet by fire. The town is surrounded and seriously threatened from the west. If the wind remains favorable, there may be no loss, but if a strong west wind comes up it would be impossible to save the town and the coal company's plant..

A train of fifteen cars was made up last night and moved about 1200 women and children, together with hospital patients to Coleman and Frank. So far Hosmer has suffered very little from the fire.

(Monday's Dispatches.)

Owing to the crowded state of the wires on account of the great disaster at Fernie, it has been impossible to get but the most meagre particulars of the terrible calamity.

Sunday morning's despatches said:

Nelson, Aug. 1.—A special to the Daily News from Cranbrook, received at midnight, says:

At 4 p.m. today the bush fire at Fernie got beyond control and spread to the city of Fernie, and is an incredibly short time the whole city was a mass of flames, destroying the entire town, with the exception of 17 dwelling houses, and rendering five thousand persons homeless. The estimated loss is two and a half million dollars.

The Canadian Pacific loss amounts to approximately half a million dollars.

The fire is still raging in all directions from Fernie. A force of 200 men is fighting desperately

TO SAVE HOSMER,

but at this time it looks very doubtful. The "old town" inhabited by miners, is thought to be the part where the most mortality has occurred. It is very hard to make an estimate of the injured, but it will run well over a hundred. Five families back from the town are completely surrounded by walls of flame, and there is no means of rendering them assistance. At present the big Western Canada wholesale grocery store is burning.

Mr. Lindsey, president of the Crows Nest Pass Coal Co., together with Mayor Tuttle of Fernie, is doing everything possible for the suffering people. Mothers are

Looking for Lost Children

and relatives.

It is reported that the Great Northern bridge at Hosmer, B.C., is on fire, also 150 cars of coal and coke. The Elk lumber yards and saw mill are totally destroyed.

The first relief train left Cranbrook at 8 p.m., with doctors, nurses and supplies. A second relief train is leaving here at midnight. The injured and homeless people are being brought to Cranbrook, where arrangements are being made for their care. The Mayor of Nelson has also been requested for assistance.

The fire is now spreading to Coal Creek, a town of 1,500 inhabitants. The situation is very dangerous at present.

NELSON, Aug. 3.—A special from Fernie this morning announces definitely that Coal Creek, said yesterday to have been destroyed, along with other towns in the Pass, is not seriously damaged.

The total death list is said to be between 70 and 125, but details are lacking and it will be some time yet before anything definite can be ascertained. Nelson's representative sent to Cranbrook, has returned. He says organization there is most perfect, but that more help is needed as practically all the homeless ones are encamped there. Passengers for the east over the C.P.R. line left here as usual this morning and will go straight through, the line being clear.

Nelson, Aug. 3.—Parts of the towns of Hosmer and Michel were burned early this morning by renewed bush fires. No particulars will be available until wires are up which may be at noon, but it is known that many buildings in both places went up this morning. Michel especially is said to be completely doomed. No damage was sustained at Coal Creek just west of Fernie, which was mentioned yesterday as having been destroyed along with Fernie.

VANCOUVER, Aug. 3.—A dispatch from Nelson says:

"Rumor is persistent amongst the refugees that the fires started in three separate places at once and that it looked as if some one had lighted them intentionally.

"It is asserted that the Black-Hand prisoners were responsible for the conflagration, igniting the timber to create a diversion and liberate the prisoners. The story is doubted, but is persistent and is accepted by some prominent Fernie men."

CALGARY, Aug. 3.—At a special meeting of the city council held this afternoon, it was decided to dispatch provisions to Fernie sufferers at once. The aldermen were busy during the entire afternoon and had a train load of goods ready which left by special train tonight. The goods included fifteen tons of flour, half ton of oat meal, half ton of corn meal, ton of potatoes, 5,000 pounds of shoulder bacon, 100 tents, cooking utensils, 25 camp stoves.

Tomorrow morning they will express one thousand loaves of bread.

VANCOUVER, Aug. 3.—Best information from Nelson places the total list of casualties at about 20. The story of sixty being caught in a lumber camp is discredited at Nelson. Four men were killed while fighting fire at Sparwood. Other casualties were one woman who was dying, was carried out of her home and laid in the middle of the yard. She was burned.

One woman on the first train to cut bank (a train of box cars) died of fright when passing through the blazing timber.

One man was seen lying on his face on the side of the tracks, where the flames were playing all round him.

One woman had her leg broken in a box car.

One child was born near the cut bank in a box car.

No names are available. These are all the casualties of which there is any reasonable certainty.

Toronto, Aug. 1.—Max Magnus, the boy who was shot in a harness shop Wednesday by Walter Mullock, is at the point of death. Mullock and the victim say it was purely accidental.

Paris, Aug. 1.—The funeral of G. Winthrop Sands, stepson of Wm. K. Vanderbilt, who was killed in an auto accident at Boissy on Wednesday, was held in the American church this morning. The casket will be transferred to America later.

A RECORD SESSION — SOME PLAIN FIGURES.

Ottawa, July 25. — The session, which closed on Monday was the longest in the history of Canada. It was a record session in several other respects.

It authorized the largest supply bills known in Canadian history.

It voted more subsidies than any previous session.

It saw the longest and most damaging list of exposures ever recorded in one year, of Government mal-administration, of public graft and departmental incompetence; some made in the House of Commons, some in committees, and some by commissions.

It saw more effort by Government supporters to suppress inquiry and conceal the facts than had ever been known in parliament before.

It saw the greatest number of votes to excuse wrong doing and to reject propositions of reform than had ever been recorded in one Session.

It saw more Government surrenders and backings-down than any Ministry had made in the same length of time before.

It saw more energetic and effective opposition than has been known at Ottawa for many years.

A Record of Bad Votes.

The following record of motions voted down gives some indication of the nature of the session.

December 5th. Motion of Mr. Cock shutt that the conduct of public business has not been characterized by reasonable foresight, care and prudence. Rejected by a vote of 95 to 56.

December 10th. Motion of Mr. Armstrong for free rural mail delivery. Rejected, 103 to 54.

December 11th. Motion of Mr. Barker condemning the unbusiness-like arrangements and lack of public control in respect to the Quebec bridge. Rejected, 96 to 50.

January 18th. Motion of Mr. Ames for the production of original applications for four timber limits. Rejected, 86 to 51.

January 21st. Motion of Mr. Borden that the representatives of the people have the right to examine public documents connected with the business of the country, and that the denial justified the refusal of supplies. Accepted by Government and passed unanimously.

January 24th. Motion of Mr. Northrup, that subject to certain considerations, members of Parliament have a right to examine the ment have a right to examine the records of Government and the archives (language of the resolution quoted from statement of Laurier himself). Rejected, 95 to 50.

Motion of Mr. Cockshutt, against assisted immigration except of agricultural and domestic class, headed off by Government amendment.

January 28th. Motion by Mr. Borden, that Canada should not enter into any treaty depriving herself of the control of her own immigration. Rejected, 100 to 45.

February 6th. Motion of Mr Lake, for a committee to inquire into the disposal of timber leases. Rejected, 115 to 55.

February 13th. Motion of Mr. Blain, that the greatest possible freedom of investigation should be enjoyed by the Public Accounts Committee, and any action of the committee excluding evidence should be subject to the immediate appeal to the House. Rejected, 103 to 49.

March 10th. Motion by Dr. Reid, that tenders for timber limits should be kept secret till the time of opening, and then opened in public. Rejected, 95 to 50.

March 13th. Motion of Mr. Perley, condemning public expenditure on works for private advantage and not for public benefit. Rejected, 99 to 43.

March 30th. Motion by Mr. Foster, that supplies purchased by the Government be bought by public tender through a purchasing commission; amendment by Mr, Fielding, that purchases be by tender as far as practicable and under the direction of ministers. Amendment carried and motion lost by votes of 93 to 43, and 99 to 44. Amendment of Mr. Blain that the present system of purchasing from middlemen at excessive prices be discontinued. Rejected, 90 to 36.

April 24th. Motion of Mr. Monk, that the time has come to cease paying a bonus of so much per head for immigrants. Rejected 95 to 42.

April 30th. Motion by Mr. Borden, that the departmental inquiry by Judge Cassells is too narrow, and that in view of the Royal Commission report of extravagance, waste, inefficiency, and mal-administration, public interest demands the appointment of a commission with full powers to investigate all departments. Rejected, 99 to 48.

May 19th. Motion by Mr, Lake, regretting the improvident alienation of public domain and asking for investigation with the view of restoring to the people the lands and timber obtained by fraud and imposition. Rejected, 91 to 46.

May 22nd. Motion of Dr. Worthington, that the Ross rifle transactions were extravagant and improvident. Rejected, 55 to 18.

May 26th. Motion by Mr. Foster, that Civil Service appointments should be made on merit, after an examination by non-partisan commission. Rejected, 72 to 30.

May 29th. Motion by Mr. Lennox, in connection with Sir Fred. Borden and the St. John cold storage deal, that ministers should not be connected with companies receiving contracts and subsidies from the Government. Accepted by Sir Wilfrid.

July 8th. Motion by Mr. Lennox, that the committee appointed to inquire into charges of over-classification and over-payment on the Transcontinental Railway be instructed to resume and complete the investigation. Rejected, 98 to 53.

July 8th. By Mr. Lake. Amendment to the Lands Act, that action be taken with the view of setting aside a quantity of Western land to support higher education. Rejected, 65 to 39.

July 19th. By Mr. Foster, setting forth and condemning the reckless and imprudent financial policy of the Government. Rejected.

In addition there were over a dozen motions amending the elections act, by inserting more stringent provisions against fraud and corruption, against interference by Government officials, and giving greater publicity to election expenditure. These, with the amendment against Federal interference with Ontario lists, were all rejected by the Government majority.

LIBERALS OPEN THEIR CAMPAIGN.

Nanaimo, Aug. 3.—

The mass meeting held on the Green last Saturday afternoon, addressed by Ralph Smith, M.P., took place as advertised, and was attended by some two hundred people all told, in which were included a good following of Socialists, many Conservatives and enthusiastic Smith workers. J. H. Hawthornthwaite, M.L.A., and Parker Williams, M.L.A., were present as well as Mr. Jardine, M.L.A., who made a brief address, and Mr. McGowan, M. L.A., of Vancouver, who happened to be in the city.

Mr. Smith made a somewhat lengthy address, touching on three or four of the federal issues and making considerable reference to provincial matters. He seemed particularly bitter against Premier McBride and took several occasions to touch up the premier's record. The C.P.R. received some attention during the process and the G.T.P. was favorably commented upon, the speaker taking particular pains to explain why he voted against the amendment offered by the Conservative opposition to have Asiatic labor excluded in the building of th G.T.P. The whole development of the west was laid at the doors of the Liberal party. According to the speaker the entire growth, the crops, the whole industrial development of the northwest, was owing to the Liberal government. The British Columbia government was scored for allowing a Japanese company to operate on Queen Charlotte Islands, mining, selling provisions, etc. At the same time the speaker said the Japanese treaty which the were in the country. He admitted the Ottawa government had agreed to was to protect Japanese when they Dominion government had disallowed the Natal Act, but did not explain how the British Columbia government, under the circumstances, could refrain from giving Japanese who came into the country under the treaty, and were then to be treated as British subjects, the powers to operate. He also failed to point out that the Ottawa government gives Japanese fishing companies the power to operate, gives them licenses, etc.

Mr. Smith did not sav much on the numerous charges of scandal brought against the Ottawa government, saying that the cry of scandal was the weapon of incompetents. He wound up by exhorting his friends to take no chances, although he was sure of election, but to leave no stone unturned to roll up a big majority for him.

Mr. Jardine, M.L.A., who spoke for some ten minutes, became very much worked up over the condition of the working man, how he had to almost beg for a livelihood, was ground by the corporations, etc. His remarks drew loud applause from the Socialists present, who apparently did not fail to see the disadvantage they were to the previous speaker, who had been telling of the wonderful development and prosperity of the country under the wise administration of the Liberals.

One of the interesting incidents of the meeting was the challenge Mr. Smith made in his closing remarks to have a debate with Mr. Hawthornthwaite over their respective careers, a committee of five representing each to arrange the details of the debate. No sooner had he made the challenge than Mr. Hawthornthwaite arose and said that it was with great pleasure that he accepted it. When Mr. Smith sat down Mr. Hawthornthwaite arose with another challenge that Mr. Smith meet him also in a debate on Socialism. The Socialist leader went on to say something about Mr. Smith professing to be a labor man and then throwing it down. It looked as if proceedings would become interesting at this point as cries from Mr. Smith of "You're taking advantage, Hawthornthwaite," and a command from Chairman Booth that this was no time for a discussion, interrupted the Socialist leader. However, it passed without further incident, Mr. Smith saying he was not discussing Socialism but Federal issues, and that one thing at a time was enough.

Ald. Booth was chairman of the meeting. He said that there had been a great deal of censure on the Ottawa government and it was fitting that the member would now have an opportunity of defending his course..

The substance of Mr. Smith's speech in brief is as follows:

First he would give a brief outline, for the benefit of the strangers who have lately came to Nanaimo, of the difference between the governments of England and Canada, saying which, the speaker at some length gave some of the principles in which the two differed. There was no third power at Ottawa. His business, as a member of the house was to make a selection between the Conservatives and the Liberals. He couldn't remain silent. In his opinion the only way to remedy the evils of society was for any man to select the best machinery that existed, to support the party that would do the most for his opinions. He wanted to say frankly that in England he had never seen any sign that the Conservative party would do anything for the masses and in Canada he had come to the same conclusion. The Liberal party was different. Whatever bad was associated with it, it was the best party for reformation.

He looked on the policy of the development of Canada as the greatest issue in Canada and the most important part of this the development of the agricultural lands. The weakness of England and Ireland was the allotement of the land to a few people. In Canada no such thing could happen. The Liberal party has determined that the land shall belong to the people—that is in the Northwest. The same could not be said of British Columbia, because already the government of British Columbia had handed over 90 per cent. of the land to the corporations. The speaker then quoted figures on the development of the Northwest during the past few years, the growth of population, increased lands under cultivation, anticipated wheat crop of the present year, etc. There never was an agricultural country developed where immigration was not assisted. The Conservatives had given the C.P.R. 25,000,000 acres of land, to be exempt from taxation for twenty years from the time the company received patents for these lands. No patents were given until 1896, until the Conservative government were defeated.

Speaking of local conditions he attributed the slack times in Nanaimo to the Frisco disaster and a financial depression in the United States. Quoting an extract from the Free Press, in an interview had with Mr. Stockett, in which the latter said that more and more local trade was being developed through expansion of Canada; the speaker gave that as an evidence of the Liberal policy. He wanted a single instance of anything that Mr. McBride promoted that was responsible for the development of British Columbia. They could not find it, but instead increased taxes.

Speaking of reforms of the Liberal party, that party had not given a single acre of land to any railway corporation. The C.P.R. was the creation of the Conservative party That was seen at Victoria where McBride collects his campaign funds from the C.P.R. When competitive railways wanted to start in British Columbia against the C.P.R., the Tories voted against it. The Liberals brought the G.T.P. into existence. He did not say it was beyond reproach, but the comparison between the C.P.R. contract and the G.T.P. was odious, all on one side. The Liberals had established the railway commission, a great reform whereby the people secured control of the railways, government of rates, etc., a commission every citizen could appeal to for redress. He said the C.P.R. provided funds for the Conservatives. Perhaps the G.T.P. provided funds for the Liberals. As far as he knew he could not say. At any rate he never got anything. He had no doubt that both being faithful children of the two parties, they (the parties) would go out to seek ammunition from them.

Explaining why he had not voted for the amendment excluding Asiatics from working on the G.T.P., he said that the C.P.R. had been allowed to use Asiatics, and supposing the G.T.P. were excluded from using Asiatics, wouldn't the C.P.R. take them all. He read a letter from Vice-President Wainwright of the G. T.P., written in 1904 to him, in which he was assured that the company would employ no Orientals on the construction. McBride had been taking all the credit for the fact that the G.T.P. would employ no Asiatics in the British Columbia section, but this had been determined long ago. At McKenzie King's investigation in Vancouver, it was shown that the G.T.P. had refused to employ Orientals.

Postal reforms were then dealt with. The Liberals had secured the penny postage to England and had changed a big deficit into a surplus in the department. The Liberals had also organized a labor bureau.

Speaking of the Oriental question he said, Who brought the Orientals here?—The Tory party. Who assisted them?—The C.P.R. Who brought them here in 1907?—The C.P.R. and Mr. Dunsmuir. The Liberal party had increased the Chinese tax to $100, and then to $500. The Japs did not come in great numbers here until 1907. He refuted the statement that the Japanese treaty brought the Japs here. All the treaty did was to protect them when here, the same as any British subject. The treaty was made by the British government and we had to agree to it. He characterized Premier McBride's legislation against the Orientals as tom foolery, farcial, etc. At the time he was making a grand stand play over the Oriental question he was conferring favors on a Japanese company, allowing them all the privileges of operating the same as a white company.

Touching on the scandal talk of the Ottawa government, Mr. Smith said it was impossible to discuss scandal. Scandal was easy for the man without brains. You never find an intelligent man a scandal monger. Scandal was left to incompetents that can't do anything else. He thought there was some truth in the scandals. There were things in the administration re the purchase and patronage that he had condemned himself. However corrupt the members of parliament were, they were no more corrupt than the public sentiment that sent them there. He believed there was corruption, but not 10 per cent. of what had been credited to the Liberal party.

PANIC IN ADRIANOPLE.

London, Aug. 3.—The Times correspondent at Sofia, Bulgaria, reports a panic at Adrianople, the most populous town in European Turkey, after Constantinople, owing to the mutiny of soldiers.

WM. BEVILOVKWAY DIES SUDDENLY SATURDAY.

Was in Cafe With Wife When He Suddenly Collapsed—Died Within a Few Minutes.

The death occurred very suddenly in Vancouver Saturday of Mr. Wm. Bevilockway, son of Mr. Geo. Bevilockway, of this city. The deceased was well known and popular in this city, where he had resided for the greater portion of his life time. He moved to Vancouver to live about two years ago. He was taken ill some months ago and spent a long term in the Nanaimo hospital. He left the hospital feeling much better and in fact on Saturday noon, the day of his death, had written a letter to his folks here saying he was feeling well and that afternoon was going out to look up some new quarters to move into. That night at 11 o'clock he suddenly expired from heart trouble brought on by his long sickness.

The body will arrive on the Str. Joan this evening and the funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from the residence of Mr. George Bevilockway on the Newcastle Townsite, proceeding to St. Paul's church, where the Rev. Silva White will conduct funeral services, and from thence to the Nanaimo cemetery. Funeral at 2.30.

The deceased was in his 33rd year. He was born in Wellington. He leaves to mourn his loss a young widow, who will have the sympathy of the entire community.

The funeral will be under the auspices of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of which deceased was a member. He was also a member of the Woodmen of the World.

A private message received by the Free Press this afternoon from Vancouver stated that Mr. Bevilockway was seated at dinner with his wife and friends at the Rainer cafe when he suddenly collapsed. He was carried up stairs and died in a few minutes of heart failure.

The cigarmakers' union will vote on an amendment to the general constitution, providing that a member of the international union for 25 years may draw upon the local union to which he belongs for $300, which amount is to be deducted from his death benefits.

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Olympic Reflections.

It would seem that the Olympic sports in London have really provided more controversy and bickering than athletic excitement. True there were some splendid contests and the degeneracy and deterioration of the Briton in things sporting were not so much in evidence as the croakers would have had us expect. Unfortunately some of the events gave rise to some bitter dispute and now some of the saner English journals are questioning the advisability os such international Olympiads.

The trouble began with our friends from over the line. That in itself is the American temperament to get not surprising. It is the essence of there any old way. It comes out in all their games and sports. It is not that they openly and flagrantly resort to unsportsmanlike methods, or cast the rules governing the game to the winds. But they take a different view-point of sport. They will strain all rules and conditions to the breaking point, make use of any device which is not expressly prohibited, and generally play for victory at all costs. Take their rugby game, or even baseball. Of course, I am an Englishman, and therefore perhaps, not in a position to give an unbiased opinion; but it does seem to me that the whole atmosphere of the game, the spirit in which it is fought out, and the dodges and practices which are generally recognized as legitimate, are all in themselves the very antithesis of what the term "good sport" denotes and expresses. Take the wrestling game, also. No game, not even boxing, pits man against man on such equal terms. It is all a question of skill, grit and endurance, or rather it ought to be. What it has become in the hands of its American exponents, let ringsiders tell. Only there is this to be said, that, from the point and view of clean upright sport one of the finest games of the world has been turned into a cross between a mill and a shambles.

As I said it is all indicative of the American temperament, not that I want to be accused of displaying a Pharaseic spirit by any of my American friends in town. This much, at least, must be conceded that this same characteristic spirit has spoiled the great Olympic meeting and left an aftermath of embittered feelings which it may take years to remove. It all began with the Tug-of-War. Seeing that the Americans are such sticklers for the letter, rather than the spirit of the rules, it is astonishing that they should have first raised such an outcry and then childishly withdrawn their teams. The police at home wear heavy boots, shod at the heels with iron plates. It was these "heel plates" that the Americans kicked at, yet there was nothing in the rules prohibiting them. One has only to ask of himself what the Americans would have done under similar circumstances to place the whole incident in its proper light.

Next came the 400 metre race, which was declared void. The reason it was declared void was that Carpenter had bored into the English crack Halswell. After the judgment, the American runners are again withdrawn. Without a doubt this is the ugliest incidents of the whole meeting. Of course Americans deny that Carpenter ever took Halswell's ground; but there is the unanimous decision of the English judges and officials of the course. At such a meeting and in such company such action on the part of a competitor should have been as promptly denounced by his team mates as by the officials and judges. Instead of that we are told that Halswell was never interfered with and that he was run off his feet.

The whole incident suggests a reflection. One would imagine from the vapourings of some of our friends that amateur sport is always clean and gentlemanly. It is the professionals who introduce questionable tactics, underhand methods and mean dodges, and who make strict and explicit regulations of any game a necessity. This is all nonsense. A good professional has first of all to been a good amateur, and I have never seen anything in the shady line done by a professional that I have not seen equalled by the amateur. And it holds good in any branch of sport. Carpenter was a University man, and I have known other 'Varsity sports very like him. The truth is that, while we must all admit that this kind of thing cannot be too severely frowned upon, if it is perpetrated by a member of our own side, openly, at least, we will deny it or seek excuses. The result inevitably works injury to the best interests of sport.

The effects of these incidents on the crowds at the Olympic stadium was to generate a feeling of hostility towards the American athletes. The two countries have rarely clashed on the athletic field without a dispute or difference of some kind and this comes as a fitting climax to all that has gone before. Without a doubt it has left the bitterest feelings behind it, and even a cold douche to the really admirable idea of these Olympic gatherings, and it is questionable whether or not any more will be held.

Again the result of the contests is another cause of quarrel. By one system of counting the Americans have an overwhelming lead. Needless to say that it is the system adopted by the Americans, the only one they will ever use. Counting only first, however, the Americans are rather out of it, and this is the system favored by the English sporting writers. The Olympic officials very wisely refrained from giving a decision at all, so that this time there was no trophy for the conquering nation.

So far as I could make out there were certain events which the Americans refused to count at all. They were not field games. Also they were not games that the Americans played much. However, the discus games and hammer throwing which have no vogue in England it was only proper to count and so the childish clamoring for points went on. On the whole honors were pretty evenly divided as they ought to be if there is to be any interest in international contests. The 100 metre sprint, furlong, and quarter mile races, which have always been counted American events, were taken by the United Kingdom and Colonies; but the Americans retrieved these losses by her gains in the longer distances.

This feature of the gathering was satisfactory enough. It was in the spirit displayed by the American athletes and the feelings generated by their action that all the questions has arisen. Scores of side issues have since arisen, in which of course, the now familiar question of whether or not too much time and attention is not given to athleticism has anematedly discussed. The specialist and specialism has also been in evidence; the man, that is, who wants to know why the man who can win a hundred yards dash cannot win the mile or the four mile, or the Marathon; why the man who can make a break of a hundred at billiards cannot compile a hundred at cricket. The all-round athlete nowadays, is like the handy man, Jack of all trades and master of none.

The Olympic meeting was more than a great international contest. It was a gathering of national stars in every branch of sport. The crowd in the stadium saw in competition the athletic heroes of the world, and this in itself is a sufficient justification for the Olympic gathering. It is to be hoped that there will be others. The Americans were, it seems the only nation with a kick and may be the very mistakes of this year will help the next Olympiad. Let us all hope so at least.

KETCHELL STILL VICTORIOUS.

The Ketchell-Kelly fight at San Francisco last Friday seems to have been something of a surprise. Both men are masters of ring craft, and skilled boxers. Yet they appear to have rushed in on each other and slugged away as though there was nothing at stake and they were engaged in a bar-room scrap. Ketchell was dropped to his knees first bang, and in that and the second round was called on to play the better part of him that receives. Then he changed round and in a flash Kelly was down and out, and Stanley had once more established his claim to the championship.

TO SAVE WOMAN FROM DEATH CHAIR.

AUBURN, N.Y., Aug. 1.—Mrs. Mary Farmer, the condemned murderess of Mrs. Sarah Brennan, of Brownsville, is under sentence to die in the electric chair at the state prison here next week, but steps taken by her counsel looking to another trial will serve to prevent the sentence being carried out at the present time. The prevailing impression is that the sentence ultimately will be commuted to one of life imprisonment. The woman herself has displayed little emotion ever since her conviction and appears to be indifferent to her fate.

Mrs. Farmer's crime was one of the most fiendish in the criminal annals of New York. Her victim who was 55 years old, was her neighbor and intimate friend, and her motive was to gain possession of the Brennan home, deeds of which Mrs. Farmer had forged. Mrs. Brennan was hacked to pieces and her body stuffed in a trunk. Mrs. Farmer's husband is also under indictment on a charge of murder in the first degree as accessory to the crime.

38 YEARS BEHIND PRISON WALLS.

BOSTON, Aug. 3.—Possibly the only man in the world without a friend outside prison walls is Wm. E. Hill, a civil war veteran, who today entered upon his 39th year as an inmate of the state prison in Charlestown. Hill is serving a life sentence for the murder of William Jacobs, near Stroughton Centre, in 1870. His friends deserted him from the first, and his wife, who aided him in the commission of the crime and then turned states evidence, at the trial, long since disappeared. Hill was first sentenced to be hanged, but this sentence was later commuted to life imprisonment. He entered prison Aug. 3, 1870. Since then he has been outside prison walls only twice—once when the prison was transferred to Concord, and again a few years later, when it was transferred back to Charlestown. Although he has spent the best years of his life behind the bars and is now an old man, he has never lost hope of some day being pardoned.

CALIFORNIA FLOODS.

Azuka, Cal., Aug. 1.—Several feet of water is sweeping down the big fork of the San Gabriel, carrying trees and driftwood with it, as the result of a cloud burst in San Gabriel canyon. A rescue party has been formed and will start for the mouth of the canyon to offer assistance if it is needed.

SCRANTON, Pa., Aug. 1.—An explosion of gas occurred in the Bellevue colliery of the Delaware & Lackawanna Coal Company, and it is reported that twenty men were killed. Rescuing parties carrying 20 stretchers have gone into the mine.

Ottawa, Aug. 1.—The sale of the special Quebec tercentenary postage stamps has reached a total of 29,000,000 and the post office revenue has been $589,000.

AUGUST TWILIGHT.

Now restful night bends to caress her
earth-loves everywhere,
A big moon rises in the east to
sail the sky-sea broad;
And drowsy earth breathes sleepily
an old-fashioned prayer,
As Day finds anchorage behind the
Harbor lights of God.

—Canadian Magazine.

SMUGGLING ASIATICS INTO THE UNITED STATES.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 31.—Startling revelations which may involve immigration officials at Pacific coast points and along the Mexican border are expected from an investigation now being carried on by the Federal government of the illegal entry of Chinese and Japanese coolies into this country.

Prof. Bernardo Sanford of Sanford Univeraity, is one of the men appointed by the president to investigate the immigration condition. He said yesterday that so far no information of importance had been obtained, but it is reported that a ring of coolie smugglers had been discovered which includes some big merchants of Chinatown, and that this organization had been carrying on a regular business of raising funds to aid in the smuggling operations.

CALGARY BOUND TO GET BOBS.

CALGARY, July 31.—People of Calgary are not inclined to accept a telegram from Lord Roberts declining to stop over in Calgary, as a final answer. The Hospital Board tonight passed an enthusiastic resolution requesting that Gen. Roberts lay the corner stone of the big general hospital which is under construction. It is probable he will also be asked to lay the corner stone of the new city hall, also under construction.

LEANDER VICTORIOUS.

Henley, July 31.—The Leander crew beat the Belgians in the eight oared race held here today in connection with the international Olympic regatta.

PYTHIANS INVADE BOSTON TODAY.

Boston, Aug. 1.—Boston has capitulated (o an invading force of 10,000 uniformed Knights of Pythias, who have gathered here for the 25th biennial national encampment of the order. Arrangements for the entertainment of the thousands of visitors have been in progress for some months past, and today the finishing touches were given to the program. The entire business district of the city is gally decorated with the national colors and the emblems of the order. The decorations of some of the big business houses on Washington, Tremont and Boylston streets are especially elaborate and elicited much praise from the arrivals today.

The visiting Knights will be quartered in 2,000 tents which have been erected on Franklin Field. The camp has been named after one of the great departed Pythian leaders, Jos. H. Lyon. The "tented city" covers seventy-seven acres of the big public playground, with the usual square in the centre and a main street down the middle. For convention meetings, a main tent has been erected, and, in addition, dining tents, with running water in each. There also will be large reception and hospital tents, with a corps of physicians and nurses constantly in atteodance.

Two great parades will be the spectacular features of the week. One will be held Tuesday, when 10,000 uniformed men will be in line in the Uniform Rank parade. On the following day will take place the parade of the subordinate lodges, with 18,000 members of the order marching.

Following the second parade the drill competition in camp will begin and continue morning and afternoon Thursday and Friday. On Wednesday evening there will be a reception by the Supreme Lodge to all members of the order in Mechanics' Hall. The programme of the encampment will continue until Tuesday, Aug. 11, when it will be closed with a banquet to the supreme Lodge members and their ladies at the hotel Somerset.

WINNIPEG, July 31.—H. Rosenthal, aged 13 years, was drowned in the river at St. James ferry, last evening. While driving with sisters and brothers the horse took fright, going down the steep hill to the ferry and plunged into the river. The whole party were thrown into the water. All were saved but Hyman, who did not come to the surface. The horse was also drowned.

Orillia, Ont., July 31.—Leo. Coney 15 years old, was drowned while bathing here.

SCRANTON, Pa., Aug. 1.— After an executive session that continued until this afternoon the grievance board of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railway switchmen issued an appeal to United States commissioner of labor C. P. Neill, and Chairman Martin Knapp, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, under the provision of the Erdman law asking for the intervention of President Roosevelt in the controversy between the switchmen and the Lackawanna company. This is the switchmen's last resort to effect peace. Members of the grievance board say that if this appeal fails a strike order will be ordered.

The convention of the International Typographical Union will meet in Boston, Mass., on Aug. 10.

THE MODIFIED FORM OF THE SHEATH GOWN.

NEW YORK, July 31.—The gowns of the modified Directoire order are still the talk of New York and Paris. Such a fashion in extreme developments will never find favor with the conservative minded, but when modified and toned down it is sure to be an accepted fashion for a time at least. However, it is not a suitable gown to be worn on the street, although many women here in New York have been bold enough to wear a slashed Directoire on the prominent streets. It is a gown, that when perfectly carried out and worn by a tall, graceful woman, does not present a disgraceful appearance, but on the other hand, it can easily be made conspicuous and vulgar. Some of the materials employed are the most transparent fabrics made and under them are worn pink fleshings. Most women are loath to give up their fluffy lingerie for a pair of long silk hose and a short, tight fitting linen cambric chemise, which is all the underwear that some of the Paris beauties are wearing. The skirts to these models are swathed about the figure in long, clinging lines with a long, pointed train which is laid around the feet in unbroken lines. The hips are in no way visible and are sometimes fitted by upturned plaits, which extend downward several inches. No lining whatever is permissible around the foot of the skirts for they must curve in rather than stand out, to carry out the slenderness of the silhouette, It is not probable that even society women will adopt these ultra styles, but for the stage where exaggerations prevail, they are just the thing. These styles are merely reproductions of the robes of ancient Greece and Rome, but they are greatly modified and cannot begin to compare with the diaphanous gowns with which the beauties of that age adorned themselves.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE

VIENNA, July 31.—A series of terrific thunder and rain storms have caused destruction and heavy loss in the Austrian tyrol. The Bukowina district and the Ziller valley suffered especially. The loss of life has been heavy. Corpses are floating down the swollen streams and houses and structures have been washed away. The death roll in the Bukowina is said to be 50, while in the Ziller valley 20 persons have lost their lives. The village of Mehrn, near Brixlegf has been overwhelmed by a landslide and sixteen persons are reported killed.

JOHNSON CLAIMS CHAMPION-6 SHIP BELT.

Will Fight Mike Screck in London for Championship and a Purse of Five Thousand Dollars.

CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—A despatch to the Tribune from Cincinnati says: Mike Schreck of this city, and Jack Johnston, the colored heavyweight pugilist, have been matched to box 20 rounds at the National Sporting Club in London on Oct. 19. Frank Kelly, who is now managing Mike Schreck, received word yesterday from the club.

Schreck and Johnston will fight for the world's heavyweight championship. Johnston now claims the title, Tommy Burns having refused to meet him, under reasonable conditions. They will receive a purse of $5,000 and all expenses.

FEELING TURNING AGAINST SULTAN.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 1.—The situation at Adrianople, the headquarters of the second army corps, is giving rise to much concern. The strong feeling against the Sultan in Adrialople has been evidenced by the tearing down of placards bearing the words "Long Live the Sultan," while at a meeting held in the public gardens yesterday a protest was raised against cheers being given for the Sultan.

MAY CANCEL "BOBS' TRIP.

MONTREAL, July 31.—Field Marshall Lord Roberts is indisposed today owing to the intense heat, the mercury hovering around 90 degrees. He did not attend the board of trade reception at noon in consequence, but hopes to attend a garden party at the residence of his host Mr. Meighan, late this afternoon. There is a possibility of his lordship cancelling his western trip.

CRAZED BY HEAT.

Kingston, Ont., Aug. 1.—John Nicholson, 77 years old, was found hanging to a tree at the rear of his home at Sunbury, ten miles from here, yesterday afternoon. He had been working that morning, and when his son left him in the afternoon was in good spirits. It is thought the hot weather, added to other troubles, caused him to commit suicide.

London, Aug. 1.—A limited number of members of the House of Commons and the House of Lords met this morning to pass the appropriation bill and receive the royal assent to the acts passed since the opening of the present session in January. The most important of these measures are the Old Age Pension Bill and the Irish University Bill. At the conclusion of these formalities parliament adjourned until Oct. 12.

LYNCHING OF FOUR NEGROES.

Russellville, Ky., Aug. 1.—Four negroes, Virgil, Tom and Robert Jones, and Joe Riley, were taken from jail here early today and hanged to a tree on the edge of the town.

Russellville, Aug. 1.—No shots were fired by the mob, which was composed of about 50 men, and the people of the town knew nothing of the affair until daylight revealed the four bodies dangling from a tree just outside Russellville.

The following note was found pinned on one of the bodies:

"Let this be a warning to you niggers to let white people alone, or you will go the same way. Rogers had better shut up or quit."

The negro men who were lynched were members of a lodge, and at a meeting recently, it is said, they approved of the killing of a white farmer named James Rodgers by a negro tennant. This murder occurred in the southern part of Logan county, and it is supposed here that the mob was made up of men from that part of the country.

The negroes had been in jail several days and while there had been considerable unrest since the attempt on the part of a mob to take Broader, the slayer of Cunningham, from the jail some nights ago, no real trouble was anticipated and there was no guard around the prison. The effort to get Broader failed because he was spirited out of jail by the sheriff and sent to Bowling Green, and later to Louisville, where he is now confined awaiting a trial.

The mob came into town so quietly that none of the residents were aroused from slumber. They called Jailer Butts to the door of the jail and ordered him to turn over his keys or be shot down. The mob took the four negroes to a tree on the outskirts of the city where the negroes were strung up in a row. The mob dispersed as soon as it had finished its work, and there is no clue to the members of the band.

DIED FROM INJURIES.

Kenora, Ont., July 31.—Mrs. Ackerman died in the hospital here this morning and the condition of Mrs. Humphrey is still very serious. Mrs. Ackerman and Mrs. Humphrey were attacked with a hammer by a boarder at their house a few days ago, and sustained fatal injuries.

"BOBS" PLANS UNCERTAIN.

Montreal, Aug. 1.—Lord Roberts' plans are still uncertain. He was to have gone to Ottawa this morning, but postponed the trip until tomorrow. He will go direct to Government House and then it will be decided whether he will go even as far west as Toronto.

LEG PULLED OFF.

St. Catharines, Ont., Aug. 1.—G. Miller, a Smithville young man, was killed last night while working a separator on a farm belonging to Jacob Miller. He was on top of the machine and accidentally stepped into the feeders. His leg was pulled off at the hip.

RALEIGH, N.C., Aug. 1.— Two children drowned, traffic tied up on railroads and most of the navigable rivers, crops damaged and in large areas of low lands entirely destroyed, is a partial record of the effects in eastern North Carolina of a storm that raged on the Atlantic coast Thursday and yesterday, moving inland, accompanied by heavy rains.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT CHILLIWACK.

VANCOUVER, Aug. 1.—Two farming accidents, one of which was fatal occurred yesterday afternoon at Chilliwack. Fred Lazenby was hauling hay when he fell off the top of his load and was immediately crushed to death by the heavy wheels passing over his body. William McKenzie likewise fell from the top of a standing still and a broken collar-load of hay, but his wagon was bone and arm were his injuries.

FEAR OF OPERATION KILLED A CHINAMAN.

TORONTO, Aug. 1.—Fear of operation for appendicitis caused the death of Wong Yon, a young Chinaman, yesterday. He was brought to the hospital yesterday, and although the case was not serious, the doctors decided to operate. When he was informed of their intention he was much terrified. Everything was done to quiet him but he expired in a few hours.

COMMITTED SUICIDE WITH PEN KNIFE.

BURLINGTON, Ia., Aug. 1.— The search for Dan Lamasney, of the well known Kansas City racing horse firm of Lamasney Bros., who had disappeared while visiting his wife's brother here, developed the fact last night that he had committed suicide. Lamasney's body was found in a secluded hollow, the abdomen ripped open with a pen knife which was still clutched in the dead man's fingers. It is believed that Lamasney was made delirious by the heat. His watch and money were intact.

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TERRIFIC HEAT.

Helena, Mont., Aug. 1.— Weather Director Young last night stated that Miles City had a temperature of 108 yesterday. This is the highest recorded in the country. There was one death and one prostration at Butte.

KILLED AT KENORA.

Kenora, Ont., July 31.—Geo. Betten was seriously crushed while jacking up a car at Eagle, and died this morning. Deceased leaves a wife and several children unprovided for. He only lately arrived from England.

Wilemstad, Curacao, Aug. 1.—The news that President Castro has withdrawn the exaquators of all the Dutch consuls and vice-consuls in Venezuela until the Netherlands government apologizes for the alleged insults to Venezuela, was received in Curaco by the Str. Daogfred. The government is in telegraphic communication with several steamship lines in an effort to get a vessel to come to Curaco and take M. De Reuse, the former minister of the Netherlands to Venezuela, who was expelled by President Castro, to a point where he can connect with a steamer for Holland.

FIGHTING RENEWED AT UNHAPPY CAPITAL.

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Telegraphing from Tabriz, Persia, the correspondent of the Times says:

Hoitilities were renewed yesterday, and today there was shelling again, a considerable number of shells entering the Christian and European sections of the city. Both the royalists and anti-royalists need money and are making forced levees to obtain funds. The business situation is pitiful. The Turks are still advancing in the Urumiah district and the re-occupation of Suibalak may at any moment begin.

DROWNING ACCIDENT AT HORNBY ISLAND.

UNION BAY, Aug. 3.—Indian Tom of the reservation at Comox, who has been missing for the last two weeks, was found drowned at Hornby Island this morning. The body has the appearance of having been in the water for some time. Friends of the Indian think that he was fishing round Yellow Rock when he fell into the water. The coroner will hold an inquest tomorrow.

By winning the game in Spokane, the Beavers reached first place. The following was the score:

Vancouver	10
Spokane	5

Percentages—

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Vancouver	51	37	.580
Spokane	49	37	.570

Bellingham, Aug. 1.—Two armed pirates rowed to a fish trap of the Alaska Packers' Association, just south of Point Roberts, yesterday, disarmed the watchman, bound and gagged him, leaving him at the trap and made off with 5,000 salmon, worth $2,000. Besides the fish they stole, the pirates left the trap open and allowed 25,000 more fish to escape.

NEW THING FOR ATHLETES.

London, Aug. 3.—Athletic circles are much interested in a published record of each experiment in the inhalation of oxygen by runners and sprinters, which show that they were enabled to hold their breath for a much longer period and to make faster time without the symptoms of distress usually present after racing.

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LOCAL NEWS

Two sailors from the Hornellen were charged on Monday with molesting a lady resident of the city on Sunday evening between the Extension hotel and the bunkers. The case was heard in court and the two sailors who were defended by Mr. Harrison, were each fined $5 and costs.

There is nothing like it in the smoking line. The Grand Duke is a smoking hot success. It is on sale all over town. Try it and be convinced. X

Young M. Simpson, who was severely hurt in the mine a couple of weeks ago is making fine progress in Chemainus Hospital.

The best Smoke in town is the Grand Duke Cigar. Remember, it is made in town and don't forget to call for it. X.

Quite a number of the members of the Laurel Rebekah Lodge paid a fraternal visit to Nanaimo last evening. Assisted by some of the sisters from Duncan they put on some degree work and at the conclusion of the session were heartily entertained by the Nanaimo ladies.

The committee having in charge the arrangements for the Football Club smoker on Monday are making good progress. The hall has been secured and a rattling good musical and athletic programme is assured.

The Grand Duke Cigar is on sale in Victoria at Westerndale's Railway Cigar Store, opposite the E. & N. Station, and also at the James' Bay Cigar Store, opposite the C. P. R. Hotel. Don't forget this when in Victoria. X

The Tyee Gun Club held a full day's shooting at the traps on Sunday afternoon. During the afternoon the competition for the Noot Cup was shot off another round, the scores being as follows:

G. Hepple	23
H. Wright	20
M. McKinley	20
R. B. Dier	18
Wm. Keserich	18

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The annual Sunday School picnic of the Methodist Church will be held on the Shell Beach and the Green on Saturday. A launch will run from the Dominion government wharf continuously from 8 o'clock a.m. up to 10:30 a.m., and there will be one or two trips made after 12 noon. The fare for the round trip will be adults 25 cents, children not members of the Sunday School, 10 cents. Ice cream will be on sale and, provided the weather is good there will be a good time for all who choose to attend.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ladysmith Football Club was held in the Standard office last night. The committee on by-laws presented their draft which was adopted as a whole. The by-laws will be printed in folder form and used as membership cards. It was also decided to open the season with a match between two picked elevens on Sunday afternoon, August 16th. Messrs. G. Hepple, H. Fulton, T. Strang, R. Barclay and A. Walker, were appointed a committee to organize and control the City League.

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Subscription List Will be Opened for Pay Day.

The editorial note on the Fernie fire in which the need for instant measures of relief was strongly emphasized, was written on the strength of the first despatches to hand of the disaster. Since that time the full tale of the appalling calamity has reached us, and everywhere movements for the relief of the suffering and homeless victims have been and still are being organized.

So far no action has been taken in Ladysmith. This is not because the town generally is not ready to render all the assistance in its power. Mayor Nicholson was for getting out a subscription list right away, but on conferring with some prominent citizens, was advised to defer it until pay day.

There is, of course, no doubt that more money will be obtained in this way, if only the sufferers are provided against the first pinch. That the appeal will be instantly and generously responded to goes without saying. The fate of Fernie might be the fate of Ladysmith any hour and the common bond of feeling and circumstance will assuredly secure a lavish measure of assistance.

OPEN FOR MEMBERSHIP

Secretary of Football Club Asks for Names of all Intending Members.

The business of the organization of football club has now almost been completed. The club is open to anyone who may care to become a member. A new departure has been made this year in the conditions and fees of membership.

Last year active members paid (or were supposed to pay) a dollar entrance fee and 50 cents a month. Honorary membership cards were issued at a dollar, and these cards entitled the holders to all the city league games.

This year there are to be no honorary membership cards. The Fee for membership has been placed at $2.00, which must be paid in advance. This subscription covers all the privileges of the club. It makes a man active member of the club and entitles him to admission to all city league games. It does not, however, exempt a member from paying to see either an Island or Pacific Coast League. This should be clearly understood.

The club is now open and the secretary or manager will receive the names of anyone wishing to join. The subscription must, however, be paid by the first Wednesday after pay day, or admission to field or practice will be refused. Intending members are requested to give their names right away.

DOG AND CIGAR STORY.

There has never been any doubt about the quality of the Grand Duke cigar. It only needed one trial to make it a favorite smoke and its maker, Mr. P. K. Winch has never been able to cope with the local demand so rapidly and generally did the cigar establish itself in the popular favor. The cigar received the hall mark of approval the other day and, as a consequence, Mr. Winch can only hold on to the tale of his orders. It is the story of a dog, only unlike all other canine legends, this one is true and verifiable.

A big Grand Duke hung in the window of Johnson's billiard parlors, protected on the inside by a curtain and a wire netting. Between the window and the netting there was only a bare six inches of space. That is the stage setting. Enter the dog. His canineship was locked in by mistake when the place was locked up. What he said when he found this out is not known. It might not be printable, anyhow. What he did is easily told.

The flavor of that big cigar must have taken him from the start. He tore down the curtain, but there remained the netting. It was a sticker all right, but not as strong as the subtle, penetrating scent of that cigar. Doggie went down between netting and window. He didn't smoke the cigar. He hadn't a match in his pocket. He simply chewed it up. It was delicious. None of the usual stuffing in this dope, he thought, and he gnawed up as if it had passed underneath a cutter. And big as the cigar was, doggie suffered no ill effects, and his master, a tailor man, says that since then he daren't leave a Grand Duke in the house.

ZEPPELIN'S GREAT SHIP ON ANOTHER JAUNT.

KINSTAZ, Germany, Aug. 4.—The weather was excellent this morning, when, at 6.30 o'clock Count Zeppelin's great airship emerged from the swimming dock at Frederichaven. The airship emerged from the dock and immediately ascended about 100 feet above the water of the lake, and after describing one magnificent circle over the lake, proceeded in a bee line for this city arriving here at 6.55 o'clock. The airship continued on its way and within one hour had covered 45 kilometers, and was over Schaffhausen. From that point it continued along the Rhine to Basel.

Count Zeppelin's plan is to continue to Mayence along the Rhine, and from there return to Metz, cross over to Stuttgart and return, if the weather continues favorable to Frederichshaven at about seven o'clock tomorrow morning.

The day and the hour when the ascent was to be made were kept secret until late last night, and not even the imperial commission appointed to accompany Count Zeppelin on the voyage were present. The only official taking part in the flight is Major Gradfritz, who represents the government.

Basel, Aug. 4.—Count Zeppelin's airship passed over this city this morning. A message on a card dropped from the airship reads, "In the heights over Basel. All well. Course now lies towards Strassburg. (Signed) Zeppelin."

Muelhausen, Ger., Aug. 4.— Count Zeppelin's airship passed over this city at 10.15 this morning and is going down the Rhine in the direction of Mayence.

Strassburg, Aug. 4.— Count Zeppelin's airship was sighted from Strassburg at fourteen minutes past one. He appeared to be going at the rate of 41 miles an hour. He circled the great church tower moving slowly at an elevation a little above its highest point. The airship then headed its course straight down the Rhine. A card fluttered down before the ship got away; upon it was written, "Out of the heights above Strassburg. We are having a splendid excursion. We are laying our course to Mannheim. Signed) Zeppelin."

Mannheim, Aug. 4.—The Zeppelin airship passed over this city at 20 minutes before three this afternoon. The entire population came out into the streets and cheered. A card was dropped down reading: "We are driving smoothly in the direction of Worms. (Signed) Zeppelin."

Mayence, Aug. 4.—Count Zeppelin's airship was sighted from here at half past three this afternoon. The distance from Friederichshaven to Mayence is 261 miles. Having left the former place at half past six this morning, he has averaged 29 miles an hour including manoeuvres and stops.

GREAT FIRE RAGING IN WASHINGTON STATE.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 4.— A careless traveller who threw a lighted match into the underbrush, started a forest fire 12 miles from Hoquaim, on the Hump Tullips road yesterday morning, which, getting beyond control, has already swept over 10,000 acres of slashings on which were piled 15,000,000 feet of cut lumber, and now threatens to destroy the logging camp of the Polson Logging Company, Shaw & Nelson's, and the Stocksett Logging Company. Fourteen thousand acres of green timber directly in the path of the flames and there is no hope of saving any of it, unless the wind, which is now blowing a gale, dies down.

One thousand men are fighting the fire, but at this time they seem unable to check its progress. The property loss will exceed $250,000.

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PERSONALS

Miss May Barth, of Seattle, is visiting Miss Geraldine Hirst.

Mr. G. E. W. Olmstead, of Spokane, was in town over the week-end.

Mr. J. M. Morgan, went down to Victoria on Monday morning.

Mr. J. H. Hawthornthwaite was a passenger on the Victoria train on Monday morning.

Father Nicolye boarded the Victoria train Monday.

W. F. Reynolds of Nanaimo was in town yesterday morning.

Mrs. J. Donaldson and family went down to Duncans yesterday morning to spend a short holiday.

Mrs. W. Watson was a passenger on the Victoria train yesterday morning.

Mr. Paul Freer went through town yesterday morning.

Miss Crowe boarded the train yesterday morning.

Mr. P. Cain has returned from a two weeks' visit to Vancouver.

Mrs. D. Irving has gone to spend a week with relatives at Vancouver.

Mayor Planta, of Nanaimo, was in town this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Vere returned this morning from a short holiday.

Miss Julia Lewis got back this morning from a short holiday with friends in Nanaimo.

Mr. H. Kay and family boarded the Victoria train this morning.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—After a three day's chase after a supposed burglar, M. J. Kenny, a private detective, shot and killed Hugo Sherman early today as Sherman was entering the apartment Kenny guarded, Sherman was a tenant in the building, which is in Brooklyn, and had attacked Kenny with a knife on being discovered. The victim's fellow tenants had complained of numerous robberies recently and one of them engaged Kenny to watch his apartments.

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