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## MURDER IN THE YUKON.

### Robert Ball, a Prominent Miner, Kills His Former Partner After a Quarrel.

Seattle, Wn., Jan. 11.—Word was received here last night of the killing of William Dippe by Robert Ball on Fox Island, south eastern Alaska on January 2. The men were friends and associates in some marble properties close to the scene of the shooting, until a few months ago, when they had a business disagreement which resulted in a personal encounter in this city, in which Ball was worsted. Since then they have been bitter enemies and it is said each had made threats to kill the other. Ball was president of the Great American Marble Company, a concern capitalized at \$70,000,000 until last October. He claimed to be a graduate of the Michigan University College of Law and that he had practiced his profession in New York and in San Francisco. Dippe had been a miner and prospector for a number of years and was well known in Alaska.

## FREDERICTON NEWS.

### Assault Case in the Police Court--Hanson vs. Washington Before the County Court.

Fredericton, Jan. 11.—(Special)—Frederick Foster of Forest City was found guilty in the police court here this morning, of assaulting Ernest Blanchard, Col. Marsh will make the conviction on Friday.

District Engineer Dunn of the G. T. Pacific, has returned from a trip to Ottawa.

The case of A. E. Hanson vs. Edward Washington, is being tried at the county court. The action is brought to recover an amount due for rent of rooms used by the defendant as a restaurant at the Arctic rink last winter. The amount involved is \$60. A. J. Gregory for plaintiff, J. H. Barry for defendant.

## THE OBJECTION WAS SUSTAINED.

Charlottetown, Jan. 11.—(Special)—Mr. Justice Hodgson, today, gave judgment sustaining with costs, the preliminary objections to the election petitions filed against conservative members, McLean and Martin returned for Queens. There was an error in the heading of the petition which read against the return of one member instead of being against the return of two.

## ENGINE AND CAR LEFT THE RAILS.

Woodstock, Jan. 11.—(Special)—Locomotive 606 and a box car on the north bound freight, jumped the track at Benton, on the Woodstock branch, this morning, at nine o'clock, and blocked the main line. Passengers for Woodstock and Houlton and other points north are being transferred. A wrecking crew has arrived on the scene from McAdam and it is expected that the line will be clear late this afternoon.

## DAILEY COMPANY CLOSES.

There was no performance at the Opera House, this afternoon, nor will there be any to-night. The Dailey Stock Company playing an engagement there has suddenly cancelled owing to poor business.

## STEAMER HILLSDALE, CAPTAIN CHAMBERS, AND KILKEEL, CAPTAIN PATTES, PUT INTO DIGBY YESTERDAY FROM PARSEBORO FOR PORTLAND WITH COAL CARGOES.

The D. A. R. steamer Prince Albert, Captain Holmes which put into Digby Saturday from Kingsport for Yarmouth sailed yesterday.

## TRIED TO WRECK STATUE OF FREDERICK THE GREAT.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Somewhat of a sensation was caused in this city yesterday by the discovery of what appeared to be a definite and serious attempt to blow up or deface the statue of Frederick the Great, given to the United States by Emperor William of Germany and erected in the arsenal grounds near the army war college on the Potomac River water front in the Southern part of the city. It was believed at first that a crank had made a real effort at destruction of the statue but after a careful investigation the police officials say the material used was incapable of producing damaging results. All the evidence so far secured, the police announced tonight, tends to show that the attempted effort to injure the statue was puny and amateurish. It is regarded as an attempt to work up a sensation. The police are investigating but thus far have not discovered any clue as to the identity of the perpetrator of the affair, the man who placed the "bomb" near the statue disappearing before identification. A hole in the soft mud, eighteen shattered window panes in nearby buildings, sums up the damage done by the bomb, which had been placed on a high picket fence surrounding the statue. An analysis and examination of the bomb shows the substance used had not sufficient strength to wreck the fence. A negro hackman named Arthur Carter took the man thought to have perpetrated the affair from the Pennsylvania R. R. to the statue. The stranger ran up the short flight

## OSCAR WRIGHT IS ON TRIAL

### On the Charge of Manslaughter --Proceedings in the Court at Hampton Today--The Jury and Some of the Evidence.

Hampton, Jan. 11.—(Special)—The trial of Oscar Wright, who has been indicted for manslaughter by the grand jury in connection with the death of Wm. C. McKnight at Havlock corner, opened in the court house this morning and there was a large attendance of spectators, including witnesses.

After the usual preliminary steps were taken the jury was empanelled, a delay of only thirty-five minutes being incurred in this respect. The juryman, who will try Wright are as follows--Geo. Langstroth of Havlock, foreman; Jas. Strong, Sutton; Geo. Dryden, Sussex; Walter Kipparick, Upham; T. Murphy, Studholm; Abner Cripps, Sussex; Wm. Holman, Sussex; Geo. H. Barnes, Hampton; Ellsworth Belyea, Westfield; Jas. E. Woddall, Kingston; A. L. Pietman, Greenwich; John McManus, Hampton.

The prisoner shortly after the opening of the court was brought in and formally arraigned.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley, in reviewing the case, defined manslaughter and murder. He expressed his opinion that the grand jury had taken a very lenient view of the circumstances in bringing in a true bill for manslaughter. He quoted the criminal code to some extent, pointing out that it was left to the judge to discriminate as to whether he would be confined to jail for years or for a few months. The jury would be called upon to decide whether the case was justifiable homicide or not. Within the past seven months he (Pugsley) had been called upon to prosecute three trials in which human life had been taken. He defined at length the crime with which Wright was charged.

Dr. Price, was the first witness called. He stated that he was summoned to attend the late Wm. McKnight, the evening the affair happened. He described the blow that was inflicted and the remedy that was applied. He gave his opinion at the time that the man could not recover. He also told about different cuts on McKnight's fingers. A cut had been made on his finger that after-

## FOUNDERED AND TWENTY-TWO DROWNED.

Waterford, Ireland, Jan. 11.—The steamer Zeno arrived here today with the captain and 12 men of the American steam dredger Texas, which foundered in a storm off the Hebrides. The crew entered the small boats, but one containing the chief officer and 21 men sank and all the occupants were drowned. The survivors drifted about for several days before being picked up.

## BORDEN WILL GO TO OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Jan. 11.—(Special)—Senator DeBoucherville and Mr. Taylor, conservative whip, received telegrams from B. L. Borden, this forenoon, stating that he would leave Halifax this afternoon and would be in Ottawa to attend a caucus of the party. It is understood that a caucus will be called for Friday forenoon.

## ADAM DUCAS WAS FALSELY ACCUSED.

### He Was Sent To Prison For Another's Crime.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 11.—Adam Ducas has just been released from Lockport jail where he has been confined since last July under an indictment charging grand larceny in the second degree in abstracting money from envelopes of an express company by which he was employed. After his arrest the thefts continued, and further investigation led to the arrest of another man, who on being confronted by the evidence, is said to have confessed, also admitting taking the money which Ducas was accused of stealing. The officers of the company say they will right the wrong done Ducas by giving him a better position.

## WINTER PORT NOTES.

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## THE TIMES' NEW REPORTER.

Editorial note--The Times has engaged the services of a new reporter. He is a young man of great and varied talents, but a remarkably vivid imagination, as will be seen from the following items which he handed to the news editor this morning.

## BIG STRIKE SPREADING.

### Difficulty in German Coal Fields to be Taken Up by Reichstag.

Berlin, Jan. 11.—The conditions of labor in the Westphalian coal fields which have induced the growing strike, will be made the subject of an interpellation in the Reichstag this week. The social democrats are preparing to demonstrate that the status of the mine workers is most miserable, and that in spite of the wishes of the leaders of the unions, the strike is spreading, shift after shift unanimously ceasing work. There are 30,000 persons now out on strike and there is not the slightest hope of preventing the strike from becoming general. Thus far there have been no disturbances.

Cologne, Germany, Jan. 11.—The strike of coal miners has spread. Part or all of the diggers in 17 additional mines did not go to work this morning. The number idle is about 35,000 or one eighth of the total. Divisions exist among the miners, minorities disapproving of a strike and refusing to quit work, so that the proprietors of some of the striking mines continue to work on part time.

## TO REGULATE IMMIGRATION.

### Government Will Take Steps to Prevent Penniless Jews Coming to Canada.

Montreal, Jan. 11.—(Special)—As a result of the deputation of representatives of the steamship companies and the Baron De Hirsch Institute which yesterday waited upon the Dominion government it is likely that a regulation will be issued which will prevent steamship companies from issuing tickets to Russian Jews unless each adult is in possession of \$25, and each child of \$5, in addition to their passenger tickets. This regulation will likely go into effect from January 15 to March 15.

According to George Hannah, passenger manager of the Allan S. S. Co., who is a member of the deputation. The representatives of the Baron De Hirsch Institute assured the government that if such a regulation were adopted they would guarantee to care for all who arrive until such time as they get work.

## DR. MACDONALD IS SERIOUSLY ILL.

Chatham, N. B. Jan. 11.—(Special)—The many friends of Dr. John Macdonald, who is ill at Hotel Dieu hospital, regret to hear that he is gradually sinking.

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## HOCKEY AT WOODSTOCK.

Woodstock, Jan. 11.—(Special)—The Orioles were defeated by the Wellingtons by a score of 5 to 2 in a hockey match at the rink last night. A large crowd witnessed a fast though somewhat rough game. This is the first game of the season and a match will be played every Tuesday.

## MOHAWKS ARE HOME.

The Mohawks returned from Fredericton this morning. The boys naturally feel a little sore at their defeat, but they realize that the team was weakened by the loss of Rising and Robertson, and are not disheartened. They are now more determined than ever to go in and win, and the chances are that they will show a marked improvement, when they next appear on the ice. They point out that in the league games last year the St. Stephen team lost the first two games they played, but after that they braced up and ended by leading the league, and capturing the trophy.

## INSPECTOR IS BUSY.

M. A. Harding, has been reported by Inspector Jones for selling liquor after prohibited hours.

James McCarthy, has been reported for having a door between his licensed tavern and his grocery store.

Wm. Caples has also been reported for having two entrances to his bar.

The cases will come up this afternoon. Scott E. Morrell will appear for Harding and McCarthy. Edmund Ritchie will appear for Caples.

The cases of Harding and McCarthy for violation of liquor laws will come up on Monday morning at 10.30; that of Wm. Caples at 11 o'clock. Inspector Jones visited these places yesterday and found that they had neglected to comply with the law.

## AN ODOROUS CASE IN NEW YORK COURT

### The Plaintiff a Millionaire Aged 87 Years, and the Defendant a Negress -- Three Quarters of a Million at Stake.

New York, Jan. 11.—The final stage in the struggle for possession of nearly three quarters of a million dollars between John R. Platt, an aged millionaire, and Hannah Elias, a negress, whom he charges, wrongfully obtained the money from him, was scheduled to begin before Justice Pichoff in the supreme court today.

In this suit it was expected that the whole amazing story of the affair which attracted the attention of the entire country, when the secret of Platt's relations with the woman were revealed by the filing of his suit last summer, would be brought out.

Interest in the case was intensified from the first of the strange and tragic death of Andrew H. Green, one of the city's most prominent men, who was shot to death almost at the door of the Elias woman's home on Central Park west a few months before the Platt suit was filed. Green's murderer, a negro, who was captured, and later sent to an insane asylum, said he had shot Mr. Green because he was jealous of the latter's attention to Mrs. Elias. With the filing of the Platt suit, the contention of Mr. Green's friends that he was a victim of mistaken identity when the attack was made, was practically proven. There was a remarkable similarity in personal appearance between Andrew H. Green and John R. Platt, and Mr. Platt himself has said that he be-

## EQUITY COURT.

The case of Hanson vs Hanson was resumed in the equity court this morning. The examination of the plaintiff Gideon K. Hanson, was continued, and the cross-examination was begun by Daniel Mullin, K. C., before recess. The plaintiff claims that in 1864, when he left the business, the defendant promised to pay him fifty cents per thousand superficial feet for all the lumber he would thereafter saw in the mill. The defendant denies this, and on cross-examination plaintiff admits that he never made a demand on the defendant at any time, before suit for an accounting for the fifty cents per thousand feet.

## THE HOUSE NOW OPEN.

The house of commons met at three o'clock today and was summoned to the senate where Sir Elgar Pascher- eau directed the members to return and elect a speaker and to reform the governor general would be present to inform them as to the reasons why they were assembled.

## PROBATE COURT.

In the probate court to-day letters of administration in the estate of Charles Frederick Barker late of Lancaster were granted to his widow Mary Adeline Barker. The estate is valued at \$500, real; and \$2600 personal estate. Barnhill, Ewing and Sandford, proctors.

## THE SQUIRE OF WANTAGE MAKES BID FOR SYMPATHY.

London, Jan. 11.—A serious scandal promises to develop in racing circles as a result of the Jockey Club's action in interfering Richard Croker from training his horses at Newmarket.

The history of the affair given out by friends of "Boss" Croker is that when at the Newmarket sale in September, Mr. Croker appeared as a bidder for certain yearlings, he was informed that he was opposing Lord Marcus Beresford, who, it is well known, has entire charge of King Edward's racing stable.

This did not deter Mr. Croker, and it was suggested to him that if he insisted in competing he would not be any of the dead language.

A well known college president, who was in town over Sunday, reviewed the statement of an evening paper that embalming is a specialty with him. He was very indignant and would undertake to prove his denial upon the bodies of the whole staff of the paper in question. The item read—"Embalming a Specialty President Blank." In giving expression to his feelings he did not use any of the dead language.

West India steamship Dahome arrived at Halifax this morning from Bermuda with a full cargo chiefly sugar from refineries.

The social committee of the Y. M. C. A. have arranged for an at home on Jan. 24th and for the sleigh drive on Feb. 21. The boys' sleigh drive will probably take place on Jan. 27th.

Woodstock, Jan. 11.—(Special)—Thomas Cammack will be executed early tomorrow morning for the murder of Willie Doherty last August, but the man to pull the lever and send the murderer to his death is not publicly known. Sheriff Hayward is supposed to be the executioner but it is rumored that a local man, disguised, will do the work for the sheriff. The scaffold is being completed this afternoon. It is the same, will be erected on the same spot, where George Gee met his death about five months ago. The only thing new about the gallows is the rope as the rope that hanged Gee was cut up and carried away as souvenirs.

The murderer spent a restless night and it is expected that he will collapse when he reaches the scaffold, if not sooner. Rev. Father McMurray is his constant companion. Cammack ate a fairly good breakfast this morning but when brought into conversation he broke down and sobbed like a child. He is trying hard to be brave but this afternoon he is restless and nervous. It is said that visitors will be excluded from the condemned man's cell, this afternoon, and the only persons to be present at the execution will be the hangman, Father McMurray and the doctors.

### HAD A GOOD TIME.

St. John Council, Royal Arcanum Installed Officers Last Night--Banquet Followed the Ceremony.

At a regular meeting of St. John Council, No. 133, Royal Arcanum, held at their rooms last night, D. D. Grand Regent Schaffer of Moncton assisted by a number of the Grand Officers, installed the following officers:—