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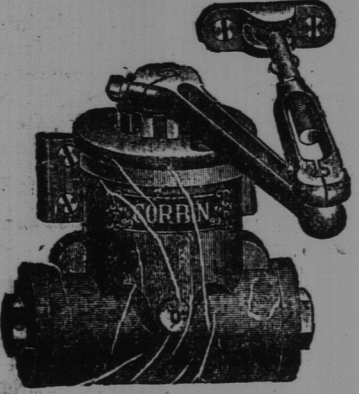
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St. John, N. B., March 18th, 1914.

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COM. COOMBS
ARRIVES TODAY.

First Visit of the New Canadian Chief.

Local Salvation Army Officers Making Elaborate Preparations for His Reception.

Commissioner Coombs of the Salvation Army, who succeeded Eva Booth in command of the Canadian Army, will arrive here today on the Pacific express, due at 5.40 p. m. Commissioner Coombs will hold meetings at 11 a. m., 3 and 7 p. m. Sunday in the York Theatre. On Monday and Tuesday he will have a number of important interviews and visit several institutions of the city. A welcome meeting will be held in the theatre on Monday evening.

The commissioner completed this week a series of meetings in St. John's, Newfoundland, which have been attended with great success. Over 4,000 persons attended his meetings in that city, and 125 persons sought the mercy seat. At the meeting on Monday night Lieut. Gov. Sir William McGregor took the chair.

On leaving Newfoundland the commissioner, in order to keep his appointments in Nova Scotia, was obliged to charter a steamer to convey himself and his party from St. John's to Charlottetown. From here they were obliged to drive 25 miles or more over terribly bad roads to keep engagements at Harbor Grace and Bay Roberts.

The steamer Bruce, on which the party sailed from St. John's to Louisbourg, encountered a great deal of ice on her trip. On entering Louisbourg Harbor she had to put her way through solid ice. The party missed connections with the train at Louisbourg, but through the kindness of the manager of the Dominion Coal Company a special train was placed at the commissioner's disposal, and so they were able to catch the I. C. R. train and make good connections for New Glasgow. Here the commissioner addressed a meeting last evening, at which ex-Mayor Graham presided.

The commissioner will be accompanied by Lieut. Col. Pugh and his private secretary, Brigadier Smeaton, who have been with him throughout his trip, and Col. Sharp and other staff, who went from here to meet him at New Glasgow.

IS STILL A MYSTERY.

The Girl Found in Waltham Behind a Bill Board Tells a Very Funny Story.

WALTHAM, Mass., March 17.—The young girl who was found yesterday on the outskirts of this city, bound hand and foot, and who gave the name of Helen Tesera, admitted to the police tonight that her story of the assault upon her was fictitious, but she declined to say why she tied her hands and feet and placed a piece of supposed poison at her side. She also said that her name was Louise Syde, and this the police found to be correct.

The girl within the last two weeks has been employed as a domestic in two Waltham families and from each of these places she was discharged.

The liquid which was found in the stomach of the girl, and which was supposed to be poison was found to be benzine.

Miss Syde is still being held at the Waltham police station, on what disposition to make of her.

TRIED TO WRECK A TRAIN.

NEWPORT, R. I., Mar. 17.—The timely discovery by the engine of the obstruction placed on the tracks of the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. just outside of the city probably prevented the wrecking of the late train from Boston tonight. Five railroad ties had been placed between the rails and the locomotive struck with considerable force, although power had been reversed and the brakes set. Four of the ties were picked up by the cowcatcher and thrown from the track, while the fifth was wedged between the pilot and truck wheels, where it remained fast when the train was brought to a standstill. An investigation is being made. The officials believing that the incident was the result of a boyish prank rather than a deliberate attempt to wreck the train.

THREE WEEKS WITHOUT FOOD.

NEW YORK, March 17.—Three weeks without food except what she could beg in the city's poorest quarter and with no shelter save that afforded by doorways, has been the experience of a 14-year-old crippled girl, who was found half-starved, huddled in a doorway in the negro section by a policeman early Friday. Her condition was pitiable when she was taken to the station house and she ate ravenously the food which was given her. Her name, she said, was Ellen Schill. Three weeks ago, according to her story her father, mother and three younger children were dispossessed. Their furniture was thrown out on the sidewalk and she and her mother sought a shelter for them, her mother and the children guarded their belongings. While waiting for her father to return, it became cold, she said, and she went into a doorway for shelter. When she looked out again her mother and the other children were gone. She could not find them and has been sleeping in hallways and half starving ever since. She was sent to the children's society and an effort will be made to locate the family.

RUSSIA'S LEADING GENERALS
DID NOT WANT THE JOB.

So Poor Unfortunate Linevitch Who Was at the Front Has Now Got to Shoulder the Responsibility.

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 18.—2.10 p. m.—Telegraph communication with the retreating Russian army has been cut for twenty-four hours, but the authorities hope it is only temporary, declaring that they had no information that the Japanese have reached the railroad in Gen. Linevitch's rear. Nevertheless, with the curtain down the war is a foreboding. The last word from the front was contained in a telegram from one of the Associated Press Russian correspondents, the only correspondent with the retreating army. It announced an attack from the rear. The telegram, although dated Chantufu (40 miles north of Tie Pass) at four o'clock Thursday afternoon, was sent from Kalyuan thirty miles north of Tie Pass and reached St. Petersburg only this morning. It was very brief, saying simply that the army was retreating in good order and destroying the railroad as it went, but was constantly pressed by the Japanese, the rear guard actions being continuous. There were ominous words in the concluding sentence as follows: "We believe the Japanese are making a wide turning movement north and that they are ready to fall upon us when we get out of the ring-like group of mountains which surround the Tie Pass gorge."

In the long retreat to Harbin, the Russians only had the advantage of the Mandchou so far as Kai Yuan, whence it bears eastward to Kihirin, when the railroad continues north to Harbin. According to the general staff, however, a good wagon road runs parallel to the railroad. But for an army of a quarter of a million men, with encumbered baggage, the retreat was an active enemy relentlessly pursuing on its flank and the constant threat of the enemy closing the line of retreat, it is admitted that the single road to Harbin affords poor prospects of success in throwing a strong force across the line of retreat, it is recognized that the army might be forced to retreat.

In the meantime, the mobilization of a new army has already begun in several provinces, although the order has not yet been published. A division of the Imperial Guards at St. Petersburg received orders today. The newspapers generally endorse Linevitch's selection as temporary commander in chief on the ground that Kurapatkin's lack of success made his supersession imperative. At the same time, it is recognized that Kurapatkin's failure also rests on other shoulders and pity is expressed for him and fate.

LONDON, Mar. 18.—No further news regarding the situation in Manchuria and the whereabouts of Vice-Admiral Rojestevesky's squadron has reached London. The greatest sympathy is expressed by the British press and public for Gen. Kurapatkin, and there is strong criticism for the curt manner of his dismissal, without a word of thanks for past services. Gen. Kurapatkin is considered to have been to a large extent a victim throughout the campaign of the interference of former Vice-Admiral Alexieff and the grand dual party and to never have had a free hand or prospect when we get out of the ring-like group of mountains which surround the Tie Pass gorge.

All the St. Petersburg correspondents of the London newspapers are most pessimistic. The Daily Mail's correspondent thinks the central fact of the situation is that since the blessing of the Neva (Jan. 19), the emperor has been a prisoner at Tsarskoe Selo, and never once has ventured to the capital.

HOW HE GOT THE JOB.

LONDON, March 18.—The Times St. Petersburg despatch says: "General Linevitch's appointment to succeed General Kurapatkin was decided upon at the last moment because of the general Emperor Nicholas consulted, including Grand Duke Nicholas, Soukominoff, Grodekoff and Reop, declined to assume the heavy burden."

SAYS WORLD'S FAIR AWARDS WERE SOLD.

Utah Investigating Committee Declares the Medals and Ribbons Were a Gigantic Fraud.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, March 17.—The special committee recently sent to St. Louis by the lower house of the legislature of Utah to investigate irregularities in the accounts of Utah's commission to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition has presented a report which is severe in its criticism of the management of the exposition. The report says: "We are unanimous in reporting that, according to our knowledge and belief, the so-called medals, consisting of medals, ribbons, etc., supposedly given as marks of merit by the St. Louis official award committee by a purchase of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition to the so-called successful exhibitors are in our opinion an immense and gigantic fraud."

The report charges that so-called "straw corporations" for the sole purpose of being sold to be used in a commercial way advertising matter. The committee reports the substance of a conversation with an agent alleged to be employed specially to sell these awards on commission.

The alleged agent, the report says, exhibited one award "of special merit" that he said he had sold for \$500, and stated to the committee that a certain well known manufacturing concern had paid as high as \$20,000 for a so-called official award to be used for advertising. The committee was charged to hold back the medals were being held back by the exposition management to promote its traffic in awards.

In its investigation of the Utah committee the committee verified various charges of irregularities, including forgery of vouchers aggregating \$2,100. The legislature will be asked to appropriate \$7,000 to cover the deficit in the funds of the state commission.

Representative S. J. Stockey, W. N. Gundry and H. S. Joseph composed the sub-committee that reported on conditions at St. Louis.

WANTED—A girl for general housework in small family. Apply to MRS. G. H. GREEN, 51 Mackenzie street.

"JIM" SLATER DEAD

Former Well Known St. John Man, Late a Resident of Sydney Has Passed Away.

(Special to the Star.)
SYDNEY, N. S., March 18.—James H. Slater, proprietor of the Royal Hotel, this city, died this morning. He had retired last night in his usual health, after, and died at five o'clock. Deceased came here from St. John, N. B., five years ago, and was 45 years of age. He leaves a wife, formerly Miss Lena Robertson, no children.

AUTONOMY BILL LOCKED UP

(Special to the Star.)
OTTAWA, March 18.—There are no changes in the autonomy bill committee situation, which will be before the cabinet in council again today. It is doubtful if Laurier will make any explanation before next Wednesday. Quebec members say the measure must be put through this session.

BEER SHOP PROPRIETOR FINED.

D. J. Britt was before the police magistrate this morning to answer a charge of having his beer shop and pool room open between 12 o'clock midnight and 2.30 a. m. one night this week. Mr. Britt explained that he was not aware of breaking the law. He did not know that in keeping his beer shop open after 12 o'clock midnight he was breaking the law. He was willing to keep his shop closed if it was the law to do so. The young men who were in the beer shop at the time were at least 20 years of age, except one, who was somewhat under that age. He himself was absent on the night in question. The minimum fine of \$20 was imposed.

ADMIRALTY COURT.

In the admiralty court, in the case of Mason v. steamer St. Helena, on application of H. H. McLean, a commission was appointed to take the evidence of parties in Liverpool. Judge Wedderburn will attend to the county court matters during Judge Forbes' absence. He will be in chambers on 22nd and 29th of March.

VICTOR.

This magnificent machine can be had for evening gatherings, public or private, with singers and artists such as: Caruso, Campanari, Pianco, Scottie, Gogorza, Irving Gillette (Harry Maskey), Suzanne Adams, Louise Houser and others.

HIS HUNDRETH BIRTHDAY.

Manuel Garcia, Famous Professor of Singing, Has Reached the Century Mark.

LONDON, March 17.—Manuel Garcia, the well known professor of singing of the University of London and inventor of the Laryngoscope, who made his debut 80 years ago at the old Park Theatre, New York, is celebrating his 100th birthday Friday. King Edward received the professor at Buckingham Palace and bestowed on him the commandiership of the Victoria Order. Later Professor Garcia attended a reception held under the auspices of the Laryngological Society, where he received an enthusiastic welcome from the number of distinguished persons. During the reception the Spanish charge d'affaires, the Marquis De Villalbar, invested him in behalf of King Alfonso with the royal order of Alfonso XII, while Professor Przemek, of Berlin, representing Emperor William, presented Garcia with the gold medal for science. The professor was also the recipient of a portrait of himself painted by John Singer Sargent and a number of congratulatory addresses.

Dr. Harmon Smith offered the congratulations of the New York Academy of Medicine and a similar congratulatory message was received from McGill University, of Montreal.

LONDON, March 15.—A despatch to Lloyds dated Singapore, 8 p. m., says: The British steamer Hongwan I reports having passed twenty-two Japanese warships off Hongkong, 20 miles east of Singapore, at the entrance to the Straits of Malacca.

INTERNAL WAR LOAN
OF \$100,000,000.

To Be Raised Independent of French Loan.

Will Be on a Five Per Cent. Basis and Will Be Floated Within the Next Few Months.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 17, 5.30 p. m.—An internal credit loan of \$100,000,000 on a five per cent. basis is now being negotiated by the ministry of finance. It will be floated probably in a short time. The price of insurance has not been fixed but will probably be 83 to 85. This loan, it is said, is entirely independent of the French loan which has not yet been negotiated. The payment of the interest and principal will be in gold and probably will be taxable. The determination to return to Russia itself for funds is taken only recently. Thursday the minister of finance conferred with a number of the principal bankers of St. Petersburg and Russia generally and received assurance that the project was feasible. The banks are prepared to underwrite on suitable terms. The government savings bank, it is said, will assume \$25,000,000 of the total and such banks as the Moscow Merchants and the Volga and the Kazan banks are well able to underwrite large portions of the loan from their own resources.

KILLED HIS SON.

(Special to the Star.)
MONTREAL, March 18.—William Phelan, 55 years old, early this morning killed his seventeen year old son, William Phelan, Jr., by striking him across the head with a poker while the boy was in bed. Phelan's wife died recently and since she has been acting strangely.

SPHINX HATS.

The Brooklyn Eagle quickly observes that the Roosevelt inaugural address is replete with what Rufus Choate called "the spirit of gay and festive defiance." That's about the size of it—Philadelphia Record (Dem.)

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- LADIES' CLOTH, in Brown, Navy and Black60c and 80c yard.
- BLACK LUSTRE30c, 35c, 45c, 75c yd.
- BLACK SERGES25c to 80c yd.
- NAVY SERGES25c to 80c yd.
- COLORLED DRESS GOODS, in great variety of Materials, 18c to \$1.10 yd.
- FANCY WOOL MATERIALS, with silk spot, suitable for Shirt Waist Suits45c to 60c yd.
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