

## EARTHQUAKE SHOCK IN ITALY

SAYS THE U.S.  
FAR WORSE  
THAN MEXICOMexican Educator Gives  
His Views on Crime  
Wave.CONDITIONS  
DEPLORABLEAstonished at the Num-  
ber of Robberies and  
Murders.(Special to the Daily Mail by British  
United Press)New York, May 22—The United  
States popularly regards Mexico as  
steaming with bandits, and now Mexico  
is beginning to regard the United  
States in the same way.Dr. Anvres Osun, a Mexican educa-  
tor and former governor of the state  
of Tamaulipas, says crime conditions  
here are far beyond the average Mexi-  
can's imagination."In my first two weeks in the  
United States," he declared, "I read of  
more crime, more robberies and more  
murders than I ever dreamed exist-  
ed."WAR ORDER  
WAS SIGNED ON  
ENGLISH TABLEBerlin, May 22—The English table  
upon which Emperor William signed the  
mobilization order Aug. 1, 1914,  
for the commencement of the World  
War, is now on display in the Imper-  
ial Castle here.The table, which came from Eng-  
land many years ago as a gift, was  
made out of boards from Admiral  
Nelson's flagship. An inkstand carved  
from similar wood in the shape of a  
Spanish galleon, is inscribed in Eng-  
lish with the battle cry "England ex-  
pects every man to do his duty."The rooms in the South wing of  
the castle include the suite of Wil-  
helm II, originally decorated  
by the Emperor. Great, the living  
room of Queen Elizabeth  
and the study of William IV, and the  
study of the Empress Augusta Louise.VERIFIES THE  
DISCOVERY OF  
A NEW STARCambridge Mass., May 22—Reports  
of discovery of a new star by May  
Wolf and K. Reinmuth of the  
Heidelberg, Germany, Observatory,  
have been verified by photographic  
plates taken at Harvard University  
under direction of Prof. Edward S.  
King.The new star appears in a conspi-  
cuous spiral nebula in the constella-  
tion Virgo and is expected to prove  
a valuable aid in calculating celestial  
distances.RIVERS SWELLED  
BY HEAVY RAINSRome, May 22—With the waters of  
the northern Italian rivers gradually  
but steadily receding, heavy rains be-  
gan again at midnight and lasted  
through the early part of the morning  
threatening to extend the flooded  
areas.Previous to the new rainfall, reports  
from the entire affected region were  
reassuring, although the refugees in  
many places were forced to spend the  
night in improvised camps. Large  
sums of money have been donated for  
relief work.A RARE BOOK  
DISPOSED OF  
AT BIG PRICEGower's Confessio  
Amantis Sold in N. Y.  
for \$20,000.PAID \$3,900 FOR  
ANOTHEROnly 20 Copies of Gower's  
Book in Existence.(Special to The Daily Mail by the  
British United Press.)New York, May 22—A rare book  
sold for \$20,000 at an auction here  
yesterday. John Gower's "Confessio  
Amantis", a first edition printed in  
London in 1483, was bought for that  
price by Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach, who  
paid \$3,900 for a copy of the first  
edition in English of Robert Garnier's  
tragedy of "Antoine" translated by  
the Countess of Pembroke in 1595.  
Only twenty copies of the Gower book  
are known to exist.\*\*\*\*\*  
NO MAIL ON MONDAY  
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Monday, May 24th being Vic-  
toria Day and a statutory holi-  
day, The Daily Mail will not be  
published.  
\*\*\*\*\*HOLIDAY NOT  
OBSERVED IN  
GENERAL WAYFew Local Attractions—  
Many Will Spend Day  
Away Fishing or Mo-  
toring.The observation of Victoria Day on  
Monday will be quiet as far as Fred-  
ericton is concerned. Local baseball  
has not had sufficient opportunity to  
become organized. Soft ball however  
will be played.There will be a general exodus from  
the city. The trout-streams as usual  
will attract many from this vicinity.  
The water is high, however, and the  
fishing on that account will be poor.  
Many will go for the outing, however.  
Smelt fishing in the main river is  
good.The roads now being open motor-  
ists also will take the opportunity of  
making runs somewhere.No general observation of the holi-  
day has been organized.

## RURAL DRAMA REPEATED.

"Back To Mullenville" Put On By  
Nashwaaksis Amateurs.The Nashwaaksis Dramatic Society  
presented the four act rural comedy  
drama entitled "Back To Mullenville"  
at the Nashwaaksis Hall last  
evening to a large and delighted  
audience. The play was a complete  
success and all took their parts well.  
The specialties between the acts  
were exceptionally good. This same  
play will be staged at Bart's Cor-  
ner next week and at Stanley early  
next month. The people of these  
two places should turn out well and  
enjoy a good evening's entertain-  
ment. Last night is the second time  
it was played at Nashwaaksis being  
repeated by request. During the  
evening Pugh's ice cream was sold.

## Normal Class III Papers.

On Tuesday next the examination  
for Class III Teaching License will be-  
gin. Twenty-four candidates are to  
write, twenty-three who have been at-  
tending Normal School and one for  
re-examination.A SIX YEAR OLD GIRL  
WILL APPEAL FOR THE  
LIFE OF HER FATHERDorothy Bittle Will Go Before Governor Smith  
of New York and Ask Clemency for Her  
Father—The Latter is Now in the Death  
House at Sing Sing Awaiting Death Penalty.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

OSSINING, N. Y., May 22—With her father  
scheduled to die in the electric chair within three  
weeks a six year old Buffalo girl will appeal to  
Governor Smith. The child, Dorothy Bittle, a fre-  
quent visitor at the prison, thinks Sing Sing is a  
"college". She does not realize the plight of her  
father, George Bittle.Her personal appeal will be made with that of  
her mother. It is the one chance of saving Bittle's  
life, as the only other chance was lost when the  
State Lunacy Commission declared he was sane.Bittle was convicted and sentenced to death  
in connection with the fatal shooting of a Buffalo  
jeweler named Rufus Eller. Another man, Frank  
Minnick, has been executed for the crime already.SIREN, GUARD  
AND BARS FOR  
HIS WET GOODSManchester-by-the-Sea, Mass., May  
22—Philip Dexter of Boston, who has  
a summer home here, believes that  
the cellar where he keeps liquors is  
safe against the most daring or in-  
genious of hi-jackers. He has install-  
ed a powerful siren on top of his  
house. It could instantly summon the  
town's whole police force. Then he  
has armed guards, with orders to  
shoot to kill, and a cage of thick steel  
bars and plates with loopholes  
through which rifles, revolvers and  
shotguns can be fired. Some of the  
neighbors have been robbed of their  
liquors, but the Dexter home has not  
been molested.\*\*\*\*\*  
EARTHQUAKE  
VISITS ITALY  
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Florence, Italy, May 22—A  
slight earthquake shock was  
felt today near Monte Amiata.  
The populace of the region  
was terrified but no damage  
was done.  
\*\*\*\*\*J. T. SHIRREFF,  
MIRAMICHI MAN  
PASSES AWAYOttawa, May 21—A prominent fig-  
ure in the financial and social life  
of the Ottawa district, was removed  
by the sudden death late last night of  
Joseph Thompson Shirreff, at his re-  
sidence "Dumara," on the Aylmer  
Road, Que. For the past thirty years  
he had played a prominent part in the  
management of the E. B. Eddy Co.,  
Limited, of Hull, of which he was  
vice-president at the time of his death.  
Mr. Shirreff was 60 years old, and  
was born in Chatham, N. B. the son  
of John Shirreff, High Sheriff of Nor-  
thumberland county. He was educated  
there and entered the Bank of Mont-  
real, remaining with that institution  
until 1895. He was a Presbyterian  
and a Conservative in politics. His  
widow survives.E. P. Lang of St. John is at the  
Queen.THEIR SKIRTS  
TOO SHORT?  
PAY PENALTYSt. Louis, Mo., May 22—How long  
or how short must a school teacher  
wear her skirts?That is a question in Overland Park,  
St. Louis County, where a petition is  
being circulated asking the school  
board to reconsider its action in re-  
fusing to re-employ Miss Gail Coch-  
ran and Miss Estel Larkin."The directors thought we should  
wear our skirts at least four inches  
below our knees. We lowered them to  
six inches but it did no good as none  
of the directors came to see us after  
our skirts were lengthened," Miss  
Larkin said.\*\*\*\*\*  
TO ELECT NEW  
PRESIDENT  
FOR PC  
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Warsaw, May 22—  
ported today that  
tional Assembly  
here on May 3  
President, so  
law Wojciechows  
oust by the recent  
Marshal Josef Piusdski.  
\*\*\*\*\*SMOKES ONLY  
CIGARETTESBerlin, May 22—President Paul Von  
Hindenburg enjoys cigars and  
smokes nothing else. He can't stand  
the odor of a pipe and does not like  
cigars.The chief executives strong prefer-  
ence for tobacco in only one form was  
divulged in a statement issued  
through the foreign office which said  
that he did not take kindly to an arti-  
cle in an American weekly magazine.  
The article described the present at  
a "bierabend" (beer evening) squat-  
ting in a big chair, puffing a long-stem-  
med fat-bowled pipe between draughts  
of beer from a huge mug. The presi-  
dent said he never smokes any sort  
of a pipe.C. R. Forbes of St. Stephen is stop-  
ping at the Windsor.Burton C. Wood of Minto is regis-  
tered at the Windsor.F. U. Thompson of St. John is stay-  
ing at the Windsor.KITCHENETTE  
APARTMENTS  
CRITICIZEDLady Physician Thinks  
They are Not the  
Right ThingTHE OUTLET  
INSUFFICIENTPersonality of Members  
of the Family is  
Dwarfed.(Special to the Daily Mail by British  
United Press)Atlantic City, May 22—Kitchenette  
apartments the joy of the newlyweds  
have come up for criticism before  
the first annual American Health  
Congress now in session here."The small apartment" said Dr.  
Christine M. Leonard of the  
Philadelphia Guild Guidance Clinic  
does not give sufficient outlet for  
excessive energy and the close  
association of the family dwarfs and  
cramps the personalities of its  
members."DEVON VISITED  
BY SERIOUS FIRE  
THIS MORNINGBarn of Harry Pond De-  
stroyed and Premises  
of Clarence J. McLag-  
gan Were Damaged.Devon was visited by a fire  
early this morning in  
Barker Street. The barn  
was totally destroyed and  
the adjacent premises of Clarence  
J. McLaggan were damaged.The barn was burned contain-  
ing many horses and  
other property. These  
Arthur Titus Jr.  
property a consider-  
able amount of property were burned.The fire Department turned  
out for the fire. The fire had a  
before being observed and  
many spectators.  
The total loss is estimated at \$3,000  
with some insurance.MOVIE STAR'S  
OUTFIT IN FILM  
COSTS \$1.75Los Angeles, May 22—A dollar  
seventy-five has been established as  
the lowest price for a movie star's  
wardrobe.This is the entire cost of Bessie  
Love's complete outfit as the star of  
"Lovely Mary," which she is doing  
for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.The star's entire wardrobe for this  
production consists of two cheap  
gingham dresses, one hat, generously  
estimated to be worth about 10 cents  
and a pair of shoes rescued by the  
studio wardrobe department from the  
junk heap.As for the stockings, she wears the  
long ribbed cotton kind that have a  
way of turning green under sunlight,  
and they are full of holes.ONE IS DEAD,  
TWO IN JAILMiami, May 22—After a disagree-  
ment as to which state produces the  
best peaches, a Georgian is dead  
and another Georgian and a Virgin-  
ian are in jail. A friendly argument  
over feminine pulchritude wound up  
in a fight, during which a stick of  
timber was wielded.WILL FOUND  
A CHAIR AT  
PRINCETONGift of \$150,000 From  
Edward Bok Ac-  
cepted.FOR CHAIR  
LITERATUREA Memorial to Former  
President Wilson  
of the U. S.(Special cable to the Daily Mail by the  
British United Press)Princeton, N. J., May 22—The gift  
of \$150,000 for founding a Woodrow  
Wilson chair of literature at Prince-  
ton University from Edward Bok,  
author and publisher was accepted  
formally in behalf of the University,  
Friday by President John Grier  
Hibben.The money will be used specific-  
ally for providing "the best of training  
in spoken and written English  
literature."CHINESE APPEAL  
TO GODS TO KEEP  
RIVER WETShanghai, May 22—Six thousand  
Chinese employees of one of the large-  
est tobacco factories at Pootung,  
across the Whangpoo River from  
Shanghai, took a day off recently and,  
joined by other thousands, paraded  
the streets with banners, joss sticks  
and firecrackers as an appeal to the  
gods not to let the Yangtze River run  
dry. An ancient legend has it that  
years ago an old priest of diabolical  
intent came to Shanghai from north  
of the Yangtze and raised havoc. Finally  
the residents of Shanghai and Pootung  
rose and drove him back to his native  
haunts. Ever since then the  
natives have been afraid that he might  
come back. But the only condition per-  
mitting his return would be the dry-  
ing of the world's third largest river.  
Next year the function will be repeat-  
ed.

## WEEK-END MARKET.

Butter and Eggs Plentiful—Fresh and  
Smoked Gaspereaux.The week-end market was fairly  
large. Butter and eggs were plentiful.  
Many young live pigs were also on  
sale. The prices ruled as follows:—  
Veal, per lb., 8 to 14 cents.  
Beef, per lb., 13 and 14 cents.  
Potatoes, per bbl., \$7.00.  
Butter, per lb., 35 to 40 cents.  
Eggs, per doz., 30 cents.  
Smoked ham, per lb., 27 to 32 cents.  
Fresh gaspereaux, per dozen, 35  
cents.  
Smoked gaspereaux, per dozen 30  
cents.  
Live young pigs, each, \$4.75.

## Telephone Promotions.

A meeting of the directors of the  
N. B. Telephone Company was held  
at Saint John Thursday afternoon, and  
considerable business was dealt with.  
At the meeting, O. J. Fraser, who has  
for some time been general superin-  
tendent received a well merited  
promotion to the position of general man-  
ager, while S. B. Ebbett was appoint-  
ed assistant to the general manager  
in charge of traffic. The news of the  
promotion of these two officials will  
be pleasantly received by their num-  
erous friends and the public gener-  
ally. Mr. Ebbett was Fredericton Ex-  
change Manager for several years and  
served in the City Council here. Mr.  
Fraser frequently visits this city.