

"We all admit that it would be well that we had a large trade with the United States rather than a small one; and I think Canada, as compared in her action with the Union of the United States, has done everything she could in order to secure that desirable object."--Sir John A. Macdonald.

NOTED PLUNGER DEAD IN PARIS

John W. Gates, American Millionaire Succumbs to his Illness

Started Life a Poor Boy in the West and Accumulated Many Millions of Dollars

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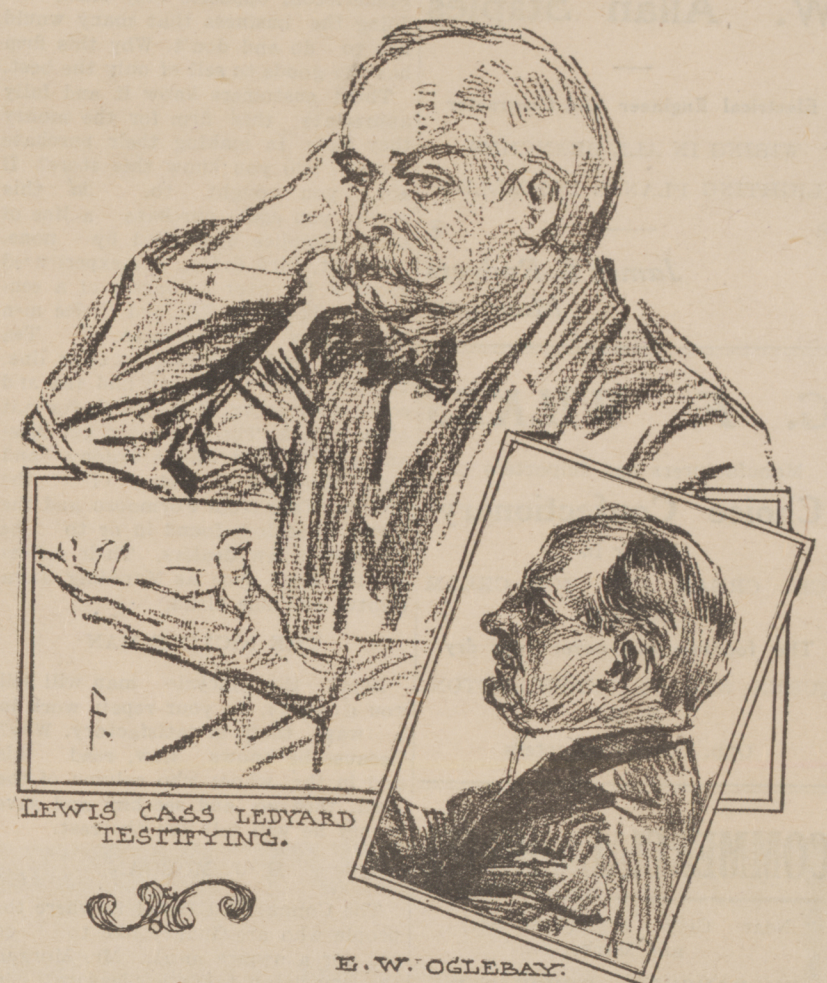
The end was peaceful and it seemed as though he was falling asleep. The usual restoratives failed in the last crisis. Others present at the bedside besides the members of the family were Doctors Gros and Reeves.

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LEDYARD AND OGLEBAY BEFORE STEEL PROBER



LEWIS CASS LEDYARD TESTIFYING. E.W. OGLEBAY.

Lewis Cass Ledyard in his first tussle with the Congressional committee now engaged in investigating the Steel Trust proved himself a very capable witness. He told some interesting history and will probably be called again.

E. W. Oglebay, of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company, also testified. The investigation, which is now being held in New York, will resume Tuesday morning, August 1.

FRIGHTFUL STEAMSHIP HORROR

(Canadian Press.) Gibraltar, Aug. 9.—The French steamer Emir foundered today five miles east of Tarifa, Spain, in the Strait of Gibraltar, and ninety-three persons were drowned.

The ship sailed from here at three o'clock this morning for a Moroccan port. The Emir floated only a few minutes after the collision. Sixty-nine passengers and twenty-four of the crew went down with the ship.

The Emir was a vessel of 1291 tons and was owned by the Compagnie de Navigation Mixte.

Aug. 9.—Mr. Arthur L. Kelly of Montreal, accompanied by his friend, Mr. Ralph J. Cook, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Likely.

BOURASSA AND LEMIEUX MAY DEBATE

(Canadian Press.) Montreal, Aug. 9.—There is a possibility that Mr. Henri Bourassa and Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux will meet on the same platform in an assembly contradictoire at St. Hyacinthe on Sunday, when they will have an oratorical duel which bids fair to rival anything ever known in this province.

The bridge across the Oromocto River at the village of Oromocto is such that the travelling public and the residents of the district in which the bridge is situated have joined in complaint concerning it.

HON. MR. FIELDING TO OPEN CAMPAIGN (Special to The Mail.) Ottawa, Aug. 9.—Hon. W. S. Fielding will leave shortly for Quebec, Shelburne, to attend the Liberal convention which will nominate him as a candidate.

BOSTON LUMBERMAN ENDORSES RECIPROCITY

Boston, Aug. 9.—Mr. George G. Cutler, of the firm of Stetson, Cutler & Co., lumber manufacturers, in an interview, complains of the repeal of the Pike law. He says that American lumbermen will now be forced to pay duty on American lumber manufactured in St. John, which formerly was admitted free to the American market.

TELEGRAPHERS MAY STRIKE

Have Joined Other Railway Employees in Demand for More Pay

Want Eight Hour Day and a Flat Increase of Twenty Per Cent in Wages

(Saturday's Daily.) Chicago, Aug. 9.—Reports that 8,000 telegraphers of the New York Central Lines are prepared to join other railway men who are threatening strike, are general among railroad men here. The New York Central situation is said to hang on whatever action the road may take when a demand for a 20 per cent. wage increase is presented.

According to reports in circulation among railroad men all the western lines have been sent a series of demands from the shopworkers, principal items, in which are as follows: Physical examinations and personal record blank requirements to be discontinued.

A flat increase of 15 per cent in wages. An 8 hour day. Time and one half for day service after 5 p. m., and double time after midnight.

One apprentice to be employed for every five mechanics and this ratio to be maintained. Apprentices are not to work over time.

Employees laid off on account of a reduction in the force to be re-employed in the order they have been laid off.

Place work premium system to be abolished. The management of the Southern Pacific Railroad has issued a circular pointing out that the demands would mean an additional outlay for that company alone of \$2,796,000 a year.

OROMCTO BRIDGE DESTROYED TIRES OF AUTOMOBILE

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INTERNATIONAL WATERWAYS CONVENTION TO CONVE

Expected to Demonstrate Practicability of Arbitration Treaty in the Peaceful Adjustment of Disputes--Questions Relating to St. John River Improvements to be Presented at Next Meeting--Commission Blazed the Way for Negotiation of Treaties

(Canadian Press.) Washington, Aug. 9.—A factor that is expected to make strongly in favor of the ratification of the international arbitration treaties, is the approaching meeting of the Waterways Commission, the creation of which practically blazed the way for the negotiation of the treaties.

Originally planned to settle some long standing issues, between Canada and the United States, regarding water boundaries, the functions of this commission were so greatly extended as to constitute it in fact a permanent arbitration board with almost unlimited powers to adjust disputes between the two countries.

The committee will meet about September 1st, in Washington, and it is expected that it will have progressed so far in its work by the date of the assembly of the next session

THE STOCK MARKET CONTINUES VERY WEAK

New York, Aug. 9.—American stocks in London irregular today.	Brooklyn 76 3/4	77
Geo. W. Perkins before Stanley Steel Committee refuses to tell of political contributions by the United States Steel Corporation and faces contempt proceedings before the house unless questions are answered today	Canadian Pacific 240 1/2	239 1/2
United States Senator Frye, dead. Democrat to succeed him. Anthracite Coal shipments in July 1,411,292 tons less than in June. New York Central directors meeting today.	Great Northern Pfd 128	127 1/2
Canadian Pacific planning new lines in British Columbia to handle anticipated heavier trade between the United States and Canada. Western Railroads will not accede to demands of shopworkmen for increased pay. Additional wages would aggregate \$50,000,000 yearly. Mexican Government secures \$10,000,000 4 1/2 per cent gold loan from Speyer and Co. 12 industrials declined .62	Reading 151	151 1/2
20 active railroads declined .64	Southern Pacific 118	117 1/2
Quotations from direct private wires of J. M. Robinson & Sons, Bankers, St. John, N. B., Members of Montreal Stock Exchange	Union Pacific 181	181
Amalgamated 64 1/2	U. S. Steel Com. 74 1/2	74 1/2
Atholison 108		
Smelters 73 1/2		

BARBARIOUS SENTENCE IMPOSED ON WOMAN

(Canadian Press.) Iola, Kans., Aug. 9.—Iola city officials, with the exception of Municipal Judge Smeltzer are up in arms, because a woman has been sentenced to don a pair of bloomers and join the street gang from the city jail.

Judge Smeltzer yesterday sentenced Mrs. Ella Reese to the street kang, and ordered that the city officials provide her with the bloomers.

Street Commissioner Glenn refused to have a woman in the chain gang. Mrs. Reese did not go to work breaking rock or sweeping the streets today because the bloomers had not been provided and the officials say they will not allow the woman to carry out the sentence imposed upon her.

SCENES OF DISORDER

Dock Strikers Are Brought Into Frequent Conflict with Police

The Pinch of Starvation Being Felt in London—Thirty Thousand Carters have Quit Work

(Canadian Press.) London, Aug. 9.—Increasing disorder and progress towards peace were the centre features of the dock strike today. The men of dockland who are already feeling the pinch of deprivation have adopted drastic measures to prevent any attempt by non-unionists or clerical staff to move a wheel and collisions with the police were frequent and sharp.

At the same time, the board of trade is gradually composing the differences of employee and employer and some sectional disputes have now been settled with every prospect that the demands of other sections will be satisfied before the end of the week, so that all can return to work together.

Meantime, London was practically without meats today. Thirty thousand carters quit work this morning and a thousand more planned to join the idle ones before night. All attempts to move wagons loaded with London's supplies of meats, fruits and provisions, were stopped by the strikers, in many instances only after a fight with the police.

There has been much overturning of vans and destruction of supplies, the women joining the men in preventing a replenishing of the markets where prices are nearing figures that are prohibitive for all but well to do shoppers.

The fish porters have joined the strike movement and there was no one to unload the fish trawlers that arrived in the Thames this morning. The wholesale prices of chilled beef have advanced by seven to ten cents a pound since last Friday.

THE POPE SUFFERING FROM GOUT

(Canadian Press.) Rome, Aug. 8.—The afternoon report of the Pope's condition was less reassuring than those of the early morning. His temperature was not increased, and remains about 100, but the heat of the day, which reaches 95 degrees, exhausts the patient's strength. The most disquieting symptoms is the progress of the gout attack, the pains from which have extended from the knee midway to the thigh.

Rome, Aug. 9.—Pope Pius, owing to the intense heat, has been restless during the night, but had a refreshing sleep in the cooler hours of the early morning, when the temperature fell many degrees. The rest seemed to have been most beneficial in restoring the strength of the pontiff who, upon awakening, had a lower temperature and suffered less from gouty pains.

As the pontiff's bed chamber, which has a full southern exposure, is small with a low ceiling, the doctors today decided to move His Holiness to the floor below, where he will occupy a large room next to his private library and looking west on the court of San Damiano.

SMALL MARKET TODAY The midweek market this morning was not largely attended. Early apples were offered in small quantities, 35 cents per peck being asked for first quality Astrakhans, and 25 cents per peck for small Astrakhans and New Brunswickers. Eggs and butter showed little change in price, and blueberries were the same.