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KAISER'S FIRST CARE

Is for His Army and Navy---Thinks they Can Conquer if War Comes.

New York, Feb. 26:-(Special)-A Berlin despatch to the Herald says that the Kaiser, upon the occasion yesterday of the opening of the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his marriage, received among others Prince Albrecht, who presented congratulations on the part of the army and navy.

The Kaiser in reply said: "My first and last care is for my fighting forces on land and on the sea, and that of the Empress is for the alleviation of those who are victims of poverty and illness."

"May God grant that war may not come, but should the cloud descend I am firmly convinced that my army will acquit itself as it did so nobly thirty-five years ago."

MONCTON NEWS.

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 26:-(Special)-Minnie Wilbur, a notorious character of more than local reputation was arrested this morning on a charge of keeping a house of ill fame. The other inmates of the house escaped.

The police visited the place a few nights ago, and found several well known young men there. Their names were taken and they will be called upon as witnesses.

Joseph Bedford, a member of I. C. R. fire brigade had the misfortune to have his ankle broken while working about the I. C. R. ruins yesterday.

The minister of railways expects to return to Ottawa tomorrow.

THE STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, Feb. 26:-(Special)-The stock market quotations today were as follows:

Dominion Coal, 78½, 78½, 78½.
Dominion Iron & Steel, 31½, 32, 32½.
Dominion Iron & Steel pfd., 80½, 80, 80½.
Nova Scotia Steel, pfd., 66, 65, 65½.
Canadian Pacific Railroad, 170½, 170½, 170½.
Twin City, 116½, 117½.
Montreal Power, 92½, 92½, 92½.
Rich. and Ontario Navigation, 83½, 83½.
Illinois, 100½, 101, 100½.
Havana, 36.
Toledo, 34½, 34½, 34½.

DR. STEWART DEAD.

Quebec, Feb. 26:-(Special)-Dr. Stewart, for many years editor of The Chronicle, was found dead in bed this morning. His wife died suddenly last Christmas.

The doctor was a native of New York, but spent his early life in St. John in journalism. He was 58 years old.

DIED FROM ACCIDENT.

Sussex, N. B., Feb. 26:-(Special)-The death occurred here today of Burpee Mills, after an illness of a fortnight, the result of an accident was in his own home, where he fell and fractured his skull. He was highly esteemed.

MONCTON'S CRACK TEAM

The Moncton hockey team and a party of friends, including Manager McCleave, arrived in the city Saturday evening and are domiciled at the Barker House. Tonight they play at Marysville and tomorrow night will go up against the Fredericton team at the Arctic rink. As a result of the soft weather of the past few days, the ice is not what it should be for fast hockey, but the games have got to be played. Mr. E.P. Howard of St. John, will referee both matches. The Moncton team will line up as follows: Goal, Wortman; point, Brown; cover point, Way; rover, Crockett; left wing, Trites; right wing, Cushing; centre, Leahy. The Moncton boys have played nine games this season, and have never been scored against.

TOMORROW'S WEDDING.

The nuptials of Lieut. duDomeine, of the Royal Canadian Regiment, Halifax, and Miss Marguerite Winslow, youngest daughter of the late E. Byron Winslow, K. C., are to be celebrated at Christ Church Cathedral at 1.30 p. m. tomorrow. Rev. Dean Partridge will perform the ceremony. The bride will be attended by Miss Holden, of St. John, and Miss Lenora Allen of this city, and Capt. Kemmis Betty of the R. C. R. will be best man. The happy couple will leave by the I. C. R. express on a trip to the upper provinces. They will make their home at Halifax.

106 YEARS OLD.

Victoria county, N. B., can boast of having an aged citizen, Marshal Laveresque, of Carlingsford, who was 106 years old last Christmas, and up to the present has enjoyed excellent health. He was born in Quebec when a young man came to Edmundston, Madawaska, where he married and is the father of 15 children and can count up 36 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Mr. Laveresque lives with his son Marshall near the county line, in a place called Glenburn.

MRS. GREGORY'S DEATH.

The End Came Peacefully at a Late Hour Sunday Night.

After a lingering illness from diabetes extending over a period of some months, the lamented death occurred at her home on George Street at 11.15 o'clock last night of Mrs. Isabella Louisa, beloved wife of His Honor Mr. Justice Gregory of the Supreme Court. She has been confined to her room for the past two months, and suffered a great deal, but bore it with true Christian fortitude. She has been growing weaker and the fatal termination of her illness was not a surprise to the members of her household.

The deceased lady was a native of St. John, her father being the late Mr. Stephen Whittaker, who conducted a tannery in that city a number of years, and subsequently engaged in the same business in Fredericton. She was twice married, her first husband being the late Mr. Charles J. Davis, druggist of this city, and she became the wife of Mr. George F. Gregory, now Judge Gregory, about twenty-five years ago. Her marriage was without issue. The deceased lady was sixty-five years of age. Besides a husband she leaves two step-sons, Col. Frank B. Gregory, barrister of Victoria, B. C., and Mr. J. Fraser Gregory of St. John, and three step-daughters, Mrs. A. W. Macrae of St. John, Mrs. H. V. B. Bridges and Miss Edith Gregory of this city.

The late Mrs. Gregory was a lady possessed of a most estimable disposition and had lots of warm friends who will sincerely mourn her death. For many years she was an earnest and active worker in St. Paul's church, and was known as a devout Christian. Her death will be regarded as a distinct loss to the community. For the sorrowing husband and relatives the greatest sympathy will be felt in their bereavement.

She is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Enoch Chestnut of this city, Mrs. W.S. Morris of Regina, and one brother, Mr. Fred S. Whittaker of the I. C. R. offices here.

SCOTT ACT WAR.

Rev. J. J. Colter Has Nine Cases on in the Police Court.

There was a big crowd on hand when the police court opened this morning, interest being centred in the Scott Act informations laid by Rev. J. J. Colter, inspector for the County of York. There were nine cases in all, three against a party who conducts a joint in the Parish of Kingsclear, and the remainder against citizens of Fredericton. All of the cases are to be fought to the finish.

Mr. A. J. Gregory, K. C., appeared for the defendants in six cases, and made applications for an adjournment until Thursday morning, on account of the death of a relative. Colonel Marsh granted the adjournment.

Mr. J. D. Phinney, K. C., appeared in the interests of the prosecution. Inspector Colter is depending on the evidence of two professional liquor spotters from Carleton County, named Robert Crandlemire and Geopineau, who have been about town for the past ten days. These witnesses are staying at a house in Victoria Lane, and had to be escorted to and from the police court by a policeman.

The case against an up town resident was first called, and the principal evidence was given by Pineau. The witness gave his age as twenty-five years and said that his home was in Brockville, Carleton County. He said that on the 16th inst he had visited a shop, which he supposed was kept by the defendant, and bought two glasses of liquor. He had been engaged to go there by Rev. J. J. Colter, but the amount of remuneration that he was to receive had not been fixed.

Rev. Mr. Colter also gave evidence for the prosecution. The defendant, taking the stand in his own behalf, swore that he had sold out his business five years ago, and had no connection whatever with it at the present time.

Col. Marsh adjourned the case until Wednesday to hear argument of counsel.

A Fredericton case is being tried this afternoon.

Attorney General Pugsley returned from St. John this morning.

DISASTROUS MONCTON FIRE.

Intercolonial Railway Machine Shops Practically Wiped Out--Loss Estimated at \$1,000,000.

HON. MR. EMMERSON SENDS SYMPATHETIC TELEGRAM AND VISITS SCENE OF DISASTER.

HE SAYS BIGGER AND BETTER SHOPS WILL BE ERECTED AT ONCE.

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 26:-(Special) Hon. H. R. Emmerson, minister of railways, accompanied by Deputy Minister Butler and Mr. J. L. Payne, private secretary, arrived here this morning in their private car attached to the maritime express.

The minister was met at the depot by a large delegation of representative citizens.

Afterwards the minister and his deputy, accompanied by the I. C. R. officials and a delegation of citizens, including Mayor Steeves, J. T. Hawke, President of the Board of Trade, Aids. Masters, Welch, McLean, Mr. Pottinger, Mr. Joughins, Mr. Murray and others paid a visit to the ruins immediately after their arrival.

After he had investigated the burnt area, Mr. Emmerson, who is going to St. John this evening, spoke to a reporter as follows:

"I can hardly say anything beyond what was contained in my telegram to Mr. Hawke. Preparations are already under way for the restoration of the works and plans are now being prepared for the re-erection of permanent structures. They will be better than those which were destroyed, and precautions will be taken respecting safety from fire."

The paint and car repairing shops must necessarily be isolated so that the safety of the other buildings will not be menaced. I am not yet in a position to speak concerning the site. A meeting of the railway officers will be held today."

The minister gave every assurance that the destroyed portion of the work would be rebuilt at once and as speedily as possible. Fire proof shops, on a larger scale than the old ones, will be erected.

The construction of the new buildings will involve a re-arrangement. The site occupied by burned will not be built upon but new shops will be erected in another part of the yard, but where has not yet been decided. In the meantime while plans are maturing for rebuilding permanent shops, temporary wooden buildings are to be erected on the site of the old ones.

Engineer of Maintenance Burpee is now negotiating for the purchase of lumber and work on temporary buildings will be commenced immediately.

A meeting of the Board of Trade and the City Council and citizens is called in the Board of Trade rooms at 4.30 o'clock this afternoon to meet the minister and discuss the situation.

Hundreds of regular hands were engaged in loading debris on flat cars and in other ways starting to clear away the wreckage when the minister visited the ruins.

Many of them the minister recognized and to all whom he knew he gave a hearty handshake. The minister leaves for St. John tonight. He left Ottawa at eight o'clock yesterday morning, just as soon as he could possibly leave after receipt of the telegram conveying the news of the fire.

Moncton, Feb. 25:--The destruction of the Intercolonial railway property valued at not less than \$1,000,000 and the loss of one life are the results of a conflagration at the I. C. R. car shops, Saturday evening. Practically half of the plant has been wiped out.

It has been established that the dead man is Abraham Jones, a painter in the employ of the shops. In an effort to carry from the burning paint shop certain personal effects he was overcome by smoke and flame. His charred body was discovered this morning, identity being made possible by his silver watch and a few coins found among the ashes.

When the fire was at its height and it was thought the entire works were doomed, J. T. Hawke sent a telegram describing the situation to Hon. H. R. Emmerson, minister of railways and canals. Within a few hours the following reply was read: "To J. T. Hawke, Moncton:--"

"I cannot find words to express my deep regret, which amounts to sorrow at the very great disaster, which comes so inopportunistically, but we must not despair. The I. C. R. employees and citizens can rest assured that no effort will be spared on my part to have the work resumed with all possible speed, in all interests. The I. C. R. will yet triumph. Temporary shops immediately necessary, will be followed by more complete and convenient works."

(Signed) "H. R. EMMERSON."

A little later a second telegram arrived, reading: "Am arranging to be in Moncton Monday morning, if possible; certainly Monday afternoon."

(Signed) "H. R. EMMERSON."

1,000 MEN AFFECTED.

The disaster is admitted to be the greatest in the history of the city. More than 5,000 men found employment in the works and what was yesterday one of the most flourishing and extensive industrial centres in the lower provinces, is now scarcely anything else but a few acres of smoking and wreck-stricken ruins.

The fire started about two-thirds way down the length of the paint shop at the extreme north end of the works. The entire structure was destroyed; also valuable cars which were inside the paint shops.

The flames swooped to the freight car repair shop, then on to the car or brick shop, which included the electric light stations, engine and boiler rooms which supplied the power for nearly all the works. The fire then swept to the boiler shop, where boilers are made, burnt clear through and on the east end of the machine shop, where it stopped at the turning shop. The office of the master mechanic, Archibald B. Machaffie, was destroyed, and many papers of great value.

BUILDINGS SAVED

The buildings saved were the tin department, turning shop, erecting and machine shops, round house and blacksmith shop.

To Moncton citizens the blow has been stunning, but Mr. Emmerson's telegrams have done much to restore public confidence. They were read at service this morning in the Baptist church.

Mr. Pottinger, the general manager says his opinion the loss will reach about \$1,000,000; certainly not much over it.

"I think the works will be rebuilt," he added, "and the four or five hundred men thrown out of employment will not be idle any length of time, in fact we may keep them working right along." At this stage correct lists of the value of what has been destroyed in each shop is hardly available and these can be estimated only. The following are the cars destroyed in the paint shops:

Mr. Pottinger's private car No. 75 built at the works here and costing about \$20,000; diner Yamaska, costing \$17,000; sleeper Cascapedia, cost \$19,000; first-class cars numbers 102, 100, 113, costing \$10,000 each; two second class cars numbers 488 and 531, costing \$8,000 each; baggage cars Nos. 478 and 479; colonist car No. 526 and postal No. 634.

The wood working machinery in the car shop consisted of four cross-cut planers, three rip saws, a moulder, high-speed shafting and pulleys, a ten-horse machine, axe lathes, axe wheel press, three boring machines, a planer, a buzz planer, three drills, three wheel lathes, a new elevator, and band saw. All of this machinery was of the most modern and expensive type. Upstairs was a variety, moulder, two planers, a sand paper machine, wood lathe, pattern makers' shop, and carpenters benches.

On top of the electric light station were two blue printing frames used in connection with the draughting office. There were also very valuable drawings ruined by water.

In the boiler shop was a new rivetter with compressed air apparatus, a large pair of plate rollers run by electricity, large pair of shears, three plate trimmers, a travelling crane, bolt and threading machinery.

There was also a wheel lathe, a slotting machine and two boilers just constructed for the new passenger engines and three boilers and a 150 horse power engine. In this section of the works was a small brass foundry, employing about six men, and used for turning out bushes.

The loss upon all of this machinery is not regarded as total and pending a careful examination the exact loss will not be known. It is thought that the loss will be about 75 per cent.

The following figures will give an idea of the value of the machines that have been destroyed: The cost of a single lathing machine is \$2,000; planers, \$3,600; a wheel lathe, \$12,000; a slotting machine \$2,000; a bolt cutter, \$1,000 and moulding machine.

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