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THE WEATHER.

Strong southwesterly and westerly winds, some local showers, but mostly fair today and Saturday; not much change in temperature.

MR. BOURASSA WILL NOT RETURN TO THE HOUSE

Says He Is in Provincial Field for Good.

He Will Take a Few Weeks Rest and Then Return to the Task of Worrying the Quebec Government—The "Mass" Incident Explained.

MONTREAL, Nov. 8—(Special)—Henry Bourassa in a statement to the Star today anounced that he would remain in provincial politics.

"No," he said, "I will not go back to Ottawa. I am in the provincial field for good, at least as far as present plans are concerned. I intend to take a rest for a few weeks and then go again after the provincial government."

Mr. Bourassa also explained the incident of "mass" over which there has been so much discussion. It is the custom in rural Quebec, says he, that when a politician desires to hold a meeting in midweek, he should ask the parish priest to announce on Sunday, the only day when the country people come into the village, that mass will be held at such time and that afterwards, so and so, will speak. "That is absolutely all there is to it, said Mr. Bourassa. "It is simply the customary way of calling a mid-week political meeting in country districts."

USING EVERY CAR TO HAUL GRAIN CROPS

Canadian Pacific Has Taken 17 Construction Trains Off and Loaded Cars With Grain

WINNIPEG, Nov. 8—(Special)— The Winnipeg board of trade, during the last few days, has been in receipt of many letters and telegrams from boards of trade and merchants at various points, who claimed that cars cannot be obtained for the shipment of grain. The cry is so general that the whole west is complaining. As these complaints related principally to the Canadian Pacific Railway, the railway and freight rates' committee o fthe board had an interview with Wm. Whyte, vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. Whyte stated that his company had tken off some seventeen working trins from construction work and started them to haul grain, and he was quite satisfied that from now to the close of navigation shippers could obtain cars as they required them. He read a statement of grain shipments and showed that since the grst of the month hore cars had been loaded and shipped than in the corresponding period last year.

PLACES BLAME ON A DEAD MAN

Mrn Charged With Theft of $40,000 in Gold Says Another, Now Dead, Stole It and He Bought It From Thief

VANCOUVER, Nov. 8 (Special)—A Dawson despatch says:—The first evidence in the case against Richard Hall, charged with stealing $40,000 in gold from Dawson, en route to Fairbanks on the steamer Seattle, was presented in the preliminary trial which began yesterday before E. C. Senkler. George Schoenback, of Dawson, manager of the Canadian Detective bureau, made public for the first time Hall's side of the story, saying that Hall explained that the gold, which he handled extensively, was bought from George Kincaid, now dead, who is supposed to have been the thief in the case.

Three large locked mail sacks and sixty smaller inner sacks were found under a school building. It is now believed that half of the gold will be recovered.

BLACK HAND SOCIETY AT WORK AGAIN

The Latest Field of Their Operations Is the Canadian Soo Where They Tried to Force Money from Three Residents.

SAULTE STE MARIE, Ont. Nov. 8—(Special)—The entire community is excited over particulars of attempts of a black hand society, which became public yesterday.

Some two weeks ago Captain Letcher, a wealthy Englishman residing here, received letters from Medicine Hat demanding sums of money which were to be placed in a certain place on his porch after 11 o'clock on Wednesday night last. The provincial department sent secret service men to investigate. These learned that Messrs. John McKay, a well-to-do lawyer, and John Dunseath, a merchant, also had received letters demanding the payment of money on pain of death and destruction of their property. On Wednesday night Captain Letcher's house was watched, and a dummy parcel placed in the spot mentioned. At 6.30 yesterday morning no person had appeared and the detectives departed. At daybreak Captain Letcher found the parcel gone. Payment in each instance was to be made on Wednesday night, but none of those interested regarded the demands.

PLAYGROUNDS IN MONTREAL

Report of the Work Done in That City During Last Summer.

Mrs. John Cox forwards an interesting report of the Montreal Park and Playground Association, in which she says:

"The reports from the various playgrounds showed a good season's work, notwithstanding that the summer was a wet one. The total attendance for the five playgrounds was 33,733. The teachers were enthusiastic and competent. The children were good and enjoyed themselves. At one playground forty-four pupils learned to swim. There were swimming competitions and prizes on the closing day. It is clear that the children, especially the older boys, prefer some definite employment to games. They like to make things, Basket work was popular. Classes of this or other handiwork could be conducted out of doors.

"The boys also greatly appreciated gymnastic apparatus. We had one fine set of parallel bars and found them most popular and useful for discipline, as a restless child could always be induced to try turning a somersault on the bars.

"The large country ground for men and working boys had a very large attendance, and it is a deep disappointment to the committee that the city council has found it necessary to resume occupation of this piece of vacant land for the purpose of a corporation yard.

"It is the only large vacant lot remaining suitable for a playground and the neighborhood, which is one thickly populated with workingmen, will now be without one of the playing grounds for its young people. We look for the day when it will be recognized as a necessary part of city life to have such large open grounds in central positions in the different quarters of our large cities for the older boys and men, as well as the good sized playgrounds attached to every school to serve the needs of the young children.

"The schoolyard playgrounds are most easily managed by a voluntary association like ours. The large grounds would more properly be undertaken by the city itself, as they require, for their proper use, to be thoroughly equipped with suitable apparatus, to be fenced in, and to have a permanent shelter, etc., and a caretaker.

"We have had two women teachers to each yard, and where the ground was large enough for a boys' side, a special man instructor. Such yards we also opened again in the evening. The yards were open for nine weeks."

Col. J. D. Chipman of St. Stephen came in on today's Boston train.

RUSSIAN OFFICERS OFFER TO FIGHT JAPS IN RANKS OF UNITED STATES ARMY

Prospect of Trouble Between Uncle Sam and Mikado Brings Out Many Volunteers---Cholera On the Decrease in Russia---A Lucrative Trade in Forged Passports.

LIBAU, COURLAND, Russia, Nov. 8—The police yesterday searched the houses of several agents of the line of Russian steamers running from Libau to New York, resulting in the seizure of a number of false passports and the arrest of the agents and many emigrants, who were intending to embark for the United States. Considerable traffic is reported to have existed in passports which were sold with steamer tickets to New York.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 8—The talk of the possibility of a war between the United States and Japan, which, through erican embassy, who say they are anxious to serve in the United States army in case of hostilities.

A report is also circulated in military circles that the American army in the Philippines needs instructors, especially for the artillery and engineer corps. Five or six Russian officers of these branches of service apply daily at the embassy for commisisons, and are most disappainted by the assurance of Charge D' Affaires Montgomery Schuyler, Jr., that there is no likehood of Japan and the United States going to war.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 8—Cholera is everywhere on the decrease in Russia owing to the influence of the cold weather and the danger this year is regarded as being over. It is considered certain, however, that cholera will break out again in increased intensity next spring, and a conference has been called to meet in St. Petersburg to discuss preventive measures, especially the steps to be taken in order to check the spread of the disease along the great water routes in the interior of Russia.

out has been taken seriously in Russia, is now bringing many volunteers to the Am-

HE JUMPED FROM ST. JOHN EXPRESS

Man With Ticket From Toronto to St. John Leaps Through Car Window.

SHERBROOKE, Que., Nov. 7—No trace has been found of the man who jumped from the window of the Halifax express during Monday night, as it was approaching Lennoxville.

It appears that the man, who had a ticket from Toronto to St. John, N. B., had been acting strangely. He was riding in the second class car. Complaining to the conductor that he was sick, he asked that the window be raised. This was done and the conductor passed on. Suddenly the man seized hold of the berth, which had been pulled down from above, and raising himself, swung out of the window, feet foremost. A fellow-passenger seized him, but could not prevent the exit and the man disappeared in the darkness.

Search along the track last night and yesterday failed to locate him, or any trace of him.

The supposition is that he was fortunate in his landing and is probably now able to take care of himself and posibly ere this, has resumed his journey to St. John.

TRAIN DERAILED BY ANGORA GOATS

A Rather Tall Story Which Comes Out of the West.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 8—A special to the Republic from Carlinville, Ills., says: A work train, drawn by an electric engine on the Illinois Traction system, ran into a flock of forty-five Angora goats near here yesterday. The long goat hairs wound round the trucks and wheels in a way that derailed the engine and six cars. The track was torn up for 400 feet and traffic delayed for twelve hours.

PEORIA, Ills., Nov. 8—A poll of the firemen and engineers on the Pacific Railroad, who are members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, has begun on a proposal to strike. The controversy is over the right of the firemen's union to exercise jurisdiction over engineers who are members of the brotherhood. A vote to strike will be followed by a general walk-out on all the Gould lines, including the Misouri Pacific, Texas Pacific, International and Great Northern, Wabash, Wheeling and Lake Erie, Pittsburg Terminal and the Denver and Rio Grande, aggregating 14,000 miles of track.

Mrs. Herbert J. McAvity (nee Titus) will receive Wednesday and Thursday afternoon and Wednesday evening, November 13th and 14th at 206 Douglas Ave.

MARKETING OF GRAIN NOT UP TO LAST YEAR

Considerable Decrease in the Quantity Handled On the Route of the Canaeian Pacific Since Sept. 1.

WINNIPEG, Man., Nov. 8 (Special)—The total amount of wheat which has been marketed along the points of the Canadian Pacific Railway, since September 1, is 11,887,000 bushels, as compared with 30,302,000 last year, while other grains totalled 2,120,000 bushels as compared with 2,461,000 a year ago.

HOOKS KING OF SMELTS

Boston Fisherman Catches One 11 3-4 Inches Long and Weighing Half Pound.

(Boston Journal)

The king of that finny tribe known to lovers of the piscatorial art as smelt recently got the hook down off Hingham, said hook being one of the many suspended from a pole held by genial "Cap'n" John R. Rich of 74 Faneuil Hall Market, and for the past few days has been lying in state on a bier of ice at the market.

Unlike most fishermen who have gone forth and fished with queer, weird or unusual results, Mr. Rich, the captor of the king of smelts, otherwise and more generally known as simply "The Cap'n" brought back not only the tale of his catch, but in addition the catch itself, thus forestalling the scoffing of his fellow marketmen.

Thus it is that the king of smelts, although denied the opportunity of having the last rites performed by his scaly subjects, has, nevertheless, achieved the distinction of lying in state, and during the past few days his remains, measuring 11 3-4 inches in length and weighing a full half pound, have been viewed by thousands.

This monster catch—if you think the word monster is not the term take down a ruler and dope it out yourself—was made by the "Cap'n" one bright crisp autumn morning within the last week.

BANK CLEARINGS

Bank clearings for week ending November 7, $1,480,572.

For corresponding week last year, $1,355,303.

J. E. Paterson came in on today's Boston train.

BANK OF GERMANY ALSO RAISES DISCOUNT RATE

It Follows the Lead of the Bank of England.

Advance Announced Today Was Expected in London So It Had Little Effect on the Market---Press Comment on the Situation.

BERLIN, Nov. 8—The rate of discount of the Imperial Bank of Germany was raised today from 6 1-2 to 7 1-2 per cent.

LONDON, Nov. 8—The increase in the discount rate of the Imperial Bank of Germany has been expected here, so beyond consols declined 1-8, it had litle effect on the Stock Exchange, where trading opened comparatively quiet after yesterday's flurry. Americans were offered early, but they subsequently steadied to well above parity. Considerable quantities of gold from Paris arrived in London today.

More Gold From Europe

NEW YORK, Nov. 8—The White Star Liner Teutonic which got in yesterday from Southampton, brought her quota of gold for the relief of the financial institutions on this side of the Atlantic. She hed in her store room $1,600,000 in gold coin and bars for New York and Canadian Banks.

London Press Comment

LONDON, Nov. 8—The newspapers this morning give much attention to the rapid advance in the discount rate of the Bank of England. They reflect also some anxiety regarding the serious handicap thus placed on British trade and enterprise, but they recognize that the directors of the bank had no other course to pursue. Several financial writers interpret the advance as an indication that the position of the United States is worse than hitherto has been thought, and they consider that the directors of the Bank of England were animated by a desire to convey a strong hint that the American government must take measures to restore confidence and prevent the continued hoarding of gold.

The Daily Mail prints an editorial on the text that "In the modern financial world the innocent must suffer with the guilty."

Because confidence has been destroyed in the United States, the paper says, English business has to pay a heavy penalty. It argues against London being a free gold market, and calls for some such system as prevails in France and Germany, where the state bank authorities have power to protect the gold reserves without resorting to fluctuations of the discount rate which disturb trade.

R. G. Haley was a passenger to the city on the Montreal train today.

T. H. Estabrooks returned on today's Montreal train.

Rev. G. M. Young, of St. Stephen arrived in the city on the Boston train today.

THREE MEN MAY HAVE BEEN LOST

Anxiety in Charlottetown Concerning Fate of Three Men Who Went to Sea In Small Schooner During a Heavy Storm.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Nov. 8 (Special)—Great anxiety is felt for the safety of James Stewart, a miller, Howard Poole, aged 17, and a man named Reeves, aged twenty, who left Souris Wednesday night at nine-thirty in the midst of a furious northeast gale in the schooner Halcyon, for Georgetown, twenty-two miles distant. The Halcyon was only thirty tons and carried no ballast. The men on board had little knowledge of seamanship. The trip should have been made, under ordinary conditions, in five or six hours, but no tidings of the missing vessel have yet been heard. It is feared she capsized while attempting to clear Boughton Island reef. Wreckage the same color as the schooner has been seen in Cardigan river. The missing men all belonged to the Woodville Mills., Lower Cardigan. Stewart is middled aged and leaves a wife and six children.

COMMERCIAL

(Furnished by D. C. Clinch, banker and broker.)

Consols unchanged, 81 1-2 for money, 81 3-4 for account. Americans irregular in London, mostly below parity.

ON THE CONTINENT.

LONDON, 12.30 p. m.—CPR 141. Money on call, 5 per cent; discount, short and 3 months' bills, 6 3-4 to 7 per cent.

BERLIN—The Imperial Bank of Germany has advanced its minimum rate of discount 1 per cent to 7 1-2 per cent. The 6 1-2 per cent rate was established on Oct. 29th.

BRUSSELS—The National Bank of Belgium has advanced its rate of discount to 6 per cent. A week ago yesterday the bank advanced its rate to 5 1-2 per cent. The bank yesterday advanced its rate on drafts to 6 1-2 per cent.

LONDON, 2 p. m.—Exchange 486.50. Anc 30 1-4; Acp 47 1-2; Atch 74; BO 78; 3-8; CO 28 1-4; GW 7 1-2; CPR 141; Erie 17 1-8;; EF 38 3-4; Ills 123; KT 22 7-8; LN 94; NP 107 3-8; Cen 98; OW 30 1-4; Pa 111; 3-4; RG 76; RI 13; SR 12 1-4; SP 66 1-4; St Paul 102 1-2; UP 102 1-2; US 23 7-8; UX 84 1-2; WZ 15.

LIVERPOOL—Spot cotton quiet, prices easier; middlings off 8 points. Futures opened easier, 3 1-2 to 7 off. At 12.30 p. m.—Steady 3 1-2 to 7 off from previous closing.

Detroit United, fourth week, October increases $24,337, month increase $58,227, from January 1st increase $567,586.

THE NEWS SUMMARY.

Summary—Copper stocks in London weak.

London fears further advance in Bank of England rate if American demand for gold is not checked. Fair demand for stocks in loan crowd. Big surplus for third quarter insures that N Y Central will earn more than its six per cent dividend this year.

Delaware and Hudson net earnings, increase $295,703, and for nine months, increase $1,182,690.

At a meeting of American Steel Foundries' directors, Thursday, plans were set in motion whereby company will declare a cash dividend of 3 per cent and a scrip dividend of 20 per cent to holders of preferred stock. The scrip will bear interest, so it is said, at rate of 4 per cent.

Premiums on currency are 2 1-2 to 3 per cent on gold and 2 3-4 to 3 1-2 per cent for large and small bills. Heavy selling of stocks for foreign account and premiums on currency caused extreme advances of two cents in demand sterling and 2 1-4 cents in cables.

It is reported from Washington that the heads of the great railway systems are to hold a conference with President Roosevelt in that city before congress meets.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas—The Woods Co. National Bank of this city, capital $200,000, and deposits of $1,292,256, suspended payments owing to steady withdrawals of deposits.

LAIDLAW & CO'S LETTER

NEW YORK, Nov. 8—It becomes clear that the limits of the present gold import movement are now in sight and that further increase in our national money supply must come through liquidation and the release of hoarded money. Of the $40,000,000 or more gold secured from abroad, however, only $9,000,000 have been available so far. Another $10,000,000 arrived this morning and will be utilized later in the day. When the remainder of these engagements become available the situation should be substantially relieved for this will permit of a $150,000,000 expansion of bank credits, besides circulation is being measurably enlarged each day and there seems every prospect that there will be a gradual subsidence of the stringency in the near future. Meantime, however, general business is being forcibly curtailed by the lack of currency and each day records the closing of more banking institutions throughout the country from this cause. While it is generally recognized that the great majority of these are perfectly solvent any interruption to business routine always proves injurious. The situation at large is not yet such as to encourage any hope of marked improvement in the stock market and while the heavy liquidation that has occurred and the large volume of securities that have passed into strong boxes render further perpendicular dips of prices unlikely, it seems probable that the market will hesitate around current levels for some time to come.

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COKER'S ROSADOR.

American horsemen who attended the London International last June were unanimous in their admiration of Walter Winans' bay gelding Coker's Rosador, winner in single, double and four horse harness at Olympia. This hackney bred high stepper is now the recognized champion of England and Ireland. The picture shows his owner driving him to a spider phaeton. This is a hitch never seen at horse shows in this country, where the spider phaeton is used exclusively for pairs. In England, however, a single horse is often driven before this American carriage.

LUSITANIA CLIPS AN HOUR OFF HER PREVIOUS RECORD

NEW YORK, Nov. 8—The marvellous record established less than a month ago by the giant turbine Cunarder Lusitania, when she cut several hours from the passage time across the Atlantic, already has ben broken. But the Lusitani still retains the title of Queen of the Seas, as it was she herself that established the new low mark, and incidentally she added several new records to her credit. These include the best single days run—619 knots, made on November 6, an average of more than 600 knots for every full day, and an average hourly speed of 24.25 knots for the full 2,781 miles. The best previous record for the westward passage across the ocean was made by the Lusitania on her last voyage, when she covered the distance in four days, nineteen hours and fifty two minutes.

The voyage ended today over the same course was completed in four days, eighten hours and forty minutes, thus clipping one hour and twelve minutes from the previous low mark.

And this was done in the face of conditions none too favorable. From the start the weather was stormy and on the last two days, when the big steamer was on the home stretch where the greatest burst of speed might have been expected she drove straight into the teeth of a strong wind, high confusing seas and occasional sharp squalls.

The days runs were 21, 606, 616, 618, 610, and 3[illegible] knots.

In the Lusitania's big vaults were stored $12,000,000 in gold, more than a quarter of the immense total of which has been engaged abroad by American bankers since the present movement began.

This gold will be transferred from the steamer to the consignees and then added to the country's available circulation of currency.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

PROBLEM PROMPTLY SOLVED.

An unassuming person, who carefully removed his hat when he entered, caused no small commotion at City Hall yesterday.

He was there in search of a job, and knew the job he wanted. He thought he would like to watch the fires in the new warehouse on the west side, while the storms rage and the mercury does things during the coming winter season.

The first official to whom he applied referred him to another, and this one to another and so on, until finally he found himself addressing a member of the board of works.

"I s'pose,' said the applicant, "you'll hafto have somebody to look after the fires in that new shed. I thought I'd like to git the job."

"Fires?" said the member of the board of works. "Who said fires?"

"Well," said the visitor,—"you'll heat the offices—won't you?"

The alderman smote his thigh and uttered an exclamation. Then he rushed to the telephone. Presently he came back.

"Mister," he said, "there isn't anything to heat the place with. There isn't even a fireplace. We never thought of it. I'm glad you spoke. We'll see what can be done, and if you don't get a job we'll give you a medal at least. You've done us a good turn.'

He shook the man warmly by the hand, and went with him to the door. A little later there was a hurried conference on the question of stoves, furnaces and boilers.

The man who wanted a job had warmed things up.

LATER.

At a conference this morning it was decided to work the Ludlow in behind the new wharf, extend pipes from her boiler through the warehouse, and use her as a steam heating plant for the winter. In the spring she will be painted again and used as an auxiliary harbor craft.

CRITICAL CASE.

At a special consultation of their physicians last evening it was decided to subject the members of the provincial government to a rigid course of diet in the hope that it may clear their minds relative to the elections. They may, however, be advised in the end to go to the country. Dr. Pugsley has been sent for.

Mr. Peter Binks suggests that considerable revenue might be derived from a license system which would compel teamsters on Water street at the ferry floats to take out a license to throw mud. At present they are not taxed for this privilege, although they take full advantage of it.

HON. H. A. McKEOWN 'N BY ACCLAMATION

As Generally Expected There Was No Opposition to the Return of the New Attorney General.

Hon. H. A. McKeown is the city nominee for the county seat in the local legislature, made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Ruddick.

Sheriff R. R. Ritchie held court this morning for receiving nominations and up to 1.30 o'clock only the one name had been submitted. According to law the court will be open until two o'clock, and then, if as seems probable, there are no other nominees, Hon. Mr. McKeown will be declared elected by acclamation.

The attorney-general's papers were presented by Heber S. Keith, who acted as his agent.

Among the names signed to the papers were the following: John W. Long, Lancaster; Effie L. Belding, M. C. Belding, Chance Harbor; James Ready, J. J. Hennesey, T. A. Hooley, W. E. Barnhill, Fairville; Robt. Connolly, Great Salmon River; F. M. Cochran, W. E. Skillen, C. Fred Black, H. E. Gilmor, St, Martins; Jeremiah Donovan, Coldbrook; John McGuire, Martin Dolan, Golden Grove; John E. Moore and others.