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THE WEATHER.

Moderate variable winds, fine and a little warmer, Saturday, easterly to south-easterly winds, rain before night.

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ONE CENT

STONE WALLS COULD NOT HOLD THIS PRISONER

Weymouth Post Office Burglar Escapes From Prison

Charles Edward Elderkin Broke Out of Digby Jail During Last Night, and His Escape Was Discovered Early This Morning.

DIGBY, N. S., Nov. 1.—(Special)—An other sensation is on this morning. Charles Edward Elderkin, charged with burglarizing the Weymouth Bridge post-office, escaped from the Digby jail during the night and his present whereabouts are unknown. The sailor who occupied the cell with him was sent to the penitentiary on Tuesday. Since then Elderkin had been very quiet. Last night he removed a portion of the floor, let himself drop down through a small hole, then moved a portion of the stone wall, and escaped.

SAYS THE CROPS WILL BE SHORT

Harold Sears, Son of Mayor Sears, Writes of Conditions in the West.

Mayor Sears has received several letters recently from his son, Harold, who is buyer for the Albert Dickinson Company, of Chicago, grain and seed dealers, in which he writes interestingly of the crop conditions in the various districts through which he is travelling in the interests of the firm.

Under date of October 24 he reports that he has been engaged in estimating the flax crop and that in Northern Dakota and Western Canada it is almost a failure.

What also is a very poor crop, and he looks for hard times, as the farmers are holding for high prices and are not paying their bills. The price of wheat and flax had gone down on account of the lack of money, and many elevators throughout the country were closing. He says that fully one third of the crop in Western Canada was destroyed by frost and the farmers would not market over 70,000,000 bushels, and is not more than 20,000,000 to 25,000,000 will grade No. 1 northern or milling wheat.

On October 28 he writes that he is going into Southern Dakota to buy timothy seed. He looks for higher prices on wheat and flax, as the crops were poor; he said, if it were not for the high prices the farmers would be in a bad state. He thinks there will be a general reduction in the prices of all goods on account of the narrow money market.

During last year Mr. Sears travelled over 40,000 miles in the interests of the firm.

IN POLICE COURT THIS AFTERNOON

Thomas McGuinn, who was before Judge Ritchie this morning on a charge of drunkenness, appeared again this afternoon and charged George Garnett with assaulting him. He said he was in Garnett's place drinking yesterday and spent two dollars. He also claims that Garnett struck him and knocked him down. He went out and reported the matter to the police who advised him to get a warrant and went again to Garnett's. He passed over the remaining three dollars that he had to the attendant for safe-keeping and states that Garnett offered to put him up for the night but at 10 o'clock told him to get out on the street and he would see him there. He also states that Garnett called him some unsavory names, Garnett denies the whole thing and called the complainant a bum in court.

He says he never drank with McGuinn who he claims had no money. Judge Ritchie told Garnett that he would have to bring his bartender and appear Monday morning.

Andrew Irvine was fined \$8 and James McCausland and George Brown, \$4 each for drunkenness.

THE SMALLPOX SCARE

The smallpox scare at St. Martins is now a thing of the past. The McIntyre and Greer houses which were quarantined have been thoroughly disinfected and the quarantine lifted. The houses which were in charge of the houses returned here today. The village is now free of the disease. Rev. F. L. Crisp, the patient, in the isolation hospital is now convalescent, and will be allowed to go in a few days.

THEY MAY EAT MEAT

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The Tribune this morning says: Through a dispensation from the Pope, Roman Catholics will be permitted to eat meat today, a fast day, at the feast of All Saints. Yesterday was ordered to be the day of fasting. Only once before has the church permitted the eating of meat on Friday, and that was at the golden jubilee declaration of the dogma when Christmas came in that day.

THE MUTINOUS RUSSIAN TORPEDO BOAT DESTROYER WAS BATTERED TO PIECES

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 1.—According to the official reports on the recent mutinous outbreak of sailors at Vladivostok, the crews of three torpedo boat destroyers, the Skory, Serdity, and Tretyostny, mutinied, hoisted the red flag and shelled the port, doing considerable damage to various buildings and killing some soldiers and civilians.

The Skory, on board of which were three revolutionary agitators, including one woman, took the leading part in the mutiny, the crew rising at the instance of the agitators, killing the commander of the boat and wounding the other officers, who were overpowered and confined below decks.

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CANADA MAY APPOINT A COMMISSION ON METHODS OF JAP IMMIGRATION CO.'S

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 1.—(Special)—It is probable that the dominion government will appoint a commission to enquire into the business methods of the Japanese immigration companies operating here. Commissioner King intimated yesterday that upon his return to Ottawa he would make representations to the government to have the commission appointed. "It is very much in the interests of the government," said the commissioner, "that the subject should be fully considered. I feel it my duty to make representations to that effect. The sooner inquiry is held the better for this country, and for Japan."

NEWS FROM P. E. ISLAND

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Nov. 1.—(Special)—James Howatt, son of John Howatt, of Tryon, P. E. I. died yesterday suddenly on a Boston street.

Captain Joseph Read has arrived from Boston where he had been called to look after the schooner Malabar reported by the Boston press to have been badly disabled at sea. The report appears to be almost without foundation as the vessel is uninjured and no accident occurred except owing to the carelessness of the crew small portions of the cargo were lost overboard.

The fourth match of the P. E. I. football league series yesterday was won by the Abegweits over St. Dunstons, 3 to 0.

FIRST KENNEL SHOW OPENS IN FEW DAYS

Only three days more remain in which to send in entries for the approaching dog show which is listed for November 12, 13 and 14, and it is expected that the committee will be kept busy from now until the closing day for entries as none will be accepted after Nov. 4.

The prizes, which are valuable and very handsome will be exhibited shortly in J. & A. McMillan's window, Prince William street, and Alex. McMillan has been authorized to accept other donations.

Exhibitors will be present from all parts of Canada and it is understood that Earl Grey will send down some of his famous Newfoundland dogs, not for competition but for exhibition purposes only. There will also be an exhibit of the noted Irish terriers from the Blue Bonnet kennels at Montreal.

The committee want it distinctly understood that every dog will be judged on its merits, whether it has a pedigree or not.

Few people can form any idea of the extent of the kennel show for really nothing like it has been attempted in the lower provinces.

TOY BALLOON MAKES RECORD

PARIS, Nov. 1.—A toy balloon, one of many released by the newspaper, The Eclair, was found in Finland. It traveled a distance of 1,950 kilometers from Paris, thus beating by 25 kilometers, the long distance balloon record by Count De La Vaulx.

THE IRON MASTER BEATEN

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland, Nov. 1.—Andrew Carnegie having positively refused to contest his election, Lord Avebury, who was formally declared to have been elected rector of the university at St. Andrews. Mr. Carnegie had three times been selected lord rector of the university, the first time in 1901.

Miss Roxie Harvey entertained a number of her friends at a Halloween E'en party at her home, 43 Britannia street last evening. Amusements appropriate to the occasion were provided, and a general good time enjoyed.

FLAGS MUST FLY SIDE BY SIDE

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—A whole Canadian convention and the manager of the Chicago Beach Hotel were brought to a recognition of United States patriotism last night by Miss Emily T. Foster, of the hotel, who advised Manager Gray that if he was to fly a British flag over his hotel, he must fly an American flag from the same staff. Gray held out in favor of the Canadian convention last night, when two detectives from Hyde Park police station called to investigate a number of complaints that had been telephoned in about the flag. Then he capitulated and hauled down the flag. The Chicago Beach Hotel is at present the headquarters of a big convention of Canadian manufacturers. Out of courtesy to the guests the Union Jack with the Canadian emblem was ordered unfurled.

The funeral of Mrs. Janet Wilson was held this afternoon from her late residence, 183 City Lane. Service was conducted by Rev. H. R. Reid and interment was in Fernhill.

THE REPORTS WERE GREATLY EXAGGERATED

Instead of 15,000 Being Killed in Landslide Loss of Life Was 200.

NEW BOKHARA, Turkistan, Nov. 1.—The reports of the catastrophe at Karatagh were exaggerated. Instead of fifteen thousand persons being killed, only about 200 lost their lives. Most of these perished under the landslide which buried 400 of the 600 houses of the town.

Karatagh is situated in a small natural amphitheatre among lofty hills, the Karatagh mountain hanging over it on one side and a river running on the other. At the height of the recent earthquake a great section of the mountain broke away and slid rapidly upon the town. Houses were already falling on all sides from the violence of the earth shocks and many of the luckless inhabitants, unable to escape through the narrow streets, were buried under the debris were caught and buried. All the survivors were without shelter and a relief expedition with supplies has left New Bokhara for the scene of the disaster.

KARL HAU'S LIFE SAVED

LONDON, Nov. 1.—The Berlin correspondent of the Standard says that the Grand Duke of Baden, acting on the advice of the minister of justice, has decided to commute the sentence of death passed on Karl Hau, formerly professor of Roman Law at George Washington University, D. C., for the murder of Frau Molitor, his mother-in-law, to penal servitude for life. This decision is regarded as being based on the view that the evidence adduced at the trial was not sufficient to justify Hau's execution. Moreover, the Grand Duke, having just succeeded to the throne, does not wish to begin his reign by signing a death warrant. Hau will shortly be removed to the Penal Settlement at Bruchsal.

CAID MACLEAN IN CHAINS

MADRID, Nov. 1.—Despatches from Tetuan, convey a native report to the effect that several days ago Caid MacLean escaped but was recaptured and put in chains by order of Raisuli.

H. F. S. Paisley, editor of the Sackville Tribune, a former member of the Globe staff, was in the city today on his way home from Fredericton, where he attended the Mt. Allison U. N. B. football game.

A DOMESTIC TRAGEDY

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 1.—As a result of domestic troubles J. B. Rutherford, a former saloon keeper of Tipton, Tenn., last night mortally wounded his wife, shot Eugene H. Peet, a friend, and then killed himself.

The Prentice boys of Carleton celebrated Halloween last evening by a dance and supper in their new hall in Guilford street. An orchestra furnished the music and a large crowd were present.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

FREDERICTON, Nov. 1 (Special)—Mrs. Kelly, widow of John Kelly, died at her home here this morning after several weeks illness from internal trouble, aged sixty-three years. She is survived by a family of two sons and five daughters. Mrs. John Moore, of this city, and one brother, George Sewell, resides in the west. Thomas Sewell, who was in the Quebec bridge disaster is a nephew.

Charles Collins, the well known tailor, died last night after a brief illness from pneumonia. He was fifty-three years of age and leaves a family of four daughters. The engagement is announced of Frank Shute, of the Royal Bank staff, of Havana, Cuba, son of the late S. F. Shute, of this city, and Miss Florence Whitehead, daughter of W. T. Whitehead, M. P. P. of this city.

There was the usual Halloween celebration here last night, but the police were on the alert and prevented any serious damage to property. The University students, on account of the success of their football team yesterday, celebrated Halloween with more than the usual vim. The old cannon was fired north from its hiding place and a couple of shots fired in honor of the football victory.

COUNTRY MARKET

Meat, game, poultry and vegetables will be in abundance in the country market. The prices on butter have, according to rumor, a downward tendency, but at present figures rule much the same as last week.

On general market supplies retail prices are today quoted as follows: Beef 8 to 20c, mutton 7 to 14c, lamb 10 to 16c, veal 8 to 16c, venison 10 to 18c, moose steaks 18 to 20c, turkeys 22 to 25c, part-ridge 90c, black duck 1.00, carrots 25c, a peck, potatoes 25c, a peck, turnips 25c, a peck, parsnips 25c, a peck, red cabbage 10 to 12c, white cabbage 6 to 10c, squash 3c, a pound, pumpkins 2c, a pound, celery 6 to 12c, a head.

Butter—Creamery 32 to 34c, dairy rolls 28 to 32c, and tub 28 to 29c, a pound.

A LIBEL ON MASONRY

TANANARIVO, Island of Madagascar, Nov. 1.—The natives are greatly excited over reports said to have been spread by the masons that the Free Masons are killing children in order to celebrate their rites. The government is placarding reassuring notices in all public places.

NO ALCOHOL IN FINLAND

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Nov. 1.—The Diet today adopted unanimously without a roll call, the alcohol bill, prohibiting the manufacture of alcohol in Finland, or its importation into Finland.

As the measure affects Russia's tariff relations with foreign countries, it is not certain that the emperor will sanction the measure. In view of the passage of the bill temperance celebrations are being held in every part of the country.

GOLD IMPORTS FROM ABROAD

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The total gold engagements from abroad since the present movement began was increased to \$25,550,000 today by the announcement of Lazard Freres, that they had secured \$1,000,000 in London and the Second National Bank of Boston arranged for the importation of \$300,000.

The Marathons and the University of New Brunswick football teams will play on the Victoria grounds tomorrow afternoon.

HITCHCOCK MAKES CANADA HIS PLACE OF REFUGE

FUND IS IN GOOD SHAPE

Methodist Supernumerary Fund of the Maritime Provinces Now Amounts to \$120,000.

At the annual meeting of the general committee of the Methodist Supernumerary Fund of the Maritime Provinces, held yesterday in the parlors of the Centenary church, the annual augmentation account, amounting to about \$17,000, from all sources, was passed. The capital fund now amounts to about \$120,000, which was invested during the year at an average of about six per cent. The report of the investment committee was received, and they were reappointed as follows: J. A. Likely, James Myles and J. Willard Smith.

Rev. G. M. Campbell, secretary of the Canadian Bible Society, is permitted to retain his connection with the fund by paying an amount equivalent to two and one half per cent of his salary, and the church in which he was last pastor will also contribute.

F. S. Whitaker was re-appointed auditor. The fund, although so large, costs very little in the way of expense, only about \$450 being charged up for salaries, etc.

A vote of thanks for the use of the rooms in Centenary church, was passed.

Among those present were Rev. Samuel Howard (chairman), Rev. W. M. Langill, of Windsor, N. S. (secretary), Rev. Dr. C. H. Paisley, of Sackville; Rev. Dr. Evans, of Hampton; Judge S. A. Chesley, Lunenburg, N. S., and J. Hunter White.

A BIG DROP IN DOMINION COAL

MONTREAL, Nov. 1.—(Special)—Dominion Coal touched 30 on the local market this morning. This point which is the lowest on the recent movement has caused much wonderment as to the reasons therefore. President Ross is believed to have been the chief influence in upholding the stock up to the present, making it a point to keep it up to 40, and the inference is made in some quarters that he has changed his policy. However, as considerable of this issue has been thrown on the market lately it is quite possible that the decline is due to other causes.

The general market did not exhibit any striking changes and there appears to be no change of sentiment from the early part of the week. It is felt that the improvement must be very gradual and that there will be set backs even at the present low range of prices. Dominion Steel issues were steady at 14 1/2 to 14 for common, 40 for preferred and 68 for bonds. Twin City was the feature of the traction list selling at 72 but later rallying a fraction. Canadian Pacific was much improved at 149 1/2, bid and offered at 150. Illinois paid showed no rallying power at 74. Other features were Toronto Railway at 88 1/2; Montreal Power, 84 1/2; MacKay, 53 1/2; Rio Bonos, 60.

EIGHT CENTS OR A FAMINE

It looks like 8 cent milk or a milk famine. The farmers in Kings county or at least those in the vicinity of Bloomfield have decided that they must receive more money for their product or the supply will be stopped. The prevailing price for milk is 8 cents a quart, and the farmers are not willing to sell at that price. The majority of the dealers here were consulted and while some were willing to pay the farmers more, others were not and so the matter stands.

Since September 1 the farmers have been receiving 30 cents an 8-quart can and now they are for 32 cents a can and June 1. Previous to September the price was 25 cents a can. Some of the dealers who agreed to pay the increased price rather than have their supply stopped received the usual supply, while others who would not agree did not receive any today and in consequence some households were left unserved.

It is altogether likely that the dealers will have to accede to the will of the farmers, pay the higher rate and charge the consumer 8 cents a quart.

QUESTION OF PAYMENT FOR A DEAD HORSE

Amusing Case Heard in City Court Before Police Magistrate Today

Who is to pay for a dead horse? It was this question that Judge Ritchie had to decide today at the sitting of the city court, which, as yesterday was a holiday, was held today.

It appears that Alexander Clark had purchased a horse from William Grannan for \$100, paying \$80 cash and giving a note for the remaining twenty.

It is also evident that Mr. Clark sold a horse to Mr. Grannan for \$20 under rather extraordinary circumstances. The animal, it seems, was not in the best of condition, and it was agreed that if the animal lived Mr. Clark was to receive \$15, and if it died, only ten. The latter was the case and it was over this that the trouble arose. After Mr. Grannan had the horse for a while the noble beast "kicked the pail."

Mr. Clark claimed that as Mr. Grannan had had some use of the equine he should pay the full amount. The original claim was allowed less an offset of \$10 which was allowed by Mr. Gerow, who acted for Mr. Grannan—and costs.

WANT TO INCREASE THE DAM CAPACITY

MONTREAL, Nov. 1st (Special)—The International Waterways Commission meets here on Wednesday next. The chief question before the body is the application of an American dam company to increase the dam capacity above Cornwall. This application is opposed on the ground that it would seriously lower the level of the water in the Cornwall Canal on the Canada side and more or less injure the channel from that point down.

Comedian Wanted in New York on Grave Charges.

Wanted to Rutland, Vt., Where He Took Last Night's Train for Montreal—Young Girls Accuse Him of Serious Offences.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The police theory concerning the whereabouts of Raymond Hitchcock who disappeared on the eve of his indictment and probable trial on charges made by several young girls, is that the fugitive has gone to Canada. A railroad conductor who is sure his train took Hitchcock and two companions as far as North Adams, Mass., yesterday, furnished the clue. It is learned that while in North Adams the men asked about the quickest route to Montreal, N. H., or Rutland, Vt. Late Wednesday night, according to advice received here, the men were seen in Bennington, Vt., so it is presumed they were making for Canada as fast as possible.

It is said that if Hitchcock has fled across the border, he will be safe there from extradition as the crime with which he is charged is not extraditable.

BOSTON, Nov. 1.—Advice received from various sections of New England tend to show that Raymond Hitchcock, the fugitive comedian, is bound for Canada, if he has not already managed to cross the boundary line. It is reported in Pittsfield that a New York man who is acquainted with the actor, saw him and two companions on board the Harlem train, which left New York at 8.54 a. m. Wednesday and arrived at North Adams at 2.28 p. m.

From North Adams comes the report that Hitchcock and two friends stopped at the Richmond House in that city, where Hitchcock was recognized by the clerk, Wm. Newman. Newman claims to be positive in his identification, saying that the actor always stopped at the Richmond when playing in North Adams, and that he has seen him many times.

It is claimed also in North Adams that Hitchcock remained over night in a private house, starting yesterday afternoon for Rutland, Vt., and connecting at the latter place at 9 o'clock last night on a train bound for Montreal.

R. L. BORDEN ENDED HIS TRANS-CANADA TOUR LAST NIGHT

Conservative Leader Enthusiastically Received at Port Arthur Yesterday—Hundreds Turned Away From Meeting

PORT ARTHUR, Ont., Nov. 1 (Special) Port Arthur greeted R. L. Borden and his party yesterday most heartily, and the trans-Canada tour of the Conservative leader was brought to a close with scenes of remarkable enthusiasm.

A public meeting was held in the afternoon in Masonic Hall, and the crowd was so large that no rallying power at 74. Other features were Toronto Railway at 88 1/2; Montreal Power, 84 1/2; MacKay, 53 1/2; Rio Bonos, 60.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

HIRAM AS A CRITIC.

Mr. Hiram Hornbeam attended the matinee at the opera house yesterday afternoon and was mightily tickled with the adventures of the deacon who bet on horse races. There was a lot of human nature in it," Hiram said this morning, as he detailed the plot of the play to the Times new reporter.

"I was always ready," said Hiram, to trade horses with any man but a deacon. I had no call to foot with a deacon in a horse-trade. But say, we kin give you city fellers some pints on manners if you come out to the Settlement. Up in that there gellery yesterday afternoon I seen fellers with their hats on, an' it packed with wimmin. I seen young fellers spittin' on the floor right up close to gal's dresses. Seem's to me we kin teach you manners there. You never see anything like that in the hall out to the Settlement—By Hen! Any young feller! hadn't sense enough to take his hat off an' leave his chaw outdoors wouldn't stay a very long spell in our hall. I've heerd a lot about slums, an' b'gosh I guess they were represented in that gellery gang yesterday. I was out to the Every Day Club 'other night an' I seen a great big sign up, 'Don't spit on the floor.' That struck me as bein' mighty queer. What sort o' men have you got round here—that they'd try to make a hoggan out of a decent room? I'm glad I'm bush. Lots o' things there we don't know out there, but I guess they some we don't want to know. Great was their—aint it?"



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