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THE WEATHER.
Fresh to strong
northwest to west
winds, fine and cold
today and on Friday

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PENNSYLVANIA COAL MEN WANT DUTY REMOVED FROM COAL COMING INTO CANADA

Delegation Representing Operators With an Output of 35,000,000 Will Go to Washington to Urge the Matter on the U. S. Committee of Ways and Means—Would Mean Cheaper Anthracite Coal for Canadian Consumers.

Toronto, Dec. 3 (Special)—A special despatch to the Globe from Pittsburgh says: "A strong delegation of Pittsburgh coal operators armed with a brief in favor of free coal with Canada, will leave for Washington within a few days to go before the ways and means committee. It has communicated with Congressman Hall, and has received assurance that such a movement would be favorably heard. A communication sent to Washington by the Pittsburgh operators says the petition for reciprocal coal with Canada is favored by the mining interests representing 35,000,000 tons of production. Such a treaty it is urged, would be of vast benefit to the

Pittsburgh district and Western Pennsylvania is the logical section to supply the Canadian market. The argument recites that the coal markets of western Pennsylvania have been gradually contracted by the opening of other coal fields and some outlet other than the old markets must be found. The removal of the coal duty between Canada and the United States would benefit more than any other single act and would stimulate the coal trade between these points. Nova Scotia coal, it is held, would not prove a serious factor in New England, as that coal is rapidly finding better markets as bunker coal.

DEAL IN ROAD UPSETS TEAM

James Moreland, a Golden Grove Milk Dealer, Victim of Early Morning Accident.

While driving to the city early today James Moreland, a Golden Grove milk dealer, was suddenly thrown from his wagon near the junction of the Golden Grove and Marsh roads. In the vehicle were a boy and little girl. They were also precipitated to the ground.

In the semi-darkness Mr. Moreland was unable to discern a hole in the road and his horse ran into the stick of timber demolishing the fore section of the wagon and depositing the occupants on the roadway.

Practically all of the cans containing his milk were thrown on the ground and the milk spilled promiscuously.

Last night another Golden Grove resident, named McFate ran into the obstruction with a light vehicle and he was thrown over the dashboard.

It is possible that Mr. Moreland may institute a suit for damages against the municipality. The road where the accident occurred is in very bad condition and Mr. Moreland's fate may easily be that of almost any other driver who has occasion to travel the road in the semi-darkness.

THE FIRST COLD TOUCH OF WINTER

Thermometer Registered 10 Above Zero This Morning—High Wind Made it Seem Very Cold.

With the thermometer registering 10 degrees above the zero mark this morning, people were reminded of the approach of winter. In many instances heavier coats were brought out, and those who were much on the streets could be seen with their hands to their ears to protect them from the icy blast.

The drop in temperature was noticeably apparent yesterday, when the highest reading was 28 degrees, and at 9 o'clock last night the mercury had dropped to 22. At daylight this morning 10 degrees was registered, and at 9 o'clock it was only one degree higher. All through the night and early this morning there were moderate gales from the northwest, the wind reaching a velocity of 30 to 40 miles an hour.

Last year the lowest temperature up to this date was 17 degrees above the cypher. It was not until the 14th of December last year that the temperature was as low as today. On December 22 last year, there was a snowfall of four inches.

EDITOR ACQUITTED OF CHARGE OF LIBEL

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 3 (Special)—The jury found John W. Datoe, editor of the Free Press, not guilty of libel against Fred C. MacLagen in connection with the row at Hon. Clifford Sifton's press conference. The judge pointed out there was nothing to connect Mr. Datoe personally with the libel. A civil action was threatened against the Free Press Company.

COLLISION ON C. P. R.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 3 (Special)—A collision occurred this morning about a mile east of Pembroke on the C. P. R., between the local passenger train bound for Ottawa and a light engine going west. The engineer of the passenger train, R. Rowe, was killed, and Fireman Crawford injured. Both engines were wrecked, but the passengers escaped with a shaking up.

FINE SCHEME TO GET EASY MONEY IS NIPPED BY PROMOTER'S ARREST

New York, Dec. 3—Francis G. Palmieri, president of the Co-operative Securities Company and the Ideal Steam Turbine Company, was arrested here last night on the charge of using the mails to defraud. August M. Brown, the treasurer of the Co-operative Securities Company, was arrested November 1st in Boston on complaint of Mrs. Mary C. Moffatt, of this city, who charged that he had sold her stocks, which he guaranteed would pay 12 per cent. a month, and did pay it for two months, but only two.

Today detectives found Mr. Palmieri's office crowded with Italians who wanted to get in on some stock of the Ideal Steam Turbine Co. A recent pamphlet issued by him stated, it is alleged, that the

TO ISSUE A PAPER SUNDAY EVENING

Frank A. Munsey Will Have the First Sunday Afternoon Paper on the Continent.

New York, Dec. 3—Frank A. Munsey, owner of six magazines and four daily newspapers, is about to issue the only Sunday evening newspaper in this country, by changing the present Sunday morning edition of his Washington Times into an afternoon paper. The price will be one cent, the same as on the other days of the week. The change will go into effect next Sunday, subscribers to the Washington Times receiving their Sunday edition, not at 7 a. m. as heretofore, but at 4:40 in the afternoon.

"I believe in doing new things," explained Mr. Munsey.

"I want to give the people of Washington the first and only straight Sunday afternoon newspaper in the country. The advertisers are greatly interested in the plan."

"You see, Washington has four Sunday newspapers, and the Sunday newspapers of New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore are also dumped in upon it. When these are finished with, the reading public will turn to my afternoon paper. All news which is ten hours' old is finished with in this country today. Religious news will naturally occupy a fair sized part of the paper."

"The church services and sermons, and news from other cities and continents comes ticking in all Sunday morning and early afternoon. The Sunday edition, like week day editions, will have no supplements, not even a special article. It will be a regular one cent newspaper, from sixteen to twenty-four pages, containing the news of the world during the last twenty-four hours. The size of the average Sunday paper is appalling and objectionable."

RAILWAY EXTENSION IN NORTHERN ONTARIO

Exploration Parties Have Gone Thoroughly Over the District Around Cobalt in Preparation for Railway Extension.

Toronto, Dec. 3 (Special)—Exploration parties of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway have completed their work for the year and have secured considerable data as to the possible railway routes in the northern districts. They examined the route in the Temiskaming district about Cobalt, including South Lorrain, Montreal River, Goyganda and Northern Temiskaming. Should development of any of these districts warrant it, the railway commission would be in a position to commence construction of a branch line without delay. The South Lorrain region now seems most in need of railway facilities. The winter road to Elk Lake City will meet to a large extent the needs of the Montreal River district.

A BIG COAL FIND IN NEW ONTARIO

Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 3 (Special)—Mining Recorder J. W. Morgan confirms the report that an important discovery of coal had been reported to him as made within 100 miles of Port Arthur. A sample of the coal assayed at 88 per cent. of the very best anthracite.

D. M. Orsar, a prominent citizen of Birmingham, Ala., was shot and killed yesterday afternoon at Carbon Hill, Ala., in Walker county, by J. T. Wakefield, his brother-in-law. The affair is said to have resulted from family troubles.

PORT AU PRINCE HAD NIGHT OF PILLAGE AND BLOODSHED

Riotous Mobs Looted Stores and Dwellings and Did Much Damage. Troops Were Called Out to Restore Order But Looters Refused to Desist and in Fight Twelve Were Killed—Rioters Wanted to Lynch Nord Alexis But He Saved His Skin by Escaping to French Cruiser.

Port au Prince, Dec. 3—8 a. m.—The stirring events of an historical day which saw President Nord Alexis driven from his palace with infuriated mobs at his heels was followed by a night of looting and burning.

The passions had been aroused and their endeavors frustrated in their attempt to do bodily harm to Nord Alexis. They turned their attention to warehouses and stores. When the authorities succeeded in controlling the situation 12 men were killed.

The trouble began shortly after the president had been escorted to the French cruiser Duguay Trouin by M. Carteron, the French minister.

People from the Belair and Salinas sections of the city invaded the business quarter and lost no time in turning to the work of pillage and robbery. They divided into bands and worked their way down one street and up another, breaking into the stores that offered the best chances of loot. The looting of shops and houses was followed by the destruction of property.

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headquarters and ordered a detachment of men to follow him to the scenes of the trouble. The police, however, refused. The General then got together a number of courageous citizens, to whom he issued arms, and rounded up a small detachment of loyal troops and at the head of this body of men he marched on the looters.

They pillagers were unaware of his approach, and the first intimation that they were to meet any opposition came to them in the shape of a volley from his command. Eight of the looters fell at this first fire. The rest fled in all directions. The mob was again, the crowd quickly dispersed. While this was going on in the business district, another mob was looting the rich residential section. The residences of General Coiteux, General Gabriel, General Guillaume, M. Lefontant, General Marcelin and General Leonote were broken into by bands of pillagers who took everything of value they could lay their hands on.

This success seemed to satisfy the crowd in the suburbs, for they then dispersed without committing further depredations.

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NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

Fredricton Guide Has Successful Trip to His Camps on the Nepisiguit.

Fredricton, N. B., Dec. 3—(Special)—Charles Crenin, a well-known guide of this city, who has been at his camps on the Nepisiguit since early in September, returned home last night after completing the most successful season in his experience. He guided seventeen American sportsmen and their total bag was four moose, five caribou and six deer.

The Fredricton Teachers' Association has elected A. S. McFarlane, president, Miss Sadie Thompson vice-president, Miss Ethel Smith librarian, and F. A. Good treasurer.

Howard Renshaw and John Payne, of Troy, N. Y., are here today enroute home from a successful hunting trip up the Nepisiguit. They each shot a moose and a caribou.

The cold snap here still continues, and there is no longer any open water in the river.

BUSINESS IS GOOD

One Local Wholesaler Says October and November Showed Better Business Than for Years

A prominent wholesale grocer, talking to the Times this morning, said that business for the months of October and November had been better than for many years, and he had been informed by other dealers that they had also found trade increasing. The wholesaler looks for a continuance of good business until about a week before Christmas, when the trade generally slackens. Fall business has now been pretty well cleared up, and the majority of the coasting schooners have gone into winter quarters. Several that are now in port will leave during the next few days on their final trips for the season.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Fulton McDougall

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 3—(Special)—After an illness of but four days, the death of Mrs. McDougall, wife of Fulton McDougall, manager of the Royal Bank of Canada here, occurred at half-past eight this morning at her home, Nightfield street.

Previous to her death, Mrs. McDougall gave birth to a child. The deceased was forty-three years of age, and has been living in Moncton for the past three years, previous to which time she made her home in Sackville, the place of her birth. The deceased was a daughter of the late Joseph L. Black, of Sackville, and is survived by her husband, her mother, one sister and two brothers. The sister is Mrs. Edmund Burke, of Toronto. The brothers are, F. B. Black and J. Walter Black, of Sackville. She was a cousin of Governor Snowball of Chatham, also of Senator Thompson, of Fredericton. Her maiden name was Miss Jenny L. Black, of Sackville.

The body will be taken to Sackville on the Maritime Express tomorrow morning. A short service will be conducted at her late home by Revs. D. McDerm and Strachan. The funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon at half-past two from the home of her mother at Sackville.

THE "BILLS" LEAD IN THE POLICE COURT RECORDS

More Williams on Police Books in Last Two Months Than Any Other Name

For the months of October and November the Williams weary and otherwise led by a goodly margin over all other Christian names in police arrests. For once the Johns, Josephs, Georges, Edwards, James, etc., are relegated to a seat in the rear of the brigade with the "Bills," as forerunners. During the month of October thirteen Williams were arrested and in November the number of ill-fated "Bills" was twelve, thus aggregating twenty-five.

The Johns and Jims are in a dead heat for second place with seventeen each. The Johns arrested in October were ten and the Jims were seven. The number of Georges for the two months were twelve and the Charles, ten. The Franks were eight, the Freds six, the Harrys six and the Mikes five.

PARENT'S PATHETIC PLEA

Aged Minister Appeals for Assistance to Find his Missing Son

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 2—"I have helped others to the limit of my ability, as God knows; I now cry out for aid in the hour of my affliction."

Rev. Thomas Bell, an Episcopal minister at Clifton Heights, Pa., employs the foregoing words in a letter reflecting the emotions of a heart-broken parent to his former classmate, Rt. Rev. Bishop Lemuel H. Wells, of Spokane, for assistance in locating his son, Robert Huntington Bell, who was last heard from by his family last February, when he was in Spokane. Mrs. Bell, wife of the minister and mother of the missing man, died a month ago, and the son became the heir of his grandmother's estate.

Bishop Wells has sent copies of the letter to Frank L. Smith, superintendent of Oudawa, Inn, and the police. The missing man is 34 years of age, and was employed in a logging camp prior to coming to Spokane. He suffered sunstroke while prospecting in Death Valley, 10 years ago, and since then he has been a wanderer. The police say that Bell went to California last May, while rooms at the Inn believe he is somewhere in the east.

350 LIVES LOST

Tokio, Dec. 3—Thirty-five Japanese fishing boats were caught in a typhoon yesterday off Hatsu Island in Kwantsu Bay, and wrecked. It is reported that 350 fishermen lost their lives.

NOT GUILTY OF LARCENY

New York, Dec. 2—John G. Jenkins, Jr., formerly president of the Jenkins Trust Co. of Brooklyn, was found not guilty of larceny of \$50,000 of the funds of the company, by a Brooklyn jury today.

TRAVELLING ON THE CHEAP

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 3 (Special)—With one hundred dollars in their possession and carrying a bundle of bedding, two Hollandians arrived in Moncton last night and passed the night in the police station. This morning they said they had walked twenty-six miles and were getting along in an economical basis.

Felix Conlon desires to state that Harry Howe was not in his saloon on the night preceding his death, nor on months previous.

HALIFAX "SOCIETY" HAS A NEW FAD NOW; THEY ALL GO TO THE MARINE ENQUIRY

What in St. John Was a Plain Court of Enquiry Has Almost Assumed the Character of a Social Function in Frivolous Halifax—Government Chain of Work Used to Lift a Concrete Coffin.

Halifax, Dec. 3—The marine enquiry was resumed this morning. It has assumed the character of a "social function." Everybody now goes to the enquiry.

C. R. Hobson was the first witness called and from that gentleman Mr. Watson's running fire of questions extracted little. He observed that \$7.50 might be a fair price for a block tin boiler for the government steamer "Aberdeen," that he always found Mr. Mitchell, with whom his firm had transactions, very careful, not given to placing orders "without rhyme or reason." Further questions related to work done by the Hobson firm on the "Canada," but elicited nothing important. Mr. Hobson was asked, after a request that he ask Frank H. Stewart, next in authority to himself in the business, "to come up after luncheon."

John Baker, an employee of the marine and fisheries department, and foreman over Mr. Lovitt, being sworn, was asked as to the now famous "chain and block."

"Where was that elusive chain and block?"

He brought down the house by quietly answering that it was in the graveyard where it was taken to lift a concrete coffin which weighed 1600 pounds.

Witness never heard of goods being taken out of the dockyard except in this court.

Isaac Creighton, of Creighton and Company, produced his books and was examined by Mr. Perron. He had been selling to the department, but only in moderate amounts—orders were telephoned. He had seen the steward once or twice, not more. Two or three years ago he used to get orders from Mr. McMain and in 1904 got them altogether in the office. It was untrue that he charged the department 20 per cent. more than his other

customers. The prices were set beforehand by Agent Parsons.

Asked to show the examiner the accounts of employees of the department unpaid, accounts of J. Parsons, agent, were produced. Subsequently other accounts were shown, one of \$14 from the steward of the Laurier (J. McDougall). He could not swear if the latter had paid or not, and was instructed to find out by the afternoon.

Captain Peter Johnson, also, it developed, had an account. His name was not in the index and a long search was made for the account.

Mr. Creighton further said that Captain Johnson had paid his old accounts on the 27th of November, 1908.

Mr. Perron called attention to the prices charged for groceries. Peaches at \$2 a dozen which were sold to others at \$1.50. Mr. Creighton said this was not a sample of the charges made.

Alex. Ferguson of Ferguson and Cox occupied the witness stand for an hour. His account for the Lady Laurier was \$2,000 and for work on the Aberdeen \$7,500. His total patronage for three years was over \$40,000. All was without a written contract except for the wages of the workmen. The charge to the government for workmen was \$3.50, for boiler-makers, \$3, for iron-workers and \$2.50 for helpers. The men were paid respectively \$2.50, \$2, and \$1.50.

None of the accounts had been objected to. Witness thought that he should have received more patronage. He could not tell what his profit was, nor could he remember what work was done outside of the department until December 1, 1907, when he was telephoned \$7,500, \$12,000 out of the \$40,000.

Mr. Cox, the book-keeper was called. He could not give much more definite information than Mr. Ferguson.

It is thought that the investigation will be concluded on Saturday.

THE LATE MR. CARSLY'S WILL

Bequests Amounting to \$11,000 Left to Sixteen Montreal Charities.

(Montreal Witness.)
The last will and testament of the late Mr. Samuel Carsley has been filed for probate in the Tutelle office.

The document is in holograph form, and dated May 31, 1907.

Deceased's four sons are appointed testamentary executors, and the will contains the following charitable bequests:—

One thousand dollars each to the following institutions: Montreal General Hospital, Notre Dame Hospital, Royal Victoria Hospital, Western Hospital, Protestant Hospital for the Insane, Salvation Army of Montreal.

Five hundred dollars each to the following societies and institutions: St. George's Society, Irish Protestant Benevolent Society, St. Andrew's Society, St. Jean Baptiste Society, St. Patrick's Society, St. David's Society, Baron de Hirsch Institute, Hebrew Benevolent Society, Mackay Institute for Protestant Deaf Mutes and Blind, Protestant Infants Home.

At the same time the city has increased the license fee, that of the retail dealers being made \$1,000 instead of \$800, and that of the wholesalers being raised from \$1,000 to \$1,500, so that the city, instead of losing revenue, will be the gainer to the extent of \$80,000.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, Que., Dec. 3 (Special)—Trading was light on the local market today, with prices generally slightly easier. The exception was Dominion Steel Bonds at 90. Steel preferred was strong at 73-1/2. Common selling at 20-3/4 and 1-2. Specialty active were Crown Reserves 265, Illinois 92-1/4, Mackay 75-1/4, Preferred 70-7/8, Mexican 74-1/4, Scotia 55, Preferred 114-1/2, Power 108, Ogilvie 113-1/2, Sao Paulo 75-1/4.

MONTREAL HAD A POOR SEASON

Navigation on the St. Lawrence River Was Lighter Than Usual This Year.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 3 (Special)—Judging by the figures issued by the harbor commissioners the season of navigation for the present year on the St. Lawrence will not go down as a banner one. From the opening of navigation until December 1, when it was declared officially closed, 730 ocean vessels arrived in port, one less than in the previous year. The tonnage however shows a decided improvement, there being 1,638,614 tons, compared with 1,124,475 last season, an increase in favor of this year of 34,129 tons.

The number of vessels arriving this year is the smallest for many years, 1906, with 787 being the previous best, while it was previous to 1903 that such a small number of ocean craft visited the port of Montreal. Another feature is that there have been no sailing vessels in port this season of the season, while in 1906 no less than 33 vessels of the old school, with a total tonnage of 11,394 tons visited Montreal.

NERVY BURGLAR STEALS DIAMONDS FROM WINDOW

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 2—While the principal business street of the north side near the Pennsylvania R. R. station was crowded early today, a robber fastened from the outside, the door of Theodore Frey's jewelry store in Federal street imprisoning the proprietor and his clerks and then smashed the big plate glass show window, securing two trays of diamonds and jewelry valued at \$12,000 and ran away with them. A plucky youth followed the thief and kept him in view until the officers and others overtook and caught him. Some of the jewelry were evidently lost during the chase, but most of them were recovered.

MIRAMICHI FROZEN OVER

Chatham, N. B., Dec. 3—(Special)—The mercury dropped to zero mark last night, and in spite of a strong northerly gale, the Miramichi river froze over and traffic is now tied up. The steam ferry Sybellah was caught in her slip at Ferryville, and will have to be moved to her winter quarters. Steamer Alexandra moved up to Ruddocks Foundry wharf this morning and will be up there for the winter.

ALL CANADIAN CATTLE MUST BE SHIPPED THROUGH ST. JOHN

Moncton, Dec. 3 (Special)—A peculiar development of the cattle embargo which is now being enforced against the American states by the Canadian government has come to light here. Under the action of rigid quarantine the American cattle trade, which formerly went from New York and Philadelphia, has been transferred to Boston and Portland, Massachusetts and Maine not being under quarantine. To meet this increased trade at Portland, the Dominion line has placed two of its largest steamships on the route.

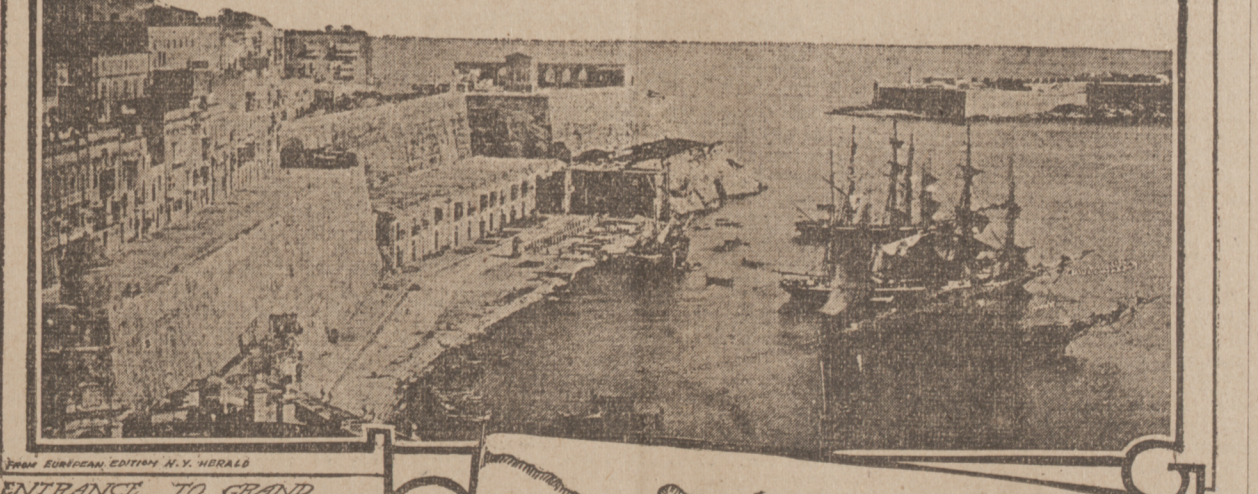
It might have been expected that under these circumstances the Canadian roads would have benefited by the heavy traffic to Portland, but under the quarantine they are not allowed to carry American cattle, which consequently go via the New York Central lines. This means a heavy loss to the Grand Trunk especially, but it is justified by the government on the ground that it is necessary to protect Can-

adian cattle, consequently the G. T. R. is even unable to carry Canadian cattle to Portland, as should Canadian cattle be infected by shipment with American cattle, it would mean an embargo on all Canadian herds.

Meanwhile St. John is benefiting through the shipment of Canadian cattle by that route.

The shipments of Canadian cattle from this port during the present season are expected to be very large. Already there are a number of cattle in the sheds at Sand Point, awaiting shipment on the Manchester Importer, and other consignments are expected every few days.

Contracts have been made for the shipment of over 5,000 head during the month of December. The cattle are coming via the C. P. R., as there has been no embargo placed on Maine up to the present time.



SCENE OF RECENT MARINE DISASTER

Valletta, Island of Malta, Nov. 28—One hundred and twenty-three persons lost their lives when, at the entrance to this port, within sight of the whole population of the city, who were powerless to give aid, the British steamship Sardinia, of the Ellerman line, from Liverpool for Alexandria, with a crew of forty-six Englishmen, eleven first and six second cabin English passengers and nearly 200 Arab pilgrims aboard, caught fire and was burned to the water's edge.

