The Times Daily Puzzle Picture

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LIFE INSURANCE PAID HERE IN 1907

St. John Receives More Than $450,000 and is Fourth City in Canada.

In 1907 two hundred cities in the United States and Canada received from the hand of life insurance more than $100,000 each, New York City standing at the top of the list with $27,371,237. In St. John the companies paid out $457,077. The leading cities in life insurance payments and their rank include:—

New York, N. Y.	$27.371,237
Philadelphia, Pa.	9,969,912
Chicago Ill.	9,079,458
Brooklyn, N. Y.	8,724,867
Boston, Mass.	7,089,889
Montreal,	2,315,586
Toronto	1.455,900
Ottawa	661,456
St. John	457,077
Quebec	416,250
Halifax	295,595
St. John's (Nfld.)	229,698

These figures cover death claims settled, all forms of endowment policies, policies written in Europe or other foreign places and paid in America, the death claims and benefits paid by fraternal orders and brotherhoods, claims paid in cases of fatal injury by accidents, etc.

According to the Insurance Press computations, life insurance organizations distributed in 1907 in the United States and Canada $351,115,592. The payments in 1906 amounted to $327,576,199; 1905, $307,019,972. The amounts paid by the regular companies in dividends to policyholders, on surrendered policies, on claims in foreign countries and to annuitants are not included.

Among large amounts paid on policies in Canada were the following:—

Halifax—Theron R. Gue, $60,000; John McInnes, $10,000; John James Stewart, $15,750.

New Glasgow—H. Graham, $11,211.

Yarmouth—W. L. Lovett, $80,000.

Fashion Hint for Times Readers

HAIRDRESSING NOT A LOST ART.

So important a role does the coiffure play at the present time that the girl who has a limited bank account would best learn to modishly arrange her own locks. She will require a pad of some kind over which to roll the slightly waved hair, and having securely gathered it into a coil at her crown, may then roll the strands into large or small puffs. Head-dresses for quite young girls are of satin ribbon shirred on a fine wire and twisted into long looped skeleton bows, these joining the ends of floral wreathes.

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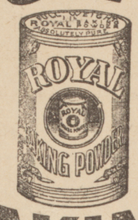

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(Continued.)

Walter saw the futility of it too. He saw in the woman's averted head and outstretched hand the sign that he was no longer needed, and that the interview was at an end. By no means satisfied, he made his way down to the vestibule intent upon seeing Inspector Dallas without further delay. He was not surprised to find the object of his search engaged in discussion with the clerk.

"You are the very man I want to see," he said. "If you have ten minutes to spare, I think I can give you some useful information. I have just been having a long conversation with Lord Ravenspur, and he has asked me to lay certain facts before you."

"I can come with you now," Dallas said. "We can talk as we go along the road. Now, sir."

"It is rather a long story," Walter said. "I suppose you Scotland Yard people keep yourselves au fait with most of the sensational crimes which take place on the Continent? I suppose, for instance, you remember the death by poisoning of Count Boris Flavio, and how his wife was charged no fewer than five times with the crime?"

Dallas fairly started.

"That is a most extraordinary thing," he said. "I don't mind telling you that within the last day or two, or rather within the last few hours, we have blundered upon a startling light on that crime. It so happens that an Italian detective, who has come here to take a prisoner back to Rome, has interested himself in the Fitzjohn business, more or less because Mrs. Delahay is Italian herself. This detective Berti was not in court during the inquest, but he came round here an hour or two ago and expressed a casual wish to see Mrs. Delahay. He managed to do so for a moment, and then he made a statement that fairly took my breath away. But come with me as far as Scotland Yard and you shall hear him tell the story himself. I won't spoil it for him."

A little while later Walter found himself in the presence of a slim, diminutive man, with a fierce moustache and an exceedingly mild, insinuating manner.

"This is my friend Berti, Dallas explained. "And this, Berti, is Mr. Walter Lance, nephew of Lord Ravenspur. He mentioned the Flavio case to me just now with a view to getting a little information. I told him that you had had the whole business in hand, and you had better let him know that you are in a position to place your finger upon the Countess Flavio at any moment."

"Oh, that is an easy matter," Berti said. "I had the privilege of seeing the Countess this evening; but she does not call herself countess now. She is Mrs. Louis Delahay."

CHAPTER XVI.

Strong Measures.

"You have made a most extraordinary mistake," Walter said. "On and off I have known Mrs. Delahay for some considerable time. I am quite certain that she is no relation whatever to Countess Flavio."

"And I, sir, equally positive," the Italian detective replied. "I think my friend Inspector Dallas told you just now that I had the Flavio case in hand from the first. Indeed, I have had many conversations with the Countess. So positive am I that I am right that I will be prepared to make an affidavit of the facts."

"This is very strange," Lance murmured. "I cannot but believe that you have been deceived by a strong likeness between two different women. I know all about Mrs. Delahay. She comes from a very good Italian family, though I believe they were poor; they were exceedingly proud and exclusive, and until the death of her parents, Mrs. Delahay lived a life of almost monastic seclusion."

"Perhaps you wouldn't mind telling me her name?" Berti asked. "It might facilitate matters."

"Certainly," Walter Lance replied. "Before she was married Mrs. Delahay was Signora Descarti."

A peculiar smile flitted over his face.

"That is assuredly a point in my favor," he said, "seeing that Countess Flavio also was Signora Descarti."

Lance began to feel less sure of his ground. It appeared to him that the mystery was deeper than he had anticipated, and the more he came to investigate, the more bewildering the puzzle was. Certainly he had known Maria Delahay for the last three years on and off, but when he came to think over matters it struck him for the first time with peculiar force that, really he knew little or nothing of Maria Delahay's antecedents. He well recollected the time when Louis Delahay announced his approaching marriage. He recalled that evening perfectly. Delahay had been a self-contained sort of man, and one of the last persons in the world to associate with matrimony, but he seemed to have found his fate at length, and had quite come out of his shell, discussing his future wife with Lance.

And what was it he had told him after all? In the first instance, Signora Descarti was no longer in the bloom of her youth. In the second place, she was shy and retiring, possibly because, up to a certain time, she had lived such a secluded life. Despite the fact that she was of excellent family, she was earning a precarious living with her brush, and Delahay had hinted that there had been a romance in her early days which had colored her life. Really, beyond this, Walter Lance had no knowledge of this unhappy woman's past, and he did not forget that the Flavio affair was nearly twenty years old. Except by the police, the thing was absolutely forgotten. It was almost impossible that anybody besides these authorities would recognise Carlotta, Countess Flavio, at this moment.

It came upon Lance with quite a shock that his unfortunate friend, after all, might have married a woman who had been tried five times on the capital charge. Eighteen years is a long span in a human life, and many changes can happen in that time.

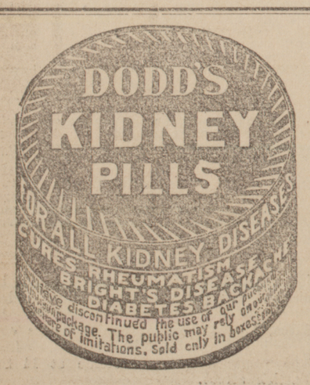
Lance put aside the uneasy thoughts that rose to his mind, and turned to Berti again.

"That is distinctly a point in your favor," he said. "I confess that the fact that both ladies possessed the same maiden name comes as a shock to me. And yet, even now, I can't altogether abandon the idea that this is nothing more than a coincidence. But, tell me, what opinion did you form of Countess Flavio's character?"

The Italian smiled and shrugged his shoulders.

"Enigma,' he said, "the woman seemed to be without feeling altogether, from the time that I arrested her until her final acquittal I never knew her to display any feeling at all. Even when I had to announce to her that she was at liberty, she gave no sign of pleasure or relief. She was like some people you see who are deeply addicted to the drug habit. I have seen her execrated by a mob of excited people, and taking no more notice of them than if she were deaf. Yes; she was a most extraordinary woman."

(To be continued.)



PROHIBITION GAINS

Portland, Ore., June 2.—With the exception of the United States senator, the entire Republican state ticket has been elected. The senatorial contest returns show some changes from last night's figures but the indications are that Chamberlain (Democrat) will defeat Cake (Republican) by about 1,000 majority.

According to the returns now in there will be 24 "statement No. 1" representatives and 18 senators in the next legislature. Ten of the senators are "holdovers."

Prohibition carried in many counties which were already dry and in which the question was re-submitted. The prohibitionists gained a number of counties which had been partly "wet."

Equal suffrage has again been defeated.

The buildings committee of the board of school trustees held a meeting yesterday afternoon at which the contract for the winter supply of coal was awarded. Four tenders were received. The lowest and successful one was that of R. P. & W. F. Starr. The figures were as follows:

Hard broken (furnace)	$5.48
Nut and egg sizes	$5.85
Soft screened Caledonia mine	$3.90

The first tea of the St. John Tennis club this season will be held at the courts this afternoon and will be in charge of Mrs. H. C. Schofield, Miss K. Hazen and Miss C. Inches.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY GROWING

Many New Members Received at Monthly Meeting Last Evening.

The monthly meeting of the Natural History Society of New Brunswick was held last evening, Dr. Matthew in the chair. The following were elected members:—

Regular—R. O. Stockton, C. A. M. Gesner.

Boys' Junior—Jos. Armstrong.

Girls' Junior—Edith McKenna, Eleanora Langbein, Edith Kee, Elizabeth MacKinnon, Mary Murdoch, Lucy Coster, Jean Leavitt. Gertrude Coster, Grace Coster, Constance Coster, Mary Culley, Elsie Murdoch, Jessie Knight, Jean Foules, Ella Bower.

Associate—Mrs. Grenold.

The following donations were received: For the library from Professor W. F. Ganong, a translation of Nicolas Denys' Description and Natural History of Acadia, a volume just issued bearing the imprint of the Champlain Society of Toronto. A special vote of thanks was given Dr. Ganong for this gift.

For the Museum:—Snow Goose purchased and mounted for the Society by Wm. McIntosh; a Sioux Indian "Skull-Cracker" from Dr. W. D. Matthew; specimen of Bermuda Building Stone, shells from Palm Beach, Florida, sand from Bermuda, from Mrs. Joseph Finley; cotton ball and pod, rice seeds, from Miss Azalea Willis; old almanacs, Mrs. Wilson; two photographs from original negatives made by Seton-Thompson, presented by John Lane.

A report from W. J. Wilson, the delegate of the society to the Royal Society's recent meeting in Ottawa, was read and was supplemented by observations by Dr. G. U. Hay. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Wilson for his report after which the meeting adjourned.

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John Johnson has been awarded the contract for painting the ferry steamer Western Extension. Mr. Johnson's tender was $135. It was the only bid received for the work, and is said to be well within the estimate.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

KIRK BROWN'S RETURN

The advance sale for Kirk Brown's three days' stay at the Opera House opening Thursday evening, indicates that interest in this popular actor and his company has not fallen off. Thursday night will witness another large audience for the fourth performance of "The Sign of the Cross," good augury that patrons of the play house appreciated Mr. Brown's great production of this masterpiece of Wilson Barrett. The theme of the play is so totally different from the ordinary religious drama that it leaves an impression that lives with one long after seeing a performance of the play. The special Friday matinee will no doubt draw a great audience, as this will be the first time Mr. Brown will be seen in his magnificent scenic production of "East Lynne." "Othello" Friday night will draw the customary large audience for this popular Shakesperian performance. Saturday night will be the last opportunity to see Mr. Brown and his company in "The Christian," as this play will be laid aside for the coming season, and in view of this fact Saturday night will be jubilee night. It will also mark the closing of Mr. Brown's season, and immediately after this performance various popular members of the company will deliver a farewell address.

SOMETHING NEW AT THE PRINCESS

Some admirable pictures are being shown today at the Princess Theatre. Dolly the Circus Queen is decidedly out of the ordinary and shows as an incidental feature of its story the actual work of a large circus. This is certainly one of the most remarkable pictures ever taken with a motion camera. The scenes were taken from real circus life and it is bound to interest all who see it, and should prove an unusual drawing card. How Do You Like Our Drawing Room? is one of the best comedies yet produced, and has been well spoken of by the press in the cities where it has been shown. The other picture is entitled "A Good Thief," and is full of exciting incidents, not one dull moment in the whole picture. A Munroe Dorr, the famous New England singer, made a great hit again last night in Miss Killarney. Those who have not yet heard this exceptionally fine singer should not miss the opportunity now offered.

Miss Evelyn Ellis, late of the Princess Theatre, Manchester, England, was repeatedly encored at both the afternoon and evening shows.

Matinee every day at 2.15 for ladies and children.

BENEFIT PERFORMANCES

An announcement which will be read with pleasure by local theatregoers is that Mr. Theodore H. Bird and the company of local amateurs which, last year, scored such a success in the production of Caprice will produce another play in this city during the last week in June. On this occasion the offer of a large percentage of the proceeds of the performances has been accepted by Mr. A. O. Skinner, on behalf of the School for the Dumb and by Mr. A. M. Belding, president of the Every Day Club. Any assistance given to Mr. Bird or his associates towards the success of the productions will be heartily appreciated by the institutions named.

HOWARD AT PALACE WEST END TONIGHT

Those who follow the crowd this evening to the West End Palace, better known as City Hall, will enjoy an evening of much more than ordinary entertainment. Fred Howard the splendid Scottish entertainer, who as the star of the Royal Scots last season and this, was well worth a high price to hear, will be the leading feature at the Palace this evening, and as for reasons previously announced the admission fee will not be raised, the big hall will undoubtedly have a record audience.

Howard is probably the most versatile of all Scottish entertainers, and includes among his many talents that of ventriloquism, and is thus enabled to make his comedy something different and apart from others in the profession. Besides the great Howard, the redoubtable Jimmy Fairbanks will be heard in specialties, and incidentally say good-bye to the Palace patrons and his numerous friends. Then its being amateur night sixteen amateurs will contest for the weekly prize offered. This together with the five specially prepared motion subjects, and Jimmy Fairbanks in illustrated song, completes the biggest and best programme ever offered on either side of the harbor in a moving picture house at any price. Friday night is to be another big one as a handsome gold watch is to be given to the lucky ticket holder and all patrons this week should carefully retain their coupon tickets. Saturday afternoon another of the popular candy matinees is announced. Remember Howard is for one night only, don't miss him this evening.

A SPLENDID PRODUCTION

Thomas Jefferson's Rip Van Winkle an Artistic Triumph.

St. John last night saw the fifth member of the Jefferson family in Rip Van Winkle, a play which has practically been in the possession of that famous old stage family for sixty-five years. Three of the Jeffersons played in St. John and after the production last evening a gentleman who had seen the three appearances ventured the opinion that the last measured well up to the standard of the others. But Thomas Jefferson does not require the glamor of a noted family name to make his production stand out as a notable event. His work from first to last was that of the highest type of artist. In all his scenes his natural ability and the tradition which surrounds the character of Rip made his performance an artistic triumph. Particular mention may be made of his scenes with the children in Act 1, the awakening after the long sleep in the mountains and his recognition by his daughter Meenie in the closing act. His voice, with the familiar quaint catch in it, was perfect, and the wealth of unstudied detail with which he surrounded the character was delightfully natural.

The return of T. F. O'Malley to St. John after an absence of four years, assurred for that sterling actor a hearty welcome in the part of Nick Vedder, the innkeeper. Whatever Mr. O'Malley undertakes, be the part heavy or light, his experience and conscientious work insure its success.

J. D. Harrington made a striking Derrick and in voice and manner played the scheming money lender to the life.

Miss Rosalie De Veaux in the role of Gretchen gave an admirable performance in the difficult and at times unsympathetic role. Her appearance in the closing scenes was particularly good.

Little Meenie and Heindrich in the hands of Edna Hamel and Oscar Johnson, quite won the hearts of the audience and in their clever scene together in the second act brought down the house.

The remainder of the cast was most capably filled. There was no weakness shown anywhere. The company is undoubtedly a clever and well balanced aggregation.

Rip Van Winkle will be repeated this evening when the engagement will close. For those who have never seen this famous romance no better opportunity will be offered and those who wish to refresh their memories of Rip and his adventures will find that the story never grows old.

A JUNE BRIDE'S DREAM AT THE NICKEL TODAY

A seasonable novelty in motion pictures will be the rather unique importation The June Bride's Dream, at the Nickel today. It is the romance of a handsome young couple who elope in an automobile. The weird fancies of the fair bride make a dramatic and oddly new subject for the photographer. Comedy element of the most ludicrous kind is contained in the picture Oscar's Elopement; the migrations of a youth who becomes infatuated with the stout and matronly cook in his father's household. They escape on a tricycle, so the fun can be imagined. Little Chimney Sweepers is something that will touch the hearts of everybody; a tale of a child violinist who was stolen away for revenge. Mr. Cairns and Miss Wren will conclude their song successes tonight—Somebody That I Know and You Know Too, and The Girl From Our Own Great West.

A DEADLOCK BETWEEN THE SARDINE MEN AND PACKERS

St. George, N. B., June 2.—There is a deadlock between the Charlotte County Weir Owners' and Weir Fishermen's Union and the Eastport (Me.) sardine packers over the matter of price to be paid by the packers for the herring catch along the Charlotte county shores of the bay.

The union, organized a year or more ago, adopted a uniform scale of $8, $6 and $4 a hogshead for their fish according to the season. At the annual meeting in December last the union changed this to one price of $6 a hogshead the season round.

This is unsatisfactory to the American packers and effort is being made by them to break the union of the weir owners and weir fishermen. "They have held sway for twenty-five years," said a member of the union today, "and we do not propose to be dictated to any longer by an American corporation and we will stick fast to the price agreed upon."

On Deer Island, however, some have made a contract with the packers at the rate of $9 a hogshead until July 1, $6 to August 1, $5 until September 1 and $4 for the balance of the season.

Rev. T. B. Westgate was again greeted by a large audience last evening when he lectured in St. Luke's church schoolroom on his work as a missionary in German East Africa. The lecture was illustrated by lantern slides and was very interesting. The speaker told of the conditions of life in Africa, of the customs of the natives and of the good results achieved by the missionaries. He also outlined the work being carried on in Guanga, a section of British East Africa.

Rev. R. P. McKim presided at the meeting and at the close expressed to Mr. Westgate, the thanks of those present, for his interesting address.

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