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## TWELVE MEN BURNED IN EXPLOSION OF STEEL

### Huge Blast Furnace Burst in National Tube Company's Works and Tons of Molten Steel Fell—Most of the Injured Will Die.

PITTSBURGH, Pa. Feb. 12.—A dozen men were burned, the most of them fatally in a terrific explosion of molten steel at the Monongahela blast furnace of the National Tube Co. Centre street McKeesport, near here today. The huge steel plated furnace, 100 feet in height, burst at the top-hole and 50 tons of liquid steel dropped to the floor, accompanied by explosions as it spread and splashed over the heads and bodies of the workmen nearby.

A slip in the furnace caused hundreds of tons of iron ore, coke and limestone to drop to the bottom, forcing the heavy steel plates apart. The men ran, but the metal splashed into the air when it struck the cold floor and the detonations broke all the windows in the plant and for a radius of two squares, causing intense excitement in the town.

## CHILE WILL GIVE WARM WELCOME

### To the American Fleet as it Passes Valparaiso on Friday.

SAN DIEGO, CHILE, Feb. 12.—Great preparations are being made for the greeting of the American fleet of warships as it passes Valparaiso on Friday. President Montt, and Mme. Montt, will leave here tomorrow for Valparaiso and they will be accompanied by a large number of government officials and their wives. Special excursions will carry thousands into that city who are anxious to see the parade of the American ships. A grand banquet will be given on board the training ship, General Baquedano, by the president to the representatives of the foreign countries, their families and other guests, and from that point of vantage the president and his friends will review the fleet, which it is intended will pass between the Baquedano and the cruiser Chacabuco, now accompanying the Americans up the coast.

## A GLOOMY ANNIVERSARY

### Just One Year Ago Yesterday Since the Steamer Larchmont (Formerly Cumberland) Was Sunk.

PROVIDENCE, R. I. Feb. 11.—Tonight was the first anniversary of the sinking of the Joy line steamer Larchmont which went down in Block Island Sound with about 170 men, women and children, following a collision with the schooner Harry Knowlton. Of the estimated total of 180 passengers and crew of the steamer, but 18 came ashore alive, and of the rescued one died a few days later as the result of the terrible suffering endured in an open boat. The schooner's crew was saved.

## CONRIED RESIGNS

### Director of New York Metropolitan Opera House Gives Up His Position.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 12.—The resignation of Heinrich Conried, as director of the Conried Metropolitan Opera House Company, was accepted at a meeting of the stockholders of the company, held in the library of J. Pierpont Morgan and the announcement was made that Mr. Conried would be succeeded by Signor Giulio Gatti-Casazza, director of La Scala, Milan, Italy, and Andrea Dippel, a German tenor, who has sung at the Metropolitan for a number of years. The two directors are to have equal power, Gatti-Casazza as general manager and Dippel as administrative manager.

## MAY SUCCEED AYLESWORTH

### E. M. MacDonald of Pictou May Be Next Minister of Justice.

An Ottawa despatch to the Campbellton Graphic says:—It is expected that the continued indisposition of Hon. A. B. Aylesworth will lead long to his resignation and rumor points to the probability of the appointment of E. M. MacDonald, M. P., for Pictou, N. S., to the portfolio of minister of justice thus rendered vacant.

## HALIFAX CURLERS COMING

The Halifax curlers will be here tomorrow to play the St. Andrews and Thistles curling club. The former club will be in the afternoon; the Thistles match for the McLellan cup to take place in the evening, being a three rink contest. There will be a special meeting of the St. Andrews club this evening to elect skips for the game.

## BANKER DRINKS CARBOLIC ACID

### Banker Zinser Had Been Forty-seven Years With His Firm and Rose From Office Boy.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 12.—William H. Zinser, for forty-seven years in the employ of the banking house of Drexel and Company, and for many years teller in the institution, committed suicide yesterday at his home in Germantown, a suburb of this city, by swallowing carbolic acid. Mr. Zinser was a sufferer from melancholia, which was brought on by financial difficulties which he experienced about a year ago, and which were followed by the severance of his connection with the well-known banking house. He was sixty-four years old, and began his career as office boy with the Drexels.

## MOONEY CASE AGAIN TODAY

### F. W. Holt and the Messrs. Mooney On the Stand This Morning.

The case of Mooney vs. the City of St. John, was resumed in the circuit court before Judge Landry this morning. Eugene Holt was again on the stand, and his evidence revealed nothing of importance, save that he declared he relied entirely on Mr. Barbour relative to the site of the dam. He might, it he had taken the trouble, have ascertained the base line started, but he relied on the engineer as final authority. He based his calculations in the tender on the site as shown him by Mr. Barbour.

M. F. Mooney, one of the plaintiffs, was next called, and stated that he first looked at the site in company with his brother, Patrick, before the contract was signed. His brother pointed out the site and he inspected the test pits. Had the dam been constructed on the site pointed out by Mr. Barbour, it would have cost little if anything to control the water and build the dam on dry ground. This could be done by filling up the dam at the foot of Loch Lomond, and stopping the flow of water into Lake Robertson. He swore that the total cost of the dam in its present position to the plaintiffs was \$22,000, and all the city had paid them was about \$48,000. The item for pumping alone cost upwards of \$7,000.

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### Insurance Bill Taken Up Before Federal Committee on Banking and Commerce in Ottawa Today.

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Mr. Campbell, of Arnprior, representing the Ontario local fire insurance association was the first speaker. His first proposition was that rebating should be prohibited. Those found guilty should be fined. A penalty should be provided against the agent, the assured and the company. He wanted in the interest of the companies and the public that rebating should be entirely cut out, and the commission to be fixed at 15 per cent. At present the commission was not definitely settled, although the general commission was 15 per cent. He wanted foreign insurance cut out, but there were some instances in which certain parties could not get enough of insurance without going outside, and in that case the superintendent of insurance could permit them to go outside.

C. J. Leonard, of Toronto, representing the Land Mortgage Company, was next heard. He represented companies with \$90,000,000 assets, of which nearly \$30,000,000 was borrowed money. His complaint was in regard to the investment clauses, while it was not intended to shut out loan companies from investment, he wanted it amended to provide for their loaning to insurance companies.

Mr. Harpell for the policy holders wanted rebates stopped, promissory notes in first premiums unless accompanied by a part cash payment prohibited and to provide against the increase in rates which were already too high.

## ROBBERS MAKE \$12,000 HAUL

### Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Rich Hill, Ohio, Looted—All the Cash Stolen and the Building Wrecked.

RICH HILL, MO., Feb. 12.—Securing \$12,000 in cash after dynamiting and totally wrecking the \$90,000 building of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank in this city, five bandits, heavily armed, terrorized the town here early today, and after exchanging shots with several armed citizens, escaped to the rough country south of here. No one was injured by either the shots or the explosion. The dynamiting of the vault of the bank awakened the town, and the population hurried to the bank building. Many arrived in time to see the robbers riding away. Some of the citizens opened fire, which was returned by the fugitives.

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## ONE-THIRD OF UNION WORKERS IDLE

ALBANY, Feb. 11.—In its quarterly bulletin, made public tonight, the state department of labor reports that there was a higher percentage of idleness among organized labor in New York state at the end of September last than has been shown in any other year since 1900, it being 10.7 as against 5.7 in 1906 and 4.9 in 1905. The number of unemployed union men in the state at that time was 43,238.

## THE ROSS RIFLE MATTER

OTTAWA, Feb. 12.—(Special)—Sir Charles Ross, denied the report that he notified the government that his factory was going to close down. Sir Frederick Borden also denies that he had received any such notice. The Ross rifle factory, it is said is delivering 100 rifles a day and expects a new order for 10,000 rifles shortly.

## TIDINGS OF JOY.

GAGETOWN, Feb. 12.—(Special)—The announcement made by Col. McLean that there is to be a daily mail from Gagetown and Moncton winter and summer has caused the liveliest satisfaction here. We have long desired to have a daily mail from Moncton, where the Premier lives. It would greatly facilitate business and largely increase the price of hay. It is hoped that the Colonel will make arrangements with Dr. Pugsley to have the aiships for this service constructed on the intervals near this place. It would give employment to a large number of persons and also increase the price of hay. It beats all how much the Colonel has done for us in a short time. When he says

## CONCENTRATE EFFORT ON ALLEN

### This Appears to be Government Policy in York County

### They Concede at Least Two Seats To the Opposition—Federal Party Lines Are Not Being Drawn.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 12.—(Special)—At the present time the government party in York appear to be concentrating their efforts to elect Mr. Allen.

Many of the most faithful concede two opposition seats while others give three. The opposition on the other hand claim that they will have a sweeping victory and that they expect to carry nearly every polling district in the county outside of Fredericton and, as election day draws nearer, the chances in the city become much brighter for an opposition victory.

Federal lines are not being drawn in the contest as there are more Liberals supporting the opposition than Conservatives the government.

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## SUICIDE GAME MERELY A BLUFF

### Worked By Slick Fakir Who Preyed On College Men.

### Howard Ogilvie's Career About At An End—Charged With Uttering Bogus Cheques In Many College Towns.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Howard Ogilvie, whose clothing was found on the Evanston Lake shore last September, with a note announcing that he was about to commit suicide, is in custody in Philadelphia under the name of Sumner C. Osborne. He is wanted by the officers of university towns throughout the west.

Ogilvie eloped July 27th, last with Miss Weir Jans Roland, 19 years old, daughter of L. B. Ronald of Evanston. The elopement created a sensation in Evanston. Afterwards it was learned that the couple had gone to Canada. Soon warrants were issued against Ogilvie charging him with having uttered bogus cheques. His wife at once left him, returning to her father and resuming her maiden name. In spite of the danger of arrest Ogilvie followed her to Evanston and pleaded vainly with her to return. His suicide ruse was reported soon afterwards.

Instead of throwing himself in the lake, however, he went to the University of Minnesota, where he became a student. He was at the University of Minnesota, he left there on December 15, and went to the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. There he ingratiated himself with his fraternity brethren and after cashing \$100 worth of cheques disappeared. He went successively to the University of Missouri, at Columbia, the University of Kansas, at Lawrence, and to Syracuse University. He is said to have obtained from \$50 to \$150 on bogus checks at each place. Yesterday a telegram was received from Philadelphia saying that the prisoner admitted that he was Ogilvie.

## TWENTY YEARS FOR BLACKMAIL

### German American Fakir Gets Stiff Sentence in London.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Earl Ludwig Von Veltheim, German born, but a naturalized American who posed as a baron and was known also as Frank Kurtz and Carl Sneiderich Mauritz was sentenced today to twenty years penal servitude at the Old Bailey having been convicted of attempting to blackmail Solly B. Joel a wealthy London and South African financier and mine owner out of \$80,000.

Von Veltheim was arrested four months ago in Paris and extradited to England. The man has had an adventurous career. He has served in the German navy and army. He was once in the Bulgarian army and has had many adventures in Australia, America and Japan. He went to Cape Town in 1897 and the following year shot and killed Wolff Joel, a brother of Solly Joel at that place. He was arrested and tried, pleaded self-defense and was acquitted. Some years afterwards a body was recovered from the Thames was identified as Von Veltheim's by his wife but later the adventurer was discovered serving in the Bechuanaland police.

## SABBATH VIOLATION FIGHT IN WINNIPEG

### Summons for alleged violation of the Lord's Day Act were issued yesterday against employees of the C. P. Railway and Canadian Northern Railway and other alleged violators will be served with papers as soon as possible. The railways will fight the action.

## A PLEASANT PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McDonald entertained about fifty young people at their home High street, north end last evening in honor of Miss Eileen Kiernin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kiernin who leaves today for Brooklyn, N. Y. to take a course in nursing at St. Mary's Hospital. Dancing was enjoyed until early morning hours after which dainty refreshments were served. Needless to say a very delightful time was spent by all. Mr. and Mrs. Kiernin will accompany their daughter to Brooklyn.

## JUDGE TRUUMAN'S SUCCESSOR

It was stated that the appointment of a judge of probates to take the place of the late Judge Trueman would be made at today's meeting of the government but members of the government deny that there would be any consideration of this matter.

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## MAN'S AWFUL FIGHT WITH BIG PARTY OF LYNCHERS

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## NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

### President Lithgow of M. P. A. A. A. Reinstates Hockey Players.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 12.—(Special)—At a government meeting here last night a communication was read from R. W. Scott, secretary of state, conveying the information that Samuel F. Bastedo, of Ontario, had been appointed by the government to investigate for the department of marine and fisheries, all matters concerning the rights of dominion and provincial governments with respect to the fisheries of Canada. It is understood that the local government will take advantage of this opportunity to press its claim for \$2,000,000 on account of the Halifax fishery award, and also a claim of \$200,000 incurred by loss of rental of inland fisheries from confederation down to the time that the decision was filed in the Steadman case.

Miss Dickie, of Gagetown, was appointed registrar of deeds for Queens, to succeed her father, the late J. W. Dickie. J. C. Lithgow, president of the M. P. A. A. A., who has been here since Monday, has decided, on recommendation of the N. B. H. L. executive, to reinstate McDonald, Williams and Owen of the Capitals, and Cashman of Moncton, who were suspended a few days ago.

Collector Street, who has been in the hospital several days suffering from the effects of a bad fall on the street, is improving slowly.

## EXPELLED BECAUSE HE IS BROADMINDED

### Man Who Signed Viborg Manifesto is Expelled from Moscow Nobility.

MOSCOW, Feb. 12.—For signing the Viborg manifesto, Fedor Kokoshkino, a scion of the ancient Rurik dynasty, now a professor in Moscow university and a prominent leader of the constitutional democrats, yesterday was expelled from Moscow nobility by a vote of 200 against 92. The motion to expel in the congress of nobles, which lined up the forces of the reactionaries and progressives, resulted in a notable debate extending through the entire day, which Prince Eugene Troubetsky and Prince Paul Daborski, marshal of nobility in the imperial government, participated. Brilliant speeches were made in defence of M. Kokoshkino and it was declared that a worthy role had been played by the nobility in the movement to free Russia.

## HEAD-ON COLLISION

### Four Persons Hurt in Collision Near Bracebridge, Ont., Last Night.

BRIDGEBURG, Ont., Feb. 12.—(Special)—Wabash passenger train No. 9, which left Buffalo last evening at 9.30, collided head-on with a freight train just outside the yards here and four persons were injured. These are: James Black of St. Thomas, engineer of the passenger train; E. L. Scriber, of St. Thomas, fireman on the passenger train; Peter Humphrey of Buffalo and a passenger aged 70 was critically injured. Both engineers claim they had orders for a clear track.

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## SLAUGHTER OF ROBINS

### Report That 1,000,000 of Them Have Been Killed for Food in Louisiana.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 12.—The announcement that about one million robins have been killed by hunters this winter in Louisiana, which is a winter home for these birds, was made by Frank M. Miller, president of the Louisiana Audubon Society. Following this announcement, George Howell, a government expert here said that the government may take the eastward movement of the bird weevil had been facilitated by the reckless destruction of the robins. The birds are killed for food.

## BRITISH PASSENGER AGENTS MAKE PROTEST

### They Claim They Are Not Responsible for Sending "Undesirables" to Canada.

MONTREAL, Feb. 12.—(Special)—A London cable says the British Passenger Agents' Association, which comprises the best booking agents, has issued a strongly worded protest against the attack of the Guildhall magistrate, Sir Marcus Samuel, upon the Canadian emigrant bonus system. The association says that the magistrate is obviously ignorant of the fact that the bonus of one pound per emigrant was only paid on emigrants approved by the government, and it urges that to ensure that none but desirable emigrants be sent to Canada, the British board of trade licenses be given only to agents who pass a qualifying examination or belong to the association.

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therefore, that he wants Thurrott and Peake to represent him and Dr. Pugsley at Fredericton while they are busy at Ottawa devising new schemes to make us rich we would not be such ingrates as to refuse. Hazen and Glaeser's only ambition is to represent the people. The people be hanged. We want men to represent Col. McLean and Dr. Pugsley. That's Thurrott and Peake.

A GENTLE REMONSTRANCE.

A deputation representing the government