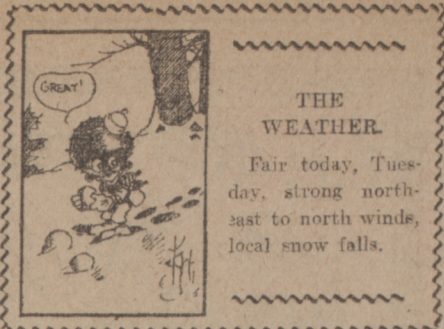




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A HORRIBLE SPECTACLE IN SMALL TEXAS TOWN

Negro Convicted of Attempted Assault on White Woman Publicly Burned

DOGS TRACKED HIM

After Two Days Search. Posse and Blood Hounds Captured Anderson Ellis, Who Tried to Assault Mrs. McKinney—Mob Stormed Jail and Burned the Negro.

Rockwell, Tex., March 8.—After burning Anderson Ellis, a negro, who attempted to assault Mrs. McKinney, at a stake in the public square of this little town late last night, the crowd quickly dispersed.

Ellis was taken from the county jail and securely tied to an iron stake, then cordwood saturated with kerosene was piled about him, and upon his refusal to make a statement, beyond admitting his guilt, in the presence of Mrs. McKinney, who fully identified him as her assailant, the torch was applied. As the flames licked about him he did not utter a cry nor show any symptoms of losing his nerve. He was dead in ten minutes.

WIFE STEALER SHOT TO DEATH

Frank Serino Who Forced Another Man's Bride to Elope With Him is Killed by Girl's Brother.

Chicago, March 8.—Frank Serino was shot and killed here yesterday because a week ago, according to his slayer, he held a revolver to the head of Mrs. Josie Fresso, 19 years old, a bride of two days, and forced her to elope with him to New York city. Serino's slayer was the brother of Mrs. Fresso, Michael Pessalano, 20 years old. He had traced the couple to New York and forced Serino to accompany him back to Chicago with the girl. Her father, according to Pessalano, Serino refused to consent to marry the girl in the event of a divorce, and the shooting followed.

DON MIGUEL WILL WORK WITH KING

Sympathy for Portugal's Young King Leads Pretender to Renounce all Claims to Throne.

Lisbon, March 8.—The Seculo, says that the pretender, Don Miguel de Braganca, has declared his intention to renounce all claim to the throne of Portugal, out of sympathy for King Emanuel, who was so tragically called to the crown. It is understood, according to the paper, that Don Miguel will live in Portugal and take part in the work of regenerating the country.

ANOTHER MINISTER ATTACKS THE BIBLE

Winnipeg, Man., March 8.—(Special)—Rev. Dr. S. P. Rose, formerly of Ottawa and now pastor of Broadway Methodist church, the most ardent Methodist congregation of Winnipeg, caused a mild sensation last night when he attacked the infallibility of the Bible. The reverend gentleman gave his own opinion for the belief he advanced.

He plainly declared he did not believe in the doctrine of absolute infallibility, and argued that the Bible was more abused by good people than any other book in the world.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Waldron, wish to thank their many friends for their kindness and sympathy in their recent bereavement.

PLEASED WITH AMERICAN WAY

American Plan of Fighting Tuberculosis is Approved by British Delegates.

London, March 8.—The British Delegates to the International Tuberculosis congress held in Washington last fall, issued a report today in which they pay a high tribute to American preventative methods in this field. They lay stress upon the completeness with which compulsory notification is carried out in New York and elsewhere, and they insist upon the indispensability of similar regulations in the United Kingdom, saying that what this is done equally, good results can be expected here. The delegates formed a high opinion of the value of the various day and night consumption camps in America.

THE LAST OF THE SLOCUM

Hulk of Ill-Fated Steamer General Slocum on Which 1,000 People Were Killed Sinks in South R. Ver.

New Brunswick, N. J., March 6.—The barge Maryland, formerly the steamboat General Slocum on which a thousand persons lost their lives a few years ago, sank in the South River yesterday. The barge was loaded with bricks consigned to a New York contractor. The weight of her load sank the boat so deep that the bottom scraped along a rock, which tore a hole of considerable size. The Slocum was rebuilt and converted into a barge some time after the disaster in the East River, New York.

RAILWAYS WIN IN IMPORTANT SUIT

Two Cent Passenger Rate is Declared Not to be Profitable in Missouri.

Kansas City, Mo., March 8.—A notable decision in favor of railroads was handed down today by Judge McPherson of the United States district court, in the two-cent fare and maximum freight rate cases, involving eight Missouri lines. The railroads contended that the rates fixed by the statutes of the state were not remunerative but confiscatory, and that the enforcement of the statutes be enjoined. The state brought proceedings to have them enforced.

CANADIANS MAY SHARE IN BIG ENGLISH ESTATE

St. Thomas, Ont., March 8.—(Special)—The Page & Tate heirs residing here have been notified by Mr. Ellison, of London, Ontario, who is in England searching titles, that he has discovered their lineage is correct and that the Canadian heirs are rightfully entitled to a share in this great estate in Somersetshire, which has been tied up for about a century.

BRIMSTONE CHURCH IN PITTSBURG BURNED

Pittsburg, Pa., March 7.—The Smithfield Street Methodist-Episcopal church, known as the "Brimstone Church" from the character of the sermons preached there in its earlier days, and the parent church of all Methodism in Pennsylvania, was damaged to the extent of about \$25,000 by fire of unknown origin, after the close of services tonight. It has just been remodelled and refurbished. The memorial organ was ruined, but the historic old structure can be repaired.

BIG STRIKE SETTLED

Brookline, Mass., March 8.—The factories of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co., resumed their customary activity today with the return of the 425 strikers who had been on strike since March 1st, causing the enforced idleness of about 1050 operatives. At a conference between the strikers and their employers last Saturday a satisfactory agreement was effected, but the terms were not made public.

ANOTHER WARSHIP CRUISE

Manila, March 8.—The Asiatic squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Gilles B. Harber, and consisting of cruisers, Charleston, Cleveland, Gettysburg, Denver and Chattanooga will sail from Manila on Wednesday to cruise for several months in northern waters. The ships will visit every important point in the north, including Hong Kong and Vladivostok and will later pass a month in Japanese waters.

COUNT OKUMA PRAISES TAFT

Japanese Statesman Thinks Well of New American President and Redicules Idea of War

Tokio, March 8.—Count Okuma, former president of the Progressive party, has written a signed article for the Tokio Mainichi, in which he unreservedly praises President Taft for his policy as embodied in his inaugural address.

In regard to that portion of the address dealing with the treaty rights of aliens, Okuma says that it would be a matter for universal rejoicing should the delicate relations between federal and state legislatures be adjusted in a manner thoroughly compatible with the national credit and honor, and the standing of the United States as a highly civilized power.

ROCHESTER YACHT CLUB DEFENDS ITS POSITION

Claims the Yacht Seneca is Eligible to Compete Again for the Canada Cup

Rochester, N. Y., March 8.—The Rochester Yacht Club has issued a statement addressed to "The Yachtsmen of the Great Lakes" defending its position in the proposed race for the Canada Cup in 1909, which has been officially declared off after a long controversy with the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of Toronto. A paper defending the action of the Canadians in refusing the Herreshoff built boat, the Seneca, winner of the last series for the cup, the right to compete again, has been in circulation, and this answer to it defends the eligibility of the boat, in the opinion of the Rochester Club.

HAIL TO THE CHIEF

Galveston Negroes to Hold Parade and Reception for Jack Johnson

Galveston, Texas, March 8.—The negroes held a mass meeting yesterday and appointed committees and sub-committees to arrange for a big parade and reception to Jack Johnson, the pugilist, when he reaches this city.

NEGRO DIES IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR

Ossining, N. Y., March 8.—William Jones, a negro, was put to death in the electric chair in Sing Sing prison this morning. He was brought into the death chamber shortly before six o'clock attended by the Rev. S. B. Jones, the prison chaplain. The first contact consisting of 1840 volts was kept on a minute, and five seconds. After a hasty examination the current was again turned on and kept up for six seconds. A second examination showed a third contact to be necessary. It lasted six seconds and at its close, ten minutes after the first shock was given the man was declared dead.

MORE MYSTERY IN KINRADE MURDER

Hamilton, Ont., March 8.—(Special)—That eight bullets were fired at Ethel Kinrade, instead of seven, as previously stated, and that a period of ten or fifteen minutes elapsed between the time of the infliction of the wounds in the head and those in the breast are the startling developments in probably the most mysterious murder that ever has come to light in Canada.

A SUNDAY RIOT IN WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, Man., March 8.—(Special)—A crowd of several thousand men assembled around the Walker theatre last night in reply to an advertisement of the Ben Hur Company for assistants. The theatre is in close proximity to Knox church and services in the church had to be suspended until the police could clear the street. It was a remarkable scene for the usually quiet Sabbath.

A VETERAN DEAD

Boston, March 8.—Colonel Charles Rivers, who returned from the civil war in command of the 11th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry after having taken part in 34 battles is dead. For 17 years he was deputy surveyor of customs for the port of Boston.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, March 8.—Openings in stocks effected but small changes in prices for the most part, with the gain the numerous.

CLOSE ELECTION PREDICTED IN CAPITAL

Two Complete Tickets Contesting for Civic Honors in Frederickton Today—Clergymen Working at Polls—Sunbury County Court.

Frederickton, N. B., March 8.—(Special)—A large vote is being polled in the civic elections here today, but there is very little excitement. Both sides seem to be well organized and the respective candidates are hard at work. A number of clergymen are actively working at the polls. Both sides are confident of victory, and both are pretty certain to receive some setbacks when the votes are counted.

One man who claimed to be posted on the situation, offered to wager \$10 this morning that the citizens ticket would elect at least seven men, but could not find a taker. There is considerable cross-voting and neither ticket is likely to emerge from the fray intact.

The March term of the Sunbury county court opens tomorrow, Judge Wilson presiding. The docket consists of one criminal case, that of *Frederick vs. Garnett*. Ward charged with feloniously wounding Oscar Case at Oranston last summer. Ward established Case in his store without provocation and managed to escape to the United States. Recently he returned and was promptly arrested and committed to trial. John R. Dunn will prosecute and A. J. Gregory will defend the prisoner. Entry blanks for the big race meeting to be held here June 30th, July 1st and 2nd, now being sent out to horsemen. There will be six events, for purses aggregating \$2,500. The first payment on the entry fee is due April 15th. Entries close June 15th.

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ECHOES OF THE MURDER TRIAL

Andover and Perth Had a Business Boom Last Week—Some Court Room Incidents

The mural quiet has been restored to the towns of Andover and Perth after a week of extraordinary excitement, attendant upon the murder trial. Perth, the larger of the two points, provided the better accommodations with three hotels and restaurants, etc. Never before in their history have the twin towns experienced such a business boom. Visitors from outlying districts purchased supplies at Perth and attended the trial. The woodmen, trappers and expert hunters, guides, etc. of the Tobique valley brought the air of the forests to add color to the scene.

The court house was almost directly over the long bridge spanning the St. John river in Andover. The structure is of wood and the judicial chamber is on the second floor. On the first floor are Sheriff James Tibbitts' apartments and underneath is the jail. The building was remodelled and renovated three years ago at a considerable expenditure and now is one of the best court buildings in the province. The interior of the room and jury quarters are equipped with metallic ceilings and artistically decorated woodwork.

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MANUFACTURERS SORE ON THE COMPENSATION ACT

It Has Led to Heavy Increase in the Liability Insurance Premiums

THREE TEAMS DROPPED OUT

Twenty-four Teams Are Left in the Six Days Race--Boston Men in the Lead.

New York, March 8.—But 24 of the teams which started at 12:05 a. m. today in the six day 2000-mile race in Madison Square Garden, were left in the race at the end of the eighth hour today. Prouty, the Boston team, which practically set the pace from the start, were holding a lead of two miles over their nearest competitors, and had covered 66 miles, 3 laps. The Boston men were working well together and relieving each other with good judgment. Spring and Adams, the New York men, were second. T. J. Christie, of the West Side team, and David Hartley, of the Canadians, combined to form a new team, leaving Anthony Huguenin and James Ward out of the race.

POLICE COURT

John Davis is Another Ingrate Who Would Strike the Man Who Feeds Him.

John Davis was the only occupant of the prisoner's bench in the police court this morning. Edward Quirk stated that Davis, who is his son-in-law, entered his apartment on Saturday morning and created a disturbance. He could not be pacified, and after a volley of epithets threatened to shoot him. Mr. Quirk asserted that he supported him practically since his marriage, and the only return asked was decent behavior on the part of Davis. The latter, however, seldom worked, and was seldom sober. When Davis was accused of perjury, he acted as his bondsman and paid all other expenses. His son-in-law's ingratitude has disgusted him, however, and now he vows that the presence of Davis in his house is retorted forever.

Judge Ritchie, in commenting on the man's constant trembling, said his case was a sad one. He was fined \$20 or 2 months for threatening his father-in-law, and a fine of \$5 or 30 days in the county jail for disturbing the peace. Elmer Godsoe, the young man from Massachusetts who was behaving strangely in Millidgeville on Monday night, was liberated this morning and instructed to seek employment. Godsoe was a sewing machine canvasser in the county of the Singer Company, and his mind was then apparently unaffected. In October he disappeared and returned some weeks ago. He is said to be suffering from delusions.

VALUE OF CANADA'S LOBSTER FISHERY

Prof. Prince Says it Will Reach \$4,000,000 per Year—Second Only to Salmon Fishery

Ottawa, Ont., March 8.—(Special)—Some most interesting information relative to the lobster fishing of Canada was given to the new standing committee of the commons on fisheries by Prof. Prince, Dominion fisheries commissioner, at the first business meeting of the committee this morning. Prof. Prince said that the annual lobster fishery output is valued at about \$4,000,000 coming second only to the salmon fishery which produced about \$5,000,000 annually. He gave the committee an expert opinion on the question of lobster breeding ponds. These he believed could hardly be established with success.

Respecting the general work of the fisheries department of Canada, he declared that no other similar department in the world had done more effective work. He urged that the fisheries committee be important enough to deserve a separate administrative head for the department. Respecting the question of export trade in lobsters, he said that there was no reason why live lobsters could not be shipped to Europe from the maritime provinces, where they would command better prices than now obtained in United States markets.

CLEVELAND TEAM STARTS TRAINING

Mobile, Ala., March 8.—Headed by Napoleon Lajoie, the manager and second baseman of the Cleveland American League club, the fielders crunched the city yesterday and are quartered with the pitchers and catchers who preceded them and will remain here two weeks training.

WANT BRITISH CONSUL

Acting in the representations of many merchant shippers, the Imperial Merchant Service Guild have urged upon the Board of Trade the desirability of instituting a British Consul at Guelph, Miss. U. S. A. This is a port which has developed considerably of late, and which is frequented very greatly by British shipping.

AN EMMET CELEBRATION

Pittsburg, Pa., March 6.—The 131st anniversary of the birth of Robert Emmet was observed here tonight with a celebration under the auspices of the Clan Na-Gael of Western Pennsylvania. Among the speakers was Congressman Joseph E. O'Connell of Boston, Mass.

ROOT TO BE BOSS

New York, N. Y., March 8.—Elihu Root will be the Republican "boss" of New York, according to a published interview credited to ex-Senator T. C. Platt, who has just returned from Washington.

OF LITTLE VALUE

Legislation Known as Workmen's Compensation Act, Favored by W. Frank Hatheway and Adopted by Hazen Government Will Cost Manufacturers Much Money.

The manufacturers in St. John are up in arms against the liability insurance companies and incidentally against W. Frank Hatheway and the Hazen government account of the very great increase in rates charged by the insurance companies for carrying risks on the employees.

THE COMPENSATION ACT

The new Workmen's Compensation Act, which was favored by W. Frank Hatheway, M. P. P., and adopted by the Hazen government, it is claimed is so open that the insurance companies have increased their rates in many cases 400 or 500 per cent. This, the manufacturers say is not warranted, but efforts to have a reduction made have resulted in failure in the premium asked by the liability companies.

E. L. Peters, of C. H. Peters' Sons, tanners, in speaking of the matter, said the new act had resulted in an increase amounting to about 400 per cent. in the premium asked by the liability companies.

"Under the old act," said Mr. Peters, "we paid a twenty-two cent flat rate covering all employees, and under the new act the insurance companies are asking eighty-seven cents."

"I was in Montreal recently, and took the matter up with the local offices of the liability companies, but they said they could make no reduction. The rates charged in New Brunswick and Alberta statistics obtained from British Columbia and Alberta, which have similar acts to the present one in New Brunswick, and the companies claim they have merely led to very large sums being paid to the legal fraternity while the employee is no better off. The only thing that the new act will do, so far as I can see, will be to take thousands of dollars out of the manufacturers of the province."

"If this act has been made so open, causing such a great advance in the rates, it is just a question if a great many manufacturers will not have to carry their own risks, the premiums of which would in a very short time make a fund sufficient to carry the liability, but in the meantime the manufacturers have a very heavy liability to assume."

James Pender characterized the increase in rates as outrageous and prohibitive. He said the argument of the insurance companies that the rates were based on British Columbia and Alberta charges, should not be applied to New Brunswick. In the western provinces they had to deal largely with foreigners whereas in this province the laboring men were much more intelligent and capable.

There were some who have objectionable features in the Workmen's Compensation Act and it was evidence that the act was a strenuous one, he said, when the companies made an increase of 400 or 500 per cent, as they had in this business.

He was inclined to think that many of the manufacturers would carry their own insurance rather than pay the enormous increase asked. The passing of such an act and the resultant expense to the manufacturers he thought was a hard blow to industrial enterprise in this province.

The same will over the heads of affected by the increased rates and one prominent millowner told the Times this morning that he had been asked to pay fifty per cent. increase, but had refused to do so and had placed his insurance elsewhere.

Speaking of the men employed in the woods, he said, the government had not included them in the scope of the act as they did not wish to antagonize the lumber-owners.

Lockhart and Ritchie, who are agents here for the liability insurance companies, said the rates had been largely increased, but they believed the companies had based their charges on the rates in British Columbia and Alberta, where the act was similar to the one in this province.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, March 8.—(Special)—Stocks were lively again today. Steel shares were again prominent and common stock up to 34 1/2. Preferred 115 1/2, and bonds were unusually active up to 99 1/4. Other features were Rio 97 3/4, Illinois 94 1/2, Pennan's 49 1/4, Quebec Railway 47 1/2, Detroit 62, Sao Paulo 156 1/2, Scotia 56, Amhroster 93, Soo 143 3/4, Pacific 167, Dom Coal 55, Power was easier at 110.

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