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EFFORTS OF DAUGHTER FRUITLESS

Ferrer, Spanish Revolutionist, Shot Today—Refused Sacraments and Turned From Priests

Barcelona, Oct. 13.—Professor Francisco Ferrer, the Spanish educator and convicted revolutionist, was shot today at the fortress of Mont-Juch where he has been confined since his condemnation by court martial. He faced the firing squad without flinching and fell dead at the first volley.

Ferrer, except for a momentary expression of emotion immediately preceding his death, retained his composure to the last. His attorney, M. Malcraan, who had defended the prisoner, had secured permission for a brief talk with the revolutionist before the latter was led to the ditch where he was to die. To his attorney, Ferrer spoke feelingly of the work for which he had sacrificed his life and of the future of his daughter, whose brave attempt to save his life touched the father more deeply than any other incident of his trial and conviction.

On Ferrer's arrest his family was left dependent upon this daughter, who at once secured employment in a biscuit factory. The daughter made a personal appeal to King Alfonso to spare her father's life. When these facts were related by Malcraan, Ferrer broke down. It was but a passing emotion and presently the undaunted revolutionist was himself again. Ferrer declined to receive the last sacraments and turned away from the two priests of the Order of Peace and Charity who had been sent by the prison authorities to offer him the final consolation of the church.

When the hour for his execution arrived he walked bravely through the prison yard to the ditch in the shadow of the encircling wall. Without a quiver he faced the twelve infantrymen who, at the word of command, fired a single shot. When the report of the volley had died away Ferrer was dead upon the ground.

Previous to the execution precautions had been taken to forestall a possible attempt at rescue by the military sentinels upon the walls of the fortress.

RUNS AMUCK IN POOR HOUSE

Boston Man Becomes Insane, Breaks Windows and Upsets Stove

East Greenwich, R. I., Oct. 13.—Taken violently insane last night, Wm. Ahearn, of Boston, ran amuck in the poorhouse here early today, and after breaking windows, upsetting the stove and tearing up bedding and clothing, escaped without any clothes on. He was pursued and caught by two officers and later sent to the hospital for insane.

He appeared at the poorhouse last night and asked for a place to sleep. About 3 o'clock he arose and after attempting to kill any one who interfered with him, he broke out all the windows, upset the stove and tore up the bedding and clothing. He then dashed outside without clothing.

SAW MILL ON VAN BUREN ROAD BURNS

Limestone, Me., Oct. 13.—A loss of between \$20,000 and \$25,000 was caused by the burning of the saw mill of L. Noyes, on the Van Buren road, here today. The fire caught in the rear of the engine house, destroying that building, also a storehouse containing much seasoned lumber and seats intended for the Catholic church.

A fire brigade sent from here succeeded in saving nearby houses. The insurance carried was \$10,000.

CONVENTION OF LIFE INSURANCE MEN OPENED

A meeting of the life underwriters of the maritime provinces took place this morning in Foresters' Hall, Charlotte street. There was a large attendance from Nova Scotia, P. E. I., and outside points in New Brunswick, and much business was done, of interest principally to insurance men. The convention opened at 10 o'clock with J. W. V. Lawlor in the chair. Secretary Evans read the minutes of the last convention in 1908, after which J. T. Wilson was elected chairman for the coming year.

G. C. Jordan addressed the delegates, welcoming them to the city, and he was followed by Mayor Bullock, also in an address of welcome.

A. H. Chipman, of the N. B. Association, read a paper on "The Obligations of an Agent to his Company, his Clients and to himself," which was favorably received. It was spoken to by W. R. E. Hewatt, of the N. S. Association, and L. H. Beer, of the P. E. I. Association, and a general discussion followed.

S. M. Beardsley read an interesting paper on "Lapsing, its Causes, Effects and Prevention," which was listened to with attention and followed by a general discussion, among those speaking being F. S. Farris, and T. J. McCarron, N. B. Association.

The convention adjourned at 1 o'clock to resume again at 2.30.

FOOTBALL PLAYER WEDS

Hamilton, Oct. 13.—(Special)—David Tope, who for many years was full back of the Tigers' senior team, and Miss Ethel May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bain, were married yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, by Rev. A. Mitchell.

SHOOT MOOSE WITH FOUR ANTLERS; A BIG ONE TOO

Head Brought to Fredericton From Newcastle Section—McGivney's Junction Thriving; is to Have Money Order Office

Fredericton, N. S., Oct. 13.—(Special)—A large moose head, having four distinct antlers, was received by Enack Bros. today. It was taken on the Sevege River, near Newcastle, by H. T. Ambrose, of Orange, N. J. The antlers have a spread of fifty inches and contain twenty-eight points. It is a remarkable freak, and is attracting much attention.

J. H. Murray, of this city, secured a moose on Young's Brook this week. It had antlers spreading fifty-one inches.

There was a heavy down pour of rain here last night, but the weather today is fine.

There was a big crowd at the Stanley fair yesterday, and it has been pronounced one of the most successful shows in years. Last night a ball was held in the agricultural hall and attracted a large crowd. The fair will close this evening with the usual banquet.

Post Office Inspector Colter arrived here last night after a tour of inspection along the Nashwaak. A new post office will be opened at Fredericton, Parish of Stanley, and it is likely that a money order office will be opened at McGivney's Junction, which has developed into a flourishing village.

The body of Charles Richards was brought here from Van Buren, Me., last evening and was interred in the old burying ground this afternoon. Impressive funeral services were conducted in St. Paul's church by Rev. Dr. Smith. The mourners included Dr. Pelletier of Van Buren and Mrs. Minnie Fraser of St. John.

COOK ARRIVES IN BUFFALO

Heavy Snowfall Greeted Arctic Explorer—Peary and His Charges

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 13.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook arrived here this morning from Cleveland in the midst of a heavy snow storm. He went directly to the Iroquois Hotel.

"I can only say that the actual living human witnesses of my journey to the pole will themselves be able to disprove the distorted declarations put into their mouths in the statement issued by Commander Peary," said Dr. Cook to the Associated Press this morning.

"There could be no better testimony than that given by the men themselves before an unbiased body of inquirers. Commander Peary evidently regards their evidence as of the most profound importance, and so do I. It seems to me that he might have brought them along with him if he was confident that they would corroborate his story. He, however, chose not to. I will however, send for them and place them at the disposal of any scientific or other body that may desire to examine them with the aid of any competent interpreters."

Asked whether he would make a direct reply to Peary's statement, as had been intimated in an interview at Cleveland last night, Dr. Cook said:—

"There is nothing to add to what has already been said. I do not intend to enter a newspaper controversy with any one. I shall depend upon the witnesses who have already been brought into the case and prove my case by them."

NEW MASONIC LODGE IN AMHERST

Amherst, N. S., Oct. 13.—(Special)—For some time there has been a talk about establishing a second Masonic Lodge in Amherst. This could not be done without the consent of Acadia. Not only was this consent kindly given, but Acadia lodge without any charge gives the new lodge the use of its hall, regalia, working tools, etc., until the new lodge gets its charter in June next, when the grand lodge will meet.

Last evening a meeting of those interested took place when, subject to the approval of the grand master, officers were decided on as follows: G. R. Chisholm, P. M., worshipful master; C. S. Sutherland, senior warden; D. A. Morrison, Junior Warden; J. H. Morrison, Treasurer; W. M. Manning, Secretary; J. Layton, Ralston, Senior Deacon; Fred L. Blair, Junior Deacon; J. P. Atherton, Inner Guard; D. C. McLeod, Senior Steward; G. K. Chapman, Junior Steward; J. G. McLeod, P. M., Tyler.

The new lodge is starting under the brightest prospects, and already has an assured membership of between thirty and forty.

KILLED SOON AFTER HE STARTED WORK

Topsham, Me., Oct. 3.—An unknown Italian who had gone to work for the first time today at the Eldspar mill of the Trenton Flint and Spar Works at Cathance, was drawn into a pulley on which he was fixing a belt, late yesterday, and instantly killed, while Clarence Moore, who caught him by the heels in an attempt to save his life, was probably fatally injured.

The Italian was unused to replacing belts on a moving pulley and became caught. He was crushed to death in less than a minute. Moore received various fractures and internal injuries and was taken to the hospital in Portland.

NO BILL AGAINST MANAGER

Quebec, Oct. 13.—(Special)—The grand jury at the criminal court yesterday afternoon announced "No bill" against W. P. Lindsay, late manager of the Levis branch of the Bank of British North America.

Lindsay was accused of false pretences, arising out of evidence adduced at Atkinson's trial last term.

LOSS AT AYLMER \$100,000

Aylmer, Ont., Oct. 13.—(Special)—It is expected that the loss by explosion and fire here last night will amount to about \$100,000.

Fisher, the engineer who was killed, has been in the employ of the town for some years. He was forty-five years old, and leaves a wife and family.

CLINGING TO BOTTOM OF THEIR BOAT

Seas Sweep Four Fishermen as Life Savers Come to Rescue—One Washed Into Sea as Help Arrives

Block Island, R. I., Oct. 13.—Clinging to the bottom of their overturned fishing boat, while it was swept by heavy seas, four men were rescued in the nick of time this morning by life savers from South Station.

The men were Horatio Allen, Wm. Hickey, Frank Allen and John Ball. They went out in the dory this morning to draw their nets and in rounding South-east End, were capsized.

The life savers under Capt. William Teal, launched the surf boat and fought their way out to the overturned craft. Ball got his hold just as the surf boat arrived and was hauled out of the water by a boat-hook, caught in his collar, by one of the life savers.

W. F. M. SOCIETY

New England Branch Hears Missionaries From India and China

Manchester, N. H., Oct. 13.—Interesting accounts of their experiences as missionaries in foreign lands were given by several members of the New England Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society at today's session of the convention, which is being held in this city by the society in celebration of the 40th anniversary.

The principal speakers at the morning session today were Miss Florence Nichols of Lucknow, India, and Miss Gertrude Gilman, of Peking, China.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. John Legg, of Worcester, Mass., president of the society. The guest of honor throughout the convention is Mrs. William Butler, one of the two originators of the society.

HIS THROAT CLOSING, DEATH IS LOOKED FOR

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 13.—The four-year-old son of Frank Dufoe of Madoc, some time ago picked up and ate some crystals of lye. His throat and mouth were terribly burned but gradually healed. During the past week, however, stricture has developed, and the boy's throat is closing up, and he can hardly eat. Recovery is regarded as hopeless.

D. G. MASTER SELLEN, VISITS 'PRENTICE BOYS

Fredericton, N. B., Oct. 13.—The Prentice boys of York county have been enjoying a visit from Senior Deputy Grand Master H. Sellen, of St. John, the first official visit they have received from a supreme grand officer. He was accompanied by a number of speakers were heard in reference to the work of the order, after which a banquet was held, and proved most successful. The toasts of the king, the order, the guests, etc., were honored, and a delightful programme carried out.

UNIVERSITY HAS 1,450 ART STUDENTS

Toronto, Oct. 13.—(Special)—The number of students registered in arts at Toronto University this year is 1,450, not including those persons engaged in post graduate work or studying for degrees of master of arts or doctor of philosophy. There are in all 447 first year students, as compared with 482 last year, at the veterinary college.

TO KEEP GIRLS FROM CHINESE JOINTS

Toronto, Oct. 13.—(Special)—Chief of Police Gressett announces that in future the board of police commissioners will follow the policy of refusing to issue licenses to Chinese restaurants where female labor is employed. The city solicitor has decided that the board has a right to refuse to issue licenses under such circumstances.

THE SUIT CASE MYSTERY

Providence, R. I., Oct. 13.—Chief Inspector Constant S. Norton said this morning that the report that the local authorities expected to find an important clue in the suitcase murder mystery here was false. He said he did not think that the murder was committed in this city, as all the girls reported as missing from here have been located with the exception of one, and she did not go away until Monday.

MISS SEARS WANTED TO GO TOO FAST

Quincy, Mass., Oct. 13.—Miss Eleanor Sears, of Boston, paid a fine of \$15 in the district court here today, after having been convicted of operating an automobile at an excessive rate of speed. Miss Sears appeared in person, entered a plea of not guilty, and was not represented by counsel. She was accompanied by Harold Vanderbilt, a student at Harvard, and the owner of the automobile Miss Sears was operating at the time of the arrest.

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Judge Avery found Miss Sears guilty after hearing the testimony of the officers to the effect that the temperature driven the car at the rate of forty miles an hour. The offence was committed on Oct. 7 on the way from Brockton to Boston. She was accompanied by Mr. Vanderbilt's mechanic and she told the police that the auto belonged to Mr. Vanderbilt.

WEATHER BETTER FOR THE FIFTH GAME OF SERIES

Today's Contest Important One—Players of Yesterday Fined By the National Commission—The Probable Pitchers Today

Pittsburg, Oct. 13.—The fifth game of the world's championship series between Detroit and Pittsburg is scheduled for this evening. The weather forecast is better than yesterday, but the weather forecaster said it would be warmer.

Today's battle is important as the team which wins it will need only one more victory to win the greatest honor in organized baseball. While the decisive defeat of Pittsburg yesterday has filled Hughie Jennings, and his men with confidence, the American league champions intend to pitch George Mullin, the hero of yesterday's game, again in Thursday's game at Detroit, and if they lose today they are sure Mullin can tie up the series at three games each.

According to Garry Hartman, the chairman of the National Commission, the seventh game, if it is necessary, will be played in this city, because of the superior accommodations for an immense crowd. The National Commission also announced that it had fined Miller of Pittsburg \$50 for his conduct in yesterday's game, and penalty of \$25 was inflicted on Donovan of Detroit for his action which caused umpire Klem to send him from the field.

Manager Jennings had Donovan, Willett and Summers warming up before the game, and it is thought with the moderation in the weather he will send in Donovan, Clarke was undecided as to Adams and Willett.

FIVE MASTER ASHORE

The Samuel T. Goucher Aground in Vineyard Sound

Vineyard Haven, Oct. 13.—While going through Vineyard Sound today before a fresh northwest breeze, the five-master schooner Samuel T. Goucher, of Boston, took a sudden shear which sent her aground on the shoals. The schooner was bound for Boston with coal. She carries a crew of twelve men, commanded by Captain Hart. The vessel rested easily and it is believed she could be floated at high water without much damage.

She lies in about four and one-half fathoms of water between the buoy on the point at West Chop and the buoy on the eastern end of Middle Ground Shoal, a short distance from the West Chop light.

The revenue cutter Acushnet was expected to arrive later to assist in floating the vessel.

ST. JOHN BOY BENEFITS BY THE CHANGE

Robt. Kerr Retires From C.P.R. Office—C. E. Usher, C. E. McPherson and Harry Brodie Advance

A Times special from Toronto today indicates that some important changes in the passenger department of the C. P. R. In the changes a St. John man, Harry Brodie, receives promotion, succeeding C. E. McPherson, the present general passenger agent of western lines, with headquarters at Winnipeg, with whom he has been chief clerk.

The despatch follows:— Toronto, Oct. 13.—Some important changes among Canadian Pacific Railway passenger department officials are announced. Robert Kerr, passenger traffic manager, will retire and be succeeded by C. E. Usher, assistant passenger traffic manager. C. E. McPherson, at present general passenger agent of the western lines with headquarters at Winnipeg, will succeed Mr. Usher. Mr. McPherson will be succeeded by his chief clerk, Mr. Brodie.

Enquiry at the C. P. R. offices elicited the information that nothing was known of the changes here. Mr. Brodie is a brother of F. Neil Brodie and William Brodie of this city. He has gone ahead rapidly in the service of the road.

HEAVY SNOWFALL IN SEVERAL STATES

Severe Cold Wave Follows Storm—Grapes and Other Fruit Ruined

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 13.—A severe cold wave following in the track of a violent storm which raged yesterday over the Lake Superior region, caused widespread suffering and much damage throughout the middle west and northwest.

Heavy snowfalls for this season of the year occurred in northern Illinois, southern Michigan, Nebraska, North Dakota and Iowa. In some places the fall was five to six inches.

It is reported from various points in the Mississippi valley that many acres of grapes and much other fruit has been ruined by the frost, the mercury in many places going as low as 20 to 24 above zero.

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 13.—Lower Michigan received its first installment of real winter today. With the temperature hovering between 30 and 40 degrees, snow fell intermittently over almost all of the lower part of the state. A thirty mile an hour wind prevailed and made the snow flurries resemble winter blizzards in many places.

WALL STREET TODAY

New York, Oct. 13, 10 a. m.—Selling orders for stocks accumulated in brokers' offices over the holiday, and their execution made the opening stock market weak. Union Pacific was forced down 1 1/4, Southern Pacific, United States Steel Preferred and American Car, 1 1/2 and Atchafalaya, 1 1/2. Since that time two other houses had been built, as previous ones had been destroyed by fire. She was questioned about some length and was still on the stand when adjournment was made until this afternoon.

Mrs. Margaret Moran, of Somerville, Mass., formerly of this city, stated that she knew the property on which the plaintiff lived. The plaintiff's parents lived in a log house on the property in 1850. Since that time two other houses had been built, as previous ones had been destroyed by fire. She was questioned about some length and was still on the stand when adjournment was made until this afternoon.

Mr. Skinner said the plaintiff did not dispute the question of trespass but the title of the land was the real point of issue. He said the plaintiff was in a position to produce deeds showing her title to the property. She also claimed by possession, as she had been in possession for more than twenty years.

Mr. Justice White, the non-jury case of Sullivan vs. McNamee was heard. This is a case brought by Mrs. Margaret Sullivan against the defendant, McNamee, for trespass on her property in the parish of Simonds, C. N. Skinner, K. C. appeared for the plaintiff and H. A. Powell, K. C., and J. H. A. L. Fairweather for the defendant.

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TAFT IN ARIZONA

Yuma, Ariz., Oct. 13.—Pres. Taft today is speeding across the sands of Arizona on his journey back from the Pacific coast to the Atlantic coast.

PRISONER PROVES TO BE A BARON; MUCH MARRIED

New York, Oct. 13.—(Special)—Arthur Zimmerman, arrested in Hamilton on Monday on charge of bigamy in Brooklyn, is Baron Arthur Zimmerman Von Lichenstein, fifty years old, according to admissions in letters to Brooklyn.

Zimmerman had committed bigamy six times and was about to marry his eighth wife when he was locked up. Two of his Brooklyn wives united to bring Zimmerman to justice, but failed at first as the

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Recall of Taft to China By Secretary Knox Creates a President's Attitude

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ANOTHER BOLT FROM CHAIN GANG

English Sailor Breaks Away Near the Epidemic Hospital

The microbe of discontent seems to have found lodgement among the members of the chain gang. Yesterday Dugan made a successful getaway and today an English sailor, who was in for a six months term, but who had joined the squad only about a week ago, also decided to sever his connection with the organization.

The gang was working at the construction of a wall near the epidemic hospital and the jack tar, who had been closely following the movements of the guard, seeing a favorable opportunity, made a dash down the embankment to City Road, and was soon almost out of sight. He is still at liberty.

PLARY'S STOLEN RECORDS RETURNED FROM SYDNEY

New York, Oct. 13.—The valuable scientific records and books of which the Arctic exploring ship, Roosevelt, was gutted on Sept. 21, when she was boarded at Sydney, C. B., by soviet hunters, have been recovered and will be returned to their owners.

A big box of the books, including the personal diary of Professor Donald P. McMillan, one of the scientific members of Commander Peary's North Pole expedition, was received in this city by Herbert L. Bridgeman. It was forwarded from Sydney by the United States Consul at that point.

BOSTON AND MAINE ANNUAL MEETING

Question of Representation on Directorate—Is Tuttle to Be Ousted?

Lawrence, Mass., Oct. 13.—An increase in the number of the directors of the Boston and Maine R. R. through the desire of the Boston Holding Company, which recently acquired 110,000 shares of stock to be represented, was anticipated when the stockholders of the Boston and Maine met here today for the annual meeting. According to a list made public early in the week, there was apparently no movement on foot to supplant President Lucius Tuttle as a member of the board, although, during the past few days there were persistent rumors that the N. Y. N. H. and H. R. R.—the financiers of the Boston Holding Co.—might desire a greater representation if the Boston and Maine board and perhaps install Chas. S. Mellen of the New Haven as president.

President Tuttle said some time ago that he expected to remain on the board and be re-elected president.

Lawrence, Mass., Oct. 13.—An increase in the number of the Board of Directors of the Boston and Maine R. R., from 16 to 19 was made today at the annual meeting of the stockholders in this city. Five of the directors of the company are directors also in the Boston Holding Co., recently incorporated by the Massachusetts Legislature to solve the merger question and financed by the New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. There was no opposition at the meeting, and all the shares represented were thrown from the agreed list.

YUKON GOLD OUTPUT LARGER THIS YEAR

Ottawa, Oct. 12.—(Special)—R. W. Brock, director of geological survey, is back after a three months' trip through the Yukon and northern British Columbia and states the gold output will be larger this year than in the past. There are ten dredges and a number of elevators at work, where miners were formerly doing placer work by hand.

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SEND ENGINEER HOLT TO GATHER RIVER DATA

Diversion of Waters of Chamberlain Lake Being Looked Into By Commission

A. J. Gregory, K. C., of Fredericton and Hon. W. P. Jones, of Woodstock, counsel for the Canadian commissioner in the St. John river investigation, are in the city today consulting with the commissioners, A. P. Barnhill and John Keele, regarding sending an engineer to Chamberlain lake to make a survey and take levels.

The Canadian contention is that Chamberlain Lake is a tributary of the St. John river and Americans, by digging a canal have diverted the waters to the Penobscot in violation of the Ashburton treaty. It is claimed that the digging of this canal is the cause of some 75,000,000 feet of lumber being taken through that way every year, that should come down the St. John river.

It has been decided to send F. W. Holt, C. E., to take levels and surveys, etc., and the consultation today is to map out just what data he will secure for the commission. His report will be presented at a meeting of the commission to be held soon. No date has yet been fixed for the next session but it will probably be next week or the following week, in Bangor.

LAST SPIKE DRIVEN

Could Run Transcontinental Train to Fort William Now, But Unlikely Till Spring

Winnipeg, Oct. 13.—(Special)—The last spike was driven in National Transcontinental near Wabowden River yesterday afternoon and as a result it would be possible today to run a train through to Fort William via this new line at the north of the C. P. R. It is not likely, however, that the road will be opened for traffic of any kind before next spring.

MORE DOUBT OF BEDFORD'S STORY

Montreal, Oct. 13.—(Special)—Doubt is thrown upon the confession of Bedford to the murder of Ethel Kinrade at the office of White Star line here. Bedford stated in his confession that he had sailed under the name of Christopher on the Laurentic from Montreal after committing the crime. Search of the sailing lists of the Laurentic since her first trip, shows no such name.

Further discredit is cast upon Bedford's