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MR. PENDER ARRIVES IN OTTAWA

Month and a Day in Australia and Some Time Also Spent in New Zealand—Leaving for St. John Tonight

Ottawa, Nov. 25.—(Special)—James Pender of St. John, arrived here last night en route home from Australia and New Zealand, where he was a delegate to the Conference of Chambers of Commerce of the Empire. He is in the best of health and speaks heartily of the wonderful hospitality of the Australians.

Some of Mr. Pender's companions from Canada, including W. F. Hatheway, M. P., P. St. John, Mr. Ames, M. P., or Montreal, and Mr. Cocksliott of Ontario, will return home via Europe.

Mr. Pender was a month and a day in Australia where, besides other New Zealanders, he met his two brothers. He speaks in glowing terms of the success of maritime provinces men wherever he met them in the far away country. He was favorably impressed with the Australian country, especially the larger cities, and the ranching country.

He spent two weeks in New Zealand. Mr. Pender will leave Ottawa this afternoon for St. John.

SEEKS IN NEW YORK COLONISTS FOR QUEBEC

Immigration Campaign Being Carried on—Farm and Mill Site

New York, Nov. 24.—Alexander Levasseur of St. Leandre, (Que) is in New York with the avowed purpose of seeking colonists for the undeveloped lands of his province. He is an agent of the Canadian government, acting by special authorization from the premier and the provincial authorities of Quebec, he states.

His mission here is to interest farmers, mill workers and laborers in settlement in Canada. He is an agent of the Society for the Reorganization of Canada in the Province of Quebec, the members of which are government officials, and is empowered to offer farm and mill sites to colonists.

"The farmers and lumber workers in Quebec are at present among the most prosperous classes in the world," he said. "They are well paid, the cost of living is not high, employment is steady and the full dinner pail is now a fixture.

"Capital is pouring in for the construction of railroads. Farmers are fairly coming money, and in the county of Maine, especially, the butter and cheese factories are sources of large profit. There are vast timber lands, and in the coming season an army of haulers and choppers will be required, at good wages, to carry on this industry. It is because more men are needed that I have been sent to make the offer to free land to colonists."

SWINDLER'S BONES LIE IN DESERT

Tracked to Death By Man He Defrauded—A Ten Thousand Mile Chase to Accomplish Revenge

Anderson, Ind., Nov. 25.—Knowing that the bones of the man who swindled him of \$3,500 lie bleaching in the sands of a Southern California desert, Newton A. Grabill, a mill owner of Daleville, has returned home after a 10,000 mile chase and found that his creditors, believing him dead, had petitioned his Delaware county court to wind up his estate. Grabill is 72 years old.

Last June Grabill was called on at his mill by a man who said he represented a brokerage firm in Chicago and had prospectus of a gold mine in Colorado. He persuaded Grabill that it would be a profitable investment and Grabill gave the man \$3,500 of his savings and made an appointment to meet the stranger in Indianapolis to turn over the remainder of the amount he intended to invest. At Indianapolis Grabill learned that he had been tricked.

He took up the trail of the swindler, which led him to St. Louis, Denver, through New Mexico and Arizona and thence across the border into Mexico. There Grabill engaged a detective and the two followed the swindler into the California desert. The pursuit wore Grabill out and he stopped, but the detective pressed on. Soon the detective returned to Grabill and gave him proof that he had caught the swindler at a lonely ranch house, that they had fought and that he shot the swindler dead. His body was buried in the desert. Satisfied with this Grabill paid the detective and came home.

DESERTS WIFE ENCOUNTERS HER HUSBAND IN CAR

Left in England Five or Six Years Ago, Meet in Toronto—He is Arrested

Toronto, Nov. 25.—(Special)—A chance encounter on a street car between Charles E. King, and his wife, whom he had left in England five or six years ago, led to the arrest of King yesterday afternoon on a charge of non-support.

According to the police, King deserted his wife and three daughters and came to Canada. His wife, although having no knowledge of his whereabouts, came to this country also and secured a position as companion to a Toronto society woman.

About a week ago, while they were in a street car, the wife was astonished to see King seated at the other end of the car. She reported the matter to the morality department and yesterday King was taken into custody. King, it is alleged, was living with a woman known as his wife.

CRIME IS CHARGED TO McLAUGHLIN

Murder of Wife By Poisoning, Firing of House in Which Children Burned—Coroner's Jury Verdict Given

Uxbridge, Ont., Nov. 25.—(Special)—The coroner's jury in the case of Mrs. Archie McLaughlin and two children, supposed to have been burned to death in the fire which destroyed their home on Oct. 23, returned a verdict last evening, after being out nearly two hours. It is to the effect that Mrs. McLaughlin came to her death by strychnine poisoning and the children by suffocation and it charges the husband and father with murdering his wife and setting fire to the house.

The verdict caused no surprise as the evidence from the start had been strongly against McLaughlin.

Miss Alma Six, whose name has been frequently connected with McLaughlin's in the evidence among the witnesses heard yesterday. She gave an unqualified denial to the stories that she has been intimate with McLaughlin. She said she treated him merely as a friend, and when she found people were talking about them, she wrote telling him to cease his attentions.

McLaughlin spoke no word when the verdict was announced. His manner seemed to show he was expecting the decision given.

Quebec, Nov. 25.—(Special)—A five-year old child was burned to death last night in Limoulin.

Port Arthur, Ont., Nov. 25.—(Special)—Sentence of ten years' imprisonment was imposed on Peter Helliskis, who pleaded guilty to a charge of manslaughter at the assize here, when he admitted having killed his son-in-law in a fight at Fort William.

VANDALS AT WORK IN HOUSE AT LAKESIDE

Walker Home Visited, Damage Done and Articles Stolen—Deer Shot This Morning

Hampton, N. B., Nov. 25.—(Special)—The old Walker place at Lakeside, occupied in the summer months by Rev. Milford Walker and family, was visited by vandals on the night of Monday or Tuesday, and much property destroyed, damaged or carried off. The family closed up the house and left for their usual trip to Florida a few weeks ago, leaving their furniture, their clothing packed in trunks, and other effects. On the place being visited on Wednesday it was found that the doors had been forced, panels broken and property scattered over the floors in every direction.

A lamp had been used, the light shaded by a tin can slid down over the chimney and tea lead wrapped about the base to prevent the diffusion of light. There was a large burnt patch on one of the floors, indicating that a lamp had upset, or oil been poured out and set on fire, but fortunately it had burned itself out before doing much damage.

A similar outrage was committed last winter, but neither then was there nor now is there any clue to the perpetrators. A deer weighing about 200 pounds was shot this morning on the Edward Morris farm, just above Hampton, by John Vaughan. It will probably be shipped to St. John today.

In the Kings county probate court yesterday afternoon, in the matter of the estate of the late Lucy A. Gilbert, late of Hampton, the hearing on the citation granted on petition of the executors to grant their accounts was by consent of all parties, adjourned until December 7, at 2 p. m. J. H. A. L. Fairweather, proctor.

FIRE GAINS, MINE IS SEALED

Cherry, Ill., Nov. 25.—The St. Paul mine was sealed early today. The fire was gaining such headway that it was thought best to cut off all air in the shaft. The mine will probably remain sealed for several weeks.

Cherry, Ill., Nov. 24.—A diary was found in the clothing of Samuel D. Howard, 21 years old, whose body was found in a pocket of the mine yesterday. The diary was begun on Nov. 13, the day the fire started, and covers a period of two days, describing the struggle for life until black damp ended the weird tale. It is written with a pencil on loose leaves of an account book. The diary follows:—

"Alive at 10:30 o'clock yet. By Sam D. Howard. Brother Alfred is with me yet. A good many dead mules and men. Tried to save some, but came almost losing myself. If I am dead, give my diamond ring to Mammie Robinson. The ring is coming at the post office. Henry can have the ring I have in my good clothes.

"The only thing I regret is that my brother could help my mother out after I am dead and gone. I tried my best to get him out, but could not. I saw Jim Davidson and Steve Timke lying along the road and could not stand it any longer.

Men and Mules Lying About

"It is five minutes past 11 o'clock and the air is fine, but sometimes it is so bad it almost puts a fellow's light out. It is something fierce to see men and mules lying down all over like that. To keep from thinking I thought I would write these few lines.

"There is rock falling all over. We have our buckets full of water, pump water, and we drink it and bathe our heads with it.

"Ten to 12 o'clock, 7 after 1 o'clock, 2 o'clock, 3 o'clock, and poor air and black damp.

"4:15 o'clock, change of place. Number of men tried to get out and could not get back. 7:50 o'clock, tired, hungry and sleepy, but could stand quite a bit of this if I could get out of this hole.

"5:50 o'clock in the morning. This is Sunday. There is no air. We fanned ourselves with the lids of our buckets, 9:25, and black damp coming both ways. 25 after 10. We gave up all hope. We have done all we could. The fan had better start above soon. We are still alive. I only hope is the fan. I think I won't have strength to write pretty soon.

Make Fans to Get Air

15 after 12 p. m., Sunday. If they can't give us air we will make fans ourselves. We take our turn at the fan. We have three of them going.

27 to 3 p. m., and the black damp is coming in on us. Only for the fans we would be dead.

11 to 4 p. m.—Dying for the want of air. We have six fans moving. One fan after another, 15 feet apart.

25 after 10 p. m., Sunday evening.—We all had to come back. We can't move, front or backwards. We can stand it without fans until Monday morning. Am still alive. We are cold, hungry, weak, sick and everything else. Alfred Howard is still alive.

9:15 a. m., Monday morning. Still breathing. Something better turn up or we will soon be gone.

11:15 a. m.—Still alive at this time.

16 to 1 p. m., Monday. The lives are going out. I think this is our last. We are getting weak. Alfred Howard as well as all of us.

The men evidently were all killed by black damp late Monday afternoon.

Explorers yesterday came across crudely made fans which the miners had made.

DIVORCE IN STATES IN ONE MARRIAGE OUT OF TWELVE

Rate is Three Times Greater Than it Was Forty Years Ago—World's Figures

New York, Nov. 25.—Federal statistics in the matter of divorce show that the people of the United States are severing the marital tie at a rate of about one divorce to every twelve marriages.

The number of divorces granted in this country in 1867 was 927. Forty years later, in 1907, the number was 72,962. Taking the census years of 1870 and 1900 as a basis for population, this was a percentage increase of from 23 to 73 per 100,000 of population. The rate of increase was nearly three times as great as it has been growing in even greater proportion during the last half dozen years.

The movement, though occasionally checked or retarded by commercial crises, periods of business depression or other causes, has been almost without exception upward. In only four years, 1870, 1884, 1894 and 1902, was the divorce rate for the country as a whole lower than it was in the preceding year. The upward movement, although varying in intensity in different sections, has been general throughout the country.

Divorce is far more frequent in the far western states than in the east. Washington has a long lead, with Montana a close second. Colorado is third. Delaware has the fewest in proportion with New York and New Jersey next lowest.

It is not easy to account for the wide variations in the divorce rates in different states. New York with only 60 to 70, 100,000 married persons, and Washington with 323 in similar proportion. The results are affected by a great variety of influences. The composition of the population as regards race or nationality; the proportion of immigrants, and the countries from which they came; the relative strength of the prevailing religions, and particularly the strength of the Roman Catholic faith.

The divorce rate is higher in the United States than in any foreign country, except Japan, Switzerland, which has the highest rate in Europe, has less than one-half our proportion. According to the international figures the number of divorces per 100,000 of population is as follows:

Japan, 215; United States, 73; Switzerland, 32; Saxony, 29; France, 23; Roumania, 20; Prussia, 15; Italy, 3; England, 28; Austria, 14.

Almost exactly two-thirds of the total number of divorces in the United States during the 20 years between 1897 and 1906 were granted to the wife. A partial explanation of this preponderance lies in the fact that without any reference to the question which party is the more frequently responsible for the marital unhappiness that leads to the divorce the wife has a legal ground for divorce more frequently than the husband.

The most common single ground for divorce is desertion. This accounted for nearly 30 per cent of all the divorces granted in the 20 years. It is rather remarkable that almost one-half of all those granted to husbands were for desertion, while in the cases of the wives only one-third.

MANUFACTURERS' TO HEAR SEVERAL BIG SPEAKERS

Good List For Montreal Meeting—Effort For Franco-Canadian Steamship Line

Montreal, Nov. 25.—An exceedingly attractive list of speakers has been secured by the Montreal Branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association for their banquet to be held here on Dec. 2, in the Windsor Hotel. The number includes Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, Hon. Messrs. W. S. Fielding and L. P. Brodeur and R. L. Borden, Hon. W. A. Weir and Dr. Stephen B. Leacock. William Caldwell will probably preside.

It is expected that the gathering will be one of the largest ever held by the manufacturers of Montreal. It will be attended by a large number of delegates from other parts of Canada, some of whom will be in Montreal for the monthly executive meeting. Toronto will send an especially large representation.

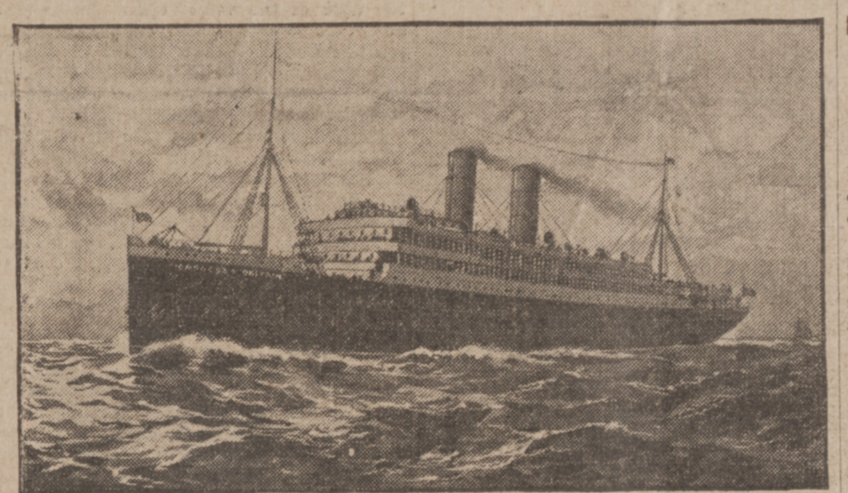
J. R. Genin, Montreal agent of La Compagnie Generale Transatlantique, has returned to Montreal after a business trip abroad. While he was in Paris, he was active in trying to obtain from his company the establishment of a direct line between Canada and France, which will likely have the financial support of the government.

M. Genin also announced that he had been successful in organizing a company to publish, in Montreal, a weekly newspaper in the interests of the French colony. The first number will be out about January.

At a meeting of the Montreal Presbytery, the resignation of Rev. James Fleck, for many years pastor of Knox church, was accepted and a retiring allowance of \$1,000 a year was granted him. He will hold the title of pastor emeritus.

Kingston, Ont., Nov. 25.—The city council has refused to grant the petition to refer to the ratemakers the question of reducing the liquor licenses to one for every thousand of population.

EMPERESS OF BRITAIN IS AT HALIFAX; HERE TOMORROW



The C. P. R. office here received word today that the C. P. R. liner Empress of Britain arrived at Halifax between 11 and 12 o'clock this morning. She has in all 850 passengers as follows: About 50 first, 150 second and 600 third. She is expected to arrive here in time to dock with tomorrow morning's tide.

Not more than a dozen passengers went ashore at Halifax.

About fifty-two passengers for the Allan liner Virginia, came in on the first section of the Montreal train today, and 190 in the second section. The balance, arriving tomorrow, will go right through to Halifax by special train to meet the steamer there.

The bookings are fifty first, 125 second, and 650 third class, but there will be more than this number sailing.

WHY SIR ROBERT PERKS WILL NOT BE CANDIDATE

Not Pleased With the Cabinet's Treatment of Nonconformists—Against Budget Also

London, Nov. 24.—Sir R. W. Parks, Liberal M. P., in a letter to his constituents of Louth, whom he has represented continuously since 1892, says in part:—

"After twenty-three years' work in the Louth division, during which I have fought and won four elections, I feel that I may now fairly claim to give myself a brief political holiday.

"Unfortunately, the pledges given to us in election have not been fulfilled. An educational bill was offered us which we did not ask for and did not want. Disestablishment faithfully promised has not even been attempted.

"So far as I can judge, Nonconformity will receive in the next parliament, even if the Liberal party is returned to power, as little consideration as it has received in the parliament now expiring. If the Liberal government will not stand by their Nonconformist supporters, they cannot expect the Nonconformists to stand by them.

"A further reason for my decision is that I do not approve some of the recent financial proposals of the government; and, as you are aware, I did not therefore vote for the finance bill.

"Still less do I approve the policy followed in recent speeches made by the chancellor of the exchequer and the president of the board of trade. The experiments in socialism advocated in those speeches will, I am convinced, prove disastrous to the trade and credit of the country, and most seriously affect industrial progress and employment.

"My constituents will, I feel sure, not expect me to vote for measures which are condemned by the greatest financial and commercial authorities in this country, and which, personally, I believe to be wrong."

England is more deeply stirred than at any time in modern political history. Public opinion can only be described as chaotic. There is no clearly defined question before the country, and the inextricable mass of conflicting issues on which no thinking elector can possibly be of one opinion.

Although the government would like to fight the battle on the question of constitutional rights of the upper chamber, they cannot succeed in making even this paramount and the contest would be doubtful because of the democratic terms of the protest.

The announced intention of the leader of the majority in the upper house to refuse assent to the budget until the country has had an opportunity to pass a verdict upon the radical measure, has caused tremendous excitement.

Unionists, if they had their way, would wage war generally against the socialist policy of the government, but the issues which will chiefly decide the election will be the question of tariff or free trade.

The campaign is to be essentially an Amazon campaign. The moment parliament is dissolved a great army of suffragettes will plunge into the fray, working unanimously against the government. The question of "votes for women" may prove a decisive factor in a close fight.

P. 2. Island Now Petitions—London Cable of Interest to Medical Men

Quebec, Nov. 24.—(Special)—A Canadian Associated Press despatch says:—"At the meeting of the Central Medical Council, Sir D. MacAlister said that the movement for the application to the provinces of Canada, of part two of the medical act of 1886 initiated in Nova Scotia and Quebec, continued to make progress. Prince Edward Island had now petitioned His Majesty that the benefit of medical recognition on reciprocal terms might be extended to it. Negotiations were proceeding and it might be expected that a satisfactory agreement would speedily be reached.

The attention of the lord president has been called to the recent alteration in the provincial law of Quebec, which appeared to the executive committee to have the effect of limiting in a manner which had not been contemplated during the original negotiations the recognition in Quebec of qualifications which were registrable in this country."

PREACHER SAYS WE COULD NOT KEEP JAPS OUT

St. Catharines, Ont., Nov. 25.—Preaching at the anniversary services in the Methodist Church, Rev. J. R. Patterson, of Brantford, made reference to the "yellow peril."

He said that if Japan makes up her mind to get into British Columbia she will do it because all the rifles in Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific could not stop her. Japan could put up two rifles for every one Canada could put up. He considered the situation called for prompt action and the only way to stop what will eventually happen is to Christianize the Japs.

He looked upon the assassination of Prince Ito and the attempt on Lord Minto as evidence of the awakening spirit of revenge for wrongs the white men have visited upon orientals for 200 years.

CLINE WINS SECOND GAME IN BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP

New York, Nov. 24.—Henry P. Cline of Philadelphia, won his second game and Albert Cutler of Boston suffered his second defeat in the play today and tonight at Madison Square Garden in the 182 ball line billiard tournament for the championship of the world.

Cline, who had previously beaten the veteran, George Slonson of this city, tonight beat George Slonson of Chicago 300 to 479. Cutler, beaten yesterday by the French champion, Cassinow, was beaten again this afternoon by Calvin Demarest of Chicago, 500 to 473.

MAKE PULPY WOOD AS GOOD AS HARD WOOD

Niagara Falls, Ont., Nov. 25.—(Special)—A new Canadian corporation with capital of \$1,000,000 has been organized here and a dominion charter obtained to operate a secret process of vulcanizing known as Harvard's vulcanizing wood process. It is claimed that by this process that the most aqueous and pulpy timber can be converted within twenty-four hours into decay-resisting material far surpassing the most valuable hardwoods in time-resisting qualities.

RUN CITY BY A COMMISSION, SALARY \$6,000

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 25.—Six thousand dollars a year until the population of the city shall have reached 150,000, after which each of the five commissioners is to receive \$7,500 a year, is the salary recommendation of Mayor Pratt's special committee in reporting upon a new charter for Spokane.

The commissioners are to be elected at large for these departments:—Public safety, public works, public affairs, public utilities and finance. It is also recommended that the park commission be continued, also that a civil service commission be created. One of the members shall be designated as mayor and act as chairman of the board, another as vice-chairman, but every resolution or ordinance must be signed by the mayor, acting mayor or two members of the board.

All ordinance legislation shall be by ordinance, effective ten days after adoption, unless otherwise specified, but franchises cannot become operative until thirty days after their passage. After the commission is created, and beginning in 1912, two members shall be elected at the general election and three alternately at biennial elections.

ANOTHER BODY OF DOUKHOBORS COME TO CANADA

Winnipeg, Nov. 25.—Word has been received by the Doukhobor committee here that several thousand Doukhobors in Southern Russia are preparing to come to Western Canada next spring, attracted by the success of their countrymen on the prairies where they settled ten years ago, and on the fruit ranches in British Columbia. Preparations will be made this winter for their reception by Peter Veregin, the leader.

In Saskatchewan this year the crops were excellent, and, consequently, the Doukhobors are now living in the lap of luxury, peaceful and contented.

At Brilliant, south of Nelson, where they hold 2,800 acres they have 2000 acres planted to apples and peaches. More than twice this area will be planted to grapes. A \$200,000 irrigation system is being installed to water the entire property. Large reservations are being built of cement on each side of the river, and from these the water will be carried in pipes to all parts.

The Doukhobors have 2,800 acres at Grand Forks, and 1,500 acres on the south side of the Kootenay river, opposite the Truans station. Six hundred Doukhobors reside at Brilliant, two hundred at Grand Forks, and fifty on the Kootenay.

THE STORM AT NEWPORT

Newport, R. I., Nov. 24.—The wind here today has blown a 60 to 70 mile gale and the mercury tonight is at 39, with the barometer at 29.8 and still falling. Nearly three-fourths of an inch of rain had fallen at 6 o'clock.

The life-savers at Price's Neck had hard work to keep men on the stations in the face of a north by east wind which swept over the neck at seventy miles an hour.

NATIONALISTS MAKE BIG GAIN

Dublin, Nov. 24.—The polling in the parliamentary election in South Armagh rendered necessary by the death of W. McKillop, Nationalist, resulted in a majority for the Nationalist candidate, Dr. C. O'Neill. The result was as follows:—

Dr. C. O'Neill (N.), 3,160
R. Best (U.), 1,628

Nationalist majority 1,532

At the last general election Mr. McKillop was returned unopposed. In 1906 the Nationalist majority was 885.

BRITISH COLUMBIA ELECTIONS TODAY

Toronto, Nov. 25.—(Special)—A World special from Victoria, (B. C.) under yesterday's date, says:—"In the provincial elections tomorrow the business element will plump for the government and the Liberal candidates will profit by increased labor sentiment and Socialist activity. The standing of the parties will not, it is expected, be materially changed."

OLD CRATER ACTIVE

Santa Cruz, Tenerife, Nov. 25.—The old crater of Pico de Viejo, which was believed to be extinct, has commenced to erupt. Earth shocks have been felt at Gans de Tenerife.

PORTLAND MAYORALTY

Portland, Me., Nov. 25.—Charles A. Strout was nominated for mayor by the Republicans of Portland at a delegate convention yesterday afternoon. Mr. Strout had twenty-five votes to ten for Chas. E. Flagg, five for Harry M. Bugelow, and five for Edgar E. Rounds. The nomination was made unanimous.

SIR WILLIAM VAN HORNE SEES FOUR-TRACK ROAD COMING

Toronto, Nov. 24.—Sir Wm. Van Horne, former president of the C. P. R., arrived here this week after an absence of two years.

In speaking of the west he said he had come in over the new double track from the head of the lakes and expected to live to come west when there will be four tracks required instead of two to handle the traffic of the road.

Sir William declined to talk when asked

TORONTO ART GALLERY OPENED

Toronto, Nov. 25.—(Special)—The Art Museum in the new public Library building in College street, was inaugurated last night, when Lieut. Governor Gibson, formally opened a loan exhibit of 180 paintings, all owned in Toronto.

The gallery will be opened to the public one day each week free of charge, but on other days, admission will be charged. The pictures now on exhibition have been insured for \$428,000.

SIR THOMAS BUYS PROPERTY

The principal real estate transaction of Saturday and Monday last in Montreal was the registration of the purchase, by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, of a block of land, south of the Angus shops, bounded by Forest, St. Germain, Hochelaga and Sherbrooke streets, and having an area of 211,900 square feet. \$46,639.78 was the price paid. It is purely a private investment, it is understood.

SLEEP WALKER KILLS MOTHER; A STRANGE CASE

Brussels, Nov. 24.—A remarkable tragedy occurred here last week. It is without parallel in police records.

A young man named Ceulemans murdered his mother while walking in his sleep. When awakened by his father after the tragedy he knew nothing of what had occurred, and gave way to such paroxysms of grief that he is in danger of losing his reason. Ceulemans has been a somnambulist for years.

He got up, walked downstairs to one of the living rooms where his rifle was kept, and then went back to the first floor with the loaded weapon.

He entered a bedroom where his parents were sleeping, and going up to his mother's bed, shot her through the brain, killing her instantly.

His father, who was awakened by the report, jumped up and seized him. As the gun fell from his hands young Ceulemans gave a violent start, and exclaimed, "Where am I?" He remained in a dazed condition after being arrested and taken to the police station.