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## COOK'S "PROOFS" ARE REJECTED BY UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN

### ELEVENTH ARREST IN COBALT CASE

South African Veteran is Taken — Travellers' Lively Election — Sunday Cigar Selling — Minister Criticizes King

Toronto, Dec. 21.—(Special)—The eleventh arrest in connection with the Cobalt ore stealing case has been made in the person of George C. Barber of "Ye Oldie Counting Inn," Cobalt, one of the best known hotels in the town. Barber is a South African veteran, and has a record as an athlete. It is said he figures on Refiner Wilkinson's books as "Neilson," and that he came to Toronto several times under this name, with ore.

Athens, Ont., Dec. 21.—(Special)—David B. Chant, a prominent liveryman, was fined \$100 and costs yesterday for selling liquor without license. Chant's partner in business, H. Leggett, has been summoned on a similar charge. Athens is a local option town.

London, Ont., Dec. 20.—(Special)—The defence in a case of selling cigars on Sunday laid against Wm. Honduras, is based entirely on the recent Toronto decision. Honduras contends that men who purchased cigars had bought ice cream, and as ice cream was food, cigars formed part of the lunch. Magistrate Love reserved his decision.

In a strong sermon in support of the anti-gambling bill, Rev. J. Gibson Inkster scored book making and particularly hand book making. Speakers supporting the bill, he declared, were unfamiliar with their subject. He scored King Edward for opening the Derby, and lauded the late queen for her constant refusal to patronize racing.

The Western Ontario Commercial Travellers' Association has elected John M. Dillon to the presidency over E. L. Davis, who has been first vice-president for two years. The contest was one of the keenest in the history of the association.

### FOUR OF ONE FAMILY TAKEN BY WHITE PLAGUE

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—That a mother, a son and two daughters, all of one family, have died from consumption, and that three out of the four deaths have occurred right in the one frame house in this city, is what the officials of the Ottawa Children's Aid Society have discovered.

There are now among others, three children ranging from the ages of seven to fifteen years living in this house, and on the grounds that they are not being looked after properly, the society will apply to the county judge for authority to formally take charge of them.

The facts are unusual, and serve as a striking indication of the necessity of some measure of compulsory notification by medical men as to causes of consumption, such as there now is regarding scarlet fever and diphtheria.

The regulations which will govern the admittance of cases to the new tuberculosis hospital were the chief topic of discussion at a meeting of the Ottawa Anti-tuberculosis Society executive. The unsatisfactory condition of some of the houses that are rented to the poor in this city was also strongly spoken of.

"It is very evident that there are a lot of terribly unsatisfactory houses in this city," said James Manuel, president of the society. This condition of affairs greatly hampers the work of the society, as often cases are sent home cured only to become reinfected with tuberculosis because of the conditions under which they have to live. Dr. F. H. Bryce recommended the purchasing of a few cottages which could be fitted up and in which incipient cases of consumption could be accommodated at their own expense, the new hospital treating only those in the advanced stages of the disease. It was thought better, however, to complete the work at present in hand before taking up this new question.

### CAPT. LOGAN ON HIS WAY TO THE CORINTHIAN

Captain William Logan, who represents the underwriters in connection with the insurance on the Allan Line Corinthian, passed through the city en route to Halifax, where he will go to the stranded steamer ashore on George's Island. He was accompanied by Captain Lindsay, shore captain of the Allan line, who, however, said he was going to see his wife, who is one of the passengers on the Corinthian. Captain and Mrs. Lindsay will return to this city, where they will spend Christmas.

It is likely that the passengers of the Corinthian will likely go forward on the Tunisian.

### SCHOONER ASHORE AT ST. PIERRE HARBOR

North Sydney, N. S., Dec. 21.—(Special)—A message from St. Pierre this morning states that the schooner Beluga, which left here on Saturday last for Laminine Harbor with 120 tons of coal, is ashore at the entrance of St. Pierre harbor.

Both vessel and cargo, which are insured, will probably be a total loss. The schooner is owned by her master, Capt. Wm. Spencer, of Fortune, Nfld. She is eighty tons register and was built at Lunenburg, about twelve years ago.

## Declared Valueless and Practically Nothing More Than Story He Gave Newspapers

Colossal Imposture Ranked By Cable With That of Theresé Humbert—Examining Committee Let Explorer Down Easily and Their Verdict is "Not Proven"—Cook in Europe



DR. FREDERICK A. COOK

Copenhagen, Dec. 21.—The University of Copenhagen, the first institution of learning to recognize Dr. Frederick A. Cook as the discoverer of the North Pole, today solemnly declared that the explorer had failed to establish the claim upon which his high honors had been based.

The committee appointed by the university to examine Cook's records recently presented its report to the consistory of the university, which reviewed the deductions of the expert with the greatest care and discussed the findings from every standpoint. That both the committee and the consistory were disappointed, was soon known.

This morning the consistory met and adopted a written report to the effect that the alleged records submitted for examination by Dr. Cook failed to prove his claim that he had reached the North Pole.

The report of the committee, of which Prof. Strongren was chairman, as pre-

sented to the consistory, states that Cook's papers are without any value, that his report to the university is practically the same as that published in the New York Herald upon his return from his Arctic expedition.

The copies of his notebooks submitted, says the committee, contain no original calculations of observations, but only results thereof. Accordingly the committee concludes that he affords no proof of having reached the pole.

### Cook in Europe

New York, Dec. 21.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook is in Europe, according to an announcement made here early today on the authorization of Wm. L. Cook of Brooklyn, the explorer's brother. Wm. L. Cook says he received a letter from his brother yesterday stating that Dr. Cook left New York on the Caronia on Nov. 27, and arrived at Naples on December 1. The explorer sailed without adopting a disguise, it is said.

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### STRANGE FAMILY CASE IN A MAINE TOWN

Charges of Efforts to Get Rid of Wife by Brutal Treatment and Put Her in Asylum

Bangor, Me., Dec. 20.—Upon complaint of the board of selectmen of the town of Columbia, Deputy Sheriff Lyman P. Grant today arrested Ralph Nash, his half-brother Eugene Nash and Julius E. White, upon charges of conspiracy against Annie, wife of Ralph Nash, while another warrant charges White with assault and battery upon Mrs. Nash.

The events leading up to the arrests have been the cause of much public indignation in the town lately, and one of the selectmen said today that he believed the people would have dealt violently with the respondents, had they not been taken into custody.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Nash were married in Boston several years ago and came to Columbia last September, occupying part of a house owned by Julius White, with their two children. Eugene Nash boarded with them. It is charged that Ralph, incited by his half-brother Eugene, has been trying to get rid of his wife by brutal treatment, that he might be free and have sole use of his property, amounting to about \$15,000. It is further charged that the Nash brothers endeavored to get Ralph's wife committed to an insane asylum, but failed in this, as the physicians called to examine her, declared the woman to be perfectly sane.

### AN EDITOR'S FUNERAL

Quebec, Dec. 21.—(Special)—The funeral of John J. Proctor, chief editor of the Quebec Chronicle, took place yesterday afternoon at the English cathedral and thence to Mount Hermon cemetery. The cortege of friends was lengthy and representative, including the staff of the Chronicle.

### POPE RECEIVES FOUR HUNDRED CHILDREN

Rome, Dec. 21.—The Pope gave an audience to 400 children who were made orphans by the earthquake in Reggio di Calabria and Sicily, who were given refuge, mostly at his expense, in religious institutions and convents in Rome.

His Holiness walked along the line of children, giving his hand to be kissed, patting them on their heads, asking their names and chatting with them. When he was seated on the throne the youngest boy in the party read an address thanking His Holiness for his interest. Then the youngest girl tiptoed to the throne and presented a bouquet. The Pope, holding the bouquet, addressed the children. He thanked them for their greeting, and exhorted them to be good and to become self-supporting men and women.

### ENTOMBED IN MINE A WEEK; IS ALIVE

Marquette, Mich., Dec. 21.—Frank Condello was snatched from the jaws of death tonight after a week's entombment, when rescuers found him alive in the mine at Nezaunee. He was buried 600 feet beneath the surface a week ago, along with three other men, who were caught by a landslide. Peter Mundi was found dead near Condello, but the other two men have not yet been reached.

Condello is in surprisingly good condition. He was without food although he had water in plenty.

### TO SAVE FROM GALLOWS

Toronto, Dec. 21.—(Special)—In a final effort to save the life of Pavel Steffo, in jail under sentence of death, John M. Godfrey has sent two affidavits to the minister of justice, which he thinks will cause the government to grant a reprieve until an application for new trial is made.

## THEOLOGY IN TORONTO UNIVERSITY

Special Committee Reports on Hon. S. H. Blake's Complaint—Ottawa Man Missing 16 Years, Home for Xmas

Toronto, Dec. 21.—(Special)—The special committee appointed to investigate and report upon complaints made by Hon. S. H. Blake and others with respect to the Department of religious knowledge, in the University of Toronto, and to the character of teaching therein and the alleged teaching of "religious knowledge" in the university college, has completed its labors.

It finds that the complaint that theology has been taught in the university college contrary to the statute, is not well founded, though inquiry has shown that in a few isolated instances a teacher has encroached on the domain of theology.

"Your committee," the report reads, "recognizes it as fundamental that teachers in the university college must not trespass on the field of theology, and recommends that the governors, through the president, direct them accordingly."

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—There was a pleasant surprise for Mrs. Henri Garnsey, of Duke street, Hull, when she opened the front door one day last week in response to a ring of the bell. Her husband who had left Hull sixteen years ago, and from whom nothing had been heard since, to tell whether he was alive or dead, had returned.

In 1893 Mr. Garnsey left Hull for the west. He left behind him his wife, three daughters and a son, all small. Entirely on his own he travelled in the northern portions of the western provinces. Letters never reached civilization. He was a stone cutter by trade, and three years ago he returned to Winnipeg, where he has been working since.

He has been very successful while in the west, and has amassed a small fortune.

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 20.—(Special)—Chas. Kiser and Chas. Irvine were sentenced to three years in the penitentiary today for assaulting and robbing Edward Brant, a Mohawk Indian farmer, who was driving home from the city. Ben Simpson got off with four months, as he turned king's evidence.

### ISLAND TURKEYS FOR LOCAL MARKET

Big Lot Expected Tomorrow—Market Stalls Bright in Xmas Garb

Visitors to the country market this morning were greatly pleased and the refreshing appearance presented and the sweet aroma of spruce pervading the building. The stalls in the lower part of the market have taken on a holiday garb and are tastefully adorned with holly, spruce boughs and evergreen. Rowan berries brighten the view considerably and are a pleasing feature of the decorations.

The stalls occupied by Murphy Bros., T. J. Dean, S. Z. Dixon, O'Neil Bros. and Messrs. Minnehan are decked with long streamers of holly, and spruce boughs are entwined in copious quantities about the arches and pillars.

The Xmas appearance is in accord with the bountiful supply of meats, poultry and vegetables displayed in profusion in the various stalls and the spectacle presented as a whole is tempting and pleasing.

As yet the Christmas rush has not been felt in the market, but the expectation is that tomorrow will see the beginning. For the benefit of shoppers it may be said that prices are expected to remain firm and that there will be neither a drop nor an increase in prices.

Mr. Durham, market clerk, said today that a consignment of turkeys, comprising more than eleven tons, is expected to arrive in the market tomorrow from P. E. Island. It is now on the way in charge of a couple of dealers, and the birds will be placed on sale tomorrow.

### ANNUITIES RECEIPTS WILL TOTAL \$400,000

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—The revenue for the year, ending Dec. 31st next, from the government annuities branch is expected by the superintendent, S. T. Bastedo, to be \$400,000. The number of annuities taken out is 439. The annuities' branch is proving a very popular institution.

### YALE PROFESSOR DIES SUDDENLY

Death Also Claims Pioneer in Great Lakes Transportation—Senator Harris No More

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 21.—Rev. Geo. Park, D.D., L.D., professor of ecclesiastical history at Yale, died last night in the sanitarium of Dr. J. L. Buell in Litchfield, from a hemorrhage of the brain. Professor Fisher was eighty-six years old and a graduate of Brown University and Andover Theological Seminary.

In 1854 he was appointed Livingston professor of divinity at Yale College and in 1861 he was made professor of ecclesiastical history.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Edwin T. Evans, one of the pioneers in Great Lakes transportation business, died here tonight. He was seventy-three years old.

In 1862 Mr. Evans built the first iron propelled vessel that sailed the Great Lakes.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21.—Former United States Senator W. A. Harris, of Kansas, died suddenly here yesterday at the home of a relative. Heart disease caused death.

## NEW PRESIDENT OF NICARAGUA MAN CLOSEST TO ZELAYA

Young Man, Lawyer and Author, Now Head of Troublous Southern Affairs

Is Considered an Able Man—Hypodermic Injections of Salt Water or Chile Sauce Reported to Be Pleasant Form of Torture Inflicted By President Zelaya



GENERAL JOSÉ SANTOS ZELAYA

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 21.—Dr. José Madriz, the newly elected president of Nicaragua, who took the oath of office this morning, was formerly minister of foreign affairs. He is comparatively young, a lawyer and author. He represented Nicaragua at the Central American Court of Justice at Cartage and was chairman of the Nicaragua delegation of the Central American Peace Conference held in Washington in 1907, being elected secretary of the conference.

Madriz is said to have been closer to Zelaya than any of the former president's associates. He is considered an able man.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 21.—Hypodermic injections of salt water, or of Chile sauce, or in extreme cases, a mixture of both, is a form of torture attributed to President Zelaya of Nicaragua, by Marshall O'Neill, civil engineer and soldier of fortune.

Eighteen men and women, arrested for conspiring to invade Nicaragua from Honduras, refused to confess and were thus treated, until they admitted guilt. They were then put to death. He says Zelaya was present.

### SECRETARY OF CHINESE MASONS ARRESTED

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 21.—Tong King Chong, editor and publisher of the Chinese Free Press, and secretary of the Chinese Masons, was arrested yesterday charged with murder in connection with the feud between the Yee family and the On Yick Tong. Eight murders have been committed during the reign of terror brought on by the warring factions.

The fight between the Yees and the On Yicks rose over the elopement of Bow Gee, an On Yick slave girl, with a Yee family man.

The Chinese merchants have received a telegram from the Chinese minister at Washington asking for details of the war and its origin. This is thought to indicate that the Chinese government will take a hand in suppressing the feud.

### NEGRO PRISONER MURDERS SHERIFF

Sumner, Miss., Dec. 21.—Deputy Sheriff Frank Chambers was shot and killed at Black Bayou yesterday by Aaron McCoy, one of two negro prisoners, who were handcuffed to gether. McCoy was shot to death by a citizen, Henry Walls, the other prisoner was hurried to jail and secretly taken to another town to prevent a lynching. Negroes are terrorized in Black Bayou and a mob outbreak is thought not improbable.

### A DAY'S FIRE RECORD

Grand rapids, Mich., Dec. 21.—Fire originating last night in the basement of the Sigal Company's cloak store in this city resulted in losses probably aggregating \$150,000 in the heart of the downtown shopping district. The stock of the Sigal Company which is owned by Sol X. Sigal and others of Chicago, is estimated to have been damaged to the extent of \$50,000. Neighborly stores suffered lesser losses.

Weston, W. Va., Dec. 21.—Fire which started late last night in a general store at Burnsville, near here, spread to other buildings causing a loss of \$50,000. A three year old child was cremated in the flames.

### HELD IN THE ICE

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 21.—(Special)—After a futile struggle with the ice pack at the mouth of the Detroit River, the steamers Strathcona and Donnacona gave up the unequal contest yesterday, and sent for powerful ice crushing ferry boats from here.

## FEAR Famine NEXT YEAR

Canadian Manufacturers Want 5,962 More Employees—Priest Speaks of Circulation of Pamphlets—Orangemen Get Hall

Toronto, Dec. 21.—(Special)—The Canadian Manufacturer's Association fears a labor famine next year. Of 463 manufacturers, who have answered the association's recent query, 156 want more help. These 156 manufacturers say they require 5,963 employees, 2,254 made and 3,708 female. Of the 156 employers that need labor one is in British Columbia, four are in Manitoba, two in New Brunswick, three in Nova Scotia, thirty in Quebec, and 116 in Ontario. Of employees needed, 150 are wanted in British Columbia, forty-two in Manitoba, twenty in New Brunswick, thirty-two in Nova Scotia, 2,216 in Quebec and 3,502 in Ontario.

In St. Peter's Catholic Church yesterday a large congregation gathered to express their felicitations to the parish priest, Rev. L. Minehan, on the occasion of his silver jubilee. Replying to an address presented to him, Father Minehan referred with pleasure to his relations with men outside of the Catholic church in trying to further the interests of general morality.

He objected strenuously to intolerance or bigotry of any kind, and he felt that under this head he should protest against certain pamphlets being circulated against the work of catholic educationists. Those who allowed these to be circulated in their churches, he declared, were not fit to be door mats for Satan.

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 21.—(Special)—The trustee board of St. Paul's Methodist Church has let the Orangemen of this city out of a hall hole by offering the lecture hall for use of the provincial Orange grand lodge meeting here next month. It was intended to use the courthouse, but Lincoln County council refused its permission under a resolution passed some years ago. The Grand Lodge of Ontario West was organized in St. Catharines just fifty years ago.

## EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS ON CAPE BRETON REPORTED

Sydney, N. S., Dec. 21.—(Special)—The earthquake which shook northern Cape Breton yesterday extended over quite a large area. At Munro's Point on the northern side of St. Anne's Bay, Mr. Fraser reports that the shock was quite heavy and accompanied by a rumbling sound which he mistook for heavy and distant thunder.

From Munro's Point to Inverness is about sixty miles, as the crow flies. At the latter place, and extending easterly through Mabon, the shock was quite heavy and accompanied by heavy rumbling sounds. One man describes the sound that made by snow slides from a roof.

At Orangedale, which is approximately as far distant from Inverness as Munro's Point is from Inverness, the shock and accompanying rumblings were felt and heard. The triangle made by these points covers an approximate area of 1,800 square miles.

Whycoomagh is approximately located on a line drawn from Orangedale to Inverness or Mabon, and there the shock and the heavy rumbling noise were distinctly felt and heard. It was reported last night that a barn on the north side Whycoomagh Bay was shaken from its foundation, but this is not confirmed. At the mouth of Middle River, about fifteen miles in a straight line northeast from Orangedale, widow McKenzie reports her house was shaken and all the people in it were startled by the loud rumbling that followed.

A part Hawkesbury correspondent reports that the shock was not felt along the southern part of the Strait of Canso. Later reports say that the shock of the earthquake extended through Port Hood, and as far as Judique. This extends the area of the disturbance considerably. A special from Ingonish states that the shock did not reach as far north as that.

The St. John agent of the Inverness Coal & Railway Company wired this morning for information of the earthquake and received this reply from the superintendent:

"If there has been an earthquake here we have not heard of it. We are prepared to fill all orders for coal promptly. Rush them along."

### THE BATH-TUB CASE

New York, Dec. 21.—"I believe I have evidence enough to obtain three indictments," was Prosecutor Mott's declaration today when marshalling his witnesses for the presentation of the facts concerning Mrs. O'cey Sneed's death to the jury in Essex County, N. J.

Mr. Mott said he had evidence not only to connect Miss Virginia Wardlaw, maid-en aunt of the bath-tub victim with the crime, but to establish the presence of Mrs. B. Martin, the young woman's mother, on the scene of the tragedy a little before its discovery.

### MRS. BELMONT VISITS NEW YORK NIGHT COURT

New York, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, of Newport and New York, who has recently transferred her interests from society to suffrage, gave out a statement last night of her impressions of the justice shown unfortunate women in the night court. Mrs. Belmont says:—

"I went Saturday night to Jefferson Market court. During the six hours spent in that police court, from 9 p. m. to 3 in the morning, I saw enough to convince me and all who were with me, beyond the smallest doubt, of the absolute necessity for woman suffrage—for the first influence of women over judges, jury and policemen, over everything and everybody connected with the so-called course of justice."