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Wreck of a Schooner and Bodies Found on the Shore—Victims of the Grand Trunk Accident—Verdict in a Newspaper Libel Suit.

Liverpool, N. S., Feb. 11.—Saturday night shut down with thick weather at the fishing hamlet of Eastern Head, near this place. The storms of the week still prevailed with violence. The wind, after its sudden changes to all points of the compass, blew a fearful gale. A sudden snowstorm came on and ended in a blinding fury. The sea dashed down the rocky shore in great waves and the surf raged with a deafening roar. The disturbance of the elements was not the only terror of that night, for 15 brave Gloucester fishermen met death and a watery grave. The schooner Clara F. Friend went down on the rocks at Eastern Head between Coffin's Island and Brooklyn. Through the semi-darkness late in the afternoon two vessels were seen in company. One was the Friend and the other an unknown schooner. The stranger lost sight of the Friend and put out to sea. That was the last seen of them. Yesterday morning wreckage along the shore revealed the fate of Clara F. Friend, and the bodies of seven of her crew told the ghastly story of death. They perished in the night without an effort from land to save them. None on shore knew of the schooner's danger till she had become a wrack and the bodies were found. The names of the crew are unknown.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The remains of Frank J. Joseph, assistant law clerk of the Ontario Legislature and Registrar of the election court, who met death in Friday's awful accident on the G. T. R. near Weston, 12 miles from here, was found on Saturday by men engaged in clearing away the wreck. Only a few charred bones were found. These were taken to Weston village, where an inquest will be held.

Jno. S. Monahan, court stenographer, who had a leg broken in two places, is suffering intense pain at St. Michael's hospital, but will probably recover.

Engineer Chas. Mannering and Fireman John Hess, both of Stratford, who were buried under the wrecked engine, were brought to the city yesterday. Mannering is in the General hospital and will probably die. Hess was sent to his home in Stratford.

Judges Burton and Osler, Messrs. Osler, Aylesworth and Atkinson and the others who were hurt are progressing favorably.

The libel action instituted by E. A. MacDonald against the World newspaper was finished on Saturday; verdict $1 and costs for plaintiff.

Winnipeg, Feb. 11.—Curlers are arriving to attend the great bonspiel. The Calgary contingent registered yesterday, also some Duluth men. More came to-day.

Regina, N. W. T., Feb. 11.—The date of opening the territorial exhibition is fixed at July 29th.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—The much discussed question of dissolution is expected to be settled to-day or to-morrow at the latest, now that all the ministers have returned to the city.

R. B. Rogers, engineer of the Trent Valley canal, arrived here to-day to arrange with the department for calling for tenders for the Lakefield division of the canal. Tenders were called for this division some time ago. McDonald & Hogan, of Montreal, being the lowest, but they were afterwards cancelled. Some change has been made in the route of the canal at this point.

Montreal, Feb. 12.—Hon. J. A. Ouimet says the Government will settle the Manitoba school question so as to protect acquired rights and privileges without injuring the rights and privileges of any Province.

Lethbridge, N. W. T., Feb. 12.—Considerable damage was done to the dry-goods stock of John B. Smith on Sunday night. He was insured.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—There is nothing new in political circles. Sir Adolphe Caron leaves to-day for Quebec and Hon. George Foster for his constituency.

Hon. John Costigan's practical sympathy with the relatives of the passengers on the delayed French liner La Gascogne has been shown. Representations having been received from New York that possibly the big vessel had been wrecked on Sable Island, with the object of verifying this theory and rendering assistance to the steamer, the Minister of Marine gave instructions for the Government steamer Newfield to proceed at once to Sable Island. Fortunately, however, a word came that the La Gascogne was safe.

Lady Thompson has returned home from Western Ontario.

The Roman Catholics of Ottawa are seemingly opposed to granting the demand for increased salaries to the Christian Brothers, 18 of whom teach in separate schools. The Brothers threaten that if their salaries are not increased they will leave the service of the board. In that event their positions will be filled by lay teachers.

Winnipeg, Feb. 12.—The great bonspiel opened yesterday. Eighty-three rinks are entered for the New York Life grand challenge event. Sam Harstone and R. G. Macdonald, of the Winnipeg Granites, both former winners of the grand challenge, also McCulloch, of St. Paul, were knocked out.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 12.—It is just learned that South Bay, C. B., was completely wiped out of existence by storms last week. No lives were lost, but the inhabitants are left destitute.

Premier Fielding brought down the financial returns of revenue and expenditure for the past year in the Assembly. The total revenue is $888,213; expenditure, $952,843; expenditure on capital account, $127,535; total liabilities, $3,167,493; assets, $1,358,182; net debt, $1,809,310.

Ridgeway, Ont., Feb. 12.—The public school in this village is closed on account of the prevalence of a virulent form of diphtheria. Miss Maggie Sager, one of the victims of the disease, died. Typhoid fever is also rampant and a number of residents have been stricken down. Several deaths have occurred.

Ingersoll, Ont., Feb. 12.—Two men, Jno. Palmer and Adam Ross, both of Ingersoll, were arrested yesterday for making counterfeit money. Palmer's house was searched after his arrest and the raw material from which bogus coins are made was found. They were arraigned before the police magistrate and pleaded not guilty. More arrests are likely to be made.

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—The Government has approved of the proposal of Prof. Robertson, dairy commissioner, to make advances to dairymen equal to 30 cents per lb., to enable them to place their winter and creamery butter on the English market. This action has been taken as a temporary expedient in order to give an impetus to the export butter trade. Any amounts over the Government advance will be paid to the dairymen when all the returns are in. Cold storage will be provided for the product while in transit and at the termini in Great Britain, until such time as the butter reaches the hands of the retail dealers.

Owing to the shaking up which B. B. Osler, Q. C., received in the Grand Trunk railway accident near Toronto the case against J. T. Watters, which comes up in the Police court on Thursday, will be postponed until Tuesday next.

Surgeon-General Bergin is seriously ill and it is possible that he may not contest Cornwall at the coming general election.

After all the accounts for the Ottawa carnival have been paid there will be a surplus of nearly $1,000.

Sir Adolphe Caron has been offered three constituencies, but he has not made up his mind which to accept.

Gen. Herbert will preside at a lecture to be given by Fred Villiers, the war correspondent of the London Graphic.

The new Federal voters' lists for Ottawa show an increase of 4,370 names as compared with 1891.

Brockville, Feb. 12.—W. A. Williamson, of Gananoque, pleaded guilty yesterday to a charge of conspiracy to commit bigamy. He is the man who arranged the mock marriage of a man named Dempster and defrauded him of his property.

In the Liberal convention James Cumming, of Lynn, a large flour manufacturer, was nominated to run for the Federal House in the Liberal interest.

Harrow, Ont., Feb. 13.—Fire yesterday morning did damage to the extent of $18,000.

Chesley, Ont., Feb. 13.—Yesterday Mrs. Wm. Cruikshanks committed suicide while laboring under mental depression. She was found suspended by the neck with a scarf tied to the bed post in her bedroom. When found life was extinct. She leaves a husband and a large family of children.

Toronto, Feb. 13.—J. S. Monaghan, court reporter, who was terribly injured in the Weston railway accident, is still at the point of death at St. Michael's hospital. The doctors are surprised at his having held out so long. His life, however, is almost despaired of. The injured railway men at the General Hospital are doing well. Engineer Chas. Manning shows marked signs of improvement.

West Elgin Liberals have renominated George E. Casey.

The Star says: A monster Conservative convention is to be held here in two weeks, when Sir Mackenzie Bowell and his ministers will take part.

Dallas T. Hyams and Harry F. Hyams were arrested last night, charged with the murder of a young Englishman named William C. Wells. The victim had his life insured for $35,000 payable to his sister, who was engaged to and afterwards married Harry Hyams, who paid the premiums on the policies. It is expected some sensational disclosures will be made at the trial, for it has been learned that Harry Hyams recently endeavored to get his wife's life insured for $200,000 in various companies.

Montreal, Feb. 13.—In the Liberal convention at St. Cunegonde J. A. Madore, a well-known French lawyer, was nominated to oppose Dr. Lachapelle, the present Conservative member.

Truro, N. S., Feb. 13.—A shocking accident occurred on Monday evening in McMullen & Wynnes' saw mill, four miles from this town. Ed Burton, the only son of a widow, was working at a saw, when the sleeve of his blouse caught in the machinery, throwing him on the rapidly revolving saw. His legs were terribly mangled and he only lived half an hour.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—The first draws of the New York Life Association and Walkerville grand challenge events are well advanced, and many crack rinks are numbered amongst the fallen. Three Winnipeg Thistle rinks being probably the most unfortunate. The Royal Caledonian match, Winnipeg against the world, commences this afternoon.

Norwich, Feb. 13.—Sir Richard Cartwright has been renominated by the Liberals of South Oxford.

THE EASTERN WAR.

London, Feb. 12.—A Tokio despatch says the Japanese admiral reports that the Japanese blew up the magazine of Whih-Tam fort at Wei-Hai-Wei on Feb. 8th. On the 9th two shells from the Eastern forts struck the Chinese cruiser Chen-Yuen, which immediately sank. The Whih-Tam fort has been silent since the blowing up of its magazine and is probably evacuated. The Japanese having captured the enemy's torpedos, the enemy's ships are firing machine guns nightly in order to avert a torpedo attack from them. A despatch from Wei-Hai-Wei says Chinese General Tai committed suicide on Feb. 7th in a fit of anger at the desertion of some of his officers.

A Shanghai despatch says the recall of the Chinese peace envoys was the result of a consultation of the Chinese authorities with foreign ministers.

A Shanghai despatch says a number of foreigners and many Chinese have arrived there from Che-Foo. Wounded Chinese soldiers are flocking to Che-Foo for the purpose of being attended by doctors and nurses of the Red Cross society.

London, Feb. 13.—A Pekin despatch says Commissioners Detring and Col. Von Hanneken have arrived there to attend a conference on the situation.

A Shanghai despatch says: Advices from Tien-Tsin assert that the Chinese warships Chen-Yuen and Kwan-Ting, which were reported sunk, are still afloat. According to these advices the forts of Liao-Tao Island at Wei-Hai-Wei are still in possession of the Chinese.

A Tokio despatch says a report has been received from Wei-Hai-Wei stating that Chinese Admiral Ting has proposed to surrender Chinese forts, ships, arms, etc., provided the lives of the crews and foreigners are guaranteed, and under these provisions a formal surrender is being negotiated. The Japanese general reports the losses since Jan. 29th are 83 killed, 219 wounded and the Chinese 700 killed.

Berlin, Feb. 13.—The Cologne Gazette learns from Japanese sources that overtures for peace will not be regarded by Japan until Pekin shall have been captured. The Japanese will demand possession of Corea, the Liau-Tung peninsula and Port Arthur, together with a pecuniary indemnity. Japan's only fear is that England and Russia will forestall this programme by bringing about peace in their own way.

FROM THE ORIENT.

At 1:30 this afternoon the Empress of China was docked at the C. P. R. wharf. She left Yokohama Feb. 1st and experienced fresh to strong westerly winds to the 166th meridian. From thence to port strong easterly winds and a head sea with fog were experienced. The crusted salt on the smoke stacks told how high the head sea had thrown its wave tops.

The Empress brings four intermediate passengers, 85 Asiatic steerage passengers and the following saloon passengers: Mr. Drew, Admiral Dupuis, W. G. Hockridge, Dulaney Hunter, Hon. M. Johnson, Frank Leyburn, Frank B. Woodruff and Mr. Woolsey.

Of freight the Empress has 3,200 tons comprising 76,773 packages and there were 80 sacks in the mail room.

Chief Officer Thornbury is laid up with a severe attack of sciatica and his place is being temporarily taken by Second Officer G. D. Rowles, R. N. R.

Admiral Dupuis was in command of the squadron on the French China station until the 22nd of last month, when he turned over his command to La Bonnivier de Beaumond. He is on his way to take a well-earned rest in Paris, on the pronunciation of the name of which he lingered lovingly. The Admiral had not heard of the capture of Wei-Hai-Wei when he left, but was not surprised at it when told by a World reporter. He had no doubt that the Japanese successes would continue as long as the war lasted.

Hon. M. Johnson and Dulaney Hunter were connected with the United States consular service in Japan, and are on their way home on leave of absence.

BAPTIZED IN ICE WATER.

Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 11.—With the thermometer hovering near zero, the Baptist river brethren of Dunkards, cut a hole in the ice in Conestoga creek at Earlville yesterday and baptized Miss Groff and Miss Lizzie Stump, of Bareville. Rev. John Graybill and the candidates stood waist deep in the icy water and answered questions in Pennsylvania German. Then there were prayers and the final plunge of the candidates' heads under the surface of the stream until their entire bodies were submerged. Another prayer was offered that their names might be written in the book of life, and the ceremony, which occupied five minutes, was over.

ANGERED AT HAWAII.

A Despatch From This City Interests the U. S. Government—Senate and House.

Washington, Feb. 11.—When the House met documents were laid before it by the Secretary of the Treasury giving additional information respecting the Bering Sea seal herds.

The House committee of Pacific railroads to-day received a proposal from the Union Pacific interest in New York to the effect that if Congress should pass a bill permitting the Secretary of the Treasury to accept cash payment of a sum equal to the principal of the Government debt in full for all claims of the United States it would prove acceptable to all concerned. Mr. Tweed, representative of the Central Pacific Company, stated that if the persons who advanced the money necessary to make this payment on behalf of the Central Pacific could be protected by holding a Government lien as security he believed that the proposition would be acceptable to them. Mr. Anderson said that the result of the proposal, if carried out, would be to protect the Government against paying the "currency sixes"; it would be equivalent to the Reilly bill at 2 per cent.

The President to-day appointed J. Nelson H. Patrick, of Omaha, Neb., Government director of the Union Pacific Railroad Co.

In the Senate Stewart offered a resolution reciting that there was no authority of law to buy gold instead of silver.

A dividend of 30 per cent. has been declared in favor of the City National bank of Baker City, Ore.

In the Senate Pettigrew introduced a joint resolution directing that legal proceedings be instituted against the stockholders and directors of the Union and Central Pacific railroad companies for the recovery of amounts directed to any unlawful purpose and foreclosure. Government mortgages, said he, would undertake to show that the methods of the railroad companies to rob stockholders and bondholders have done more than anything else to affect the credit of the country.

In the Senate to-day Hill offered a resolution which went over. It provides that the Government shall direct its efforts to the establishment of a safe system of bi-metallism, but if for any reason silver shall not be maintained on a parity with gold the bonds of the United States, which by their terms are payable in coin, shall be paid in gold.

In the Senate the conference report on the House bill disapproving of the treaty with the Southern Ute Indians and providing for their removal was presented and agreed to. It adds another section providing that the act shall only take effect on its acceptance by a majority of the male Indians now on reservation land.

The reported exile of Americans from Hawaii without trial promises to bring matters between the Administration and the new Republic to an acute stage. The State department this morning received the following despatch from the United States consul at Vancouver: "British steamship Warrimoo arrived to-day having on board J. Cranston, a destitute citizen of the United States, banished from Honolulu without trial." It is understood at the state department that Cranston has been given asylum at the consulate until this Government takes up the case. It is believed prompt redress will be demanded. It is said every principle of international law is violated by such banishment.

The United States court of claims today handed down judgment in 250 suits brought by the letter carriers to recover for overwork. The amounts range from $30 to $700.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The President sent to the Senate to-day a number of documents regarding sealing in Bering Sea, called for by a resolution adopted by the Senate on Jan. 8th. Among other things requested by the regulation the logs of vessels engaged in enforcing the regulations respecting the fur sealing established by the Paris arbitration, the number of seals taken in 1894, the steps taken to extend the Paris tribunal sealing regulations to the North Pacific ocean and Bering Sea and all papers relating to the claims of the British Government on account of the seizure of sealing vessels in Bering Sea.

In a letter accompanying the documents the President says: It is impossible to furnish complete log books of some of the naval vessels, but I venture to express the hope that the reports of the commanders of such vessels herewith submitted will be found to contain in substance so much of the matters recorded in said log books as are important in answering the inquiries addressed to me by the Senate.

The issue of standard silver dollars last week was $209,753.

MISSIONARY VIEWS.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 11.—Rev. M. D. Porter, a missionary of the American Board in Pang-Chuang, in the province of Shantung, China, recently journeyed to Tien-Tsin, 150 miles northwest. He has written to the board concerning the signs of war that he saw. He says: Wherever we went we saw the signs of war and its preparation. The forts at Taliu bristled with guns, the channel and river were strewn with torpedoes and marine mines, and the immense trains of cars were to carry soldiers to new fields of destruction. On the river, both in going and coming, we met an unceasing flotilla of transporters going they scarcely knew where. Our friends at Tien-Tsin were a little anxious for us; and the foreigners who have learned to live with a quaint delight on the daily humors and possibilities were surprised that any should think of returning. There, of course, was no reason why we should not return. We had one exciting hour on the return trip. Aside from that, all was as quiet and peaceful as any of the many trips we have taken back and forth. We were startled one morning at daylight, by being boarded by a boatload of hunan soldiers. A great flotilla of them were going Northward. Their boats were unpleasantly crowded and they were catching all the boats they could so as to have a little more room for themselves. They were persuaded at last to let us alone, and, like pirates as they were, they made for the next boat they saw, leaving us in peace. The children were much stirred up. We reached home safely the next day. This tour was the more interesting as being in the midst of these troublous times for the authorities in the north; troublous, too, here, for the edict has gone forth for the enrollment of all the families by tens, to make ready for a levy en masse in case occasion should require it. My first visit was to a village 15 miles south of us. The war was an interesting topic but not so full of interest to the people as the word of the gospel which we read and studied together. I can see nothing in the aggression of Japan but the movement of vain glorious enthusiasts to win a position in the eyes of the world. It was a pitiful aim. There are many who delight in war and all its disaster and terror. It does not seem to me desirable and I appreciate the unrighteousness which brought this on. The only satisfaction to be found in it is that western nations were wholly exempt from any part or lot in it. They may rejoice in the discomfiture of China but they will be branded as the sharers in the brutal attempt to force China into even necessary reforms. No one conversant with any part of China can shut his eyes to the ever increasing enmities which surround her system of government, powerful as it has been. They are of the same kind as are being fought against in New York and other great centres of good and evil.

ENGLISH NEWS.

London, Feb. 11.—Anna Broecker, the only woman saved from the Elbe, was received at Osborne this morning by ex-Empress Frederick, who conversed with the woman for some time.

An inquest was held at Harwich today upon the body of a man who is supposed to have been the physician of the Elbe.

DOWN IN 'FRISCO.

San Francisco, Feb. 11.—Joseph Sprout walked into the office of police captain Lees this morning and said he had heard that he was wanted for complicity in the murder of the Webbers of Sacramento and was ready to surrender himself. Lees said he would notify the Sacramento authorities and at once telegraphed. Sprout told the captain he could prove that he had not been in Sacramento for a week before the crime was committed. His brother, who is also accused, is in the city ready to give himself up if wanted.

Attorney for R. Porter Ashe announced in court to-day that his client intended to file an answer to the petition of Thos. H. Williams, by which he was removed from the guardianship of the estate of Sarah Althea Terry for the purpose of proving that there was no merit in the petition, after which he would resign.

ENGLISH NEWS.

London, Feb. 12.—In the House the Government announced to-day that it had not considered the exact course it would pursue in the event of the Australasian colonies deciding to federate, but the ministers are favorably inclined toward giving assent.

Mr. Redmond, leader of the Parnellites, brought forward in the House of Commons his motion to amend the address by demanding that the Government appeal at once to the country, inasmuch as they had failed to carry out their Home Rule programme. The motion was defeated by a vote of 256 to 236.

In the House of Commons to-day the Mayor of Dublin presented a petition for the release of Irish political prisoners.

Sir William Harcourt stated, replying to a question, that he feared the time was not ripe for entering into an agreement with other countries to prevent speculation in agricultural commodities.

Hon. H. C. Gardner, president of the Board of Agriculture, announced that because of cases of contagious pleuro-pneumonia among Canadian cattle landed at Antwerp, Belgium, the Government had prohibited the importation into that country of Canadian cattle.

In reply to a question the Government announced that negotiations in regard to the Dominion Copyright act had stopped because of the death of the Canadian Premier, and it was impossible at present to make a statement.

THE BLACK DIAMOND CITY.

Nanaimo, Feb. 1.—(Special.)—J. P. Planta appeared this morning to answer to the charge of the embezzlement of $1,200 odd, under the Speedy Trials act, Judge Harrison presiding. At the opening of the court Marshal Bray announced that he had received a very important telegram and requested an adjournment until Wednesday next, which was granted. Mr. Planta entirely collapsed on hearing the adjournment granted, and his sobs were audible all over the court room.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was last evening crowded to the doors to hear the attack upon Rev. Mr. McRae by the editor of the Free Press refuted. The congregation were duly edified by an hour and a half's discourse and shouts of laughter were produced, particularly at seeing the minister place himself in battle array with clenched fists over the Bible.

CONFLICTING REPORTS.

London, Feb. 11.—A Yokohama despatch says that Admiral Ito, after consulting the capture of Port Liu Keing Tao, in the harbor of Wei-Hai-Wei, the magazine of the fort was blown up.

A Shanghai despatch says the Chinese official account of the fighting at Wei-Hai-Wei denies the report that the warships Ling Yuen and Chen Yuen were sunk and also asserts that the Liu Keing Tao fort had not been taken. The ship's account says the fort was merely damaged. The same report says there are no Japanese except a few scouts near Che Foo.

SNOW IN IRELAND.

Queenstown, Feb. 11.—The steamer Servia, which sailed from Liverpool for New York on Saturday, was detained here in consequence of the non-arrival of mails due to a snow blockade on railroads. She sailed this afternoon.

IN A POET'S HONOR.

Stockholm, Feb. 11.—The centenary celebration in honor of the memory of Karl Mikael Bellman, the great lyric poet of Sweden, is being observed throughout the country to-day.

NEW GOLD FIELD.

There promises to be a big mining excitement very soon, if it is not in existence already, on Mineral Creek, Alberni. Samples of ore brought down to Nanaimo are unmistakably rich. S. Dyer and the Simpsons of that city, are jointly interested in this discovery. They have a claim on which a shaft has been sunk to the depth of 10 feet and the ledge still holds ore. It is 18 inches thick and apparently the same formation throughout. It runs straight down like a granite wall, and for the whole depth of ten feet so far sunk gold can be seen plainly. George Brown, who owns the claim adjoining Dyer & Simpson's, which is known as the Missing Link, is in Nanaimo. He is delighted with the prospects on the creek, and is confident that the ore from this ledge, which runs right through his claim, is operated on it will pay big. Mr. Brown has brought in several more samples from the ledge, all of which are remarkably rich. He expects that the development of these mines will be carried on more extensively this spring. There is every facility in the shape of a good wood supply, and there is no reason why the mines should not be worked very economically. Mineral creek is about a mile in length and claims have been located on either side from its source.

SEED WANTED.

The Board of Trade has been called to meet at 5 p. m. to-day to discuss the following resolution recently passed by the New Westminster Board: That in view of the great loss suffered by a large number of farmers in the Fraser valley by the floods of 1894, and the inability of said farmers to obtain sufficient seed for planting this year, and believing that the failure to obtain seed will result in widespread distress and destitution in the district and a loss to the Province of valuable settlers, it is the opinion of this board that it is the duty of the Government under the circumstances to procure such seed as may be needed and supply the same to such farmers in the flooded districts as may require it, on condition that such seeds shall be planted, and that payment therefor be made to the Government after harvest, and that the secretary be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Board of Trade of Vancouver and Victoria and request them to co-operate with the board in urging on the Government the importance of taking immediate action thereon.

FRASER-WILSON.

A quiet wedding occurred at 7 o'clock this morning at the residence of James Wilson, superintendent of the C. P. R. telegraphs. The contracting parties were A. F. C. Fraser, a popular member of the C. P. R. operating staff and Miss Janet Wilson, sister of superintendent Wilson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Eummelen. Mr. and Mrs. Fraser left by the Whatcom express, on a honeymoon tour to Portland and other points.

THE MORDEN FIRE.

In the fire at Morden, Man., referred to on Saturday, one of the buildings destroyed was owned partly by Dr. D. H. Wilson, of this city, and partly by the estate of his late brother. It was valued at $3,000 against which there is an insurance of $1,000. G. W. McLaren, druggist, and J. B. McLaren, barrister, both tenants of the building, are brothers of Rev. E. D. McLaren, of this city, the later being the Liberal candidate for Lisgar.

—John McGillivray, arrested at Victoria on suspicion that he was Alex. Wilson, who was wanted in Nanaimo for forgery, is threatening an action for false imprisonment. He protested against arrest at the time, but his protests were not heeded. The real Wilson has since been apprehended.

BOOTH'S COLONIES.

Gen. Booth, of the Salvation Army, arrived in Toronto on Wednesday accompanied by his party. He said he had a wonderful reception ever since he had landed in Canada. From Victoria, all the way to Toronto, nothing could exceed the heartiness of his welcome. He says of his colonization scheme, that the result of the inquiries upon his mind has been such that if the encouragement from the Dominion Government necessary to his plan is forthcoming, he will start his over the seas colony in Alberta or Saskatchewan. When in Victoria, he met Premier Davie and Cabinet, he remarked. They were favorably impressed and a colony may be located in this Province.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder Most Perfect Made.

THE LA GASCOGNE.

Remarkable Scenes on Her Arrival at the Pier—Hugged by Pretty Girls.

New York, Feb. 12.—11:15 a. m.—The La Gascogne is just passing up to her pier and is being saluted by every boat in the river.

The French line dock was the scene of great rejoicing from the earliest hour this morning. Friends of passengers on the La Gascogne were at the dock from peep of dawn and remained there until the Gascogne arrived. The joy of the waiting crowd over the news of their friends' safety was great. So great was the rush to go on the pier that persons admitted had to show evidence that they had friends on the steamship. At 9 o'clock there were about 1,500 persons gathered about the entrance unable to get on the dock.

The La Gascogne came slowly up to her dock from quarantine. On the way up the official report of the captain was obtained. In substance it says: The delay was caused by the breaking of a piston, the disarranging of the machinery, and tempestuous weather throughout the trip. Only one steamer was passed, and that yesterday. A number of passengers spoke freely of the trip. All agreed in saying it was an eventful out, but that there never was real danger. As one passenger put it: "We had more anxiety for friends on shore than for ourselves, for we knew that many would think the vessel lost. We passed the time in playing games." All the passengers agreed in praising the conduct of the captain. When the vessel arrived at the dock, the pier and vicinity were black with people. Ple. As the steamer neared the pier. As the steamer neared the pier cheer after cheer went up from thousands of throats. The relatives and friends of those on board went frantic with excitement. Pretty girls climbed upon the boxes and freightage on the pier to get a first glimpse of their dear ones. As the vessel was being warped into her berth a man with an American flag mounted one of the highest boxes and, waving it, led the cheering. The captain of the vessel was cheered time and again as he walked down the gang plank. He was followed by the passengers, and then pretty girls hung around the necks of sturdy Frenchmen, making an emotional scene seldom if ever equalled. Capt. Poirot, of the La Normandie, threw his arms round the neck of the captain of the La Gascogne and hugged and kissed him. The passengers landed quickly and went their way, and the dock was cleared.

Paris, Feb. 12.—The news of the safety of La Gascogne last evening spread rapidly throughout the city. In the theatres, cafes and on the boulevardes it was the sole topic of conversation. Public opinion at the safety of the ship is general.

CANADIAN NEWS.

The Irish Catholics of Montreal are to tender Hon. John Costigan.

A considerable number of men who had been laid off from the C. P. R. locomotive shops, Montreal, have been taken back to work. In Toronto this is also being done.

Ouellette Charette has laid an information against Hon. Ouimet, under the act relating to violating the ballot act in the last election. It seems from the charge that Moran in his desire to show the extent of corruption, most of whom were among those who could not read or write, revealed their names in an open meeting.

Mr. Smith, deputy minister of marine, who is in England as Canadian representative in the British departmental enquiry, regarding the manning of ships, has been authorized by the Canadian Government to co-operate with the London Shipping Exchange in opposing the proposed rules of the road at sea. Changes in sound signals in foggy weather are particularly opposed. Canada's action is sustained by the United States, England and Germany.

Hon. G. E. Foster was yesterday nominated for York County, N. B. He has left Ottawa to begin his campaign. Thos. Temple, the present member, is to be made a senator.

Ward's timber limits on the Rouge river have been sold to E. J. Swan, of New York, for $100,000.

The financial affairs of the city of Chatham are to be investigated by Mr. Schoneld, manager of the Standard bank.

At McMillan & Winn's saw mill at Truro, Edward Brenton's coat became entangled in the machinery and he was thrown across a circular saw. His limbs were frightfully mangled and he died in half an hour.

At Chatham, Ont., Geo. Colored, has been sentenced to three years in the penitentiary for larceny.

It is stated in Conservative circles in Montreal, and accepted as well founded, that Hon. J. J. Curran, solicitor general, is about to be raised to the superior court bench, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Sir Francis Johnson. It is also understood that the Conservative candidate in Montreal Centre will be M. J. F. Quinn, Q. C., crown prosecutor and president of the Junior Conservative club.

The C. P. R. earnings for the week ending Feb. 7th were $2,310,000, as against $2,640,000 for the corresponding period last year, a decrease of $33,000.

The small-pox cases at Malabride, Ont., are now completely under control.

On Monday night fire broke out in Roseburgh's block, Harrow, Ont., and before it could be got under subjection, Wright's barber shop, the general store of John A. Smith & Co. and Jos. Wright's store and brick residence were destroyed. The total amount of loss is $18,000, of which Jas. A. Straith & Co. sustain $10,000; L. Roseburgh, $2,000; Jas. S. Wright, $2,500, and F. C. Manning, $10,000. The insurance amounts to $7,500.

Hon. Mr. Daly and Hon. F. Davin, M. P., are to speak before the Young Men's Conservative club at Winnipeg on Monday.

Hon. Robert Watson has been invited to run for the new Dominion constituency of Macdonald in the Liberal interest.

The freight rate commission has closed its hearings at Winnipeg.

Superintendents Macdonald and Norman and Inspectors Oliver and Hopkins of the Northwest Mounted Police, have been placed on the retired list from May 1st next.

The 15th Battalion has been reorganized at Belleville with the following officers: Lt.-Col. M. D. Henderson; majors, Ponton and Halliwell; adjutant, C. J. Dunlop.

A man named Robertson, a former caretaker of the Mechanic's Institute, which was destroyed by fire, has been committed for trial on a charge of arson.

Mrs. Wm. Bates, president of Sutton Falls, Que., after returning home by the C. P. R. express from the south, started for her house down the railway track and was struck by the same train backing up for water. She was mangled frightfully and died in an hour.

There are still rumors of smuggling at Quebec. Merchants who have hitherto enjoyed spotless reputations are accused of being interested in the illicit liquor traffic. Some of such merchants are threatening suits.

C. P. R. traffic receipts for the week ending January 31st were $132,900 and for the same week last year $284,000.

A unique newspaper banquet took place the other night at the Walker House, Toronto, when the staffs of the Globe and Empire dined together. The Globe has been printed in the Empire office ever since the destruction of its premises by fire, January 24th, and this banquet was in the words of the menu card intended to mark the hospitality extended by the Empire to the Globe after that disaster. Robert Jaffray presided, and 153 guests were present, including Sir Frank Smith, W. R. Brock, Hon. Geo. W. Ross, Jos. Tait, W. R. McMurrich, Barlow Cumberland, D. Creighton and others. A feature of the evening was the presentation to Mr. Creighton as manager of the Empire with a handsome gold watch from the Globe staff in recognition of his kindness during their stay in his office.

Ven. Archdeacon Fortin left Winnipeg on Monday for this city to preside at the dedication of Christ church.

Hon. Mr. Ouimet has arrived in Montreal to organize that district for the approaching general election. He first speaks at St. Hyacinthe.

Toronto is to hold a big horse show in April. It will be of a Provincial character.

While a sexton named Ballendine was engaged digging a grave at St. Andrew's, Manitoba, he came upon an old coffin. The lid was partly open and in looking in Ballendine noticed that the skeleton in the coffin was turned face downwards. It is supposed that the corpse had been buried alive.

J. W. Garvin, a school inspector at Peterboro, has lost his position owing to absence from duty attending political meetings.

La Croix, the Canada, the organ of the Roman Catholic clergy, Montreal, insists upon the Government disallowing the last Manitoba school act before March 6th, when the year within which disallowance can take place expires.

Over 300 gentlemen called upon Hon. Wilfrid Laurier at Toronto yesterday. In the evening he returned to Montreal.

Trinity College, Port Hope, has been destroyed by fire. Loss $80,000; $30,000 insurance.

D. Rogers will be the Patron candidate for the Commons for Frontenac.

Sir William Van Horne has returned to Montreal from Europe.

The North Grey Conservatives have nominated James Masson for the Commons.

Messrs. Archibald, Mills, Drummond and Dixon, who comprised the Freight Rates commission, have reached Winnipeg, having concluded their duties.

Archbishop Langevin will be consecrated in St. Boniface cathedral on March 14th.

The Manitoba legislature opens on Thursday. P. C. McIntyre will move and Thos. Burrows second the speech from the throne.

Hon. H. J. Joly, ex-Premier of Quebec, has made an interesting declaration in the Manitoba school question. Since his retirement from office Mr. Joly has not meddled in politics, but now he says if the Liberal party seems it necessary he will run in that party's interest for the Dominion House. In reference to the school question Mr. Joly said he had read the text books now used in Manitoba and he was prepared to say the schools were not non-sectarian but Procestant.

SALE OF LAND FOR TAXES

Taxes Remaining Unpaid in Lillooet District, Ending 31st December, 1894

PARTY ASSESSED.	SUPPOSED OWNER.	DESCRIPTION.	Acreage	ASSESSMENT ROLL.	Total Amount
Allan, Nicol & Thos. W.		Lot 175 and 179, Group 1	559	1892, $18.67; 1893, $18.67; 1894, $18.67	$56 01
Brown, Alexander		Lot 189, Group 1	260	1894	8 76
Bridge, William		Lot 181, " "	540	1892, $11.34; 1893, $11.34; 1894, $11.34	34 02
Beckingsale Edgar W.	Alexander Shields	Part of Lot 204, Group 1	90	1893, $11.25; 1894, $11.25	22 50
Barnes & Barnfield		Pre-emption No. 700	320	1893, $10.00; 1894, $10.00	20 00
Coughlan, David		Lot 185, Group 1	306	1894	10 00
Curtis, Alfred		Pre-emption No. 547	320	1893, $10.00; 1894, $10.00	20 00
Coombes, J. K.		" 692	320	1893, $10.00; 1894, $10.00	20 00
Crosins, Lewis J.		" 742	320	1894	10 00
Devin-, Henry T.	T. Skinner & E. O. Murphy	N. E. ¼ Lot 210, Group 1	160	1893, $20.00; 1894, $20.00	40 00
Devlin, John	Anna Devine	E. Lot 208, Group 1	126	1893, $15.75; 1894, $15.75	31 50
Don, David		Pre emption No. 648	120	1893, $4.00; 1894, $5.34	9 34
Davis, John		" 616	160	1894	9 17
Davis, Alexander		" 592	320	1893, $15.00; 1894, $15.00	28 00
Dewolfe & Munro		Part S. E. ¼ Lot 202, Group 1	40	1893, $5.00; 1894, $5.00	10 00
Dewolfe, George		Part N. W. Portion Lot 201, Group 1	60	1891, $1.40; 1892, $6.35	7 70
McCartney, Allan E.	Vancouver Land and Securities Corporation, Ltd.	" " " "	110	1891, $3.19; 1892, $12.75	16 94
" "	McConnell & McFie	Part of Lot 201, Group 1	80	1891, $2.32; 1892, $10.00	12 32
" "	Sarah Langcake	" 203 " "	160	1891, $4.64; 1892, $20.00	24 64
" "	T. H. Calland	" 208 " "	120	1892	15 00
" "	Joseph Wheatley	" 205 " "	160	1891, $4.64; 1892, $20.00	24 64
" "	John Taylor	" 206 " "	160	1891, $4.64; 1892, $20.00	24 64
" "	R. K. Kimmond	W. ½ of Lot 206 " "	195	1891, $5.66; 1892, $24.37	30 03
" "	Wm. E. Green	E. Portion Lot 207 " "	194	1891, $5.63; 1892, $24.21	29 87
" "	Anne Devine	" 208 " "	126	1891, $3.65; 1892, $15.75	19 40
" "	T. Skinner & E. O. Murphy	N. E. ¼ Lot 210 " "	160	1891, $4.64; 1892, $20.00	24 64
" "	Joseph Yowart	Part N. W. ¼ Lot 210, Group 1	80	1891, $2.32; 1892, $10.00	12 32
" "	Harold & Alice Ponsford	Part of Lot 211 " "	74	1891, $2.11; 1892, $9.25	11 36
" "	David S. Wallbridge	" 212 " "	148	1891, $4.29; 1892, $18.50