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MENT REPELS WEALTH. STOWN, Pa., Jan. 5.—Nestled within an estate of 250 acres to the right of the entrance ways leading to the mansion and Mrs. Alexander Van Rensselaer's summit of Camp Hill, one of the Van Rensselaers purchased in 1793, seems destined to remain. Maintenance of the little cemetery by the family, and covenants for its purchase have been repeatedly ignored.

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CHICAGO DEATH LISTS DIFFER.

Coroner Says 565 Dead; Police Count 591.

Legal Difficulties—Theatre Closing Hurts Business—The Investigation Will be Thorough.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—Bodies of 558 victims of the Iroquois theatre fire have been buried, according to the burial permits issued by the health department. If the coroner's figures, which show that 565 bodies had been found, this total has been added from time to time the names of those who have died of injuries received in the fire, until the police list reached 591, and of these four bodies still remain unclaimed. So far as the police know, there are but two persons missing whose bodies have not been recovered, nor are among the unidentified.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—"Make every possible effort to ascertain the identity of some persons who died in this corner."

States Attorney Densen has made this request of Coroner Truesher as they stood at the end of the blind gallery passage, where, before a locked exit more than thirty of the victims of the Iroquois disaster were found. In this request, repeated at every point where bodies were found, States Attorney Densen gave the key to one of the gravest questions that will confront the grand jury in fixing the criminal responsibility for deaths. It will not be sufficient for the purpose of a criminal prosecution for the coroner to show that the locked door was responsible for thirty deaths, even if the responsibility for the locked door is fixed. In order to sustain a prosecution for manslaughter it will be necessary for the coroner to determine the identity of one or more of the individuals whose death the door caused.

THEATRE CLOSING HURTS BUSINESS. CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—The closing of the theatres by order of the mayor is causing a daily loss of thousands of dollars to the hotel and restaurant business in the downtown districts. It has also thrown a great many restaurant employees out of work. It was stated that more help would be laid off if the theatres remained closed. Even the streets seem deserted at nightfall, and the traction companies feel the decrease of business.

LEGAL DIFFICULTIES. CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—As a result of the Iroquois theatre disaster, in which whole families perished and lines of legal descent were made so complicated as almost to defy tracing, the probate court faces a season of intricate litigation. The question of priority of death of the victims is the issue on which many of the estates may be hung up in the courts for months and years before they can be distributed. Probate Judge Cutting says that he anticipates in hundreds of estates this issue will have to be determined before the estate is adjudicated.

NO WAGE REDUCTION. United Mine Workers Endorse the Fight Against the Cutting of the Wage Scale.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 6.—The executive board of the United Mine Workers of America has passed a resolution in which it expresses its opposition to further reductions on the part of the operators. Mr. Mitchell said: "The board has written—Sappho, as it is doing now, endorse the fight made by the miners against reductions in the wage scale when these reductions break the yearly contracts. We are now fighting a reduction made by the operators in the Mayevdale region and the board has decided to continue the fight with all possible activity."

GREAT TIMES IN THE VIC. It was one of the largest ordinary band night crowds that attended the Victoria Rink last evening that has assembled within the old historic walls in years. The ice was in prime condition and the music of the band indeed the music this year is the best that patrons of the rink have ever had the pleasure of skating to.

BURIED TODAY. The funeral of the late George A. Day was held at half past two o'clock this afternoon from the residence of David Magee, 14 Elliott Row. Rev. G. M. Campbell and Rev. G. O. Oates conducted services at the house and the body was interred in Fernhill.

At two o'clock this afternoon the funeral of Lena Marguerite, daughter of F. W. Jenkins, was held from her father's residence, 51 Brussels street. Rev. A. B. Coburn officiated and burial was in Cedar Hill.

The scholars of the Tabernacle Sunday school will hold a concert on Thursday in the Tabernacle Hall, Haymarket square.

AWFUL EXPERIENCE OF A ST. JOHN VESSEL

Schooner Ayar, a Derelict—Captain and Crew Frozen to the Decks and Nearly Starved.

(Special to Star.) BOSTON, Jan. 6.—The Gloucester schooner Jennie B. Hodgdon arrived at that port today with the crew of the St. John schooner Ayar, which left St. John for New York with a cargo of lumber Dec. 25th. The Ayar was abandoned and waterlogged ten miles east of Cape Cod on Monday last. Capt. Sabans and William Bell of St. John and the rest of the crew are badly frozen. They were without food for thirty-six hours. They will recover. The rescuers supposed the men dead and frozen to the deck. The Ayar was owned by N. C. Scott, of St. John.

The above despatch from the Star's Boston correspondent was repeated to Mr. Scott and was the first word that he received concerning his vessel's loss.

RUSSIAN JUSTICE. Men Who Dared Plead for Punishment of Kisheneff Murderers Are Sent to Siberia.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—A Kisheneff case will be tried today—Advocate Kisheneff pleads for leniency. He was eloquent on behalf of the Jews before the court in that pretended to investigate the massacres. Secretary of the council Karabasshev has been exiled to Siberia for five years. Both were charged with having supported the Jews in agitation against the government.

TRANS-ATLANTIC WIRELESS. Regular Communication Promised at an Early Date—New Stations are Being Erected.

(Special to Star.) MONTREAL, Jan. 6.—John D. Oppenheimer, general manager of the Marconi company, says that regular communication will be established across the Atlantic at an early date. He says that the station at Glace Bay has been in constant communication with Cape Cod, and that the station at St. John's, N. B., is also in communication with Cape Race.

BLISS CARMAN'S VERSE. His "Sappho," "Songs of the Sea Children" and "From the Green Book" Graceful and Artistic Lyrics.

THIRTY KILLED. Fearful Railway Collision in Kansas—Every Passenger Killed or Injured.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 6.—The Rock Island and California Mexico express which left Chicago on Monday night at 11:30 for the west, collided head-on today at Willard, Kansas, twenty-four miles west of Topeka, with a cattle train. The whole train was demolished. Thirty persons were killed and every person on the train was injured. A report that left Topeka for the scene returned to that city at 1:30 this morning with the dead and injured.

BEAR HOLDS UP TRAIN. Bruin on the Track Causes Engine Driver to Stop and Cars Become Fast in Snow.

ALTONONA, Pa., Jan. 5.—A bear held up a freight train on the Pennsylvania Railroad near Dunlo early today while the crew was making an effort to get to this city through the blizzard. While toiling up a grade the engine driver saw a black form on the track. Thinking it a man, stopped his train. When the gleam of the headlight flashed on the object it slowly arose and came toward the locomotive. The engine driver saw it was a bear and made an effort to start the train again, as the pipes of the engine were fast freezing.

AID FOR JAPAN VIA ST. JOHN.

Scottish Engineers for Japanese Warships Coming.

Russia Declares No Threats Will Make Her Abandon Her Rights—Japan's Demands.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The party of marine engineers from the Clyde district, engaged by the Japanese government, sailed for Japan yesterday via St. John, N. B. Another draft of Scotch engineers left Govan quietly and unexpectedly for Japan a week ago. A detachment of one hundred and twenty British naval pensioners and naval reserve men, and ten British officers started for Genoa, Italy, today to assist in the navigation of the Japanese warships Kasuga and Nisami, purchased from Fort Arthur says the Russo-Japanese crisis is commented on by Viceroy Alexiev's organ, the Novi Kral, as follows: "No threats can make Russia abandon her legitimate rights in Manchuria or in Korea. The interests of Russia and Japan can be reconciled without violating that country's (Korea's) sovereignty. The outcome of the negotiations depends on the number of troops at Port Arthur and of troops in Manchuria. Russia does not fear war, but she does not desire it, and therefore is seeking to render it impossible."

RUSSIAN CHURCH FOR PEACE. (Signed) POBEDONOSTOFF.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—A cable from St. Petersburg to the American says: Gives no credence to false and senseless rumors appearing in the newspapers. The Russian church preaches the gospel of charity and peace.

JAPAN'S DEMANDS. NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The Associated Press has been furnished with the following statement of the Japanese view of its present contention with Russia, by one who is in constant communication with Tokio and whose knowledge of Japanese affairs and intimacy with prominent Japanese give weight to his opinion.

"The negotiations between Russia and Japan have reached a critical stage, although an amicable adjustment is still possible. Russia's reply to Japan's latest representations will decide the issue. While neither government has taken the public into its confidence in the nature of an agreement between the two governments whereby they bind themselves to respect the independence and territorial integrity both of China and Korea, would naturally come first. Such an agreement would probably include a mutual recognition of the special interests of Russia in Manchuria and Japan in Korea, coupled with an agreement based on the principle of equality of all nations as regards commercial opportunities in those countries; that neither contracting party shall interfere with the commercial rights of the other acquired by treaty with China or Korea. In a word, it is probably the fact that Japan has asked no more of Russia than confirmation by international compact of declaration repeatedly and unequivocally made by Russia herself regarding the unselfish nature of her motives with reference to Manchuria. Russia's reply has evidently been a surprise and a disappointment to Japan. It is now generally understood that Russia has virtually refused to discuss the situation in Manchuria, and has proposed something in the nature of a neutral zone in Korea on the Manchurian frontier, extending as far as Wong Tang on the east and Ping Yang on the west. It is difficult to perceive how Japan could possibly accept this proposal. To consent to the indefinite prolongation of Russia's stay upon the borders of Corea and to neutralization of nearly one-third of the latter's territory would be a fatal menace to the independence of Corea, which Japan must defend at all costs, as the safety of the peninsula, which is the outpost of her line of defence, is indispensable to Japan's own repose and security. As for Manchuria, Japan, conjointly with other powers, is entitled to the enjoyment of rights and immunities secured by treaty with China, which it would be impossible to leave to the caprice of a third power. Russia's recent course demonstrates the unsatisfactory nature of the present conditions. The re-occupation of Mukden and the continued occupation of Cheo Fatong Kiao have undoubtedly had the effect of intimidating China and of preventing her from fulfilling her treaty obligations with the United States and Japan with respect to the opening of those places to the commerce of the world."

McCLARY'S GOODS RELEASED. The two carloads of goods imported by the McClary Co., via Boston, which were formally seized by the customs department some days ago, have been released. Mr. Foot, of the McClary Co., had put up a deposit equal to the amount of the duty on the goods if it should be decided in Ottawa that they were liable to duty. The inland revenue department has not evidently taken this meaning from the old section of the regulations, and the railways which are trying to secure the business have lost this point.

Seventy-five passengers from the Altona Locomotive at Halifax will pass through the city on this evening's westbound express.

THE WEATHER.

Highest temperature, 15; lowest temperature, 9; temperature at noon, 15; barometer at noon, 30.14; wind at noon, southwest velocity, 5 miles. Fine. Forecast—Moderate to fresh west to southwest winds; fair and milder today and on Thursday.

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CHARLES A. CLARK, 49 Charlotte St.

POTTS Fire! Fire!

A quantity of goods, saved from the fire in the Lordly Building, Germain street, will be sold at Auction at Salesroom, 86 Germain street, on FRIDAY, the 8th inst., at ten o'clock, a. m., consisting of:

30 New Hooked Mats, New Quilts and Blankets, Feather Bed and Pillows, Crockeryware, Glassware, Lamps, Kitchen Utensils, Chairs, Tables, etc., etc. Also 4 Heating Stoves, 2 Oil Heaters, Bedsteads, Mattresses, Springs, Pictures, Picture Frames, Vases, Silver-plated Ware, Clocks, etc., etc.

F. L. POTTS, Auctioneer.