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**LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS**

The Canadian Northern line from Regina to Brandon was completed last Wednesday.

Word comes from London that Lord Kelvin, the famous scientist, is dangerously ill.

We are indebted to Mr. J. O. Arsenault, Provincial Manager of the Mutual Life of Canada, for a handsome Calendar for 1908.

The Federal Parliament stands adjourned for Christmas holidays from today to Wednesday, January 8, 1908.

A lad named Knotts, eight years of age, was drowned while sailing on a pond near his home at Kingsville, N. B., the other day.

Seven negroes were killed and thirty wounded in a race battle at Atlanta, Georgia, Wednesday night. The whites raised a negro lodge and burned several houses. More trouble is expected.

The Parliament House at Wellington, New Zealand, with the exception of the library wing, was completely destroyed by fire on Friday last. It was built in 1873, mostly of timber.

The Royal Mint is to open at Ottawa on January 1st. The opening of the Mint was proclaimed some weeks ago, but the proclamation was cancelled because the British authorities found that the fence about the building had not been completed.

The gales which swept the Atlantic during Friday and Saturday, were not confined to this side, but caused many disasters on the British coast, where forty lives were lost. A vessel was seen to founder off Swansea with a crew of seven.

Fire broke out last Thursday night at Cobalt, Ont., in a shack owned by Joseph Hewitt of Toronto. Hewitt's daughters Eva and Mary, aged three and five respectively, were burned to death. The parents had left the children in bed and had gone out visiting.

The Cunard steamer Mauretania, scheduled to sail from Liverpool on Saturday for New York, went aground Friday night in the Mersey opposite the landing stage. The Mauretania was in no danger. Her grounding was due to her anchors dragging while she was swinging to the tide.

A total of 1,285,349 immigrants were admitted to the United States for the year ending June 30 last. It was the greatest immigration year in the country's history. The total amount of money brought into the country by these was \$25,593,863, or an average of \$20 per person.

Boris Sarafoff, the most famous of all the leaders of the Bulgarian bands in Macedonia, was shot dead at the threshold of his home on Thursday by a Macedonian who at the same time shot and killed another revolutionary chief Garganoff, while the latter was in the act of bidding Sarafoff farewell.

Mayor Coatsworth of Toronto says that times this winter Toronto will make it necessary for the city to provide food for the unemployed as well as work, wherever possible. The lumbermen are so hard up that they cannot pay their government dues, but the provincial treasurer says the worst results he anticipates are a slight delay in submitting the public accounts and estimates to the legislature.

The paper box factory of the Elliotts Manufacturing Co., and the building adjoining it in Toronto were destroyed by fire on Saturday night. The losses are: The Elliott Co., \$150,000; St. Andrew's Church Institute, \$10,000, insured \$7,000. Forty-five companies are insured in the Elliott risk and the total insurance is \$115,000. Williamson's planing mill wood-work factory was damaged to the extent of \$10,000 about the same time.

Sir Thomas Sutherland, presiding at the annual meeting of the Dominion and Oriental Line, in London, the other day said that the "All Red Route" would demand gigantic resources, and it would be interesting to find out where these resources were to be found. Further, the building of steamers to carry enough coal for an express service between Vancouver and Wellington, New Zealand, was one of the engineering problems at present insoluble, as far as Canada was concerned.

Charles Porteous, a farmer who lived alone near Millbrook, Ont., was held up on Friday by a man with a six-shooter, who demanded money and on refusal he was shot four times in the head. He is in a serious condition. Friday morning the assailant, a rough-looking customer, called upon Porteous and asked for work. The farmer gave him his breakfast and dinner, and shortly afterwards he departed. He came back in the evening demanding money and being refused fired the shots.

Toronto advices show that 2,740 union men are out of employment in that city, not including unorganized men supposed to number 2,500 more. There are 500 carpenters and 500 bricklayers on the list. Mayor Coatsworth is reported as saying: "One does not like to speak of it too soon, but the time is coming when hungry men must have a place to get food. I think we must make a provision to give meals, and we must not put it off too long." "There are scores of men in this city who are living on one meal a day," said Mr. Samuel Arnold, the secretary. "Very many are on their beam's ends when they are out of work a week, and become a public charge."

Loss of life and great damage to property were reported on the 11th from the central and eastern States by floods caused by the heavy rains of the previous few days. The Delaware, Susquehanna and Schuylkill rivers are rising rapidly and the small streams throughout the coal regions have overflowed their banks, flooding the mines, causing cave-ins and doing great damage to railroad and other property. The high water caused the collapse of the bridge in course of erection over the west branch of the Susquehanna river at Middletown and resulted in the death of seven men and the injury of nearly a score of others, two persons fatally. Forty men were at work on a traveller on the middle span of the structure when it collapsed. They were all thrown into the swollen river.

**LOCAL & OTHER ITEMS**

A terrific storm swept the whole North Atlantic coast on Saturday and several wrecks are reported along the New England shores.

It is understood that the Rt. Hon. James Bryce, King Edward's Ambassador at Washington, has received directions from his Government to return home.

In consequence of the sleigh roads there was a good attendance at the races yesterday. The price of fowl and poultry were down considerably, otherwise the price of staples scarcely differed from last report.

The snow-fall which commenced Sunday night and continued most of Monday laid a good foundation for sleigh-roads, and if things remain as they are there will be good going.

The Thompson liner Kildona from Shields for Portland, Maine, was wrecked at Brazill Rock, Cape Sable, on Saturday. The steamer Lonsburg and two others went to the rescue. The captain and crew were rescued and brought to St. John.

An agricultural census of the Maritime Provinces shows that in 1907, New Brunswick had 1,087,000 acres in crop, Nova Scotia 883,000 and P. E. I. 504,000. In orchards New Brunswick had 16,000 and Nova Scotia 54,000 acres.

Caught beneath an immense branch from a tree he was falling, Eustace Bondreau was crushed to death Friday near Beauséjour, N. B. Mr. Bondreau had completed cutting through the tree, and in falling a large branch caught him across the chest crushing his life out instantly. He was forty-five years of age and had a family of wife and five small children. He lived near by where the accident occurred.

The estimated expenditure of the Dominion for the coming fiscal year embraces expenditures in this Province amounting to \$416,550. They include \$209,000 for increased accommodation at Charlottetown; \$18,500 for extension of wharf at Souris; \$71,000 for rolling stock; \$20,000 for new machinery; \$6,500 for increased accommodation along the line of railway; \$30,000 for spur line and ballast pit; \$10,000 for steel rails; \$10,000 for break-water on eastern side of entrance to St. Peter's harbor.

Another serious accident occurred in the L.C.R. yard at Amherst the other day happily without any loss of life. Because of a misplaced switch, No. 1 passenger train from Halifax in charge of Conductor Vance took the siding at Gould's Crossing entering Amherst yard colliding with several box-cars standing on the Malleable Iron Company's siding. One of the cars was forced through the wall of the brick building, the pilot of the engine and some of the empty cars were damaged. Fortunately the train was running at low speed, otherwise a serious accident would have occurred. As it was several of the passengers were considerably shaken up by the collision.

Recent Montreal advices say—If two great Canadian railways have anything to do with it, there will be no winter carnival in Montreal this or any other winter. The Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk not only refuse to aid the project in any way but they will oppose it actively. Their point of view is that they have for many years past been spending huge sums to advertise Canada as a country of fertile farms and splendid wheat growing climate, and after years of patient and expensive work have gradually worn down the ancient idea that prevailed in England and Europe that Canada was a country of ice and snow.

Heavy gales in the English Channel on Monday of last week, resulting in a disastrous collision off Folkestone, between the Dutch steamer Scheideström and the British barque Forfarshire. The Scheideström had a big hole stove in her side and ran for Folkestone where she was beached. The life-savers sent out to the rescue but before it could reach the steamer the captain of the Scheideström with ten of the crew entered a small boat which was driven on the rocks and wrecked. Seven of the men including the captain were drowned. Those who remained on board the steamer were saved. The Forfarshire was able to proceed.

New York advices of the 14th say:—Unless one should die in the meantime the two men who will contest for the Presidency of the United States, next autumn, will be Taft and Bryan. And the mathematical chances are that Bryan will win. That Mr. Bryan will be nominated for a third time is a foregone conclusion. No other possibility is even mentioned. The Wall Street crowd tried to arouse a little interest in Senator Duffell, but president Nebraha has the Democratic organization by the throat. The party managers realize that with him lies their only chance of success. However much they dislike him, political history affords few parallels to the extraordinary persistency of this country lawyer-journalist.

A drowning accident occurred Friday afternoon at New Harbor, Guysboro County, N. B., by which a seven-year-old son of Mr. John G. Sangster lost his life. The lad played on this ice with an older boy, his brother. When some distance from the shore the older boy broke through and when the younger went to his assistance he was pulled in also. The scene of the accident was in view of the home. The mother saw them struggling in the water and ran to their rescue. The boy was through the ice. At one time it seemed as though they would all drown. However, by the help of the sister, the mother and an older son they were rescued. But the life of the younger could not be saved.

The American seven-masted schooner Thomas W. Lawson, the biggest schooner in the world was wrecked in Broad Sound, Scilly Islands, during a fierce gale on Friday night and all her crew except three were lost. The schooner turned turtle during the night and is now floating bottom up. Three dead bodies have been found off Annet Island, an uninhabited isle off the Scilly group. Two life-boats tried to rescue the crew, but great seas were running and they were unable to render assistance on this account. The three men rescued were Capt. Daw, of Melrose, Engineer Rowe, of Portland, and an English sailor. Daw and Rowe were found clinging to the rocks fifteen hours after the wreck.

**LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.**

It is stated at Quebec that the Government steamer Montcalm which met with an accident by running on a rock at Point Maurier some little time ago, will not do any ice-breaking this winter. The vessel is now in the dry dock at Lévis, where she is likely to remain until the end of next March to be thoroughly repaired. It is probable that the Government steamer Lady Grey will be taken out of winter quarters, and do service in her stead during the season.

Mr. John R. McDonald and family, Vernon, are just emerging from a very severe visitation of illness. For about four months one or other member of the household has been down with fever, most of the time several at once. Mr. McDonald, his wife and daughter were stricken down. Then another daughter, who had been in Charlottetown for some years came home and in a short time she contracted the disease. The only son at home was then laid low and another son in Nevada was sent for. He came immediately and in about three weeks he also succumbed. The whole family were thus disabled. Some of the cases were quite serious. Mr. McDonald himself being prepared for death. Now, however, he is about and all the others are well on the road to recovery. They certainly have passed through a most trying ordeal, and it will afford pleasure to their friends to learn that they are all now beyond the danger stage.

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