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LEOPOLD OF BELGIUM IS CRITICALLY ILL

Has Complication of Diseases and
Condition Causes Grave
Anxiety.

Brussels, Dec. 8.—Through official residence is maintained concerning the exact state of King Leopold, information from private sources today is to the effect that his condition is most grave and causing the utmost anxiety. It is reported that his rheumatism is extending, as well as pulmonary troubles. His majesty is unable to rise from his chair, and moves only when carried by his valets. For years he has undergone systematic electrical treatment at the hands of Paris specialists. He was determined to return to Paris last week, in order that these treatments might be resumed, but the physicians of the royal household refused to permit the journey.

XMAS DECORATIONS WILL BE SCARCE

Holly and Mistletoe Are Very Hard
to Get.

Like everything else holly and mistletoe, which forms such an important factor in Christmas decoration, is going to be very scarce this year. The great bulk of the supply comes from the States of Delaware, North Carolina and Virginia. This year in two of those states the supply has been practically a failure, owing to the uncertain weather conditions, while in the other state the supply has not been up to the mark for years.

THE SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE

Both Sides Claim to Be Making Good
Headway.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 8.—"The strike is broken," say the railroad managers. "The railroads are tied up tighter than ever," say the leaders of the switchmen's strike in the northwest. The railroads are backing up their assertion to the extent at least of moving freight in the yards and out of the warehouses.

SOUVENIR OF BILL MINER

Money Found on Him When Arrested
Property of Government.

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Bill Miner, the famous British Columbia landowner, whose escape from New Westminster Penitentiary was so fully discussed at last session of Parliament, is again the subject of a departmental investigation in the justice department.

TAFT ON WATERWAYS

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Taft delivered an address strongly in favor of waterways improvement at the opening of the sixth session of the national rivers and harbors congress today. Every part of the United States was represented in the assembly of delegates at the New Willard. The President said he was heartily in favor of waterway improvement, because of its influence in the reduction of railway rates as well as its value as a means of transportation of that kind of freight that the rivers were especially adapted for.

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CARUSO TO WED.

Milan, Dec. 8.—The newspapers here announce that Caruso, the noted tenor, is to be married shortly to a beautiful Sicilian, who has been working as a shop girl here.

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MILITIA COUNCIL EXTENDS THANKS

To Middlesex County Council for
the Assistance Given in Aid
of 26th Regiment.

MR. TURNBULL CHOSEN

For Hospital Trustees for 1910.—Many
Important Matters Up at Meeting
Held Yesterday.

At yesterday afternoon's session of the county council deputation, composed of Colonel McEwen, of the Twenty-sixth Middlesex Regiment, and Colonel Hodgins, commander of No. 1 Military District, appeared before the councillors to extend their thanks for the assistance given by the council to the regiment during its annual drill.

Col. Hodgins spoke very highly of the example the council of Middlesex was setting to the municipalities in their support of the local militia.

Col. McEwen, in addressing the council, spoke of the very high degree of efficiency that had been attained by the Twenty-sixth Regiment, and thanked the council for their assistance and encouragement that had been instrumental in no small degree in achieving the end.

"In a letter I received from the inspector-general," said Col. Hodgins, "I was asked to convey to the warden and members of the county council, the thanks of the militia council for the grant made to the Twenty-sixth Regiment while in camp, and the hope that the example of the council will be followed by others throughout the country."

"I wish also to express to you my personal thanks for the assistance you have given. Unfortunately the pay of the men in the ranks is not as large as we would like it to be, or as large as we hope it will be soon. It gets into the ranks the best type of clean-living young men."

"My business is to make the regiments in No. 1 the best in the Dominion of Canada, and I mean to do it. I thought that I had a hard task before me, but I was greatly pleased to learn that the members of the county council will not only visit the Twenty-sixth Regiment, but will come to visit me."

"I hope that when the camp is held that the members of the county council will not only visit the Twenty-sixth Regiment, but will come to visit me. I hope that the showing that will encourage you to continue your grant."

Treasurer's Statement.
The treasurer's statement from Jan. 1, 1909, to Dec. 6, 1909, showed receipts amounting to \$228,700.47, and expenditures \$200,256.59; deposit on the sinking fund of \$24,171.06, leaving a balance on hand of \$2,002.82.

The communication from W. D. Moss, regarding the expenses amounting to \$19.80, in connection with the examination of the road to the asylum for the insane, was referred to the finance committee.

A Bridge Report.
The report of the special committee on the Shannon Swamp bridge, was referred to the board of road directors. It stated that the proceedings before Judge Macbeth had been adjourned till Dec. 24, to permit of a proposition of settlement being presented to each of the councils interested. The proposition is as follows:

"That the road be diverted and the necessary land for that purpose acquired, and when acquired the road to be fenced, graded, drained and gravelled with not less than half a cord of good gravel to the rod, and the cost of acquiring the land and the cost of incidental thereto, and of fencing, grading, draining and graveling, and superintendence of Mr. Ure, shall be borne by the parties abovementioned."

One-sixth by the township of Dereham, one-sixth by the township of North Dorchester, one-third by the county of Oxford and one-third by the county of Middlesex. That Mr. F. J. Ure, O. L.S., will have charge of the work, and let the contracts, and that he will confer with the engineer of the county of Middlesex; Mr. Davis, the engineer acting for the county of Oxford, and Mr. Farncombe, the engineer of North Dorchester, or any of them, in the event of any difference as to the location of this road, a majority of the engineers named to decide, and if they fail to agree, then Judge Macbeth to decide.

Hospital Trustees Named.
It was moved by D. S. Campbell, and seconded by W. D. Moss, that T. G. Turnbull be appointed county trustee for Victoria Hospital for the year 1910, and that a by-law be prepared confirming the same. Carried.

A request for a grant of \$10 to be made to the North Middlesex Woman's Institute was presented by J. C. Knapp.

"Money's scarce in North Middlesex now," I suppose," remarked one of the councillors.

The matter was referred to the finance committee.

New Bridge Proposed.
There was some discussion regarding the erection of a bridge over McDonald's Creek, between the townships of Moss and Euphemia. The county engineer gave it as his opinion that the young men and women found in the place were boarders, but they did not bear out his statement. An odd incident was related by the constable who helped to make the arrests. Ruby Loban, one of the prisoners, gave the

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Ladies' Diamond Ring (single), \$8.50, sale price \$6.40
Ladies' Diamond Rings (3-stone), \$36.00, sale price \$27.00
Ladies' Diamond Rings (5-stone), \$48.00, sale price \$36.00
Ladies' Diamond and Opal Cluster Rings, \$28.00, for \$21.00
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Arrive from the east—12:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m., 8:00 p.m., 10:10 p.m.
Arrive from the west—12:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:30 p.m.

Depart for the east—12:14 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 9:50 a.m., 11:40 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 4:50 p.m., 6:53 p.m.
Depart for the west—7:35 a.m., 7:40 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 1:40 p.m., 4:15 p.m.

LONDON AND WINDSOR.

Arrive—10:25 a.m., 4:00 p.m., 6:50 p.m., 11:35 p.m.

Depart—6:35 a.m., 11:35 a.m., 2:05 p.m., 8:10 p.m.

STRATFORD BRANCH.

Arrive—5:25 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:33 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 11:55 p.m.

Depart—6:00 a.m., 10:25 a.m., 2:45 p.m., 4:55 p.m.

LONDON, HURON AND BRUCE.

Arrive—10:00 a.m., 6:10 p.m.

Depart—8:30 a.m., 4:50 p.m.

Trains marked * run daily. Those not marked, daily, except Sunday.

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Arrive from the west—11:45 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 11:45 p.m., 11:30 p.m.

Depart for the east—4:55 a.m., 17:45 a.m., 11:45 p.m., 5:42 p.m.

Depart for the west—11:33 a.m., 17:10 p.m., 11:00 p.m.

Daily. *Daily, except Sunday.

PERE MARQUETTE RAILWAY.

Depart—5:55 a.m., 12:10 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 13:40 p.m., 7:15 p.m.

Arrive—8:45 a.m., 11:20 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 12:20 p.m.

*To St. Thomas only. *To Walkerville. Trains not started to and from Port Stanley from Walkerville.

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Arrive—6:55 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 6:10 p.m., 8:35 p.m.

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