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EX-PRESIDENT CASTRO A MODERN WANDERING JEW

No Port in West Indies Hankers to Number the "Black Man of Caracas" Among its Citizens—Expelled Now From Fort de France, Martinique

Paris, April 8—The French government decided today to expel Cipriano Castro, the former president of Venezuela from the French island of Martinique in the West Indies on the ground that his presence there is likely to foment a revolution in Venezuela.

This decision followed consideration of the cablegram from M. Jusserand, the French ambassador at Washington giving an account of his conference with Secretary of State Knox yesterday.

The decree of expulsion will be communicated to Castro immediately through the prefect of Fort de France, where Castro now is.

The French line steamer Versailles touches at Fort de France April 10 on her way back to Europe.

Cipriano Castro drove through Fort de France this morning to see the town. The attitude of the people toward him is one of sympathy. Yesterday the ex-president showed signs of fatigue but today he was in better spirits and seemed to be stronger. Castro maintains silence with regard to his intentions. He is awaiting with impatience the arrival of the mail steamer from Venezuela and Port of Spain.

He is still indignant at the course of the powers in forcing him to land here and preventing him from going to Trinidad and he characterizes this step as a violation of the personal liberty.

The position of Cipriano Castro is further complicated by the French direction to expel him from Martinique. He landed at Fort de France yesterday presumably in the belief that he could stay there. Now he is deprived of this asylum and with the hand of many of the governments represented in the West Indies against him he will have to move on. Castro could reach any of the Central American republics from Fort de France, and he could make his way also to Hayti or San Domingo. There has been no intimation that the governments of these states are acting in concert to circumscribe his supposed trouble-making proclivities. Castro's wife has gone on to Caracas, and while the nearest ports to the Venezuelan ports are today closed to him he will be allowed to keep in touch with developments in Venezuela.

HON. DR. PUGSLEY IS IN FREDERICTON

He will be Interviewed by a Civic Delegation This Afternoon and Come to St. John Tonight

Fredericton, N. B., April 8—(Special)—Hon. Wm. Pugsley, minister of public works, arrived from Ottawa by the noon train and is receiving a hearty welcome from his many old friends. This afternoon he will be interviewed by Mayor Chestnut and members of the city council in regard to river dredging and wharf improvement. The minister will leave for St. John this evening.

Friends in this city heard with regret of the death at Halifax, on Tuesday, of the widow of Rev. Dr. Lathern, a former pastor of Fredericton Methodist church. She was a daughter of the late John Simpson, Fredericton's first mayor, and at one time Queen's printer.

Owing to the illness of R. W. McLellan, counsel for the defence, the Crocket-Hanson assault case, which is to come before the police court this afternoon for argument, will be postponed until some time next week.

Fred P. Hatt and bride, nee Miss Ethel McLatchey of Hillsboro, arrived home last evening and received a hearty welcome.

WILL OF LATE W. H. NASE IN THE PROBATE COURT

Estate of William H. Nase, merchant. Last Will proved, whereby deceased gives all his estate to his executors and trustees, Walter M. Fleming, manufacturer, and William A. Ewing, Barrister, in trust to realize and invest and pay the income to his wife, Mary M. Nase, for the support of herself and children until the youngest comes of age, then to pay one-third to his wife, and the remainder equally among his children, three in number, all sons, under the age of twenty-one. Probate is granted, and the two executors sworn in. No real estate. Personal estate, $11,000. Messrs. Barnhill, Ewing & Sanford, proctors.

Estate of Sarah A. Reid, formerly of the Parish of Upham, Kings county, latterly of St. John, spinster. Last Will proved, whereby the deceased appoints her nephew, Alexander Reid, of the Parish of Upham, executor, and gives to her brother, Alexander Reid, and her sister, Louisa C. Campbell, her house, leasehold, on St. George street, West Side. Probate granted. No real estate. Personalty consisting of leasehold, $700. Mr. J. B. M. Baxter, K.C., proctor.

There will be a hare and hound chase tomorrow morning from the Y. M. C. A. starting at 9 o'clock. The hares will be Robert Melrose and William King and the run will be cross country.

INGENIOUS BARBER A PORTABLE SALOON

Bottles Suspended in Trousers Legs and Shaving Mug Make the Combination

Worcester, Mass., April 8—Worcester's liquor squad is finding whiskey in the most unexpected places. After several weeks of watching Policeman Good and Policeman Hardy, according to their story, caught Carl De Lute, aged sevety-three, a barber, in the act of selling liquor and arrested him.

His way of dealing out the stuff was to hang bottles of whiskey in legs of his roomy peg-top trousers by means of strings fastened to the inside of the suspenders, where they are not noticeable.

The strings were long enough to allow the bottles to rest against the calves of his legs, and when a customer wanted a drink DeLute went into the rear room of the barber shop and poured a drink into a shaving mug.

When arrested DeLute had a pint bottle of whiskey in each trouser leg.

"BAD" SALOON-KEEPER TO GO

Brewers and Reformers in Cincinnati will Oppose Him

Cincinnati, O., April 8—This city is to witness the unusual coalition of brewers, the Anti-Saloon League and the Municipal Reform League in an effort to put the "bad" saloon-keeper out of business.

Through the efforts of the Ohio Brewers' Association the legislature passed the Dean "Character" law, under which the saloon-keeper must say under oath whether he has violated the Sunday closing law, or allowed minors to enter his saloon, and so on.

The Dean law also says that American citizens only may conduct a saloon. A large number of foreigners have saloons in this city, but the federal court will not hear naturalization cases until September while the Dean law has been in effect since April 1. The point as to when the law will be applied to these foreigners has not been settled.

Brewers declare they will aid the reformers in an effort to put the bad saloon-keeper out of business. A brewing company at Hamilton announces that it will not sell beer to a saloon-keeper who keeps his saloon open on Sunday.

Agents of the Municiapl Reform League have begun to collect information and the proof of infractions of the law will be filed before June 1, when the next Aiken saloon tax payment is due.

E. A. Goodwin went east on the Atlantic express at noon.

DISASTROUS GALES AND HEAVY STORMS CENTERED OVER NEW ENGLAND TODAY

Massachusetts Has the Worst Gale in Twenty Years—Wind Fans Village Fire Into Serious Conflagration—Many Vessels in Danger—A Tale of Rack and Ruin From Ontario Cities

Boston, April 8—The hurricane over the St. Lawrence River dragged in an air movement across New England today, of velocities ranging from 50 to 92 miles an hour. Such a gale has not been experienced in this vicinity for many years. The storm came unheralded, for no caution signals were hoisted by the weather bureau, and a number of vessels were caught off the coast. Three barges were reported to be in distress off the southern Rhode Island shore at 8 a. m. today. A little sloop was driven on the end of Cape Cod, and many vessels lost sails and other gear by the fury of the blast.

The highest wind velocity that has been reported in New England for sixteen years was reported from Blue Hill Observatory at 8.30 a. m. today, when the flying whirling anemometer cups registered 92 miles an hour. Such velocity has only been seen once in the 25 years history of the observatory, when 100 miles an houp was registered in 1894. The wind blew 50 miles an hour off Cape Cod and 45 miles an hour in this city.

Remembering a similar gale of almost a year ago, many citizens of Chelsea today became almost panic stricken when another fire broke out in the stricken city, and for a few minutes threatened to repeat the work of destruction of that of April 12, 1908.

Village Fire Fanned Into a Serious Blaze

Saugus, Mass., April 8—A northwest gale fanned a fire in a livery stable in the village of Cliftondale at 9 a. m. today with such vigor that it spread to adjoining property, and half an hour later three houses had been destroyed and four others were on fire. Help was summoned from the nearby cities of Lynn, Malden, and Malrose.

Despite the efforts of the firemen, the fire continued to spread and at 10 a. m. ten houses had been destroyed or were in flames.

The village of Cliftondale is situated on the southwest corner of the town, on the Saugus branch of the Boston and Maine R. R., within a short distance of Malden and Melrose, and consists of a number of stores and small residences. Nearly all the buildings are of wood and occupied by persons who have business in Boston.

The fire was brought under control about 10.30 a. m. The livery stable, which was owned by Joseph H. Libbey, and six houses were destroyed and a number of others considerably damaged. The total damage is estimated at about $30,000.

Harwich, Mass. April 8—The fire fighting forces of four towns were called to East Harwich today to save the little village from being destroyed by a forest fire two miles wide. At noon the fire had burned 4 houses and a high wind was driving it steadily towards a cluster of small houses just outside the village.

Life Savers Rescued Men of Sinking Barges

New London, Conn. April 8—While coming up Long Island Sound last night the tug LeMartin, with five barges from Perth Amboy for Newport, broke away from its tow, and, owing to the terrific gale, only two of the barges were picked up, although the crew of a third was rescued. The hawser parted a mile south of Race Slip, and as a search this morning failed to locate the missing barges, it is believed they have been lost. The barge from which the crew was rescued is the Breeze the other two barges being the Brunswick and the Acre.

Charlestown, R. I., April 8—Three barges, flying signals of distress, were the objects of attention on the part of the life saving crews of the Quonchontaug station. Two of the barges were together and about six miles offshore, while the third barge was some two miles beyond the other two.

The wind was blowing a 50 mile an hour gale from the west southwest when the Quonchontaug life savers launched their lifeboat and started to pull out to the assistance of the distressed craft.

One of the barges nearest shore was gradually settling in the water and at 10.30 a. m. only the top of her deck could be seen above the water. The identity of the two tugs and the three barges could not be made out from the shore.

The second tug reached the two barges, which were tied together, about 11.30 o'clock, made a line fast to them and started up the coast toward Newport, with both barges in tow. The three barges which the tug had been towing down the coast put back under their own sails in the wake of the tug.

It is supposed that the three barges in trouble are the Breeze, Brunswick and Beacon, which broke away in Long Island Sound last night from the tug R. M. Waterman, which arrived at New London today.

Teacher's Wit Averted a Serious Panic in School

Chatham, Ont., April 8—(Special)—Upwards of thirty pupils at Charteris school, Chatham township, narrowly escaped being crushed beneath a brick wall and ceiling, which gave way before the furious gale yesterday. The pupils were studying when one, cried out that the wall was going to fall down. The teacher, Miss Mattie McCaughrain instantly saw the danger, but to prevent a panic, she laughingly said she would let the children out for five minutes to recover from their scare. The children were barely outside when the wall and ceiling collapsed.

Toronto Hears of Much Damage Done

Toronto, April 8th—(Special)—Reports of damage from the storms are coming from all parts of western Ontario. In this city, telephone poles and uprooted trees block several streets. The roof was blown off the grand stand at the Island Baseball Park. The street car service was tied up. Several business houses were unroofed. The tower of the Central Fire Hall was blown down, wrecking a machine shop next door.

At Port Dalhousie part of the roof was blown off the Maple Leaf Rubber factory. Ridley College gymnasium was also unroofed.

Hamilton Battles With All-day Storm

Hamilton, Ont., April 8—(Special)—Considerable damage was done and several persons were injured here by the severe wind storm which set in early yesterday morning and raged all day. The wind blew with terrific force, breaking windows in numbers of stores, carrying away overhanging signs, and signs on the roofs of buildings, and blowing down telephone, telegraph and electric light wires. A brick house being built by Alfred Young on Trolley street was blown down last night and a portion of the roof of the steel plant was carried away.

Wall of a Guelph School Blown Down

Quelph, Ont, April 8—(Special)—The high wind which swept over the city yesterday was responsible for rather serious damage to the new St. Patrick's ward school, a section of the double brick wall about eighteen feet by fifteen and forming part of a big gabel on top of the building being torn out and hurled to the sidewalk below just at the entrance to the school. The falling wall caused a mild panic in the school but no one was hurt.

Montreal Had a Big Wind Storm

Montreal, April 8—(Special)—Following a heavy downpour of rain yesterday afternoon, a furious windstorm set in here and raged all night. Although considerable damage was done to windowglass, there were no serious results otherwise.

St. John Not Likely In Track of Storm

A gale set in this morning from the southwest, west and sometimes the northwest. Since 10 o'clock the wind has averaged about 40 miles an hour, with occasionel periods of about 15 minutes, when it was as great as 44 miles. It has been camparatively clear, and there is nothing to indicate that tomorrow will not be fine, though possobly there might be some slight snow flurries.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Miss Lena Grey Gallop was held from her late home, 135 Victoria street, this afternoon at 2.30. Service was conducted by Rev. D. Hutchinson and interment was in Cedar Hill.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary A. Rogers was held from the home of her brother, Richard Miles, 98 Winter street, this afternoon at 2.30 to Holy Trinity Church, where the burial service was read by Rev. J. J. Walsh. Interment was in the old Catholic Cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Vida J. Flewelling was held from her late home, Manawagonish Road this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Services were conducted by Revs. F. E. Bishop and LeBaron McKiel, and interment was in the Church of England Burying ground, Manawagonish Road.

The funeral of Patrick J. Pierce will be held tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at 3.30, not Saturday, as announced in a morning paper.

H. O. McInerney went east on the noon train.

MONCTON REFUGE FOR BLACK HAND FUGITIVES

Two Men in the Railway Town who Claim that Grim Assassins are Searching for Their Scalps

Moncton, N. B., April 8—(Special)—John McDonald, the black hand fugitive, is in Moncton and as has been his custom wherever he goes, he sought the police headquarters for protection. He arrived from St. John last night, after spending a month there. He still holds the belief that the black hand society is after him, although he admits it is not quite so bad as when he visited Moncton before. He also appears to have prospered somewhat since his departure from here, as he appears to be well supplied with clothes, while on the last visit he was almost naked.

Thomas Venditti, an Italian, who was yesterday fined fifty dollars for selling liquor on the G. T. P., was this morning brought before the local court on a charge of carrying a loaded revolver, and on pleading not guilty to the charge, was remanded until two o'clock this afternoon. Venditti claimed he had the privilege of the Montreal police for carrying a revolver, as when he was in that city he was sought after by some secret society, whom he said were eager to have him killed. Some scars on his face were shown to be the result of attempts on his life.

Eight thousand tons of coal, lying in the west end of the I. C. R. yard here, is now being loaded into cars to be used along the line. The greater part will be used in Moncton. Although this coal has been lying in big pile for some months, the fuel is apparently as good as ever.

ARE G. T. P. MEN MAKING SURVEY ON MARSH CREEK

Report That Party of G. T. P. Surveyors are Making Surveys For an Approach to Proposed Courtenay Bay Terminals

Are the G. T. P. causing a survey to be made for an approach to the proposed terminal at Courtenay Bay? That there is a survey being made in the vicinity of Courtenay Bay is a fact. During the past few days a surveying party has been indicating a line which has been marked out by red and white flags. The direction is across the Marsh creek and crossing the Marsh road half way between the One Mile House and the Marsh bridge; thence across Gilbert's field and across the Westmorland Road half way between Kane's Corner and the Marsh bridge, and on towards Courtenay Bay.

The I. C. R. authorities deny any knowledge of a survey or that they are in any way concerned.

C. O. Foss, chief engineer of the Transcontinental was emphatic in stating that the Transcontinental has nothing whatever to do with the survey; and Guy C. Dunn, district engineer of the G. T. P. company was equally emphatic in denying any connection his company had with the survey.

Those at work, however, are reported to have stated that the survey was for the G. T. P. The party are said to have been on the Courtenay Bay flats this morning.

DELOREY'S AUNT HYPNOTIZIED HIM IS LATEST YARN

Boston Reporters are Working Overtime to Make a First-Class Sensation Out of the Mullins' Case

Boston, April 8—(Special)—Today's sensation in the Mullins murder case is the report that Mrs. Elizabeth K. Delorey, aunt of the Nova Scotia boy, hypnotized him into making a confession.

Reporters have confronted her with such an accusation and she said:: "It is cruel and wicked to say that all I am after is the reward and to intimate that I used hypnotism on Peter. Does Peter's family think I would sacrifice my husband's own flesh and blood and disgrace the name my children bear, like a Judas for a few pieces of silver. Do my eyes look like a hypnotist's. I am blind in one of them. If Peter and his mother say I did any such thing it is a wicked lie."

Senator Domville came in from Ottawa at noon.

MR. ROOSEVELT MAY RUN INTO SOME REAL TROUBLE

Natives in Somaliland Where He Plans to Hunt are Reported About to go on the War Path—Governor of British Somaliland Has Orders to Protect Ex-President

Mombasa, British East Africa, April 8—According to native reports received here the Mullahs of the Somalis inhabiting the desert country north of the Protectorate are showing further signs of unrest and are massing on the northern boundary of Kenya province. This restlessness became evident some six months ago and there has been apprehension of trouble in the dry season when travel over the trails is easier. This northern district always has been a territory to watch closely. When the natives do go out for trouble they generally bear to the westward in the direction of settled districts and the good hunting grounds. There is today some local anxiety, particularly as a majority of the protectorate groups are at Kerbera, in British Somaliland. It is said here that the colonial office in London has issued instructions to the governor of the protectorate to surround Mr. Roosevelt on his trip with the utmost precaution for his safety.

The plans for the hunting trips of the Roosevelt party are reaching completion. It has been decided that Kermit Roosevelt is to make a number of short trips with an Indian guide named Silvia, who is famous as an elephant hunter. For the first fortnight of their stay the party will be the guests of Sir Alfred Chase, a well known hunter who has a large establishment at Kilna. The second fortnight they will be guests of George McMillan at his ranch.

Y. M. C. A. BOYS IN A SUIT FOR DAMAGES

Cambridge, Mass, April 8—The Melrose Young Men's Christian Association is made defendant in a suit for damages on account of alleged ill-treatment of two boys by the secretary and the janitor of the association which was filed with the clerk of courts at East Cambridge today. The boys, Edward Crowley and John Vanagah, both of Cambridge, are suing for $10,000. They were imprisoned in an air pipe vault in the cellar of the building for a long time. After this the boys allege that they were at length released and forcibly ejected from the building. The suit is based on the allegation that as a result of this treatment the boys were injured about the head and neck, sustained a nervous shock and were made ill, and had their clothes badly soiled.

ST. JOHN LOG DRIVING COMPANY BILL PASSED

Fredericton, April 8—(Special)—The St. John Log Driving Company's bill passed through the corporations committee this morning. This is the only business.

THE CHAMPLAIN MONUMENT

A meeting of the Champlain monument committee was held in the mayor's office this morning. Yesterday the secretary, D. R. Jack, received a cheque from the government for $3,500, being a part of the grant voted by parliament. The advance was made at the request of the committee as the sculptor was damanding further payments on account.

The meeting this morning decided to place the money in the bank, and send a communication to Mr. McCarthy, at Ottawa, to the effect that they would make a payment of $1,500 to him as soon as they receive satisfactory evidence that the model now on exhibition has been shipped to the foundry in New York, to be cast in bronze. This was in accordance with the arrangement made recently with the sculptor by the mayor and Senator Ellis.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, April 8—(Special)—Stocks were strong, but quiet. Advances took place in Mackay to 76 3-8, and Asbestos to 92. Other features were Pacific 176 1-2, Mackay preferred 72 1-4, Penmans 49 3-4, Dominion Steel 33 3-8, Dominion Coal 66.

ARRESTED FOR THEFT

Fredericton, N. B. April 8—(Special)—A young man named Collin Blair of Amherst, was arrested by Chief Winter this afternoon on the arrival of the I. C. R. train on a charge of stealing $25 from his brother, in Amherst. The arrest was made on the strength of a telegram received today from Amherst.

ROAD RACE TOMORROW

Considerable interest is manifested in the west end over the road race tomorrow afternoon which starts at Barnhill's Corner to Spruce Lake and back, finishing at Parson's Corner, King street, Carleton. The contestants are Stanley Humphrey and Joseph Read. The starting hour is 3.15. As both men are in the pink of condition the contest is expected to be a good one.

THE LATE DR. BENSON

Chatham, N. B. April 8—(Special)—Flags are being displayed today at half mast in token of respect for the late Dr. Benson the town's first mayor. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon.

George H. Sharp

The death occurred at 108 Hazen street this morning of George H. Sharpe, aged 59 years. He was a son of Robert Sharp of Millstream, Kings county, and had lived in St. John for about a year and a half. His wife was a daughter of the late Joel Fenwick of Millstream. They have no children. Many friends in Kings county as well as St. John will learn with regret of Mr. Sharpe's death.

A funeral service will be held at his late home, on Saturday morning, at 11 o'clock, and the body will be taken to Apohaqui on the 12.40 train for burial.

Hon. William Pugsley, minister of public works, was a passenger on the Montreal train today as far as Fredericton. The minister went to the capital, and will come to St. John this evening. Mrs. Pugsley, William G. Pugsley and J. A. Pugsley came in at noon. They will spend the Easter holidays here.

Charles T. Nevins, of the Canadian Drug Company, received this morning a cable from William Nevins, of Liverpool, Eng., containing news of the death today of the latter's mother. Mrs. Nevins was the widow of the late James Nevins, formerly a prominent ship builder of this city.

Thorne Lodge, No. 259, I. O. G. T., meets this evening in the Haymarket Square Hall, at 8 o'clock sharp. All members are asked to be present.

WHO WILL PAY FOR BRENNAN'S PAPER

James Brennan and Hopkins Bros. the Principals in Amusing City Court Case

An amusing case was heard in the city court this morning in which James Brennan, a boarding house proprietor, sued Hopkins Bros., meat dealers, for $68.78, alleged to be due for furnishing and hanging wall-paper, painting and white-washing premises on Union street over Hopkins' store, which he formerly occupied. A set-off of $26.92 was filed by the defendants, who were represented by L. A. Currey and E. T. C. Knowles. Brennan in his testimony was unable to adduce tangible evidence but said 20 roms and two halls were papered and whitewashed, and 22 rolls of paper was used. He said he presented Stanley Hopkins with a bill for the amount in the store, which Hopkins threw after him as he reached the street. Mr. Currey exhibited a lease which Brennan admitted he signed and by the terms of which Brennan was to be responsible for all renovations in the building without compensation. Brennan contended that the lease was not in effect at the time in question, but it was dated February 28, 1907, and he was sung for work on the interior in April, which continued until July. All that was relevant to the dispute was a receipted bill for $12.74 for paper from Watson & Co. to Brennan. His version of the disagreement was to the effect that Hopkins increased the rent last spring from $360 to $600 per year, and agreed to renovate the apartments. He attached his signature to the lease, which Stanley Hopkins did not read to him or he did not peruse it himself. When he consulted with Hopkins first concerning the work he was informed to "wait a while," and next it was "bye and bye." Mrs. Brennan jumped into the breach and Hopkins insulted her, and later he said, "go away, woman." Brennan said he retained $25, the last month's rent (April) because Hopkins seized his goods and he was compelled to remove to other quarters on a rainy day.

Mrs. Margaert Brennan, his wife, testified that she told one of the brothers that she was weary of digging in dirt and Yankee settlers, and he replied, "Well, by the look of you, that's all you're fit for, so go back and keep on digging."

Stanley Hopkins gave evidence on his own behalf and in cross-examining him, Brennan's portly form obscured the witness from Mr. Currey's sight and he suggested that Brennan stand slightly aside. The plaintiff bellowed his defiance and refused to budge. Brennan said he had no data of the transaction, but said his "noddle" contained it all. A verdict was rendered for the defendants, whereupon Brennan gave the clerk a dollar and announcing that he would appeal, asked for a copy of the proceedings. Amid threats of retaliation and defying anybody to throw him down he left court with his wife.

COMMERCIAL

Bank of England Rate—New York Stocks — New York Cotton

London, April 8—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged today at 2 1-2 per cent.

New York, April 8—Cotton futures opened steady. May 9.80; July 9.74; Oct. 9.60; Nov. 9.56-57; Dec. 9.56-57; Jan. 9.53; March 9.51-52.

New York, April 8—Opening dealings in stocks were active and the changes were mixed and generally narrow but the gains outnumbered the declines. Chesapeake and Ohio opened at an extreme advance of a point on running sales of 4,000 shares. Amn. cotton rose 1 and Union Pacific, Northern Pacific, Wisconsin Central, and Virginia Carolna Chemical, large fractions. Atchison and Amn. Locomotive declined 5-8.

Speculation ran along about the same channel as yesterday, the chief demand being for the special stocks. Some of the Standard stocks showed marked strength but there was not as a rule much inquiry for the rest, outside of United pfd and Reading. MacKay Companys advanced 2 points, Central Railroad of New Jersey, Western Union and Virginia-Carolina Chemical pfd, Union and various other stocks a fraction more.

The day was one of specialties. One stock after another brought forward from some obscurity for active advances. Of the usually prominent stocks, Atchison, St. Paul, Canadian Pacific, Atlantic Coast Line, Colorado and Southern, National Lead, Consolidated Gas, Central Leather and Pressed Steel gained 1 1-2. In other classes Hocking Coal rose 3 3-8, Wisconsin Central 6, Colo 2 3-4, American Ice 2, Federal Mining sold at a decline of 4 Bonds were firm.

Dr. J. W. Daniel, M.P., returned from Ottawa today.

F. B. Bennell was a passenger on the 12.40 train going east today.

DISASTROUS FIRE RAGING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE CITY

Whole Tenement House District of Manchester, New Hampshire in the Grip of the Fire Fiend This Afternoon, Three Blocks Burned Already—Firemen Powerless in Face of Mile a Minute Gale

Manchester, N. H., April 8—The tenement house district in the south section of the city, covering an area of nearly a square mile, and occupied by the cotton mill and shoe shop employes, many of them French-Canadians, was in the grasp at noon today of one of the most destructive fires that ever threatened the city. Up to that time three blocks of thirty wooden tenements had been wiped out, great burning brands were being hurled eastward in countless numbers, smaller fires were springing up among the other tenements in that direction, men and women were rushing from their work to save their property, and the entire city was in confusion.

The local department fought the flames for nearly an hour, but a mile a minute gale proved too great a handicap, and help was summoned from Nashua and Concord, and later from Rochester, Dover, Lowell and Portsmouth.

The fire closely resembled that at Chelsea, Mass, a year ago. With a fierce westerly gale, behind it, it drove with increasing front steadily to the eastward, the flames licking up house after house, and block after block. It started on the corner of Elm and Auburn streets, in a small two-tenement block, but before the first engine arrived on the scene, it had swept through the square bounded by Elm street on the west, Cedar on the nort, Auburn on the south, and Union on the east.

The fire continued to spread east and at 12.30 p. m. had spread from Union to Beach street. Assistance reached here from Concord and Nashua and help was summoned from Dover, Rochester, Portsmouth and Lowell. Although the burning embers started fresh fires to the eastward the situation before 1 p. m. was considered to be more favorable and with assistance there was hope of stopping the flames of Beach street.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

JAMESEY A ROYAL COMMISSION.

Mr. Jamesey Jones has definitely decided not to become an alderman. He made this announcement to the Times new reporter this morning, and though it will grieve his many friends, he is very firm in his decision. The fact is that Jamesey has been engaged to prepare an impartial report on the work done by the street department in the past ten years. He is eminently qualified for the task.

"I believe," said Jamesey, "that everybody connected with the street department is a robebr. There's isn't an honest man within ten miles of the job. They are all thieves. Every one of them will steal. They have got rich by plundering the city. They are no good. They want graft and nothing else. They would steal the city hall, and sell it if they could. All they care about is getting another grab. I'd hang everyone of them. They are not fit to live. If I had my way they would every one be strung up, and shot full of holes. I'm a fair man. I have no prejudice. I always believe in giving people fair play. That's why I have been appointed a commission to prepare a report. But if I had my way, I'd hang them first."

Jamesey's fair-minded and impartial report will be awaited with great interest He will be well paid for the job. He will be a Royal Commission.

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Another man was caught trying to clean a street crossing yesterday. They thrust him down the nearest sewer. An example must be made of such rascals.

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E-President Castro informed an interviewer yesterday that Providence alone could extricate Venezuela from her difficulties, but intimated that he would be willing to help. Mr. Peter Binks says that Mr. Castro should organize a people's mission.