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29TH YEAR

HUGE PROFITS AT EXPENSE OF LABOR

Express-Messengers Entrusted With Delivery of Money and Property Draw Meagre Salaries of \$30 to \$55 a Month.

Is the Canadian Express Co. able to make such enormous profits (100 per cent. per annum) by reason of the meagre salaries paid to its employees? If the facts are as stated by some of the employees, it is surely a case for investigation by the board of railway commissioners.

Take, for instance, the train running between Toronto and North Bay, a distance of 227 miles. The express messengers cover this every day on the day runs and every night on the night runs and handle on an average every day about \$50,000. This money is entrusted to their care, as well as a whole cartful of freight, which must be all checked and handled carefully, and should any parcel be broken or damaged the messengers or porters are held responsible and made to pay for them. The company never pays any loss. It always comes out of the employees. On this particular run the Express Company pays \$55 per month to its messengers.

On the run to Stratford the company pays \$50 for doubling the road every day, and on the return trip handling two carloads of mail.

Work For \$30 a Month.

On the run from Hamilton to Meaford on the Northern Division, the company pays its messengers \$30 a month, and on this run there is as much express handled as there is on the main line from Toronto to Montreal, and enormous sums of money. These messengers cover 228 miles every day, and yet they get but a paltry sum.

On lines such as from Lindsay to Hamilton, and many other branches of about forty miles in length, the messengers double the road twice a day, that is, make four trips, and get \$25 and \$40 a month, and their hours are from 5 and 6 in the morning till 9 and 10 o'clock at night.

These few instances of the way messengers are paid are the same from Toronto to Montreal and to Detroit, in fact, where the Canadian Express Co. operates.

Pay of Mail Clerks.

Compare the way the Express Company pays its messengers and the way the mail clerks are paid. The mail clerk who has been on the road for about 20 years draws a salary of about \$100 per month and is only on the road every other day. The express employes do all the running and work and gets half as much pay. The express employes are held responsible for every breakage and damage caused by looking after the mail, and has to pay every claim or resign. More than that, every messenger is compelled to have bonds and is held responsible for the company's loss if he does not.

Surely this is a degrading state of affairs for such a prosperous company making such a number of messengers work asking for increases, and were informed by Mr. Bryce, general manager, that the company would not increase their salaries as the business was not making enough profits to warrant it.

The World was informed that a movement was under way for the formation of a union to force living wages from the express companies.

The Best Proof

Human nature is much the same the world over. There are some always taking the lead and others always following.

This is the case with the big contest which The World is now conducting. This paper was the originator a couple of years ago of the popular contest for a trip to Europe. The undertaking had not advanced very far when Montreal, Hamilton, London and other wide-awake newspapers through Canada followed The World's lead and put on similar contests.

The idea of the present contest which this paper is carrying on has already appeared so strongly to people in various parts of the Dominion that other papers are beginning to put on the same contest. A winner's daily is starting one and other papers are likely to do likewise.

This fact establishes one thing clearly and that is that The World takes the lead in progressive movements and in enterprises to benefit the public. This is the reason that it has offered \$15,000 in prizes to successful contestants in an opportunity that seldom comes in a lifetime to thousands of men, women and children.

Count the number of contestants, and then you will understand why other newspapers find it good business to follow the lead of The World, not only with respect to the contest, but in many other things affecting the welfare of citizens at large.

OTTAWA "SUFFS" GROW MOUNTANT

Open Air Meeting To Be Held, Following Sympathetic Messages From Prominent Women.

OTTAWA, June 4.—(Special.)—The women suffragists of Ottawa, perhaps owing to the presence of Miss Keegan, a handsome young English woman, who has spent a term in a London jail as the result of one of the famous anti-Aesquith demonstrations, are becoming somewhat more militant, and next week will collect their forces in their first open air venture.

Acting upon Miss Keegan's information that the English suffragists have found resolutions fruitless, they will begin to press their views home. Excited in an excellent mood, they will begin to press their views home. Excited in an excellent mood, they will begin to press their views home.

From Lady Laurier they secured a message of sympathy and Mrs. R. L. Borden sent the same. This they followed up by requesting Mrs. Borden to give them her mansion and grounds for their use for demonstration purposes. She was obliged to refuse politely.

This has only added fuel to the flames and at a meeting to-day a more warlike spirit was manifested, the result of which will be made known next week.

CAMP SURGEONS CUT OFF ONE FOR EACH BRIGADE

Toronto Regimental Officers Express Concern Over Recent Militia Order.

Considerable anxiety exists in the minds of militia officers throughout the province over the action of the militia department in striking off regimental surgeons from the Niagara camp establishment this year.

There has been a confusion of general orders. First regimental surgeons were not to accompany their battalions to camp, then they were, and a subsequent order changed the arrangement again, and only one surgeon will accompany each brigade, except No. 5, the smallest in the camp, which is composed of the 12th of Hamilton and the 36th Hamilton Rifles, in which Col. A. T. Thompson has taken care of his brother-in-law. Two surgeons will accompany the brigade.

It is claimed that one surgeon for each brigade cannot properly attend to the mass work and the health of the soldiers is likely to suffer.

Last year Major Dunn came from Ottawa and supervised the sanitary arrangements of the camp, and a salutary improvement in conditions was at once noticed.

In addition to sanitation and disposal of refuse, a brigade surgeon will be supposed to look after the fatigue party, stretcher corps, be on hand for emergency cases and a multitude of military men. How one individual can do this Sir Frederick Borden is asked to say, and the health of the camp establishment cannot.

Perhaps the minister of militia blew in too much at Quebec last summer, and is practicing economy in the health of the men," said a local regimental surgeon.

TWO EXPERT OFFICIALS

Government Selections For Entomologist and Botanist.

OTTAWA, June 4.—(Special.)—The position of entomologist and botanist of the Canadian Government, until recently filled by the late Dr. Fletcher, has been divided. Prof. Charles Gordon has been selected for the position of entomologist, where he was a lecturer in entomology, will be the entomologist. The position of botanist will probably be filled by Dr. H. G. Gussow, of Breslau, Germany, who has been offered the position, but no reply has been received yet. For six years past he has been employed in botanical work by the Royal Agricultural Society of England.

Professor Hewitt will arrive about September.

BURIED THE WRONG MAN

Instead of Drowning Himself He Hunted Up a Job.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., June 4.—On May 4 J. M. Keller disappeared from this city and later a note, in which he said he was about to kill himself, was found on a bridge over Black River, in this city. Ten days ago a body found in the water was recognized by Mrs. Keller as that of her missing husband and was buried by her.

To-day she discovered her husband working on a farm near Chaumont. He disclaimed any knowledge of the note and said he went away to look for work.

MRS. JULIA GORMAN DEAD

Proprietor of the Golden City Hotel Expires Suddenly.

The death took place last evening suddenly of Mrs. Julia Gorman, wife of John Gorman, at her home, the Golden City Hotel, Bay and Adelaide streets. Death was due to heart failure, and also she had been in ill-health, but she came quite unexpectedly after she had retired for the night.

Mrs. Gorman had been in the hotel business in Toronto for nearly forty years, and she was at the time in the present location. "The Golden City" was among the licenses cut off on May 1, but it is stated that Mrs. Gorman's health had not been affected by this misfortune. Her husband, three sons and two daughters survive.

NEW WRECK COMMISSIONER

Captain Demers Will Sign Articles For the Berth.

OTTAWA, June 4.—(Special.)—Capt. L. A. Demers, chief examiner of masters and mates in Canada, will be the new wreck commissioner, replacing Commander Spain. The office has been vacant since last fall.

It was generally thought that Admiral Kingsmill would take the post, but his other duties in connection with naval matters are so numerous that he was unable to attend to marine investigations all over Canada.

IDEAL WEATHER FOR CROPS.

The reports we have received from the Northwest as to crops are most encouraging," said C. A. Bogart, general manager of the Dominion Bank, in The World yesterday. "The weather has been ideal throughout the whole Northwest for the past week up for all they had lost. As you know, they have been somewhat behindhand as compared with other seasons, but I should think that they have fully caught up by this time."

SMALLPOX ON VIRGINIAN

Case Discovered in the Steerage—500 in That Section.

MONTREAL, June 4.—(Special.)—The ship Virgilian of Allan Line, Captain Vipond, with 800 passengers on board, from Liverpool to Montreal, was quarantined at Groesse Isle, Quebec to-night, on account of a case of smallpox on board.

The case developed in the steerage, and the 500 passengers in that department will be examined to-morrow morning. The Virgilian will be delayed at least 24 hours, although there will be no inconvenience other than delay caused to the first-class passengers.

This is the first smallpox case on the St. Lawrence for several years.

MONTREAL, June 4.—(Special.)—The Star has a special despatch on the Mexican Power dam accident, saying the damage totals one million dollars.

ALDERMAN SOLD CITY A HORSE

But of Course He Did It Thru Another Party.

MONTREAL, June 4.—(Special.)—Before the civic commission to-day it transpired that Ald. E. Guin had sold a horse to the city thru a third party. Mr. Richardson, who keeps a moving picture place, said he had contributed \$200 to Ald. Proulx's election, the picture show keeping open on Sunday. The object of the donation was to keep away the police.

HER AWFUL CRIME.

Because her little girl took a few poor peanuts from the stor of G. Dickler, 250 East Queen-street, and gave them to Mrs. Edith Cole, 244 East King-street, she was charged with a warrant charging her with receiving stolen property.

STRIKE SETTLED.

PHILADELPHIA, June 4.—The strike has been settled. The men will receive 22 cents an hour beginning to-morrow morning and ten hours will constitute a day's work.

NOT DROPPED

Kinrade Case Still Engaging Attention of Attorney-General.

Responding to many enquiries as to what was being done in connection with the Kinrade case, the attorney-general stated to The World yesterday that the department was still actively engaged on the matter.

He declined, however, to say just what was being done or give any opinion on the evidence collected, but was emphatic in saying that the matter had not been dropped and would not be so long as there was any hope of bringing those responsible for the tragedy to justice.

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FOREST FIRES IN WEST

Lives May Be Lost in Saskatchewan River District.

WINNIPEG, June 4.—Terrible timber fires are reported from several parts of Western Canada.

Along the Prince Albert branch of the Canadian Northern Railway, in the Saskatchewan River District, the fire extends 100 miles, and it is feared lives may be lost in the farming settlements.

A passenger train went thru a furnace of fire and the windows became so hot that they could not be touched. A twenty mile gale is fanning the flames.

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CADET CORPS FOR BERLIN

Committee is Appointed to Further the Movement.

BERLIN, June 4.—(Special.)—At a well attended public meeting called by Mayor Hahn it was decided to organize a cadet corps and a committee with Dr. Hett as chairman was appointed to further the movement and endeavor to interest the town council, board of trade and school board.

THE ALIEN INTERLOPER



ROCHESTER-JURY ALLEGE CONSPIRACY

and Claim Certain Insurance Policies Bred Incendiarism.

ROCHESTER, N.Y., June 4.—Six sealed indictments against fire insurance men, all local agents, were returned to the action of the state board of fire insurance underwriters in recently ruling rates in this city, by putting what is called "pink slip" notices on insurance policies. Due to the many incendiary fires in this city.

The jury scores the insurance companies in a long resolution. This says that many cases of incendiarism are due to property owners, under policies which are granted without any previous investigation of household or personal property of the person desiring the insurance. In fact, the policy of over insurance causes incendiary attempts, and the way the companies take fire risks breeds the fires. The companies themselves are to blame for "waves of incendiarism," the report adds.

Those indicted are James Johnston, former candidate for mayor of the city; Alderman Robert S. Pavior, Henry M. Webb, James P. Clements, Gilbert T. Amnden and Martin E. Wolff, manager of the Locomotive Co. All are representatives of leading fire insurance companies. The indictment alleges conspiracy.

CITIES AND LOCAL OPTION

Rev. Dr. Chown's Anticipation Expressed at Conference.

BELLEVILLE, June 4.—(Special.)—The feature of to-day's sessions of Bay of Quinte Conference was an address by Rev. Dr. Chown on the work for temperance and moral reform through Canada. He hoped to see Brantford and Peterboro carry local option laws next year.

Dr. Chown also delivered a rap at race track gambling. He did not believe in the "scum of American Black-balls" coming to Canada and raising the hard-working class of all their money at every race meet. In a couple of years he expected to secure strict legislation against race track gambling.

He referred to social conditions of "the ward" in Toronto and suggested securing an expert sociologist to study conditions.

The simplification of the catechism and a restating of the doctrine in it was the recommendation made by the Sunday school and extension committee, also a suggestion that no Sunday schools be closed during the summer months. These will be sent to general conference for consideration. To show loyal support to the Lord's Day Alliance, the Sabbath observance committee suggested that every pastor severely criticize pleasure indulged in on Sundays by motoring, boating, bicycling and fishing.

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TRUCKERS' EXPENSES HEAVY

Some Criticism at the Montreal Conference—Indian for the Ministry.

PEMBROKE, June 4.—(Special.)—A deficit in connection with The Christian Guardian, the official publication connected with the Methodist Conference, an intimation that through Canada women are now too often taking the place of men in business, stores and schools and the new president were among the items at the Montreal Methodist conference to-day. As many deputations are waiting on the conference and as the reports are more numerous than usual, the committees will have to work extra to-morrow.

Rev. Wm. Philp, for 37 years in the ministry, and belonging to Amprlor, has been elected president, Rev. C. S. Deerpore of Sherbrooke running him a close second. Rev. H. S. Oeborn, Montreal, was elected secretary.

Dr. Briggs, superintendent of the Methodist Book Room, said the best profits were larger than in any previous year, and \$15,000 had been given to the superannuation fund, but regarding The Christian Guardian, the net loss last year had been \$600 compared with \$1700 the previous year, and the solution to overcome the difficulty was by the ministers supporting their paper better and getting their help in getting more subscriptions.

Rev. Dr. Crews reported regarding the Sunday school periodicals, showing that the total increase in circulation during the year had been 20,000, and the combined circulation was now over 348,000.

To-night, seven candidates for the ministry spoke at a special reception service and will be ordained on Sunday. One is John Whitebourn, a St. Kitts, India, who was applauded as he told of difficulties met and overcome while training to enter the ministry. He will do special India work. Rev. Radley moved the resolution of reception, and Dr. Rickman seconded it. There were interesting reports regarding Wesleyan Theological College, Stanstead College, the educational fund work, etc., and all three had materially advanced. The special work that has been done in the past year to encourage and support new churches in view of the growth of the Canadian metropolis, was emphasized and a tribute paid the Rev. Melvin Taylor, who has been back of this movement.

The economical management of the home missionary department came in for considerable discussion, following the report by Secretary Rev. James Allan of Toronto. Rev. James Allan of Ottawa said he did not think the claim could be made, as was made some years ago, that the department had added the record for economical management. Rev. W. H. Sparling said he had come across level-headed business men who had denunciated giving the fund because of the heavy expenses, the cost of distributing the money, was so excessive.

Rev. E. Thomas made particular reference to the young people's forward movement, at the head of which is Rev. Dr. Stephenson, and said that that branch was very bright, and an abnormally high percentage of the money received was paid for advertising.

After a free and frank discussion a resolution of appreciation and confidence was passed.

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