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WOULD WIPE HARRIMAN FROM LIST OF RAILWAY MAGNATES OF AMERICA

Millionaires in Determined Combat for Control of Union Pacific

Morgan and Ryan Join Forces Against Harriman—Roosevelt's Choice for Speaker in New York a Slap at Odell—Abe Hummel's Case Reaches Defence Stage—The Dodge Scandal Gone Over and Dodge Confesses to Perjury.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) New York, Dec. 18.—There is a good deal of talk that the Harriman-Morgan war has reached an acute stage. It is said the controversy between Harriman and Morgan is not yet over. The Harriman commission has served to bring matters to a crisis, and that there are indications that Ryan has taken the hint dropped in Harriman's "not yet" on the witness stand at the investigation and has begun a fierce war to wrest the Union Pacific railroad from his foe.

It is a firmly held theory in certain ultra-speculative quarters that a heavy absorption of Union Pacific is going on for other than Harriman interests. This theory, however, ignores the \$100,000,000 of preferred stock which can be put out to clinch Harriman's control, and it is said in other quarters that the best buying in the stock is for interests close to the insiders.

Since the collapse of the great railroad trust engineered by Morgan and Hill and called the Northern Securities Company, bitter animosity has been shown by those two powers toward Harriman. The latter wanted to control the Northern Pacific, but Hill and Morgan opposed him, and refused, when the courts ordered them to break up their trust, to restore to Harriman the great number of shares of Northern Pacific that he deposited in the trust.

They made him take some of Hill's trust-Northern, much to his disgust. He fought them through all the courts and was beaten. In revenge for the cost he put them to in that litigation they were only too pleased, it is said, to join Ryan in an effort to oust Harriman of his Union Pacific and quitte him practically as a railroad power in the United States.

Roosevelt's Force Felt in New York Politics. The first effect of President Roosevelt's active interference in New York politics is shown today in the announcement from Governor Higgins that he favors Jas. W. Wadsworth for speaker. This ends the hottest sort of a fight for the speakership of the next assembly, and a blow to Odell. Wadsworth is the personal choice of Roosevelt. He is only twenty-eight years old and will be the youngest speaker the assembly ever had. He is a son of Representative James W. Wadsworth, a former state comptroller. Young Wadsworth married a daughter of the late secretary of state, John Hay. He was born in August, 12, 1877, and was graduated from Yale University in 1898.

CALL NOVA SCOTIA MINISTER TO NORTH SHORE Presbyterians of Douglastown Invite Rev. J. H. Hattie—Opening New Church at Millbank—Chatham Notes. Chatham, Dec. 17.—The Presbyterian congregations of Douglastown and Nelson have decided to extend a call to Rev. J. H. Hattie, of Nova Scotia. The call will be presented at a meeting of the presbytery of Miramichi here Tuesday.

The skating rink in the Miramichi agricultural exhibition association's building will open for the season on Wednesday night. The ice is in first class and a large number of tickets have already been sold. Smells have left the river near town, but fairly good catches are reported off Oak Point and East Point. A quantity of flat fish and tom-cods are also being caught. There is keen rivalry between the local and United States buyers.

The stores will be open every night this week. The window decorations are reasonable and attractive and business is brisk. Within the last few weeks two or three mild cases of diphtheria were reported but the afflicted ones have recovered. The new Presbyterian church at Millbank will be formally opened for divine service on Sunday, the 21st inst. The minister and choir of St. Andrew's church will assist in the morning and Rev. J. Morris McLean and choir of St. John's church in the evening.

W. A. Park, collector of customs, Newcastle, was in town yesterday. George, aged three years and a half, son of John Gunn of Lower Napan, died Monday of brain fever. The funeral was held Wednesday. The death of William Douglas, son of Adam Hay, occurred on the 11th inst., after a lingering illness. He was two years and a half old. The infant son of George Welsh died Thursday from the effects of measles. The funeral was held Saturday, interment being in St. Michael's cemetery. J. Y. Messerant went to Fredericton yesterday on a business trip. Boston Apple Shipments. Boston, Dec. 18.—Apple shipments from this port for the week ended December 18, were 4,567 barrels.

CHINESE RIOTS IN SHANGHAI; CITY UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Balfour Opens Campaign; Speech of Peculiar Tone

Declares Himself for Free Trade and Not for Protection—Evidences of Intention to Hold the Free Trade Unionists—Protection Insular and Insular Ideas Destructive of Imperialist Scheme.

Leeds, Eng., Dec. 10.—Former Premier Balfour addressed 4,000 persons tonight, devoting his speech almost entirely to the discussion of the fiscal policy on which the Unionists would conduct the campaign. He admitted the necessity of differences within his party over the fiscal question and said that protection as against free trade had been a subject of dispute inside the party prior to the time he was born.

The scheme of retaliation and of colonial preference outlined in his previous speeches, he said, in no wise prejudices the question. "Protection may be right or it may be wrong," said Mr. Balfour, "but I belong to that section of your party which is for free trade and not for protection. Retaliation for 'dumping' and a fiscal union with the colonies, he continued, were absolutely consistent with free trade, and were not less consistent with the views of those who would like to see the country return to the policy of the United States and other countries. A general tariff might be a good starting point, but a tariff constructed on protectionist lines was altogether outside the scope of the fiscal reform which Mr. Balfour was proposing for acceptance by the Unionist electors. He said protection was essentially insular and that nothing would endanger the imperialist scheme more than the introduction of insular ideas.

ST. JOHN MEN ARE CHARGED

James Pender and Portland Rolling Mills People to Be Proceeded Against

COMBINE IN TACKS MATTER OF COMPLAINT

Crown Attorney of Ontario Lays Information Charging Conspiracy—E. J. Fry, J. Mowatt, J. C. Robertson, W. Bruckhoff and E. Perkins Named As of the Portland Rolling Mills.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—(Special)—Crown Attorney Curry today had information laid charging Thomas Jenkins and James Hardy, of Jenkins & Hardy's Mercantile Agency, with conspiracy in 1892 to 1903, with a score of others, to unduly limit the facilities for producing, manufacturing, supplying and dealing in tacks, an article and commodity subject of trade, and commerce.

It will take a week to serve some of the parties who are being proceeded against. The defendants are: Thomas Hardy and Thomas Jenkins, of Toronto; E. J. Fry, J. Mowatt, J. C. Robertson, W. Bruckhoff and E. Perkins, of the Portland Rolling Mills Company, St. John (N. B.); H. Blacklock, W. S. Wood, J. R. Kinghorn, A. H. Huff, N. McMaster, and A. F. McPherson, of the Montreal Rolling Mills Company, Montreal; F. W. Knowlton, Ltd., Shoe Machinery Company, Montreal; F. H. Whitton, the Ontario Tack Company, Hamilton; James H. Peck, T. B.mond Peck, W. T. Cumh, R. T. Sinclair, and M. A. Irwin, of the Peck Penny Company, Montreal; James Peck, St. John (N.B.); and W. V. Near, The Pillow & Hersey Co., Montreal.

William Bruckhoff, manager of the Rolling Mills, said last night in connection with the matter: "The so-called conspiracy is merely an association formed to sell at a certain price." This is all Mr. Bruckhoff felt disposed to say.

CHATHAM WOULD KEEP PASTOR HENDERSON

Presbyterians Vote to Lay Resignation Aside for a Year—The Meteor.

Chatham, N. B., Dec. 18.—(Special)—At a congregational meeting in St. Andrew's Hall tonight to appoint delegates to represent the congregation at the meeting of the Presbytery tomorrow in reference to the resignation of Rev. D. Henderson, a motion that the resignation lay on the table for a year was carried and amendment that it lay over for three months being lost by six votes.

SMALL COMPANIES UNDER MR. HUGHES' EYE

Insurance Investigation in New York is Nearing the End.

New York, Dec. 18.—With the resumption of sessions today the legislative insurance investigating committee practically started on the completion of its work, preparatory to formulating its report to the legislature. Today was devoted to the smaller companies, these being examined being the Provident Savings, The Empire Life and the Life Association of America.

There appeared, according to Mr. Hughes, to be a marking up of the book values of the Provident Society's real estate holdings, almost annually, and Miles Dustin, the committee's expert authority, presented a compilation of facts showing that the society lost about \$100,000 last year, which was offset by the marking up of its real estate holdings.

Story Wilson, secretary of the Empire Life, formerly the Home Benefit Society, an assessment company, today told how his company was run. It owns no real estate and has about \$12,000 of assets under an outstanding liability of about \$18,000. Examination of Mr. Townsley, of the Life Association of America will be held tomorrow.

"CHALLENGE OF CZAR" MUST BE ACCEPTED, SAY REVOLUTIONISTS

Declare Throne Totters and Another Blow Means Downfall

Government Has Confidence Yet That There Will Be No General Strike—Insurgents Gain in Livonia, and Sky is Bright With the Fires Which Have Made Place a Wilderness—Battle Fought and Government Troops Beaten.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 18, 7 p. m.—The workmen's council under the very nose of the police has succeeded in printing 100,000 copies of its paper announcing that the government has declared a civil war on the proletariat and saying that the challenge must be accepted. The council declares this is the government's last fight, that the throne of the Romanoffs totters and that another blow will cause it to fall. The council added: "While the government at St. Petersburg is falling, its own regiments are rising against it, and at Riga a republic has already been proclaimed, only a few regiments remaining faithful. The government wants to fight. It shall have it."

In spite of the fury of the revolutionists, however, considerable confidence is expressed in government circles that the extreme elements in the present temper of the workmen will not dare to call a general strike and that if they do the chances are that it will be a failure. Operators on the Bourse are inclined to interpret rather favorably the strong measures taken by the government, but heavy selling orders came from Berlin and imperial forces closed half a point down at 79. The Bourse Gazette says it is rumored that \$5,000,000 in gold has been shipped abroad to help in supporting Russian securities in the foreign markets. Governor Regensk of Riga is still urgently calling for troops. He reports that besides the fact that armed insurgents are disputing the passage of the soldiers, the railway tracks are damaged in all directions and he advises that troops be sent by water.

It now transpires that half the reinforcements of troops on board the train wrecked December 14, near Stockmaroff, Livonia, surrendered to the insurgents. Governor Regensk's latest advice said that the remainder of the troops held out for four days. Their positions, when last heard from, was desperate. Gov. General Dubassoff, of the province of Shernigoff has returned to Moscow invested with special powers. "Our Only Course," Say Government.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 18 (midnight)—The following statement of the government's position was made to the Associated Press tonight and may be accepted as authoritative. "The government sincerely desires to inaugurate the new regime without having recourse to harsh measures, but it receives no support from the constitutionalists or other moderates while the proletariat organized under the leadership of the revolutionists continued their mad campaign in favor of armed rebellion and openly incited the army and the navy to mutiny. The climax of this campaign was reached

CORINTHIAN HAD IT ROUGH TO HALIFAX

Swept by Heavy Seas But No Damage Sustained—Has Heavy Mail.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 18.—(Special)—The Allan liner Corinthian, Capt. Thomas Pickering, arrived at 2:45 o'clock this afternoon from Liverpool with weekly mail and thirteen stowage, fifty-three second cabin and 382 steerage passengers. The steamer sailed from Liverpool on Dec. 7 and from Moville on Dec. 8, and met with a succession of head gales and high seas the first five days of the passage. On Monday last a perfect hurricane raged and the ship was able to make only 125 miles. The decks were continually swept by heavy seas, but fortunately no damage was sustained.

DEAD AT WONDERFUL AGE OF 107 YEARS

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—(Special)—At the marvellous age of 107, says an evening paper, after a life of usefulness spent happily among her children, Mrs. James Smith passed peacefully away at the residence of her son, James Smith, Billings Bridge.

Born in Cork, (Ire.), Mrs. Smith, whose maiden name was Bridget Sheehan, came to Canada with her parents when quite young and dwelt on their farm at St. Lawrence, near Coteau. Her father was a member of the militia, and she often told, or her memory was good till the last of instance in the rebellion of 1837. Her husband, who was a blacksmith, died at the age of eighty-five years. A writ has been issued in the Hull superior court for \$15,000, the plaintiff being Filicia Symek, wife of Geo. B. Reid, whom she is suing. The suit is on an obligation.

WILL OF DR. WARDEN; ESTATE \$105,776

Debts Reduce Amount to \$75,668—Leaves \$3,500 to Church, Rest to Family.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—(Special)—The will of the late Rev. Robert Warden, general agent of the Presbyterian church, was entered for probate today. The estate amounts to \$105,776, of which \$92,128 is in stocks and life insurance, and \$13,000 in real estate. Debts of \$30,180 reduce the revenue of the estate to \$75,668. The estate, except \$3,500 for the Presbyterian church of Canada, is divided among the family.

THE DONALDSONS AND THE C. P. R.

Montreal, Dec. 18.—(Special)—In connection with the reported sale of the Donaldson Line to the C. P. R., the Robins Reid Company, Canadian managers of the line, stated that there is no truth in the report.

Mr. Reford said: "The story is without foundation. This will be news to our firm on the other side."

STATUS OF SENATOR UNDER CHARGE SUBJECT AT WASHINGTON

Senate Discusses the Burton Case, But No Ruling is Made.

THE LATE MR. MITCHELL UPHOLD BY TELLER

House Talks on Russian Situation, Insurance, and Hazing at West Point—Little Business Transacted.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Whether the senate is warranted in ignoring a senator convicted on charges of misconduct and not assigning him to places on the standing committee and leaving his name on the senate roll was discussed today by the senate and dropped without a ruling. The question was raised by Mr. Bailey, who protested against any senator's name being kept on the roll unless he was given work to do and argued that it is the duty of the senate to itself investigate the charges against Mr. Burton and determine whether he is entitled to a seat in the senate.

In response several senators said congress is following the precedent established by the English parliament in not taking cognizance of the charges against a member until the charges had been determined in the courts. Messrs. Hale, Spooner, Lodge and Daniel were of this opinion. Mr. Bailey calling attention to the fact that there had been five senators indicted in the last ten years on charges implying that crimes had been committed for money, said the time had arrived when the senate should testify that this is "no place to come to make money dishonestly."

He complained that senators who behaved themselves were compelled to answer for those who do not. Mr. Daniels said any person who would originate a plan to protect the senate against a rebel just would be hailed as the greatest inventor of the age. He did not think the senators because of unpardonable attacks are irresponsible persons.

Mr. Teller defended the reputation of the late Senator Mitchell, saying that it would take more than a charge of "self convicted thief, perjurer and forger" to convince him that Mr. Mitchell had committed a crime.

C. P. R. APPOINTMENTS

New Master Mechanic for System East of Fort William—Architect Appointed.

Montreal, Dec. 18.—(Special)—J. B. Elliott, who began service with the company as a fireman, has been appointed master mechanic of the Canadian Pacific east of Fort William, and W. S. Painter has been appointed architect for the C. P. R. system. The latter is a new position.

Mr. Painter, who is a New Yorker, has had an office in Montreal since 1901.

LEAD AND THE BOUNTY

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—(Special)—Latest advice to the trade and commerce department are for lead is £17 2s. 6d per ton.

The figure at which the federal bounty to Canadian lead mines ceased was £16 a ton. Twenty mines in the Sloan district of British Columbia produced last week 631 tons of lead.

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CANADIANS IN BRITISH COMMONS

Four Candidates for Parliamentary Honors Are From the Dominion.

Montreal, Dec. 18.—(Special)—A special London cable says: "Among the candidates for parliamentary honors at the forthcoming general election are four Canadians. Hamner Greenwood is the Liberal for York City, and has for his opponent J. G. Butler, who was at the last election returned unopposed. York City is a Conservative stronghold, but there is a strong belief that Greenwood will be returned."

Foster Boulton, formerly of Toronto, is the Liberal candidate for North Huntingdon, his opponent being Hon. A. E. Fellows, late president of the board of agriculture. Fellows' majority in the last general election was 1,151, but it is thought that, though the majority to overcome is large, Mr. Boulton has a fighting chance.

P. H. Wyatt, well known in connection with the Navy League, is the Unionist candidate for Russellville Division. Nottingham. His opponent is J. E. Ellis, who had a radical majority of 445 last election.

Dr. Rankine Dawson, son of the late Sir William Dawson, of Canada, is the Conservative candidate for East Ealing. Mr. MacRae, Liberal, the present member, had a majority of 1,291 in the last election.

TO DIE FOR ATTEMPT ON SULTAN'S LIFE

Constantinople, Dec. 18.—Edward Joris the Belgian and three others charged with participation in the attempt to assassinate the Sultan last July were today sentenced to death by the native court.

Other alleged accomplices were committed to penal servitude for life and persons charged with the same crime, who have not been arrested were sentenced to death.