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NEWFOUNDLAND'S GREAT STORM

Many Schooners and Fishing Boats Pounded to Pieces on Coast

ST. JOHN'S, N.E.D., Dec. 4.—A vivid idea of the disaster wrought by what the oldest residents along the west shore assert is Newfoundland's greatest storm, which has driven scores of fine schooners and fishing boats from Gloucester, Mass., the fishermen's village, Henry M. Stanley and Mabel R. Hines, of the late despatches today from Birch Cove.

The Clington is fast ashore at Birch Cove, where she is pounding savagely. When the ship's cable had parted, Captain Norman Ross and his crew made their perilous way ashore through surge flying high from the cliffs.

After a terrific struggle with the tempest, the Stanley, Captain Arsenault, was driven ashore at North Arm, Bay of Islands, where she is fast breaking up. For hours her crew were forced to cling to the hull, at the mercy of wind and waves, the tremendous seas making it impossible to launch a boat. Finally, during a lull in the storm, they were taken off by heroic volunteers from the shore, and were taken to Birch Cove by the cruiser Fiona.

The Mable R. Hines went ashore at nearly the same place, and now lies on her beam ends, with great seas continually breaking over her. Her captain and crew managed to reach the beach in their own boat.

The entire western coast is littered with wreckage from the uncounted Newfoundland schooners breaking up in the arms and coves along the coast tonight. Reports from the south coast also indicate great losses to shipping.

MISSIONER FACES CRIMINAL CHARGE

Foreigner Marries Couple Upon Canadian Soil Despite Warnings

That a clergyman resident in the United States of America and not in any way connected with the preaching of the gospel in this Dominion has neither right nor authority to perform the marriage ceremony on Canadian soil is an indisputable fact which it would be well for visiting ministers to make a note of, especially as a semblance may save them from the possibly unpleasant incident of being brought sharply in contact with outraged Canadian law. There is distinct provision in the Criminal Code of Canada of penalties for such as assume to perform a marriage ceremony without duly constituted powers.

Incidentally, one Mr. Killen, believed to be a minister of either the Plymouth Brethren or the Seventh Day Adventists, with headquarters at Seattle, should pay a return visit to this city in the immediate future, he may be in the unpleasant position of defendant in criminal proceedings based on the Criminal Code of Canada, in which reference has been made.

Disregarded Warnings.

Sheriff Richards tells the incidental story. It was on the 27th of last month that the celebrated Prince and Charlotte brought to this city two young residents of Seattle who had made up their minds to become man and wife. George Waite and Emma Sowers were the names given at the sheriff's office when applications were made for the essential licence, and Mr. Killen accompanied them to act as master of ceremonies. He was duly licensed, he announced his intention of performing the ceremony there and then, and again he was advised by Deputy Sheriff Townsley, who warned him not only once, but repeatedly, that on Canadian soil his jurisdiction in such a matter was non-existent.

No Boundary for Him.

The visiting minister, for so he proclaimed himself declined to be advised. He was an ordained clergyman of the gospel, he asserted and recognized no international boundaries of usefulness. Also he wanted supplies for the required formalities, which accredited clergymen make formal returns of marriages performed. As the sheriff's office does not dispense such stationery, he paid hurried visits to Rev. W. L. Clay and Rev. Dr. Campbell, both of whom also warned him that he would place himself outside the pale of law if he insisted upon performing the marriage rite for these young friends while in Canadian territory.

Instead of recognizing and accepting this friendly and sound advice, Mr. Killen assumed responsibility for his actions, and assuring the prospective bride and groom that "all would be right," he did perform the ceremony, and accepted a fee of \$5. paid in the presence of the deputy sheriff.

Seeks to Remedy Crime.

Subsequently, apparently, he reconsidered his action, and—by the meantime, Mr. and Mrs. Waite, or Mr. Waite and Miss Sowers, confidently believing themselves to be legally man and wife, had returned to their Puget Sound home.

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Mrs. M. A. Miller will be here for a few days, commencing tomorrow, Monday, and we trust you will not fail to interview her. Her knowledge as a corsetier will be invaluable to you.

THE LADIES' STORE

ANGUS CAMPBELL & CO.,

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tomorrow will deliver an address before the Women's Club in the drawing room of the Drury hotel at 4 p.m., on the work done by the Men's Anti-Suffrage League, for opposing the granting of suffrage to the women of the Old Country.

No. 300 Mulberry Street.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—No. 300 Mulberry street officially passed into history today when the police department deserted the famous old building to occupy its new \$300,000 home on Centre street. With the possible exception of Scotland Yard, No. 300 Mulberry street was the pulsating centre of more great crime mysteries than any other spot in the world. For a half century its ceaseless day and night energies had ferreted out intricate crimes and conspiracies, and through it passed as prisoners many notorious criminals.

False Report of Fire.

BERLIN, Dec. 4.—A false report emanating from Paris and to the effect that one half of the city of Baltimore, Md., was in ashes, was printed in Germany today. The loss by fire was estimated at \$300,000,000 and the reported disaster evoked sympathetic editorial in the newspapers. The story of Baltimore's conflagration of some years ago. There was a fire in Baltimore on Thursday night with a loss of something like a quarter of a million dollars. No one was injured and the blaze attracted no particular attention outside of that city.

NOT PART OF THE REDFERN LOOT

Jewels Left By Crooks in Seattle Were Never Owned in This City

That none of the Redfern diamonds were included in the jewels which were left in a jewelry shop in Seattle last Tuesday, when the police, believing that the two men who were attempting to dispose of between \$1500 and \$2000 worth of diamonds had stolen them, failed, the suspicious characters getting clear away after an exciting chase down Second avenue, is the conclusion arrived at by Mr. Redfern, Jr., who in company with Detective Carrow, of the local police force, went to Seattle to identify, if possible, the stones.

As recently announced in the Colonist, the Seattle police authorities, believing that the diamonds which the two unknown men had attempted to dispose of, were part of the loot which thieves secured here last July, when nearly \$4000 worth of diamond rings were purloined from a window in the Redfern & Sons jewelry establishment, informed the local police, and to

Mr. Redfern went over to the Sound City to inspect the stones. It was found that the diamonds, eight in number, and very valuable, one of them weighing nearly four carats, were evidently lost which was taken in Australia.

Old Fashioned Style.

This supposition is entertained because the two men who escaped, and who were joined in their flight by three others, who were waiting outside the Seattle jewelry store, are believed to be members of the gang of notorious Australian crooks who came to this country from the Antipodes early last year, and concerning whose records and antecedents the local police department, as well as all the other departments along the coast, were posted by the Australian police. A part of the gang was in Victoria at the time of the Redfern robbery. The members of it were in daily attendance at the race meet here and subsequently four were arrested at Vancouver, where they were taking in the races at Mission park. One of them, Ennes, escaped from the Stevenson Jail, while the three others, Foley, Russell and Charles, were brought over here and charged with the theft of the Redfern jewels, but the stones they had in their possession could not be identified, and the three were deported to Australia.

Part of Australian Loot.

When the three crooks, Foley, Russell and Charles, were brought to Victoria from Vancouver two months ago, and searched, they had in their possession a number of uncut diamonds, which could not be identified by Mr. Redfern. The three men were deported, and took back the stones with them. But among the jewels was one, a very valuable one, which was also identified by Mr. Redfern. It was a diamond of the old-fashioned style of cutting, and was plainly one of the common stock which the gang, when it left Australia, brought over to America.

Dundas, 24; R. M. S. 4.

DUNDAS, Ont., Dec. 4.—A fatal railway fatality occurred here last afternoon between Dundas and the Royal Military College, of Kingston, for the intermediate championship of Canada. About 2000 turned out to witness the game, and the final score was Dundas 24; Kingston 4.