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NO POSSIBLE DANGER OF LEPROUS INFECTION

Dr. Montzambert Gives Statement--Atlantic Lazaretto in Middle of Village--Darcy Island Lepers Will Remain.

(From Thursday's Daily.)
"I would sooner be in a leper ward than one containing a case of common influenza. I can become infected with the latter not the former." This remark was made by Dr. P. Montzambert, director-general of public health for the Dominion, at the Darcy hotel this morning.
Since the false rumor arose regarding the transfer of the lazaretto from Darcy Island to Albert Head there has been an uneasy fear of infection should such a project be carried out. The Times, therefore, took advantage of Dr. Montzambert's presence in the city to ascertain authoritatively how, when and where infection from leprosy could be obtained. At Tracadie, New Brunswick, fronting on the Gulf of St. Lawrence, between Baie de Chalevres and Miramichi Bay, is situated the only other lazaretto in Canada. Its position and surrounding conditions evidence the absolute freedom from contagion, apart from actual inoculation, that is felt in another community in the centre of which are located a much greater number of lepers than are finishing a painful existence on Darcy Island, fifteen miles from Victoria.
"The lazaretto at Tracadie," said Dr. Montzambert, "is situated right in the centre of that village in Gloucester county, New Brunswick, directly opposite the parish church. The people there have not the slightest apprehension. There is no high stockade surrounding the buildings; only a fence made of the waste wood from the garden. Sisters of the Order of Black Nuns of the same order, and other unfortunate and among them there has never been a case of leprosy."
"Tracadie lazaretto might almost be considered a show place. Visitors go there in great numbers; they are not troubled with unreasoning fright; they go to observe the admirable care taken of the lepers by the gentle sisters. Everyone in Tracadie goes about his daily work without a thought of contagion; the fishing boats go out regularly, return with their cargo, and no one gives more than a passing glance at the institution where the lepers are confined."
"Such is the disease," asked the reporter, "how is leprosy transferred from one person to another?"
"By inoculation alone," answered the director-general of public health. "The germs of leprosy do not fly through the air; there must be direct contact with the pus from leprosy ulcers. It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public that this discharge must actually enter the body, either through an abrasion of the skin or through the natural passages before leprosy can be contracted by a healthy person from one afflicted with the disease. Father Damien, as you will remember, died in the Hawaiian Islands from contracted leprosy, but how was he infected? He had a cut in his arm and when binding up and dressing the ulcers of his patients, some of the pus came in contact with the abrasion and finally he succumbed to the disease. In this and in no other way can leprosy be contracted. If an undiscovered case exists in a poor family and the afflicted and uncleanly used the same towels, an abrasion of the skin of the latter may permit the infection which necessarily use of the same food utensils the infection may pass in by the mouth, but I repeat, and cannot emphasize it too strongly, that without direct inoculation there is no danger."
"Furthermore, until the ulcerous stage is reached, a leper can wander without the slightest danger in and

about any community. The course of the disease is somewhat remarkable. After a person has become infected it may be any time for a few months up to thirty years before the disease becomes apparent. And the first stage is not dangerous. The earliest symptoms appear in the form of tubercles, or knob-like excrescences, generally on the upper part of the body. The face assumes a leonine expression, lumps gather on the forehead; the lobes of the ears thicken; swellings arise under the eyes; but even in this stage there is not the slightest danger. It is not until the tubercles ulcerate, and discharge pus, there is any fear of contagion. Then, and only then, can another person become infected and such infection may easily be prevented by precautions against contact with the pus.
"One could breathe, sleep and eat in the same room with dozens of lepers. I would sooner be in a leper ward than one containing a case of common influenza; I can become infected with the latter without contact; to contract the former requires inoculation."
"And what about lepers at large in a community?" again queried the reporter.
"There are two such communities in the Dominion," replied Dr. Montzambert. "One is in Cape Breton, and the other in Gloucester county, where the Tracadie lazaretto is situated. The latter was first infected by a couple of sailors a hundred years ago and sporadic cases have arisen from time to time since. Every year four or five cases are sent to the lazaretto."
"How is the disease first discovered?"
"That you mean--the stage when tubercles only are apparent? Certainly not. There is no danger then. But as soon as ulceration commences the patients are isolated, for then there is a chance of others becoming contaminated."
"Are patients ever discharged from the lazaretto after once being there?" asked the Times reporter.
"This has been done in a few instances," said Dr. Montzambert. "There was a man discharged last year and he is now home with his family. Once the ulcers are cured there is no infection. I may appear to dwell too strongly on this point, but I wish to impress it upon the public as far as possible. The unfortunate man's fingers and toes had dropped off, but the ulcers were eventually cured and he was liberated and sent home to his friends. I give this fact as explanation in view of the anxiety that was felt in your city when it was thought the lazaretto would be moved to Albert Head. I state with absolute truth that such an institution could be placed in the middle of the business streets of Victoria without the slightest danger."
"But, as far as I am aware, there is not the remotest intention to move the lepers from Darcy Island to Albert Head. They are as well looked after as possible where they are. There is a white quarantined resident on the island and also a Chinese interpreter. The patients are visited as often as necessary by the quarantine officer and the lepers are as comfortable as possible in their unfortunate condition. I do not think many changes will be made in the near future, but I will know better after I have visited the lazaretto."
The above authoritative statement should set at rest any general anxiety. It is made by a man who knows. As Dr. Montzambert said in conclusion, "I think I will die without contracting leprosy." And he visits the lazaretto regularly, too.

INSURANCE MANAGER HERE.
Sherwood Gillespy, of the Mutual Life of New York, Visiting Victoria.
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Sherwood Gillespy, Pacific Coast manager of the Mutual Life Insurance Co., of New York, is in the city accompanied by Mrs. Gillespy. The company has a large and growing business in British Columbia which necessitates Mr. Gillespy making a tour of the principal agencies. Policies have been written in this province during the past five years to as large an amount at least as in any other section of the Dominion and Mr. Gillespy states it is probable that British Columbia will be made a special district with general agencies here or in Vancouver.
While in Victoria the men in all extensively entertained by the representatives of his own and other insurance companies and expressed his appreciation at the courteous treatment accorded him. He believes that the result of the recent investigation in New York has done much good and that, instead of retarding the company's business, will increase it. Recent legislation has made necessary the ap-

pointment of a new board of trustees. The present one was appointed by Peter Ryan when he purchased the interest of James H. Hyde and secured control of the company. Mr. Gillespy believes his choice will be confirmed by a vote of the policy holders that will be taken shortly.
MORE TERRORISTS EXECUTED.
Five Men Hanged at Lodz--Protest Against Drum-Head Court-Martials.
Lodz, Russia, Poland, Oct. 10.--Five Terrorists sentenced to death by drum-head court-martial were hanged here to-day.
The employees of the street railways, the school teachers and newspaper employees have joined the men in all the factories who went on strike yesterday against trials by drum-head court-martial.
BOY KILLED BY CAR.
Ottawa, Oct. 11.--A small boy named Brule was run over by a street car at Hull this morning and instantly killed.

BANK MANAGER COMING.

B. E. Walker, of Canadian Bank of Commerce, accompanied by Mrs. Walker and family and a large party of friends, will arrive in Victoria. They are making an extensive tour of Canada by special train on business and pleasure combined. Mr. Walker is taking advantage of the opportunity to study the commercial conditions of the country. Everywhere he has called Mr. Walker has been accorded a warm reception.

Upon arrival in British Columbia's capital the party will be escorted to automobiles and driven via Dallas road to the Oak Bay hotel. That evening George Gillespie, manager of the local branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, will entertain Mr. Walker and his friends to dinner at the hotel mentioned, and Manager Virtue promises to give them one of his exceptionally fine repasts. In short everything possible will be done to give the distinguished visitors a favorable impression of this city and its beautiful scenic surroundings.

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Truly, "for tricks that are dark and ways that are vain the heathen Chinese is peculiar." But Oriental mystery and aliveness failed to prevail against Anglo-Saxon aggressiveness as displayed by Chief Langley and a selected number of the Victoria police force last evening. Having received a report that the Chinamen, becoming emboldened by the apparent listlessness of the guardians of the peace, had opened up one of the many dens that in Fan Tan alley, a dark, repulsive pathway that leads from Cormorant to Fisgard streets, through the heart of them, money by their hides, and it was ordered at the last minute and carried out so promptly and with such system that, despite the fact that the gamblers were protected by a series of automatically closing doors and had on the sides secret emergency exits to enable them to make a hurried escape, the majority were caught in the midst of the game, their complicated paraphernalia in front of them, money by their sides, and, in fact, all the evidence necessary to prove an infraction of the law. About twelve were captured, their names obtained, and allowed out on bail amounting to \$30 each. They will appear in court this morning, and the charge laid against them on Monday.

GUGGENHEIMS TO ERECT SMELTER

HAVE ACQUIRED ENORMOUS GROUP OF COPPER CLAIMS

Engineer Hepburn Enthusiastic Regarding Group in Nicola--Have Ample Coal Available.
(From Thursday's Daily.)
"Saucy Sally" does not sound a name as evocative as that of the name engineer of the Guggenheim Exploration Company, for that corporation's large holdings on Gulch creek in Upper Nicola. Saucy Sally, or the group of that name, is three miles long and a mile wide, aggregating nearly forty full-sized mineral claims.
The proposition, which has been acquired on a cash bond, is a low grade copper ore. A vein 200 feet wide traverses the property and there are many smaller mineralized zones. The ore is self-fluxing, described by Mr. Hepburn as somewhat similar to that smelted by the Granby Company, and he also stated that even the present small amount of development shows the ore is of great commercial value.
Coal, of course, is required for such a proposition, and it is near at hand. The Guggenheims have secured control of an area of 8,000 acres within a few miles of the ore bodies and as the C. P. R. branch from Spence's Bridge runs in the near vicinity there should be no difficulties in transportation.
"The extent of work we will do is not a matter of money," said Mr. Hepburn, "it is a matter of obtaining workmen. Operations will commence as soon as possible, probably this winter. As soon as I get to New York and meet my associate engineer we will go up to the properties and begin work. I think it safe to say that at least \$200,000 will be spent on the Saucy Sally within the next year. There is no reason why the pay roll should not reach \$50,000 a month. Though, owing to the slope, a good depth of ore could be reached by drifting it is really a tunnelling proposition. If development proves the continuity of the veins a smelter will be built at the earliest possible moment."
"Of course, it may turn into almost a quarrying proposition, by means of which the 'glory holes,' but it depends upon the result of exploratory tunnels and drifts. If they turn out to run into merchantable ore at good depth, or rather if surface indications do not belie what lies beneath them, it is safe to say that the Saucy Sally will become one of the biggest mines in the province."
Mr. Hepburn yesterday interviewed the provincial authorities on matters connected with the new group and left last night for New York, by way of Seattle. He was extremely enthusiastic about the outlook on Gulch creek, particularly with reference to the quickly coming railroad communication. "But, railroad or no railroad," he said in conclusion, "we'll go ahead and work." This should be good news to all interested in mining in British Columbia. It shows that the Guggenheims do not intend to confine their operations to Cariboo.

RAILWAY WRECK.

Number of Cars Thrown From the Track by a Broken Rail.
Topeka, Kas., Oct. 10.--Several persons were injured seriously, and many more slightly, in the wreck which occurred last night two miles east of Walltown on the Union Pacific railway. Four cars were thrown from the track by a broken rail, and a wrecker is strewn over a distance of a quarter of a mile. The train was late and was running at high speed. The engine, tender, baggage and mail cars, together with the smoker, did not leave the track.

THE POLICE RAID ON CHINESE GAMBLERS

BREAK INTO CLOSELY GUARDED APARTMENTS

Chief Langley and Selected posse Made Effective Attack Upon Fan Tan Alley Den.

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To the alley, others to the back yards and still others to adjoining buildings. Discussing the situation, the chief constable upon the difficulty these protections against interference made it for the police to enforce the law against gambling. He thought that some by-law should be enacted prohibiting the construction of such places. Then, he went on, it would be possible to enforce the regulations with comparative ease.
His Worship Mayor Morley was among the visitors to the scene this morning.
SKULL AND LEG FOUND.
Encountered by Man While Digging in Garden--Police Investigating.
Peterborough, Oct. 10.--As J. S. Clarke, 29 Union street, was digging in his garden, he excavated a skull and a leg, about ten inches below the ground. The flesh was still clinging to the leg. As there have been no reports of grave-robbing the police think there may be evidence of foul play. Clarke only moved into the house a few days ago, and the police are interviewing former tenants to solve the mystery. A shoe and also a rubber were found near the bones. Coroner Dr. Gray will hold an inquest in connection with the discovery.

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It appears that a boy, not in the service of the Messenger Company, went to the waiting room where the messengers await calls and commenced playing with a family pet dog. The dog, however, was a result it was overturned and a slight blaze was caused. It was extinguished without any difficulty. Luckily, although the accident occurred in the theatre block where an immense audience was assembled, no one there noticed the location of the alarm.
When the alarm was sounded, the full department turned out as usual in the case of down town fires. The chemical engine was in charge of Relief Driver Hirst, the regular driver being absent, and was taken to the scene by way of Broad street. When the conjunction with View street was reached, the driver somewhat overstepped the proper place to turn and could not get his horse's heads round soon enough to follow the road. As a result one of the horses crashed into one of the large plate glass windows of the Driard hotel.
The horse was known as "Mollie," and had been in the service of the department for several years. Her value was about \$250. Immediately after the accident it was found she was unable to rise, and after examination, a leg being broken, she was shot by Dr. Hamilton. The damage to the Driard window was covered by plate glass insurance. The window was replaced to-day. It is probable the fire warden will deal with the accident at their next meeting.

PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE.

Ottawa, Oct. 11.--The provincial representatives talked with Dominion ministers this forenoon in regard to fisheries. They will again meet Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues tomorrow.
A telegram from British Columbia asked the conference to take up the insolvency law, but the conference has nothing to do with that.

GOVERNMENT AND VATICAN.

Questions in Dispute Will Be Brought Up at Reassembling of Spanish Cortes.
Madrid, Oct. 11.--Upon the reassembling of the Cortes on October 26th the Vatican and the Liberal government of Marshal Lopez Dominguez will cross swords over the church issue. While the actual question of the separation of church and state in Spain, the stronghold of Catholicism, is not to be immediately raised as in France, the programme of the Liberals is distinctly anti-clerical and if it progresses successfully is sure to lead to an open fight for the severance of the ties which bind the Vatican and the Bourbon dynasty.
Meanwhile the political world is much interested as to whether the Vatican merely wishes to fight for the re-establishment of its prerogatives that it has allowed to fall more or less into abeyance or if it had a deeper plan to precipitate an election on the Liberal cabinet and the return of the reactionary party. The Dominguez cabinet found an excellent pretext for joining battle with the Vatican in the shape of the question of civil marriages and the control of the public cemeteries.
Count De Romanones, minister of justice in the Dominguez cabinet, replied to the Papal note demanding the re-establishment of the above mentioned powers. To this the Vatican answered by presenting a note couched in a more peremptory form presenting the same demands and protesting against the attitude of the government. The ministry confined itself to making a formal acknowledgment of the note.
The church opposes the municipal control of cemeteries and demands that the practice of allowing portions of the cemeteries to be used by Spaniards and foreigners who do not subscribe to the state religion shall be discontinued. In respect to the question of civil marriages, the church wishes it laid down that civil unions between Spaniards are only legal when celebrated according to canon law which is absolutely opposed to the actual system.
Before, during and since the revolution, civil marriages have always been

TRAIN JUMPED TRACK.

Engineer Was Instantly Killed and Ten Other Persons Injured.
St Louis, Mo., Oct. 11.--The Iron Mountain fast mail train, which was late in leaving Union Station, to-day jumped the track while making up lost time at the city limits, killing one and injuring ten other people. Engineer John Casper was killed.
The accident occurred within a short distance of where the same train was similarly wrecked last spring.

JOCKEY INJURED.

Steeplechaser Fell in First Jump and Rider Was Hurt.
Richmond, Va., Oct. 10.--George Gordon, of Philadelphia, riding the steeplechaser Armour, owned by H. Stackhouse, also of Philadelphia, was seriously injured at the state fair races yesterday his mount falling at the first jump in the steeplechase. He was taken to a hospital. It is feared that he received internal injuries.

DAN GALLERY DISQUALIFIED.

Ottawa, Oct. 11.--The Supreme Court to-day gave judgment in the St. Anne's Montreal, election case dismissing the appeal of Dan Gallery against the judgment of the court below. This confirms the disqualification of Gallery for seven years from sitting in Dominion parliament, voting or holding any office in connection therewith.
The statute does not disqualify as far as provincial or municipal affairs are concerned.
SLEET STORM.
Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 11.--This city and vicinity was visited by a severe sleet storm early this morning carrying down limbs of trees and telegraph wires. Telegraphic communication with Buffalo was cut off as were both telephone systems connecting the latter city.

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