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DONE TO DEATH IN SLEEPING CAR

WINNIPEGGER CHARGED WITH BRUTAL MURDER

Crime Mysteries Which Have Baffled Manitoba Police May Be Solved.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 23.—On a voluntary statement of Rogers, Hudson, Gunn and Thomas Cooper, employees in the coach cleaning department of the C. P. R., it was established last night that the late Eccles Lennox, reported to have committed suicide in a sleeping car, early on Wednesday morning, was foully murdered in cold blood. The crime has been traced home to an employee of the coach yard, alleged to be Thomas Henry Hicks, of 282 Manitoba avenue, and the police claim to have incontrovertible evidence as to his guilt.

Hicks has been in hiding for two days. He was placed under arrest on Saturday night by a clever ruse which worked successfully, and he is now being closely guarded in a cell at the police station. Witnesses have positively identified the revolver found beside Lennox as the one carried by the prisoner on the night of the murder, according to a statement of Rogers, who, it is claimed, was a witness of the shocking crime. Prisoner threatened to blow the latter's brains out from the spot unless he swore to secrecy in the matter.

The murder was carried out in the most brutal and revolting manner, and with the cunning of the experienced criminal. The body was placed in such a position with the revolver at his side as to give the impression that suicide had occurred. Three shots were fired, one struck the head and another the chest, and the victim was proved mortal. Robbery was undoubtedly the motive of the crime.

Eccles Lennox, the murdered man, was en route to Scotland to bring out his wife and five children. He was working on the G. T. P. at Portage in Prairie as brakeman.

The detection of this crime is likely to lead to unearthing a series of murders in Winnipeg and the surrounding district, extending over a period of several years.

PROFESSOR PRINCE IS FISHERY COMMISSIONER

Succeeds S. M. Bastedo on International Board—Regulations on B. C. Coast.

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—Prof. Prince, of the Fisheries department, has been appointed by the government as Canadian member of the international fisheries commission in place of Mr. S. M. Bastedo, recently made commissioner of annuities. Prof. Prince is now in New York, where he is conferring with Dr. David Starr Jordan, the American commissioner, relative to recommendations to be made by the board to both governments relative to fisheries affairs along the whole international boundary line from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Last summer Dr. Jordan and Mr. Bastedo spent considerable time investigating the fisheries in waters contiguous to the international boundary at many points. They were on the Pacific coast for some days looking into the question of the better conservation of the salmon fisheries of the Fraser river by the promulgation of more drastic regulations governing the taking of fish in the waters leading to the river.

Prof. Prince and Dr. Jordan will submit to their respective governments draft regulations for the better protection of the fisheries at a number of points. It is said that some important changes affecting the Pacific coast salmon regulations are planned, and it is the intention of Canada and the United States to give effect to these early in the new year because the heavy run of sockeye salmon which is expected on the Fraser river next summer. It is improbable that the recommendations of the commissioners will become known till the two governments have passed upon them and issued the new regulations.

FREIGHTS COLLIDE IN POG.

Brakeman Dead and Several Injured—Engineer Misread His Orders.

Suffolk, Va., Nov. 23.—Two freight trains met in a head-on collision during a heavy fog yesterday near Nanaimo station on the Atlantic coast line. The front brakeman, H. K. Snivel, of West Philadelphia, was killed and several other trainmen were slightly injured. Both engines and twenty-one heavily laden freight cars were demolished, the debris catching fire from the locomotives, Snivel was buried under the wreckage and was incinerated. The trains had orders to meet at Nansemond, but the engineer of one of the trains misread his orders and the collision resulted.

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Halifax, Nov. 23.—A boat containing three men capsized on Long Bay on Saturday and two were drowned. The victims are Lovitt Reynolds and Arch. Huskins, of Kelly's Cove. The third man was picked up by the schooner Laura J.

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As Funeral Leaves House Coal Oil Explosion Claims Two Victims.

Locust corner, Ohio, Nov. 23.—An explosion of coal oil which was used in starting a fire yesterday caused the death of Alberta Bradbury, aged 15 years, and slightly injured two small children, aged 10 and 5. The explosion occurred just as the funeral party of Aaron Bradbury, who was an uncle of the dead girl, was leaving the house. Another member of the family was ill of typhoid fever in the house at the time.

The undertaker rescued Mrs. Garvin. The house was slightly damaged.

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Ocean Liners Unable to Enter Port—Ferry Traffic Suspended.

New York, Nov. 23.—Incoming ocean liners were held up and dozens of ferry boats delayed, inconveniencing thousands of commuters, by a dense fog that enveloped the bay to-day. The Pennsylvania railroad ferryboat running from Brooklyn to Jersey City ran into a pier while rounding the battery, tearing away about 15 feet of the side of her cabin. There were thirty passengers on board, none of whom were hurt. Several ferry lines were compelled to stop running until the fog lifted.

BIG HOTEL DEAL.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 23.—It is rumored here that the Queen's hotel, on Portage avenue, has been sold by Montgomery brothers to an United States syndicate for four hundred thousand dollars.

PENALTY OF FRATRICIDE.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 23.—At Macleod, Alberta, on Saturday Mah Fong, a Chinaman, was found guilty of murdering his brother and sentenced to be hanged on January 6th.

TO JOIN BROTHERHOOD.

Moncton, N. B., Nov. 23.—The inter-colonial clerks have decided to join the new Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees.

FIRE ADDS HORRORS TO EXPLOSION; TEN DIE

Mississippi River Passenger Steamer Burns to Water's Edge.

New Orleans, La., Nov. 23.—Ten persons are dead and twice as many injured as a result of an explosion on Saturday on the Mississippi river steamer H. M. Carter, near Bayou Goula, about one hundred miles north of New Orleans. The boiler of the Carter exploded while the steamer was on its way from New Orleans to Baton Rouge with a cargo of general merchandise and fifty or more passengers. To add to the horror of the disaster, fire followed the explosion, and the boat was burned to the water's edge.

Reports from Bayou Goula are to the effect that between twelve and fifteen persons are missing. About the same number were badly scalded, and it is expected several of them will die.

Capt. H. M. Carter, who was aboard the boat with his wife and child, was seriously injured by the explosion, but was saved. Mrs. Carter and her child were taken off in safety.

Capt. J. V. Leblanc was aboard the boat when it left New Orleans, but was ashore at Donaldsonville, and was not on board at the time of the explosion.

The packet company gives out the following list of dead or missing: Canini Leblanc, chief clerk; bar-keeper, name unknown; twenty-two others, principally negro roustaouts.

SUPPORTING TEMPLEMAN.

Mining Men of Toronto Want Minister of Inland Revenue Retained in Cabinet.

Toronto, Nov. 23.—At a meeting of the Toronto Mining Association a strong resolution was passed urging the Premier to retain Hon. William Templeman in the cabinet on account of his grasp of the mining situation in this country. A memorial will be forwarded to the Ottawa cabinet.

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EVERLYN AND HARRY.

Another Reconciliation Between Notorious Couple is Rumored.

Fishkill, N. Y., Nov. 23.—A visit which Mrs. Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw paid her husband at Matteawan hospital for the criminal insane gives rise to the belief, widely expressed here, that a reconciliation has been effected between the couple.

Indications are not wanting that Mrs. William Thaw, Harry K. Thaw's mother, is a party to the understanding, if one has been reached.

Mrs. Evelyn Thaw remained with her husband an hour and a quarter. Mrs. William Thaw reached the asylum about fifteen minutes before her daughter-in-law's departure.

HINDU REPORT IS UNFAVORABLE

ADVERSE CONDITIONS IN BRITISH HONDURAS

Prof. Teja Singh Preaches Open Sedition to Orientals in Vancouver.

Vancouver, Nov. 23.—The report of the Hindu delegates who went to British Honduras to find out if the climate and labor conditions there were suitable for the removal of the colony in British Columbia thither have reported in part as follows:

"We found thirty Hindus who had been induced to emigrate to Jamaica to work on plantations nearly forty years ago. These people told a story of hardship, suffering and alleged mistreatment. They said they had been brought out for a period of three years under an agreement to be given free passage home. This promise was never kept. Gradually many of them drifted to British Honduras, where a few survivors now earn a precarious living doing odd jobs. These old men appealed to British Columbia Hindu delegates to urge the Imperial government to transport them back to India."

One of the delegates laid great stress upon the high cost of living in British Honduras. Hindus do not eat meat but subsist on milk and vegetable diet. They reported that there was little fresh milk or butter in the colony and that condensed milk cost 25 cents a tin, a prohibitive price.

During the dry season they would be compelled to pay high prices for water with which to perform their ablutions, an act prescribed by their religion.

The report also declared that imprisonment in an East Indian convict settlement was a punishment to be feared by Hindus under existing conditions.

Prof. Teja Singh, M. A., an educated Hindu who has lately been attending Columbia University, N. Y., and who is here directing and advising his countrymen, declared to-day that they will never submit to transportation to British Honduras. He appeals to the sense of righteousness of the white people of British Columbia to persuade the Dominion not to persist in the proposed step.

He said that if they receive assurances that they will not be molested, steps will be taken with the co-operation of the Singh-Punjab bank, a Sikh institution, to form a land company with the object of locating the unemployed Hindus on farms in British Columbia. The Sikhs in Hongkong, he added, had signified their willingness to contribute to the financial support of the project.

Open Sedition.

Vancouver, Nov. 23.—Prof. Teja Singh, M. A., a Hindu who has lately been attending Columbia University, N. Y., preached open sedition against British rule in India in an impassioned address which he delivered this morning before a crowd of Hindus, the local committee which has resisted all the efforts of the Dominion government to send them to British Honduras. He shouted:

"India will act constitutionally in this agitation. If her just rights are not granted a leader will arise to direct the cause in open warfare. The spirit of unchecked power is giving us in India a class of white officers who do not understand the people. The Sikhs are getting their eyes opened. India demands justice. Col. Cunningham years ago predicted the advent of a native leader who would sweep everything before him unless England did her duty. No empire can exist if held together by ties of mistrust."

Sensational Charge.

Vancouver, Nov. 23.—Sensational charges of attempted bribery were made at noon to-day by the Hindu Junta, the local committee which has resisted the affairs of the East Indians in British Columbia.

The Junta declared that the two delegates had been handed three thousand dollars in cash if they would bring back a report favorable enough to induce two thousand of their countrymen to go to Honduras. Two Hindus counted the greenbacks, but returned them, they declare, to Hopkinson, an interpreter, whom they declare, carried on the negotiations. The Hindus say that they will not accept transportation from the government to Honduras and insist that they will stay in British Columbia. They say that a revolution in India would be precipitated if the government forcibly deports them.

FIVE DROWN; THREE SURVIVORS.

Schooner Hugh H. Sinks in Collision—Nova Scotia Men Are Victims.

Boston, Nov. 23.—Five men, including Capt. Obed Knowlton, of the British schooner Hugh H., lost their lives as a result of a collision while in tow of a tug. The schooner was struck by the tug. The drowned are: Capt. Obed Knowlton, 46 years of age, of Advocate, N. S.; First Mate Merrim, Parraboro, N. S.; Albert Mills, Advocate, N. S.; Seaman L. Mosher, Parraboro, N. S.

The survivors are: Second Mate Orrin Milberry, and two Norwegian stevedores.

OTTAWA POSTMASTERSHIP.

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—F. M. Jorjaneux has been appointed collector of customs, succeeding J. W. Russell, retired. Robert Stewart, ex-M. P., will probably be appointed postmaster of Ottawa.

THREE DIE WHEN FREIGHTS COLLIDE

(Special to the Times).

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 23.—In a collision of freights between Burketon and Portpool this morning, Engineer Findlay, Fireman Sweet and Brakeman Conway, all of West Toronto, were killed.

RAFT IS WRECKED, ENGINEER DROWNS

B. C. Electric Engineer Carried Away by Current in Vedder River.

Vancouver, Nov. 23.—C. A. Dertslor, C. E., and an engineer for the B. C. Electric railway, was drowned at Chilliwack while attempting to cross the Vedder river on a raft. In midstream the raft on which Mr. Dertslor and a companion, was smashed to pieces on the rocks. Both were thrown into the swift stream and Dertslor was never seen again.

La Porte, Ind., Nov. 23.—The sensations in the Lamphire trial on Saturday were the stories told by Daniel M. Hutzen and his daughters, by Fred R. Rickman and by John Anderson, who saw a strange woman with Mrs. Guinness on Saturday before the fire. Hutzen and his daughters declared on the witness stand that they saw Mrs. Guinness on July 9th, six weeks after the fire, but they were unable to distinguish her features through a black veil. Hutzen, a neighbor of Mrs. Guinness, and one of the men hired by the firm to dig in the ruins for the bodies after the fire, declared he knew Mrs. Guinness so well that he could not be mistaken. He said:

"I saw her on the road near the hog pen on July 9th. I was returning from town with a hay rack and saw two persons at the Guinness place. She had on a light skirt, black waist, wide brimmed hat, a white veil on the hat and a black veil that came down to her chin. There was a man with her. He weighed about 150 pounds and had a gray mustache and grey hair. When I got within two wagon lengths they got into their buggy and drove on and I tried to follow them. They got ahead of me and I did not like to follow them. There was too good a chance of getting a chunk of lead. The buggy had a low running gear and black top. The horse was a gray one with speckles on his hips as large as a half dollar."

Evenly, the 11-year-old daughter of Hutzen, who followed her father on the stand, testified that she saw Mrs. Guinness in "hay time" near the woods. She was in a buggy with a man. They passed her on the road. The girl said Mrs. Guinness had on two veils, a black one and a white one, the white one being over her face. The girl said: "When I saw her she turned her face away from me."

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BATTLING NELSON'S DUAL ROLE AT DOG FIGHT

Brutalizing Exhibition in Illinois Village—Officials Raid City Hall.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 23.—After two bull terriers had torn one another for 56 minutes and had been prevented from running into a death-grappling by lightweight pugilist champion, Battling Nelson, the trustees of the village of Burnham, with a dozen armed deputies at their back, broke into the city hall in which the fight was held. The five hundred spectators jumped to their feet and a wild rush for doors and windows followed. Several shots were fired in an attack by the deputies, but they could not stop the stampede. The trustees and deputies, however, managed to capture nine persons. Battling Nelson escaped the same fate by what his followers might call a neat exhibition of ring generalship. When the scramble began, the "Battler" thought himself of a deputy's star presented him by an admirer in Obara, Mexico, last year, pinning that on his coat he mingled with the deputies and finally slipped from the place unobserved.

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WITNESSES CLAIM THEY SAW ARCH-MURDERESS

Hired Man Tells of Digging Grave in La Porte "Death Farm."

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REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT.

Town in Hayti, in State of Rebellion, is Surrounded by Troops.

Port au Prince, Hayti, Nov. 23.—Official notification was issued on Saturday of the blockade of the port of Aux Cayes, the only town in the republic in a state of rebellion. All the other places in the department of the south have remained loyal to President Nord Alexis, and it is generally believed that the revolutionary movement will be quickly put down. Troops under the command of Gen. Celestin Cyrque, the minister of war, and General Leconte, minister of the interior, have surrounded Aux Cayes, where General Antoine Pimon, who has been declared a rebel, is directing the movement against the government.

CASTRO GOING TO EUROPE.

Caracas, Venezuela, Nov. 23.—President Castro is about to leave Venezuela for Europe. The purpose of his journey is to undergo an operation at the hands of skilled physicians. There is reason to believe that the president contemplates leaving La Guayra to-morrow on the French mail steamer Gadeloupe. This vessel runs between Havre and West Indian ports.

"SALOON-SMASHER" GOES ABROAD.

New York, Nov. 23.—Mrs. Carrie Nation sailed for Europe on the steamer Columbia on Saturday. She says she will do much work for the prohibition cause while abroad, and that she will speak in Glasgow, Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh, London and Belfast.

NEW STRAUSS OPERA.

Berlin, Nov. 23.—"Elektra," a new opera by Richard Strauss, will be presented in the United States next season. Oscar Hammerstein has arranged for the exclusive rights. The opera is now being rehearsed at Dresden with Mme. Schumann Heineke in the leading role.

DYING IN PENITENTIARY.

Edmonton, Nov. 23.—Melville S. Harbottle, late collector of inland revenue here and who was sent to prison for defalcation of government funds to the amount of \$7,000, is lying at the point of death in the penitentiary here. An operation has been performed, but he cannot live.

SIGHT OF MOUSE LEADS TO YOUNG WOMAN'S DEATH

Shriek of Fear is Succeeded by Fatal Heart Attack.

Florence, N. J., Nov. 23.—Having a horror of mice since early childhood, Miss Mary Isabel Mead of this place, died of fright yesterday when a mouse, pursued by the family cat, darted across the kitchen floor in her home. Seeing the mouse, Miss Mead shrieked with fear and was carried to a state of collapse to a lounge by her mother. Shortly afterwards she complained of a pain in her heart. Her mother hurried to a medicine chest to procure restoratives, but when she returned the young woman was dead.

Valvular heart trouble caused by fright was the cause of death.

RACIAL FIGHT BETWEEN VIENNA STUDENTS

Revolvers, Sticks and Fists Used by German and Italian Factions.

Vienna, Nov. 23.—The German and Italian students attending the University of Vienna, came into serious collision in the University precincts this morning and before the police had been freely used and a number of young men were wounded.

The trouble was occasioned by an Italian demonstration in favor of the establishment of an Italian university at Trieste. The opposing factions tallied 1,200 men and they sang themselves into the fight with stirring patriotic airs. The fighting started with fists, sticks and stones, but revolvers were finally used and a number of shots fired. The Italians were driven from the building and gathered in the streets. At this stage the police appeared and promptly dispersed the rioters.

CAUSTIC CRITICISM OF NEW YORK'S UNEMPLOYED

Majority Are Liars and Professional "Hoboes," Says Government Agent.

New York, Nov. 23.—That most of the unfortunate who stand shivering in New York's bread lines waiting for dry bread and a cup of coffee, are liars and professional "hoboes" who would not work if employment was offered them, is the opinion of T. V. Powderly, a government labor agent, who has made a study of conditions here at close range. Mr. Powderly has suggested that the state purchase farms where the professional receivers of charity shall be forced to work. If they refuse to do service there, his plan is to place them in the hands of some other state department for handling and correction.

RUSSIAN GUARDS FIRE ON GERMAN BALLOON

Bullets Hissing Round Airship Cause a Hurried Descent to Be Made.

Breslau, Silesia, Nov. 23.—A German balloon that passed over Russia territory last Saturday was fired on by Russian frontier guards near Zerkow. No less than fifteen shots were fired and this in spite of the fact that the balloon was flying the German flag when the bullets hissed all around the airship and one of them pierced a sack of ballast and was lost in the sand. The aeronauts made a hurried descent and succeeded in landing on German territory. They were not hurt. The balloon belonged to the Silesian Aero Club.

MYSTERIOUS BOMB THROWER.

Man Who For Two Years Has Puzzled Chicago Police Hurls His Twenty-Sixth Missile.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 23.—The mysterious bomb thrower, who for two years has puzzled the Chicago police, threw a bomb on Saturday night on the roof of a building occupied by John D. Gasolio's saloon in West Madison street. Although no one was injured, part of the roof was torn out, windows were broken and the report was heard for blocks. Occupants of adjoining buildings, including fifty women in charitable institution, rushed frantically to the street.

This is the twenty-sixth bomb which the culprit has hurled at alleged gambling resorts.

MISSING, FOUND DEAD.

Binscarth, Minn., Nov. 23.—Joseph L. Johnson, a prominent and highly respected farmer of this district, was found dead on Saturday in his stable underneath a blanket covered with straw. He had been missing since last Tuesday.

ENGLISHMEN IN VONCOUVER.

London, Nov. 23.—J. G. Woods, president of the Vancouver club, writes the Times denying the statement that a special whip to English members must be made to overcome backbiting used by the English candidate for membership because of their nationality.

MAY SUE LONDON TIMES FOR LIBEL

CHARGES AGAINST SUPERVISION OF G. T. P.

Hon. S. H. Parent Demands Apology—Legal Proceedings Against Papers.

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—Hon. S. H. Parent, chairman of the National Transcontinental Railway Commission, has written to the Hon. Charles Russell, of London, instructing him to take any legal proceedings the British law allows to protect the members of the commission against the charges recently made in the London Times and other British papers reflecting on the honesty of the commission in supervising the construction of the road. A retraction and apology has been demanded from the Times and falling that the commission will