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BULK OF FORTUNE TO NURSE

LITTLE TO FAMILY

Walter E. Duryea's Will Causes Surprise Among Relatives—The Athlete Who Lived Twelve Years With Broken Neck

New York, May 18.—To the woman who had nursed him faithfully and constantly during the twelve years he battled against death from a broken back, Walter E. Duryea bequeathed the greater part of the fortune he inherited from his father. Close to \$1,000,000 is the estimate placed by those familiar with the value of the Duryea properties upon the estate, thus giving to Miss Eleanor Peregrin, a native of Northern New York, a professional nurse and possessor of no wealth until her grateful patient recovered her. That she will have to fight for the Duryea fortune is evident from comment of members of that family.

Under Mr. Duryea's will, Miss Peregrin receives \$500,000 outright, the income from a trust fund of \$300,000, all the testator's personal property in two of his houses, including No. 100 Lorraine avenue in Montclair, N. J., in which he died, and all the residue of Mr. Duryea's estate. The will is signed with the mark of Mr. Duryea, as paralysis resulting from the injury to his spine made it impossible for him to write.

Bequest Surprises Relatives. At the home of Mr. Duryea, in Lorraine avenue, Montclair, N. J., the announcement that he had bequeathed to Miss Peregrin the bulk of his fortune caused much surprise apparently. A woman who said she was in a position to speak for Mr. Duryea's friends expressed disbelief of the report that he had bequeathed a fortune on the young woman. This informant also denied positively a report that Mr. Duryea had married Miss Peregrin.

Colonel E. C. Sprigg, of Essex Falls, brother-in-law, of Mr. Duryea, also expressed surprise at the news. He did not care to commit himself when asked whether or not he believed Mr. Duryea's relatives contemplated a suit to annul the will. He said Mr. Duryea's sisters had not considered such a contingency.

"It seems remarkable, however," said Colonel Sprigg, "that Mr. Duryea should have willed the greater part of his fortune to Miss Peregrin, for he never earned a dollar of the money on which his large fortune was based. The money came from one of his own family, and one would naturally expect that he would rather see it revert to his own than go to a comparative stranger.

However, it was not inconsistent with Mr. Duryea's attitude toward his sisters. In his affliction they treated him always with the utmost consideration and kindness, but his attitude toward them was exactly opposite.

Mr. Duryea's bequests to members of his own family are \$100,000 and family homes to each of two sisters, Marcia V. Cox and Eva Thelberg, and \$200,000 and antique family furniture to a third sister, Grace E. Sprigg. Trust funds are established of \$50,000 for Julia Sprigg, \$50,000 for James C. Sprigg and \$50,000 for Marcia Cox, niece and nephew of the testator, the proceeds to be devoted to their education during their minority and they to receive the principal upon attaining majority.

Forecasts—Moderate winds, fair and warm; some local showers tonight and Friday. Synopses—Fair weather, with moderate winds prevailing throughout the maritime provinces this morning; to banks, moderate to fresh winds, mostly westerly. To American ports, moderate southerly and westerly winds.

Local Weather Report at Noon. Thursday, May 18, 1911. Highest temperature during last 24 hrs 70. Lowest temperature during last 24 hrs 54. Temperature at noon 62. Humidity at noon 74. Barometer readings at noon (sea level) and 22 degrees F. 29.83 inches. Wind at noon—Direction south, velocity ten miles per hour; clear. Same date last year—Highest temperature 87, lowest, 44; fair.

Germany and Mexico. Berlin, May 18.—(Canadian Press)—Germany has followed up her representation to the Mexican government of two weeks ago, concerning danger to Germans at Cuernavaca and elsewhere in Mexico, with particular representations regarding the wounding of the German, Oton Katerfeld, who was reported shot while defending his ranch near Terrova.

BIRTHS WERE FEWER THAN FOR CENTURY

Paris Chief Statistician Sees Nation Resigning Itself To Suicide—Divorces in Year 13,049

(Canadian Press)

Paris, May 18.—The Journal Officiel publishes an article by Dr. Jacques Bertillon, chief statistician of Paris calling attention to the disastrous results of the birth and death statistics in France for 1910. The complete figures are as follows: Marriages, 302,581; divorces 13,049; births 774,358; deaths, 703,777. The births are the lowest for a century.

JEWISH COLONY TO BE FOUNDED IN EGYPT

Tract of 10,000 Acres Acquired and Conditions Are Declared Favorable

Alexandria, Egypt, May 18.—It is announced that the general Jewish colonizing organization has acquired an area of land 10,000 acres in extent at Raphia, in the El. Ashmoun district, for the purpose of founding a Jewish colony.

THE MARRIAGE DECREE

Dr. Hinks in Toronto Congregational Church Express His Views Strongly

Toronto, May 18.—(Canadian Press)—"The father of any family, who, through listening to a priest, breaks up his home and the peace on which he and his daughters into the cold world should be treated as a common criminal and should be punished with the same severity as the murderer of a man who was the means of breaking up the home, and is equally criminal."

This was one of the assertions in an address delivered by Rev. Dr. Hinks on the "no temper" marriage decree before a capacity audience in the Bond Street Congregational church last night.

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"I shall have broken up for purely ecclesiastical reasons, and the man who breaks them up goes unpunished!" This declared Dr. Hinks, was the real issue and the point upon which he would like to see some editorial expressions. In Italy, he said, provisions had been added to the code which punished the priest who was the means of breaking up the home, and is equally criminal.

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KINGS AND YORK SUFFER MOST IN FOREST FIRES

DECIDE NOW TO PURCHASE THE NEWPORT

Common Council Reverses Decision of Monday on Ferry Matter

VOTE TWELVE TO TWO

Ald. Smith May Be Sent to Complete Purchase—Hassam Must Repair Germain Street—A. C. P. R. Agreement Point Settled

The common council this morning, by a vote of thirteen to three, decided to purchase the ferry steamer Newport, at a cost of \$20,000. At a meeting on Monday last, the vote stood eleven to three, there being a lack of one vote for the required two-thirds.

Certain changes of minor importance in connection with the C. P. R. agreement, were assented to, and the action of the mayor in ordering the Hassam paving Co. to repair Germain street, was approved.

The mayor said he had called the meeting in response to the requisition. Twelve aldermen, who had asked that a special meeting be called to reconsider the purchase of the Newport.

Ald. Smith moved that the motion made at the last meeting of the council be reconsidered. This was seconded by Ald. J. B. Jones, but ruled out of order by the mayor.

The Ald. Smith then moved that the ferry contract be authorized to purchase the Newport at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.

Ald. Potts moved that the council resolve into a general committee to discuss the matter, but on the motion being put, it was declared lost, only Ald. Potts, Green, and Elliott supporting it.

Ald. Potts then asked to have the reports of the superintendent and the government inspectors read, and this was done.

Ald. Potts read a report submitted to the council last year, after he and the superintendent had visited cities in the states, looking for a suitable boat, in which they reported they had found nothing suitable. They had seen the Newport but were not sufficiently impressed to recommend her purchase.

Ald. Potts said he had a telegram from the broker, Mr. Weeks, stating that, Ald. Potts had been negotiating for a charter of the Newport.

Ald. Potts said he had suggested chartering the boat until a suitable boat could be built here, but he had been unable to arrange it. He spoke at some length in opposition to the purchase of the steamer.

Ald. J. B. Jones said that in view of the reports of the officials and the need of another boat he would support Ald. Smith's motion.

Ald. Elliott said he was opposed to the purchase of the steamer because he believed the boat was not in good condition. He quoted Thomas Hilyard to the effect that the cost would be \$45,000 or over, he would support it. If it turned out that the cost would be \$25,000 or over, he would ask for the dismissal of the superintendent.

Ald. Scully said he regretted that he was not present at the last meeting of the council. He thought another boat should be secured at once.

To Ald. C. T. Jones, the mayor said the boat could be brought to St. John under her own steam, but it might be deemed advisable to employ a tug-boat.

Carried. Alderman Smith's motion was then put and adopted by a vote of 13 to 3, as follows:—Ald. J. B. Jones, Smith, Kier, (Continued on page 3, fifth column.)

Reports From Provincial Centres Show General Situation Serious

Mechanics Settlement in Danger From Flames That Have Swept Through Valuable Timberland—Every Man Available is Out Fighting Fires in York—Rain Needed to Save Thousands of Acres

Forest fires are causing great destruction of valuable timberland in various parts of the province, especially in Kings and York counties. Unless rain comes, and today's weather report predicts only show, it is feared thousands of acres will be burned over. The Times has collected the following reports on the situation today:—

Serious in Kings. A portion of Kings county is being devastated by a very threatening forest fire in the vicinity of Mechanics Settlement. A Kings county man, who drove through the district yesterday afternoon, said that there was a line of fire from South Branch to Fortage, which had swept over a tract of woodland five miles in width and eight miles in length. Not all of this tract had been destroyed, but the destructive work of the flames was in evidence in many places.

The fire was also spreading from South Branch up through to Goshen, and on to Mechanics Settlement. At that time the settlement had not been reached, but it was feared that the flames might sweep to the village. A large number of men were fighting to keep the flames away from the settlement at that time.

There was no direct communication this morning between the weather and wind conditions were about the same as yesterday, and it was thought that danger still existed. The woodland swept over is mostly government land, but some is held by private owners.

The conditions throughout that section of Kings county, he declared, are alarming. The woods are very dry, and provide good fuel for the flames. The animals are being driven from cover in the forest, and he saw several scorpions to safety. Among them was a rabbit, all slung by the fire.

Some of the owners of timberland there are Albert Connors, Latham Hall, Burpee Cook, and James Purdie.

In Charlotte. Advice which reached the Times Staff from St. George was to the effect that forest fires were causing destruction in Charlotte county, but that no valuable timberland had been reported destroyed. The area swept by the flames was quite extensive, but the destruction had been confined mostly to pulp lands and small wood.

The woods on both sides of the Maguadavic River were also yesterday and the flames were sweeping down towards the mouth in the vicinity of St. George, but no time was the town seriously threatened. In the neighborhood of Honey River, quite a fire was reported, while another which was sweeping towards Lake Utopia was thought to have burnt itself out.

At Brown's Falls. The disastrous fire which prevailed in the woods in the rear of Brown's Falls early in the week, has practically died out in different parts of the province would be devastated.

At the Border. St. Stephen, N. B., May 18.—(Special)—Fire at Moore's Mills and St. David Ridge have burnt over considerable woodland but are now well under control. No report of other fires or of buildings being burnt has reached here.

MADE \$105,000 ON PROPERTY PURCHASE. Calgary, Alta., May 18.—(Canadian Press)—A piece of property in section 10, block 12, subdivision 10, of the city of Calgary, was purchased for \$105,000, the highest price ever paid for a piece of property in the city.

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TO MEET ON TRACK AND IN THE RING

International College Sports July 6—Papke and Sullivan, McFarland and Wells To Battle

(Canadian Press)

New York, May 18.—Word was received here today that a joint meeting of the Oxford and Cambridge Athletic Clubs last night confirmed July 6 as the date of the meeting with the Yale and Harvard teams. It was provisionally agreed that the British team shall consist of the winners of this year's intervarsity sports. Harvard and Yale are in favor of the plan, but no definite action has yet been taken.

It is announced that Billy Tapke, the American middleweight, and Jim Sullivan, the English champion, have signed articles in London for a twenty round match for the world's championship on June 6. The papers provide that the fight is to be for \$10,000 and a side bet. Eugene Corri will be the referee.

Chicago, May 18.—Dorothy McFarland has agreed to meet Matt Wells, the English lightweight champion, in a ten round bout which will be held in Milwaukee early in June. The fighters have settled on 135 pounds at 3 o'clock as satisfactory weight. The date will probably be June 9th.

TEACHER AND SIX PUPILS ARE DROWNED

SACKVILLE WEDDING

Miss Gladys I. Dixon the Bride of S. M. Hirtle of Alberta

(Special to Times)

Sackville, N. B., May 18.—On Wednesday afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Dixon, the only daughter, Gladys Irvyn, was married to St. Manuel Hirtle, of Strathmore, Alberta, by Rev. Dr. Rogers, assisted by Rev. Thomas Marshall, Miss Nellie James played the wedding march.

The bride received beautiful and valuable gifts, including cut glass, silver and cash. The groom's gift was a submersible boat. The bride and groom were accompanied by a large party of guests.

After luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Hirtle left for the residence of the bride's parents. The bride is going away with her parents to the flower girl's old home. She graduated from Mount Allison Conservatory of Music in 1910.

MRS. MARY MCKNIGHT OF APOHAQUI DEAD

(Special to Times)

Sussex, N. B.—Mrs. Mary McKnight, widow of Wm. McKnight, died at her home in Apohaqui last evening aged eighty-nine years. She was a life long member of the Baptist church and respected by many friends. She is survived by seven sons—James, in the west; Charles H., Harford, Joshua, Seymour, Theodore and Beck residing in Kings county—and one daughter, Mrs. George Cores of Cornwall. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon, interment in Rockville cemetery. Rev. Mr. MacLackie will officiate.

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London, May 18.—The London county council has issued a report showing the extent of the debt of London. The total amount reaches the enormous figure of £115,185,600 (\$575,928,000). The charge upon this amount a year is £4,339,467 and of this sum the ratepayers have to pay £3,953,189.

The borough council's debt is £13,303,305 (\$60,519,575), and that of the guardians is £3,788,776; the charges on the rates being £7,788,480 and £3,953,620 respectively.

MISS CAMPBELL WON HER MATCH TODAY

Port Rush, Ireland, May 18.—(Canadian Press)—Miss Dorothy Campbell, of Hamilton, Ont., won her match in the fourth round of the British women's golf championship today, in brilliant style, beating Mrs. G. M. Martin, of the Tavistock Club, 7 up and five to play. This leaves the Canadian champion among the eight who will fight the fifth round.

KING AND KAISER AT THE PLAY

Gala Performance by Stars in Drury Lane Theatre

FINEST THEY EVER SAW

(Canadian Press)

London, May 18.—Drury Lane Theatre was transformed into a fairy world with flower garlands and drooping foliage last night at the gala performance of Delvey Lytton's old comedy "Money" given in honor of the German Emperor by a star cast which left the principal roles in the hands of understudies.

The King and queen and their imperial guests dined early at Buckingham Palace, and then drove in procession to the theatre through crowds of cheering spectators. Drury Lane's dingy exterior was brightened with the colors and imperial splendor inside, the house was a blaze of light and color.

As soon as the royal party was seated the curtains were drawn aside revealing a drop curtain especially designed by the artist, John Seymour Lucas, representing equestrian portraits of King George and Emperor William in military uniforms, flanking allegorical figures of Britannia and Germania surrounded by a host of figures of Peace, bestowing laurels upon the two sovereigns and giving a distant view of St. Paul's and London. This drop scene had been kept a secret, and when it was uncovered it was greeted with enthusiasm.

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KING FINDS PLACE FOR CLERGYMAN AT THE CORONATION

(Canadian Press)

London, May 18.—(Canadian Press)—Rev. H. Everett, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, New York, and formerly minister of Christ's Lake Congregational church in Birmingham, will be the guest of King George at the coronation ceremonies on June 22 in the Abbey church of St. Peter, Westminster.

The abbey coronation committee was unable to find room in the church for the distinguished preacher, and when the king heard that all the seats had been filled, His Majesty placed one of his own chairs at the disposal of Dr. Everett.

C. P. R. TELEGRAPHERS WANT MORE FROM THE DOMINION EXPRESS

Toronto, May 18.—(Canadian Press)—The railway telegraphers in the service of the C. P. R. have applied to W. S. Stout, general manager of the Dominion Express Co. for an increase of about ten per cent. in the commission paid to them for transmission of the express company's messages. They made a similar demand two years ago but compromised on a somewhat lower commission basis, owing to trade conditions.

Ottawa's Coronation Celebration

Ottawa, Ont., May 18.—(Canadian Press)—Ottawa aldermen will be asked to spend \$1,000 to celebrate the coronation. All the school children will be massed on Parliament Hill and given Union Jacks; a motor regatta on the river is proposed, with fire works at night. Hill will probably join in the celebration.

Hamilton Goes Ahead

Hamilton, Ont., May 18.—(Canadian Press)—Hamilton's building figures this year are expected to pass the \$4,000,000 mark, which will be nearly double the value of permits issued last year. The record set this year for new houses has never been equaled in the city's history.

NEGRO RUNS AMUCK IN NEW YORK, SHOOTING AND STABBING

New York, May 18.—(Canadian Press)—John Kane, a negro tailor, in desperate resistance to arrest and to the attack of a mob which was trying to seize him after he had fatally wounded a white man last night, shot or stabbed to death at least ten other persons, one of them an eight-year old girl. Kane's mad career was brought to a halt by a revolver bullet which struck him in the back and penetrated his lung. He was taken to a hospital in a dying condition. The trouble began when Kane, with a black jack, assaulted a white man who reproved him for smoking on an elevated train. The negro jumped to the station platform and established the first man he met then ran to the street abacin and stabbing until a policeman shot him. The police today say that Kane has admitted he is the man who killed Richard Ball, a newspaper man, in Broadway eleven years ago. Ball's slayer said that he killed his man for stepping on his toes. He served nine years for this crime.

PEOPLE OF NOTE

Times Gallery of Men and Women of Prominence

Senator Gallinger. He was in the fight for place as the new president pro tempore of the United States senate, as successor to Senator Payne. He is a former Canadian, seventy-four years of age, and a medical graduate. He entered the political arena in 1872 as member of the New Hampshire Legislature, and since that period has taken an active part in American public life.

THE TIMES' NEW REPORTER

LATEST FROM MEXICO. Mexico City, May 18.—(Very Special)—It is believed that the war is over and that full-lighting will begin again this week. Much depends upon the ability of the government to find lucrative jobs for the leaders of the insurgents. An insurgent is a man who works for a living when he can't help it. The climate of Mexico is partly responsible for him. Provisional President Francisco I. Madero, wants a longer title, and will probably insist upon getting it. Canadians who have money invested in Mexico are assured that it is safe. None of it will get away.

LONDON SPECIALS. Two gentlemen who were sitting on a bench on one of the squares this morning fell into conversation on the fact that Judge Ritchie had been 22 years on the police court bench.

"IT'll bet," said one of them, "that I did more to keep him busy than you did in that time."

"No, you didn't," asserted the other. "I've been up before him often than you have."

The argument was continued until the throats of both were parched with speech, when an adjournment was made. His Honor may be called on to settle the dispute tomorrow morning, at the usual hour.

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