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ONE CENT.

BLACK HANDERS WRECKED SALOON

DeLessio Refused the Demand for Tribute. THEY ASKED \$2,000

But He Would Not Pay Up, and Threatening Letters Followed—Finally They Blew Up His Saloon in Brooklyn, N. Y., With Dynamite.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—A dynamite explosion, declared to have been the work of the "blackhand" fraternity, completely wrecked the interior of the saloon of John De Lessio in Brooklyn, early today. The windows of houses adjoining also were broken by the concussion. De Lessio, who is the owner of 8 or 9 houses in the neighborhood of his saloon, and is reputed to be wealthy, said that he received a letter signed "The Blackhand" demanding \$2,000 about a year ago. The letter was turned over to the police. Since that time De Lessio says he has received additional letters threatening him with death and the kidnaping of one of his children. He said today that he paid no attention to these threats and declared that he would not pay one cent of tribute money. He offered a reward of \$1,000 for the apprehension of the perpetrators of today's outrage.

VERY RICH GOLD FIND Ontario Mine is Richest Strike in the World, if Reports are True.

WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Anthony Blum, proprietor of the Laurier Mine, at Dawson, Ont., is in the city with samples of ore which indicate that the property is one of the richest strikes ever made in America. It is reported that the ore body, which is 100 feet wide, and is 200 feet long, and is in place carries veins of solid gold three inches in thickness.

PHYSICIAN IN TROUBLE Calgary Doctor Arrested by Mounted Police on a Serious Charge.

CALGARY, Alta., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Dr. A. E. Auld, a well-known Calgary physician, was arrested by the Mounted Police last night and taken to Carleton Place, charged with the responsibility for a criminal operation on a young woman of the latter town.

BALFOUR UNOPPOSED LONDON, Feb. 13.—Former Premier Balfour's non-committal speech at the banquet of the Conservatives of the city of London yesterday evening has apparently satisfied the Liberals. At a meeting of the City of London Liberal Association this afternoon, it was decided not to oppose the former premier's election for the city of London. Mr. Balfour therefore is assured of the seat in parliament.

A SAD MESSAGE FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Rev. Willard MacDonald, pastor of St. Paul's church, has been called to Windsor, N. S., by the news of the sudden death of his sister, Mrs. Ullman, of that place.

SPEAKER AND PREMIER TAKE OATH OF OFFICE IN THE BRITISH HOUSE

LONDON, Feb. 14.—Shortly after the re-assembling of the house of commons at noon today, the speaker-elect, James W. Lowther, accompanied by a majority of the members, proceeded to the house of lords, where the speaker's election was confirmed by the royal commission. The speaker-elect occupied the chair in the lower house and awaited the arrival of Blackford from the royal commission. When the officer had delivered his message the speaker-elect went to the upper house and acquainted the commissioners that "His Majesty's faithful commons, in obedience to his command, had elected a speaker, and as the object of their choice, he submitted himself with all humility to the king's gracious approbation."

A SILVER REFINERY The First in Canada Will Be Located in Hamilton—Will Handle Much Ore.

HAMILTON, Ont., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Arrangements have been completed for the location in the Hoopier Refining Company's building of the first silver refinery in Canada. It is stated that the company will handle several million dollars worth of silver ore annually. W. G. Trethewey of Toronto, and John Macdonald of Cornwall, are two of the leading promoters. The ore will be brought from the Cobalt mines, where the company have large interests.

AGED WOMAN DISAPPEARS Nova Scotia May Have Another Murder to Deal With.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—A mysterious disappearance is reported from Centre Elmwood, and rumors of another murder are abroad. Luby Barkhouse, a single woman, about 50 years of age, who lived in Centre Elmwood, has disappeared. She lived on the road leading from Windsor to Gray Mountain. The last person who saw her was her sister Alice, in September last. Alice counted for her about \$100, which Luby had. Her brother Benjamin, a farmer, searched the house and premises. The furniture and other household articles were undisturbed. Inquiries made in Falmouth, Truro, Kentville and elsewhere, have failed to elicit intelligence of her. She has a brother John in New Brunswick and several sisters.

WILL OPEN A SCHOOL Military School for Cavalry Officers and Non-Coms. to Be Established at Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—The establishment of a provisional school of instruction for cavalry officers and non-commissioned officers at Ottawa has been authorized. The school will be opened May 1, under the supervision of the officer in charge of the Cavalry School. Dragoons and will last until May 15.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Robert Johnson a well known resident of Oranoid died yesterday from gangrene. He was 87 and leaves five sons and three daughters. Mrs. Annie Kearney, widow of the late Sgt. George Kearney of the Royal Regiment, died here last night from dropsy aged forty-five years. She was a daughter of the late George Hinemore and a sister of George and Arthur Hinemore well known in athletic circles. Martin Albert, only son of Martin Butler, editor of the "Journal" and seriously ill and is not expected to recover.

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Cotton futures opened at 18.75; March, 18.75; April, 18.65; May, 18.75; June, 18.80; July, 18.85; August, 18.75; Sept., 18.85; October, 18.85; Nov., 18.75.

FIFTEEN BODIES FOUND

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—The bodies of fifteen men, crew members of the schooner "Coleman" at Yakastaga Bay, have been found.

WANT SEASON EXTENDED

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—The close season for smelt fishing closes today. The government has a strong application for an extension. It will be decided today. It looks just now as if it would be granted.

CAREFUL INSTRUCTIONS

The Times new reporter has received an invitation to the wedding of Miss Alice Roosevelt and Congressman Nicholson Longworth, which takes place at Washington on Saturday. Enclosed with the invitation was a copy of the regulations, which all guests are expected to observe. These regulations are absolutely the last word in swell weddings and have been

SITUATION IN CHINA IS MORE AGGRAVATED TODAY; MISSIONARIES WARNED

Presbyterian Board Instructs Them to Use Cable in Reporting and to Prepare for Trouble—Many are in Such Remote Places They Could Be Cut Off.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions in this city, in consequence of the embarkation of soldiers for the Philippines, for possible service in China, has warned its missionaries to use the cable in reporting anti-foreign movements of the natives and to keep in touch with the nearest treaty ports in case of trouble. "The chief cause of anxiety," said Robert E. Speer, secretary of the board, yesterday, "is the constant spreading of wrong ideas of the treatment of the Chinese in this country. Stories are being circulated through China of the massacre of Chinese in America and in China they have yellow journals just as we have them here. But they are not the intelligent that we have, and the stories have a greater percentage of believers. We know of the presence of the Chinese in the Philippines weeks ago. "The treaty ports missionaries may use as refuge places are Canton, Shanghai, Hankow, Hangchow, Soo Chow, Ningpo, Tientsin, Chefoo, Tien Tsin and Peking. The majority of these would give a means of escape for refugees if water routes. In all of them missionaries and their families would find high Chinese who would be of help to them. But in many instances the missionaries and Americans are at such remote places that they could be easily cut off, and their only chance of safety would rest with the government of China and its representatives. "One of the visitors to the Presbyterian board of foreign missions here yesterday was Rev. A. Charles Fairweather, an inland Chinese missionary who had just arrived from China. He said: "The anti-foreign and anti-foreign feeling in north China is very bitter and I believe it is more bitter now than at any time during the Boxer year. I left the Anhai province in December 11, and I know of cases where Chinese have burned their stock of American merchandise rather than have their countrymen take it. They had them even in their possession."

IN TROUBLE IN BANGOR St. John and Sussex Men Arrested in Maine Town on Charges of Stealing.

The Bangor Commercial Chronicle, the case of James Child, of St. John, and Norman Gray, of Sussex, who, with two Bangor men, were arrested Saturday night in that city on charges of entering and larceny. The quartette were before the grand jury on Monday afternoon last. The offense is regarded as serious, from the fact that the stolen articles, including articles amounting to \$175, although the goods in themselves are worth but little money. Although the offense of the two men is similar, they are not suspected of having worked in common. Child being wanted on a charge of larceny, he was taken to the jail of Bangor, Me., on Friday last week. Child, when taken to the station, broke down and confessed his guilt, telling where he had hidden the booty, which was found and identified.

THEY WANT \$3,000 GRANT Government Asked to Aid Exhibition in Sussex.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—A delegation from the Sussex and St. John Agricultural Society, composed of Ed. McIntyre, W. A. Jeffrey and J. H. G. Goss, accompanied by Messrs. King and Scott, M. P. P., waited upon the government this morning and asked for a grant of \$3,000 to enable the society to assist in the exhibition of the "Sportmen's Show." It is too late now to get up an exhibit, but it is proposed that Frederickton and the New Brunswick Tourist Association send representatives from the different game districts of the province to look after the distribution of literature. H. P. McCreedy, M. P. P., is being warmly congratulated on his appointment as judge of the county court. The stolen goods consisted of watches, chains and other articles. Three of the four men have confessed that they were concerned in the robbery. The police think that the capture of the four young men will have a salutary effect in preventing future breaks.

MR. ROBERTSON WINS Word Received Today that Privy Council Had Decided in His Favor in Case of Long Standing

A cablegram was received this morning by Hamilton, Ted & Hamilton that the case of A. C. Fairweather vs. James P. Robertson had been decided in favor of Mr. Robertson by the Privy Council. The judgment carries over. This case was started ten years ago by A. C. Fairweather against Geo. E. Lloyd, of the Rothway College. It was tried before Judge Barker and decided in favor of Mr. Robertson, he being made a party to the case in 1901. It was appealed by Mr. Fairweather to Frederickton, and a verdict granted in his favor in 1904. Mr. Robertson appealed to the Privy Council and the case was argued last December. A. H. Hamilton, K. C., for Robertson, and Dr. A. A. Stockton for Fairweather and judgment granted as stated above. The matter involved was a right of way at Rothway.

FROM HUNGARY (Saturday Post.)

A well-known New York publisher has received the following epistle from a Hungarian reader. It is quoted verbatim: "Subscribed I am so free to you good and beg. You would be so good to my address the list of prices of your precious ship upon my cost. I would English works buy and I know not any English book reader. I pray you, to me for my English friendly by the way from one and a half year—Hoping you will my modest petition accomplish, I remain, Your servant, etc. P. S.—I beg to me your list of prices with payment on delivery to send."

LIVED TO GOOD OLD AGE ST. CATHERINES, Ont., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—A colored woman, Mrs. Nancy Ann Smith, has just died at the Welland poor house, aged 107.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

Mr. Peter Binks asserts that he will have no more dealings with the weather man, after last night. "He soils me every time," said Mr. Binks. Mr. James Jones desires to have it stated that he entirely approves of the agitation to have new blood in the city council. He is willing to circulate there himself, and to that end will endorse anything that any other man is willing to endorse, and as much more as may be necessary. CAREFUL INSTRUCTIONS The Times new reporter has received an invitation to the wedding of Miss Alice Roosevelt and Congressman Nicholson Longworth, which takes place at Washington on Saturday. Enclosed with the invitation was a copy of the regulations, which all guests are expected to observe. These regulations are absolutely the last word in swell weddings and have been

THE RUSH FOR WESTERN LANDS Homestead Entries for January Are Much Ahead of Same Date Last Year.

OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—(Special.)—The rush for land in the west continues. The homestead entries for the month of January show an increase of 492 over January 1905. The total entries for the month were 1205. There are increasing applications for land in the West. The entries for the month of January are much ahead of the same date last year.

THE COAL STRIKE Anthracite Conference Will Be Held Tomorrow—The Bituminous Situation.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The special committee of the anthracite workers to which has been entrusted the duty of presenting to the operators the demands of the men has completed its work and everything now is practically in readiness for tomorrow's conference. The work of the sub-committee, which is made up of the three district presidents and secretary, has been in all districts. President Mitchell has preferred not to discuss conditions in the bituminous fields at this time. It has been learned from an authoritative source however, that the resolution adopted by the miners to the effect that no district should sign an agreement until grievances in all districts have been adjusted, will not be permitted to stand in the way of agreement. If the occasion arises it can easily be rescinded.

THE MONTREAL MARKET Market This Morning Was Less Active and a Tendency Downward.

MONTREAL, Feb. 14.—(Special.)—The stock market this morning was less active with a tendency downward from yesterday. Dominion Iron sold at 32 1/2 and 58 and bonds at 88 1/2. Montreal Street sold at 270 and down to 268 7/8. Toronto rates at 118 1/2. Canadian Pacific at 174 and 174 1/2. Montreal Traction at 94. Detroit United at 101 and MacKay preferred, 75.

LATE PERSONALS Mrs. J. F. Carson left this morning for St. George.

Among the passengers on the noon train from Boston today was little Miss Gladys McLaughlin, a niece of W. M. P. McLaughlin, with whom she will make a visit. She is about eight years old and travelled from Boston alone. Mrs. Wm. Peters, Jr., returned from Montreal today.

LATE LOCALS A new dining car, the St. Cloud, which has just been turned out of the C. P. R. shops, was brought in on the Atlantic express today. It will probably be sent out on the Montreal express tomorrow.

MAIL TRAIN WRECKED KANSAS CITY, Feb. 14.—Fast mail train Number 7, west-bound, on the Missouri Pacific Railway, which left St. Louis at midnight, was wrecked at the Gasconade bridge, 27 miles east of Jefferson City today. Three of the mail cars were derailed, caught fire and were destroyed. Several members of the crew were hurt, but no one was killed. The train carried no passengers.

HOTEL ARRIVALS At the New Victoria—The Central, Springfield, Mass.; Geo. Warren, London, Ont.; John Topping, Lawrence, Mass.; J. E. Crowell, Boston.

WASHINGTON IS ALL READY FOR MISS ROOSEVELT'S WEDDING

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THE SITUATION ON THE ST. JOHN

KILLED IN COAL MINE Ira Ripley Instantly Killed in Joggins Mines Last Night—Death Was Accidental.

MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Robert P. Ripley, of the I. C. B. shops in this city received a telegram this morning from Joggins Mines conveying the sad news that his brother Ira Ripley, foreman in Joggins Mines, had been instantly killed last night. No further particulars of the sad affair are to hand but it is supposed that Ripley met death by some accident while at work in the mine. The deceased was about thirty-two years of age and was the son of R. S. Ripley, postmaster at Joggins Mines. He had been in the employ of the Joggins Coal Mines for some time and was a popular and highly esteemed young man. He was a prominent Oddfellow. He was married and survived by a wife and two young children.

Predict That the Reach Will be Open by March 1st

Although yesterday's rain softened the country roads to some extent, farmers who arrived today say that this made practically no difference in the going, and this morning's fall in temperature will have a decidedly beneficial effect. The river is still good for crossing at Gondola Point, but the ice on the Reach is poor and an early opening of the Reach is predicted. A resident of the Long Reach, who was in Indiantown today, expressed the opinion that that section of the river would be clear by the first of March.

ICE IS VERY THIN Lumbering Outlook More Hopeful Than Before—Cold Weather and a Little Snow Needed to Harden the Wood Roads—Hauling Progressing.

According to reports, the ice on the Reach is very much below the average for this time of year, and in places where it is generally stronger it is now only three or four inches thick and of a blue-black color, the heaviest measuring ten inches in thickness. The lumbering situation is still more hopeful than heretofore, and a local lumberman said today that the work of hauling logs from the woods to the streams and river front is progressing rapidly. The gentleman referred to added that a night or two of frost, followed by a heavy fall of snow, would put the wood roads in splendid condition. There are still from twenty-five to thirty million feet of logs in safe water at Fredericton, about three-fourths of being to local lumbermen. Operators are still hoping for a "dant fall of the beautiful."

INVESTMENT MATTERS General News Notes and Current Market Comment.

Pettigrew, Bright & Co., Boston—When some of the weaker-held stocks are liquidated, it will be found that the best of bases to carry it over the period of doubt, namely, a short-term note, they believe in safety and safety and are going to have a continued broad market, with many opportunities for profit in the near future. There has been a great deal of speculation in the market, but the general market could make against possible results in the labor market. The money market is to take account of stock, so to speak, now to get into easy conditions, to discount possibilities.

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