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## PEARY HERE THIS MORNING; IS AWAY THROUGH EXPLORING

### Says He Will Never Again Go North—Twenty Three Years Enough for Any Man Crowd Down to Meet Him

“Well, gentlemen, what can I do for you this morning?” was the greeting the newspaper men and camera men sent the morning from Commander Robert E. Peary who passed through the city, taking the Boston express at 7 o'clock for Bangor and Portland.

Mrs. Peary and the children accompanied the Commander as well as a troop of American newspaper men and their wives, also Francis B. Sayre, who has been acting as private secretary to Peary since his arrival at Battle Harbor.

Upwards of a hundred people were at the train and on the street this morning. Scores expressed regret that they did not know the fields so far as they had been generally known an immense crowd would no doubt have been present.

“A Star man, the Commander refused to say anything about the Pele other than he had already printed, as his agreement with the New York Times, he said, would not permit him.

When asked about the rumor that he had refused to permit the Roosevelt taking part in the Hudson-Fulton celebration, the Commander said: “All rumors to that effect are unfounded. I know absolutely nothing about the celebration and the fields so far as I am concerned, is in the hands of my friends to arrange.”

The Roosevelt left Sydney yesterday and will arrive in New York in plenty of time for the celebration.

The subject of Dr. Cook was mentioned, but Mr. Peary remarked: “I am not saying anything more than has already been said.”

Asked as to the value of the discovery of the Pole, he replied: “The discovery has little commercial significance but the great value of the Pole is as a trophy and for what it stands for.”

Identifiably the line of surrounding the Pole, will be of great value, and our expedition will show the general direction of the continent. The way for scientists to send parties to establish points and take valuable observations and records.”

Asked as to the continuation of further polar expeditions, Peary said: “I have no intention of returning and feel that after twenty-three years of active service I am deserving of a rest.”

When asked about the rumor that Captain Bartlett anticipated fitting up an expedition to the Pole in the near future, the Commander said: “I think that is an unfounded rumor originating from the fertile brain of one of my followers.”

Peary would make no comment upon the statement of Canada's claim upon the Pole and asked as to what authority would satisfy him of Dr. Cook's success, he replied: “No arrangements have been made about settling the matter under discussion, but I want an authority whose verdict may be absolutely conclusive as to a way out.”

Peary intends spending the next few days with his family at their summer home, Eagle Island, and further plans depend upon the arrangements made by his friends.

Commander Peary attributed his success to complete equipment, competent assistants and a thorough knowledge of the work.

Mrs. Peary, Miss Mary Peary and Master Robert were delighted almost beyond expression at having a husband and father with them today. The Commander, too, showed every attention to the family from whom he had been separated for more than a year, and strongly asserted that nothing would part him from his family in the future.

Henry E. Reed, a friend of the Pearys, who accompanied Peary to Sydney to meet his husband, was included in the party and stated that the meeting of husband and family was very affecting.

### WELCOMED TO MAINE.

VANCEBORO, Me., Sept. 23.—Maine made its welcome to Mr. Peary today, Commander Robert E. Peary, today, and all along the route of his journey through the State the friendly greetings of the people was a pleasing recognition of his achievement in finding the North Pole. Commander Peary and his family are expected later today at Portland where they will probably remain over night and go to their home at Eagle Bay the next morning.

The Peary party passed through St. John, N. B., early today and in the crowded train several people gathered about the explorer and congratulated him upon his success. The commander said he did not know what the plans are for his reception at Bangor. It is understood that while he is glad to meet the people he desires to refrain from making any speeches.

Commander Peary is keeping his own counsel with regard to the question, “Has Cook found the Pole,” but intimations are not wanting today that the time is near at hand when this will be made known. The explorer will probably remain at Eagle Bay several days and during that time will assign the records he made on the trip to the Pole and at the same time keep himself advised of the developments in the Cook controversy.

## COOK DESCRIBES LAST STAGE OF HIS DASH FOR THE NORTH POLE

### Dogs and Men Racing Northward Over the Paleocrycitic Sea--Gales and Heavy Snow Storms Encountered--Eskimo Ingenuity to the Fore.

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### Synopsis of Previous Chapters

In the first instalment of this thrilling story, “The Conquest of the Pole,” printed in the St. John Sun on Wednesday, September 15th, Dr. Frederick A. Cook told of the start from Gloucester on the Bradley of the voyage to the Polar sea and of the overhauling of the equipment needed for the dash to the Pole. In a graphic manner the doctor wrote a story of Eskimo life that never has been excelled for human interest. He told of the home life, the tragedy and comedy that mingled in the dreary existence of the dwellers in the Arctic wastes, of the childlike eagerness of the natives to trade their valuable furs and ivory for the simplest things of civilization. The various points of interest in the expedition and his party were pictured in their preliminary work for the final dash. Finally after describing the various points of interest in Greenland in search of guides and information as to conditions further north, Dr. Cook wrote of the trip across English Bay, past Cape Auckland, and on toward Cape Robertson. Here the discoverer closed, the first part of his narrative with “Bath and the glacier in the Arctic wastes.” In the second instalment, published in the St. John Sun on Friday, Sept. 17, Dr. Cook described the exploration of the coast on to Annotok, the piece of plenty, which he selected as the base for his dash to the Pole.

He also described the preparation of his winter quarters, including a graphic description of a narwhal hunt. In the fourth instalment, Dr. Cook described the approach of the long Arctic night which caused his party to Annotok to become very active in preparing for the dash to the Pole.

### The Conquest of the Pole

By Dr. Frederick A. Cook

### Fifth Instalment

Early in January of 1909, the campaign against the ice was begun. The little train therefore, which followed me in the further mystery was composed of two sleds, each carrying six hundred pounds, drawn by thirteen dogs, under the hand of an expert driver. The combined freight was as follows:

Peumacian, 800 pounds; musk ox tallow, 50 pounds; coffee, one pound; sugar, 2 pounds; condensed milk, 40 pounds; milk biscuits, 40 pounds; pea soup, powdered and compressed, 10 pounds; surprises, 5 pounds; petroleum, 40 pounds; wood alcohol, 2 pounds; candles, 3 pounds; matches, 1 pound.

THE CAMP EQUIPMENT.  
The camp equipment included the following articles: 1 blow fire lamp, 4 level, 2 aluminium pads, 2 aluminium cups, 2 tin plates, 6 pocket knives, 2 butcher knives (10 inches), 1 saw knife (15 inches), 1 long knife, 15 inches.

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### FREDERICTON FAIR TO CLOSE THIS EVENING Hope to Reach the 30,000 Mark in Attendance--Great Demand for Game Licenses.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Sept. 23.—The attendance toward close this evening. The attendance toward close this evening. The attendance toward close this evening. It is expected that the 30,000 mark will be reached.

Up to the present time 5326 game licenses have been issued. Being fifteen hundred in excess of last year.

There is little doubt that the licensees will be issued for the season with a record breaker for the province.

Fredericton today is enjoying regular summer weather, the thermometer at noon registering over 70.

### Willing Savage Hands

This we managed to keep on game trails and in excellent fighting trim to the end of known lands. Camping in the chill of the howling winds of the northernmost coast. (Smartwore) we looked out over the heavy ice of the Polar sea through eyes which had become the worst polar environments.

There was at hand an abundance of supplies, with willing savage hands and a superabundance of brute force in overland paths, but for a greater certainty of action over the unknown regions beyond I resolved to reduce the force to greatest numbers, consisting with the execution of the plan in hand. We had travelled nearly four

## WHOLE FAMILIES WIPED OUT IN THE SOUTHERN STORMS

### JURORS REGISTER A VIGOROUS KICK Kendall Hall Leads the Attack on the Bluffers

245 Mile Section Sets a New Record for  
Rapidity and Thoroughness of  
Construction.

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 23.—G. D. McArthur, of Winnipeg, the contractor for the construction of the section of the National Transcontinental Railway from Winnipeg to Superior Junction, in an interview with our correspondent here stated that track laying on the whole 245 miles of government road connecting the Grand Trunk Pacific main line at Winnipeg with the branch line running from Superior Junction to Port Williams, would be completed by the end of this week. The contract for the section was let on May 18th, 1906, three years and four months ago, and considering the magnitude of the work and the character of the country through which the line has been built, Mr. McArthur maintains that record in the history of the Dominion has railway construction work been carried on more expeditiously and thoroughly.

Commenting on the reports of statements made by Sir Charles Rivers Wilson in Montreal last week, relative to alleged delay in the completion of the Montreal to Port Williams, Mr. McArthur said that Sir Rivers doubtless never intended to suggest some of the things credited to him in the interview for on that date not more than 30 miles of track remained to be laid on the entire length. As a matter of fact, said Mr. McArthur, the whole section would be completed at about the same time as it took the 4 T. 2, to build its branch line of two hundred miles of easier and lighter work than Superior Junction to Port Williams, also the government section, he said, there was more than five times as much track work as on the branch line and moreover on the latter wooden structures were allowed for bridgework whereas on the government line all bridges were of steel, requiring considerably longer to construct. He pointed out that the first eleven miles of the north end of the G. T. P. line which was of difficult construction was not yet finished and had been taken over by the National Transcontinental Commission, who would complete it.

## SEA SUPREMACY IS NECESSARY

### Sir William White Heard in Montreal

Famous Naval Architect Lectures Before  
the Canadian Club—Canada  
a Delight.

MONTREAL, Sept. 22.—Sir William White, the famous naval architect, was the guest of honor at the first luncheon of the season under the auspices of the Canadian Club of Montreal, held in the "Saloon" Institute at one o'clock this afternoon.

Sir William White, who had an exceedingly high reputation, said he had spent two months in Canada and had travelled from the Atlantic to the Pacific. He found that the conception he had formed of Canada was only a faint idea of the Dominion and its wonderful development. Every day he was increasingly surprised at the wonderful resources of the country and at the aptitude and the courage and steadiness of its people.

Coming from the crowded centres of Europe," he said, "all this had been strangely refreshing and inspiring. Almost all the impressions I have received none have been so strong as the impressions made by the people themselves—the strong, hopeful, energetic and enterprising people of Canada."

He had, he said, he said amid applause, to see through the Dominion, the provinces alike with the gates in the Maritime Provinces—the people were of one mind in determined that come what may the British supremacy on the sea must be maintained.

"I have always preached," he said, "and shall always preach the doctrine that the British Empire shall remain unshaken at sea, and you can understand how happy one feels in the knowledge that throughout the empire there is a determination that that shall be maintained."

"The British Empire was created by sea power, is maintained by sea power, and can only exist so long as it is supported at sea. Our future is our future and our communications for the commerce of the world. We have free com-

munication between all parts of the British Empire, and will stand no interference from anyone.

"There is no country or empire to which supremacy at sea is so vital as to the British Empire. The Russian Empire contains everything that is necessary for the human race. France again is self-contained, and can live without sea power, and the same may be said about the United States.

"As to Germany, much that is foolish has been said. Germany has a perfect right to have any strength it likes at sea. It is not for us to say anything against it. It is for us to see whether Germany's strength may be. We may be very much in advance of it."

There was great applause at this remark.

## TWO MILLION CIGARS

MANILA, Sept. 23.—The Pacific Mail liner Sobota left today for San Francisco with two million cigars as the chief item of her cargo. This tremendous shipment has completely cleaned the local market of cigars and the factories are already advancing price

## Death List in Terrebonne Parish Alone Will Probably Amount to Sixty—Four- teen of One Household Perish

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 23.—At an early hour today the list of known dead who perished in Terrebonne Parish during Monday's hurricane had swelled to more than forty and it is believed a score or more may be added to this number. Additional reports of death in other sections of Louisiana are also being received and the toll of human life exacted by the hurricane will count perhaps a hundred people when the final count has been made.

Further details of property loss reaching millions of dollars come in with the grades falling. Others not included in the list of deaths in Terrebonne Parish are continuing their work today. Five hundred sufferers from the storm are being cared for at Houma, the parish seat of Terrebonne and in surrounding neighborhoods. A few fishermen with the almost fatal hope that missing relatives and friends may be found or that their dead bodies discovered or they may rescue some of their lost belongings remain upon their scene of their desolated homes.

The families of Thomas and Walter Rhodes, numbering fourteen people, are now reported as being almost certainly among the dead. Others not listed who are believed to have perished are Dick Gray, wife and seven children; Ines Verret and family of four; G. Bag and wife and Norway Forsy. Carcasses of cows, hogs and dogs strewn the prairie for miles and thousands of dead birds and quadrupeds are strewn the water. The bodies of three fishermen were found in the Louisiana marshes several miles southwest of New Orleans, it was reported today. Two children near Bala Du Tacre, La., were drowned when skiffs in which families were fleeing struck obstructions. Two were reported today. The collapse of a house near Clinto, La. No trace of the crew of nine men on the sloop Steve Brothers, wrecked near the Atchafalaya, 20 miles from the mouth of the river, has been discovered. A relief expedition organized by the Louisiana Game Commission, left New Orleans today for the Gulf coast, going direct to Lake Charles. From there it will make its way toward Gulfport, distributing supplies and administering aid to the sufferers.

## FEDERAL TORIES NOW ASK PROVINCIAL AID Party Reorganization Is Being Planned

### Foster, Hughes and Others Seek the Support of the Whitney Government.

TORONTO, Sept. 22.—A cooperative scheme of party reorganization embracing both federal and provincial activities is planned by Conservative representatives in the house of commons, reached at the imperial defence conference held in the "Saloon" Institute at one o'clock this afternoon.

Hon. Geo. E. Foster, Colonel Sam Hughes, M. P., and Haughton Lennox, M. P., were at the provincial parliament buildings today in conference with members of the Ontario government. Foster when seen concerning the visit, said it was of a private character and nothing to communicate for publication. It is learned, however, that federal members sought reorganization of provincial Conservatism with the government at its head in a radical plan of party reorganization throughout Ontario. The proposal is to unite party preparations for both federal and provincial campaigning and to make an early start. The federal members plan to leave the weakness of the Dominion opposition by amalgamation with the strength of the provincial government.

The militia, 25,000 strong, will therefore be recruited only from the fully-trained. It is hoped after 1912 that Australia will have the first line of 60,000 men ready to go anywhere, the second line of 50,000 ready to act as garrisons, and the third line, 140,000, composed partly of men who have had citizen-training and partly of older trained reservists.

## AUSTRALIA PLANS FOR IMMENSE ARMY

Estimated Annual Cost Will  
Be £2,500,000

Schema Includes Compulsory Service—  
Will Give Eventually 260,000 Soldiers  
and Second Line of 115,000.