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WEATHER: Fresh to strong west to southwest winds, fair and mild; Thursday, strong southwest winds, fair and mild.

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ONE CENT

MURDER AND SUICIDE IN FASHIONABLE SCHOOL

Lauren's School, Boston, the Scene of a Double Tragedy Which Causes Great Sensation.

BOSTON, March 11.—A murder and suicide at the Lauren's School, an exclusive finishing school for young women at 107 Audubon road, is reported to the police. Details are lacking but it is understood that Miss Hardee, a pupil of the school was shot and killed by Miss Weed, a friend, who last night escaped from a sanitarium in Newton. Miss Weed then committed suicide.

On October first Miss Weed broke down as a result of overwork and was taken to a sanitarium in West Newton, where she has since been under treatment for nervous prostration. While there Miss Weed had been subjected to severe attacks of melancholia. Last night she escaped from the institution and went to the Lauren's school. Miss Hardee volunteered to care for her during the night. An attempt was made to communicate with the authorities of the sanitarium, but the teachers of the school were unable to connect with the physicians. At length Miss Hardee summoned Miss Weed and the devoted woman followed her to her own chamber on the fourth floor. When the matron of the school went to Miss Hardee's room this morning to awaken her, she was shocked to find both women dead in bed. Miss Hardee had been shot through the base of the brain, while there was a bullet wound in Miss Weed's right temple. A revolver was lying on Miss Weed's breast. Medical Examiner Standman, after viewing the bodies, declared that Miss Weed had committed suicide after killing Miss Hardee. The tragedy caused a great sensation in the school. The pupils, about forty in number, are the daughters of wealthy parents from all sections of the country.

NEW ANAESTHETIC WAS DISCOVERED

Important Discovery Made in Toronto in Connection With Surgical Cases

TORONTO, Ont., March 11.—(Special) An experiment which may add to the revolutionizing of methods employed in surgical operations of the most delicate character, was successfully carried out at the general hospital yesterday afternoon by Dr. Norman Anderson. The patient was Frank Simpson, a laborer, who received very severe injuries to the leg a home several weeks ago, his bowels being terribly torn. Dr. Anderson resorted to the use of an anaesthetic, which it is stated has never heretofore been used in Canada. The preparation owes its discovery to Formosa, an eminent chemist of Paris. While containing no cocaine, it has properties which deprive the patient of any sensation of pain allowing him at the same time to retain full possession of his senses.

THE LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT IN MONTREAL

(Montreal Star.) The Laymen's Missionary Movement held a largely attended meeting yesterday afternoon at the Y.M.C.A., Mr. D. A. Budge presiding. It was moved by Mr. A. O. Dawson, seconded by Mr. G. E. Johnston, that a co-operating international committee be formed to carry out the resolution to the effect that in the next two years, Protestant churches of Montreal, raise \$250,000 for foreign missions.

RATEPAYERS WILL DECIDE THE SYSTEM OF ELECTIONS

The Ward System, The District System or Elections at Large—Present Plan About As Bad As It Can Be and Change Should Be Made—Arguments On Both Sides.

The fact that the citizens of St. John this year have an opportunity to decide upon the system by which they will, in future, elect their representatives to the city council has not aroused any large measure of enthusiasm as yet. Much has been said and written regarding all the systems, but the consensus of opinion appears to be that the present one—of government by thirteen ward aldermen and four aldermen-at-large—is about as bad as it can be, and any change would be in the nature of an improvement. This feeling has taken hold of even the aldermen themselves, and while there may be one or two who are inclined to favor

HORRIBLE TRAGEDY

Former Canadian Murders His Whole Family and Then Poisons Himself.

TENINO, Wash., March 11.—(Special)—William MacKay, a Canadian formerly of Winnipeg, but resident here for the past ten years, killed his wife and three children and then committed suicide by taking poison. Two men discovered MacKay's body yesterday morning and notifying the town marshal the latter immediately proceeded to the house to inform Mrs. MacKay. He was horrified to find there the mother, the 7-year-old girl and the 4-year-old boy with their throats cut, and a 6-year-old girl with her head crushed by a hammer, MacKay was suffering from cancer in the face which was preying on his mind.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

Sunbury Court Opened This Morning—Local Government Meets Tomorrow

FREDERICTON, March 11.—(Special)—Judge Wilson presided at the March term of the Sunbury county court which opened at Burton yesterday. The docket consisted of one criminal case that of the King vs. Charles Cochrane of Blausville, charged with seduction and the grand jury returned a true bill against the accused. As Miss Patchell the complainant in the case is ill Peter J. Hughes, counsel for the prosecution applied for the postponement of the trial which was granted by the court. The case will be taken up at the June term. Cochrane was held in \$1,000 bail.

SEVERAL ALDERMANIC CANDIDATES MENTIONED IN THE NORTH END

While civic election talk is somewhat premature, north end is already figuring on various slates. In Lorne it is said that A.H. Holder may find an opponent in Dr. J. A. McIntyre; in Lansdowne things may be particularly lively, as A.H. Soruz may have to fight for his life against three others besides ex-Ald. Rowan. Those spoken of are Thomas J. Durck, Frank Watson and W. H. Turner; in Dufferin Ald. Willett will have as an opponent Michael T. Colohan and possibly Francis P. Kerr, while R. R. Patchell and Alex. Corbet are talked of as coming out against Ald. Pickett in Victoria. Ald. McGoldrick, it is believed, will have no opposition in Stanley.

GREAT BRITAIN WILL MAINTAIN HER SUPREMACY ON THE HIGH SEA

Mr. Asquith Thus Puts a Quiet on the Commotion Over the Kaiser's Letter—President Fallieres to Visit England in May.

LONDON, March 11.—The announcement that one result of King Edward's visit to France has been a tentative arrangement for an official visit of President Fallieres to London next May, the details of which will be settled when the King passes through Paris on his return, gives the greatest satisfaction here. It is understood that President Fallieres' visit will be one of state, corresponding in the manner to that of King Edward in 1903. The King thus continues his well known efforts to assist diplomacy in preserving a good understanding with neighboring powers. His letter to the Emperor of Germany, combined with Mr. Asquith's statement in the House of Commons yesterday, that it was the government's intention to maintain Great Britain's unassailable supremacy at sea, is calculated to give a quietus to the commotion raised by the Emperor's letter to Lord Tweedmouth. The acting premier's announcement was given in a manner to please all parties and to inspire confidence that there would be no relaxation in the efforts to maintain the navy up to the strength the public desired. As the conclusion of his statement, Mr. Asquith said, "I hope that it is quite explicit. It is the policy of His Majesty's government. It remains on record and it will be received with satisfaction by the country at large."

NEW SENSATION IN THE ORCHARD CASE

Harry Orchard Voluntarily Admits That He Killed Former Governor Steunenberg—He Will Be Sentenced on March 18th.

CALDWELL, Idaho, March 11.—Harry Orchard yesterday, before Judge Fremont Wood, in the district court, was allowed to withdraw his former plea of not guilty, entered at his first arraignment by order of the court, when he stood before the judge and entered another plea of guilty, to the charge of murder in the first degree, as charged in the indictment. Judge Wood will sentence Orchard on March 18. Orchard pleaded guilty to having killed former Governor Steunenberg by the explosion of a dynamite bomb at the side gate of his residence here early in the evening of December 30, 1898. He was arrested for the crime on January 2, and in February confessed that he was hired to kill Steunenberg by William S. Haywood, secretary, Charles F. Meyer, president, and George A. Pettibone, honorary member of the Western Federation of Miners. Haywood and Pettibone were tried in Boise and set free. The case against Meyer was dismissed. Judge Wood questioned Orchard as to whether he fully understood the status of the case, what it meant for him to plead guilty, and if he understood that to plead guilty was the same as admitting that he had committed the crime. Orchard answered that he had gone over the matter thoroughly with his attorney and had made up his mind definitely. Judge Wood allowed the plea to be changed and set date for sentence. After the acquittal of Pettibone, the opinion was expressed in many quarters that Orchard would take advantage of every legal right he might have to obtain his own release, or a light sentence. The stand he took yesterday was a surprise to most persons, and his attorney said it was entirely voluntary on his part and against the advice of many who had seen and talked with him.

HINDUS FINED IN VANCOUVER

Because They Could Not Pass the Educational Test, Eighteen Hindus Are Fined \$500 Each.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 11.—(Special)—Magistrate Williams gave judgment yesterday afternoon in the cases of eighteen Hindus tried for failing to pass the educational test. The provincial Natal act. The Hindus were found guilty and sentenced to pay a statutory fine of \$500 or twelve months' imprisonment. The defending counsel intimated that an appeal would be taken without loss of time.

THE ATHENIA'S PASSENGERS

The S. S. Athenia, Captain McNicoll from Glasgow to St. John, which arrived here yesterday, brought the following passengers: Jas. T. Bain, Mr. and Mrs. John Barr, John Barr, Jr., Miss Margaret Barr, Miss Isabella Barr, Andrew D. Birrell, Mr. and Mrs. William Buchanan, William Buchanan, Jr., John Buchanan, Miss Magdalena Buchanan, T. Drysdale Deans, Wm. S. Dobbie, James Ferguson, C. A. Findlay, Sir Wm. Liston Foulis, Miss Alexina Geddes, Gavin Gibson, Miss Maggie Grove, George Fred Hartman, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Agnes Hendry, D. Kelly, Elmer Knister, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McBrayer, Mrs. McQuig, Miss Lisa McQuig, Miss Maria McQuig, Mrs. McKendrick, Chas. McKerral, Wm. Marshall, R. W. Marwick, Mrs. Monien, Miss Nina Menzies, Miss E. Morris, Dr. Robert Orak and Mrs. Orak, Joseph Paton, Alex. Stuart Pirie, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ritchie, Mrs. Ritchie, Hugh Ritchie, Jr., Mrs. Ritchie, Miss Nettie Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. George Robertson, James Simpson, Mrs. Somerville, Miss Margaret, Robert A. Somerville, George D. Somerville, James Somerville, Miss Jessie Stein, Charles Stewart, William Stewart, Robert Stuart, Mrs. Taylor, John Tynyan, Miss Mary Watt, Thomas B. Whitson, Archibald Wiseman.

THE G. T. P. BILL

Application to Repeal Clause in Charter Held Over Pending Appeal to Privy Council.

OTTAWA, March 11.—(Special)—The Grand Trunk Pacific bill to repeal the clause in the company's charter compelling them to give a two cent mile rate between Montreal and Toronto, was called at the senate railway committee today, but was held over. It is understood that an application will be made before the privy council in London, England, tomorrow, to appeal from the judgment of the supreme court, ordering the company to run third class cars and give a two cent rate between the points mentioned.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

DIVERGENT VIEWS. The following dialogue took place this morning between the religious editor and the Times new reporter: Religious editor—"Our missionary laymen's luncheon was a delightful affair." New reporter—"The price you paid for some meal tickets would have kept a destitute neighbor for three days at the Salvation Army shelter." Religious editor—"There is a great awakening in missionary effort." New reporter—"Several children went to the free kindergarten without breakfast this morning." Religious editor—"We must send more missionaries to China." New reporter—"A drunken woman was hauled to jail on an old sled, followed by a jering group of children." Religious editor—"It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm of the meeting." New reporter—"The day after the elec-

JUDGE RITCHIE SCORES LOAFER

Henry Hampton, Who Refuses to Work, Before Police Court

The Magistrate Uprais Him and Also Pays His Compliments to Dudes, Street Walkers and Loafers.

Idleness, brutality and ingratitude make up the score against Henry Hampton, who appeared before Judge Ritchie in the police court this morning. The youthful prisoner, who was last night arrested by Patrolman James Semple, on a charge of wandering about on Westmorland road and being unable to give a satisfactory account of himself to the police, pleaded not guilty. Patrolman Semple was sworn and stated that Hampton told him he was unable to get into the house and had spent the previous night with a friend. Witness thought the young man should not be wandering about the street late at night and took him into custody. Police Clerk Henderson explained that Mrs. Hampton, the prisoner's mother, had left her husband on account of his habits and that the boy did not and would not work, and so obstructed his mother, who has a family of eight children. His honor observed that the law provided that these would-be dudes, who were liable to be sent to jail for six months without the option of a fine, should be sent to the police, the prisoner's mother, who was placed on the stand, said to his honor: "I'd like you to see that he (meaning the prisoner) gets work and works more than he does, and does not abuse us for the support of him. Since November last," she continued, "he had given nothing towards the household, and during that time had hardly missed a meal." She had "right" in her clothing, she said, and she was "helpless." "Two of the youngest ones attend the free kindergarten. Two weeks ago he had struck his sister, who is twenty-one years old, in the face and had treated her similarly last Monday. He knocked one of the other children with a towel. Continuing, Mrs. Hampton said that her son—the prisoner—kept till eleven o'clock in the morning, and struck his sister last Monday because she would not speak to him on Charlotte street on the day previous. She had to leave a customer in the shop to go into the rear room and separate them. She did not know how or where he got his clothing, but his washing was done at home and he managed somehow to get some collars up at the laundry. Asked what he had to say, the prisoner said he had no statement to make. His honor observed that one case against him was a very bad one, especially as the mother was respectable and refined. He severely lectured the prisoner, telling him he should be proud to assist his mother, who was striving so hard to support her children. "If you got all you deserved," he commented, "you'd be whipped."

MAIMED FOR LIFE

Employe of Rhodes-Curry & Co. Has Thumb and Fingers Torn Off.

AMHERST, N. S., March 11.—(Special)—John Fortune, one of the oldest employes of Rhodes-Curry & Co., had the thumb and four fingers of his left hand completely severed by coming in contact with a rip saw at the works today morning. Mr. Fortune is about 45 years of age and has a family of young children depending on him.

CLOSE GUARDED ON TREASURY AT VATICAN

ROME, March 11.—Precautions have just been taken to preserve the Vatican treasury from harm or theft. The treasury contains a vast number of church vestments and sacred vessels of silver and gold. The precious articles are stored in a room under the Vatican Basilica, and visitors from all over the world have been admitted to look at them. Hereafter this will not be allowed except in special cases, because there is some fear felt at the Vatican that a theft of some of the articles was recently contemplated. The store room now is in charge of several attendants instead of one, as formerly, and extra safeguards have been placed around it. Many of the sacred vessels preserved there were gifts sent to the late Pius IX. and Leo XIII. on the occasion of their respective jubilees.

MILITIA APPOINTMENTS

OTTAWA, Ont., March 11.—(Special)—A militia order was issued today appointing Major General Lake to be inspector general and Brigadier General Otter to be chief of staff from April 1st, 1908. 62nd Regiment, St. John Fusiliers, Captain D. A. Morrison transferred to the reserve of officers to be provisional lieutenant, Paul Renhard Hanson, gentleman, vice H. McK. Stanbury resigned. Provisional lieutenant L. A. Langstroth is permitted to retire. The York regiment to be provisional lieutenant, George Edward Fenety vice provisional lieutenant C. H. Fowler, who is retired having failed to qualify. Fairweather promoted captain (superannuated) H. E. N. Golding is absorbed in the establishment vice F. Morrison promoted.

THE RUSH FOR CANADA

LONDON, March 10.—Colonel Lamb says a striking change was apparent this year compared with twelve months ago in respect to popular rush to Canada. While applicants for facilities of emigration were still very numerous, few had the daring to go out on speculation. In the police court this afternoon John Dolan was fined \$20 for assaulting and threatening to kill Clarence Hannah on the steamship Grampian.

SURVIVORS OF WRECK TELL TALE OF HARDSHIP

A GENERAL ELECTION TORONTO WORLD'S OTTAWA CORRESPONDENT SAYS THIS IS PROBABLE DATE—DISOLUTION ABOUT MAY 1.

TORONTO, March 11.—(Special)—The World's Ottawa special says "Dissolution of parliament by May 1 and general election about June 24 is said to be the programme decided upon by the government, upon which the prime minister is sounding his followers. TORONTO, March 11.—(Special)—The Tilley Starbuck sailed from New York last April, bound for Honolulu. Down the Asiatic coast, all the way to the Horn, she had only pleasant winds, and even in the turbulent stretch of the ocean south of the Cape, she encountered no serious trouble. It was when she was well on her way across the Pacific that the Starbuck ran into the storm which ended her career. The gale broke out on the latter part of June and on the last day of that month the vessel's master was blown out by the torch and she was left to wallow water-logged and helpless in the tumbling sea, sixteen days the men were on the wrecked craft, but finally they were left no choice but to take to the little boats and try to be picked up by some passing vessel. A full thousand miles separated them from the nearest shore, that of South America. As the last man left the doomed Starbuck, the torch was applied to her that she might not continue to float aimlessly about, a menace to other ships. For a time after the start the occupants of the two boats kept each other in sight, but eventually they became separated. At last night, week after week, the occupants of Kuhlmann's boat maintained a constant watch for the sail of a vessel of some size which might mean life to them. At last after weeks of indescribable suffering, the Kamuhaikei hove in sight. The signal of distress which had been set at the first warning was answered and a few minutes later the half-famished ship wrecked waifs were safe on board the big vessel. There they were cared for as tenderly and carefully as the facilities at hand would permit, but so serious was the condition of all that it was necessary to transfer them to the hospital as soon as the ship reached Valparaiso. Two of the sufferers were beyond human help hereafter.

WANT U. S. FLEET TO VISIT VANCOUVER

OTTAWA, March 11.—(Special)—Mr. MacPherson, M. P. for Vancouver received a telegram today from Mayor Bethune of Vancouver asking him to get the Dominion government to invite the American fleet to visit Vancouver. Mr. MacPherson will lay the matter before the government at once.

MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, Que., March 11.—(Special)—Stock trading eased up a bit today, the bulls not being so aggressive. Prices were steady. The most active features of the day's early operations were Montreal Power 89 1/2; Dom. Textile, pfd., 80; Dom. Steel 15 1/2; Dom. Steel, N.Y. 18 1/2; Lake of Woods Milling 78; Canadian Pacific 145; Dom. Steel bonds 76.

GALAIS AROUSED OVER THE CONDITION OF IT'S SCHOOLS

Petition Presented to the Calais City Council Shows That Fire Escape System is Inadequate—Not One of the St. Stephen Schools Equipped With Fire Escapes.

ST. STEPHEN, March 11.—(Special)—At a regular meeting of the Calais city council, held Monday evening the following report, showing the inadequacy of the fire escape systems in use on the city school buildings was submitted by the board of engineers: "To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Calais: "The board of engineers of the city of Calais have examined the public school buildings in the city of Calais and find that certain changes for safety of the scholars should be made on the following school houses: The South street school house doors changed so as to swing out, and a proper fire escape placed on same consisting of outside stairs. The Sand Bank school should have same kind of fire escape; Monroe street school house should have door out in new addition and stairs built leading from same to ground. Union street school should have proper fire escapes. On this school we find nothing of this kind at present. Baring

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

Religious editor—"The coming together of members of different churches in this great work is practical Christianity." New reporter—"I heard a woman say last night of a destitute family: 'They belong to that church—let it take care of them.'" Religious editor—"It elevates a man to be associated with the great cause of foreign missions." New reporter—"Saving people at a range of ten thousand miles, with your feet under a dinner table, develops your self-complacency. Trying to save the poor devil next door develops your own soul." At this juncture the editor-in-chief interrupted the dialogue by instructing the religious editor to write a nice notice about a high tea, and the new reporter to find out the probable price of votes at the coming civic elections.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

Religious editor—"Heathendom must be conquered for Christianity." New reporter—"The most Christian King of the Belgians is making a great impression in the Congo." Religious editor—"We must double our contributions for missions." New reporter—"An elderly man and woman, both drunk, were arrested together on the public street." Religious editor—"My heart yearns over the little children growing up in heathen darkness." New reporter—"There is more drunk eness among boys in St. John than at any former period in its history." Religious editor—"It is a great privilege to be in connection with the enlightening of the world." New reporter—"There is a family in

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