

C. P. R. MAY BUY WHITE PASS LINE NEGOTIATIONS SAID TO BE NEARLY COMPLETE

Acquisition Will Give Canadian Company Big Foothold in North.

Vancouver, Sept. 26.—Vancouver transportation men expect to receive an announcement...

Five weeks ago William Whyte, general manager of the Western Lines of the C. P. R., made a visit to Skagway and inspected the line in company with S. H. Graves...

The Guggenheims own a large block of stock in the line, but the bulk of their heavy freight for the Klondike dredges has already been moved in and the question of controlling the freight rates will not be a very large one with the great mining concern in years to come.

RAILWAY DEPOT GUTTED.

Building of Spokane and B. C. Road at Grand Forks in Ruins.

Grand Forks, B. C., Sept. 26.—The city depot of the Spokane and British Columbia railway was destroyed by fire this morning.

RAILROADS TO FIGHT TEHAUNTEPEC ROUTE

Over Carrying of Freight From Pacific to Europe and Atlantic Ports.

San Francisco, Sept. 25.—According to an announcement made to-day seven Atlantic steamship owners and three lines operating on the Pacific coast have concluded a traffic agreement for the handling of freight direct from San Francisco and other Pacific coast points to Europe by way of the Isthmus of Tehantepec...

A. M. Sutton, general agent for the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company, confirmed the reports of the alliance of the steamship lines flying the flags of five different countries, and stated that it will shorten by nearly half the time now required on the all-ocean route to European ports.

DEATH OF JUDGE CANE.

Was Taken Suddenly Ill During Trial of Walkem Case.

Vancouver, Sept. 26.—G. F. Cane, judge of the County court, died early this morning of pneumonia. He was appointed a year ago and made an ideal judge. He was born in St. Catharines about fifty years ago.

TO-DAY'S DEATH TOLL IN CHOLERA PLAGUE

Slight Decline in Mortality Hailed as Good Omen—Fears Infection.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 26.—The municipal hospital reports that the death toll of cholera and 153 deaths for the 24 hours ended at noon to-day. This is a distinct improvement over the preceding 24 hours, when 247 cases and 142 deaths were reported.

WONDERFUL GROWTH OF LETHBRIDGE DISTRICT

One of Richest Wheat Areas West—Production This Year 1,500,000 Bushels.

Lethbridge, Sept. 26.—A few years ago Lethbridge was looked upon solely as a mining town, with a ranching country about it. To-day it is a city of nearly 7,000 people, in the centre of one of the richest wheat districts in the Canadian west.

DOUBLE SUICIDE FROM GRIEF.

New York, Sept. 26.—The bodies of Ella and Edwin Foden and of their mother, Mary Foden, were found in their apartments at 358 Green avenue, Brooklyn, to-day, the mother and son evidently having committed suicide together in their grief over the death of Miss Ella Foden.

IMMIGRATION FROM U. S. A.

Winnipeg, Sept. 26.—A great rush of land seekers from the United States invaded Winnipeg on Thursday and spent the best part of the day at the immigration office, enquiring as to the best place to locate. These men are of an unusually good class, and are capitalists in a small way, each having from \$2,000 to \$5,000 to put in a farm.

NOMINATIONS IN EAST.

Orillia, Ont., Sept. 26.—W. H. Bennett, of Midland, was nominated by East Simcoe Conservatives yesterday.

Quebec, Sept. 25.—A convention of Liberals of the county of Quebec in opposition to Lorenzo Robitaille will be held in a few days. Peter Verret, secretary to Hon. R. Lemieux, is mentioned as a candidate.

TABRIZ SCENE OF ARTILLERY DUEL

Shah's Troops Triumph in Six-Hour Fight

Inhabitants, Terrified by Exploding Shells, Flee Into Royalist Camp.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 25.—The Novoe Vremya's Tabriz correspondent, telegraphing on Friday, says: "A decisive struggle was begun to-day with an artillery duel in which the Nationalists were worsted after six hours of unrelenting shelling. Ain-Ed-Dowleh, who was sent to Tabriz to restore the authority of the Shah reduced the Khiani quarter to ruins."

The effect of the exploding shells terrified the inhabitants, many of whom fled into the Royalist camp. Early in the afternoon, under the cover of artillery fire, a strong force of Royalists succeeded in gaining the heights commanding the north-western portion of the city, but Ain-Ed-Dowleh postponed until to-morrow a joint attack on three sides.

Selar Fhan, the constitutionalist, attempted to flee northward as this telegram was filed. The result of the sortie is not known. Thus far Europeans in Tabriz have suffered no loss.

UNKNOWN VESSEL FOUNDERS IN COLLISION

Heavy Fog Responsible for Accident in Long Island Sound.

Newport, R. I., Sept. 26.—A wireless message received here early to-day reported that in the dense fog that enshrouded the Long Island sound early to-day the Fall River line steamer Commonwealth, while on her regular trip from Fall River to New York, collided with an unknown vessel, which sank. The crew of the unknown vessel were taken on board the steamer Maine of the New Bedford line, which answered the Commonwealth's wireless message to distress, and carried them to New Bedford. The accident happened about 2:30 a. m. Both the Commonwealth and the unknown craft were proceeding slowly because of the fog. The steamer Commonwealth, which followed the sudden appearance of the other vessel out of the fog, however, sounded too late to prevent the collision and the later attempt to bring above water a short time rapidly settled, forcing the crew to take to the water.

It was found that the injuries to the Commonwealth were not serious enough to prevent the steamer continuing to New York under her own steam and the start was made about 4:30 a. m., after she had remained off Race Point for nearly two hours. The message received by the wireless from the steamer Commonwealth indicated that she was in trouble off Race Rock and that the steamer Maine was standing by.

CALIFORNIA FOREST FIRES.

Eureka, Cal., Sept. 26.—The wind, which has waned for the past three days, has abated completely, and reports from the fire district in the northern part of the county are more encouraging. The saving of the Little River mill uses great satisfaction. There are some indications now of rain. Bar-bound vessels in port are now able to go to sea.

HURRICANE AT ST. KITTS.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Sept. 26.—News has come here of a hurricane that has just swept over the British island of St. Kitts. The inhabitants of the towns on the islands were notified of the coming of the storm and warned to take precautions, and as a result little if any damage has been reported. The high wind was accompanied by heavy rain. The storm passed off to the south.

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TORY BALLOON GOES UP WITHOUT PARACHUTE. ASCENDING AERONAUT:—"I wish I hadn't enched Beckwith out of this engagement."

SICKNESS STATISTICS IN INDIAN SCHOOLS

Archdeacon Tims Criticises Report Recently Issued by Dr. Bryce.

Ottawa, Sept. 26.—At yesterday's session of the Anglican synod, Dean Farthing, the prolocutor, announced the appointment of Hon. S. H. Blake, Toronto; Provost Mackinnon, Toronto; and Dr. V. Rogers, Kingston, as a committee to confer with the bishops and other authorities at the present session of the synod in regard to the approval of the canon framed at the synod held in 1905 against the marriage of divorced persons by clergymen within the jurisdiction of the Church of England in Canada.

The missionary society, which comprises both houses convened yesterday morning and discussed important mission matters. The draft report presented told of the growth of the Canadian west, and the missionary efforts among settlers. Ven. Archdeacon G. W. Tims, of Macleod, Alberta, claimed that the interior department had not dealt fairly with them in matters regarding schools. He also criticized the report of Dr. Bryce, chief medical superintendent of the Dominion regarding some of these schools. Some statements made in the official report giving death and sickness statistics, among others, were not correct.

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ELECTION PROSPECTS IN MEDICINE HAT

W. C. Simmons, Liberal Candidate, Has Proved Himself Successful Legislator.

Lethbridge, Alta., Sept. 26.—In this section of Alberta, a keen political campaign is being waged. The riding for the federal house is known as Medicine Hat, and is one of the largest in the province. It takes in all of Medicine Hat, Cardston and Lethbridge constituencies as constituted for the Alberta legislature and portions of the Macleod, High River, Gleichen and Rosebud constituencies. The Liberal candidate is W. C. Simmons, at present member for Lethbridge in the local legislature. He is an able young lawyer, strong and effective as a speaker and most successful as a legislator. His opponents are Chas. A. Magrath, a son-in-law of the late Sir A. T. Galt, and until recently land commissioner of the Alberta Railway & Irrigation Co. Mr. Magrath has been in public life before, having served as a member of the territorial legislature at Regina, during a period of which time he was a member of the executive council. He is a very estimable gentleman, but his connection with the A. R. & I. Co., a corporation which is none too popular in this district, is losing him votes.

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WIFE DESERTS IS FOUND GUILTY

Seattlite Came to Victoria With Another Woman—Must Support Spouse.

Seattle, Sept. 26.—The first conviction under the act of the last legislature for the prevention of family desertion and non-support was obtained by the state yesterday, when Judge A. W. Frater, in the Superior court, found Charles H. Hardy guilty of the charge of leaving his wife and family. The case came upon appeal from a similar finding by Justice of the Peace John B. Gordon. The court is given the prerogative of making an order directing the defendant to pay a certain sum weekly during such time as the court may direct to the wife, or guardian, or custodian, of the minor child or children, and releasing the defendant on probation.

Mrs. Hardy testified that her husband had deserted her for another woman July last, and that since that time he had contributed nothing to her support. She said that Hardy had gone to Victoria with another woman. This he denied, but was confronted with a photograph taken by Mrs. Hardy at Victoria. The picture shows Hardy walking across the street with a woman other than Mrs. Hardy.

SAIL FOR JAPAN.

Coast Merchants Hope to Promote Better Commercial Relations With Orient.

San Francisco, Sept. 26.—With a view to bringing about an improvement in the commercial relations of the two countries, and responding to an invitation issued by the Chambers of Commerce of the principal cities in Japan, manufacturers, merchants and business men of the Pacific, representing the Chambers of Commerce and commercial organizations of San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego, Oakland, Eureka, Portland and Seattle, sailed yesterday on the Japanese steamer Tenyo Maru for Japan for an extended tour of the Land of the Rising Sun. Choso Kolke, the Japanese consul-general at San Francisco, and Mrs. Kolke accompanied the party, while many of the members look with them their wives and members of their families.

RHODES' SCHOLARS SAIL.

New York, Sept. 26.—Forty young men representing many sections of the United States, winners of Cecil Rhodes' scholarships, sailed for England on the steamer Etruria to-day. They will enter Oxford university for a four years' course at the expense of the Rhodes scholarship fund.

MAXINE ELLIOTT DIVORCE CASE.

Actress Ordered to Appear in Nebraska Court to Answer Complaint.

Reno, Neb., Sept. 26.—Bosse Hall Goodwin (Maxine Elliott) has been ordered to appear before Judge Pike on December 29 and answer to a complaint for divorce filed against her by Nat C. Goodwin in the district court last Monday. The order was made by Judge Pike on the affidavit of Mr. Goodwin to the effect that his wife was not a resident of this state but a resident of the city of New York. The judge ordered that a copy of the complaint and summons in the action be mailed to her and that summons be obtained on her on or before October 1st. In case Mrs. Goodwin fails to appear on the date named in the order the case will go by default.

EVERY EFFORT TO DEVELOP JAPAN

MATERIAL EXPANSION IS KEYNOTE OF EMPIRE

Elder Statesmen Discuss Policy—Friendly Relations With China.

Tokio, Sept. 26.—The elder statesmen held a lengthy session yesterday, the subject matter of their discussion has not been disclosed. The Associated Press understands, however, that the foreign policy of Japan was given the principal attendance of the conference. Those present were Princes Ito and Yamagata, Marquis Matsukata, Count Yamamoto and Premier Marquis Katsura.

It is understood that the main features in the financial budget were discussed and that Premier Katsura announced that the government's foreign policy would be in line with its financial policy, namely the exchange of productive expenditure for productive income, and that the government would bend every effort for the material development of Japan.

Japan's policy relative to China will, it is said, be made plainer, Premier Katsura believing it to be absolutely imperative that there should be no misunderstanding upon Japan's friendliness to her sister empire.

TRAGEDY AND ROMANCE OF FAR NORTH

Volante Brings Thrilling Tales—Accusation Against Capt. Mikkelsen.

Seattle, Sept. 26.—Schooner Volante, Capt. John Becklund, 21 days from Point Barrow, arrived in this morning brimful of the tragedy and romance of the North—a murderous clash on the whaler William Bowhead, the sailors of the wrecked schooner Laura Matson and news of Capt. Mikkelsen, the explorer.

That floating charnel house, the whaler, William Bowhead, had added another page to its bloody history in the whaling seas. Hans Killnerburg and his dog team arrived on the Volante from the Bowhead and he told of a fatal feud which broke out and resulted in the beating to death of "Chilean Joe," a boatheader, and the serious wounding of others.

Survivors of the schooner Iva tell of their vessel being crushed by the ice and the hasty scramble of Capt. P. Lindquist and six of the men to shore, during a terrific gale.

Esau Anderson, a survivor of the Laura Matson wreck, was disabled upon the beach at Point Barrow. Anderson accused Capt. Mikkelsen of defrauding him out of two years' grub. Mikkelsen and Lippewell, according to Anderson, have robbed the Indian graves for curios.

QUARREL LEADS TO BLOODSHED.

Italian Who Kills Countryman Is Arrested.

Frank, Alberta, Sept. 26.—Three Italians got into an altercation at Lillooet to-day, with the result that Angelo Monte shot Joe Costino dead and seriously wounded his brother, A. Costino, who is not expected to recover. The services of the mounted police were called into action and Corporal Askey captured the murderer.

SALVATION LASSIE'S SUICIDE.

Seattle, Sept. 26.—Annie Matson, a Salvation Army woman, 22 years old, ended her life last night in her departments at 3007 First avenue, by drinking carbolic acid.

POLICE HAVE TO SCATTER RIOTOUS MOB

Galsgow Unemployed Create Wild Scene—Attempt to Storm Town Hall.

Manchester, Eng., Sept. 26.—There was a wild scene of disorder witnessed last night when numbers of the unemployed, who recently have created frequent disturbances, came in contact with the police.

TRAMCAR THROWN FORTY FEET

COLLISION ON ELEVATED RAILWAY; 14 DEAD

Misplaced Signal Causes a Shocking Catastrophe in German Capital.

Berlin, Sept. 26.—Two trains on the Berlin Elevated tramway, were in collision early this afternoon and as a result fourteen passengers are dead, while many sustained injuries. The accident was caused by a misplaced signal.

One of the cars, which was crowded with passengers, was thrown to the street forty feet below. It was shattered beyond recognition. The greatest mortality was in this car. The police were quickly at the scene and the work of extricating the dead and wounded was begun. An ambulance hurried the injured to the hospitals.

FINDS GRAVE OF HUSBAND.

Portland, Ore., Sept. 26.—Deserted by her husband twenty-two years ago at Minneapolis, Mrs. Mary Ann Supple has been hunting for him all these years, and has at last located his grave in a local cemetery. She applied to the county court on Wednesday for his estate, valued at nearly \$10,000. She said they were married at Morris Run, Pa., in October of 1864, and had five children. He deserted her at Minneapolis. The woman is the only claimant who has appeared thus far. She must prove her relationship before receiving the proceeds of the estate.

ROYALTY VISITING PARIS.

San Sebastian, Spain, Sept. 26.—King Alfonso and Queen Victoria, accompanied by Foreign Minister Salazar and small suites, left here for Paris this morning on a special train.

GOVERNOR HASKELL RESIGNS AS TREASURER

Does Not Wish to Embarrass Democratic Party in Campaign.

Chicago, Sept. 26.—Gov. Charles N. Haskell at midnight resigned as treasurer of the Democratic national committee. His resignation was announced by himself three hours after his arrival in Chicago from Guthrie, Okla., and after he had conferred with officials of the Democratic national headquarters.

In giving out his decision, Mr. Haskell, in response to a question, declared he did not desire to be responsible for any embarrassment which might result to the Democratic party by his retaining the office of the treasurer.

TO SELECT SUCCESSOR.

New York, Sept. 26.—The selection of a treasurer to succeed Governor Chas. N. Haskell, of the Democratic national committee, who resigned at an early hour to-day in Chicago, will probably not be made by National Chairman Mack for several days. The names of Colonel Wetmore, of St. Louis, chairman of the finance committee, Mayor J. N. Adams, of Buffalo, and E. H. Goitra, of St. Louis, are under consideration. Mr. Mack said to-day that he had received a telegram from Chicago that a letter containing Haskell's resignation was on the way and that the resignation would be officially accepted when received. National Committee Chairman Hoch says that the voluntary retirement of Governor Haskell relieved the committee of a very embarrassing situation and his action is generally commended.

RESIGNS TO ENTER POLITICS.

Sydney N. S., Sept. 26.—Judge McKenzie has resigned from the bench to accept the Liberal nomination for South Cape Breton.

SAYS TAFT IS MIXED UP WITH STANDARD OIL

Senator Foraker Replies to Hearst Charges—Denies He Acted Improperly.

Cincinnati, Sept. 26.—Senator Foraker, in a statement made public last night, replies to the recent charges made by William R. Hearst and President Roosevelt. In addition he bitterly assailed Hearst, Taft and the president, charging Taft with consorting with Standard Oil magnates himself and declaring that President Roosevelt's actions indicate a guilty conscience.

In the opening paragraph Mr. Foraker declares that the president showed bias in accepting as true all the charges. He denies that he acted improperly in accepting employment from the Standard Oil, says there was no secret about it and produced letters to prove that after the government began its attack upon Standard Oil he declined to accept a retainer from them. He charged that Mr. Hearst had other letters in addition to those which he gave over and that these other letters if made public at the same time would have shown how harmless was his connection with the Standard Oil Company.

TEN THOUSAND

Premier at Be Department

(Special to the)

Berlin, Ont., Sept. 25.—The first opportunity to colleagues that the time when we should have labor under a separate Premier Sir Wilfrid Laurier to ten thousand people. This was the evening of the campaign for the election of the Liberal government. The Liberal government was formed on September 25, 1908.

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ANNOYING OF MOTION BEFORE ANGLICAN

Ottawa, Sept. 26.—At a synod to-day a motion of Scott, of Quebec, providing for the relief of sick persons, was warmly debated. A major vote was secured, but the motion was declared lost.

PARALYZED AT WATERBURY

Waterbury, Conn., Sept. 26.—Waterbury High School is in a serious condition as the result of an influenza epidemic during the past few days. The body is paralyzed.

NEXT YEAR'S SHOW TO BE SAME OFFICERS

The British Columbia Association held its 25th annual meeting at Vancouver to-day. The officers for next year were elected.

DUTCH SETTLE IN CALGARY

Calgary, Sept. 25.—Hollanders, numbering 150, arrived in the city on the 25th and will settle near there.

C. P. R. EAST

Montreal, Sept. 25.—The Canadian Pacific third week of September 245,000.

BROCKVILLE IN

Brockville, Ont., Sept. 25.—Light station was destroyed by fire last night, valued at \$5,000. The cause of the fire is not known.

"LATEST FIN"

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 25.—The bank guarantee of the Nebraska National Bank was not renewed to-day.

PADDED

Montreal, Sept. 25.—The road foreman, who was paid \$1,400 and \$1,500 in Montreal, by the government, was sentenced yesterday to the penitentiary.

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Manila, Sept. 25.—The town of Manila was destroyed by fire last night.