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TWO LIVES LOST IN CAPE BRETON

HALIFAX, MAR. 9.—Reports of deaths and persons perished in the storm. Angus is not yet restored between the towns. At least two, and probably more casualties in Thursday's terrific blizzard in Cape Breton and eastern Nova Scotia are beginning to drift in, although, over MacDonald, of Antigonish Harbor, lost his way while proceeding from the town and wandered out on the ice along the shore and perished, his body being found this morning. John Brown, 18 years old, of Sydney Mines, left his home at the height of the blizzard, and this morning was found dead a quarter of a mile from his parents' house. James and John MacDonald, miners at Sydney No. 1 colliery, while coming from work during the storm, were struck by an engine. James MacDonald's skull was fractured, and his condition is very serious.

John MacDonald had a leg broken. Two boys employed at Sydney No. 3 colliery, started to walk to their homes at the Sydney mines and an hour later, when returning from their work found them unconscious in a corner drift. The Elder Dempster steamer, Sokoto, broke adrift from her moorings at the Dominion Coal pier, Lonsburg, and drifted out of the harbor and grounded on White Rock shoal. The tug D. R. Thomas and C. M. Winch are at the scene, but the ship was not floated up to the shoal last evening. The Sokoto is owned in the Mexican trade from Halifax under a subsidy from the Dominion government and was at Lonsburg taking coal. The most blockade in Cape Breton is said to be the heaviest since 1862.

RADICALS WIN FIRST.

Skirmish for Control of Opposition in Russia Parliament. St. Petersburg, Mar. 9.—The first skirmish for the control of the opposition in the lower house was won today by the radicals, who defeated the Constitutional Democrats in a contest for the speakership of the house. The Constitutional Democrats, who were elected secretary, towards the close of the session the question of amnesty to political prisoners, precipitated a serious controversy, which, however, was fought out between the factions of the left and did not reach the floor of the house.

NELSON HOTEL SOLD.

Strathcona, formerly the Fair, is Bought For \$40,000. Nelson, B.C., Mar. 8.—The Strathcona hotel, the oldest first class hotel in the interior was sold yesterday for \$40,000 cash, to R. G. Webb, formerly of Perth, Australia. Mr. Webb takes possession Monday and will manage the property personally. He will make a substantial addition to the present building this spring. The house was built in 1881 and leased by E. E. Phair, as the Hotel Phair until 1904, when a new manager came in and the name was changed.

BIG REALTY DEAL IN MANITOBA CAPITAL.

Winnipeg, Mar. 9.—A huge real estate deal was announced in Winnipeg yesterday in which the Norwood improvement company disposed of the balance of their valuable holdings for a little over \$500,000. An English syndicate organized by F. W. Heuback and company is the purchaser. The negotiations have been pending for some time and Mr. Heuback has been in England conducting the deal among well-known real estate brokers of this old Norwood improvement company are Sir William Van Horne, William Whyte and J. A. B. Atkins.

The cable information of the transfer was officially confirmed in Winnipeg last night by parties interested in the big transaction. The deal is said to involve the largest sum of money and to be fraught with greater consequences to the investing public in that section of the city than any transaction that had taken place in local real estate for some time.

AN ACADEMY OF MEDICINE.

Toronto, Mar. 8.—Organization of the "Academy of Medicine, Toronto," is practically completed after an agitation extending over several years. The new association will have its headquarters in the Ontario Medical Library Association building, in Quebec's Park, but plans have been made to raise \$50,000 among the members of the profession in Toronto and the big structure will be erected. This is the first academy to be formed in Canada. The object is to raise the standard of the art and science of medicine with its collateral branches, the promotion and maintenance of an official library and museum; professional improvement; the cultivation of harmony and good feeling among the followers; and the promotion of the corporate influence of the profession in its relation to the community.

LIBERALS GAINED GROUND.

Winnipeg, Mar. 9.—The revised election figures of the Manitoba elections of November 25, Liberals 13; Conservatives 2; Lyle (Con) who was first announced as winning in Arthur, is beaten by Williams (Lib.). Hon. Col. H. Campbell, attorney general, has a majority of 2 in Morris. It is said the Liberals will move for a recount there. D. McClellan, provincial secretary, is beaten in Emerson.

BOTH WILLIAM AND RASCO.

Geo. A. Fowler's manner of referring to Peter Ryan, ex. death. Toronto, Mar. 9.—Private letters written by Geo. A. Fowler, M.P., to his solicitor, J. D. Montgomery, produced something of a sensation in the conservative circle before Justice Clute yesterday afternoon. Mr. Fowler was the principal witness in the case of Peter Ryan against the Bank of Montreal and Mr. Montgomery. The reason for his being called was that he became interested in certain alleged securities held by the bank for Ryan. In the letter mentioned he referred to the plaintiff in the case as an "old villain," and "a rascal," who was a menace to the peace of the community. Of one deal regarding these securities, Fowler said he had made \$55,000 and that the funds had been obtained from the Union Trust Co. to put through. Mr. Fowler pointed out when he took the stand that the Bank of Montreal had certain claims against the Union Trust Co. and that the Bank of Montreal had certain claims against the Union Trust Co. and that the Bank of Montreal had certain claims against the Union Trust Co.

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TO BRIDGE THE SASKATCHEWAN

Prince Albert, Mar. 9.—Mr. McPherson, the provincial government engineer, is in the city securing data and information from which to draw plans for the proposed government bridge across the Saskatchewan river here. Mr. McPherson came here from Battleford, where he had been in connection with the bridge to be built at that point and was not aware of a deputation having gone from here to the capital to ask for the bridge. It is now learned for the first time that the government have for some time been contemplating the construction of a traffic bridge here, independent of the C. N. R. bridge, and have been in communication with MacKenzie and Mann on the subject. Mr. McPherson will obtain sufficient data to draw final plans for the bridge and it is understood that the government have practically decided to carry the project through without delay.

BATTLEFORD BLANKS

PRINCE ALBERT.

Score Was 12-0—Visitors Banqueted After Match. North Battleford, Mar. 9.—The Shamrocks of North Battleford proved to their supporters and backers last night that their confidence in them was misplaced, shutting out Prince Albert 12-0. The game was very fast from the start and although numerous well placed shots were made by Prince Albert, the Shamrocks goal keeper proved a stone wall. The rushes of Tobin and Howler for the Shamrocks were spectacular, while Pearson made some marvellous rushes for the visitors. A banquet was tendered the visitors in the Saskatchewan hotel after the game, Mayor Chisholm presiding, which proved a very enjoyable affair.

GREAT GAME AT BRANDON.

Losers Import Ottawa Player, Who Arrives on Special Train. Brandon, Mar. 9.—One of the fastest games of hockey ever seen in the west, Brandon tonight won the round from Portage la Prairie by a single point. At the call of time the score was one to nothing in favor of Brandon, which left the round a tie. In the play off Brandon scored in six minutes. Billy Beldron was rushed up from Ottawa to play for Portage. At Winnipeg his train was late. An extra was ordered out and he was hustled to Portage, where an excursion train was waiting with some 4000 enthusiasts. The game throughout was clean and well handled, though there were several penalties. The crowd went wild at times and because of the many delays it was after midnight before the game was completed.

LOTTERY CASE IN CALGARY.

Soap Company's Guessing Competition Not Illegal. Calgary, Mar. 9.—The case against the Standard Soap company for running a lottery in connection with their recent guessing competition was dismissed yesterday on the grounds that there was not enough evidence produced to show that the competition was purely one of chance and to show management came to a higher court. The case was tried at the Mounted Police barracks by Inspector Duffin, J.P. Nolan and McGilligan appeared for the defendant and Crown Prosecutor Short handled the case. For the crown. It was stated that this was only a test case.

SIX MONTHS FOR FORGERY.

Lethbridge, Mar. 9.—The Taylor forgery case was decided at yesterday's sitting of the Supreme court. Chief Justice Macdougall sentenced William Taylor, the accused, to six months in the local B. N. W. M. P. barracks. Taylor was charged with forging the signature of his sister, Mary Taylor, 16 years old, to a cheque for \$10, which he cashed at the Union Bank as testified by Cashier McIntyre.

BELGIUM FORCES NEW ELECTION.

Brussels, Mar. 9.—Because of an adverse vote on a question of internal affairs, members of the Belgium cabinet have virtually decided to resign on the return of the King to the capital.

CHANGE IN CECIL HOTEL COMPANY.

A deal has just been completed whereby F. M. Lannik, one of the members of the Cecil Hotel Co., Ltd., has sold out his interest in the company to Oscar Teser. The latter has ten on-going in the real estate business for some time. His associate in the company is C. H. Boulanger.

CALGARY CITIZEN DEAD.

Intelligence was received today by the attorney-general's department that License Commissioner Langdon, of Calgary, died this morning.

BIT BY RAT IN BED.

Daughter of Distinguished Yale Professor Suffers This. New York, Mar. 9.—Libel in the sum of \$50,000 was filed today in the United States District court against the Company Generale Trans-Atlantique, the steamship La Gasconne, its officers and crew, by John Wurts, a professor in the Yale law school, in the sum \$18,000 for mental and physical anguish on his own part, and \$32,000 each for his wife and his daughter Eleanor and Laura. The libel alleges that on the trip from Havre to this port, between September 24th and 26th last, Prof. Wurts and his family were exposed to the rudest sort of treatment and ill food. It alleges that on the information that there were no first cabin accommodations, he, with his wife and daughters were booked in the second cabin, but that within two hours of leaving the port they found that they were overruled by 1,400 steerage passengers. The accusations include one that the daughter of the professor was bit by a rat in her bed.

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STRUCK DRUNKEN FATHER

London, Ont., Mar. 10.—Daniel MacPherson, aged 55, is dead at his home, Wellington street, and his son, Daniel, aged 22, may have to answer a serious charge. The son states that his father had been addicted to drink, and when he came home Saturday he found the old man sitting in a chair, at three in the morning, in a state of stupor. "I took my coat off, intending to help father to his room, and he struck me with a stick of wood. I think he intended to hit me in the face, but I drew back and he struck me in the chest. I was angered and I struck him back. I think I hit him twice. Father fell back against the wall and doubled up. I called my brother John to come and help lift father up, but when John came he said he was afraid it was all up with him, and he died then and there." An investigation is being held.

DENIES SEPARATION STORY.

New York, Mar. 9.—Harry K. Thaw denied the following statement Saturday, through the counsel, Daniel O'Reilly: "I wish to deny as emphatically as possible the published report that my sister, the Countess of Arundell, is desirous of bringing about a separation between my wife and me at the conclusion of the trial. Perfect harmony exists between my wife, my sister and myself, as indicated between all members of my family."

A \$2,000,000 DEAL.

Dominion Bridge Company to Take Over Locomotive Machine Works. Montreal, Mar. 10.—A gigantic deal, involving nearly two millions of dollars, is being consummated by the Dominion Bridge company, which will take over the structural department of the locomotive machine works at Longue Point, near the city of Montreal. The deal is being pushed through with the most rapid of hands, all the arrangements having been practically completed. The reason given for this step, the largest and strongest company of its kind in the world. The structural department which is about to pass into the hands of the Dominion Bridge company, is that for some time past the structural department, which was inaugurated as a locomotive machine works of Longue Point, is the Canadian branch of the American locomotive machine works, the largest and strongest company of its kind in the world. The structural department which is about to pass into the hands of the Dominion Bridge company, is that for some time past the structural department, which was inaugurated as a locomotive machine works of Longue Point, is the Canadian branch of the American locomotive machine works, the largest and strongest company of its kind in the world. The structural department which is about to pass into the hands of the Dominion Bridge company, is that for some time past the structural department, which was inaugurated as a locomotive machine works of Longue Point, is the Canadian branch of the American locomotive machine works, the largest and strongest company of its kind in the world.

MUTINEERS SENTENCED.

St. Petersburg, Mar. 9.—Twelve sailors belonging to the Russian cruiser Elmo, of Bakhara, who were tried by court martial for mutiny at the Sevastopol outbreak, have been sentenced, five of them to imprisonment with hard labor in the mines for life, and the remainder to varying periods. Eight participants in the Bakhara mutiny were executed yesterday.

BRITISH PREMIER ON DISARMAMENT.

London, Mar. 9.—Prime Minister Campbell-Bannerman contributes to the Liberal weekly, the Nation, an article on the Hague conference, in which he rebuts the objection to raising the question of the limitation of armaments, contending that nothing has occurred since 1898 to render it opportune to postpone the question of armaments which was then recognized as desirable. "On the contrary," he says, the passage of the years has only served to strengthen the impression of 1898 that the endless multiplication of engines of war is futile and self-defeating. Regarding the struggle for sea-power, it was suggested in 1898 that no limit could be set to the competition save by the progress of economic exhaustion. That suggestion has now become something like a prophecy. Limitation cannot possibly endanger the limits of any power, and the Prime Minister says that the points of agreement between the powers have become less acute since 1898 and are confined to a smaller field, while the sentiment in favor of peace is incomparably stronger and more constant. There is, he declares, only one hypothesis upon which the submission of the question to the conference would be inadmissible, namely, that guarantees of peace must be treated as having no practical value, and that the scale and intensity of warlike preparations. That, he adds, would be a lame and impotent conclusion calculated to undermine the moral influence of the conference and stultify its proceedings. The Prime Minister claims that Great Britain has already given an earnest of her sincerity by reducing her naval and military expenditure and by undertaking to go further if a similar disposition is shown elsewhere. He meets the suggestion that "Great Britain's example will count for nothing, because her preponderant naval position will not be altered by declaring that the sea power does not imply a challenge to any state, is recognized throughout the world as non-aggressive. "The truth," he says appears to me to lie in the opposite direction. Our known adhesion to the dominant principles, independence and freedom of trade, entitles us to claim that if our fleets are invulnerable, they carry with them a message of the most cordial goodwill, based on a belief in the community of interests between nations."

BILL GETS COLD FEET.

London, Mar. 10.—James J. Hill is quoted here in an interview declaring that he had determined to abandon his vast plans for building an American trade with the Orient. A steamship wreck, "Criticism and ignorant interference by the Minnesota legislature," and the reverse of the American trade with the Orient, which he had already given an earnest of her sincerity by reducing her naval and military expenditure and by undertaking to go further if a similar disposition is shown elsewhere. He meets the suggestion that "Great Britain's example will count for nothing, because her preponderant naval position will not be altered by declaring that the sea power does not imply a challenge to any state, is recognized throughout the world as non-aggressive. "The truth," he says appears to me to lie in the opposite direction. Our known adhesion to the dominant principles, independence and freedom of trade, entitles us to claim that if our fleets are invulnerable, they carry with them a message of the most cordial goodwill, based on a belief in the community of interests between nations."

DEATH OF MRS. S. E. ROSS.

Mrs. S. E. Ross, of Nanaimo street, aged 28 years died yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Ross, who kept a boarding house at 230 Nanaimo, has been ill for some weeks. The deceased leaves a husband and child to mourn their loss. The remains were taken to the mortuary of McNeill, McCoppen & Bull, from which place they will be shipped tomorrow to Innisfail, where relatives of Mrs. Ross live.

PREFER RAILWAY WORK

To Farm Labor—Immigrants Accepting Most Remunerative Employment. Toronto, Ont., Mar. 9.—The immigrants from Europe and the United Kingdom are being largely attracted by the comparatively dazzling wages offered by railway contractors in new constructions and projections going on in the north and west. They are busy at points of land, and all the way along the line between here and there to submit the alleged superiority of railway work with farm labor and many of them who may expect to accept a minimum of \$4.00 a week with farmers succumb immediately to an offer of \$2.50 per day help building a railway. Already the immigrant office at the union station has received 1,400 applications for farm laborers, but the supply from the foreign causes grows so rapidly from St. John to Toronto that although help is in greater demand than ever, the number available is considerably less.

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