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YOUNG WOMAN LEAPS FROM TRAIN ON WAY FROM DIGBY TO HALIFAX.

Sought to End Her Life and Probably Succeeded, for Skull is Fractured—Thought to Be an American Who Had Been in St. John.

Halifax, Aug. 28.—(Special)—An unknown woman attempted suicide by jumping from the D. A. R. express while on the way from Yarmouth to Halifax this afternoon. She was well dressed, about 25 years of age, wore dark clothes, and was of a prepossessing appearance. She got on board at Digby, and when nearing Colbrook asked one of the officials about what section of the country the train was on. He informed her and a few minutes after she left her seat and going out on the rear platform, took the fatal leap. The train at the time was going about 25 miles an hour and went about two miles before it was pulled up. The train then backed to where the woman was seen to fall, and her body was picked up and taken on board. She was alive, but unconscious and was badly cut about the face and head. Kenzieville the services of a doctor were secured and he accompanied the unfortunate woman to Halifax. She was conveyed to the Victoria General Public Hospital, and but eight hours after she was taken to the hospital she was pronounced dead. It is supposed she is an American. It is thought she crossed from St. John to Digby. In her purse was a ticket from Yarmouth to Boston, and it is said she also had a letter addressed to a party in New York, but the name could not be ascertained tonight.

INQUIRY ORDERED BY MINISTER.

Captain Spain to Investigate Mishaps in St. Lawrence--Preparing for D. R. A. Meet--Englishmen Refrain from Entering Borden Memorial Match.

Ottawa, Aug. 28.—(Special)—Hon. James Sutherland has appointed a commission of inquiry to make an investigation into the mishaps which have recently occurred on the St. Lawrence route. Commander Spain will be the commander of the Dominion Rifle Association, and his associates, are busy these days, as entries for the meet are now being received from all over the country. The entries will be larger this year than in previous years. Every member of the English rifle team has entered every match in the meet except one. The exception is the Harold M. Borden memorial match. This match, they claim, is purely Canadian, in memory of the gallant Canadian, and no other should enter. A bright lad of 11 years, son of J. H. Pearce, of the post office department, was run over by a street car on Bank street today. The boy was riding a bicycle when his wheel slipped and he was thrown in front of the car. The car passed completely over him and he died almost immediately. The department of trade and commerce has received from the officers commanding the troops in the various camps the following cable, from Pretoria: "Referring to

SATISFIED ACCOUNTS OF DEAF AND DUMB INSTITUTION WERE BADLY KEPT.

Auditor-General Beek on the Stand at Inquiry Thursday—Spoke from What Published Reports of Institution Showed—Mr. Gregory Wanted This Evidence Stricken Out--Other Witnesses Tell of Finances.

Fredricton, N. B., Aug. 28.—(Special)—The Deaf and Dumb institution was re-examined this morning before Commissioner R. B. Wallace. Robert B. Wallace, of the education office, resumed his testimony. He was examined regarding the returns of Superintendent Woodbridge for the half year ending June 30th, 1899. The name of Henry Robinson appeared among the persons returned as a pupil. He was not aware that this pupil was an employee at this time. Mary Hale's name also appeared in this return. The reason that the application for the county grant for the return of 1900 was not allowed as asked for in the return of June, 1900, was that there was no certificate as called for under the amendments of 1900. No certificate had ever been presented as required. Mr. Woodbridge had made a chain in the return of June, 1901, but it was not allowed. Doctor Ineh had stated to him to deal as generally as possible with the institution as a pupil and allowed the return. In the return of 1900, Henry Robinson is given as attending the full term. He also appeared in the return of 1898 and assumed he was a pupil and allowed the return. The department allowed the payment for pupils under the amended act of 1900, still no certificates had been produced as required by the act. The returns for 1901 they were allowed was that Doctor Ineh was away and the witness would not assume the responsibility. He sent a letter to Mr. Woodbridge about the matter but he was not at home. He consulted with a member of the board of education and was instructed to ask the chairman of the managing committee of the institution. He thought it was his duty to do so. He asked him if he knew anything about the extension of time having been applied for as under the act of 1900. He did not know or remember anything about it. He recalled any resolution being passed by the board upon the question. No money was paid on the application for the two students. The witness stated that when he first examined the returns he took for granted that those not noted on the marginal space as otherwise disqualified were eligible to receive the salaries paid. He found this was not the case and more

carefully checked the returns for each succeeding year. Mr. Beek added, in reply to Mr. Gregory, that he had told the government that he would sign the warrant if they requested him to do so, but the government would not do that. He had never been interfered with by the government in the discharge of his public duties. When the auditor general had left the stand, Mr. Gregory moved that his evidence be expunged from the records, as being immaterial to the case. He contended that it had no bearing whatever upon the case, and should not have been taken. Mr. Phinney contended that Mr. Beek's evidence was of importance, it being the opinion of an experienced auditor. Commissioner Wallace was inclined to agree with Mr. Phinney, and thought no harm would be done to allow the evidence to remain on the records.

The Auditor General. James S. Beek, auditor general for New Brunswick, was the next witness called and sworn. He said he had been auditor general of the province since Confederation. He had never had any of the accounts of the Deaf and Dumb Institution submitted to him, but had signed the warrants for payments to the institution, and they were also signed by the receiver general. The warrant for the appropriation of last session amounting to \$200, had not yet been issued. He had objected to signing the warrant because of the very meagre information contained in the reports of the institution. The report of 1901, for instance, showed that the total amount subscribed and acknowledged for support of institution for the previous year was \$1,577.72, and the amount credited was \$3,159.32. This left a deficiency of \$1,581.60. The government had ordered an investigation into the financial affairs of the institution. He thought it would be very indefinite for anybody to ask for payment of the grant while the matter was pending. He said that Mr. Whelpley and Judge Gregory had spoken to him in regard to the payment of the grant. He had been asked by members of the government why he did not sign the warrant, and he replied that he was satisfied from the reports that the accounts were badly kept and did not disclose the information they should. Mr. Whelpley had assured him in conversation that the accounts were all right, but he had replied that he would not think that should be kept for an institution which had received such a large financial support from the government. He said that Mr. Gregory, Mr. Beek had no knowledge that every dollar received by the institution had not been accounted for. He had never asked for an explanation of the amount subscribed, and placed it in the receipt side of the balance sheet. He also explained the differences in his balance sheets and those published in the annual reports. These consisted chiefly of the above mentioned subscription receipts, inaccuracies in county grants, clerical errors, wrong entries of amount of vouchers, etc. The inquiry adjourned at 6 p. m., and will resume tomorrow.

Table with financial data: 1884 \$156.65, 1885 743.45, 1886 495.40, 1887 94.19, 1888 134.19, 1889 637.68, 1890 433.29, 1891 433.29, 1892 323.64, 1893 563.31, 1894 588.73, 1895 623.02, 1896 1,308.76, 1897 805.27, 1898 1,475.80, 1899 1,176.79, 1900 985.77, Total \$11,778.94

CANADA AND FRANCE. PREMIER LAURIER'S ADDRESS AT LILLE BANQUET.

Hopes to See France an Open Market for Canadian Products--Canada an Exceptionally Good Place for Frenchmen Who Wish to Emigrate. Toronto, Aug. 28.—(Special)—The Telegram's cable from Paris says: "The directors of the Lille Exhibition, which Sir Wilfrid Laurier visited yesterday, tendered a banquet to the dominion premier in the evening. In replying to the toast of his health, Sir Wilfrid said: 'Our political relations are broken, but our commercial relations may be resumed. You have an open market in Canada and I flatter myself with the hope of seeing France an open market for Canadian products. Frenchmen wishing to emigrate to Canada will find most exceptional conditions prevailing for settlement. It is useless,' he continued, 'to speculate on what might have been had Canada continued under French regime. It was under the eyes of England that French Canadians had cultivated a worship of France and if France had inspired that worship, Canadians had preserved it and Great Britain had respected it.' The Canadian premier added that though a British subject he was proud of his origin and everything concerning France interested him."

RUSSIA IN THE BLACK SEA. Czar's Ships Studying Turkish Coast Line--Unbusiness Caused.

London, Aug. 27.—The Times' Vienna correspondent reports that the Russian fleet, consisting of the Russian squadron to the Turkish coast on the Black Sea created uneasiness in Constantinople. The Russians formerly used to be invited to the Grand Duke Alexander, who has induced the Czar to allow these visits in the future. The grand duke, after inviting the Turkish fleet last year, boasted, so it is said, that he knew more about Turkish coasts on the Black Sea than all the Ottoman naval officers put together.

FAMOUS SCIENTIST NEAR DEATH. Professor Virchow's Strength Unmistakably Failing.

Berlin, Aug. 28.—Professor Virchow, the famous scientist, appears to be near his end. The German Medical Weekly regrets to announce on information obtained from the physicians who are treating him that the improvement of his week has not been maintained and that his strength is unmistakably failing.

PACKERS' COMBINE DECLARED OFF. Omaha, Neb., Aug. 28.—At midnight last night, an authoritative source gives the information that the packing house merger is off for several months at least, and that the Cudahys have blocked the combination. Rumors at the live stock exchange said that the combine had been abandoned, but from other sources came the report that these rumors were floated by the packers themselves in order to allay public opinion.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR OPENING OF THE EXHIBITION ARE NOW COMPLETE.

Names of Speakers and Singers at the Ceremonies Saturday Night--Courtesies Extended to Charitable Institutions of the City.

Now that Lieutenant Governor Snowball has definitely signified his acceptance of the Exhibition Association invitation to open the big 1902 fair on Saturday night the programme of the opening ceremonies has been completed. It will consist of selections by Garrison's orchestra and the Grand Band, solos by Miss Lucy Tongue and G. S. Mays and speeches by Hon. J. B. Snowball, lieutenant-governor; Premier Tweedie, His Worship Mayor White, Hon. J. Israel Tarte, Senator Ellis, Hon. William Pugsley and J. D. Hazen, M. P. P. Brighter, bigger and better than ever, St. John's 1902 exhibition will be thrown open to the public at 6 o'clock Saturday evening. At that hour the management promises that everything will be in motion and the gates open, the various departments will be in perfect running order. Probably the exhibition buildings and the executive offices on Water street are the busiest places in the city this week. At the building last night scores of exhibitors and assistants were working at high pressure creating, designing and fashioning the many beautiful booths which will greet the eye on Saturday evening. As the office, Manager W. W. Hubbard and his assistants were even more busily engaged in the manifold duties which come within their province. The programme as arranged so far is as follows: Saturday. Opening day—Building will be open to exhibitors and officials from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m.—Opened to general public when all departments will be in full running order. 8 p. m.—Opening exercises, addresses by public men, interspersed with instrumental music. The floral exhibits will be judged during the day and before the general public are admitted.

Monday. 8 a. m.—Buildings opened. 11 a. m.—Start of grand labor parade, which will terminate at the exhibition grounds about 1 o'clock. It is expected 2,500 men will be in line, with a number of floats. All the city bands will be in the parade. On reaching the grounds the parade will pass in review before the grand stand. 1:30 p. m.—Band concert in main building and on grounds. 2 p. m.—Special amusement programme before the grand stand by the four Lakens, who will give a thrilling exhibition of horizontal bar gymnastics. Parade of teamsters' horses, which will be judged. 2:30 p. m.—Athletic sports under auspices of the labor unions on exhibition grounds. First vaudeville performance in grand amusement hall, and moving pictures in small amusement hall, Agricultural building. 7:30 p. m.—Band concert in main building. Loken's gymnastic exhibition before grand stand. 8:00 p. m.—First display of fireworks from the grounds with amusement hall programme and moving pictures immediately following.

Tuesday. 9:00 a. m.—Judging of medium draught horses commences in horse ring; of beef and dairy cattle in the stock ring and of agricultural products in agricultural hall. 1:30 p. m.—Band concert in main building. Base ball match on grounds, Roses vs. Alerts. 2:30 p. m.—Lakens before the grand stand. 2:30 p. m.—Performances in amusement hall. 3:00 p. m.—Judging of carriage horses in harness. 7:30 p. m.—Band concert in main building and Lakens before grand stand. 8:00 p. m.—Fireworks display, followed by amusement hall programmes.

Wednesday. 9:00 a. m.—Judging of carriage horses and standard bred horses continues, as well as in other classes. 1:30 p. m.—Band concert in main building. 2:00 p. m.—Lakens before the grand stand. 2:30 p. m.—Amusement hall performances. Horse races at Moospath Park: 2:34 class, trot and pace, purse \$200; 2:40 class, trot and pace, purse \$200. A special race train will leave the foot of Sydney street at 2 o'clock. Wednesday evening's programme will be the same as Tuesday evening's.

Thursday. 9:00 a. m.—Judging in various classes continues. Judging of thoroughbred horses commences before the grand stand. 10:00 a. m.—Meeting of executive committee of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association in the live stock commission's office. 1:30 p. m.—Band concert in main building. 2:00 p. m.—Lakens exhibition before the grand stand, followed by amusement hall programmes. Horse races at Moospath Park: 2:28 class trot and pace, purse \$200; free-for-all, trot and pace, purse \$500. 7:30 p. m.—The evening's programme will be the same as Wednesday evening, with an especially brilliant display of fireworks.

Friday. 9:00 a. m.—Draught competition, horse shoeing competition. Completion of judging in other classes. 1:30 p. m.—Band concert in main building. Base ball match, Roses vs. Alerts. 2:00 p. m.—Lakens in front of grand stand. 2:30 p. m.—Amusement hall programmes. 3:00 p. m.—Parade and judging of matched pairs and carriage horses. 4:45 p. m.—Concert by Westminster Abbey Coronation Choir in the large amusement hall. 7:30 p. m.—Band concert in main building. Lakens before grand stand. 8:00 p. m.—Amusement hall performances. 9:00 p. m.—Second concert by Westminster Abbey choir in large amusement hall. Children's day. The afternoon and evening programmes will include amusement features and fireworks. At 2:30 p. m. a grand parade of all prize winning horses and cattle will be held. The exhibition will close on Saturday night.

Fireworks. The fireworks programme will be the finest ever seen in St. John. In addition to hundreds of rockets, Roman candles, shooting stars, fire cascades, turbanes and magnificent jet pieces, the concluding spectacle will be a naval pyrotechnic display, the taking of the Taku forts. This is a brilliant set piece, more than 125 feet long. The Chinese fortifications and attacking war ships are shown in fireworks. The guns of the fort play on the ships and the ships in turn conduct a heavy bombardment with lyddite shells. A shell penetrates to the magazines of the forts, which explode, hurling their contents high in the air. The forts are blown to pieces and the set piece terminates amidst the tremendous detonations of cannon, bursting of shells and the dazzling light of numerous naval pyrotechnic war devices.

Lodging Bureau. To accommodate the vast number of visitors who are expected to be in the city the association has decided to establish a lodging bureau in the building adjoining the Western Union office, Francis William street. This will be in charge of Fred W. James and persons having lodgings to let are requested to register there. While the fair is in progress the bureau will be open day and night. The first big influx of visitors is expected to arrive on Monday when there will be an excursion from Halifax. Lodging will be run every day over the I. C. R. and C. P. R. and there will be a special boat from Fredericton on Monday. Each amusement hall is this year situated in the agricultural building. In the larger one where the vaudeville performances will be given the entrance is provided for 1200 people. This hall is entered from the large door at the north of the building while access to the reserved seats is by the centre door. The other amusement hall in which the moving pictures will be shown is at the southern end of the building. Here there are seating for 800 people. Both are capable of largely increased accommodation by the use of extra chairs. Manager Hubbard received Tuesday a telegram from Hon. J. Israel Tarte to the effect that he was uncertain whether or not he could be in St. John in time to participate in the opening of the exhibition. He was just leaving Ottawa for Toronto and will advise Mr. Hubbard definitely in a day or two. A distinctive cap has been prepared for those occupying office before the grand fair week. The special police will wear navy blue yachting caps, with their titles inscribed on the white band. The officials will answer questions in caps similar to those of the police, but with the word "Staff" on the band, while the ticket sellers will take in currency under the shade of little scarlet sun caps, with their position signified in gilt letters on black ribbon. The house committee also met last evening and talked matters over. A scene of industry in the exhibition building these days and from early morning till late at night the sound of saw and hammer resounds through the long galleries, while busy workers through the building everywhere. The various booths are beginning to take definite form and by Saturday the chaos which now prevails will have been reduced to complete order and the fair be in attractive readiness for the public. The coming exhibition promises to be one of the best in many years, not only from a standpoint of numerous exhibits, but in artistic effect, for unusual amount of care along these lines is being taken by the committee and the result promises to be a triumph in brilliant and striking decoration.

The lower part of the main building has some very pretty places already in good shape, among which is the space where Heinz & Company, of Boston, will make an exhibit of pickles and preserves. This is the show. Hundreds of yards of green and white check cloth are being used in the firm's decorating of an exhibit in line. The Baker Company, of Boston, will exhibit in a handsome booth of dark crimson, with gold decorations, while near by the oak finish of Dunlap, Cooke & Company's space for the exhibition of fur garments makes a rich combination of color tones. H. E. Good, the florist, will make a very large display and fountains and other attractive accessories are being installed. The Jamaica exhibit of fruits, etc., promises to be of the deepest interest, as

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ERSIAN GULF SCENE OF WORLD INTEREST.

International Relations There the Next Problem, Says Capt. Mahan.

London, Aug. 28.—Discussing in the National Review, international relations in the Persian Gulf, Capt. Alfred T. Mahan, U. S. N., (retired), characterizes the problem there presented as second only to the Chinese question, and as one certain to claim world notice so soon as a stable equilibrium is established in the farther east. Comparing the Persian Gulf, across which the British fleet is bound by the Persian Gulf, to the White Russia and Great Britain have nominally equal interests, Great Britain's ultimate supremacy is provable owing to the necessity of her safe-guarding the route by way of Suez to India, while Great Britain's that it is reasonable to expect them to work hand in hand, while Russia will hardly undertake an aggressive move in Southern Persia until she has completed the Siberian railway which will absorb all her available money and energies for some time to come.

HOLDING SULTAN TO PROMISE. Agrees to Repeal Exceptional Measures Adopted Against Armenians.

Constantinople, Aug. 28.—The Sultan recently agreed to repeal the exceptional measures adopted against the Armenians if the Armenian patriarch would guarantee that no outbreak would follow. The patriarch accordingly met and signed a document and promising tranquility. An imperial irade is now awaiting the patriarch returning to give up duties and the promises of the Sultan are fulfilled.

Recognized as an Art G-m. Milan to the Daily Telegraph says that some years ago a picture was discovered in an old castle near Piacenza and deposited in the gallery of paintings at that place. Yesterday this picture was recognized as one of the finest of Botticelli's work. It is oval-shaped, and painted on wooden board. It represents the infant Jesus, who is lying on grass. The picture, correspondent says, is a valuable one, which heretofore has been referred to as lost.

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