

The Evening Times

ST. JOHN, N. B. THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1908.



THE WEATHER. Moderate to fresh west and north west gales, clearing, Friday, westerly winds, fair and a little colder, with local snow flurries.

EIGHT PAGES—ONE CENT.

A TERRIBLE DISASTER IN GERMAN COAL MINE

It is Believed That From 250 to 350 Men Lost Their Lives by Explosion of Fire Damp in Radbot Mine in Westphalia Early Today.

Hamm, Westphalia, Germany, Nov. 12.—An explosion of fire damp occurred in the Radbot Mine this morning and of four hundred men who were working in the pit at the time, only thirty-six have been brought to the surface up to the present. Of these, all are more or less injured and one has since died. One hundred and fifty men are entombed in shaft No. 2, all of whom are believed to have lost their lives.

ALMOST 5,000 MEN ARE AT WORK BUILDING THE G.T.P. ACROSS NEW BRUNSWICK

District Engineer Foss Talks of Progress Made on the Line.

The Total G. T. P. Mileage in New Brunswick is Slightly Over 256 Miles—Some Idea of the Magnitude of the Work Being Carried on.

HON. GEORGE E. FOSTER MAKES WILD CHARGES

Says Conservatives Had Victory in Plain Sight One Week Before The Elections And That Liberals Flooded Country With Money.

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 12.—(Special)—The Conservative party had won the election in plain view until a week before the elections when tremendous influences were used, was the assertion made by Hon. Geo. E. Foster at the Fifth Ward Conservative Association last night.

MANY BOATS MAY BE HUNG UP

Lumber Dealers in New York and Brooklyn Want Champlain Canal Kept Open Until December 1.—Forty Boats to be Cleared.

Albany, Nov. 12.—Lumber dealers in New York and Brooklyn have petitioned the State Department of Public Works to keep the Champlain Canal open for navigation until December 1 in order that forty boats loaded with lumber and merchandise which have left Canadian waters may be cleared.

MARK TWAIN ON WITNESS STAND

Addressed as Dr. Clemens in the Trial of His Burglars.

Danbury, Conn., Nov. 11.—Charles Hoffman and Henry Williams were presented for trial here today in the Superior Court, criminal side, on the charge of burglary at the home of Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) in Redding, several weeks ago.

MRS. OSBORNE DEAD

New York Society Woman and Founder of Mrs. Osborne's Theatre Passed Away Yesterday.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 11.—Mrs. Josephine Osborne, once prominent in New York society, but more widely known as the modiste of the fashionable women of New York's "400," died today at her home here.

ROBERTS TO WORK ON WIGGINS WHARF

Contract for Improving West Side Property Awarded to Robert Roberts & Sons

The west side improvements committee met this morning and opened tenders for the improvements to the Wiggins wharf on the west side. There were four tenders, Robert Roberts & Sons, at \$10,783; S. Herbert Mayes, at \$11,700; Clark & Adams at \$12,125 and A. E. Hamilton at \$15,461.

WILL BUY A PALACE WITH WIFE'S MONEY

Vienna, Nov. 12.—The Bishop of Raab, the Right Rev. Nicholas Seehausen, has gone to Orenzo Castle, where he was baptized the infant daughter of the Count and Countess Seehausen. According to reports received from Budapest, the Count and Countess are planning to spend several months in Vienna. They intend to purchase as a town residence the palace of Prince Lobkowitz, which has been occupied by the French Embassy.

THE STORY IS DOUBTED

Stockholm, Nov. 12.—All Arctic experts here do not believe the report that the grave of Professor S. A. Andree, the Swedish explorer, who in 1897 made an attempt to reach the North Pole in a balloon, had been found on the coast of Labrador. Professor Nantvost and Captain Nilsson, when questioned today, said they did not think it possible that Andree's balloon could have reached Labrador.

MOFFATT SENT UP FOR TRIAL

Grand Secretary of the P. W. A. Committed to the Supreme Court.

Sydney, N. S., Nov. 11 (Special).—John Moffatt, grand secretary of the Protestant Workmen's Association, who was arrested on October 31 on a charge of perjury, was today committed at New South Wales to trial at the next sitting of the supreme court.

JURY NOT PICKED IN GUINNESS CASE

Reporte, Ind., Nov. 11.—To give all assistance possible to county officers in their efforts to unravel the Guinness mystery, W. A. K. Heleglein, brother of Andrew Heleglein, the last known victim of Mrs. Belle Guinness, arrived in Lenoire tonight from Asheville, N. C. He will be one of the main witnesses for the state, for through him, Prosecutor Smith will trace a number of letters received by him from Mrs. Guinness during the time that Heleglein was endeavoring to find some trace of his brother.

MORSE MUST SPEND ONE MONTH IN JAIL AT BEST ESTIMATE

No Further Step in His Fight For Bail Will be Taken Before Thirty Days—Ex-"Ice King" Still Keeps His Nerve.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 11.—Wallace M. Morse, counsel for Chas. W. Morse, said today that he contemplates bail for the convicted banker, pending the filing of the bill of exceptions, which will probably be done under thirty days.

THE WASTE OF FUEL IN SMOKE AND DUST

U. S. Consul J. N. McCune, of Glasgow, furnishes the following information concerning the waste in coal consumption and the prevention of smoke and dust, as recently presented to his associates by the chairman of the Glasgow and West of Scotland Technical College.

SCHOONERS IN TROUBLE

Boston, Mass., Nov. 11.—The three-masted schooner, Henry Edmunds, Capt. Ezra Parmeter, anchored on the East Boston flat-tight, her foremast gone, her other sails split and running rigging damaged, while 120,000 feet of lumber which had completed her deck was missing. The Edmunds left Richmond, Maine, November 6, and two days out struck a furious gale which blew her miles off her course, damaging her sails, and swept her deck overhead. She was bound for New York and will continue as soon as a new foremast can be procured.

ANOTHER EVIDENCE OF RETURNING GOOD TIMES

New York City Bonds Which Could Not Sell at Par Last Year are Now Expected to Bring a Premium.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 11.—Controller Metz will, on November 23, offer for sale \$12,500,000 of four per cent. stock and bonds of the City of New York. A year ago it was impracticable to sell four per cent. bonds at par, but the easing of the money market leads the controller to expect that he will have no trouble now in selling them at a premium.

HOLMER OUT FOR MARATHON HONORS

Halifax Runner Will not Turn Professional but has his Heart set on Winning Olympic Marathon in 1910.

Montreal, Nov. 12.—(Special).—Hans Holmer, winner of the Hamilton road race on Thanksgiving Day, arrived in the city today. He will spend a few days in Quebec before returning to Halifax. Holmer is greatly pleased with his recent victory. He says he has no intention of turning professional, his ambition being to win the Olympic Marathon in 1910.

DECLARATION DAY IN PORT ARTHUR

Port Arthur, Ont., Nov. 12.—(Special).—Yesterday morning, increasing Communist majority at the poll at the head of Lake Nepegin by ten. Returning Officer Horn at once made his official declaration, giving the vote as follows:—Communist, 4,539; Keefe, 3,319; Ury, 72; majority for Communist, 1,240. Total vote polled was 8,980 out of a possible 17,150 on the list.

MORE PEOPLE ARE NOW TRAVELLING IN STYLE

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 11.—The fiscal year ending on July 1, showed an increase of three per cent. in the number of passengers availing themselves of sleeping and parlor car accommodations, according to the annual statement of the Pullman Company made public today. The financial statement shows a total revenue of \$31,620,240, a net surplus for the year of \$3,700,567.

WILLIAM THE MEDDLER AT HIS TRICKS AGAIN

The Hague, Nov. 11.—The Vredelaar publishes extracts from the memoirs of an unnamed diplomat who asserts that during the Russo-Japanese war the German Emperor wrote to Queen Wilhelmina of Holland threatening the occupation of Dutch ports unless Holland immediately put herself in a state of defense against Great Britain.

THEY MUST FIGHT FOR PLATT'S SEAT

Republicans Cannot Agree Upon a Successor to New York Senator.

Washington, Nov. 11.—That no man at this time has a clear path to a seat in the United States Senate to be vacated by Senator Thomas C. Platt, of New York in March next, was evidenced today at several conferences on the subject at the White House and in Washington hotels.

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HON. MR. ELLIS TO LEAD THE SENATE?

Considerable Speculation as to Who Will Succeed Hon. R. W. Scott.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 12 (Special).—There is considerable speculation in political circles as to who is likely to become leader of the senate in succession to Hon. R. W. Scott, whose resignation of the post of secretary of state involves the abandonment by him of the duties of leading the upper house, which he has performed since 1897. Much depends upon the choice of the new speaker of the senate. There is a strong probability that the premier may ask Hon. Mr. Scott to round off the position of presiding officer of the senate. Other names suggested for the speakership are those of Hon. J. K. Kerr, of Toronto, Hon. J. V. Ellis, of St. John, N. B., and Hon. Winlay Young of Manitoba.

MAY ATTEMPT TO MUZZLE THE KAISER

Berlin, Nov. 12.—The meeting which is to take place in Berlin today of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Bundestag, is attracting much interested speculation. The circumstances producing the assembling of the committee, a most unusual step, have given rise to the inference that the meeting is called to take some action to prevent Emperor William from pursuing an independent course in the Foreign Affairs of the Empire as well as from publicly indicating a personal opinion in connection with that of his government. The ministers' president of the Bavarian, Wurtemberg, and Saxon delegations to the council of the Bundesrat represents the individual states of the empire as the Reichstag represents the German nation, and it is understood that the meeting is called at the instance of Bavaria, whose Minister President, Baron von Podewils, will therefore preside at the sittings.

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TO CARRY THE PLEDGE THROUGH THE STATES

Anti-Saloon League to Begin Comprehensive Pledge Signing Movement Next Year.

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 12.—The Anti-Saloon League will begin a pledge-signing movement early next year throughout the United States. Dr. Russell, at present Superintendent of the League work in New York, will have charge of this campaign. To carry on the work successfully and economically the American Anti-Saloon League has a printing establishment in connection with its National quarters.

This announcement was made yesterday to the Central District Association of the National Supt. P. A. Esker.

SHO BY AN UNKNOWN HAND DASHED TO DEATH

Two Hunters Terribly Injured in Woods Near South Uniacke, N.S.—Both May Die.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 12.—(Special)—News of a very serious shooting accident was received from South Uniacke this morning. It appears that Neil McDonald and Donald McDonald of that place, while out shooting in the woods this morning were both so badly wounded by the discharge of a gun, that the life of the former is despaired of, and the latter is in almost as serious a condition. Who fired the shot could not be ascertained but it is supposed to have been another hunter who was unaware of the result.

TWO BOATS CONTAINING TEN CHINAMEN WERE WRECKED AGAINST BUFFALO BREAKWATER—SIX MEN ARE DEAD.

Buffalo, Nov. 12.—Two boats containing ten Chinamen were wrecked against the Buffalo breakwater about half a mile east of Michigan street early today. Six of the Chinamen were dashed against the rocks and wedged in while four were rescued and are locked up at the West Seneca street station. All of the six wedged in the rocks died apparently of fractured skulls, while the four who were saved have scalp wounds. If there were any white men in the boats they escaped but one of the Chinamen who talks fairly good English, said he was running the boats and that no Americans were with the party.

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