

NEED MUCH HELP FOR THE HARVEST

Prairie Farmers Likely to Fall Short of the Labor They Require

SHIRKERS ARE IN EVIDENCE

Latest Reports Show That the Wheat Harvest is Rapidly Approaching

Winnipeg, July 29.—The demand from all parts of the province for harvesters at the present time, said provincial immigration agent Burke this morning, "is enormous. I can place at least 1,000 men at the present time. This shows the anxiety of the farmers to secure their help in time to save the crop, which by all accounts will be fully matured before the middle of August.

"We have of late been sending men out in all directions, and while there were many unemployed a week ago, now we cannot meet the demand. However, I may say this, that there is a large number of men holding back, speculating on securing high wages, or at least they give that as their excuse, and it is peculiar to see some of them who have called daily at this office begging for work, now that they have a chance to go out, making excuses when the opportunity offers."

"How many men will be required for the harvest in the west," Mr. Burke was asked. "My estimate is about 33,000. That is \$400 for Manitoba and 24,000 for Saskatchewan and the other provinces.

"This would be a proper time," Mr. Burke went on, "for releasing the better class of prisoners from the jails on parole to assist in the harvest. There will be work for them. This system has been tried in the United States, and has proved most successful. Of course, the men would have to be supervised as you would need good men from had weeds by selecting the best. There is no doubt that any such system would have a good effect, as the men would be glad to get out."

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Reports Still Cheerful.—Winnipeg, July 29.—The Free Press this morning published reports from two hundred correspondents on the conditions of the crops. The harvest will be general from August 16th to 20th. Ninety per cent of the wheat has been cut. The drought has lessened the yield in some districts but the consensus of opinion is that the Canadian west will reap a good year's crop of six million acres. The coarse grains are doing well and considerable barley has been cut. The harvesting of winter wheat is general in southern Alberta.

INDEPENDENCE PARTY

Ticket is Composed of Messrs. Hagen and Graves and Mr. Hearst is Chairman of Committee

Chicago, July 29.—The first national congress of the Independence party finished its labors early today after the nomination of Thomas L. Hagen, of Massachusetts, for president of the United States, and John Temple Graves, of Georgia, for vice-president, and adopting a platform of principles. The nomination of Hagen was reached on the third ballot with a vote of 511 out of 643 ballots cast. Mr. Graves was named for vice-president by acclamation. The National committee of the Independence party today elected Wm. B. Hearst as chairman.

WAR WASTE

Chancellor Lloyd-George Laments Results of Distrust Between Britain and Germany

London, July 29.—Addressing a meeting at the Queen's hall last night in connection with the international peace conference, David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, dwelt at considerable length upon the scars and rumors concerning the relations between Great Britain and Germany.

"It could not be wondered, the chancellor declared, that Germany was nervous at alliances and understandings concluded abroad, when her position between two powerful military nations was considered.

"It is deplorable," said the chancellor, "that two great and progressive communities like Germany and Great Britain should not be able to establish a good understanding, such as we have concluded with Russia, and the United States. We are spending each year sixty million pounds sterling preparing for war which is a stupendous waste."

Steamer Founders

Canton, July 29.—The Chinese steamer Yung King, Prince R's local passenger trader, foundered yesterday during the typhoon. Three hundred Chinese are known to be drowned. Only 12 of those on board were rescued. The Yung King was of 728 tons, 500 feet long and owned in Hongkong.

THOUSANDS DIE IN WILD TYPHOON

Canton And Hongkong Visited by Worst Storm of Many Years

MANY CHINESE DROWNED

Over a Hundred Vessels Are Wrecked—Damage Done at Hongkong

Hongkong, July 29.—Reports from Canton say that the scenes following the typhoon of Monday night last are heart-rending. Thousands of Chinese were drowned. The typhoon, in its loss of life and damage to shipping, eclipsed the typhoon of 1897. Returns received here show that the loss to European shipping was less, but that over a hundred native vessels were wrecked.

The typhoon struck Hongkong shortly before 12 o'clock, causing unusual high seas to rise. A number of Chinese were drowned. Members of the British cruiser Astron, with a searchlight, started out in a cutter to the rescue of 12 men who were fighting for life in the angry waves. After an hour's battle the others being rescued six of them, the others being drowned. The property loss on shore is very heavy.

The steamer Schuyllkill, Peral, Fowhatten, Laissang, Charles Hardon, and the British torpedo boat Whiting are ashore. An unknown steamer and several lighters foundered. Fifteen houses in the Kingscote hotel. There were casualties ashore and afloat, but few among the shipping as the ships had been forewarned of the storm.

JUDGE TAFT TREATED TO DOUBTFUL SALUTE

Shotgun Fired in Direction of Steamer on Which He Was Travelling

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BRITAIN'S POLICY

Sir Edward Grey Makes Statement on Relations With France, Russia and Germany

London, July 29.—The Macedonian question was raised in the House of Commons last night. Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, said the situation had changed suddenly and greatly in the last few days. If Turkey herself was going to improve the whole government of the country to benefit Mussulmans and Christians alike, it was better, he said, that the Macedonian question should be settled by the Turks themselves than that partial reforms should be pressed upon reluctant and obstructive authorities.

"We ought for the present," added the secretary, "to preserve an expectant and sympathetic attitude toward their changes."

He deprecated the idea of intervention in Persia unless the Persian subjects became threatening.

He said while Great Britain must be free to make agreements like those with Russia and France in order to remove the causes of friction, such policy implied no enmity towards other powers.

The foreign secretary's reference to Germany, which was drawn out by a discreet speech by Sir Charles Dilke, was rather unexpected, and was much canvassed afterwards in the lobbies, where it is regarded by many of the members as intended to counteract the bad impression likely to be produced in Germany by Lord Cromer's speech in the House last Monday, when he declared that it was the first duty of the government to prepare for the European conflict which probably would be forced upon Great Britain before many years.

C.P.R. Branch Construction

Saskatoon, Sask., July 29.—The C.P.R. steel is now about fifty-five miles west of Assiniboia, work is being rushed, but there is considerable delay on account of the twenty bridges to be erected. Upwards of four hundred men are on the work, and it will be kept up till snow sets in.

RAIDER BREAKS DOWN

Paris, July 29.—The American car in the Boulevard des Capucines, Paris, down near Hanover, according to reports received here, and is making short time on its way to Paris. It is expected to arrive here tomorrow night.

EX-SPEAKER ROY'S CASE

Quebec, July 29.—The authorities have received no application from former Speaker Roy, president of the former Banque de St. Jean for permission to occupy the Speaker's apartments in the legislative buildings, nor do they anticipate such a possibility. As to what would be done, however, should Roy take such action, the authorities would not commit themselves.

LABORER WRECKED

Montreal, July 29.—Reports received here by the Marconi company from its stations on the Labrador coast tell of a very heavy gale on Tuesday. At Indian Harbor twenty-seven schooners were wrecked, and the others being blown out to sea, while at Domino, three schooners were lost. No loss of life has been reported.

PAINTERS AND DECORATORS

Galt, Ont., July 29.—The fifth annual convention of the Painters and Decorators' association of Canada opened here yesterday. About 250 delegates are in attendance from the various provinces and the Canadian army service corps for their respective destinations in the afternoon. Tomorrow morning the delegates will be in the city for the permanent forces on De Salaberry street, will include the Northwest mounted police, who acted as the Prince of Wales' personal escort, and the Royal Canadian dragoons, with the Toronto and St. John detachments.

C. P. R. TRAINS IN FATAL CRASH

One Section of Pacific Express Plunges Into Rear of Other

TOURIST CAR IS SMASHED

One Passenger Killed And a Considerable Number Are Injured

Toronto, July 29.—The Pacific express of the C. P. R. No. 97, running in two sections, left North Bay with a heavy passenger list for the West on Sunday morning and was delayed by a wreck at Pringle. The first section, which consisted of a baggage car, cleared, started on her journey and was stopped at Trudeau. The second section, following closely, crashed into the train ahead, causing the plowing through a caboose and a tourist passenger car, smashing them to kindling wood and tearing up the track for many yards.

MORE COKE OVENS FOR CROW'S NEST CO.

Fifty Additional to Be Built to Meet the Growing Demand

Fernie, B.C., July 29.—The Crow's Nest Pass coal Co. have commenced the construction of a new coke oven to supply the growing market. Twenty-eight will be built at Fernie and twenty-two at Mitchell.

The ratepayers today are voting on a bylaw to raise ten thousand dollars for street improvements by the sale of debentures.

Russian Bandits Get \$40,000.

Tirashol, Russia, July 29.—A band of unknown men today attacked the officers of the sarkier at the local road station and got away with \$40,000.

Injured by Footpads.

Montreal, July 29.—Richard Helmsley had his leg broken in a scuffle with footpads in Westmount on Saturday night. He was on his way home when he was followed by the men and was held by them. His frantic struggles were overcome. The noise attracted attention and the footpads made off. They only secured \$4.

Drowned at theault.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., July 29.—Achilio Varazo, an Italian, was drowned here yesterday. An overhead coal crane knocked him into the water.

Banker on Trial.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 29.—Henry W. Caselle, secretary-treasurer of the defunct Farmers and Merchants Bank, was today sentenced to a term of imprisonment for the charge of embezzlement, which was granted a continuance after pleading not guilty to the charge.

TERCENTENARY NEAR ITS CLOSE

Fleet is Gone, and Soldiers Nearly All Started for Their Homes

ANCIENT CAPITAL QUIETER

Performance of Pageants and Fireworks Display Draws Crowds

Quebec, July 29.—With the departure of the Prince of Wales at daybreak this morning, Quebec's tercentenary celebration was practically concluded. The harbor is emptied of the splendid fleet of warships, with the exception of the C. P. R. line, the Fifth Field hospital, which will probably remain until the official closing on Friday.

The military camps are likewise deserted. The last of the army on the ground under canvas at Savard Park entrained today and were carried back to their homes in three special trains from the C. P. R. line. The Fifth Field ambulance corps left for Montreal in the morning, and the Twenty-first Windsor regiment and the Canadian army service corps for their respective destinations in the afternoon. Tomorrow morning the delegates will be in the city for the permanent forces on De Salaberry street, will include the Northwest mounted police, who acted as the Prince of Wales' personal escort, and the Royal Canadian dragoons, with the Toronto and St. John detachments.

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DRIVING AT WILD SPEED

Pinned Under Wrecked Car, With Flames Searing His Flesh

Paris, July 29.—In one of the most terrible automobile accidents in many years in France, G. Winthrop Sands, stepson of W. K. Vanderbilt, was killed today just outside the grounds of the Chateau St. Louis de Poissy, twenty miles from Paris. Mr. Sands was driving his 60-horsepower car along at a terrific clip, when a tire burst and the machine crashed into a tree, turning partly sideways and pinning the chauffeur, Plickens, to the ground. An explosion followed, and in a moment the car was in flames. Peasants working in the adjoining fields rushed to the rescue, but for some time fearing further explosion of the gasoline tank, and deterred by the sweep of flames, they stood idly by, watching the flames. They dragged out the bleeding and burned body of Sands.

The injured men were carried to the house, where it was found that Sands was beyond the hope of recovery, but that the chauffeur was not seriously injured.

Regarding the accident, Plickens said: "We had left Deauville at 5 a. m. Mr. Sands had gone there yesterday to see his mother, who was with Mr. Vanderbilt and his brother. Mr. Sands was driving a 60-horsepower car, which was worth fifty-five miles an hour, as he was anxious to reach the chateau, where Mr. Sands and the lady were."

"The car crossed the railway crossing and somewhat annoyed Mr. Sands, and as he approached the chateau grounds he asked the chauffeur to slow down. The car was then at a snail's pace, and at the same time opened the throttle wider. Almost immediately the right-hand wheel flew up. The machine skidded and bumped and then struck a tree with such force that it rebounded against another, literally climbing up the trunk and then falling backward.

"Only my feet were caught under the front portion of the car, but I was consciousness in a moment. When I recovered the wreck already was in flames, the motor having exploded. From where I lay I could see that Sands was utterly helpless in the burning wreckage. His right leg, which was crushed and almost severed, was bleeding profusely. It was resting, as though on a spit, in the roaring furnace.

"Mr. Sands was groaning in agony, but keeping his nerve. I struggled, but I could not free myself. I turned as far as I could and asked 'Are you suffering much?' and he replied 'Very much, very much.' I again lost consciousness, and when I came to I was lying on the wreckage and the peasants were tearing apart the hot, twisted iron. In extricating Sands his leg was left in the wreckage, separating from the body as the man was dragged out.

In addition to other injuries, Mr. Sands' right arm and shoulder were broken. The physician could only try to allay his sufferings with morphine. When Mr. Sands regained consciousness he cried out in agony, 'his last wish was to have a cry for water.' Mr. Sands was not informed at once of her husband's death, but Mr. Vanderbilt was advised over the telephone by William Duke, and he and Mrs. Vanderbilt, accompanied by Stephen Vanderbilt, arrived at Poissy, arriving at the chateau at 11 o'clock. Mr. Sands was overwhelmed. Mrs. Vanderbilt broke the news to her daughter-in-law, who bore up bravely. A telegram of condolence began to arrive late in the afternoon, and a score of automobiles drove over from Paris to express their sympathy. The funeral arrangements had not been completed, but the service would probably be held in Paris and the body later shipped to the United States for interment.

CASTRO SNUBS BRITAIN

Issue Decree Prohibiting Dispatch of Vessels From Venezuelan Ports to British Islands

Port-of-Spain, July 29.—Following the issuance of a decree by President Castro last May prohibiting the dispatch of vessels from Venezuelan government ports to Trinidad, Cuba, and other Venezuelan ports, the British government has been forced to take steps to protect its interests in the West Indies.

Great indignation is felt in the British colonies and it is expected that the aid of the British government will be sought to secure protection against the methods of President Castro.

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STEALING REGISTERED LETTERS

Winnipeg, July 29.—Arthur E. Fridley, a young postoffice clerk here, was sentenced to three months in the penitentiary today for stealing registered letters valued at \$200.

PAPER AT AUCTION

New York, July 29.—It is proposed to establish an open market for newsprint paper in this city, in an auction sale of one hundred tons of newsprint in carload lots is announced for August 5th by John Norris, of the American Newspaper Publishers' association.

MURDER OF TRIFLE

Wharton, Tex., July 29.—R. B. Pointer shot and killed G. W. Jackson at Pierce, Tex., today, following a quarrel over a one-cent postage stamp. Jackson had mailed a letter with only a one-cent stamp on it, and Pointer, who had charge of the postoffice, called his attention to the matter.

Nova Scotia Coal Wages. Ottawa, July 27.—The board of investigation appointed to consider the demand of three hundred employees of the Chignecto coal company, for an increase of wages, returned a unanimous report which the men will accept for a period of two years. The company, however, is unwilling to bind itself to an agreement for so long a period, as it believes there will be a reduction in the cost of producing coal in Nova Scotia in the near future.

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