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HOTEL "QUINTE" BURNS TO EARTH

Fine Belleville Hostelry Destroyed by Fire Last Night—Loss Will Be Over \$60,000.

Belleville, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The Quinte, said to be the best hotel between Montreal and Toronto, was completely destroyed by fire, which broke out about 10 o'clock last (Friday) night.

In the early hours of this morning the town firemen succeeded in getting the flames under control, but only the walls of the substantial brick structure, which cost \$100,000 to build, are left standing.

There were few guests stopping at the hotel, as there are few commercial travelers on the road at this season of the year.

The origin of the fire is not exactly known, but it is supposed that a defect in the electric wiring may have been the cause.

Mr. Fitzpatrick, assistant manager, said he believed everybody had been got out in safety, and that the books had also been saved.

Regret is expressed on all sides, for of Belleville's best gathering place of all admirably kept.

THE NEW SENATORS.

Messrs. Ross and Beith Are Picked for Ontario Vacancies.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—(Special.)—It is understood that the senate appointments will not be made before Tuesday or Wednesday.

There seems little doubt that Hon. G. W. Ross and Robert Beith, ex-M.P., will land the Ontario senatorships; Hon. John Costigan, one from Nova Brunswick, while for the Nova Scotia vacancies A. H. Corneau and Dr. Kendall, ex-M.P., are mentioned.

FAIR AND MILD.

Observatory Toronto, Jan. 4.—(8 p.m.)—Rain has fallen to-day over Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 21 below—18 below; Atlin, 29 below—22 below; Vancouver, 30—33; Edmonton, 22 below—14 below; Calgary, 18 below—12 below; Qu'Appelle, 29 below—6 below; Winnipeg, 14 below—zero; Fort Arthur, 2—14; Fort Snare, 28—34; Toronto, 31—30; Ottawa, 16—32; Montreal, Quebec, 14—32; St. John, 24—48; Halifax, 25—46.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Mostly fair and mild to-day.

THE BAROMETR.

Time. Bar. Wind. 8 a.m. 30 26.40 22 N.W. 10 a.m. 30 26.40 22 N.W. 12 p.m. 30 26.52 20 N.W. 2 p.m. 31 26.52 20 N.W. 4 p.m. 31 26.52 20 N.W. 6 p.m. 31 26.54 14 W. Difference, 12 above; 12 above; high, 30, lowest 31; rain, 25.

Edwards, Morgan & Company, Chartered Accountants, 24 Wellington St. East, Phone Main 1162.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Jan. 4. At From. Pomeranian, St. John. London. Scythian, Boston. Glasgow. Orinoco, New York. Naples. Uthmaniyah, New York. Trinidad, Ban. of Britain, Halifax. Liverpool.

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BARRIE IS ASKED TO VOTE A FIFTY YEAR FRANCHISE

Extraordinary Agreement Over-Riding the Ontario Act, Which the Council Has Made With Frederic Nicholls, Pending Popular Approval.

W. E. BLUMHART DEAD.

Man Who Founded La Presse Succumbs From Syncope of Heart.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—(Special.)—The founder of the most largely circulated paper in Canada is dead.

W. E. Blumhart, founder of La Presse, and a few years ago one of the best-known men in local journalism and political circles, died this morning of syncope of the heart at the age of 63 years.

William Edmund Blumhart was born at Cap St. Ignace in 1844. Leaving school he entered the dry goods establishment of Glover & Fry, Quebec and later having undertaken the construction of a section of the Intercolonial Railway, young Blumhart became paymaster on that section.

FATHER NILLES DISMISSED.

Reorganization of Ottawa University Staff Now Under Way.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—(Special.)—The reorganization of Ottawa University has begun, consequent upon the mandate from the headquarters of the Oblate Order, which is now at Rome, since the disestablishment of the church in France. The domination of the university will be transferred from the French to an English-speaking governing body.

To-day the Rev. Father Nilles, O.M.I., D.D., treasurer of the university, and for 22 years one of the professoriate, was dismissed and transferred to the simple position of parish priest at Mattawa, Ont. Professor Nilles, the partly Italian, is looked upon by the Irish Catholics as one of the ultra-French, and his dismissal is regarded with some satisfaction.

YOUR INVENTORY needs attention

this time of year—Doesn't it? Call Main 5874, Universal Business, Limited, for particulars.

The \$10,000 Fur Auction Sale.

Attention is called to the gigantic auction sale of \$10,000 worth of high-class furs that commences on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and evening at 7:30 o'clock and every following day until the Illinois Central fur store is sold at Mr. James A. Perry's fur store at 24 East Queen-street (corner of Victoria-street). The reputation of the firm is a sufficient guarantee as to the class of goods to be sold. Mr. Chas. M. Henderson will conduct the sale.

Something good, La Voila Cigars.

D. Engelson, chartered accountant, Lindsay, Ont. 5 p.m. daily Municipal

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Walter H. Blight, Insurance Agent, to ninth floor Traders' Bank Building, Phone Main 370.

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HARRIMAN SAYS; INTERESTORS TO RECEIVE TITLE

One-Man Control of Union Pacific and Other Lines Representing Many Millions of Dollars Revealed Before Commission.

New York, Jan. 4.—Modern methods of combining and consolidating mammoth railway systems and extending the principle of community of interest were delved into to-day at great length by the inter-state commerce commission, which began an enquiry here this morning into the so-called "Harriman lines."

From here, the commission will go next week to Chicago and several other cities may be visited before all the testimony that is desired is in the hands of the representatives of the government, whose object is to determine whether any of the railroads of the country are consolidated or combined in restraint of trade.

At to-day's hearing it was brought out by the testimony and evidence that the Union Pacific Railway Company, the Southern Pacific Company, the Oregon Short Line and the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company are practically under the same administration.

Mr. Harriman appears as president of each company, with only slight variations in the lists of the other officers.

It was further shown that the Southern Pacific Company owns the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, that the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific jointly own the Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company and that Harriman interests are in control of the Panamanian interests in the Panama Canal.

Doesn't Own, But Controls. The Union Pacific, by virtue of an agreement signed by Mr. Harriman and Senator William A. Clark of Montana, has a traffic arrangement with the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railway extending over 99 years. This agreement was entered into in 1893 and by its terms the San Pedro cannot raise or lower its rates without the consent of the Southern Pacific Company which, it was testified, does not own one dollar of stock in the San Pedro Company.

The Union Pacific exercises joint control with the Chicago, Rock Island and North Western; the Chicago and Alton Railroad. The Union Pacific is charged with the road one year and the Rock Island and the Chicago and Alton Railroad, entered into by Mr. Harriman and W. R. Leeds, extends for ten years from 1904.

The Union Pacific owns \$28,122,100 worth of stock, which is 29.5 per cent. of the capitalization of the Illinois Central and Chicago and North Western. The Oregon Short Line owns \$28,640,000 worth of stock in the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which is 18.2 per cent. of the whole.

Of Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul stock the Union Pacific owns \$3,690,000 worth or 3.2 per cent. The company also owns \$2,572,000 or 2.8 per cent. of the stock of the Chicago and North Western; \$1,900,000 of the preferred stock of the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe, being 4.2 per cent., and \$1,287,000, or 1.8 per cent. of the capital stock of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad.

Of these holdings by the Harriman companies the stocks of underwoods Central, Baltimore and Ohio, N.Y.C., Chicago and North Western, Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe, and St. Joseph and Grand Island aggregating in value \$103,298,746, have all been bought since July 1, 1906.

What of the money come from? asked members of the commission. The reply was that the Union Pacific showed last July a surplus of \$51,000,000. The Oregon Short Line declared a dividend of 10 per cent. on its stock held by the U.P. Co., and also contributed out of its general assets to the purchase money. After placing in evidence the statement was available as to the ownership of the so-called "Harriman lines" counsel for the Interstate Commerce Commission had Alexander Miller, secretary of the Harriman Companies, read from the minutes of many executive committee meetings of the Union Pacific. These showed that Mr. Harriman reported various transactions by him and the company simply and to ratify and confirm his actions. It also was shown that Mr. Harriman had authorized by resolution to borrow money for the uses of the Union Pacific Company without restriction as to amount or terms.

The minutes of the meeting last July at which Mr. Harriman personally urged the purchase of the Illinois Central stock were read. These minutes quoted Mr. Harriman as saying that, "while the Illinois Central is generally recognized as an important and valuable system of railroads, yet he believed its strategic value and importance was but some of the most active in its management."

"The era of prosperity thru which we are now passing," wrote Mr. Harriman to Mr. Gould, "has been marked by less constructive or destructive competitive and non-productive lines of transportation than any former one; but there has been great expenditure in providing for improvements and additional facilities to the already existing lines; thereby better conserving the interests of the public and the shareholders as well. For myself, I shall regard the loss of your advice, which I have valued in our affairs, as well the persons pleasure of having you included in them."

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Turn Over a New Leaf. Begin with the New Year and send your blue printing. You can save space, time and money. Phone Main 1446, Lockhart Photo Supply Co., Limited.

Classes in kindergarten music at the Toronto College of Music, under Mrs. Hulda Westman, will re-open on Wednesday, Jan. 9, and new pupils are requested to register on or before that date.

Crown Hotel, 75 Bay St.—Communion meal tickets, twenty-one for \$5.

Wedding Flowers. Ours are choice and fresh-cut. See our wedding arrangements, Jennings, 125 West King-street. Phone Main 7210 and Park 1637.

Pub Hotel, cor. Yonge and Alice Sts. W. J. Davidson, Prop.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO. Jan. 5. Women's Art Association exhibition, opens, 2 p.m. Building soldiers' statue at Postland Square, 3. Gas Co. Society, Temple Building, 8. Progressive Thought Club, 120 Front St. Building, Mr. Belcher, Common Council, 8.

DASHING WOMAN CAPTURED

Grace Cameron, Most of Whose Victims Grinned and Bore It, is Captured by a Grocer's Clerk.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—(Special.)—The future Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal is now Master Donald Howard, who is 16 years of age, and is attending school near London.

A great many people have asked if his lordship's title would die with him, and the query has not till now received a satisfactory response.

Your correspondent is informed, on undoubted authority, that when Lord Strathcona sent the famous regiment of horse to South Africa it was then arranged by the imperial authorities that Donald Howard, eldest son of D. Howard of London, whose wife is Lord Strathcona's only daughter, should receive the peerage at his grandfather's death.

Young Howard will no doubt fall heir to the greater part of Strathcona's estate, which is estimated at \$40,000,000.

It is stated that his lordship will only be in Montreal a few days. His brother-in-law and confidential agent here, Joseph Hardisty, died a few days ago, and Strathcona comes here quite probably to place his Canadian interests in other hands.

SURPRISE TO SECRETARY.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—Among the passengers on the steamer Empress of Britain, which is returning, was Lord Strathcona, Canada's high commissioner in London. A reporter regarding the report sent out from London that he had resigned, Lord Strathcona, however, had retired.

William Garson, his confidential agent, stated that his lordship's health was very good, and that he had stood the voyage well. Asked as to the reported resignation, Mr. Garson said that he knew nothing of it. The first intimation that the high commissioner had received of it was contained in a Marconi wireless message from Halifax Lord Strathcona, which had been given out up to the time the steamer had left Liverpool.

In reply to the wireless message from Halifax Lord Strathcona, which still 100 miles from port, sent the following: "My present visit to Canada is rendered necessary by my personal affairs. (Signed) Strathcona."

'PERSONAL AFFAIRS.'

St. John, N. B., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—The Empress of Britain arrived in the city at 10 o'clock to-night. Lord Strathcona will leave for the west on a special train at 7 o'clock in the morning. In answer to a Marconiogram to the high commissioner, he said: "We may well be proud of position of Dominion this New Year, and every Canadian will do his best to advance its prosperity. Personal affairs require my visit to Canada."

MONTREALERS' GRIEVANCES.

Goods En Route for Months, Not Yet Delivered. Montreal, Jan. 4.—The Montreal Corn Exchange will, on Monday next, discuss existing complicated transportation conditions, and a resolution will be adopted asking the railway commission to come to the city and endeavor to straighten out matters.

The terminals of the railways entering the city are heavily blocked, the congestion increasing every day, and the Canadian mails are paralyzed. Merchants state that they have goods en route for months which are not yet to hand, and that they are losing large amounts of money.

GOING TO COBALT.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—Premier Murray of Halifax will reach here to-morrow evening by Cobalt, accompanying Hon. Mr. Fielding.

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