

RAILWAY WORK BEING RUSHED

TRUNK ENTERING C. ON THE EAST SIDE

Haul From Prairies to Lakes by the End of September

From Wednesday's Daily. The year is out the Grand Trunk Railway, the great national transcontinental railway of Canada, will have running into British Columbia at the western boundary, and it will be pushed ahead from both ends to meet and make a through line from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The rails are about to run through to the divisional point 100 miles west of London, and by autumn they will be operated as far as Jasper and into the eastern confines of the province.

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Mlle. Leneve TELLS HER STORY

GIRL BREAKS DOWN, BUT TRIES TO SHIELD CRIPPEN

London Detective Says She is Innocent of Any Share in the Murder

(Special to the Times.) Quebec, Aug. 2.—Ethel Claire Leneve is innocent of any share in the murder of Belle Elmore, declares Inspector Dew, "she told me her entire story and it is sufficient to clear her." Detectives are working hard in London to prove her statements. She has broken down, but has tried to shield Mr. Crippen, the latter is just the other way. He is chatty, and apparently happy.

Mrs. Fred Glanett is to be the principal witness against Crippen. She is a close friend of Belle Elmore. Women are sending flowers to Crippen in his cell.

It is unlikely that anything new will develop in the case until Crippen and Leneve are brought up again, 15 days from now. Last evening, Mlle. Leneve was taken from Chief McCarty's home to the house of Judge Angers, and there the same proceedings were gone through that occurred when Crippen was arraigned. Last night Inspector Dew stated he had been convinced that Mlle. Leneve was only a foolish girl who was misled by Crippen.

Hope Girl Will Testify. (Times Leased Wire.) Quebec, Aug. 2.—Mlle. Ethel Claire Leneve today underwent the police "third degree" of kindness following her nerve-wrecking voyage across the Atlantic in company with Dr. H. H. Crippen, charged with the murder of Belle Elmore Crippen, in North London.

The belief is general here that Mlle. Leneve will be the chief witness against Crippen at the trial to be held in London. The detectives hope that she will testify for the crown at the inquest and the trial of Crippen, which they predict will follow shortly upon the doctor's return to London.

Mlle. Leneve has been showered with comforts. She has not been placed in solitary confinement like Crippen, but has been treated more as a guest in the home of Chief McCarty. She has her own room and practically is not under surveillance. She has received a number of cablegrams from her parents urging her to tell all she knows of the case to the authorities.

Crippen is kept in a dungeon at the headquarters of the provincial police, and is not permitted to see visitors. No visitors are allowed to see Mlle. Leneve, Chief McCarty this afternoon said her condition was so serious that she might die. He declared emphatically that Mlle. Leneve has told the police nothing that might assist them in their efforts to convict Crippen.

REPORT ON CROPS ON THE PRAIRIES

CONDITIONS ARE FAIRLY FAVORABLE

Heavy Showers in Manitoba and Saskatchewan Will Probably Increase Yield

Winnipeg, Aug. 2.—The first installment of the Free Press annual crop report shows conditions to be fairly favorable. The yield in Brandon district is placed at ten bushels to the acre, making about 100,000 bushels. The grain is badly burned. Excellent conditions are reported from Dauphin and ten to twenty bushels to the acre are reported at Morris, in Southern Manitoba, where the crop was supposed to be ruined.

At Stoughton in Southern Saskatchewan, there are indications of eleven bushels to the acre, about an inch in the northern part of that province the promise is 15. The great surprise is at Swift Current, which was supposed to be dried out. The yield there is placed at 12 to 15 bushels.

Conditions have been vastly improved by a series of heavy showers early this morning in various districts throughout the province. The rain is sure to help the filling of wheat and in some parts is likely to increase the average yield about three bushels. A doubt about the wheat, about an inch of rain fell in a very short time. Heavy rain and showers at many places. Cloudy conditions prevail elsewhere.

MUST SERVE THREE MONTHS. Sentence Passed on Chicago Broker for Contempt of Court.

Chicago, Aug. 2.—Willis Counselman, a prominent broker, today began a term of three months in the county jail, the sentence imposed on him by Superior Judge Chetlain for contempt. The penalty was given Counselman in connection with alleged fraudulent divorce proceedings instituted by the broker against his wife, formerly a prominent society woman, at that time an inmate of a hospital for the insane.

CARRIES THREE PASSENGERS. Dual France, Aug. 2.—Mr. Baxter yesterday carried his largest flight with three passengers. The total weight carried, including passengers and fuel, was about 700 pounds.

FOUNDATIONS COLLAPSE. Ontario, Aug. 2.—Part of the foundations of the new wing of the parliament buildings collapsed yesterday when the masons commenced to fill in behind the earth. The foundations are of concrete and it is stated that the masonry did not get a chance to set properly. Twenty-three feet long fell in.

WILFUL MURDER FOUND BY JURY

FUNERAL OF CAPTAIN ELLISTON TO-MORROW

Allen in State of Collapse in Jail—Will Be Formally Charged and Committed

(From Tuesday's Daily.) Wilful murder was the verdict brought in against Gunner Thomas Allen, of No. 5 company, 3rd C. A., by coroner's jury at the inquest held at Work Point barracks this morning on the body of the late Capt. Peter Elliston, who met his death yesterday morning by being shot through the throat by Allen.

Allen will be charged with murder and brought before the provincial police court to-morrow morning, when he will be committed for trial at the October assizes.

The principal witness at the inquest this morning was Gnr. Bryan, whose evidence was that he had, while looking into a mirror, seen Allen watching out the window and had seen him as he took deliberate aim and fired. He saw the murderer throw the rifle to the floor and walk downstairs to where the body of Capt. Elliston lay on the ground in the yard.

Bombardier Corrigan gave evidence that at reveille yesterday morning Allen was said to him that he had a bullet for Capt. Elliston which would find its mark.

Dr. Bapty, who performed the post mortem examination of the body yesterday, gave evidence that the late Capt. Elliston had met his death through the severing of the main thoracic arteries, the wound having been caused evidently by a bullet. The jury required no further evidence and returned the verdict immediately.

The coroner's jury consisted of Arthur Coles (foreman), Phillip E. Johnson, Ernest E. Billingshurst, Albert W. Roberts, Thomas Sedger and George Monteth.

The late Capt. Elliston will be buried with military honors to-morrow afternoon. The funeral will leave Felix-town, North Quatre street, at 3 p.m. for Cedar Hill church, in the cemetery of which interment will take place.

Major Ridgeway-Wilson, adjutant of the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., said, to-day, "Among many other qualities, the late Capt. Elliston, by his constant assistance and attention to their requirements at all times, became very popular with the officers and men of the Fifth Regiment, who feel his loss in such a terrible manner most keenly, and at the request of several officers and men, Lieut.-Col. Currie has decided to call in the late Capt. Elliston for the purpose of following the remains to their last resting place, and he hopes that every member of the regiment will make an effort to turn up, and that employers will give every facility for their employees to get away for half a day."

The following regimental order has been issued by Lieut.-Col. Currie: "The regiment will parade at the drill hall on Wednesday, the 3rd instant, at 1.30 p.m., for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late Capt. P. Elliston. Dress: Church parade order, with helmets."

Allen, who is in prison at the provincial penitentiary, has made a practical admission of his guilt. Yesterday afternoon he asked the officers of the jail: "Is the man I shot dead?" He was told that Capt. Elliston died of wounds received from a bullet fired at him with a rifle and the cutting off of the water service if Mr. Tuck sprinkled the lawn during the only hours that Mr. Tuck claimed, it was possible to get any pressure. Between the hours of 7 and 10 in the morning and 5 and 10 in the evening, Mr. Tuck asserts, there is hardly pressure enough to supply the baths, etc. Mr. Tuck declared that it is the duty of the corporation to supply water and not to cut it off. The council has no power or authority, nor is it reasonable for it to attempt to inflict starvation conditions on the water supply is consequent upon the wilful neglect of the different councils to obtain the abundant supply that they are entitled to demand from the Esquimalt Water Company. Mr. Tuck believes that during the several years that valuable time has been wasted in the reputation of Victoria has suffered all over the country on account of the drought occasioned by the procrastination of aldermen and he declares that he, for one, objects to have any mismanagement visited upon him.

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IMPERIAL CONFERENCE. (Special to the Times.) London, Aug. 2.—The Morning Post criticized the Blue Book on the conference yesterday in the presence of six hundred delegates, representing 24 countries. Baron Carl Bonde was elected president.



THE LONG ARM OF THE LAW.

VOTE ON WATER BY-LAW SHORTLY

ACQUIRING GOLDSTREAM

Ald. Fullerton Anxious That Delayed Money By-Laws Shall Be Submitted at Once

Mayor Morley announced at Monday evening's meeting of the city council that a by-law providing for an increased water supply for Victoria would have to be submitted at a very early date. It is assumed that the measure will be the providing either for the expropriation of the holdings of the Esquimalt Water Works Company at Goldstream or the purchase outright at a figure in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000.

Apropos of the water problem, a letter was received from S. M. Tuck, in which he set out that last week an official of the corporation came to his premises at Rockabella and threatened him with a fine and the cutting off of the water service if Mr. Tuck sprinkled the lawn during the only hours that Mr. Tuck claimed, it was possible to get any pressure. Between the hours of 7 and 10 in the morning and 5 and 10 in the evening, Mr. Tuck asserts, there is hardly pressure enough to supply the baths, etc. Mr. Tuck declared that it is the duty of the corporation to supply water and not to cut it off. The council has no power or authority, nor is it reasonable for it to attempt to inflict starvation conditions on the water supply is consequent upon the wilful neglect of the different councils to obtain the abundant supply that they are entitled to demand from the Esquimalt Water Company. Mr. Tuck believes that during the several years that valuable time has been wasted in the reputation of Victoria has suffered all over the country on account of the drought occasioned by the procrastination of aldermen and he declares that he, for one, objects to have any mismanagement visited upon him.

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IGNORES APPEAL OF CARDINALS

THE POPE WILL NOT REcede FROM POSITION

His Holiness Confident King of Spain Will Be Forced to Dismiss Premier

Rome, Aug. 2.—Ignoring the appeals of the majority of his cardinals, Pope Pius is continuing in his antagonistic policy in Spain. It is reported that thousands of loyal Spanish Catholics have signified their willingness to take up arms in defence of the church against the state.

His holiness has expressed confidence that the Spanish King will be soon forced to dismiss Premier Canalejas from the cabinet and appoint a premier in sympathy with the Clericals and thus put an end to the controversy with the Spanish ministers.

The cardinals, however, are more apprehensive. The consistory has received reliable information that the Clericals of Spain are not prepared for war at the present time and the high dignitaries therefore are advising greater caution on the part of the pontiff.

The Vatican is well aware that a sign from St. Peter would cause the great civil war in the history of Spain, and the Holy See is moving with extreme caution in a situation that may mean ultimately the establishment of a republic in the Spanish peninsula.

Liabon, via Badajoz, Aug. 2.—The Clericals of Spain, realizing their unpreparedness for war, are endeavoring to affect a truce with the supporters of the policy of Premier Canalejas in his controversy with the Vatican until such time as they can muster sufficient strength for open rebellion. The plans of the Clericals are conveyed in private dispatches to friends here.

Although an overthrow of the Clericals is believed impossible at the present time, it is certain a bitter political fight will be waged against Canalejas and the Republic will be established.

This is taken here to mean that the Clericals will first try to win by peaceful means, but that in the event of defeat, they will raise the standard of revolt, appeal to the exiles hovering on the Franco-Spanish frontier, ask the aid of Don Jaime, the Carlist, and the support of the Vatican, with the temporary co-operation of the Republicans, and overthrow the rule of King Alfonso.

The Republicans and the disaffected thousands in industrial life probably would aid in the overthrow of the present regime, but would seek afterwards to prevent Don Jaime from ascending the throne and would endeavor to establish a republic. Viewed from almost every light, the situation of Spain is dark for the present ministry.

Premier Threatened. Madrid, Aug. 2.—Premier Canalejas received many death threats this morning. His bodyguard has been doubled.

Ten thousand troops have been sent to reinforce General Weyler in Catalonia. Urged to Act. Vienna, Aug. 2.—Don Jaime, pretender to the Spanish throne, today held a conference with his lieutenants, who are said to have advised immediate action. Don Jaime is loath to step into the crisis.

COUNCIL FAVORS "OPEN SHOP"

TURN DOWN LETTER FROM TRADES COUNCIL

Question of Manufacture of Garbage Tins Gives Opportunity for Discussion

A majority of the members of the city council are indisposed to accept any advice from trade unionists as to how they shall conduct the affairs of the city, and at Monday's meeting a letter from Christian Sivertz, secretary of the Trades and Labor Council, asking that the contract for garbage tins be confined to local tenderers employing union labor was received and filed, after a brief but animated debate.

Ald. Fullerton thought the proper course was to refer the letter to the health and morals committee.

Ald. Bannerman resented what he termed an attempt on the part of the labor organization to dictate to the council.

Ald. Raymond, chairman of the committee, took exception to that part of the letter which suggested that the contract for the tins should only be awarded to shops employing union labor. He thought it unfair to those shops which did not employ union labor and unfair to the citizens. Another thing, the city council did not know the standing of union labor employed in shops in a position to manufacture the tins. But in any event, the committee had already dealt with the matter.

Ald. Fullerton took exception to the tenor of the discussion. The point was, in his opinion, did the council wish to encourage home manufacturers?

Ald. Langley said the portion of the letter to which he took exception was that stipulating that only union labor should be employed in the manufacture of the tins.

Ald. Raymond, replying to Ald. Fullerton, explained that the committee had decided long ago that the tins should be manufactured in this city. A motion to receive and file the letter was then put and carried. Ald. Fullerton voting in the negative.

Tenders for installing the cluster light system on Yates street, between Douglas and Blanchard streets, were received from the following: Louis A. Borde, \$3,481; J. H. MacEachern, \$2,750; Electrical Construction Company, \$2,100 for laying the underground conduits and \$1,475 for installing the lights.

Tenders for grading and laying the concrete foundation for the Yates street pavement were received from the city engineer, at \$6,823; Hugh McDonald, \$14,980, and Thomas Steadham, \$8,834.

Tenders for a cement mixer were received from the B. C. Hardware Company, R. Angus, B. C. Equipment Company, H. D. Rockland, Canada Foundry Company, John Weston.

PIONEER PASTOR DEAD. (Special to the Times.) Toronto, Aug. 2.—Rev. Dr. George Young, one of the early pioneer Methodist preachers, died at his home in Toronto today, aged 89 years. He played a very prominent part in church work in the early days in Winnipeg.

REGINA DEBENTURES. (Special to the Times.) London, Aug. 2.—The Bank of Montreal issues to-morrow the debentures of the city of Regina, \$24,000, at 4 per cent. This is probably the last of the season.

GERMAN SETTLERS ENDORSE NAVY POLICY

Assure Premier They are Ready to Serve in Defence of Adopted Country--Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Stirling Speech at Regina.

(Special to the Times.) Regina, Sask., Aug. 2.—Saskatchewan's capital has received Sir Wilfrid Laurier with open arms. Everywhere he was enthusiastically heralded and the city was practically in a state of jubilation. The arrival of the premier was waited upon in his car by a delegation not on the schedule. George P. Galloway, secretary of the Central Grain Growers' Association, Adam Clark and William Wainwright, representing the association, called to represent the political utterances of John Evans at Saskatoon, who under the auspices of the association had given way to what Mr. Pardee rightly termed "A Tory stump speech." The delegates expressed regret at Mr. Evans' utterances and maintained that they did not represent the views of the association.

Sir Wilfrid expressed appreciation of the explanation and tendered the visitors a kindly assurance that he had not taken the statements as indicative of other than the speaker's political purposes.

The premier was entertained by Lieut.-Governor Forget and spent a quiet Sunday. Yesterday he was the guest of the Northwest Mounted Police, of whom he is the titular head. He drove out to inspect the wheat fields, was tendered a civic reception by Mayor Williams and here in the city hall, conferred with local grain growers, and addressed a mammoth public meeting at night. He enters the fifth week of his strenuous tour in splendid health and spirits.

"I am feeling younger and stronger than when I started," he cheerfully assured his companions, who were anxious over his indefatigable determination to meet every call made upon him.

Speaking at the city hall the premier expressed the hope that he would be able to visit the West again. Regina was anxious to secure the establishment of a military district here and put a petition before the premier.

The travelling newspaper men were entertained at luncheon by the board of trade, and the premier, while visiting the government house, the parliament buildings, an architectural triumph, the headquarters of the mounted police and the scenes of the execution of Louis Riel.

Replying to the address of welcome, which spoke of Saskatchewan as the banner province of the Dominion, Sir Wilfrid said Ontario had been wont to claim that honor. "But," said he, "Ontario will find no fault with your aspiration. It will be a worthy incentive to her greater efforts to retain the title."

Addressing Grain Growers. President F. M. Gates, in presenting the Grain Growers' resolutions, said the association was much gratified by the premier's attitude since seeing the West. He suggested that western members of parliament had not been sufficiently informed as to conditions. "We appreciate what you have said," he observed, addressing the premier, "and we are in your debt. We recognize the difficulties in obtaining immediate free trade, but would earnestly urge the immediate reduction in the tariff and abolition of the duty on agricultural machinery." Mr. Gates also pressed for government ownership of railways.

In dealing with the fiscal policy, Sir Wilfrid pointed out that direct taxation hit the settler, and repeated his assurance of another tariff revision commission before which the grain growers would be given an opportunity to present their case.

Referring to the petition for government ownership of railways, he said: "The policy of the government is private operation with government control."

"As to United States reciprocal trade," he added, "if our neighbors meet us I think that then a tariff can be arranged on lines similar to those suggested by this deputation."

Hon. G. E. Gardiner, dealing with the Hudson Bay railway, said: "We expect that next session of parliament will witness arrangements for the completion of the whole projected line—trans-Atlantic steamship service and all."

The deputation was introduced by Wm. Martin, M. P.

Stirling Scene. As the Premier rose to speak at the meeting at night he was greeted by five hundred German settlers, who rose in the language of the language of their Fatherland, each waving a Union Jack. Their spokesman advised them in German, and turning to Sir Wilfrid said in broken English: "We give German boys for Mister Laurier in the navy in what he intend to make. German boys, German mothers, they sold for the new country and protect new homes which we have got here."

In the tumult which followed Sir Wilfrid was visibly moved. "God bless our German fellow countrymen in their declaration," he exclaimed. "Count on us," he began, "Oh, that we older citizens of our country were inspired by the same grand spirit."

"At this moment yonder in the older east, among my own compatriots, I am being denounced as a traitor to my origin because I stand for the Canadian navy, my German fellow-Canadians are prepared to man. How my act is treason to my native land I cannot understand. Then they go to the English-speaking provinces and declare I am seeking to separate Canada from the British Empire; that I am aiming towards independence. They would create prejudices against me among all races. They would fan into flame the dying ashes of race prejudice to create feeling against me."

"Fellow Canadians, all beware of the appalling danger of arousing these passions. As for myself, I am accustomed to misrepresentation of that kind, and I do not fear for myself any such appeals. When I was called upon to deal with the Manitoba school question I was denounced as a traitor to my race and religion. When the autonomy bills were introduced I was denounced by those who would arouse the extreme Catholics in Quebec and extreme Protestants in Ontario, but I was not afraid of the result."

"I have tried all my life to stand on the broad principles of Canadian citizenship, and I have learned to rely at all times on the support of reasonable and fair-minded men. I have done what is in me, my best, for Canada, for our country. Men there are to-day, men there were yesterday, men there will be to-morrow, who will pander to passion and prejudice in Canada. Thank God, the Liberal party has never been guilty of such practices. Thank God, my soul is conscious of no such feelings as these. I thank God to-night, with the sunrise of to-morrow, when the telegraph flashes to the uttermost parts of the civilized world the news that German citizens of Canada were the first to give assurance that the Canadian navy could count on them, sir, there will be a thrill of pride all over Canada, and the British Empire, for a season or certain bits to be found in various parts of our country and Empire."

"It has been stated that there is danger of Germany and Great Britain coming to war. No, no, I will never believe it. England is the best friend Germany has. England has proved it in the past in the time of the seven years' war, in the struggle of the French revolution. Why in the name of common sense, in the name of international relations, should Germany quarrel with Britain? God forbid. If the time of stress should come I appeal to you German Canadians to throw yourselves between the would-be combatants and try to prevent the unhappy struggle, but if the time ever comes that the Old Land is in stress, in danger, no matter from what source, we will remember your pledge, and count on you for the flag, and king and empire. I cannot say more. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. God speed you all in your noble Canadianism."

Sir Wilfrid sat down much moved. He had spoken only 19 minutes, and when he concluded the great meeting was dismissed.

SECOND EXPRESS COMPANY COMING WILL OPEN OFFICES IN COAST CITIES Superintendent Ross, of Winnipeg, Here Making Preliminary Arrangements

The Canadian Express Company is making arrangements to open up in this city, and at several other points on the coast, and will within five or six weeks be in a position to handle mail orders or express parcels between Victoria and any points outside.

N. R. Ross, superintendent of the western division of the company having charge west of Port Arthur, was in the city on Tuesday looking over the ground. He stated to a Times reporter that his company intends opening offices here, at Vancouver, Prince Rupert and Stewart, and he has already prepared to handle business to and from the Queen Charlotte Islands. He is returning to Winnipeg after having visited all the points in which his company is interested, and will be here again in three or four weeks after having fully matured his plans.

For a beginning the Canadian Express Company's business will be handled by the passenger agents for the Grand Trunk Pacific and the passenger offices will also be the express offices. Later other arrangements may be made. Arrangements have been made temporarily with the Great Northern Railway Company to handle the through business for the express company between this city and all coast points. Everything is from a money order to a carload of horses may be expressed right through.

PLENTY OF WALRUS

Seattle, Aug. 1.—The gasoline trading schooner Helen Johnson encountered on June 8th a herd of 20,000 walrus swimming in the sea near Diomed Islands in Behring Straits. The animals covered an area of several acres of water, and the schooner after trying to sail through the herd drew to one side. A photographer was on the Johnson and the incident was recorded because it stands for the largest herd ever seen and seems to discredit reports of the impending extinction of walrus through hunting for its ivory.