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CABLE STEAMER IS FORCED TO MAKE HALIFAX. Cambria Meets With Difficulties In Repairing Cables and Puts Into Nova Scotia Port For More Material.

WORKING IN 2,250 FATHOMS OF WATER. Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S. Nov. 27.—Forced through stress of bad weather to call into Halifax for a supply of cable, the big Telegraph Construction and Maintenance Company's cable steamer, Cambria, arrived in port. She lay at Cunard's wharf. This afternoon at four o'clock, she left again for sea.

When the Cambria left Queenstown, Ireland, on September 24th, Capt. Leach expected to be back again in less than a month, conditions being favorable. He had just completed the repairs to the Anglo 75 cable when ordered to Queenstown for orders. He left on the day of his arrival to pick up the southern cable of the Western Union. He arrived on the ground Oct. 1st.

A cut was made into the cable in two hundred fathoms of water. The fault was located, and the cable was respliced. Then the big steamer went forty miles to the eastward, where the Dover Bay, N. S. end was grappled in 700 fathoms of water. This was buoyed and thus it remains to this day. The other end was picked up and raised after 12 miles had been traversed. It broke in lifting. A dozen times attempts to raise the cable have failed. The depth of water ranged from 200 fathoms to 1,200 fathoms, but the heavy lift of the sea always broke the cable as it rose. Each break necessitated a further advance eastward of three miles in order to avoid the end slipping away. When the Cambria finally buoyed the eastern end a gap of 46 miles existed. The depth of water at this point was 2,250 fathoms.

DR. COOK HAS DROPPED FROM PUBLIC VIEW. Brooklyn Explorer In Nervous State Over Pole Controversy Vanishes From His Friends--Fears For His Own Sanity.

ONLY ONE KNOWS OF HIS WHEREABOUTS. New York, Nov. 27.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook dropped completely from public view today. Not even John R. Bradley, whose money was behind his polar explorations, knows where he is tonight. Confiding in only one man and perhaps in his wife the Brooklyn explorer slipped quietly and mysteriously away, leaving behind a string of puzzled and exasperated friends and a debate more acrimonious than that which followed his announcement of September last. If this thing covered the North Pole on April 21, 1908.

Will Keep Secret. Charles Wake, an insurance man of this city, appears to be the only one who knows Dr. Cook's whereabouts. And Wake is firm in his resolve to keep his lips sealed until Cook himself sees fit to take the public into his confidence. In the meantime concern is expressed over the condition of Dr. Cook's health. Although some of his friends maintain that he has borne up well under the continued strain of lecturing and preparing his data, an intimate associate of the doctor, said tonight that the explorer appeared to be in a verge of a nervous breakdown when he talked with him at his hotel in the Bronx last Monday night. This friend, who is a newspaper man issued a statement tonight in which he quoted Dr. Cook as saying: "If this thing keeps up a few months longer I will be in the insane asylum."

In Nervous Condition. This is the statement in part as given by the friend in question: "On Monday last I called at the Gramatan Inn and conferred with Dr. Cook. At that time, Dr. Cook was in extremely nervous condition and I longed to see him in a more normal state. He told me that he had been advised to go away in order to be in any reach of the University of Copenhagen, where he had been required there and at the same time to get a much needed rest. He then said to me: 'If this thing keeps up a few months longer I will be in the insane asylum.'"

MUCH DAMAGE REPORTED IN PORTO RICO. Torrential Rain Causes Much Property Damage Throughout Dependency--No Loss Of Life Reported.

PONCE CITY CUT OFF FROM COMMUNICATION. Ponce city has been cut off from San Juan to the extent of the railway which caused great loss of life in the hurricane of ten years ago. The coast railroad from San Juan to Ponce has been greatly damaged by washouts, miles of track and two bridges being swept away. Several days ago, San Juan and other towns were left in darkness by the shutting off of the electric power plant, which also caused stoppage of the street car service. All cable communication was cut off Nov. 9.

MR. Z. R. EVERETT DEAD IN MONTREAL. Former Fredericton Man Passes Away After a Brief Illness--Deaths Of Mr. Michael Conroy and Miss R. Miles. Fredericton, Nov. 27.—A telegram from Montreal to the family here announced the death this morning at Montreal, of Mr. Z. R. Everett, formerly a prominent citizen of Fredericton. For some years he had been in ill health and a paralytic attack struck him on Sunday morning had a fatal termination.

JAPAN'S POLICY IN OPENING UP MANGHURIA. M. Seumoto Explains Operations of Flowery Kingdom In Eastern China--Scouts Talk of Closed Door. San Francisco, Nov. 27.—The members of the Honorary Japanese Commercial Commissioners' party were the guests at various functions today. They will remain until Tuesday, when they will leave for Seattle and Japan. Baron Shibusawa, the head of the party, speaking of his trip, said: "Words fall me when I attempt to express by personal appreciation and admiration the kindness and courtesy with which we have everywhere been received."

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NEWS OF A DAY

Coasting Accident. Belleville, Ont., Nov. 27.—A lad named Holway was so severely injured by another boy who was sliding down hill on a slippery sidewalk colliding with him, dashing him to the ground, that he may die. His injuries are internal.

Officers Elected. Fredericton, Nov. 27.—At the organization meeting of the managing committee of the Fredericton Curling Club last evening, Jas. H. Hawthorne was elected chairman. James Higgins was sustained janitor to succeed his father, the late Edward Higgins, who discharged the duties of the position for many years.

Highly Pleased. Toronto, Nov. 27.—Daniel D. Mann, vice-president of the Canadian Northern Railway, expresses himself as highly pleased with the result of the provincial elections in British Columbia. He says the Government guarantee of railway bonds means a low rate of interest for initial construction of the road and that work will be commenced at an early date.

Steals Sidewalk. Hagersville, Ont., Nov. 27.—Lawyer A. Egar and ex-Chief of Police Coates, of Simcoe, were arrested here yesterday on a warrant charging them with stealing pieces of scantling from the sidewalk of this town to be used as evidence in a civil action for injuries sustained through a fall on the sidewalk. The saw, hammer, axe and lantern, as well as pieces of scantling, alleged to have been received by the

men, were found in their possession. The two men were released on \$500 bail to appear before the magistrate here on December 2nd.

Battlefields Commission Meets. Quebec, Nov. 27.—The members of the Battlefields Commission met at the City Hall yesterday. Sir J. George Garneau, chairman of the commission, presiding. The chief work of the commission was the awarding of six commemorative gold medals, struck in honor of the fallen soldiers, to the most prominent figures in the great celebration. The medals were awarded the Prince of Wales, the Governor-General of Canada, ex-Provincial Governor, Sir Louis Jette, the Premier of the Province of Quebec and the Mayor of Quebec.

New College Opened. Newmarket, Ont., Nov. 27.—The formal opening of New Pickingering College, at a cost of \$100,000, took place yesterday, the ceremony being performed by Sir Wm. Mulock. The new college, which replaces one destroyed by fire at Pickingering three years ago, will accommodate upwards of one hundred resident students of both sexes. Twenty thousand dollars of the cost was subscribed by members of the Friends' Society in England. The grounds surrounding the college comprise twenty-five acres. Besides Sir Wm. Mulock, the speakers yesterday included Hon. E. J. Davis, Wm. W. Pakeman, Dean of the Faculty of Education of Toronto University, Mayor Pearson and Rev. W. Truitt.

Presented With Gold Watch. Col. James Buchanan who celebrated his 67th birthday on Saturday, received from his three sons and a daughter in the United States and his two daughters in St. John, a handsome gold watch, inscribed with the initials, as a memento of the occasion. Col. Buchanan's fellow citizen will join with his family in congratulations.

At Chubb's Corner. Fifty shares of the St. John Ice Company stock were offered at auction on Saturday morning at Chubb's Corner, but were withdrawn at \$19. The price was \$50 a share.

Seventeen permits were issued last week by the Board of Health. Five marriages were registered. There were fifteen births, nine being girls.

ST. ANDREWS. St. Andrews, Nov. 27.—The first regular meeting of the Canadian Literature Club of Greenock church, for the season, took place on Tuesday evening, at the Manse, with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mahan and Mrs. G. Douglas as hostesses. A very large number were in attendance showing the great popularity of the club. The subject under consideration was Mrs. Montgomery's Annie of Avonlea. Rev. A. W. Mahan opened the discussion with an introductory talk, giving an outline of the author's career as a writer and the rapidity with which she had sprung into prominence. Mrs. A. K. Gifford then favored the club with a very clever and instructive paper on Sequels. This was followed by a most interesting sketch of Mrs. Montgomery's life by Mrs. C. B. Everett. Miss Margaret Kerr read a splendid paper dealing with Anne of Avonlea, showing the beauty and humor of the story. The musical portion of the programme was prepared with much taste and carried out with talented ability. Miss Milne is to be congratulated upon

PORUGAL'S KING HAS ARRIVED IN PARIS

Touring Monarch Gets Ovation Upon Reaching French Capital--Elaborate Programme Of Entertainment Planned. Paris, Nov. 27.—King Manuel of Portugal arrived here today from London. He received an ovation at the railway station where he was also officially greeted by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the head of the government and the city. A large delegation from the Portuguese colony in Paris shared in the welcome. The King was escorted to the Hotel Bristol, where the Royal Suite had been prepared for his occupancy.

BROKEN MAN THROWS FRISCO IN DARKNESS. Rumors of Earthquake Plentiful When Engine Refuses to do Its Work in Condenser House at San Francisco. San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 27.—The failure of an engine in one of the big power houses, caused by a low tide shutting off the water from the condenser, interrupted all telegraphic and telephonic communication with the outside world for about twenty minutes tonight and gave rise to a flood of rumors throughout the country that the interruption had been caused by an earthquake. As soon as the trouble in the power house was repaired and communication restored, many telegrams of inquiry from all parts of the country deluged the local telegraph, newspaper and press offices.

The fact that Portland, Los Angeles and Salt Lake telegraph offices reported to their eastern connections that they could not raise San Francisco on any wires, tended to give some color to the rumors of an earthquake.

KING EDWARD HAS NOT BEEN ASKED TO ACT. London, Nov. 27.—A high authority stated tonight that King Edward had not been invited as yet to arbitrate the dispute between the United States and Chile. The latest official information received in London was to the effect that the protocol between the two countries had not been finally agreed upon and until this was accomplished, it is held here that formally to invite anyone to arbitrate the matter would be premature.

SON OF ERIN IN ODD DIFFICULTIES

Vain Attempts of Michael Walsh to Reach Homeland Baffled By Sleep and Seasickness--Will Try Again. Boston, Nov. 27.—To reach his old home in Ireland, Michael Walsh, of Rochester, N. Y., has travelled from Rochester to Montreal, from Montreal to Liverpool, and from Liverpool to Boston, but he has not yet ended his journey. When he arrived in Boston today in the steamer of the Cunard line Saxonia from Liverpool he was held until the status of his citizenship could be settled.

MAKES NEW RECORD IN TYPEWRITING. St. Joseph, Mo., Nov. 27.—H. Otis stated tonight that he had made a new world's record for five minutes copying on a typewriter, made a new record today for an hour, by writing 6,184 words, or an average of 103 a minute. The previous record of 35 words, was made September 30, in New York by Miss L. Fritz. The record was made before the Missouri Valley Commercial Teachers' Convention.

FORCE LUMBER CONCERN INTO BANKRUPTCY. Pensacola, Fla., Nov. 27.—Forcing the Tallahassee saw mill company, million dollar concern owning mills, railroads and large tracts of timberland in Georgia and Florida into involuntary bankruptcy, creditors of the concern filed a petition in the United States district court today in which they declared the firm is unable to meet its obligations. The court named W. H. Smith as custodian of the property.

DEBEC. DeBee, Nov. 27.—Marley Flemming, son of John Y. Flemming, of this village, sailed for Havana, Cuba, Friday, Nov. 26th, where he will enter the employ of DeWitt Bros., who conduct a retail business in potatoes.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Titus, of St. John, made a short visit to this village the guests of Mrs. Titus' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lavery.

Mr. and Mrs. Yexxa, of Green Road, who was so ill is much improved in health. John Hay, of the firm of Carson & Hay, was absent from their place of business the greater part of last week, as Mr. Hay had private business in connection with a timber lot which he owns which demanded his attention during that time.

G. W. Upham, M.P.P., of Woodstock, was in this village on business one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rev. Edmund Ramsay, is spending some weeks with his parents at the parsonage.

George Patterson and Albert White, members of the firm of White & Patterson, of St. Martins, owners and operators of a portable mill, were in this village last week. Both these gentlemen are well and favorably known in this locality as they operated their mill near this village for Neal & Flemming, lumbermen. This winter they will operate their mill at Scott's Siding for the same gentleman.

The potato buyers of this locality do not confine themselves to the shipping of potatoes alone but also ship large quantities of hay and oats.

Mrs. J. K. Flemming, wife of the Provincial Secretary, spent a short time in this village the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. J. Craig. Mrs. Flemming will visit friends in St. John before returning to her home in Hartland.

resides at Houlton, Me., when interviewed here recently, stated that the potato business in Aroostock Co. was very dull at present, but this was not due to a lack of a market as the latest shipments of tubers from Houlton, Me., had been very satisfactory and in New York the Aroostock Co. potato sells at \$1.80 to \$2.00 per barrel, but that the dull market was caused principally by the bad condition of the roads as only those farmers who reside near town are marketing any potatoes during the heavy hauling of the past week.

This gentleman stated that at the Smith Texas Fair exhibition the exhibit of seed potatoes belonging to E. L. Cleveland & Co., of Houlton, Me., took first prize. The same gratifying reports come from all parts of our own county which are to the effect that to all appearances the rot has disappeared and that the farmers will be able to preserve in good condition the remainder of their potato crop and thus take advantage of the increased price which must certainly come before spring.

APHAUQUI. Aphauqui, Nov. 27.—After two days' continuous rain the Kennebecasis and Millstream rivers are at almost record height.

Considerable damage has been done to roads and bridges all over the county. The approach to the Lower Millstream bridge is three feet under water and badly washed out. Farmers with their milk for St. John were unable to connect with the morning train.

Back water from the I. C. R. culvert floated the Thompson bridge off its foundations, but owing to the promptness of G. B. Jones, M. P. P., a temporary crossing was soon effected and traffic was only suspended for a few hours. This has been a very hard fall on the roads owing to the almost continuous rains but in spite of this the roads are in very good shape on account of the great amount of work done this year.

Rev. J. McLuckie assisted by Rev. C. T. Phillips, of St. John, have been conducting special revival meetings in the Baptist church during the past two weeks. The meetings have been largely attended and very successful.

E. A. Charters, the well known Sussex prospector, was in the village yesterday. Mr. Charters has been doing some prospecting in the near vicinity.

Dr. and Mrs. McWilliams, of Houlton, are visiting Mrs. McWilliams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Humphrey. Mrs. A. B. Gameter, of Bridgewater, Nova Scotia, arrived yesterday to visit her mother, Mrs. Stephen Jones, who is very ill. Geo. B. Jones, M. P. P. went to St. A prominent potato grower, who