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BARR IMMIGRANTS NOW SPEEDING WEST.

Wonderful Day at Sand Point, A Move from Ship to Trains, and 1,960 Britishers are Away for New Homes.

Wonderful Lot They Are, Full of Hope in the Possibilities of the West—Many of the Steerage Passengers Complain of Accommodations—Welcome for Rev. Mr. Lloyd—Mr. Barr Tells of the Great Movement—\$42,000 in Canadian Cash Given for English Money at the "Point" Bank.

The black liner has docked and by this time some 2,000 quondam residents of the British Isles should be commencing to realize the immensity of this much heralded land of the north.

The men are stalwart, deep chested, and they represent individual anywhere from five and a half to six feet of healthy manhood, and collectively, incidentally, a pretty fair slice of Father Bull's choicest population loaf.

There were women in the party—wives, others, sisters and perhaps sweethearts, of whom were glad that the crossing thousands of salty miles was now nothing to them.

Not all laughed and chatted and pointed toward the shore for a voyage is a voyage, and the steerage is the steerage, and in these days of fast and furious development. A good many hats were ginsawed into towers a few thousand feet in mild disapproval.

Close to 2,000 of them. Rev. Dr. Barr's people certainly represent a human life in nearly all the stages of development and the Lake Manitoba has seldom carried more passengers.

In the Barr colony there are precisely 1,960 souls, the nucleus of what is hoped to be a solid, progressive, all-British community in the northwest.

The steamer left Liverpool on March 31, and reached here about 11 o'clock Saturday morning, after a comparatively calm voyage, and without a case of sickness on board.

Want No Americans. "We've nearly 1,000 tons of it on board. Our trip was pleasant, the weather was clear and calm, there has been no sickness, and the only accident is a sprained ankle."

MILITIA TO INTERFERE IN HAWKESBURY MILL STRIKE. Ottawa, April 12—(Special)—Lord Aylmer, situated-general, notified the minister of militia and General Lord Dundas.

engers were found physically fit, and there wasn't a question of any passing the scrutinizing doctor. The immigration officials and C. P. R. men distributed badges to indicate what train the newcomers would take westward.

Stamer Docked Sunday Morning. Owing to the fact that all the berths at Sand Point were occupied the Lake Manitoba could not dock until Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, when she tied up at No. 3 berth and practically the remainder of the day was spent in getting out the baggage, making preparations for the land journey west and getting started.

On Board Saturday Afternoon. During Saturday afternoon the steamer had many visitors, official, private, some for information, some for the mere novelty of it. Prominent among those who spoke out was Thos. O. Davis, M. P. for Prince Albert (N. W. T.).

Rev. Mr. Lloyd, who is chaplain of the colony, also had a large number of friends on board the city, for he is most happily remembered here as the principal of the Rosheys Collegiate School, some years ago.

A Talk With Rev. Mr. Barr. Rev. Dr. I. N. Barr, the organizer and business manager of the settlement, spoke with unbounded enthusiasm of the enterprise he has undertaken. He looks robust, both physically and in temperament, and all Saturday his time was limited to such an extent that his spare time was only a few scant minutes here and there.

"I can hardly describe to you," he said, "the remarkable popularity in the old country, and in different trades and professions, and you can find actual poverty amongst the lower classes."

"The fact of the matter is that the population is too large for the size of the country; there's an overflow, and I am satisfied that in this ship there's the cream of it. There is no man or woman on board that I could not recommend as one of the most desirable class and possess money."

\$2,500,000 Represented on the Boat. Half a million pounds sterling. We have a sprinkling of earl's nephews, Oxford and Trinity graduates, capitalists, physicians, teachers, clergymen, tradesmen, artisans, farmers, excisemen, carpenters, builders, masons; every class, every calling and not one without some resources. We have families, young and middle aged men, married and single, and if you doubt that all are not hopeful and happy, just look around you or talk to them.

"We sailed from Liverpool on the 31st and our departure, so far as the baggage was concerned, made a moderate sensation. It was carried from the trains to the docks, with the result that the people of Liverpool saw something they never saw before; a full half mile of baggage, van belted van, piled high with trunks, cases, grips, every conceivable variety of household goods and personal effects."

Desperate Act of Demented Sailor. Newark, N. J., April 12—John T. Larson, a sailor on the schooner Mary A. Hall, of Deer Isle (Me.), became violently insane today and tried to murder the crew. He slashed Andrew M. Johnson so he may die. In running to escape from the captain and mate of the Hall Larson fell overboard and was drowned. Larson had been melancholy for several days and it is believed that he suddenly developed homicidal mania.

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IMMIGRANTS OVER THREE TO ONE MALES.

Figures and Nationalities of the Different Classes Arriving in Canada for March.

Winnipeg, April 9—(Special)—Of 12,272 immigrants who arrived during March, 9,413 were males and the remainder only 2,859 were females.

The destinations of the new arrivals were as follows: Manitoba, 5,023; Ontario, 5,979; British Columbia, 74; Yukon, 741; Western Ontario, 211. The balance had not located when returns were completed.

The nationalities of the immigrants were: English, 2,447; Scotch, 466; Irish, 307; Welsh, 51; Canadian returned from United States, 373; Americans, 1,341; Eastern Canadian, 3,388; German, 1,011; Hungarian, 78; Italian, 312; Rumanians, 415; Sweden, 263; Norwegian, 421; French, 119; other nationalities make up the balance.

The trades or callings of the immigrants include 7,312 farm and farm laborers, 39 female servants and 39 miners, the balance being women, children, mechanics and clerks.

Halifax, April 9—(Special)—The steamer Laurentian, which left Glasgow March 28, arrived this morning after a somewhat rough passage and reports passing a large iceberg near the Banks. She brought 494 passengers, including 30 sailors. The second cabin passengers numbered 238 and she had 215 steerage. Of the total, 415 were adults and 48 were children and infants. They were English, Scotch and Irish people, the majority Scotch, and a most desirable class of immigrants.

There was one death on the passage—Mrs. Young, a Scotch woman, who died of apoplexy when the ship was three days out. Deceased was coming to Canada with her sister-in-law, who had been in Manitoba for 16 years and went home to Scotland a few months ago. Mrs. Young was 53 years old, and when the ship left Glasgow she was in high spirits at the prospect of coming to Canada. Her boy and girl were on board and accompanied their aunt to the west. Nearly all of the Laurentian's passengers are for Canadian ports, the bulk of them for Manitoba, and they left on a special train this afternoon.

The Alban liner Sicilian, from Glasgow and Liverpool with another lot of immigrants, arrived tonight and anchored in the stream. She will dock in the morning.

NEW YORK LAWYER CHARGED WITH BRIBERY.

Counsel for Patrick, the Condemned Lawyer, Said to Have Offered a Detective \$7,000.

New York, April 8—Edgar J. Kohler, who has been indicted before the Bar Association of New York on a charge of attempted bribery, Jerome has brought the matter before the Bar Association in a letter to the grievance committee of that organization.

Mr. Kohler, who denies his guilt, is said indirectly to have offered \$7,000 to Detective Sergeant Brindley to make an affidavit friendly to Patrick, who is now under sentence of death for the murder of William M. Rice.

Efforts have been made to keep the action against Mr. Kohler secret and there was much distress in the facts were all made public by a mistake of an assistant, who discussed the incident over the telephone, not knowing he was talking with a newspaper man.

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It is charged that Mr. Kohler attempted to persuade Brindley to make an affidavit in support of immunity given to Mr. Jones, Mr. Rice's valet, and the conflicting confessions made by him at various times.

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THE ST. STEPHEN BURGLARIES ARE CLEARED UP.

Herbert Frost Arrested and Charged With the Express Office Robbery and Stealing Sugar.

PRISONER CONFESSED.

Two Other Young Men Implicated, But They Disappear, But the Police Have Arrested Elbridge Jordan in Connection With the Robbery.

St. Stephen, April 11—Although St. Stephen has no "gang yard," yet we are dealing with a well organized "gang," according to developments of the past few days and the arrest of one of the so-called gags.

On Wednesday night the American express office was entered and a box containing a number of watches was stolen, as well as one containing an electric bell. A word was dropped by a young man as to the insignificance of this robbery with one in which a large lot of sugar had been stolen from a C. P. R. car. This was told to the station agent and gave him the clue he had been working on for the past two weeks, when a shortage of 56 bags of sugar had been reported in the warehouse at St. Stephen.

It was thought an error had been made by the checker, and a quiet investigation had been going on between the connexions of the sugar and the station agent. The remark of the young man was at once followed up, with the result that on Friday morning the arrest was made of Herbert Frost, a young man living on King street, and further investigation resulted in the whereabouts and recovery of 30 bags of the sugar, which had been purchased by a business man on King street, and further investigation resulted in the whereabouts and recovery of 30 bags of the sugar, which had been purchased by a business man on King street.

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FOUR DEAD IN AWFUL CRASH ON THE I. C. R.

Blind Chaplain of U. S. Senate Dead. Rev. Henry W. Milburn, Methodist Clergyman, Passed Away—A Remarkable Career.

Washington, April 10—The Rev. Wm. Henry Milburn, the venerable blind chaplain of the United States senate, died in Santa Barbara (Cal.), today. Word to this effect was received here tonight by Col. D. A. Randall, the sergeant-at-arms of the senate.

Mr. Milburn, accompanied by his two nieces, the Misses Timley, left Washington for the Pacific coast about a year ago. The chaplain was then in broken health. The deceased was a native of Philadelphia, where he was born in 1833. When he was five years old a playfellow accidentally struck him in the left eye with a piece of glass. For two years he was confined to a dark room under medical treatment and when he came out one of his eyes was entirely blind and his sight was left in the other eye.

He, however, pursued his studies at school and college for about 20 years, the sight growing dimmer until he gradually became totally blind. In the spring of 1858 he went with his father's family to Jacksonville (Ill.), and 1848 he became a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal church, serving churches in various sections of the country.

Mr. Milburn was twice elected chaplain of "Congress," the first time in 1845, when a little over 22 years of age, was twice elected in the house of representatives and lastly chaplain of the senate, to which office he was elected in 1893.

CAPE BRETON MINER INSTANTLY KILLED. Gloucester, April 9—(Special)—Last night Moody Stubbart, a shoemaker in Reserve street, was instantly killed. Stubbart had laid a shot and supposing the squab had gone off returned to the place. Immediately upon his return the shot went off and he was killed. Deceased was 44 years old and leaves a wife and nine children. Deceased had worked at Reserve for 30 years.

A Painter Suicides. Lowell, Mass., April 12—John F. Sheehan, 45, a painter, committed suicide in the Old City Hotel today by cutting his throat with a razor.

Canada's Trade for the Past Nine Months Increased Nearly \$33,000,000. For the Same Period the Revenue Over All Expenditures is About \$10,000,000, While Nearly \$4,000,000 Less Was Spent on Capital Account Than Last Year—King's Birthday to Be Observed May 24th.

Ottawa, April 12—(Special)—The trade figures for the dominion for the nine months ending March 31, show an increase in the aggregate domestic trade of the country of \$22,081,257. The aggregate trade for the past nine months was \$317,474,000, compared with \$295,372,832 for the same time last year. There was an increase of nearly \$15,000,000 in imports and of nearly \$18,000,000 in exports. The duty increased by nearly \$3,000,000. The details are—

Table with 2 columns: 1902, 1903. Rows include Dutiable goods, Free goods, Cattle and bullion, Total, Exports.

There is a drop of more than \$2,000,000 in the produce of the mine, but all the other items show a big increase. In the fisheries there was an increase of \$1,000,000, in the forest wealth an increase of more than \$2,500,000, animals and their produce \$9,000,000, and manufactures nearly \$2,000,000.

For the month of March there was an increase of nearly \$3,000,000 in the imports, and nearly \$1,000,000 in the exports. It is learned here that the Province of Nova Scotia will join with New Brunswick in a case to the supreme court to decide whether or not there should be any decrease in the representation of these provinces in the house of commons in the new redistribution bill. The position of the Province of Nova Scotia under the last census is not so strong in favor of there being no decrease as that of New Brunswick because there was a decrease in the population of Nova Scotia. Even if the new provinces were left out of the calculation, but looking to the future, Nova Scotia seems to think that it is interested to join with New Brunswick. As already said, the dominion has given its decision against the contention of New Brunswick, and it is now up to the supreme court to decide between them. The case will be tried at once, because the redistribution bill will be taken up on Tuesday, when the house meets.

The revenue and expenditure of the dominion up to the 31st of March was published in yesterday's Canada Gazette. The revenue was \$46,507,241, an increase of \$5,145,423 over the same time last year. The expenditure for the same time was \$31,808,883, leaving a nominal surplus over ordinary expenditure of \$14,698,358. There was expended on capital account \$4,874,000, this being \$4,000,000 less than for the same time last year. If the expenditure on capital be added to the ordinary expenditure, the nominal surplus would be \$10,000,000. While there was a big decrease in the capital expenditure for the nine months, there was a slight increase in the ordinary expenditure. Mr. Fielding will be able to make a splendid showing in his financial statement on Thursday.

The government have decided to issue a proclamation providing for the celebration of the king's birthday on the 24th of May, Victoria day.

T. O. Davis, M. P., returned here tonight from St. John (N. B.), where he was meeting the contingent of the Barr colony who arrived by steamer Lake Manitoba. Mr. Davis says the new arrivals are all of an superior class and will make splendid settlers. They gave an order to W. D. Scott, the immigration superintendent for 100 oxen to be purchased from the Donkshores. One or two of the head men arrived here with Mr. Davis. They are going on ahead of the others to Sackatoon. The others will pass through here tomorrow.

A cable was received here on Saturday asking Wm. White, the dominion geographer, to start for London (Eng.) at once. He is wanted in connection with the Alaska boundary case.

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Driver Wall, Firemen Oakley and Hill Instantly Killed; Brakeman Thorpe Suffers on Hour's Agony, and Then Succumbs, While Driver Copeland May Die—Thought the Latter's Non-observance of Orders Was the Cause of the Disaster—Nineteen Cars and Two Big Engines Wrecked.

Halifax, N. S., April 12—(Special)—Death came swiftly to four men in head-on collision on the I. C. R. near Windsor Junction Saturday night about 11:15 o'clock. The derailed Atlantic express, No. 28, from Montreal and the fast freight from Halifax, both running at high speed, dashed together on a sharp curve two miles and half beyond Windsor Junction.

Driver William Wall and Fireman Oakley, of the express, and Fireman Edward Hill, of the freight, were killed instantly. All died at their posts, with scarcely a moment's warning. Brakeman Albert Thorpe, of the freight, was horribly and fatally injured. He lived 50 minutes after the accident, suffering terrible agony. Driver Nelson Copeland, of the freight, was seriously injured, but it is thought he will recover.

He is now in the hospital. He was found lying beside the truck with his face badly scalded by escaping steam and hot water from the demolished boiler.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE OF THE PASSENGERS. Postal clerks and other trainmen on the express had a miraculous escape, only two or three receiving slight injuries. None of the passengers were injured, but they all received a bad shaking up.

The two big compound engines were smashed to pieces, 19 cars were wrecked and four cars of the express were lifted from the trucks and toppled over the embankment, one of them being partly submerged in the lake by the side of the track.

The property loss will be little less than \$15,000.

Where Lies the Blame? Investigation will reveal the blame, if any, for the accident, which was one of the worst in the history of the I. C. R., but at present disregard or misunderstanding of his crossing order by the driver of the freight would appear to be the cause. The trains were scheduled to cross at Windsor Junction, but despite this the freight passed this point without stopping and a few minutes after the crash came.

There is only one living man and he lies seriously injured at Victoria General Hospital, who can give the cause for the appalling accident, and that man is Nelson Copeland, driver of the fast freight, which left Halifax at 21:50 Saturday evening. "Seventy-five will cross eight-six and twenty-six at Windsor Junction and McDonald at Elmstead."

Such was the train order sent by Dispatcher Baker at Truro Saturday night to the operator at Richmond and which was subsequently handed to Driver Copeland of No. 75, a few moments before he opened the throttle of big 277 and rolled out of Richmond yard.

"Stopping at Richmond?" observed Conductor Harry B. Haines. The driver nodded assent and took his customary place in the cab ahead of 87 freight cars, 65 of which were hoppers.

Slowly the steam monster puffed up the Richmond grade and after the grade had been passed the driver was in a hurry to reach his lantern but all to no avail. The train was suddenly checked. The depot were in the distance the speed was 277 was suddenly quickened. The train was in the way swayed back and forth and the conductor suddenly became grave with fear and apprehension. Nervously he clutched his red lantern and peered out, Windsor Junction was at hand, but the train had not slackened speed. He swung his lantern but all to no avail. "Jump off!" Blow for brakes, answering his call, but for God's sake stop him! shouted Conductor Haines to his rear brakeman, Murdock McDonald. The brakeman without a moment's hesitation, jumped. He turned and over and, but quickly picked himself up and in less than a minute was standing on the engine of the Dartmouth train which was on a siding.

But the driver of the freight paid no heed to the warning, and on at once No. 277 and its weighty load. McDonald, failing to get response to his signals, rushed into the operator's office at the Junction and Wellington's office at Windsor Junction, but despite this the train came too late.

But the order came too late. "No 28 left Wellington five minutes ago" was the reply.

In the meantime Conductor Haines realized only too well the inevitable. It was a terrible moment for him. Perhaps he and his brakeman at that moment were the only persons who knew absolutely that in two minutes a terrible collision would occur and that perhaps many lives would be hurled into eternity. The semaphore was at "danger" but was passed and 277 gradually neared its doom.

Conductor Haines felt that something must be done. But what? Crawl over the coal hopper and reach the driver. That was a suggestion and as there was no time to consider the probability of it he started to carry it out. He hurried through the van, lantern in hand and as quickly as possible he leaped the first hopper, then another, and finally the last.

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GILBRETH CONVICTED.

Kings County Man Gets Six Months in Jail for Stealing \$115-Jury Stood 11 to 6 to Convict in Wannamake Case.

Hampton, N. B., April 9—(Special)—The Kings county court resumed its session at 10 o'clock this morning. The whole day was taken up with the case of the King vs. Gilbreth, who was charged with the theft of a pocket book containing the sum of \$115.25, the property of Andrew Carr.

The prisoner was defended by Geo. W. Fowler, and R. LeB. Tweedie conducted the case for the crown.

The jury retired at 7:40 o'clock, and in 30 minutes returned a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation to mercy. His honor then sentenced him to six months in the county jail, with hard labor.

On motion, the money found on the prisoner, and which was then in the possession of the clerk of the court, was ordered to be returned to Andrew Carr.

It is understood that the jury in the case of the King vs. Wannamake, which was tried yesterday, stood 11 to 1 in favor of conviction.

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