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PARISIAN STORE, 47 Brussels Street. A. TANZMAN, Proprietor.

Store open till 8 tonight. St. John, N. B., April 5, 1907.

SPRING OVERCOATS FOR MEN AND BOYS

We are showing a fine lot of new Spring Top Coats for both men and boys. The light short topper, made from English Whip-cord, and the black Silk-faced Chesterfield Overcoats are among the lot, as well as Raincoats of every description.

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Perfect Fitting. Splendid Styles.

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MINISTERIAL PARTY TO SAIL ON THE EMPRESS TODAY

Neither Sir Wilfrid Laurier Nor Sir Frederick Borden Have Anything to Say—Big Crowd Met the Party at Sand Point.

The special train with Sir Wilfrid Laurier and party on board arrived at Sand Point at 11:30 o'clock this morning. A large crowd had collected and Canada's premier was given a grand reception. The special which was in charge of Conductor Peter Lafevre, drew up at the platform outside of No. 3 shed and the party alighted from the train. When Sir Wilfrid stepped from the car every hat in the crowd was removed, and he acknowledged the reception by removing his own hat and bowing. The party consisted of the following:—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Lady Laurier, Hon. L. E. Borden, Mrs. Borden, Sir Frederick Borden, Miss Melville Jones, Judge Guette, Miss Gueite, Judge Moreley, Mr. and Mrs. D. McLeod.

The stewards of the Empress of Britain had been lined up in the shed near the gangway, and when Sir Wilfrid boarded the Empress as soon as they left the train. A large number of representative citizens met the party. Among them were Mayor Sears, Col. H. H. McLean, Col. Tucker, J. K. Harding and Wm. Downie. After Sir Wilfrid had been shown to his stateroom on the steamer he was kept busy receiving visitors. Members of the party were admitted to his room, and although they were not given the privilege of interviewing the Premier, they were cordially received. To the report made cordially received. To the report made cordially received.

Sir Wilfrid stated that he never gives interviews to newspaper men and he did not desire to go back to the best of health. The Premier looked in the best of health. Mayor Sears had quite a lengthy interview with him shortly before the noon. Sir Wilfrid asked some questions regarding the retirement of Lord Allyn, the minister of militia stated that he could not speak on the matter. The members of the party seemed to be tired from the long trip on the train and it is not probable that they will be away from the vessel much this afternoon. Sir Wilfrid will visit the city in company with Mayor Sears. It is expected that the Empress will sail at five o'clock this evening.

**TO KEEP UP THE PRICE
OF ARGENTINE BEEF**
Agreement Said to Have Been Made by British Companies.

LONDON, April 5.—Negotiations are understood to be proceeding between the British companies concerned in the principle of the restriction of the view of effecting a combination or an agreement to restrict supplies and keep up prices. The directors of the companies repudiate the suggestion that a "trust" is in process of formation, but the chairman of the Liverpool Plata Fresh Meat Company yesterday openly spoke of the possibility of an arrangement with competitors to control quantities. The suggestion finds considerable approval among the officials of the company whose profits are suffering from the keen competition.

**JOHN D.'S PEPSIN PILLS
FETCH ONLY TEN CENTS**
Medicinal Preparation Sent to Millionaire Scits Clies—No Hair Tonic Found.

NEW YORK, April 4.—They didn't get to Santos Dumont's St. Louis Exposition directly today in Uncle Sam's great annual sale of unclaimed goods down at the appraiser's store. It will be reached tomorrow.

But the sale had its compensations. Take No. 35: Marks, John D. Rockefeller; description of goods, one package medicinal preparation; no cash value.

A rumor stuck that it was a bottle of hair tonic sent John D. after he learned how far he was beyond the reach of its salvation. But it wasn't.

It was a small box of pepsin pills billed from London to Mr. Rockefeller, and fell to A. Fernandez, whose 10 cents was the hose bid. Meanwhile, a messenger boy returned to pick off at any price that bottle of Rockefeller's hair tonic. But they said there wasn't any, and the boy went away without the prize.

**CHARGED WITH STEALING
A TRUNK ON THE I. C. R.**

MONCTON, N. B., April 5.—Charged with stealing a trunk from the I. C. R. station at Petticoat, Harry Sanders, a sailor, was arrested yesterday at Sydney and will arrive in Moncton tonight for trial tomorrow.

Sanders was enroute from St. John to Sydney. His baggage consisting of a few articles of small value, was packed in a valise which had been checked to his destination. At Petticoat he substituted the check on his baggage for one on a trunk belonging to a man named Smith, and had it sent through to Sydney. The trunk and man were traced from station to station and located at Sydney a few days ago. I. C. R. officers effecting the arrest yesterday.

**PASSING OF ACCOUNTS
IN THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE**

FREDERICTON, N. B., April 5.—The house met at ten o'clock and was engaged until one in committee of supply. The items passed were fishery protection, free grants act, forestry convention, public health, hospitals, legislature, natural history societies, New Brunswick Historical Society, and public printing. There was a long discussion over the latter on Mr. Hazen's motion that the amount be reduced to \$4,000. The item before the committee is the provincial hospital.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Wm. Rowley took place at 2:30 this afternoon, from her late residence, 37th street, Rev. Dr. Raymond officiating. Interment was in Cedar Hill.

HOPELESS HEROISM OF SUFFERING PEASANTS

A One Sided Battle Against Armed Forces.

Many Were Slaughtered, But in Spite of Losses the People Attacked Time and Again.

BUDAPEST, April 5.—The determined bravery of the insurgent peasantry in some of the recent fighting is illustrated by a story of the battle of Besehalin, published in a local newspaper. The insurgents, who numbered ten thousand, armed with guns, axes, knives and scythes, accompanied by their wives and children, made a desperate attack on a body of Roumanian infantry and artillery. The latter, after fighting the remainder of the peasants, who, after an unequal contest, retreated to a village, carrying their dead and dying.

Half an hour later, a long funeral procession, headed by a priest, issued from the village, the coffin being followed by thousands of weeping peasants. As they approached the troops the commandant ordered the mourners to halt, but the latter passed on and were met by a volley, which killed or wounded a number of them. After further fighting the remainder of the peasants fled, leaving the coffin which, when the soldiers examined it, was found to be empty.

A few minutes later the peasants again attacked the troops, meeting the same fate. Artillery was then brought into action and the insurgents were annihilated. The peasants utilized their forces and delivered a fourth desperate assault on the troops, advancing in the face of the artillery fire and rifle volleys and getting close hand to hand conflicts with the soldiers.

The peasants, however, were defeated in the end and the houses of the village were razed to the ground by the fire of the field guns.

JAPAN MAKING HERSELF SOLID WITH TURKEY

Arranging Now for the Establishment of Embassies.

LONDON, April 5.—Japan has opened negotiations with Turkey, according to a special despatch from Constantinople, with the view of establishing embassies of the two countries at the respective capitals. Russia, it is stated, has objections, but Japan insists that she is entitled to the same representation on the Bosphorus as the other great powers.

Turkey is the only prominent country in which Japan is not represented by an accredited legation, her interests in Turkey at present being under the protection of the British ambassador.

GANS AND LEWIS HAVE SIGNED FOR A BOUT

CHICAGO, April 5.—Joe Gans, the lightweight champion, and Harry Lewis, of Philadelphia, have been matched to fight. The representatives of both camps yesterday agreed upon dates. The articles signed call for a fight in the next three months for the best purse obtainable. Four bets of \$5,000 each were posted, and no purse less than \$20,000 is to be considered. No fight or man will be permitted to fight in championship light during the life of the articles. Battling Nelson before the agreement with Lewis was made, the Chicago man declined saying that he had enough money to lie.

MR. MCGILL GAME TO ST. JOHN TODAY

D. McNeill, vice-president of the C. P. R., arrived in the city today on the special train which brought Sir Wilfrid Laurier and party here. Mr. McNeill when seen by a Star representative said that his trip to St. John was on business. He stated that he would discuss several matters with Mr. Downie.

Speaking of the proposed increase in the wharfage accommodation at Sand Point, Mr. McNeill stated that he thought there would be improvements soon. He will return home tomorrow.

P. E. ISLAND FINANCES

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., April 5.—The estimated revenue for the twelve months of the fiscal year ending September thirtieth, was tabled in the legislature today. It amounts to \$348,188. The estimated expenditure including capital account is \$349,842. The largest items of revenue are Dominion subsidy, including half year's increase, \$237,000; commercial travelers licenses, \$7,600; taxes on various companies, \$2,000; income tax, \$4,500; banks, \$7,000; land tax, \$2,000; road tax, \$13,000; succession duties, \$5,000. The bill to affiliate Prince of Wales College with McGill will be held over till the next session.

ENGINEERING BUILDING AT MCGILL TOTALLY DESTROYED

Fire, Origin Unknown, Broke Out at Four O'clock This Morning—Attention of the Department Was Occupied in Saving Other Structures.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 5.—The general staff of the United States army is doing everything in its power to develop the use of the bayonet and assure among the soldiers. This is regarded as a reversal of the position taken by leading army officers only two years ago, to the effect that these were obsolete weapons, as demonstrated by the experience of the Boer war and should be abandoned.

Now a general order is issued by the chief of staff of which declares that in order to increase interest in sabre and bayonet exercises post contests will be held, or on the day following. Whenever practical post commanders will be present at the contests and do all in their power to contribute to the interest thereof by extending extra privileges.

MONTEREAL, April 5.—The engineering building at McGill was burned this morning and is a total loss. Only the walls are standing. The fire broke out at 4 a. m. and was never under control till it died out. The loss on the building and the equipment is approximately half a million. The students had their outfits in their lockers, so each student loses from \$50 to \$200.

MONTEREAL, April 5.—About four o'clock this morning, fire broke out in the McDonald engineering building of McGill University and in less than one hour this magnificent structure was gutted. The damage is estimated at \$600,000 and partly covered by insurance. No explanation is as yet forthcoming as to the origin of the fire.

About 4:30 a. m. a young man residing in University street, of the name of Corstine, noticed the flames and ran to the fire alarm. Others in neighboring streets remarked the red reflection in the sky and notified the authorities. Firemen were on the scene in a moment, but it was evident at the outset that there was very slight chance of saving the building. Already the flames had grim hold of the roof, were leaping skyward, casting a light that turned early morning into day.

The heat was intense. Windows in the neighboring chemistry building cracked, great waves of smoke billowed in all directions. Measures were immediately taken to prevent the spreading of the flames, in fact little else remained to be done. Before five o'clock the clanging of bells and galloping of steeds had collected a crowd round the building. Students came rushing up by the fire-died. The campus and roofs around were crowded.

So great was this heat that some standing on the steps of the medical building, had to fall back. Shortly after five o'clock the floor fell with a crash. The wooden roof quickly followed. A few moments later two explosions occurred caused by contact of the fire with chemicals.

By six o'clock the flames began to subside. The fire had almost burnt itself out, and as the smoke cleared away, one could see that the roof had gone near the northwest corner. There was a huge gap in the stone wall, and the remaining masonry tottered inside. The place is just a mass of ashes and smouldering timbers. As late as half-past nine, stone work continued to fall.

Interviewed this morning, Professor McLeod, vice-dean of science, said he could not explain how the disaster originated but he is of the opinion that the fire commenced on the fourth floor.

There was no watchman on the premises, he continued, and the students were not there later than six o'clock in the evening. The building was supposed to be constructed of semi-fire proof material and was equipped with hose. With the possible exception of the heavier instruments on the first floor, the scientific equipment was entirely lost. The students number about 400 and examinations were in progress. The examination papers are destroyed.

To the students, the fire will occasion personal loss, some having belongings to the extent of \$200 and more. The water pressure was good from the outset but the bad condition of the streets was a serious impediment to the firemen.

The Macdonald building which in its scientific equipment was one of the finest in the American continent, was erected, equipped and endowed by Sir Wm. Macdonald.

The architectural style was Italian Renaissance. In addition to the ordinary lecture rooms, students' rooms and departmental library, the building contained the Reuland collection of kinematograph models, generally supposed to be one of the best in America.

The scientific equipment consisted of electrical and magnetic laboratories of dynamics, mechanics, geology and thermo-dynamics.

When opened in 1893 by the governor general—Lord Stanley of Preston—the building represented an outlay of \$750,000, but considerable additions have since been made. \$250,000 is covered by insurance, 120,000 being on the building and \$200,000 on the contents.

50,000-ACRE RUSSIAN COLONY IN CALIFORNIA

To Select Place to Which Members of Peculiar Sect May flock.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—W. M. Coward, of Stockton, arrived here today, accompanied by a Russian interpreter, for a conference with some representative Russian settlers who wish to form a large agricultural colony in California.

The vanguard of these colonies is already in San Francisco, and 2,000 more of them are temporarily working in Los Angeles until such time as their spokesmen shall decide upon the most desirable place for them to settle in one large colony occupying at least 50,000 acres.

The Russians are members of a peculiar religious sect called "Molokans."

AT OTTAWA TODAY

OTTAWA, April 5.—In the Commons this morning Mr. Fielding stated that the Iron and Steel Bounties would be taken up on Monday. Mr. Talbot Bell-chase intimated that Messrs. Bousassa and Leverage should move over to the Conservative side. The morning was spent on marine estimates.