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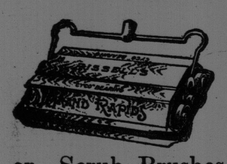

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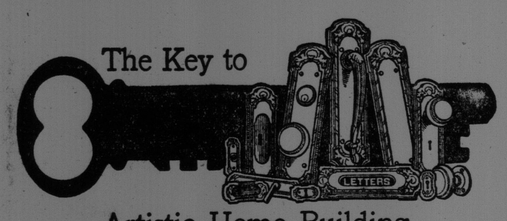

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HERBERT H. ASQUITH IS NOW PREMIER OF GREAT BRITAIN

Waited on the King at Biarritz Today and Was Called to Office — No Announcement as to the New Cabinet

LONDON, April 8.—The vacancy in the office of Prime Minister of Great Britain caused by the resignation last Sunday of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, on account of ill-health, was filled this morning at Biarritz France, during the audience there between King Edward and Herbert H. Asquith, who had been summoned from London. Mr. Asquith first tendered to His Majesty his resignation as Chancellor of the Exchequer and immediately thereafter he kised the hand of the King on his appointment to the post of Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury.

UNITED STATES GUNBOATS THROUGH CANADA'S CANALS

Three War Vessels Have Been Allowed to Pass to the Lakes — Britain Dealing With the Matter.

OTTAWA, April 7.—A return table today in reference to the passage of United States gunboats through Canadian canals contains a despatch from Lord Elgin to Lord Gray, dated 5th February, 1908, stating that "the whole question of armed vessels on the Great Lakes has been referred by His Majesty's government to the Imperial defense committee. His Majesty's government will further consult your government." Three gunboats have passed through the canals without a stipulation that their use is to be confined to the purposes of training.

MURDERER BRAM IS A MODEL PRISONER

BOSTON, Mass., April 7—Thomas Mead Bram, former mate of the Harrington, Maine, barkentine Herbert Fuller, who was sentenced to life imprisonment by the federal court here for the murder of three persons on the vessel, is a model pisoner in the United States penal Institution at Atlanta, Ga., acording toDeputy Marshals Charles Bancroft and James Tighe, who arrived here from that city today. The officers said that Bram was employed in the prison hospital kitchen. He is stout and rugged and appears to be in good spirits.

Dr. Thompson, formerly of Manchester, N. H., who was convicted of counterfeiting in this city, is assistant on the prison medical staff. These prisoners were transferred from Massachusetts to Georgia in 1906.

WHITE STAR LINE MAY RUN TO MONTREAL

LIVERPOOL, April 7—Great interest has been aroused here by the report that the White Star S. S. Company contemplates inaugurating a service from Liverpool to Montreal, for which it will place an order for four big 24-knot liners with the shipping firm of Harland and Wolff. It is said that the service will be conducted in conjunction with the Dominion Line and the Grand Trunk R. R.

The White Star officials here refuse either to confirm or deny the story.

CARS DERAILED ON THE SHEDIAC BRANCH

MONCTON, April 8—Three cars on the Shediac branch freight train were derailed last evening at Tait's Siding, through a rail overturning beneath the train. All three cars were filled with potatoes and one rolled down an embankment, but was very slightly damaged.

At the annual meeting of the Moncton Golf Club last evening officers were elected as follows:—Hon. President, E. Tiffin; president, A. E. Williams; vice-president, F. A. McCully.

WINTER WHEAT CROPS.

WASHINGTON, April 8—The department of agriculture today announced from the report of correspondents and agents of the Bureau of Statistics Crop Reporting Board that the average condition of winter wheat on April 1st was 91.3 per cent. against 89.9 per cent. on April 1st, 1907, 89 1 on April 1, 1906, 91.6 on April 1, 1905 and 86.2 the ten year average. The average condition of rye on April was 89.1, against 92. on April 1, 1907 and a ten year average of 89.6.

WHY WAITERS ARE LINGUISTS

Curious Theory With Regard to the Ambidextrous

To Double Power of Speech Would be the Result of Teaching Children to Use Both Hands.

LONDON, April 7.—That eminent Italian authority, Prof. Santoir advances a curious theory with regard to ambidextrous persons in a paper published this week. He insists strongly that children should be taught to use both hands equally, for he declares that the almost exclusive use of the right hand results in a weakening of all the muscles on the left side of the body. Not only are the muscles of the left arm weakened, but also those of the leg and chest on that side. Also, the left lung is less developed, the circulation of the blood in it is feeble, its breathing is imperfect, and so it is nearly always the left lung which is first attacked by tuberculosis. The brain itself corresponds to the use of the hands for, whereas in right-handed persons the centres which govern the tongue occupy the left hemisphere, they are found in the right lobe in left-handed persons. The professor thinks the power of speach would be doubled if men made equal use of both hands. He points out that hotel waiters speak several languages with equal facility, and he holds that this is because they, for the most part, are ambidextrous.

If the professor's theory is true, pianists, who have, so to speak, two right hands, should be remarkable linguists and elocutionists.

ANNA GOULD SAYS SHE IS NOT ENGAGED YET

Helle Goes Back to Paris Tomorrow as the Woman Has No Intention of Getting Married Just Now.

NEW YORK, April 7—Mme. Anna Gould tonight authorized the statement to be made that she has no intention of marrying at present and that she is not now engaged to anyone. The statement was made public by Tyler Morse, a close friend of the Gould family and at whose home in the Hotel St. Regis, Mme. Gould was recently taken ill while visiting Mrs. Morse. Mme. Gould has not yet definitely decided when she will go abroad. A denial is made that at the dinner last night at which Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gould entertained Mme. Gould, the subject of the reported engagement of Mme. Gould to Prince de Sagan was discussed. Mr. Tyler Morse made the following statement:

"I am authorized by Mme. Gould to say that she had no idea or intention of marrying at this time. I am further authorized by her to say that she is not now engaged to any person whatsoever."

Prince de Sagan, it was said tonight, may defer his departure for Europe for a week or so. The Prince announced recently that he would sail for France on April 9.

KINGS COUNTY COURT.

HAMPTON, N. B., April 8—The trial of the action for debt, the Sussex Mercantile Company, Ltd., vs. Berube, was continued in the county court this morning for an hour and a half, with Manning W. Doherty, manager of the plaintiff company on the stand, who recognized freight slips of the I. C. R. agent at Sussex for shipment of a Little Giant thresher to defendant, and gave particulars of the methods of manufacture for securing interchangeable portions of machine and inspection of parts. At half past eleven the court adjourned for an hour to permit Mr. Jonah to obtain from Sussex necessary papers and witnesses.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., April 8—The steamer Henry R. James of the Rutland Transit Company fleet, has been sold to the Quebec Transportation Company to be converted into a car ferryboat between Quebec and Levis. The steamer will clear for Quebec as soon as the St. Lawrence canal is open.

WASHINGTON, April 8—President Roosevelt today made public his letter of April 2, to the attorney general, directing proceedings by injunction to compel certain railroads of the South to furnish equal accommodations to white and negro passengers.

LONDON, April 8—The bulletin issued this morning regarding the condition of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman says that the former Premier passed a good night with a fair amount of sleep. He continues to suffer from weakness.

DRIFTING FAST TOWARD DEMAGOGY

Goldwin Smith Sums Up the Situation in England

Break Up of a Party Condition, Become Grotesque, and Collapse of Demagogic Government.

LONDON, April 7—It is often possible to view the politics of any country in truer perspective at a distance than in the midst of the turmoil. Dr. Goldwin Smith has done Englishmen a valuable service in summing up in a very few words the real significance of the present situation here, as it appears to him in Toronto. Writing to the Standard, he says:

"Political events in England tell on us in Canada, and we happen at this moment to be debating the question of the second House of Parliament. Now comes to us a report of a division in your House of Commons in the Unemployed Workmen Bill, an unmistakeable scheme of Socialistic confiscation, for which it seems 116 members voted, while, what is still more ominous, 288 members abstained. Now, do away with the second chamber and give over the country and the Empire to a single demagogic house, soon perhaps to be made still more demagogic by the addition of female suffrage. Two things this scene portends: One is the final break up of a party condition that has already become grotesque, when to make a party moderation and Socialism were clamped together, and, side by side sat Irish enmity to the British Empire and British patriotism. The other thing foreshadowed is the collapse of demagogic government. I say demagogic, not Democratic. You fancy that Britain is a monarchy and that the United States are a republic. The United States have a monarch, and a powerful one, though elective, in their president, and a force, mainly conservative, in their senate. Your monarchy, whatever it may be socially, is politically an historic form. Your House of Lords is morally weak, excluded from action on money bills, and now threatened with abolition. You are drifting towards absolute government by a single demagogic House of the character and probable action of which a pretty clear judgment can now be formed."

Dr. Goldwin Smith had not heard of the result of the Peckham election when he wrote the foregoing. His conclusions are perfectly logical; but, fortunately, England has already taken alarm and it is true today that no national legislature in the world is so completely unrepresentative of the electorate as the British Comomns.

SEES GREAT FUTURE AHEAD OF DOMINION

New York Times Says Canada Possesses the Elements of Future Importance.

NEW YORK, April 7.—The Times commenting on the statement by Mr. MacKinder, that "another generation will see Canada the economic centre of the British Empire," says: "At present Canada has a population of something over five millions and the United Kingdom has a population of more than fifty millions, roughly speaking ten to one. Canada has been a British possession for not quite a century and a half and the growth of its population has been in rather slower ratio than that of the British Isles. During the last four decades it has been more rapid and advance in industry, in production in development, of resources has been marked by great energy and intelligence. Such an advance has a tendency to be cumulative and it is entirely reasonable to infer that in the next four decades it will be much more rapid and effectual than in the last four. But to hope that it will be so great as to reduce the United Kingdom to a position of relative economic insignificance seems very, very wild. But while Mr. MacKinder may be in error in the time the changes he predicts will require, or as to the effect they may bring about on the relative importance of the old and new country there is no doubt whatever, that Canada has a splendid future within its reach and that she is advancing with great rapidity towards its realization. The natural resources of land are practically inexhaustible. The basic materials of food, shelter, clothing, fuel, with most of the essential metals, these Canada has in vast store and variety. Her people are vigorous, fairly momogeneous, for the most part of excellent stock, apt at political activity and essentially progressive. For their prosperity certainly all reasonable Americans on our side of the border can have only the most cordial wishes."

MONCTON MAN IS BELIEVED INSANE

MONCTON, April 8—Fearing that he would do himself injury, Mrs. Gordon Crossman this morning gave her husband in charge of the police and it is believed he is insane. Last night, Mrs. Crossman says, he was evidently making an effort at suicide by twisting a handkerchief around his throat, and she summoned the police.

DOUGLAS AGAIN REFUSES TO ACCEPT CITY'S OFFER

ILL-TREATMENT OF JAP SOLDIERS

Thirty-Two of One Regiment Deserted from Tokio

Returned After an Enquiry—Several Cases of Brutal Behavior on Part of Petty Officers Reported.

TOKIO, April 7.—A somewhat remarkable incident, probably unprecedented in this country, occurred recently when thirty-two soldiers belonging to the first infantry regiment of the first Tokio division, deserted in a body.

At half past nine at night the men in company formation left the barracks by the rear gate. The sentry made no attempt to prevent them because he thought that they were going out for night manoeuvres.

In due course the regimental arthorities instituted a search for the missing men but without effect. At six o'clock the following evening the men returned to quarters during a heavy downpour of rain and sleet. Soon after leaving the barracks the deserters sent a letter to Major Kukuda, commander of the second batallion, requesting an interview which was accorded. The major very gently reprimanded them for their misconduct and led them back to their barracks, the deserters following him quite meekly. They were there placed under arrest and an inquiry was instituted. It is understood the men were dissatisfied with their treatment at the hands of a lieutenant, Inokuma, who had lately been subjecting them to an unusual severe course of physical training on the ground that they were the poorest men in the regiment.

During the last six months the native papers have from time to time given publicity to instances of brutality for the most part in the army, the offenders usually being petty officers and the victims junior privates.

TWO BROTHERS BURNED TO DEATH THIS MORNING

In a Fire in a Tenement House in Passaic, N. J.—Many Lives in Danger.

PASSAIC, N. J., April 8—Two brothers lost their lives early today in a tenement house fire which destroyed the building and seriously endangered eight families. The tenement house stood near the Erie Railroad tracks and the fire was discovered by the engineer of a passing train who sounded the alarm with the locomotive whistle. When the firemen dashed into the house they stumbled over a body at the foot of the stairs. It was that of William Campbell, who had died from suffocation. A little further in the hall they found the body of Alexander Campbell terribly burned. Finding the stairs unpassable the firemen raised ladders to the front and rear windows, and with great difficulty succeeded in rescuing all the other inmates of the house.

ILLINOIS ELECTIONS.

CHICAGO, April 8—Thirty-five aldermen were elected in Chicago yesterday and of the number, twenty-four were Republicans. One of these ran as an Independent, but he nevertheless politically is a Republican. Mayor Busse will enter on the second year of his term with a larger party majority back of him than any mayor has had in the last thirty years.

The great liquor contest in Illinois has resulted in a drawn battle with the saloons winning decisively in most of the larger cities, but losing in scores of smaller ones, 1,014 saloons being voted out of existence. The returns as collected by townships are even more impressive from the prohibition view point, 828 townships, or more than three-fourths of the total number being closed to the saloon. Only by winning in the larger cities did the liquor interests save themselves from a complete route.

Where the "Grog Shop" was not an economic asset in city government, the prohibitionists had a decided advantage, where financial questions entered largely they lost. Although they did not chase "the demon rum" from the State they profess satisfaction with the results. Returns from the 1200 townships of the State are incomplete and it is not possible to state with exactness how many saloons will close their doors thirty days hence as a result of yeterday's balloting. The figures available place the number at over 1,000, being for the most part in towns which had from five to twenty-five saloons each.

DENVER, Colo., April 8—Thirty-five towns in Colorado in which elections were held yesterday voted on the question of local option. Nineteen of these elections resulted in no license and sixteen voted to license saloons. The anti-saloon element won over four towns that were formerly "wet" and the liquor element made gains of five towns giving them the advantage of one in the total of changes.

Loch Lomond Man Who First Wanted $300 for His Rights Now Declines to Take $600—Other Matters Before the Treasury Board

The Treasury Board held a meeting this morning at 11.30. The question of a re-investment of a portion of the new bond issue in connection with the sinking fund was fully discussed. A suggestion was made that the town of Middleton, N. S., was making an issue of town debentures of which $14,000 worth were on sale and might be secured. The matter was left in the hands of Alderman Bullock to be looked into.

The question of re-insurance of some of the city's ferry property was also discussed. The policies on the Ouangondy and Western Extension are soon to lapse. It was felt that the policy on the Western Extension should be continued and that on the Ouangondy be allowed to expire, as the latter steamer is practicaly of no use, and scarcely worth keeping in repair.

The Douglas claim, in conection with the Loch Lomond water service came up for discussion. Douglas originally signed an agreement which named $300 as the value of his land. Since then he had refused to accept this sum in settlement and the city, rather than go to the expense of a law suit, decided to give him $600. Douglas now claims that his river rights were not included in the signed agreement, nor in any bargaining which was since done.

The opinion of the majority of the board was that if Douglas did not accept the sum of $600 for his entire claim, including the river rights, the matter should be decided in the courts.

AGED POLITICIAN KILLS GIRL SINGER

Samuel Garder, Prominent in Pittsburg, Shoots Seventeen-Year-Old Choir Girl and Himself.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 7—Dorothy Yost, a seventeen-year-old girl, member of the choir of the First Presbyterian Church, of McKee's Rocks, a Pittsburg suburb, was murdered this morning by Samuel L. Gardner, aged fifty-seven years, one of the leading citizens, formerly City Engineer and a leader in politics. Gardner then turned the revolver, shooting himself through the body and mouth, falling unconscious over the dead body of Miss Yost. He died two hours later in the hospital. The death of Miss Yost, however, was instantaneous, as he shot her through the heart three times.

Miss Yost, who was also known as Dorothy Bradney, lived with her mother and stepfather, William Bradney, at No. 1,104 Church street. Gardner was a white haired old man, living next door with his third wife. Two years ago it appears that he became enamored of the girl in short skirts, who lived next door. He bought her dresses, theatre tickets and diamonds, but no one thought much of it, simply passing it as the affection of a childish old man for a beautiful little girl.

Miss Yost joined the First Presbyterian Church, and was taken into the choir. Gardner was a prominent worker in that church, and last night he would have walked home with her, but she laughingly took the arm of David Barnhart, an eighteen-year-old member of the church choir, and left the church.

This morning Gardner bought a revolver, and going into the Bradney home found Dolly at the wash tub. Some one heard a scream, and later five shots were heard. Mrs. Bradney and Mrs. Gardner, who were talking outside the house, rushed in and upstairs to the room of the girl, who is thought to have run upstairs to get away from Gardner. Bursting open the door, they found Dolly lying dead on the floor. Gardner, who had already shot himself twice through the body, was on his knees by the body of the girl. Shoving the revolver muzzle into his mouth, he pulled the trigger and fell unconscious.

Tonight the relatives of Gardner say they hope to prove it was a case of double suicide.

SHOT WIFE AND DAUGHTER, THEN KILLED HIMSELF

NEW YORK, April 8—Robert Trubenbach, who, after shooting his wife and daughter in their home in East 34th Street last night, put a bullet into his own head, died at a hospital today. The wife and daughter are in a serious condition but it is believed they will recover.

LATEST WEATHER REPORT

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