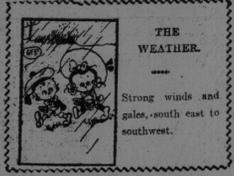


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ANOTHER CHAPTER IN HISTORY OF GEROME

Legless Enigma of Meteghan, N. S. Lost His Limbs in a New Brunswick Village 40 Years Ago—Shipped From St. John and Marooned on Nova Scotia Beach

Information reached St. John today to show that Gerome, the legless enigma of the Maritime Provinces, who for many years has lived at or near Meteghan, N. S., and whose weird history was published at length in the Daily Telegraph of Tuesday, lost his legs in a New Brunswick village. Also it throws considerable light on Gerome's history before he was found on the Meteghan beach. He was really shipped from St. John on an American vessel and probably marooned on the bleak Nova Scotia coast.

CAUGHT HUSBAND HE DIED JUST AFTER A LONG CHASE AS HE FEARED

Mrs. Robert Bell of Montreal Chased Her Husband 6,000 Miles Until She Captured Him in Pittsburg, Yesterday.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 26.—(Special)—Mrs. Robert Bell, of Montreal, with her two-year-old baby, yesterday completed a chase of six thousand miles after her husband, who she says, deserted her on the boat, according to the woman, he got her out yesterday. Taking the boat at Liverpool, Mrs. Bell, a native of Montreal, and her husband, who she says, deserted her on the boat, according to the woman, he got her out yesterday. Taking the boat at Liverpool, Mrs. Bell, a native of Montreal, and her husband, who she says, deserted her on the boat, according to the woman, he got her out yesterday.

FOUR BABIES ARE BURNED TO DEATH

West Shefford, Quebec, the Scene of a Terrible Fatality—Mother Left Children Alone in House and Fatal Fire Broke Out

West Shefford, Que., March 26.—(Special)—Probably the worst fatality ever recorded in this section, took place yesterday afternoon, when four young children, two boys and two girls, aged seven, five, three and two years, belonging to the family of Mr. and Mrs. Everett, were burned to death.

SCHOONER RAVOLA IS WRECKED NEAR SALEM

St. John Vessel Owned by J. Willard Smith Meets Disaster on First Trip of the Season—Sensational Escape of Captain Isaac Smith and Crew

Boston, March 26.—(Special)—In the record blow of the winter, a 75-mile gale, which shook up the whole Atlantic coast yesterday, the crew of the schooner Ravola of St. John, barely escaped with their lives, suffering severely from hardship and exposure, while their ship is today a mass of broken timbers on the rocks.

GALE DELAYS THE STEAMERS AT HALIFAX

Halifax, N. S., March 26.—(Special)—The Allan liner Sardinian, which was to have sailed last evening for St. John, was prevented from doing so by the heavy gale. She is lying in the stream awaiting a change of weather.

MICHAEL SMOKES BUT OTHERS CAN'T

Racy disclosures were made in the police court this morning during the proceedings against John Irvine, who was reported by Michael Clancy, caretaker of the McLeod warehouse, smoking and profanely in the warehouse.

WILD RUNAWAY ON THE MARSH

As the result of a wild runaway on the Marsh Road last night a valuable horse, the property of W. G. McIntyre, was badly injured. The animal was driven by William Leitch, who was driving a light wagon and was carrying a large amount of goods.

THE ICE JAM

Ogdensburg, N. Y., March 26.—There is a danger of a recurrence of the destruction of summer cottages and docks lining the American shore below Ogdensburg, by ice fields, deflected by the Canadian Northern Channel Breakwater.

COURT MARTIAL FOR THE CUBAN REBELS

Havana, March 26.—A court-martial will convene today at Alcazar Castle for the trial on the charge of military rebellion of Sergeant Cortes, his son Vicente, and General Ricardo, the Rural Guard commander in the uprising at Yuettae recently.

THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT

Havana, March 26.—President Gomez today signed a contract giving the Cuba Railway Company a subsidy of \$6,000 per kilometre for the construction of a branch from the main line at Meri to Mazatlan, by way of Bayamo. This will open up a vast section of fertile country.

ST. JOHN POLICE IN A COBALT CASE

The police yesterday received a request from the police of Cobalt to hold the baggage of a man whose name could not be learned, but who is under arrest here.

LATE LOCALS

No change was reported today in the condition of George Price, the Carleton workman.

HON. FRANK SWEENEY WILL CONTINUE DEBATE TODAY

He Will Be the First Speaker in the Legislature This Afternoon—Debate Will Probably go Over To Monday

Fredericton, N. B., March 26.—(Special)—The storm of the last two days was followed by quiet about the house today. "Nothing doing," was the response made by the members who made their appearance on the floor. This afternoon the debate on the address will be continued by Hon. Frank Sweeney who will be followed by the surveyor general.

TROUBLE IN STORE

San Salvador, Republic of Salvador, March 26.—The volcano is showing increased activity.

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POLICE FEAR AN ATTEMPT TO LYNCH WHITLA KIDNAPPERS

Sharon, Pa., March 26.—With James Boyle and Willie Whitla safe at home, the Mercer county authorities are now bending every effort to unearth all possible evidence in the case with the design of showing that Mrs. Boyle acted as a principal in the kidnaping in Pennsylvania.

A. E. HANSON ARRESTED FOR ASSAULT ON O. S. CROCKET

Fredericton Assault Case Was Advanced Another Stage This Morning—Mr. Hanson Out on Bail—Mr. Crocket Enters Action For Libel

Fredericton, N. B., March 26.—(Special)—As a sequel to the recent assault case, in which A. E. Hanson, land surveyor, and O. S. Crocket, M. P., were the principal actors, Mr. Hanson was placed under arrest by Chief Winter this morning on a charge of common assault.

PANAMA RAILWAY

Colon, March 26.—A section of the Panama railway, 300 feet long, of the Panama railway line at Gatun, has again settled about 30 feet at the same spot.

NOTED MILLNER DEAD

Chicago, March 26.—Mrs. Ida Hunt Marshall, known throughout the United States as an authority and lecturer on millinery, died last night as the result of having been struck by a street car.

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WILL NOT ALLOW CASTRO TO LAND ON VENEZUELAN SOIL

Willemstad, Dutch fleet in these waters has secured definite information regarding the size and speed of the steamer Guadalupe, upon which Cipriano Castro sails from Bordeaux today. This occurrence has given rise to the repetition of the rumour that Holland will take some forcible action against Castro at Trinidad or elsewhere, in case it becomes apparent that he intends to attempt to disembark on Venezuelan territory.

SERIOUS EARTHQUAKE SHOCK IN MEXICO

Oaxaca, Mexico, March 26.—The recent earthquake cracked the walls of the cemetery and exposed the bodies of many victims of the cholera epidemic of 1881. The shocking today caused much consternation.

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THE TIMES-NEWS REPORTER

SIGNS OF SPRING. When the Times newspaper reporter passed through the country this morning he found Mr. Hiram Hornbeam making a beautiful reading in her usual artistic style, and Miss Hazelwood contributed a vocal solo. Business of importance occupied the remainder of the evening.

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