

all, Ont., April 29.—Nine per
believed to have lost the
a terrible fire which occurred
arty after 3 o'clock this morn
which before it was extin
destroyed the Rismore hotel,
houn block, one of the prin
business premises in the town
P. R. telegraph and Bell Tele
ices and many other buildings
damage to the extent of up
a quarter of a million of dol

the present time it is impos
state definitely how many lives
lost.
who are missing and are be
be dead follow:
holding, accountant in the Sterl
has, Gagne, teller, Bank of
of, Levis, Que,
V. T. Archibald,
Hughes, waiter, Montreal.
Butler, bell boy, of Montreal
C. Gray, manager Ives Mod
ing Co., Mrs. Gray and two

and Jane White, hotel servants,
Cornwall.
Bridget Manion, servant at
more hotel, sprained ankles.
six bodies have been recovered,
four are supposed to be those
of Mrs. C. C. Gray and their
children, as they were found be
rooms occupied by the Gray
at the Rismore hotel. A por
the body of a child was found
ar of the hotel ruins, but has
not been identified.

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lar views. In his opinion it was futile
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council decided to close cigar
shops on Sundays, but had failed.
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under discussion would be effective in
practice, and that the council had au
thority to enforce the provisions of the
same.

A resolution, moved by Ald. Langley
and seconded by Ald. Bishop, to have
the by-law laid over, was lost, by a
vote of five to four.

RUSH THROUGH LIQUOR BY-LAW

ALLEGED DISCOURTESY
OF MAYOR MORLEY

Promised Opportunity Not Given
Prominent Restaurant Keeper
to Make an Explanation

(From Thursday's Daily.)
One of the prominent restaurant pro
prietors of the city feels he has a griev
ance against Mayor Morley, as a re
sult of the proceedings at last even
ing's meeting of the city council. This
statement is made on the authority of
Ald. Bannerman, who conversed with a
press reporter this morning.

It appears that H. E. Levy, pro
prietor of the well-known Levy restau
rant, before the meeting opened, asked
the mayor if he might make a state
ment in explanation of the by-law
putting restrictions on the sale of li
quor in restaurants. The mayor an
swered in the affirmative, but on the
by-law being reached in the ordinary
course of procedure the request was
made of Mr. Levy to make his state
ment.

When the by-law came up for recon
sideration and final passage Ald. Lang
ley, as on previous occasions, raised a
question in protest. He wanted further ac
tion postponed until Monday, when the
full board would be present. In his
opinion the proposed restrictions on the
sale of liquor in hotels and restau
rants were very serious. As was well known,
Victoria prided herself on being a tour
ist resort, and was spending some large
sums of money annually to attract
visitors. He had been informed by offi
cials of the Development League that
that association was opposed to the
innovation.

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WAR ON WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC

NEW YORK STOCKADES
WILL BE RAIDED

Confessed Trader Makes Startling
Revelations—Aids District
Attorney in Campaign

New York, May 5.—District Attorney
Whitman's entire staff is to-day pre
paring raids on stockades where "white
slaves" are kept on exhibition for pur
poses. That these stockades exist,
where women are kept to be sold to
keepers of resorts, is part of the start
ling revelations made by Harry Levinson,
confessed white slave.

Three men and three women have
been named as keepers of the stockades
and Levinson has furnished the dis
trict attorney with specific infor
mation as to their location and the
manner in which the stockades are
operated.

Edward Carpel, Levinson's attorney,
admits that his client has not yet told
him all he knows about the traffic. Carpel,
who acted as Levinson's legal adviser,
has asked his client to give the dis
trict attorney all the information he
can about the slave trade, believing
that the time is ripe to stamp out the
traffic.

The story of white slavery leeks
with the fifth of the underworld," said
Carpel. "Levinson's confession has
shown that New York is a great clear
ing house from which immatures, in
nocent girls are sent to houses of pros
titution throughout the country. These
girls are sold from stockades run by
women financially backed by men.
They are sold as so many cattle and
are delivered as such."

Carpel said the method of procuring
girls is a terribly efficient because it is
so simple.

Georgiously gowned women frequent
moving picture shows and cheap the
atres, select pretty girls of evident
beauty and make acquaintance with
them, such a girl is flat
tered by the attention of the "grand
body" who invites her victim to visit
his palatial home. The girl is told she
is to become a grand lady her
self. The girls, once in the power of
the procurer are sold and shipped
usually to New Jersey and Connecticut
cities. Sometimes, however, they
are sent out as far as the Pacific coast.
Disfranchising their lieutenants to sell
girls for whatever they can get,
the procurers are scurrying for cover
today. Most of the leaders in the traf
fic are alleged to have escaped to some
other part of the world, some to
Canada and some to South America.
The information which has
been furnished to District Attorney Whitman
by the police are blamed for the es
cape. It is said that the officers, not
having the opportunity to round up
the procurers and cruise in the traf
fic, have allowed them to escape until it
is too late to stop the frightened
girls.

COUNCIL IS AGAINST RACES

SEEK SOME ACTION
AGAINST COUNTRY CLUB

Question of Forthcoming Meet
Was Discussed at Last Night's
Meeting of Board

(From Thursday's Daily.)
The by-law amending the public
morals by-law, which gives the city
power to control horse-racing, was re
considered and finally passed at last
evening's special meeting of the city
council, the members of the board tak
ing occasion to express disapproval of
the attitude of the Victoria Country
Club towards the question.

Mayor Morley drew the attention of
the board to the decision to hold a six
-day meet at the fair grounds from May
23 to May 29, pointing out that the
club had, according to a statement
made to the Times, decided to pay no
attention to the attitude of the city
council and the by-law which had been
passed. In his worship's opinion this
meet meant nothing less than a week's
betting carnival, which would be detri
mental to the moral welfare of the
community.

The club had been notified, said his
worship, by the B. C. Agricultural As
sociation that its lease had expired and
that its present action was being taken
in defiance of the city and the people
at large. The duty of the city council
was to insist that it must defend the law
and order at all costs. The question to be
considered was, did the community ap
prove of horse-racing being held? If
the matter came into the courts finally
and the city had to pay damages, it
would be worth the money if the dan
gers attendant upon the meet were
averted. This whole question of rac
ing and betting should be grappled
with now.

Following the mayor's comments a
brisk discussion ensued, during which
it was disclosed that every member of
the board favored the suppression of
horse-racing for betting purposes, but
all were opposed to inviting any law
suit. Ald. Mable said it was to be re
gretted if the city had made a bad
contract, but if it had there was only
one thing to be done and that was to
cancel it.

Ald. Bannerman was of opinion that
there were serious legal difficulties in
sight. If the city now decided to have
an injunction issued the Country Club
would have to be compensated for the
amount of money which it had spent
at the Willoos track. The question to
be considered was whether the council
should invite a lawsuit which might
involve heavy damages or allow the
club to hold the meet under certain
conditions.

Mayor Morley held that the only
contract in existence was between the
Country Club and the B. C. Agricul
tural Association. If the matter came
into court the city, he believed, would
win out, as the Agricultural Associa
tion had no power to make a legal
contract except such as was delegated
by the council.

As a final outcome of the debate, a
resolution disapproving of the holding
of a six-day meet was passed unani
mously.

RACING MAY CEASE IN NEW YORK STATE

Associations Planning to Abandon
Fall Meeting as Result of
Reform Laws

New York, May 5.—The turning of
the race tracks of New York state in
to building lots is predicted to-day by
horsemen generally. They base the
prophecy on the action of the state
senate late yesterday in passing race
track reform bills in which it is ex
pected that the assembly will concur
to-day.

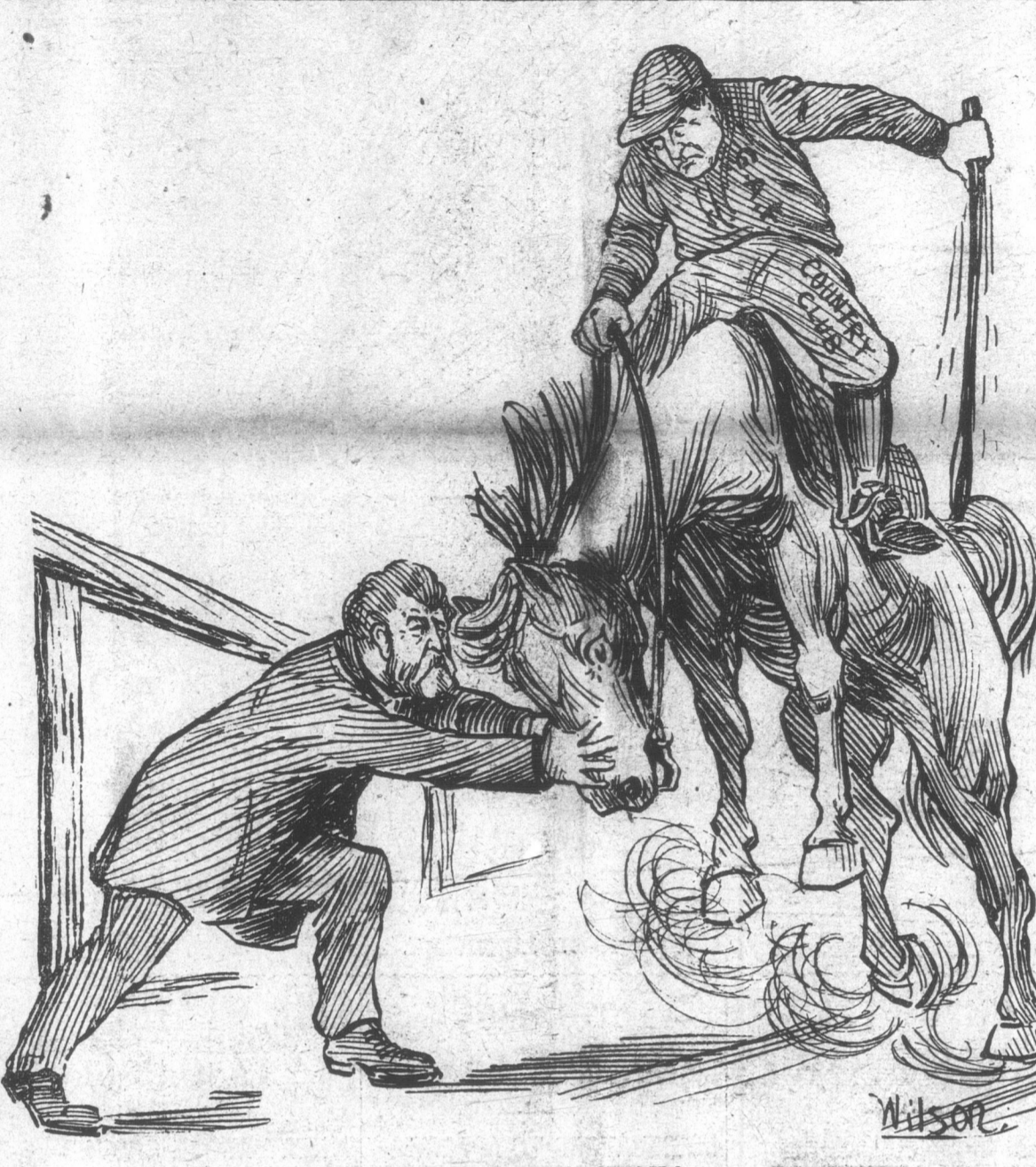
Several big racing associations are
planning to call off the fall meetings
which their lawyers investigate the con
stitutionality of the new laws.

Sheepshead and Belmont tracks will
remain intact while the reform wave is
passing, but the others which, when
closed hold idle large areas of valu
able land, probably will be split up.

Directors Liable.
Albany, N. Y., May 5.—Racing men
learned to-day that Governor Hughes
sprung a joker on them in the bill
passed by the senate yesterday mak
ing directors of race tracks personally
liable for track gambling. Taken in
connection with the old law, any vic
tor, such as a promoter, is com
pelled to testify against his fellow gam
blers, under the new law, and be given
immunity. He cannot refuse to answer
on examination on the grounds of incrimina
tion.

HINDU IMMIGRATION.
Washington, D. C., May 5.—In a con
ference between Congressman Julius
Kahn, of California, and the commis
sioner-general, Hindu immigration was
the subject taken up.
Congressman Kahn believes there
should be some restriction put on Hin
du immigration. The influx to this
country is increasing.

DENOUNCES WAR OFFICE.
London, May 5.—Several territorial
army associations are denouncing the
war office's parsimony. The Man
mouthshire Association has resolved
that further administration is impos
sible without £1,000 increase.



WILL HE GET AWAY?

WILL BE BUSY YEAR IN YUKON

TREAD GOLD COMPANY
SECURES MANY CLAIMS

Steamer Pauline Now on Way to
Dawson—River Almost Clear
of Ice

Dawson, Y. T., May 5.—The little
steamer Pauline is on its way down
the river to Dawson to-day, the earliest
wheel to turn on the Yukon or its tri
butes in the history of the Klondike.
The Pauline has already reached La
Barge with fifty tons of freight for
the Iditarod. It is also bringing 75
tons for early shipment to Fairbanks
and considerable for Dawson.

The ice has not yet broken up this
side of Big Salmon, but with the pres
ent weather the river may be clear by
the time the Pauline reaches Big Sal
mon. It is believed the river will be
open here by May 10th or 12th.

This will be the greatest year in the
history of the Klondike, according to
everyone in Dawson. The dredge, hy
draulic and elevator output will ap
proximate five million dollars, meaning
a steady increase.

Reports that the Tread Gold Com
pany has secured control of all Do
minion Creek claims, are confirmed.
The new company is organized as a
rival to the Guggenheims and has most
of the rich creeks they did not obtain.
The Tread Gold Company begins at
once installing a \$1,000,000 hydro-electric
plant on the Klondike river.

WILL CONTINUE WAR WITH HARRIMAN LINES

J. J. Hill Will Extend Branch
Lines in Central and South
ern Oregon

Portland, Ore., May 5.—That the Hill
interests are preparing to carry on the
old war with the Harriman lines by in
vading central and western Oregon, by
branch extensions, is the general opin
ion among railroad men here to-day
following J. J. Hill's speech at a private
banquet last night at the Hotel
Portland.

During his address, Hill took pains
to point out that it was his intention
to build further into the Willamette
valley, which is at present Southern
Pacific territory.
Hill admitted that he is the owner
of the Oregon electric line, which is be
ing constructed into the Willamette
valley. He said that it will act as a
feeder for the North Bank road. He
likewise admitted that the Pacific and
Eastern belongs to the Hills, but he
refused to discuss the report that it
was to be extended across the state
of Oregon.

PAYS HIGH TRIBUTE TO SIR WILFRID LAURIER

London Times Compares Canadian
Premier With Late W. E.
Gladstone

(Special to the Times.)
London, May 5.—The Daily Mail, re
ferring to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's re
marks on the choice of viceroys, says
that coming from a statesman of great
experience and French descent, these
reflections are "flattering to our na
tional pride, and any departure from
the present practice would be produc
tive of harm."

The Standard describes the scene at
Ottawa as "memorable and moving."
The Times says Sir Wilfrid Laurier's
insight is equal to great experience. He
has never excelled in clearness of vi
sion and felicity of phrase in the pas
sages in which, on Tuesday, he out
lined the relations between British
governors-general and the systems of
national self-government. Wherever he
may be sent to preside Sir Wilfrid
Laurier speaks on all constitutional
topics with something of the fervor and
imagination of Gladstone, concludes the
Times.

LIVELY TIME IN STORE FOR TAFT

Absence of the President During
Fight in Congress Arouses
Party Leaders

(Times Leased Wire.)
Washington, D. C., May 5.—The reg
ulars to-day refrained from any effort
to pass the rate bill. They are wait
ing until the president returns from
his western trip to-morrow, so that he
might examine the wreckage of the
measure and decide what action he de
sires the leaders to take.

When he returns there is every indi
cation that there are to be some hot
sessions between Taft and the senate
leaders. One veteran of the senate to
day declared that he intended to tell
the president "point blank" that he
had no business travelling around the
country when important bills were
threatened.

In the House there is open mutiny
among the leaders of the regulars.
There is little hope among the reg
ulars that the bill can be rescued and
passed, and it is believed that if the
whole measure is not killed before the
present fight is over the sections finally
adopted will be only a travesty on
the bill as presented.

That it will take all the pressure the
executive can bring to bear to get any
part of the bill through congress is
the belief in many quarters. The reg
ulars are not fond of the kind of whip
ping they have received at the hands
of the insurgents in this measure and
they are not anxious to renew the fight,
it is intimated.

DEMAND MORE WAGES.

Hamilton, May 5.—Three hundred
operators of the Imperial Colored-Cot
ton mills have struck for an increase of
ten per cent in wages.

TURKS SLAY NON-COMBATANTS

REBELS ARE DRIVING
BACK LOYAL TROOPS

Battlefields in Albania Are Re
ported to Be Literally Cov
ered With Dead

Vienna, May 5.—The Albanian rebels
are reported to be driving the Turkish
battalions before them from the Al
banian Alps in Monastir and Kosovo
provinces, according to dispatches from
Uskub.

No reliable estimates of the dead and
wounded can be obtained, but the ad
vices from the front indicate that the
battlefields literally were covered with
dead.

The Turkish soldiers are said to be
mercilessly slaying non-combatants.
This is taken to indicate that they are
attempting to annihilate the Albanians.
Unless the Turks are heavily reas
sured they will be unable to hold their
positions in the mountain passes as the
Albanians are reported to have already
been generally victorious over the
present loyalist forces.

BOGUS COINS.
(Special to the Times.)
Brantford, Ont., May 5.—Two foreign
are under arrest here charged with
circulating spurious coin. For some
time bogus fifty cent pieces have been
circulated in the city. The police sus
pect from the large number of pieces
which have been gathered that a
counterfeiting plant is in business.

OPPOSES WOMAN'S FRANCHISE.

Hamilton, Ont., May 5.—The Local
Council of Women instructed its dele
gates to the National Council, which
meets at Halifax next month, to vote
against the proposition to extend the
ballot to women.

BEER GOES UP.

London, May 5.—Orders at distilleries
continue to fall and many men have
been discharged. The increased prices
are making whiskey drinkers adopt
beer. Yesterday the brewers announced
higher prices also for beer.

WILL NOT RESIGN.

Constantinople, May 5.—The Chamber
of Deputies yesterday reversed its re
cent action and voted to make the
usual grant of £2,150 (Turkish) to the
husbands of the Imperial princesses.
In consequence of the decision the min
isters have withdrawn their resig
nations which were offered in protest
against the original action of the
deputies.

PLAN TO CHECK GROWTH OF ARMAMENTS

Roosevelt in Speech Before Nobel
Prize Commissioners Urges
International Agreements

(By a staff correspondent of the United
Press.)
Christiania, May 5.—To-day is a
holiday throughout the city in honor of
Colonel Roosevelt. The stores are closed
and the streets filled with merry
makers. Roosevelt had luncheon at the
American embassy at 2 o'clock this af
ternoon and later delivered his address
on "International Peace," before the
Nobel prize commission at the Na
tional theatre.

Roosevelt's declaration in favor of
checking the growth of armaments by
international agreements is considered
here to be one of the most important
of his utterances, as it is believed his
forceful utterances of a thought upper
most in the minds of every ruler will
open the way for an agreement.

In the course of his speech, the col
onel frequently was interrupted by ap
plause.
One significant feature of to-day's
address was the colonel's reiteration
of the statement in his speech at the
Sarbonne at Paris, pleading for protec
tion of human rights above property
rights.

ATTACKS KEIR HARDIE.

London, May 5.—Mrs. Humphrey
Ward's son, who is a member of par
liament, calls attention to the state
ment of Keir Hardie, one of the lead
ers of the labor party, to the effect
that loyalty to the throne is a great
superstition, blinding the people to
their own interests. He calls Keir
Hardie a disloyal subject, who has
falsely sworn allegiance in order to
sit in the Commons.

COLONIES AND NAVAL DEFENCE

AUSTRALIAN HIGH
COMMISSIONER'S VIEWS

Sir George Reid on Development
of Imperial Sentiment in
Recent Years

London, May 5.—The guest of the
evening at the Canadian Club banquet
last night was Sir G. Reid, Australian
high commissioner, who eloquently re
sponded to the toast of the Common
wealth.

Sir George referred to the marvellous
development of Imperial sentiment in
the last 30 years, since the time when
it was providence which mainly di
rected the British Empire. He paid a
spirited tribute to the British race, one
race to win an Empire and maintain
it in traditions of justice and gener
osity.

With reference to the naval question,
he advocated a two keels for one pol
icy, emphasizing the strong feeling pre
vailing in Australia on the subject
where they knew their strength con
sisted in reinforcing Great Britain's
strength. Like Canada, Australia had
made regulations concerning the con
trol of the local squadron in time of
war, but let danger come, and then
those regulations would become as
waste paper. (Cheers.) Australian bat
tleships would stand by the flag which
must fly forever. (Cheers.)

Other speakers were Spinks, Donald
McMaster, M. P. for Hammersley, and
President Donald Armour.

CHINESE MISSIONARY WORK.

Toronto, May 5.—"If China is ever to
be Christianized it must be by Chi
nese," was the statement of Miss Mc
Intosh, a returned missionary from
Houan, China, at the annual meeting
of the Presbyterian Women's Foreign
Mission Society in Knox church yester
day afternoon.

MAY EXPEL TAFT FROM UNION

STEAM SHOVELLERS
HAVE LODGED PROTEST

Trouble Arises When President
Attends Game Which Had Been
Declared Unfair

Cleveland, Ohio, May 5.—There are
hard times in store for President Taft
if he is ever forced to go back to his
trade of steam shovel operator to earn
his living. A demand is to be made
for the president's expulsion from his
union. It is all because of his love for
the great American game.

Taft attended a ball game which had
been declared unfair by the Building
Trades Association. The Building
Trades declared non-union men were
employed in erecting the Cleveland
ball park.

Taft was notified that the game was
unfair, he attended, and now, it is de
clared, his expulsion from the Steam
Shovelers' union will be demanded.
Formal charges against President
Taft, as a member of the Steam
Shovelers' union, were incorporated in
a letter to the national officials of that
union at Cincinnati, according to the
admission of Secretary Roberts, of the
building trades council here. It is
charged that President Taft ignored
the union. Secretary Roberts refuses
to make public a copy of the letter.

SAN FRANCISCO BRIBERY CASE.

Attorneys For Head of Telephone Com
pany Will Seek to Have Indict
ments Set Aside.
San Francisco, Cal., May 5.—A. K.
Detweiler, indicted head of the Home
Telephone Company, was arraigned here
to-day before Judge William F.
Lawler on a charge of having offered
a bribe to Former Supervisor James
L. Gallagher.

After the arraignment, attorneys for
Detweiler announced that they would
ask that the indictment and thirteen
others pending against their client be
set aside. Should this be overruled,
they said they would demur to the in
dictments.

Judge Lawler set next Wednesday
morning as the time for the defend
ant to plead.

SHOCK CAUSES DEATH.

San Francisco, Cal., May 5.—Colonel
Francis E. Beck, assistant cashier of
the Anglo and London-Paris National
Bank and a member of the staff of
Governor Gillett, is dead at his home
in San Francisco. Death resulted from
shock, following a fall in the corridor
of the Mills building a week ago, and
which followed his recovery from a
long illness.
Colonel Beck was 58 years of age, and
had been in the Anglo and London
Paris Bank for 30 years.