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DEATHS.

CROCKER—At her parents' residence, 353 Dufferin avenue, on Tuesday, June 24th, 1903, Delphina Crocker, (née) Duffin, aged 25 years and 7 months. Funeral on Thursday at 3 p. m.; service at 2.30. Friends and acquaintances, kindly accept this intimation.

AMUSEMENTS.

Notice.
All advertisements inserted under Amusement heading, on first page, will be charged at the rate of 12c per line per day. Amusement advertisements will be inserted on fifth page for 10c per line, gratis.

Baseball, SATURDAY, JULY 4.
London St. John's, 2.30; McCarly-Rockets, 4 o'clock. Admission, 10c. Ladies free. 62V

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MEETINGS.
A REGULAR MEETING OF St. George's, 42, A. F. & A. M. G. R. C. will be held in Masonic Temple this (Thursday) day, July 2nd, at 7.30. Visitors welcome. —B. W. Dawson, W. Master; A. Ellis, P. M. Secretary. x

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From "Monarchs and Musicians" The Strand Magazine, May, 1903. We have in our own Royal Lady so exceptional a musician that many a professional would find it difficult to hold his own with her. She is not only a very accomplished pianist, but her knowledge of concerted music is quite astonishing. She can quote the theme of many a classic trio, quartette or quintette—an achievement not often met with among amateurs. Her facility of reading music is so extraordinary that the ladies of her court would contemplate with some misgivings the honor of playing with her, were it not for the kind and indulgent manner with which Queen Alexandra overlooks shortcomings.

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GREAT CONTEST IN IRELAND TO-DAY.

International Auto. Race for Bennett Cup.

FOUR COMPETING TEAMS.

England, France, Germany and the United States Represented—Preparations for the Event Completed.

Kildare, Ireland, July 1.—Everything is now in readiness for the international auto race for James Gordon Bennett cup, which will start at 7 a. m. to-morrow. All day long the counties of Carlow, Kildare, and Queen's, through which the course winds, have been over-run with automobiles. At speeds varying from 15 to 60 miles an hour, cars of all sorts and descriptions have been passing along the course, which is dotted with stands and warning flags, and is lined at interesting points with spectators.

The weighing of the racing cars at Naas to-day resulted satisfactorily for the American competitors, but badly for two of the French autos, though the latter's over-weight appeared to be partly due to a defect in the weighing machinery and the lack of an official standard for reducing English measures to the metric system. It was announced that M. Gabriel will replace Fournier in the French contingent, and M. Genatzy will take the place of H. Braun in the German trio. The four competing teams will, therefore, be as follows:

England.—S. F. Edge, C. Jarrott and J. W. Stocks.

France.—Chevalier R. De Knyff, M. Farman and M. Gabriel.

America.—A. Winton, J. Owen and L. P. Moore.

Germany.—Baron De Caters, Foxhall Keene and M. Genatzy.

All the cars are expected to start. They will leave the starting point in the following order:—1, Edge; 2, R. De Knyff; 3, Winton; 4, De Caters; 5, Jarrott; 6, Farman; 7, Owen; 8, Foxhall Keene; 9, Stocks; 10, Gabriel; 11, Moore; 12, Genatzy.

The race should be over late to-morrow afternoon, but the race result may be in doubt until Friday.

The complicated system of stopping the cars at the control of the entrances of town of Carlow, Castle Dermod, Athy, Kildare, Monasterevan and Stradladagh and deducting the time taken in passing through the towns, the speed of which must not exceed 14 miles an hour was shown by experiments made to-day to result in great confusion and unless the race is better managed the time taken in the following order:—1, Edge; 2, R. De Knyff; 3, Winton; 4, De Caters; 5, Jarrott; 6, Farman; 7, Owen; 8, Foxhall Keene; 9, Stocks; 10, Gabriel; 11, Moore; 12, Genatzy.

More police than have been seen in this district of Ireland since the days of the Phoenix Park Murders are patrolling the course. Great precautions have been taken to prevent casualties, but the broiling sun and the traffic of hundreds of motors, motor cycles and other vehicles have created a layer of thick dust on the course, the raising of which by the racing machines will add a great element of danger to the contest. Messrs. Winton and Moore are regarded as the dark horses in the race, but neither of them is much fancied. Jarrott and Gabriel (the latter made a new auto record from Versailles to Bordeaux in the recent Paris-Madrid contest), generally figure as the favorites, though there is little or no betting.

The American team took a quick spin from Naas to-day and seemed in good condition. Foxhall Keene, on his German car, is expected to take all the chances that the extraordinary narrow roads and the numerous curves afford.

SHIPPING.
Steamships. Reported at. From. Germania.....New York.....Naples
Georgian.....New York.....Liverpool
Montevideo.....New York.....Hamburg
Potsdam.....New York.....Montreal
Trenton.....New York.....Liverpool
Switzerland.....Philadelphia.....Antwerp
Adria.....Philadelphia.....Hamburg
Majestic.....Quebec.....New York
Herald.....Copenhagen.....New York
Perugia.....Marseilles.....New York
Mosala.....London.....New York
Munich.....London.....New York
Anchorage.....Munich.....New York
Kaiser Wilhelm.....Bremen.....New York
Holland.....Copenhagen.....New York
Pretoria.....Plymouth.....New York
Philadelphia.....Southampton.....New York

THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC RAILWAY

Engaged the Cabinet's Attention Yesterday.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Looked for Early Next Week—Much Business Yet Before Parliament, and Prorogation is Not Likely Before August 12th.

Special to the Free Press.

Ottawa, July 1.—The members of the Cabinet spent Dominion Day in council considering the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway matter. It was intended to devote to-day to the iron and steel industries, and the measure of aid to be given them, but the Grand Trunk was considered more pressing. Nothing was given out, as any decision arrived at will be first communicated to the House, and so made public.

It is not probable that any public announcement will be made in any of these matters till Tuesday of next week.

The Government are beginning to see light, and expect to be able to get the business of the session well on as soon as these announcements of policy are made.

We do not blame the Opposition, said a minister to-day, "for not being willing to go on with the business of the session so long as our policy on these matters is not laid before the House."

Prorogation is still an uncertain matter. Sir Wilfrid Laurier is anxious to have it on August 1st, but that is practically impossible. Mr. S. Fielding places the date about August 12th, which is probably nearer the mark. The earlier date would not give the Senate time to consider fully either the Railway Commission or the Redistribution Bill, and neither the one nor the other will be allowed to pass the Upper House without the fullest and most searching discussion, whilst the Senators have already declared their intention of fully discussing the Supply Bill. There is much work yet to be done in the Commons, but the remainder of the main estimates and supplementaries, with the exception, perhaps, of those of agriculture and the interior, will be soon disposed of when the House settles down to work.

235 MEN KILLED IN WYOMING MINE.

Some of the Survivors Driven Insane, FOUGHT AGAINST RESCUE.

Heartrending Scenes at the Mouth of the Level, Frantic Forces and Mothers Trying to Wince Their Way Into the Slope—Victims Torn to Pieces by the Explosion—Order for 150 Coffins Received at Omaha.

Hanna, Wyo., July 1.—According to the best information obtainable this morning 235 men out of 282 who were in the mine were killed in the explosion here yesterday. The majority of the victims are Finlanders and negroes. A small army of rescuers, spurred on by the frantic appeals of wives, mothers and children who gathered at the mine, worked with desperate energy all night. They tell of pitiful scenes in the mine. Some of the survivors were driven insane and fought furiously against rescue. Dazed, listless survivors were found sitting on cars or lying on the floor, careless of whether they lived or died. Near the seventeenth level twenty bodies were found strewn over a pile of debris, which the men had striven to surmount before they were overcome by the deadly fumes. Some were eleven and blackened by flames. The eleven rescuers who penetrated through the mine were too weak to bring out a body. For hours the scene at the mouth of the level was heartrending. Mothers, wives, sweethearts and children huddled together, weeping and wringing their hands. The most frantic pushed to the edge of the gap and tried to force a way into the slope.

An expert who went to the seventh level says the mine cannot possibly be cleared for a month. It is feared that men in the lower levels were torn to pieces by the explosion, which hurled great timbers high over the town, and 1,700 feet beyond the mouth of the slope. The fire bosses, who had reported all safe before working time, met death while making a second inspection.

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It was some time after the explosion occurred that the first man was brought to the surface. He was followed by others until 1 o'clock when 47 in all had been rescued. The res-

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Favor Inquiry Into Chamberlain's Proposals.

DOMINION DAY IN LONDON.

Lord Strathcona Presides at the Banquet—He Declares Canada Does Not Fear an Inquiry Into Fiscal Conditions.

London, July 1.—At a meeting of fifty free trade Unionist members of Parliament in the committee room of the House of Commons this afternoon, a resolution favoring an inquiry into Colonial Secretary Chamberlain's preferential tariff proposals, was adopted; but it was also declared that if they resulted in any departure from free trade it would be disastrous to the country.

DOMINION DAY BANQUET.
A banquet in honor of Dominion Day was given at the Hotel Cecil to-night. Lord Strathcona, High Commissioner for Canada, presiding.

The Earl of Jersey proposed the toast of "The Dominion."

Lord Strathcona, in responding, said in a short time Canada alone would provide every pound of breadstuffs required at home. Canada was glad to give unsolicited preference to the mother country, and did not fear an inquiry into fiscal conditions.

Lord Goschen, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in Lord Salisbury's administration, said insistence on Colonial Secretary Chamberlain's preferential tariff proposals would be bound to bring defeat.

TWO DROWNINGS.
Toronto Man and a Chinaman Find Watery Graves.

Toronto, July 1.—Woo Way, a Christian Chinaman, went out in a canoe at the center island this afternoon with another Chinaman, Woo Fung. They were using oars as paddles and upset. Woo Fung was rescued, but Woo Way was drowned. The rescuers were unable to understand from Woo Fung that his comrade was under the water. They took his excited language for expressions of gratitude. E. Chapman, 23 years of age, was drowned off Victoria Park this afternoon. He went in swimming when over-heated.

PUTTING THROUGH THE IRISH LAND BILL.

Twenty-one More Clauses Adopted With Little Amendment.

London, July 1.—The discussion of the Irish Land Bill was continued in the House of Commons to-day, and in the course of the session 21 clauses were adopted without any important amendment being made.

THE SUPPOSED MURDERED MAN, He Declares, is Still Alive and Will Show Up—St. Louis Police Have Drawn a Remarkably Strong Case Against the Bogus Lord.

St. Louis, Mo., July 1.—F. Seymour Barrington, confined in the county jail at Clayton on the charge of having murdered James H. McCann, continues to declare his innocence.

"Jim McCann will show up," Barrington declared, "and when he does I will make those who called me his murderer sweat blood."

The body found near Bonifis was buried yesterday in St. Peter's cemetery as that of James P. McCann. Barrington will not talk of his plans for defense. He declares that he will be cleared and that he will conduct his case himself.

Here is the chain of evidence Chief Desmond has secured against Barrington.—McCann left the Leland hotel in company with Barrington. The two had pictures taken together at the Suburban. The two boarded the St. Charles Electric Railway together. McCann handed motorman his card, alighted at Bonifis. A few seconds later the motorman heard two shots. Barrington was seen walking back to St. Louis by six or seven different persons, wearing McCann's straw hat and carrying McCann's cane. His clothes were bloody and muddy. Barrington tells the story of the fight at the Suburban to explain the disappearance of McCann. Gives his bloody clothes to the porter to clean, and tells him that he is of the opinion that McCann will never come back. The news that the body of McCann has been found causes Barrington to send his trunk to the Union station for flight. Tries to escape from the house when detectives enter to arrest him. Tries to get rid of McCann's watch and chain and diamond locket and diamond ring by dropping them overboard while en route to the Four Courts in the patsy wagon. They lodge on mud guards of back wheels and are found there. Admits that he lied about the Suburban garden fight, saying it occurred at Bonifis instead of at the Suburban. Admits riding out to Bonifis with McCann and getting off there together. Admits walking back alone to St. Louis—a distance of 12 miles—consuming the entire night in doing so. Admits telling expressions of gratitude to the Union station not to tell anyone where he had gotten the trunk or where he was going to take it. Came home Saturday, after the disappearance of the trunk. Barrington admits sending note to himself, which reached the McCann home Saturday, after the disappearance of the trunk. Barrington admits purchasing for Barrington as a present the revolver used to kill him.

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