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UNION'S FIGHT FOR RECOGNITION

LEAVE THEIR WORK A Hamilton Constable Probably Fatally Wounded by Burglar—Strathcona Paper Mill Burned.

Montreal, Oct. 26.—Sixty employees of H. Lamontagne & Company, harness makers, left their work this morning because they were notified that they were discharged as long as they remained members of the International Harness Makers' Union. An attempt was made for the first time to organize the men in the company's employ, and they objected. They were perfectly willing that they should form a benefit association among themselves and agreed to contribute towards its fund, but absolutely refused to have anything to do with labor unions. One hundred men remained at work. It is understood that it is the intention of the unions of Montreal to do all in their power to force the firm to recognize the organization.

Store Damaged. Calgary, N. W. T., Oct. 26.—The retail store of T. Hatfield was damaged by fire last night. The loss is about \$12,000; insurance about half that amount. The firemen did good work in suppressing the flames.

Fire on Steamer. Sault Ste. Marie, Oct. 26.—The steamer Advance, owned by James Carruthers, of Montreal, with a cargo of 1,200 tons from Montreal to Port Arthur, is now lying in eighteen feet of water on the American side of the Soo, and will probably be a total loss. Fire started in the hold of the vessel last night while lying at the Ontario dock, which necessitated the vessel being towed to the American side, where she settled.

Mills Destroyed. Strathcona, Oct. 26.—The Strathcona power house was destroyed by fire here yesterday. The loss is over \$10,000. A number of men will be thrown out of employment.

Constable Shot. Hamilton, Oct. 26.—Burglars, who were trying to effect an entrance to the home of Mrs. Mills, North Catherine street, at an early hour this morning, shot and probably fatally wounded Constable William Barron, who was responding to Mrs. Mills's appeal for help. Upon his arrival at the door, two men standing in the shadow ordered Barron to hold up his hands, and fired three shots at him, the bullets entering the chest just below the heart.

"Hats Off." Toronto, Oct. 26.—Before commencing the sermon in Wesley church last night, Rev. C. O. Johnston, the pastor, suggested that in future the ladies of the congregation remove their hats at the evening service. He said if they were attending service they would do so willingly, but he thought they ought to in church services.

HER MIND IS A BLANK. Sad Condition of Mrs. Iverson Who Killed Three of Her Children.

Salinas, Cal., Oct. 27.—Mrs. Louise Iverson, who killed three of her children at Pacific Grove on Saturday, has been examined as to her mental condition. The examining justice she answered all the questions in a rational mood, but when asked about the tragedy her mind was a blank. She asked the doctors to go to a sanitarium where the children lay in a trance and wake them up, as they were sleeping too long. Finally, she stated that by order of the Lord she had put them in a trance, and cried bitterly for them to be brought to her presence. She did not realize that they lay dead at the morgue.

Other evidence showed that Mrs. Iverson had been ailing mentally for three months. She was afraid she was becoming irreligious, and was very solicitous about her children's spiritual welfare. She was committed to the Agnew hospital for insane, and sent there at once.

IN MEMORY OF GUNMAKER. Berlin, Oct. 27.—Emperor William has decided to erect a bronze monument to the late Herr Krupp, the gunmaker, before the Imperial Yacht Club at Kiel. The monument will be over life size. His Majesty gave the commission yesterday for its execution to Professor Haverkamp. The Emperor himself will make the drawings.

WELSH COAL COMBINE. London, Oct. 27.—After many months of negotiations there has been formed a combine of the anthracite coal mine owners of South Wales. The combine is capable of an output of millions of tons of coal a year.

DETERMINED TO REACH POLE. Fiata Says He Will Plant the Stars and Stripes on Its Peak.

New York, Oct. 27.—The World today says: "The Fiata-Zeigler Polar exploring party, which left New York last May in an attempt to reach the North Pole, has failed to get through the passage leading to Franz Josef Land on account of the floes getting in the narrow, 150 miles from their intended winter quarters. Anthony Fiata, of Brooklyn, leader of the expedition, intends to leave his ship and travel along the ice on sleds drawn by Esquimaux dogs, expecting to reach winter quarters by January 1st, 1904. "In a letter dated August 22nd, received by his sister, he said: 'We are surrounded by large floes of ice, and every hour the weight threatens to crush the side of our good ship America, but before I see my friends again I will positively discover the whereabouts of the North Pole and plant the Stars and Stripes at its peak.'"

DIED ON BIRTHDAY. Cornell Professor Passed Away While Awarding Arrival of Guests.

Ithaca, N. Y., Oct. 25.—Prof. Robert H. Thurston, director of the Sibley College of Engineering, Cornell University, died today at his home on the campus. He was sitting in his library shortly before 6 o'clock awaiting the arrival of Professor Hewitt and others, who were to be his guests at dinner, today being his 64th birthday. He seemed to fall asleep, but when his wife made efforts to rouse him she found him unconscious, and he was dead before a physician could be summoned. Heart disease was the cause of death. He had been in apparent good health and spirits, and had just returned from a brisk walk.

SBATTLE TRAGEDY. Man Wounded Young Woman and Then Committed Suicide.

Seattle, Oct. 27.—Crazed by the knowledge that she had deserted him for Thos. Bulene, formerly of Seattle, now a well known mining man of Nome, Claud N. Arbockle, who will last March was a floridly, was tonight fired into the hotel, and then blew out his own brains. The deed was witnessed by the presence of Miss Olive Bennett and E. L. Robinson, formerly an owner on the Nome City, who were visiting Miss Grey in her apartments in the hotel at the time. Arbockle, in response to a note received from the woman asking him to call, a quarrel ensued over her returning to him. She refused to do so, and after asking Robinson to step out of the room, which request was refused, Arbockle, without a word, opened fire with a 28-calibre Smith & Wesson revolver.

SUGGESTS ARBITRATION. F. A. Heinze Asks Seven Millions For His Property—T. W. Lawson's Proposal.

Boston, Oct. 27.—Thomas W. Lawson, one of the largest stockholders in the Amalgamated Copper Company, has wired an offer to pay the Mines' Union \$120,000 for at once satisfactorily arranging an arbitration of the question of the price to be paid Mr. Heinze for his mining property in that city. Mr. Lawson states that he offered Mr. Heinze \$3,000,000 for his property, but that the latter had not for \$7,000,000. Mr. Lawson suggests that the price be left to arbitration. City Quiet. Butte, Mont., Oct. 27.—Butte was quiet today. Miners are leaving the city in crowds for other camps. Mr. Scullion issued a statement this afternoon, saying that the MacGinnis suit involved the right of property of the Amalgamated and the "right of the Amalgamated to exist."

IN DEFENCE OF MOTHER. Chicago Youth Shot and Killed His Stepmother.

Chicago, Oct. 26.—As he was about to strike his wife with an iron bar, Nicholas Rolle has been shot and killed by his stepson, Henry Walscheid, 18 years old. Rolle came home and went to the kitchen, where his wife was preparing dinner. He was abusive, and threatened her because dinner was not ready. While they were quarrelling Walscheid returned. He started for the kitchen, and as he reached the door saw Rolle raise an iron bar to strike his mother. He threw a revolver and fired at his stepfather. Walscheid was arrested. He said his stepfather had abused his wife on several occasions and that he himself had quarrelled with the man because of the latter's unmanageable temper.

FIVE LIVES LOST. Brest, France, Oct. 27.—The crew of thirty-one men of the French barque Savoyard, which were thought to have been lost, have been saved. The captain's wife and the four other women who were on board the vessel were drowned.

FOUND STARVING. Man Said to Be Cousin of C. M. Schwab Penniless in Vienna.

Vienna, Oct. 27.—A man named William Schwab, who has been missing recently in a Vienna theatre, under the name of Salis, and who has been missing some days, has just been found in a starving condition. He has in his possession papers which show that he is a cousin of Charles C. M. Schwab, former president of the United States Steel Corporation, and he has announced his intention of going to America to seek assistance from his relative.

FUGITIVE ARRESTED. Budapest, Hungary, Oct. 27.—Adolf Friedmann, an American, has been arrested here. He was charged in New York with concealing assets amounting to \$27,000 in a bankruptcy proceedings and fled to Hungary.

ISLANDS IN THE PORTLAND CANAL

LONDON TIMES THINKS THEM UNIMPORTANT. The Removal of an Obstacle to Full Harmony With the United States.

London, Oct. 27.—The Times this morning published the text of the opinions of the American members of the Alaska boundary tribunal on the second and fifth questions of the controversy, together with a map of the Portland canal and explanatory comment. Referring to this matter editorially, the Times considers it ought successfully to allay any feeling of disquiet, and it says it seems to confirm beyond dispute the views already advanced in its columns, namely, that the two tiny islands awarded to the United States have very little of the enormous strategic value claimed for them. "We admit," the paper goes on, "that it is regrettable that Lord Alvestone, after coming to a fresh conclusion about the islets, failed to make the nature of his decision clear to his Canadian colleagues, but we believe the actual point of difference involved to be so exceedingly unimportant from a practical view, that we trust it will not stand in the way of unreserved acceptance of the award by Canada. The passages we print to-day show how strong was the American case. We share with Canada a common territorial loss, but we recognize as transcending it the gain of removing an obstacle to full concord with the great republic with which every tie of nature places us both in such close relations. The article exonerates Prime Minister Laurier from any desire for the separation of Canada from the Mother Country."

TWO TRAGEDIES. Mother Murdered Three Children—Two Sons Killed by Their Father.

Monterey, Cal., Oct. 26.—While temporarily deranged, Mrs. Louis Iverson, wife of a Salinas machinist, murdered three of her four children at Pacific Grove at the dictation, she said, "of a supreme power." She first strangled her eldest, Edna, aged 12 years. She then attempted the murder of her youngest son, aged 11, who had just come into the house, but the boy broke away from her and took a train for his home in Salinas. She then strangled her second son, Harold, aged 6, and then went out of the house and got an axe with which she struck him a blow on the head. Later in the evening she killed her 7-month-old baby Maria by strangling. The murder of her children was related by Mrs. Iverson to Sheriff Nesbit. She added that during the night she had walked about the house, lying down for a short time on the floor. She said she realized now that she had done wrong, but believed she was doing right at the time she committed the deed. She persisted, however, in stating that the children were not dead. Mrs. Iverson had been ill for several months, and had shown signs of mental derangement, her mania being of a religious nature. Double Murder. Marion, Ind., Oct. 25.—Jesse McClure, a farm hand, murdered his two sons, aged 7 and 9 years, near Franklin, because his wife refused to see him. Later, McClure drove to this city and surrendered. Mrs. McClure had taken her children to her father's home. McClure found them playing in the front yard and induced them, with candy, to take a ride with him. After surrendering, he said: "I decided to be revenged, and drove down the road to a little clump of trees. My children were asleep in the buggy. When I stopped, the jolt woke my little boy, Dec. He looked up at me and said: 'Papa, what are you going to do?' I held my hand over his eyes and took my gun from my pocket and shot him in the forehead, killing him instantly. The shot awoke little Homer, and I took him by the shoulder and fired a shot into his head."

ASSASSINATED BY AN UNKNOWN MAN

VENGEANCE SUPPOSED MOTIVE FOR CRIME. Head of Armenian Revolutionary Society Killed in London—Other Officers Murdered on Continent.

London, Oct. 27.—Sagami, president of the Armenian Revolutionary Society in London, was murdered in the suburb of Nunhead last night. The crime has created a sensation, as it has every appearance of a political character, and has been preceded by the assassinations of other officials of branches of the same society on the Continent. Sagami, who only returned to London yesterday after settling up affairs of an associate in Switzerland, who was recently assassinated by stabbing, was entering his residence when a man rushed across the road and fired four shots at Sagami in quick succession, the last bullet entering the region of the heart. The only clues to the murderer in possession of the authorities are a felt hat and a silver-plated revolver, both made in New York, which he dropped in his flight. The murdered man, who was a mining engineer, became wealthy in the Caucasus and devoted his money to the Armenian cause. His society was entirely pacifistic and opposed to violence, and it is thought this attitude inspired the advanced section of the Armenians with the desire for vengeance, the latter claiming that Sagami's society devoted funds to charity, which would have been better applied to violent remedies for the Armenian grievances. Sagami is said to have moved to England from New York early in 1902. Sagami had frequently spoken of the determination of the advanced Armenian revolutionists to exterminate the leaders of the pacifist party, and for that reason he always carried a revolver and a dagger knife in self-defence. The murderer's shots last night were so rapid that Sagami was only able to draw his revolver after the murderer had fired three times, as he turned his face to his assailant. Sagami was shot near the heart and fell. When at Dieppe, France, yesterday, on his way to England, Sagami thought he was being shadowed by a man whose description somewhat tallies with the appearance of the murderer. A man was arrested near King's Cross railway station on suspicion of being the assassin of Sagami, but later released. Before his death, Sagami told a friend that he did not know his assailant, but he said enemies had been following him for a long time. Sagami's friends attribute the murder to the Alfarist section of the Hentchakist Society, headed by a man named Alfai, who was expelled from the society after the split when it was alleged that the Alfarists were paid by the Sultan of Turkey. There was some attempt in 1902 to patch up the differences between the sections of the Hentchakist Society, but the majority concluded the Alfarists only wanted to get control of the society's newspaper, the Hentchak, with the object of suppressing it. The feud became more acute, and an attack on the editor of the Boston edition of the Hentchak followed. A former editor of the Hentchak, Nazarbek, was arrested last week at Lausanne, Switzerland, by an Alfarist. It is said here, however, that Nazarbek is not dead, though he was reported earlier in the day to have been killed. Local Hentchakists say New York is the headquarters of the Alfarists.

TROOPS AND GUNS. Reported Sailing of Another Russian Force For The Far East.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 27.—A dispatch from Port Arthur says Viceoy Alexioff has gone to Tallinn to inspect the Russian naval forces in the Pacific. Gone to Far East. Berlin, Oct. 27.—The report published in the United States yesterday that Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia had been ordered to sail for the Far East is untrue. It was Prince Albert, third son of Emperor William, who, as called to the Associated Press, started for the Far East to join the German squadron there. Movements in Korea. Yokohama, Oct. 27.—Mysterious movements of Russians in Korea continue to be reported. A detachment of 200 Russian troops is said to have crossed the River Yalu into Korea, and another contingent of 40 Russians appeared at Wiju on Friday last, and subsequently retired. Following the announcement made here yesterday that the Korean government had protested against the Russians for the action of Yongampo, official advices received at Tokio tend to confirm the report that the Russians have fortified that place. This may mean important developments, as the fortification of Yongampo would be an infringement of Korean integrity. The newspapers here regard the move as being easier, and believe that Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister, and Foreign Minister Komura, are nearer to reaching an agreement.

NANAIMO ASSIZES. True Bills Against Jap Charged With Murder and in Kells Cruelty Case.

Nanaimo, Oct. 27.—The fall assizes opened this morning. Mr. Justice Martin presiding. There are only two cases, Rex vs. Kells, the Japanese charged with the murder of two compatriots, whose skulls he split open with a double bit axe last August, and Rex vs. Kells, the cruelty to a child case. The grand jury returned true bills in both cases. Kells, however, did not appear, and his bail of \$500 was forfeited. His Lordship commented strongly on the laxity of Magistrate Adams, of Chamberland, in making the sum so small. He said it ought to have been four times as large. It was positive encouragement to men charged with serious crimes to flee the country, and it is of immense benefit to people of a great many different nationalities. It will enable China to become a purchaser, and that will create a demand for goods from America and other countries. A fixed ratio would also result in the opening of many Colorado mines.

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE. Fixing of Rates Will Assist China in Becoming a Purchaser.

Denver, Colo., Oct. 27.—Daniel Guggenheim, who is in this city, in discussing the report of the United States commission on international exchanges, says: "I believe that at last the ratio between gold and silver will be fixed soon. It is not a question of what ratio we ought to have. The question is what ratio we can get. The ratio of 1 to 1 will be of immense benefit to people of a great many different nationalities. It will enable China to become a purchaser, and that will create a demand for goods from America and other countries. A fixed ratio would also result in the opening of many Colorado mines."

PROBABLY DEAD. Premature Explosion of Dynamite—Six Men Probably Killed.

Chicago, Oct. 27.—Scores of windows were shattered at Roby race track last night by the premature explosion of dynamite where the Illinois Steel company is filling in ground south of South Chicago. The shock was felt in Hammond, Ind., and in Blue Island. Three fishermen and three railroad laborers were in the vicinity when the explosion occurred. Although a search of the debris failed to reveal evidence of their death, it was feared they may not have escaped alive.

KING AND M. P. London, Oct. 27.—King Edward has again sympathized with victims of appendicitis. This time the sufferer was James Keir Hardie, M. P., who underwent a successful operation yesterday. Before starting for the Newmarket races today His Majesty sent a letter to Sir Thos. Barlow, the physician to the King's household, saying he has a fellow feeling for all who have to go through an operation for appendicitis, asking Sir Thomas to report the condition of Mr. Hardie and sending the latter an expression of sympathy.

A NARROW ESCAPE. Ex-Convict's Attempt to Kill the President of Mexico.

Guanajuato, Mexico, Oct. 27.—Great excitement was caused here today by an attempt on the life of President Diaz, who was a guest of the government during the festivities here. The president, his staff and guests were passing by the Cantarero garden in a street car, when a man of the lower class named Ellis Toscano, fired five shots from a revolver at the car. None of the shots took effect. Pakko Escandon, of the president's staff, rushed out of the car and caught the man. The police took Toscano to prison. He is a man with a bad criminal record and was but recently released from prison at Guanajuato, where he had served a term for homicide. The matter will be investigated. The president remained perfectly cool. Toscano's evil record renders probable the theory of a deliberate attempt at assassination. The president received the congratulations of the citizens and diplomatic corps. An attempt was made on the life of President Diaz on December 10th, 1887, when he attended the celebrations in the city of Mexico on the anniversary of Mexican independence. A man rushed towards the president, reached his side and attempted to kill him. Subsequently the assassin was dragged from prison by a mob and lynched. Guanajuato is about 160 miles north-west of Mexico city.

NO SIGN OF SETTLEMENT. Little Prospect of Heinze's Offer Regarding Copper Mines Being Accepted.

Butte, Mont., Oct. 27.—All chance of an immediate settlement between the big copper interests composed of the Amalgamated Copper Company on one side and F. Augustus Heinze on the other was dispelled in a statement issued last night by President Wm. Scullion, head of the Amalgamated Copper interests in Montana. The statement says that should Heinze's proposal be accepted, it would mean a distribution among Heinze and his associates of property worth \$281,000. The authorities are taking precautions to prevent disorder. A small army of special police will soon be on duty. The saloons and gambling houses of the city will be closed at once. Want New Laws. Anaconda, Mont., Oct. 27.—Two thousand smelter men held a mass meeting last night and discussed the amalgamation-Heinze situation. Resolutions were adopted calling upon Governor Toole to convene an extra session of the legislature to enact laws remedial to the present state of affairs.

STRIKERS USE DYNAMITE. Railway Round House and Electric Light and Telephone Plants Destroyed.

Balboa, Spain, Oct. 27.—Striking miners destroyed with dynamite during the night, a railroad round house and electric light and telephone plants. The strike, which has now spread to all the mines in the district, causes great anxiety, as the employers persist in refusing to consider the demands for the weekly payment of wages until the men resume work. The aim of the employers, it is said, is to induce the men to negotiate with them directly without the intervention of the unions. The Socialists are taking a prominent part in the agitation.

HUDSON'S BAY SHIP LOST. Wreck of the Lady Head—Crew and Passengers Safe.

Winnipeg, Oct. 27.—Commissioner Chipman, of the Hudson's Bay Company, gives the following news to the press to-night: "I have just had an authentic report that the Hudson's Bay Company's ship Lady Head was wrecked on the Gasker Shoals, in Hudson Bay, and abandoned by the crew, on September 25th. The passengers and crew all safely reached the company's station at Moose Factory. The ship was breaking up before being abandoned and is a total loss. The Lady Head was homeward bound with a cargo of furs. The captain was sent to Missanable in a canoe, and is now en route to London. The crew will be cared for by the company at Moose Factory until next spring."

FELL INTO PIT. Two Men Instantly Killed and Another Passed Away Before He Reached Hospital.

Niagara Falls, Oct. 27.—Two Hungarians, names unknown, were instantly killed and George Hiller, pumpman, so badly injured that he died in the ambulance on the way to the hospital, and two other Hungarians, names unknown, so badly injured that recovery is doubtful, by being thrown from a bucket which was lowering them to Dawson & Riley's wheel pit at the Canadian Niagara Power Co.'s works this morning. When the bucket had reached half the depth of the pit, or about fifty feet from the bottom, it was stopped to allow one of the men to get off. Some one in the bucket prematurely gave the signal to lower when the side of the bucket caught on the cross bridge and dumped the occupants out. The men fell to solid rock.

WOULD REDUCE COST OF LIVING

CHAMBERLAIN'S REPLY TO "DEARER FOOD" CRY. The Ex-Colonial Secretary's Argument—Address to Working Classes of United Kingdom.

Liverpool, Oct. 27.—Joseph Chamberlain addressed another monster meeting in the Hippodrome here to-night, under the auspices of the Workingmen's Conservative Association. Mr. Chamberlain was given a tremendous reception. The meeting was organized as an offset to the recent actions of representatives of the labor unions in denouncing Mr. Chamberlain's proposals. Mr. Chamberlain devoted the first portion of his speech to the "dumping" of the manufactures of the United States and Germany in this country, which he said must result in depression. With regard to the cry of "dearer food," he pledged himself that his proposals would not add anything to the cost of living; on the contrary, they would decrease the cost of living to the poorest families in the country. The speaker devoted the greater part of his speech, which lasted an hour and a half, to a powerful argument addressed to the working classes of the United Kingdom. He pointed out that when the movement for free trade was carried, the working classes were neither represented nor consulted, but it was a movement of the manufacturers and the middle classes. Now that the working classes were represented in parliament, their support was essential to the carrying out of his proposals, which he said meant more employment. Emphasizing the statement that it was impossible to reconcile free trade with trade unionism, Mr. Chamberlain pointed out the inconsistency of supporting a policy which admitted the products of the cheapest kind of labor without taxation. He said he believed the working classes of the United Kingdom were more advanced in their views than their leaders and said if those were true to themselves he was confident his proposals would win. Mr. Chamberlain dealt especially upon the shipping industry. He pointed out the greater growth of foreign shipbuilding as compared with that of Great Britain. He referred pointedly to Great Britain's loss of trade with Cuba, where he said British conditions of trade had not been respected. "All our representations have been fruitless and America proposes preferential arrangements, treating Cuba exactly as I want you to treat Canada," he said. He said that the adoption of his policy would encourage and stimulate the colonial shipping, and would not prevent the development of foreign trade. He said he wanted to see less foreign manufactured articles imported, but imported raw materials brought here in return for finished goods. In conclusion, Mr. Chamberlain declared that Holland had tried and failed to keep command of the sea and her position as carrier and merchant of the world without a productive capacity, and that Great Britain would be no more successful than Holland if she neglected to bind her colonies to her. The meeting closed with a resolution endorsing the government's fiscal policy and declaring the advisability of building the Empire more closely together.

THE BUTTE MINES. Meeting Will Be Held to Try to Arrange For Reopening of Properties.

Butte, Oct. 28.—The mediation party to bring about the opening of the Amalgamated mines and smelter, inaugurated by Great Falls people, has resulted in an arrangement for a meeting between the committee named above and the heads of the copper corporations in Montana on Thursday in Butte. At the special meeting of the mill and smeltermen's union at Great Falls last night a committee was appointed to meet with a similar committee from the Butte Miners' Union at Helena. The committee goes with instructions to consider any measures that may be deemed advisable to bring about an early resumption of the Amalgamated Copper Company's plant, and is instructed to urge Governor Toole to call an extraordinary session of the legislature, which it is hoped may result in the passage of a law which will help to improve the conditions arising from the legal differences of the Amalgamated and Heinze people.

CIVIL ASSIZES POSTPONED. (Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Oct. 27.—The civil assizes were to open this morning, but no judge appeared. A telegram of protest has been sent to the Attorney-General signed by members of the bar and members of the legislature for Vancouver, except Hon. R. G. Tatlow, who is out of town.