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SOLD FOR TEN MILLIONS. TO BE GOVERNOR

CANADA ATLANTIC RAILWAY BOUGHT

Dr. W. Seward Webb Confirmed the Purchase at Ottawa Monday-Particulars of the Transfer--Will Give Vanderbilt Sys-

denials to the contrary, the sale of the Canada Atlantic Railway to the New York Central and St. Lawrence and Adirondack Companies, is all but completed. Dr. W. Seward Webb, who arrived here today, confirmed this statement. He said that the sale had been completed except for a few minor details. This statement was made by Dr. Webb after he had interviewed Mr. Chamberlain, the general man-ager of the Canada Atlantic, and had been closeted for an hour and a half with Mr. closeted for an hour and a half with Mr. Booth, the principal owner of the road. To your correspondent, Dr. Webb was brief but to the point; "You may state," said he, "that negotiations for the sale of the road have progressing satisfactorily and with the exception of a few minor deails, the deal is about consummated. I expect to have the whole matter settled before I leave here tomorrow. I may say that I have been down at Mr. Booth's office for the past hour and a half. My interview with him was very satisfactory."

It is pretty generally known that Dr. Webb, who controlls the New York Central and Rutland systems, is acting also tral and Rutland systems, is acting also for vice-president Meyer, of the St. Law-nd Adirondack Company, which at of the New York Central.

the best equipped in year the total earn-3,000. The price which

have been Canada Atng told wha

CONTINGENT SAILS FOR SOUTH AFRICA TODAY

But Discharged Soldiers Proposed Injunction to Detain the Ship.

Halifax, Jan. 27—(Special)—Arrange Halifax, Jan. 27—(Special)—Atrangements for the embarkation of the second detachment of the C. M. R. tomorrow are exactly the same as for the first detachment. The men will be paraded at camp about 8.30 and after being looked over by the officers will start about 9 o'clock for H. M. dockyard. The 63rd band will likely relay them down. One of the horselikely play them down. One of the horse of the corps died Saturday of influenza. G. Loyd and A. Curtis have been taken on the strength. The troopship will sai about 2 o'clock.

Lieut. Reford, of Montreal, will go in place of Lieut. Woodside, who has not al

place of Lieut. Woodside, who has not altogether recovered from his injuries.

Two of the men found to be suffering from measles were yesterday removed to the infectious diseases hospital. They will not be able to leave for South Africa by the Vactorian, but will probably go by steamer from St. John later on. Since the concentrating in Halifax of the 2nd C. M. R., many men have been discharged as medically unfit or on the ground that they were not likely to be come efficient soldiers. The commanding come efficient soldiers. The commanding officer is bound to if possible take with him thoroughly efficient men in whom implicit trust can be placed and who are likely to do credit to the colony which sends them. Most of the men discharged have returned to their homes, but a few still remain in the city. Saturday one of the remaining few who contended that dismissals were not legal consulted a law firm and asked for a legal opinion regarding the matter. The legal opinion it is understood agreed with the trooper's idea and he finds that the corps is so far working under 'the militia act subject to the ing under the militia act subject to the queen's regulations and that a contract having been made with the men for one year's service, longer if the war is not finished by that time they could not be discharged before that period has expired except by court martial. The opinion was also given that an action for damages would lie.

It was reported that an injunction to prevent the troopship from sailing until the matter had been settled would be ap-plied for, but that rumor is probably incorrect. Colonel Evans is not worrying over the matter and is quite satisfied that the procedure adopted in the matter o discharges was perfectly legal and proper and plainly in accord with the army regu

Quebec, Jan. 27—(Special)—Mrs. Joseph Moiner, of St. Sauveur, is dead at the age of 101 years and five months.

Senator Snowball Appointed at Ottawa Monday, and Accepts.

cided to appoint Senator Snowball to the position. The senator is here and has ac-cepted and has resigned his seat in the

senate.

[Hon. Jabez Bunting Snowball is a son of the late Rev. John Snowball and was born at Lunenburg, N. S., Sept. 24, 1837. He was educated at Mount Allison College. Mr. Snowball has been twice married, his present wife being a daughter of Rev. Robert Archibald, of New Monkland, Lanarishire, Scotland, and was married Feb. 18, 1873. He sat in the commons from 1878 to 1882, having defeated the late Hon. Peter Michell. He was called to the senace May 1, 1891. Mr. Snowball is largely interested in the lumber business

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Sensational Assault Upon a Man With a Wooden Leg.

vere abed at the time hastily donned heir clothing and hurried in the direcion from which the cries of distress and sounds of strife proceeded, finding in front of one of the dwellings, two men rolling about in the stushy street, each endeavoring to annihilate the other. The scrap would have been a delightful one had the men been evenly matched, but while the other was in the prime of vigor-

peace restored when it was found that he of the timber toes had been badly worsted in the melee by his younger adversary, who, it is illeged. was the aggressor. The defeated one poured a tale of woe into the ears of his rescuers, and then, together with his wife and numerous progeny hastened for the abode of the guarians of the peace to lay his troubles be ore them and ask for redress. It appears that the men who figured in the mixup have been on bad terms for some time and on Torsday evening the able-bodied individual appeared at the home of his neighbor with an elegant jag on and invited him to come forth in order

hat he might do divers and sundry inom his domicile. This enraged the boozy and beligerent caller who produced a re-toiver and flourished it before the face of the guardian of the castle, giving the atter the option of dying an inglorious leath where he stood or of coming forth to combat. Despite his crippled condition, the man in the house concluded that death on the field of honor was far more preferrable than that of meek submission referable than that of meek submission assassination so he emerged and sailed nto his would be slayer, the two mixing

the formality of raising it and rent the ar with her cries of murder which first attracted the attention of the neighbors, but strange to say, she was uninjured by the flying glass.

When the officers arrived the stories told by the combatants were so contraction that they concluded to make no preset but await the lodging of regular arrest but await the lodging of regular omplaints. The affair caused no end of excitement and has since become the talk of the border towns.

MATE LOST OVERBOARD.

Last Seen Clinging to a Plank in Storm at Sea-

Wickford, R. I., Jan. 27.-The term wickford, R. I., Jahr. 27.—The terms of chooner Norman, Captain N. B. Grey, but in here today leaking badly and resorting the loss of Mate Francis Wadeleld, of Ensworth, Me. The Norman ailed from Brunswick, Ga., on Jan. 16 or New Bedford with 26,000 feet of pine to the complex of the comple for New Bedford with 26,000 feet of pine immber. On Tupsday last when off Cape Hatteras a heavy storm was encountered accompanied by high seas during which the deeks were gooded. Mate Wadefield was carried over oard at the same time as the deckload. He was last seen dinging to a plank about 200 feet away from the side of the vessel.

GREAT CHANCE FOR ST. JOHN The C. P. R Threaten to Concentrate Elsewhere Than Montreal.

Montreal, Jan. 27— Special)—The management of the C. P. I. now threatens to give up the idea of entrated car and of the shops in the ast end of Montreal or land which are b asked. This plum ar place.

CITY GAS WOR

City Council Moves

council today pass a resolution favori

hat and Electricity

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION

Ottawa, Jan. 27—(Special)—At today's The Murray Hill Hotel Shattered and Abandoned—Grand Union Hotel and Grand Central Depot Damaged - Many Killed and Injured by Flying Debris-The

Loss in the Millions.

Water Floods the Ruins.

New York, Jan. 27—The reserve supply of high explosives stored at the Park avenue shaft of the Rapid Transit tunnel, blew up shortly after noon today,

Water Floods the Ruine

Ira A. Shaler, engineer in charge of the work at Park avenue; John Bracken, a foreman, and Martin McGrath, an assistant foreman, were all placed under arrest, avenue shart of the happy transit tun-nel, blew up shortly after noon today, and carried death to six persons, in-jury to a hundred others, and serious damage to much property which suffered the the state of the buildings named sustained the greatest damage, but the area affected extended for several blocks in the four directions from the centre.

The following is a list of the dead:

Adams, Cyrus, cigarman at the Murray Hill Hotel. Carr, James, 32 years, a waiter employed at the Murray Hill Hotel. Hinto, Lawrence, 20 years, of Ansonia,

U., a guest at the Murray Hill Hotel.
Thompson, Ralph, assistant engineer (all outside reports seem to agree as to

The list of injured is an exceedingly long, most of them were simply cut by flying glass. Among those most seriously hurt none were Canadians.

One Sold for \$3,000, and Several Others

Similarly.

New York, Jan. 27.-The annual Fasig-

ale will continue throughout the week.

Boland secured the prize at the day

FANCY PRICES FOR TROTTERS. EMPEROR WILLIAM CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY.

Tipton midwinter sale of trotting horses Prince of Wales Seems Not to Have Taken Active Part.

was begun at Madison Square Garden to-day. There was a large attendance. The was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his can war was dissolved by the avowed inwas born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his sale when he bought Kingmond, 2.09, for was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his sale when he bought Kingmond, 2.09, for was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his sale when he bought Kingmond, 2.09, for was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable to the avowed in the sale when he bought Kingmond, 2.09, for was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable the sale when he bought Kingmond, 2.09, for was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy to frustrate interpretable the sale was born Jan. 27, 1859, signalized his tention of Great Britain 'to use other means than dip

erto borne no distinctive names. sales follow:

King Muscovite, b. g., trotter, B. H.
Domarest (agent), Goshen, N. Y., \$800.

Louise Mac, ch., nine years, trotter,
John McGuire, New York city, \$1,500.

Getto borne no distinctive hames.

Later in the day Empe or William drove in an editorial on this despatch says:

"America, as a whole, has not shown herself invariably friendly during our troubles in South Africa, but this clear

emperor was a model of her left hand, exe-York city, \$3,000.

Who Is It, 2.12, gr. g., 7 years, R. C. Tailor, Worcester, Mass., \$1,850.

Axtello, b. g., 8 years, trotter, M. C. Harrison, New York, \$1,125.

Compulsory Vaccination in Boston.

Boston, Jan. 27.—The board of health sent its physicians, more than 100, into South Boston today to repeat its experiment on the hand is a wedding ring. While Emperor William was receiving congratulations upon the anniversary of his birthday from the foreign ambassadors here, he held Andrew D. White, the American ambassador, in conversation for a few minutec, during which he said he was much pleased with the very kind way in much pleased with the very kind way in the please with the very kind way in t South Boston today to repeat its experiment of wholesale vaccination tried in East Boston yesterdly. Other sections will be canvassed in the same way until the entire city is covered. The object of general and compulsory vaccination is to find any hidden or suspected cases and to make a determined effort to stamp out the discase. Over 400,000 persons in Boston have been vaccinated since the fall.

ant foreman, were all placed under arrest, the charge being homicide.

William Barclay Parsons, ohief engineer of the Rapid Transit commission said that Shaler was one of the most competent and careful engineers he ever knew.

The damage may exceed \$1,000,000. The first estimate of the Murray Hill Hotel placed the loss at \$100,000, but afterwards the head was shandoned as maste General alarms brought firemen, police reserves and ambulances, and the injured were speedily cared for.

Torrents of water from broken mains poured into the tunnel shaft, while the wreckage was being cleared from the street railway subway, and it was feared that the street might cave in.

The cause of the explosion and the quantity of explosives which blew up are not definitely known. Several causes have been advanced, but an official inquiry will probably be required to reveal the rea-The damage to the Grand Union Hotel is estimated at \$40,000 and that to the Manhattan Hospital at \$25,000.

The loss at the Grand Central is en-

contractors.

It was very late tonight before a thorough investigation of the damage done to the Murray Hill Hotel was completed. first in the eastern wing of the depot, were thrown about by the shock of the explosion. A. T. Turner, a record clerk in Superintendent Shephard's office, was thrown from his chair and his hands were thrown from his chair and his hands were window. His hady was found in parker to the construction of the closed entirely. Proprietor Jacques places the loss in giass alone at \$15,000.

The body of Mr. Robertson had been crushed by timibers hunded through the thrown from his chair and his hands were window. His hady was found in parker to the construction of the closed entirely. It is closed ent

badly lacerated.

In the next room Chief Despatcher G.

He had made a special request to be given the room and was assigned to it on Friday.

H. Wilson and his four assistants were scratched by flying glass, but did not even can Legion of Honor, had refused to take

The list of injured is an exceedingly long, most of them were simply cut by fiying glass. Am. ng those most seriously but none were Canadians.

Killed in His Room.

J. Roderick Robertson, of Nelson, B. C., was killed by delvis hurrled into the room and the source of the colombia (sold Fields Company, Limited, and a prominent citizes in the community where he lived. He was a Storchman, and left a widow and four children. He is said to have been quite wealthy.

The sunken approach to the street railway tunnel used by the Madison avenual line cuts through Park avenue and the shaft for the Rapid Transit contractors. The most way approach was housed over with a superstructure that was used for the open surface, and there the explosion occurred.

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UNITED STATES AND ENGLAND Getting at an Understanding Over Spanish

American Affair. London, Jan. 28.—The Washington con

respondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "It is learned from an intimate of the late President McKinley that the Euro-

McFeus, br. s., 8 years, by King Darlington-Rosamond, to J. Boland, New The empress' birthday present to the statement of America's debt to England should make an impression even on those classes who have hitherto regarded us

> French Fear American Competition.
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> Paris, Jan. 27.—The chamber of deputies began the discussion today of a bill authorizing the completion of a number of projected waterways and canals involving the expenditure of over 600,000,000 francs. Deputy Clementel supported this proposal on the ground that France must defend herself against American competition, which, after organizing the steel and orizing the completion of a number of projected waterways and canals involving the expenditure of over 600,000,000 francs. Deputy Clementel supported this proposal on the ground that France must defend herself against American competition, which, after organizing the steel and other combinations, was now organizing by

becial)—The city a large majority purchase of the fauthority from a pole line and m Niagara Fails with the city.

That Schooner from Shelburne is Safe.

Boston Jan. 27.—The Gloucester fishing schooner Rosella, for which fears had been contervained that she foundered in a November gale on the Grand Banks, is at mated at \$200,000, amply covered by interval.

COMMITTED SUICIDE IN DAWSON CITY.

STUNS NEW YORK. Sad Ending of a Former Halifax Bank Clerk, Temporarily Insane.

> 7-(Special)-Thomas Middleton, cashier in the gold commissioner's office, committed suicide by cutting his throat with England, and was in a bank in Halifax,
> N. S., before coming here in 1899.
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> Middleton had not been in his office for several days. His accounts were short more than \$3,000. His defalcation and suicide created a great sensation, every of believing him above suspicion. It thought he was temporarily insane.

ROSSLYN DIVORCED. Edinburgh Court Grants Decree on Ground

London, Jan. 27.—More successful than his efforts to break the bank at Monte Carlo has been Lord Rosslyn's suit for divorce in the Court of Sessions of Edin

the earl a judgment against his wife, Vio-let Aline de Grey St. Clair-Eksine, on the ground of desertion. The two children

ground of desertion. The two children are left as at present.

The court room was densely crowded when Lord Rosslyn entered the witness box to tell his story. He said he was married to the defendant in 1890. The early years of their married life were happy, but, some time prior to November, 1896, differences arose over some riends, for whom Lady Rosslyn had a preference. That year, Depart House was sold, and he removed to a smaller residence on his Fifeshire estate. Lady Rosslyn refused to go with him and went to

In 1900 he fitted up Rosslyn Castle, but even that possessed no attraction for her. After he returned from the war his wife wrote, refusing ever to live with him.

Lord Rosslyn said his wife had an allowance of £1,000 (\$5,000) a year, and that for the last five years he himself inad earned by literary work and theatrical engagements about £1,000 (\$5,000) per year. With an allowance from friends his income averaged nearly £1,500 (\$7,500).

Lord Rosslyn's marriage to Violet Aline, carldom on the death of his father, the family estate being Dysart, Fifeshire lihere are two children of the marriage Lady Rosabelle St. Clair-Erskine and Francis Edward St. Clair-Erskine, Lord

Loughborough. The Duchess of Sutherland and the Countess of Westmoreland are Lord Rosslyn's sisters and the Countess of Warwick is his elder half-sister. CONDITIONS IN DENMARK.

Stagnation in Business and Advance i Food Prices.

Copenhagen, Jan. 27.—The conditions aborers, has advanced about 3 cents per pound; American lard has made about the many beggars.

As a result of this state of affairs many

neetings have been held, and plans hav been discussed for relieving the situation. The Social Democrats even demand State and and charitable associations are reorganizing for the purpose of doing their work more systematically and effectively than before. They have heretofore worked in dependently, making charity wasteful New organized charity, with a central

THE STORM IN THE WEST. Trains Delayed, and Cold Intense in Many Places.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 27.-Nearly every passenger train was from one to six hour-late today while coast trains due yester day did not arrive until daylight today. 12 to 15 hours late.

The latter trains met the severest storm

below and falling slowly.

Lacrosse, Wis., Jan. 27.—This city is experiencing an intense cold spell. The mometers registered 15 below. Loss t stock is reported from the country.

EIGHTY BOERS CAPTURED

BRITISH COLONIES WILL HAVE PREF-

The Opposition to Patronage of Argentina Bearing Fruit --- Statement About It in House of Commons--Interesting Reports

Pretoria, Jan. 27.—By a clever night march General Hamilton surprised a esult of this expedition eighty-two Boers

The casualties were small. London, Jan. 28.—Cabling from Cape pondent of the Daily Mail points out that he rapid diminution of live stock makes the future of supplies for the troops a world wide and not a purely colonial mat-er. The correspondent says a large num-

er. The correspondent says a large number of live oxen must accompany the British columns on trek, and that for this purpose the Argentine beasts are not sufficiently docile and tractable.

London, Jan. 27—In reply to questions in the house of commons today Lord Stamley, financial secretary of the war office, declared there was no truth whatever in the report that the South African meat contractors, who will especially support of the contractors.

After two years service in South Africa small detachment of khaki clad Cana-lians arrived in the capital today. The atest arrivals from the seat of war are

atest arrivals from the seat of war are sergt. Major A. H. Forest, Ottawa; Sergt. D. Hinch, Guelph, and Trooper H. Bredin, Calgary. Forest and Hinch first served in D battery, R. C. A., and Bredin enlisted in the C. M. R. When their terms expired all three enlisted in Howard's corts. They are members of a party of 10 who returned to Canada by way of

Speaking of the war they took a pessistic view of the situation. Bredin that at the present rate of going is hard to say when the war will be

BY DARING ROBBERS.

Exciting Incident of Travel in an American Railway Train.

Branchville, S. C., Jan. 27.-A carefully danned and audacious express robbery courred about 7 o'clock this evening on he Southern Railroad when the passenger rain from Charleston reached nearly the datform between the engine and baggage ar, concealed by the darkness. None were masked. At the fifty-five mile board two men crawled over the tender and covered he engineer. John Reynolds, with Win-

brough Reynold's cap Fireman Cobbe scaped by jumping off. Conductor Black, who ran out, was covered and ordered back. By order of these men, a brakeman uncoupled the express car, mail and baggage cars, which were taken to Fiftygat station, leaving the rest of the cars in the main line. Here several shots were ired into the express car and one man limbed up, covered Express Messenger Iall with a Winchester and compelled him

o open the door.

Three men entered the car and stripped the local safe. After threatening Hall with instant death if he did not open the brough safe and finding he knew nothing of the combination, the safe was rolled out. on the platform. Then the engineer was ordered to return with the three cars to he train and he obeyed, bringing the train without further incident to Branchville. Nothing was seen of the men or the safe Nothing was seen of the men or the sate on passing Fifty-eight. There was only a small amount of booty in the local safe and no one here knows the contents of the through safe. No mail or baggage was touched and no passengers were molested. The robbers took the pistols from the only employes who were armed and resistance was out of the question.

only employes who were armed and resistance was out of the question. No measures have been taken so far to tollow the robbers. Their leader is supposed to be Barton Warren, who was arrested on a charge of naving robbed the Southern express car just below Branchville in the fall of 1899 angle handed. The case resulted in a mistrial and bail was furnished. A few days before the next session of the court lays before the next session of the court we months ago he killed Thomas Watson, is former friend, but one of the principal

warren has been at large since, and ome say that he has been seen in Branchville at night several times since, though

Premier Ross Invited to Coronation. Toronto, Jan. 27.-(Special)--Hon. Geo. Toronto, Jan. 27.—(Special)—Tion. Geo.
W. Ross, premier of Ontario, today
through Lieuteant Governor Mowat reeived an official invitation to attend the
coronation ceremonies next June.