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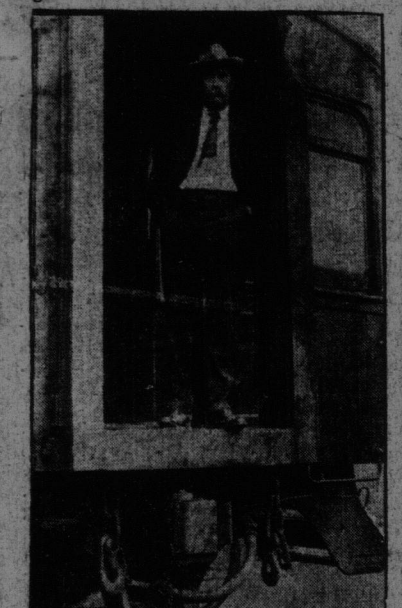
ST. JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1909

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PEARY IN ST. JOHN TELLS TIMES OF HIS POLAR TRIP

Commander, Success Achieved, Says He Will Go Back No More Declines to Discuss Cook, But Hopes Controversy Will Be Settled By Men Competent to Judge—Future Plans in Hands of Friends—Visiting Newspaper Men Grateful To Hon. Mr. Pugsley

Enroute from the North Pole to his country villa, at Eagle Island, Maine, Commander Robert E. Peary was in St. John today for a brief half hour, arriving on the Halifax express at 6:30 and departing on the American train.



Peary on C. r Platform Here This Morning

In spite of the early hour a number of people had gathered and for nearly half an hour before he alighted about in the still of the morning fog to get a glimpse of the man who has occupied such a position on the world's stage.

Peary Leaves Train As the train was about to approach the depot there was a rush of the waiting crowd and as the Peary cars came up to a standstill at the lower end of the train shed eager eyes scanned the passengers as they threaded their way through the assemblage.

Without looking to the right or left he passed through the passage made for him and, after giving some directions with reference to his baggage, he boarded the Pullman of the waiting train followed by a group of St. John newspaper men and camera men.

As the time was brief no time was lost in speaking to the commander who though showing the fatigue of "grilling" good naturedly submitted to the reporters. The party were absorbed with a bundle of American and Canadian newspapers and would laugh heartily as amusing matter struck them. All seemed to be so

THE PROSPECT OF STREET CARS TO MILLIDGEVILLE

Col. H. H. McLean, vice-president of the St. John Railway Company in referring to a statement in one of the newspapers that surveys were being made with a view to extending the railway to Millidgeville, said that the matter had not as yet come before the directors and that no definite announcement could be made.

Mr. Earle, engineer of the company, had been instructed to make a survey to ascertain if it would be possible to get a satisfactory line and an estimate of the cost would also be prepared. When this was done the matter would be laid before the directors for their consideration.

There were many things to be taken into consideration in making an extension and it was impossible to say whether it would be advisable to go on with the work or not.

STRANDED STEAMER IS PREY TO FLAMES Detroit, Mich., Sept. 23.—(Special)—A special despatch from Sault Ste. Marie says: "The steamer Montague which, while on its way from Duluth to Oswego, struck a submerged crib at the upper end of Mud Lake, near Sault Ste. Marie on Sunday night, and had to be beached, caught fire about midnight last night, and was destroyed. Captain Murphy and crew were asleep when the fire broke out. All had thrown escapes."

CHARGES AGAINST POLICE Boston, Sept. 23.—(Special)—Counsel for the defendants in the Annie Mullins murder case, makes sensational charges against the police regarding the manner in which they extracted a confession.

LONGBOAT GOOD NOW, RUNS FAST

Indian Getting in Shape For Season—Good Work at Ontario Athletic Championships—Lunghi Wins Easily Toronto, Sept. 23.—Tom Longboat and his manager, Sol Mintz of Hamilton, are taking in the fall-fairs. He is giving exhibition runs and leaving rich harvest. The Indians, as a result of Mintz' management, has cut out his loafing and drinking, and has got down to business with the result that Mintz says he will be in his old-time form when the running season opens this fall.

Toronto, Sept. 23.—(Special)—The Ontario athletic championships held last night at Seashore park under auspices of the Irish Canadian A. C. proved a great success. Interest centered in the appearance of Harold Wilson, the great English miler, and Emilio Lunghi, the Italian world's champion half miler, both of whom ran under the aegis of the Ontario Athletic Club of New York. Lunghi won his event easily, but Wilson had the battle of his life to beat Chuck Skepe of this city in 1:28.35.

Frank Luskman, the Montreal sprinter, was beaten by Lon Sebret of Toronto in the 100 yards, but the Montrealer won the 220.

George Goulding, the Canadian champion, won the mile in 4:14.11. Bobby Kerr was unable to compete on account of illness, and Don Buddo, of Montreal, was also compelled to absent himself.

Would Not Discuss Cook "As to Dr. Cook," answered Peary, deliberately, as he steeled his heavy mustache, "I will not discuss him."

"Would his participation in the celebration make any difference with you?" "I absolutely refuse to discuss him."

"What is the value of the discovery of the North Pole, Commander Peary?" "Nothing in dollars and cents, but from a scientific standpoint it means much. It will be of great assistance to me in my work, as I have discovered a line of soundings to the pole from Cape Columbia, showing the depth of the American half of the pole sea."

While he would not say so in so many words, there could be no uncertainty as to his opinion that to Uncle Sam belongs the pole.

"What about Canada's claim to the pole?" he was asked.

"Well, I'm not a lawyer," replied Peary with a twinkle in his eye, and I will leave that for them to decide."

"But you presented the pole to President Taft."

"Yes," admitted the great explorer, but he made no further comment. He went through the usual formality of taking possession and placing the American flag on the pole and at the same time left data there.

"Dr. Cook says he placed his data in a brass cylinder, what did you place yours in?" "I don't know what Dr. Cook placed his data in," was Peary's comment, "but I placed mine in a bottle."

The query as to the possibility of his return to the pole brought a reply that denoted no uncertainty and caused Mrs. Peary and Miss Peary to look up and smile.

"No, I will make no further attempt after twenty-three years of exploration work; I should be glad, however, to assist with my experience anything further along that line."

As to the South Pole, Commander Peary said in answer to a query—"The chances of Shackleton and Scott should be good in that direction. Their experience should enable them to pull off the affair at their next effort."

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HON. MR. MARCIL IS COMING TO THE PUGSLEY BANQUET In addition to Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, postmaster general, and Hon. Chas. Murphy, secretary of state, Hon. W. L. McKennie King, minister of labor, and Hon. Charles Marcell, speaker of the House of Commons, have accepted invitations to the banquet to be given in Keith's assembly rooms on September 29, in honor of Hon. William Pugsley, minister of Public Works.

No reply has yet been received from Sir Wilfrid Laurier. It was expected that Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance and Hon. William Patterson, minister of customs, who are to be here on the 29th as members of the West Indies commission, would also have attended the banquet but a telegram received by President W. E. Foster of the board of trade, states that they will not arrive until noon of the 29th. Applications for tickets for the banquet are coming in all the time.

WILL CROOKS M. P. IN MONTREAL Montreal, Sept. 23.—(Special)—Will Crooks, labor member for Woodwich in the British House of Commons arrived here this morning from Quebec, where he has spent three days at the sessions of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress. He will spend a couple of days in Montreal and then go to Toronto and Niagara, afterwards going west.

Mr. Crooks is collecting material which will later appear in British magazines. He expressed himself as delighted with his trip thus far.

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PRIEST KILLED IN RELIGIOUS PROCESSION Barcelona, Sept. 23.—Religious rioting at Barcelo resulted yesterday in the killing of two men and the wounding of fifty-six others. A religious procession with the local priest at its head, was about to enter the church at Castro when it was attacked by an armed mob.

The priest and another man were instantly killed, and before the guardsmen could restore order 56 persons had been wounded.

BALFOUR THROWS DOWN ARRIFF REFORM GAUNTLET

Says Budget Has Placed Issue Squarely Before the People Can Not See That British Industrial Snpremacny Will Ever Be Enjoyed Again—Chamberlain Hears Speech Through Electrophone—He Hopes Elections Will Soon Be Called.

Private in Kingston Artillery Did Not Ask Permission—Case of Dan McDougall n Montreal Court

Toronto, Sept. 23.—(Special)—A young private in the R. C. H. A. recently took unto himself a wife without first getting permission and was dismissed from duty forthwith. If a private wants to get married, he first had to secure consent of the authorities, and consents this is harder to secure than that of the future father-in-law.

Montreal, Sept. 23.—(Special)—Dan McDougall of Glace Bay, the officer of the United Mine Workers of America, who is charged with abetting the Dominion Coal Company in an advertisement that appeared in some Montreal papers, appeared before the police court yesterday afternoon. Evidence was produced to show that McDougall had not written the advertisement, and the case was postponed.

TIMES SPECIALS IN SHORT METRE Toronto, Sept. 23.—Detective Miller recommends the continuance of the inquest on the skeleton of a woman found near Peterboro. Death is believed to be due to foul play.

Quebec, Sept. 23.—Chancellor Boyd has refused to enlarge the injunction obtained by J. Ross Robertson against the city's sale of land to iron works.

Toronto, Sept. 23.—The inquest on the body of the infant which Mrs. Turner is accused of killing has been adjourned. The police claim to have evidence that the woman is implicated in other cases.

Quebec, Sept. 23.—The typhoid situation is still serious. There have been 18 cases in two days.

Toronto, Sept. 23.—H. Howarth has been committed for trial on a charge of abducting a 13-year-old girl and of seduction.

Kenora, Sept. 23.—An Indian who shot a squaw has been captured by the police. He claims the shooting was accidental.

Quebec, Sept. 23.—The presbytery has passed a resolution disapproving of the Metropolitan ruling charter.

Brandon, Sept. 23.—C. Bridge, a Grand Trunk railway wheel taper was killed yesterday, a yard engine running over him.

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PLANS FOR MEETING OF COMMISSION HERE A meeting of the council of the board of trade was held this morning for the purpose of making arrangements for the visit of the British West Indies commission.

The commissioners will arrive here Wednesday, Sept. 29, on the Montreal train, and at 3:30 o'clock will meet merchants and shippers interested in trade with the British West Indies.

The board is desirous of having as large a meeting as possible, as that questions brought up are generally discussed.

It was decided to tender the distinguished visitors a dinner at the Union Club on the evening of the 29th, and President Foster is awaiting their reply to the invitation.

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PEARY FORGETS STUFFED SEAL AND CAMERA HERE

Left in His Sleeping Car—Waggish Railway Men Suggest They Are of Great Importance Commander Robert E. Peary was rather absent-minded this morning. When he transferred from the Halifax train to the Flying Yankee. On reaching this city he left behind two important items of his baggage to the polar regions—a small stuffed seal and a camera.

They were not found till he was well on his way to his home in Eagle Island, Maine.

The articles were handed over to L. R. King and it was not long until the official received a telegram from Peary inquiring about them and asking that they be returned.

The seal and the camera will be forwarded to the commander.

The railway men who were informed of the incident, discussed it at length, weighing each circumstance carefully, and after a brief debate, arrived at the unanimous conclusion that the dead animal and the camera had an important part to play in the dash for the much sought for pole.

Why else should the discoverer take so much care of them as to keep them in his own compartment in the car?

One man, well known for his waggish propensities, drily suggested that the seal might have been one that was sliding up and down the pole, in a free vaudeville exhibition, to keep its blood in circulation, when Peary arrived, and that the camera contained snapshot of the animal perched serenely on the summit of the North Pole, "monarch of all it surveyed" as it explorer.

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The Case of James Robinson—Recommendation of Mercy For His Wife

Sudbury, Ont., Sept. 23.—(Special)—After two hours' deliberation, the jury yesterday returned a verdict of guilty, with second charge against Mrs. James Robinson of murdering her infant daughter. The grand jury is now considering the indictment for murder against James Robinson. It has nine true bills against James Robinson, three of incest, three of rape and three of carnal knowledge with children under fourteen years of age, with the possible addition of murder. Sentence has not yet been passed on Mrs. Robinson.

CHICAGO POLICE INSPECTOR GRAFTER

Chicago, Sept. 23.—Police Inspector Edward McCann, charged with "grafting," was found guilty by a jury, which reported in Judge Barnes' court today.

COSTS IN THE LOWELL—GREY SLANDER CASE

The award of damages in the case of James Lowell vs. Dr. J. H. Grey was only \$1 yet it was highly satisfactory to the defendant, as all he desired was vindication of the charges set forth in the declaration. From the beginning of the case, Mr. Lowell stated that he did not want more than to have the matter settled, so that his name would be cleared from the stain put upon it by the slander.

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