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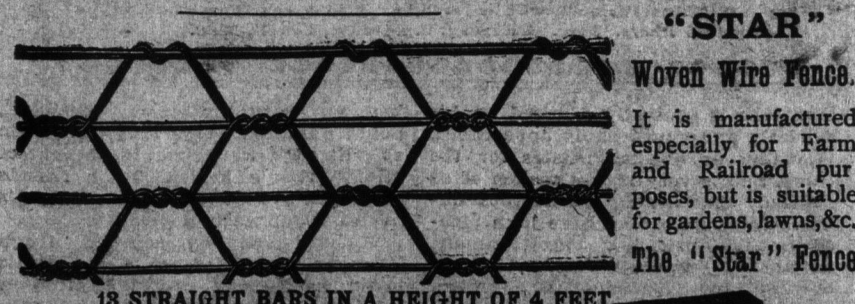
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OTTAWA.

Ottawa, June 30.—Judge Burbridge of the exchequer court awarded Keith & Johnson of Halifax \$2,245, or \$75 less than the referee's award in their account for \$5,530 for Sir John Thompson's funeral expenses.

Hon. Mr. Fielding is acting minister of marine and fisheries.

The Globe's bluff cable about Sir Wilfrid Laurier leaving the home government in reference to a reform of the senate created great amusement here.

Hon. Mr. Borden is expected here in a few days to resume his departmental work.

Sir Henri Jolly, inland revenue, and Hon. Mr. Patterson, customs, are now cabinet ministers. They were sworn in before the governor general today and took their seats for the first time this afternoon.

When Sir Richard Cartwright leaves for England in the autumn to take the position of high commissioner, Hon. Mr. Fielding's department will become trade and commerce and finance, and the two new ministers will be then given their increases of salary.

The minister of marine and fisheries has been deluged with telegrams during the past few days asking for an extension of time for the lobster fishing in the maritime provinces. The minister feels it necessary to enforce the close season and declined to accede to any of these requests.

Over eight hundred men are employed on the Drummond county railway. It is expected the I. C. N. trains will be running over it by November first. General Manager Pottinger is in town.

The cabinet sat four hours today winding up business, previous to separating for the holidays.

The St. Stephen volunteers have requested permission to join the 4th of July parade at Calais, returning the compliment paid by the American troops on jubilee day.

Ottawa, July 1.—The gunners of the Ottawa field battery narrowly escaped serious accident through the premature explosion of powder while the Dominion day salute was being fired. The sponge stick tore off the tumb of one man and burnt his arm, while another had his head lacerated. Otherwise, the holiday passed off pleasantly, and was well observed. Thousands witnessed electrical illuminations again tonight.

Ottawa, July 2.—Mrs. Blair and family left for New Brunswick today. Hon. Mr. Blair remains here some days.

Vice-President Shaughnessy was here today and had a conference with Superintendent Haney. As a result it was decided to call for tenders forthwith for the construction of one hundred miles of the Crow's Nest line from Lethbridge westerly.

Twenty-four printers were laid off at the government bureau. Some were old timers. One was employed for over twenty years.

The Ottawa lumbermen are satisfied with a dollar a thousand rate on pine, and now do not want the export duty on logs.

Mrs. Murray del Val is here again, and leaves for Toronto early next week.

Hon. Mr. Borden, minister of militia, returned to the capital today.

Joseph Dubois, aged 109, Ottawa's oldest inhabitant, died last evening.

Adam Bell, M. P. of Pictou, and S. D. Scott, editor of the St. John Sun, left for a tour through the Northwest and British Columbia yesterday.

Ottawa, July 4.—A formal order in council has been passed admitting South Wales to the benefit of the reciprocal tariff, the minister of customs having reported that the tariff of the sister colony was favorable to Canada.

Col. Irwin, assistant adjutant general of artillery, has retired, after twenty-five years of service. When he joined the Canadian forces he was a major in the royal artillery, and will now receive the imperial pension of one thousand dollars per annum. Col. Cotton arrives here tomorrow to assume duties of acting adjutant general. Sweeping changes in militia service are contemplated. Several district officers, brigades majors, etc., are slated for retirement.

It is reported Darcy Scott, son of the secretary of state, is to be appointed post master of the house of commons. The position is vacant by the superannuation of Mr. Stansfield.

Merry del Val, papal ablegate, is lying seriously ill here suffering from fever brought on by over exertion. Medical assistance and two trained

nurses have been procured for him.

Quebec, July 4.—The defeat of Chas. Marcell, the candidate of the Marchand government in the Magdalen islands, by the independent home candidate, Dr. Delaney, by sixty votes, was a great surprise. It will be remembered that Marcell, who is a Montreal journalist, ran against ex-Pemier Flinn in Gaspé, and when the Quebec government sent him to the islands they looked upon his return as certain.

Hon. Mr. Dechenne conducted the unsuccessful campaign.

Ottawa, July 5.—The customs department has issued a notice that in making entries of tea, importers must specify the country of origin.

It is stated by the liberal press Hon. Mr. Dobell will succeed Lord Glenoe as high commissioner.

This was the hottest day in ten years. The thermometer was 97 in the shade. All workmen employed in the open air quit work at ten o'clock this morning.

It is reported that the post office department as soon as the big post office stamps are worked off will sell complete sets up to fifty cents.

Merry del Val is somewhat better today.

The liberals threaten a crusade against the senate. They allege they can disqualify nearly twenty members of the upper house who do not possess the necessary \$4,000 real estate, clear of encumbrances.

The executive of the Montreal board of trade caused a sensation today by its resolution to the immigration. The

statement, Secretary, President, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier tendering him a banquet under the auspices of the board. It will be non-political, and has been suggested that the prime minister should address his first speech on trade relations in the empire to the business men of the commercial metropolis. This is the first time the board of trade has ever tendered a dinner to the premier of Canada, and those who oppose the idea declare it impossible for Sir Wilfrid to make other than a political address.

MIDDLELAND NEWS.

A Middleland, Kings county, correspondent of July 2nd, writes as follows: Miss May Dann, who has been visiting friends in Hampton, has returned home. Miss Teresa Dann is visiting in Kingston. Mrs. William Dann spent Monday with her parents at Norton.

Mrs. L. W. Crawford had a quilting and birthday party for her six year old son on Tuesday, the 29th. The day was very pleasant and an enjoyable afternoon was passed.

The semi-annual examination of the school in this district was held on Wednesday afternoon. Although the enrollment was small there was a full attendance of pupils, who were examined in geography, grammar, arithmetic, reading, history and hygiene. Dialogues, recitations and singing were interspersed. The Pedlar, Katie Ganong and Lizzie Dann; Some One, Stole It, Agnes Dann, Willie Girl, Lily Ganong; The Two Little Shoes, Walter Duncan; Farmer Browne and Justice, Sophia Ganong; Who Made the Speech, Gussie Dann; The Bold Engineer, Harry Barton; Grace Darling, Mildred Ganong; The Butterfly, Edith Ganong; Selling the Baby, Katie Ganong; Betsy and I are Out, Agnes Dann.

Mrs. C. W. Ganong is undergoing treatment by Dr. Somerville for her eye.

The community has been saddened by the death of Master Eugene Logan of Hampton. He spent some years here and for several terms was a member of the school. All sympathize with his parents and his aunt, Miss Cunningham, in their great affliction.

Frank and Arthur Ganong spent a few days the first of the week with their friends at Kingston and elsewhere during vacation.

Nurses—Please, mum, you must send for doctor quick, for little Johnnie. Mother—Oh, dear, what's the matter?—I don't know, mum, but he hasn't been up to mischief for two hours—London Times.

TELEGRAPHIC.

QUEBEC.

Montreal, June 30.—With the reference to cable to the Allan line projects, it may be said that the new company has been incorporated under the name of the Allan Line Steamship Company, limited, and the capital, which is now \$2,500,000, may be doubled. The officers of the new corporation are Andrew Allan, chairman; Nathan Dunlop, vice-chairman; and Bryce Allan of Glasgow, secretary. On the 18th, Hugh A. Allan received a cable stating that it was expected the company would be registered on Monday last. As yet the plans of the new company are incomplete and, as Mr. Allan explained, were purely a family affair as yet. Within a few days H. A. Allan will sail for Europe and there confer with the other members of the firm. The Allans have recently purchased three new steamers. These are the Ludgate Hill, the Tower Hill and the Richmond Hill. These vessels are almost identical in size and construction and are designed for the freight trade. They are built of steel and have lengths of 425 feet. The Ludgate Hill and the Tower Hill each have a beam of 47 feet and are of 2,200 tons register. The Richmond Hill has a beam of 65 feet and is of 2,500 tons register. They are of steel.

25 feet 6 inches. They have a bridge deck 220 feet long and are turtle back fore and aft. They are all designed to carry a large weight on a comparatively light draught. The vessels were built by Doble & Co., of Glasgow, and have been running in the New York trade, where they will also be used by their new owners.

Montreal, June 30.—The Star cable from London says: Much interest has been excited by the fact, which has only become known, that the Allan line steamship company has ceased to be a private concern and was registered on June 19 as a limited company with a capital of \$2,500,000, in shares of \$100 each, to carry on the general business of shipowners. This was just the course urged as essential when the Allan's were talking up the fast mail contract, in order to free the line from trammels which have hitherto been attached to it as a family concern. Its adoption now is a sign of the Allan's serious intention to contest every inch with the Petersen's for the supremacy in the St. Lawrence trade. They believe the Petersen's must fall and they mean to be on the spot. This certainly is in with the strong and even bitter representations which the Allan's have made to the Canadian and imperial governments as to what they regard as their unfair treatment in the awarding of the late Albert J. Williams contract.

Montreal, July 2.—It seems to be definitely settled that the Canadian miners in British Columbia are to have smelters of their own. Heretofore the output of Canadian mines has had to go to the border to be smelted, and the smelter owners of Uncle Sam's domains have done a good business in consequence.

T. G. Shaughnessy of the C. P. R. waited upon yesterday just before noon, Ottawa, by a delegation of the board of directors of the United States, Geo. Turner and Holt, and T. G. Blackett and J. F. Wardner, and an extended conference took place with reference to the latter's plans to build a branch line from the Crow's Nest Pass line. Mr. Wardner will endeavor to set the smelter projects under way at once.

Mr. Shaughnessy says the C. P. R. probably have some six hundred miles of track under construction in the mining regions in 1898.

Montreal, July 4.—The passengers on board the steamer Vancouver, which arrived here today, celebrated the 4th of July with a high seas bonfire, firing cannon and holding a banquet.

Hon. Judge Kingsbury of Dublin presided, and many Americans took part. On July 4, coming up the river, the Canadians returned the compliment. The day was very pleasant and old glory hoisted and a salute fired.

ONTARIO.

Toronto, Ont., July 4.—H. J. Haney, manager of construction of the Crow's Nest Pass railway, was in town yesterday on his way to Fort McLeod, his headquarters for the present. Mr. Haney said: "Tenders for the grading of the first 100 miles of the Crow's Nest road will be received at Montreal on the 12th and 15th of July. The work generally will be divided and let in sections of five miles, but in case of heavy work the sections will be subdivided, so that grading may be pushed forward rapidly and work given to the numerous contractors and men seeking employment in this country. The time for finishing the grading of the first hundred miles will be from thirty to seventy-five days, according to the relative distance from Lethbridge and Macleod. Bridging and track laying will follow close on the grading. It is the intention of the company to finish the whole work under contract within the next three or four months, with a view of giving much needed railway facilities to the great mineral region at the earliest practicable date."

Toronto, July 5, 1 a. m.—Probabilities for the next few provinces: Southern winds; fine and very warm; light to moderate south and southwest winds; fine weather; higher temperature.

Washington, July 5.—For New England and eastern New York fair; slightly warmer in the interior; southerly winds.

Washington, July 6.—Weather conditions and general forecast: The pressure is high off the Atlantic and North Pacific coasts and in the central gulf. The storm has remained stationary in Alberta.

Rain has fallen in the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys and in the Rocky Mountain states except Florida. The temperature has been fair; lower lake regions, the interior of New England, on the middle slope and middle and northern plateau, and has generally fallen elsewhere.

Toronto, July 6.—John H. Gibson, secretary and treasurer of the O'Keefe

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Boys' two piece suits fancy tweeds or navy \$1.65 up.

Boys' three piece suits—Jacket, single or double breasted, Vest and short Trousers \$3.00 up.

Youths' Suits with Long Trousers \$5.00 up.

Small Boys' Fancy Suits—Sailor Suits—Fancy Blouses.

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DEATH OF S. J. KING.

The Post Office Inspector of New Brunswick Dies Very Suddenly.

Mrs. Whipple, an Aged Resident of Carleton, Passes Away Early Sunday Morning.

The city was startled Sunday morning when it became known that one of the most respected citizens of the community had passed quietly away in the person of post office inspector Stephen J. King.

Mr. King, who was one of the best known men in the province, had been lately troubled with gout, one of his feet being badly affected, yet not to such an extent that it prevented him from giving his immediate attention to all matters in connection with his branch of the postal service. Suddenly about 7 o'clock, and when the different members of his family passed his room on their way to retire for the night they distinctly heard his loud but natural breathing. Upon arising in the morning one of his daughters, who went to awaken him, was terribly shocked to find him dead.

The cause of Mr. King's death spread rapidly around the city, and on every hand were heard exclamations of regret, and the deepest sympathy was expressed for the bereaved family and relatives. The deceased was a man of sterling qualities, with many friends and few, if any, enemies. His long connection with the post office department, and more particularly with the position he occupied at the time of his death, brought him in close connection with the people of the whole province, and his sudden demise will be deeply mourned by those in every county, parish, town and village who claimed his acquaintance.

Stephen J. King was the eldest son of the late George King, at one time a prominent shipbuilder in this city. Mr. King was born on the 18th of January, 1838, and had consequently passed his 59th year. His early education was received at Sackville, and later he graduated from the Wesleyan university at Middleton, Connecticut, about the year 1868. Entering his father's business he conducted it for some years after his father's death, finally giving it up to enter into the insurance business with the late H. R. Rannay. On the 11th of February, 1890, he was appointed postmaster in succession to John V. Ellis. This position Mr. King filled with marked ability until November, 1896, when upon the tenth day of that month he was appointed to the office of post office inspector of the New Brunswick district, which position he has ever since held. Mr. King married Miss Anna S. Knowles of this city, who survives him, as do four children, two sons and two daughters. He also leaves two brothers, Hon. Geo. H. King of the supreme court bench of Canada and Frederick A. King, who at present is engaged in the insurance business at Toronto, and one sister, Miss Jessie King of this city. Mrs. King is at present in Massachusetts, where she has been visiting friends, but is expected home today.

Mr. King, although a large man and of late years given to corpulence, was very active and took an energetic part in many local enterprises. Be-

fore his appointment to the post office, or in 1878, he was one of the prime movers in establishing the Sun as a campaign paper, and after its establishment was the author of some of the most vigorous editorials that appeared in this journal at that time.

The death is announced of the widow of the late Charles Walpole of Carleton, who died very suddenly at an early hour Sunday morning. Mrs. Whipple retired early in the evening on Saturday, and at midnight was in good health. Half an hour after midnight she was a corpse. Heart failure was the cause of death. Deceased leaves a large family, consisting of one daughter, wife of Harry Brannen of the west side; Robert of Providence, Henry of Worcester, Mass., Charles of Providence, James of San Francisco. The deceased was seventy-two years of age.

THE FOURTH AT CALAIS.

St. Stephen People and Cruiser Join in the Celebration.

Calais, Me., July 5.—The one hundred and twenty-first celebration of Independence was the most notable one ever witnessed in this city. Thousands of visitors were present and helped to increase the enthusiasm. The principal event of the day was a gorgeous parade, in which the citizens of St. Stephen also participated, as well as the officers and crew of the British cruiser Curlew, which arrived here today.

While assisting in firing the mid-day salute Thomas Benson was terribly injured by the premature discharge of the cannon.

The day closed with a band concert, banquet and fireworks.

P. E. ISLANDER DEAD.

(Lat. Portage Miner, June 30th.)

The death of John A. McLean occurred on Sunday night at 10:15 o'clock from heart failure. Mr. McLean was out on a prospecting tour, when he was taken suddenly ill with cramps, and the party returned to town and placed the patient in the Ottawa hotel. He was attended by Drs. Gunn and Scovill, who did everything possible to relieve the sufferer, but he gradually became unconscious. Mr. McLean was one of the best known old-timers in this country, having resided here for over sixteen years. With almost uninterrupted he has followed the business of a prospector and had at the time of death mining interests believed to be of considerable value. He was one of the discoverers of the famous Sultana and also the Regina mine, and owned stock in several other companies. Every person had a good word for kind-hearted "Jack" McLean, and universal regret is expressed at his unexpected demise. He had attained the age of 50 years. His remains will be shipped east to Bradshaw, P. E. I., this evening.

In the London Lancet an eminent physician says that after a long ride on a bicycle he experienced "paralysis in the fourth and fifth fingers, with impaired sensibility and paresis in the interosseus lumbicals and the adductor pollicis." A layman would say that the long ride made his hand numb, provided he mentioned the matter at all.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.