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TRYING TO PUT THE SALOON AWAY

Temperance Federation Will Again Ask Government for Prohibition

The New Brunswick Temperance Federation will apply at the approaching session of the legislature for a prohibitory liquor law. Although efforts have been made year after year without much effect...

ADMIRING HER \$1,000 BILL IT FALLS INTO GAS JET

Delighted Wife Flourishing Gift Before a Mirror When it Slips From Her Hand.

Mississippi, April 9.—Visiting friends at the Kenosha apartment house in Mrs. Nellie Nash MacVay, wife of J. E. MacVay of San Francisco, whose birthday is due today, were surprised to find a \$1,000 bill falling into the gas jet...

THIS IS CERTAINLY A GOOD THING TO KNOW

Chicago Professor Says Heat is Merely 'Imponderable Ether Accumulated in Excess'

Chicago, April 10.—Dr. Andrew J. Park, a graduate of the University of Victoria, Ontario, and of Harvard University, believes he has discovered the true origin of heat and intends to lay his discovery before the Association for the Advancement of Science in London next June...

MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, April 10.—(Special)—Stocks were strong and more active. Ritchie touched 74 after opening at 72 3/4. But Power eased off fractionally from its advance to 98. The features were Mackay 61, Illinois Pfd 86 3/4, Shawinigan 61, 12, Toronto Ry 99, Mackay 61, Detroit 32, Lake of Woods 81, Dominion Textile Pfd 84, Twin City 83, Dominion 12, 12, 134, Mont Street Ry 185 1/2, Xd.

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PRESENT GREAT PETITION

Quebec, April 10.—A petition containing it is said, almost two hundred thousand names was presented to the legislature yesterday in support of Dr. Lemieux's memorial to the legislature. It is in addition to the resolutions read a fortnight ago in all the Roman Catholic churches of the province.

DEATH FOLLOWS YEARS OF AGONY

Brave Act of Chinaman Was the Cause of His Painful Existence and Death.

Los Angeles, Calif., April 10.—Years of pain and an agonizing death followed the brave act of Wong Chung Se, a Chinese ranchman, who seven years ago saved the lives of scores of passengers by closing an open switch on the Southern Pacific Railroad. Wong died at the county hospital today.

A SHREWD SCHEME OF THE JAPANESE

Lottery Tickets Inserted in Every Bale of Cotton to Tempt Chinese.

Hong Kong, April 10.—The Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce has sent a circular to the London, Manchester, Liverpool, Bradford, Glasgow, Shanghai, Tientsin, and other Chambers of Commerce suggesting diplomatic action against the Japanese Cotton Spinners' Association in their proposal to insert lottery tickets in bales of cotton yarn, thus artificially fostering the Japanese trade to the detriment of the Indian. The value of Hong Kong's yearly importations amount to \$25,000,000, of which 90 per cent. are Indian. It is contended that the Japanese scheme is calculated to appeal to the gambling instincts of the Chinese.

PET CAT STARTS FIRE WHICH PROVES FATAL

Cat in Feline Hospital Upset Lamp and in Fire Which Followed Matron Lost Her Life.

Boston, April 10.—Mrs. Catherine C. Tucker, matron of a feline hospital in South Boston, lost her life last night in a fire started by a pet cat. The cat upset a lamp and in a vain effort to save her pet, Mrs. Tucker received burns from which she died. A confederate commander, who was killed after the Civil War by the explosion of a boat on the Mississippi.

SEEDING OPERATIONS UNDER WAY IN WEST

Seeding Will Probably be General in a Few Days

Winnipeg, Man., April 10.—(Special)—Seeding operations are well advanced in the west. Progress on Portage La Prairie, Brandon, Regina, Indian Head, Yellow Grass, Morden, Birtle, Yorkton, and Assiniboia. The seeding will be general within a few days. One man near Portage has forty acres sown.

THE TIMBER LIMITS TRANSACTIONS

Ottawa, Ont., April 10.—At the public accounts committee today there was another discussion over the question of reporting the timber limit transactions. Mr. Ames modified that the whole question of timber limits was gone into. Mr. Sifton was in the west and he wanted to discuss with him in respect to these timber berths. Just as Mr. Sifton returned Mr. Barker moved for additional papers and returns in connection with the Winnipeg agency. The question of timber limits was now before the committee and they were waiting until Mr. Barker would proceed. He moved an amendment that Mr. Ames' amendment be discussed on Thursday 23. The amendment was carried by 19 for 9 against.

WHEAT GROWING IN INDIA.

Calcutta, April 8.—The production of wheat by the canal colonies of the Punjab is likely to assume enormous dimensions in the future. More land will be brought under cultivation as the big schemes of irrigation, now well in hand, are proceeded with; and there will be no lack of colonists to take up the allotments offered by government. The crops already are so large that during the busy years the North-Western Railway cannot cope with the grain traffic to Karachi, and the doubling of some sections of the line has consequently been forced on the administration at Lahore. The cry has hitherto been for more rolling-stock, and the government are providing additional locomotives and wagons. In the grain-elevator system, which has been so successful in Canada and the United States, may be found a way out of the difficulty.

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Bath, England, April 10.—Ten miners lost their lives in the Norton Hill Colliery in Somersetshire today, as the result of an explosion of coal gas. The first rescue parties to go down were overcome by the fumes in the mine, and were saved only with the greatest difficulty, some of them in a precarious condition.

THE HAZE OF GOVERNMENT TO INAUGURATE REFORMS AT THE FIRST SESSION

A New Audit Act and a New Highway Act to Be Introduced at Once—The Audit Act Will Make Graft Practically Impossible—Municipalities Will Control the Roads—First Steps in Direction of Long Needed Reforms

Providence, N. B., April 10.—(Special)—The haze of government legislation is not so thick as it was at the opening of the 30th inst., will be a new audit act, and an act to take the place of the present highway act. The government has had the proposed provisions of the new acts under consideration for some time. The new audit act, it is learned, will be based on the audit acts in force in the provinces of Ontario and Manitoba. The provisions of the new act will make it so that no expenditure can be made before it has first been submitted to the auditor-general and all payments made through the office of the receiver general instead of through the different departments, as at present. The new act will give to the auditor-general a large staff of investigators and will also provide for independence of the officials of the auditor-general's office. Another provision of the act will be to make the salaries of the members of the government payable monthly and there will be no overhauls of the salaries of members of the government permissible. In connection with the latter provision it is understood that in the past members of the government have overdrawn their salaries to the extent of thousands of dollars. The act which will take the place of the present highway act, will, it is understood, provide for the appointment of a board for each parish, composed of county councillors and a member to be appointed by the government. It will be the duty of the board to divide each parish into districts and to appoint a surveyor to take charge. The board will also have power to decide what amount of taxes will be assessed each year for the parish, the maximum rate being fixed by law. The board will have control of all moneys raised by taxes and money appropriated each year by the government for the parish roads and will make estimates at commencement of each season of the expenditures which will be necessary in districts of their parish. All accounts before being paid will have to be submitted to and approved by the auditor-general. Payment of taxes will be by instalment and labor will be optional as under the old act. It is understood also that the idea of a road tax, which has been a subject of duty will be to inspect the roads throughout the province and instruct the leaders of the proper methods of road-making is also receiving the attention of the government.

TAKEN ILL ON THE STREET

Thomas Ritchie had a Serious Attack of Illness This Morning

Thomas Ritchie, a watchman employed at the immigration building on the west side, took a sudden sick turn this morning while returning home on his duties and collapsed on the corner of King and Prince William streets. Mr. Ritchie, who is a brother of the police magistrate, was taken to the hospital and is now recovering. He had been feeling unwell while coming over in the ferry this morning, about 9 o'clock, and was feeling better when he started out on his rounds. He was suddenly seized with a severe attack of illness, but managed to get along to the police office, where he was taken to a hospital. He is now recovering and is expected to be home in a few days.

TOUGH LUCK FOR HOGAN

Water Street Liquor Dealer Fined \$50 in the Police Court This Morning

Because James Hogan, with the best of intentions, kept a drunken man in his bar room, Water street, after seven o'clock Saturday night, in order to save him from arrest, he was fined \$50 at this morning's session of the police court. Patrolman Lucas, William Diamond, William Watson and Mr. Hogan were called to the witness stand and the evidence showed that on Saturday evening at 5:45 o'clock William Watson was taken in Mr. Hogan's bar room in an intoxicated condition and placed in the office. About an hour later Mr. Hogan tried to rouse him, but failing to do so thought he would take him clean up the shop, rather than put the man out on the street, and sent his bartender to patrolman Lucas, who was on the Water street beat, asked if he (Hogan) and William Diamond, his porter, might remain for a while after 7 o'clock and clean up the shop. Lucas referred him to Inspector Jones, with whom he communicated and who told him he was running the risk of being reported by remaining there after hours. Mr. Hogan remained till 9:45 o'clock, when he again aroused Watson, who seemed to be in better condition, and sent him out in care of Diamond, who left the unfortunate on Duke street, near Ketter's pool room. Watson was arrested later by Patrolman Lucas and placed in the Water street lock-up. The original charge—that of selling liquor after hours—against Mr. Hogan was changed to that of keeping a person other than an employee or member of his household in his bar room after hours on Saturday night.

PAID HIS BOARD TO KEEP HIM IN JAIL

Peculiar Plight in Which an Illinois School Teacher Finds Himself

Chicago, April 10.—A despatch to the Tribune from a Chicagoan, Illinois, says: "Principal Sherman Case of Toledo, imprisoned in the Chicago jail for whipping an unruly pupil too severely, has served the allotted six months' confinement provided by the old English law in force in Illinois, but seldom invoked. But he did not breathe the air of freedom yesterday, as expected. Mr. and Mrs. Burke, parents of the punished pupil, tendered \$15 to Sheriff Peters for another week's board, and Case was held in custody. Case may have to fight a legal battle before he is released."

EQUITY COURT

The equity court case of Anderson vs. Isaacs was settled today, the defendants paying the plaintiff \$1,000. The case of Douglas vs. the City of St. John stands over pending settlement. It is understood that the city offers \$800 to the plaintiff, who is suing for \$1,000.

THE Weymouth, N. S., schooner Margaret, Captain Blinn, arrived today from Turin, Ireland, with 347 bushels salt in bulk.

All grades of sugar were advanced 11 cents per hundred pounds in New York today.

FOUR YEARS FOR PERJURY

An Aftermath of the Celebrated Druce Case

London, April 10.—Miss Mary Robinson, one of the witnesses in the Druce case, was today sentenced at the Old Bailey to four years penal servitude for willful perjury. The passing of sentence upon Mrs. Margaret Hamilton, another Druce witness who yesterday was found guilty of willful perjury and conspiracy, has been postponed pending an appeal on points of law.

HAD CARTLOAD OF DYNAMITE

Three Well Known Anarchists Arrested by the Police of Paris

Paris, April 10.—The police of this city have taken into custody three well-known anarchists named Kuhn, Roux and Russell. They also captured a cart loaded with dynamite which the prisoners had in their possession. The strictest secrecy is being maintained, but it is believed the men are connected with a plot against the leaders of the gigantic lockout which went into effect in this city April 4, affecting 100,000 masons, bricklayers, and allied workmen in the building trades.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE BY FIRE

Two Bad Fires in New York To-day and One in Philadelphia

New York, April 10.—Two small boys were killed and several other persons injured early today in a fire which caused a loss of \$20,000 in the five-story tenement at 25 1/2th street. The fire drove twenty families from their homes in the building and emptied tenement and lodging houses for a block. The young boys, who were playing in the street, were killed by falling from their homes on the fifth floor with their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Glimmer, when they lost their way. The mother saved herself and her eight-month-old daughter, while the father and his eldest son, Lufkole, six years old, after flames had burned his hair and beard off. The fire was discovered by a tenant on the second floor. The fire started in a room where a boy was smoking a pipe. The fire spread to a room where a boy was smoking a pipe. The fire spread to a room where a boy was smoking a pipe. The fire spread to a room where a boy was smoking a pipe.

ANNIVERSARY OF COURT LA TOUR

A Pleasant Function Held in Foresters' Hall Last Night

Last evening a large gathering of Foresters met in Foresters' Hall, Charlotte street, the event being the 25th anniversary of Court La Tour. Many of the old members were present. An excellent programme was carried out, the chief feature being a musical entertainment. The programme included: Mrs. E. J. Todd and Miss Florence Drake; solo, Miss Colwell, reading, A. W. Baird; solo, Miss Drake; solo, Dr. James Manning; piano solo, Miss Drake; address, Dr. A. W. Macrae; solo, W. J. Bamberg; address, A. A. Wilson, K. G. G. The various numbers were heartily enjoyed. While refreshments were being served Mr. Dimock gave selections on the gramophone.

THE HIGHLAND DANCE CLUB

The Highland Dance Club held the last dance of the season in Spencer's hall last evening. There was a large attendance. During the evening the ladies of the club presented to Piper Alexander Cruikshank a gold mounted fountain pen suitably engraved, and to Piper Roy Willet a handsome bound volume as a token of appreciation of their playing. Piper Alexander Stewart played Highland Laddie when the presentation was made. The gentlemen at the dance were in full Highland costume. The features of the entertainment were the Gille Callum by Miss MacCooch and the sword dance and ancient Highland dance by Jack MacLeod and Majed Gordon. The dance programme was as follows: 1—Strathspey and reel; 2—Highland schottische; 3—Highland fling by four Highlanders; 4—Reel O'Ulloch; 5—Highland schottische; 6—Gille Callum by a band; 7—Strathspey and reel; 8—Waltz; 9—Reel O'Ulloch; 10—Ancient Highland dance; Highland laddie (there's a) Refreshments; 11—Strathspey and reel; 12—Highland schottische; 13—Sword dance by a laddie; 14—Reel O'Ulloch. OIGHEID VATH.

POLICE COURT

Fred Weir, of Bear river, N. S., was before Judge Ritchie this morning for having failed to pay for three clam steaks in John Chipman's restaurant. Weir pleaded guilty, saying that his two companions had given him the slip and he had no money. Mr. Chipman said he was willing to drop the matter if the chowders were paid for, and the money was put up by a party interested in Weir, who was permitted to go.

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THE WEATHER

Fine and a little milder today. Saturday fresh South to Southwest winds, mostly fair and mild, a few local showers, chiefly in the evening.

BANNERMAN IS REPORTED WORSE

Condition of Former Premier of Britain Now Causes Gravest Anxiety

London, April 10.—The condition of former Premier Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman has undergone a serious change, during the past twenty-four hours and is now the cause of the gravest anxiety. The bulletin issued this morning says that Sir Henry passed a restless night, but his weakness has become increased. Only yesterday it was pointed out that his physicians permitted him to sit up in bed and read the newspapers, but those knowing the real state of Sir Henry's health, confess that this fact gave them no hope as the patient's vitality is gradually lowering.

WILL HAVE NO TROUBLE TO GET PLENTY OF MEN

Stetson & Cutler's Mill Will Start Work Early Next Week

Stetson & Cutler's big Indian town mill had steam up yesterday, getting the machinery in working order to start working. It is expected that the mill will commence operations on Tuesday or Wednesday next. It is not anticipated that there will be any difficulty in securing men at the 10 per cent. reduction as the labor market at the present time is much over-supplied and it is reported that the number of men applying at the Murray & Gregory mill was sufficient to work two mills.

BASKET BALL

Church Teams in an Exciting Game Last Evening

Last evening, in St. George's basket ball hall, west end, St. George's played St. Mary's, St. George's winning out, score 22-18. It was a fast game from start to finish, Long and Stumpson showing much for St. George's, while Willis played a good game for St. Mary's. The line up was as follows:—

Table with 2 columns: Team, Player Name. St. George's: H. C. Clark, A. Long, W. Sampson. St. Mary's: St. Mary's, W. Willis, McEneaney. Defense: Harvey, A. Smith, W. Willis.

BOATS WILL BE BUSY

Indications now are that on the opening of navigation, the boats will have an abundance of work to keep them extra busy for some little time. Farmers have a quantity of stuff stored in cellars that they have been unable to bring into the city during the winter. Then dealers have orders for a lot of goods to go up.

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THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

A CLEAN BITE. Mr. Hiram Hornbeam watched a man drag a couple of green catfish across the floor of the country market this morning, and then drag them off again. Turning to the Times new reporter, Hiram made the following observations: "Speakin' about microbes an' things, it'll be this market is well supplied. They do things nice an' clean 'round here. Now you wait a while an' you'll see some fellers come along an' slap a quarter o' beef down on them scales. Then they'll say 'flavor—say, it's rich. Hey, what's that?'"

WANTED AT ONCE. The announcement from Chicago that heat is nothing more or less than "imponderable ether accumulated in excess" has afforded much relief to the general public in this city. Any persons having any to spare will confer a favor by communicating with the Liberal executive, which wants to secure enough to have the party properly "hot up" for the convention on the 22nd.

IT WAS UNAVOIDABLE. The civic authorities desire to express regret that more people were not able to see the drunken and half-dressed young woman fighting the police last evening, and finally hauled in a wagon to the police station. In future an effort will be made to have a parade through the principal streets. In this case the young woman was obstinate and refused to walk. She even asked for a patrol wagon. The public interests must be protected in all such cases, and no doubt future parades will be announced so that the people can line the streets.