

EMPEROR OF JAPAN IS DEAD; CROWN PRINCE YOSHIHITO SUCCEEDS TO THE THRONE

Mutsuhito Passed Quietly Away Yesterday UNCONSCIOUS UNTIL THE LAST

Empress Haruko Disconsolate, Entreats Physicians to Prolong Husband's Life -- Date of Funeral Not Yet Decided -- Yoshihito Promptly Ascends Throne.

Tokio, July 29.—Mutsuhito, for 44 years Emperor of Japan, died at 12:45 o'clock this morning. Yoshihito Haru-no-Miya reigns under the formula provided by the constitution promulgated by Mutsuhito. "The King is dead; long live the King."

Mutsuhito who was the 121st Emperor of Japan, passed gently. He had been unconscious for many hours prior to his death, and the Empress, the Crown Prince and the most prominent officials of the household were at the bedside.

Haruko, now Dowager Empress, yields to Princess Sadako, the young Empress, who is the mother of these three, of whom the eldest is Hirohito. Haruko has non-universal sympathy because of her untiring vigil in the sick room, where she remained continuously for ten days. Even on the last day she begged the physicians to secure a short respite for the dying Emperor.

Every thing known to science was done to prolong the life of the sovereign. The whole nation watched pathetically because the death of the Emperor would establish a new record in the history of Japan and the people long almost fiercely to the tradition with which the dying monarch appeared indissolubly linked.

The outcome was inevitable from the first acute developments on July 17. Death was due to acute nephritis, otherwise known as Bright's disease, but this was complicated with diabetes and an internal affection.

When the physicians recognized the hopelessness of the case every preparation was made for the end.

Expected the End.

The Imperial princes, the ministers and nobilities were summoned to the palace and remained in outer rooms for twenty hours. A few of the old set, who have been closely associated with the empire, were permitted to see the Emperor, while the public, contrary to custom, were taken into the confidence of the physicians, who issued bulletins hourly, giving details of the progress of the disease, even the last announcement—that of the death of the Emperor, was made within an hour.

The death of the Emperor occurred shortly before one o'clock this morning. He had been unconscious since dawn yesterday morning. From that hour his respiration had become continually more feeble and he passed away without regaining consciousness, in the presence of the members of the Imperial family and the assembled ministers of state. The great crowds which had been gathered for days outside the park surrounding the palace remained till the end, in hushed silence and even when His Majesty's death was announced, remained in the vicinity, the people looking at each other without uttering a word and seemingly hopelessly depressed.

The Crown Prince was greatly overcome by the sad event which had cast the nation into sorrow. He remained at the palace in consultation with the Minister of State arranging for the Imperial funeral and for the conduct of state affairs. The edict announcing Yoshihito's succession to the throne will be published as soon as arrangements have been made.

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THE NEW EMPEROR.

Emperor Harunomiyama was born in August, 1879, the son of Mutsuhito and Lady Yangiawara, one of the ladies-in-waiting. He was married in 1900 to Princess Sadako, the daughter of Prince Kaji. Three children have been born to them, all boys. The eldest, Prince Hirohito, now becomes crown prince and heir to the throne.

The new emperor is liked by his subjects, though not as well as his father was. He has travelled much through the empire and has been educated along the lines of statesmanship and diplomacy, although he holds a commission in the army.

As heir to the throne he had a magnificent palace in Tokio, which by the way, was largely built of steel hammered out in the United States. He is very devoted to his wife.



THE DEAD EMPEROR, MUTSUHITO

ENRAGED LION DENY RIGHT INJURES MAN OF BRITAIN

Trainer Feeding Circus Animal. Near Point du Chene Has Arm Badly Lacerated—Election Cases.

Moncton, July 29.—At an adjourned meeting of the Westmorland electoral reform league held here this afternoon a resolution was unanimously passed to the effect that as there was no evidence of extensive bribery or corruption in the recent provincial election the executive did not deem it wise to have a general inquiry. It was decided, however, to proceed in the individual cases reported.

Those present were: Dr. Borden, president; Gov. Wood and A. Chase Sheddler; Jas. E. Humphreys, Petticoat; C. L. Hanington, Dorchester; William Trueman, Westmorland; Fisher Savage, R. W. Hewson, Capt. Masters and F. A. McCully, of Moncton.

Haas's circus crossed from Point du Chene to P. E. I. on Sunday, but some of the animals including the lions and lionesses were left behind. This afternoon while one of the trainers named Carroll, was feeding the animals, a lioness seized his hand and dragged it between the bars of the cage. Some bystanders went to the assistance of the tamer whose arm to the elbow was in the jaws of the lioness. Finally the enraged animal was beaten off with an axe, but not until she had been knocked down by a blow from it.

Carroll's arm was terribly lacerated and Dr. Oulton who attended the man, is unable to say as yet whether it can be saved or not. The incident naturally created much excitement among the residents and summer cottagers at the point.

GOVERNMENT GAINS QUARTER OF MILLION BY THE SUGAR FRAUDS

Washington, July 29.—Alleged sugar frauds at Philadelphia under investigation by Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh and Attorney-General Wickham for the last year, have been settled by the payment of nearly a quarter of a million dollars to the United States government by the sugar refining companies involved. This announcement was made by the treasury department.

Winnipeg, July 29.—This year the West has decided to ask for \$7,500,000 harvest hands as against \$6,500,000 in 1911. This decision was arrived at this morning when representatives from the prairie provinces, the three local railroads and the immigration commissioner met at the Canadian Pacific Railway offices and discussed the matter fully. In order to get this quantity of extra labor the railroad companies agreed to advertise in the east for fifty thousand harvesters, and also to make known the fact that cutting would start between August 10 and 15.

GRAND TRUNK TOLL TO BE POSSESSION

Will Be Compelled to Take Over Section of Transcontinental. Have Been Operating Road as Contractors — Will Now Come Under Jurisdiction of Railway Commission.

Ottawa, July 29.—An important step has been taken towards opening the available channels for the moving of the western wheat crop. His Royal Highness the governor general, has signed an order-in-council requiring the Grand Trunk Pacific within 30 days from August 1st, to lease the stretch of the Transcontinental from Lake Superior Junction to Franscona, a short distance east of Winnipeg. As the G. T. P. line from Port Arthur to Lake Superior is already in operation, this will mean a line from Franscona to Thunder Bay in full operation and under control of the railway commission.

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SIX WOUNDED BY STRIKERS

Foreigners Clash with Police and Fusillade of Revolver Bullets Follows — Three Officers Hurt.

Port William, Ont., July 29.—A riot which resulted in the serious wounding of six persons and minor injury to many, occurred in Port Arthur tonight. Chief of Police McLennan was laid out by a club in the hands of an enraged foreigner; P. C. Schillker, received a bullet wound in the back; P. C. Peterson was badly clubbed, and three foreigners were wounded by bullets.

A parade of striking Canadian Northern Railway coal dock laborers was held in the late afternoon and at 7 o'clock pickets were placed at the Canadian Northern Railway crossing near the coal docks. Three pickets interfered with two men attempting to go to work. A crowd of several hundred quickly gathered and Chief Constable Barrett and two constables went to the rescue.

The attempt of the officers to arrest one of the pickets was the signal for the production of clubs. Blows fell on the first man taken by the officers was rescued by his comrades. When Chief of Police McLennan was laid low by a club a desperate struggle ensued, the police fighting over their fallen chief. Some one pulled a gun and as if by magic they appeared in all hands. The firing was sharp and down went the assistant of the chief of police with several bullets in his body, another foreigner was stretched out, but was borne by his comrades to the woods which surrounded the houses of the foreigners.

Constable Peterson was given a desperate beating by a big burly chap with a three foot club, but the foreigner was in turn knocked down by Constable Thurlow.

The ambulance was sent for and one of the badly wounded foreigners sent to the hospital under police guard, while the wounded police themselves took the street car uptown for repairs.

DOMINION SHOULD PREPARE FOR ERA OF GREAT PROGRESS

Hon. F. D. Monk Says Period of Commercial and Industrial Expansion Requires Further Equipment of Ports.

Special to The Standard.

St. John's, July 29.—The truth is that the country is confronted, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, with a situation of commercial and industrial growth which calls for vigorous action, as far as transportation especially is concerned, and the wise and judicious expenditure of very large sums of money, if we are to keep abreast of the times.

The above statement indicates the impression made upon the Hon. F. D. Monk, Minister of Public Works, as a result of his tour of the river stretches of the St. Lawrence and of the Great Lakes just completed.

In a statement to The Standard today, the minister reviewed his trip and strongly emphasized the need of so equipping the Canadian lake ports as to enable them to hold their legitimate share of the enormously increasing traffic from the west.

JAMES H. DUNN OF LONDON GIVES NEW CHIME OF BELLS TO FREDERICTON CATHEDRAL

Former New Brunswicker Makes Handsome Donation of \$8,000 --- Mrs. J. D. Hazen's Kindly Thought Brings Generous Response --- Bishop Richardson's Appreciation of Gift on Receiving Standard's Welcome News -- Dean Schofield Interviewed.

A new chime of bells for Christ Church Cathedral, Fredericton, is assured, through the beneficence of James H. Dunn, formerly of Bathurst in this province, and now of London, England, who has donated \$8,000 for this purpose. News of this handsome gift reached The Standard from London yesterday and it is needless to say, has been received with unfeigned rejoicing by the church authorities in Fredericton.

The new chime of bells will replace those lost in the disastrous fire of last year, on which no insurance could be recovered. The extensive repairs to the cathedral are now nearly completed. Mr. Dunn's generous gift has solved the most difficult problem in connection with the restoration which has confronted the church. The new edifice will now be crowned with a chime of bells which will compare with any cathedral in Canada.

Mrs. Hazen's Thoughtfulness.

Additional interest is lent to the gift from the fact that it is mainly due to the kindly thought of Mrs. J. D. Hazen for her old home city. Meeting Mr. Dunn in London and discussing New Brunswick's affairs, Mrs. Hazen referred, incidentally, to the efforts which were being made by the Anglican community in this province to restore the Cathedral, and to the large sum of money which had to be raised for the new chimes. A cheque from Mr. Dunn for \$8,000 was the immediate result. The cheque has been forwarded by mail to His Lordship Bishop Richardson and steps will at once be taken to order the bells from the London makers of the old chimes.

Mr. Dunn, the donor, now a wealthy London banker, is well known in this province. This is not the first time he has remembered old associations. Not long ago he built and equipped a hospital in Bathurst, his home town, and has spent money to good purpose in other directions.

His record has been one of rapid and continued success. Leaving the law office of George Gilbert in Bathurst some fourteen years ago, Mr. Dunn went to Montreal and while with the firm of Greenfield, attracted the notice of J. Pierpont Morgan, who was struck with his ability. Later, on going to London, he engaged largely in foreign and South American trade and accumulated a handsome fortune. He is now head of the private banking firm of Dunn Fisher and Co. Mr. Dunn was in New Brunswick last year visiting his mother, Mrs. Robert Dunn, who resides in Bathurst.

Dean Schofield interviewed.

When The Standard received word of Mr. Dunn's gift, no time was lost in getting in touch with the church.

Bishop Richardson's Appreciation.

His Lordship Bishop Richardson, who returned to Fredericton from St. Andrews last night when informed by The Standard over the long distance telephone of Mr. Dunn's donation, said the news of Mr. Dunn's munificent gift to the cathedral had taken him so completely by surprise, that he found it difficult to properly express his feelings.

"My only regret," continued His Lordship, "is that I have not the opportunity of telling Mr. Dunn in person how deeply the Church of the diocese, and I am sure that I may add the citizens of Fredericton, will appreciate his splendid generosity. I know that I can only say to Mr. Dunn that I thank him with all my heart. It is an additional pleasure to know that it was through the thoughtfulness of Mrs. J. D. Hazen that the need of the Cathedral in this respect was brought to Mr. Dunn's notice."

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES FORBIDDEN TO USE ALCOHOLIC DRINKS

Trainmen of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Prohibited from Use of Intoxicants On Or Off Duty.

New York, July 29.—As a result of an investigation conducted by the management of the Delaware Lackawanna and Western Railroad, following the recent disastrous wreck at Corning, N. Y., an order was issued today to the employees of the transportation service forbidding the use of intoxicants while on or off duty. All classes of employees directly connected with the movement of trains are prohibited from using their time away from their work in any manner that may unfit them for the safe, prompt and efficient performance of their duties. This rule applies particularly to men who might spend their time off in playing cards.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH FRENCH MINISTER MOST SATISFACTORY

Hon. J. D. Hazen Announces Conferences on Reciprocal Shipping Regulations are Progressing Favorably.

Paris, July 29.—Hon. J. D. Hazen announced today that the conferences with M. Delecase, French Minister of Marine, on the subject of reciprocal shipping regulations, notably with respect to an increase in the number of fireboats on steamships plying between France and Canada and the possibilities of improving trade between the two countries, had been most satisfactory.

The Canadian ministers were received at the palace of the Elysee this afternoon by President Fallieres.

THE DEAD EMPEROR.

Born Nov. 3, 1852.
Crowned Feb. 13, 1867.
Married Feb. 9, 1869.
Son and heir born August, 1879.
Favorite sport, fishing in privately stocked ponds.
He enjoyed duck hunting in his private forest and marshes.
During the war with China he lived in army barracks, so that he might experience the same hardships his soldiers did.
For the same reason he refused to have fires in his palace during the winter of the war with Russia.
Although called "mikado" in western countries his real and only title was emperor and he was never called the mikado by his subjects.
The name Mutsuhito was little used except among foreigners. It was unknown to the vast majority of the Japanese. The common people called him Tenkai Sama (august son of heaven), and the educated Japanese, Shu-jo (supreme master).