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NEW POSTAL REGULATIONS.

Much loss will be caused by the new postal rates to Canadian newspapers having subscribers in the United States. Hitherto the postage has been a very small item, but after next week, all papers sent to the States must be prepaid with stamps at the rate of four cents a pound, and all single papers will cost one cent each. As most of our American circulation goes in single wrappers, the new law means nearly fifty cents a year additional cost on each paper.

This must ultimately be paid by the subscribers, but as thousands of American subscriptions are paid in advance, half of such amounts will be lost by the publishers, who have not had sufficient notice to enable them to protect themselves. This is a real hardship, and one that should not have been imposed by the Postal Department without consulting the parliament, and then only after giving notice in time to permit an equitable adjustment to the new conditions. We trust that the Department will see its way clear to indefinitely postpone the adoption of the new charges.

PROVINCIAL POLITICS.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley's retirement from local politics, necessitated by his accepting the St. John nomination for the House of Commons, will place Hon. C. W. Robinson in the provincial premier's chair. It is rumored that Mr. Pugsley's place as attorney-general will be taken by Mr. Geo. W. Allen, M. P. for York, who is now Supreme Court reporter.

THE SPANISH ALLIANCE.

Germany's alliance with Denmark enabling her to close the Baltic sea whenever she feels like it, has been offset by the new British agreement with Spain, which brings that country into the Franco-British alliance, and enables Britain to shut Germany out of the Mediterranean. As Spain has over 18,000,000 people, and Denmark less than 3,000,000, Britain and France are ahead in the game so far.

PREMIER PUGSLEY CHOSEN.

The Liberal Convention for St. John City and County, last Friday, unanimously tendered their nomination to Hon. William Pugsley, premier of the Province. There is no doubt of Mr. Pugsley's success when the election is held. It is also fairly certain that he will, as soon as elected, be taken into the Dominion cabinet, and will in all probability receive the portfolio of Railways and Canals lately vacated by Hon. H. R. Emmerson. Mr. Pugsley stated, on accepting the nomination, that he would support Mr. Emmerson's railway policy. That policy was developing the I. C. R. system in the right direction and its continuance will be good for the country. Mr. Pugsley will make a very strong cabinet minister and will prevent any lessening of New Brunswick's influence at Ottawa.

THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

The fourth conference between the premiers of the self-governing colonies the British colonial secretary, sitting in London since the 15th ult., is discussing questions of great importance to the Empire.

Among Australia's recommendations, an Imperial Council, an imperial court of appeal, imperial defence, decimal coinage, the metric system of weights and measures, an imperial patent law, etc.; and she submits the following resolution regarding preferential trade: "That it is desirable that the preferential treatment accorded by the colonies to the products and manufactures of the United Kingdom be also granted to the products and manufactures of other self-governing colonies, and that it is desirable that

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the United Kingdom grant preferential treatment to the products and manufactures of the colonies."

The program of New Zealand comprises an Imperial Council, preferential treatment, reciprocal admission of barristers, naturalization, defence, islands of the Pacific, reservation of bills, reciprocity as to land surveys, preferential trade between the self-governing colonies, and international penny postage.

Cape Colony asks discussion on Imperial defence, British preference, income tax, imperial cable communication, Privy Council appeals, merchandise marks and patents, uniform legislation for the naturalization of aliens, and ocean freights.

Canada, Newfoundland and Transvaal have no stated program; and Orange River Colony has, unfortunately, not yet been granted self-government, and is therefore not represented.

Natal's ideas are about the same as those of Cape Colony.

Canada and Transvaal opposed the idea of a permanent Imperial Council, as likely to interfere with their autonomy, and the Conference wishing to be unanimous dropped the scheme for the present, deciding to hold an Imperial Conference every four years and appointing a permanent Imperial secretariat to take the place of the conference while the latter is not in session. Imperial Union is long coming, but is being advanced a step by the present meeting.

THE IDAHO CASE.

By all appearances, a plot, worse than that which condemned Alfred Dreyfus to Devil's Island, has for the past fifteen or sixteen months been under way in the neighboring republic, where the governments of Idaho, Colorado and the United States have apparently conspired with the Rocky Mountain mine owners to do away with Charles H. Moyer, William D. Haywood and George H. Pettibone, leaders of the Western Federation of Miners, the most compact and virile labor organization of the West.

Ex-governor Steunenberg of Idaho was murdered in December, 1905 and one Harry Orchard, who has confessed to twenty-six other murders, was arrested for the crime. Under the threats and promises of Detective McPartland, Orchard is alleged to have made a confession stating that the labor leaders above mentioned had employed him to kill Steunenberg.

One Steve Adams was, in February, 1906, arrested in Oregon, without warrant, and taken to Boise City, Idaho, where Orchard was confined. By promising him liberty and great reward if he consented and threatening torture and trial on other capital charges if he refused, McPartland and Orchard won from him a confession similar to Orchard's. But after six months in Boise, where he was royally entertained by the elite of the State but not allowed to communicate with his brother or uncle or any member of the Federation, Adams's uncle, disguising himself, managed to see him, and Steve at once repudiated the confession got from him by fraud and violence, and applied for habeas corpus. The government,

having nothing to hold him on, at once released him, but immediately rearrested him on other charges as previously threatened by McPartland. Refusing to swear away the lives of the three miners, for which great reward would have been his, the government now seek to have him hanged for alleged crimes that, under certain conditions, they were willing to have forgotten.

As soon as Adams had added his bogus confession to that of Orchard, the governor of Idaho applied to the governor of Colorado and was permitted to kidnap Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone in Denver, one Saturday night in February, 1906, and take them to Idaho penitentiary without allowing them to communicate with their attorneys or even their families. Such an act was in direct violation of the American constitution, but that document has been repeatedly violated in Colorado and elsewhere in recent years. The accused miners applied for a writ of habeas corpus to return to Colorado for trial, but their demand was refused by eight of the nine judges of the United States Supreme Court, the members of which are presidential appointees. Had some millionaire been the victim of the kidnapping, there would without any doubt have been a different decision. But a plain workman in the United States has no rights, it seems, that the governments or the courts are bound to respect. President Roosevelt has shown on this side he stands by publicly declaring that Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone (who, by the way, have not been tried and are yet innocent in the eyes of the law) are "undesirable citizens," thus prejudicing their case before trial and increasing the chances of their conviction. When it is remembered that Roosevelt has never gone out of his way to stigmatize as "undesirable" any wealthy prisoner like Harry K. Thaw awaiting trial, the inference is obvious.

LEAVING PINE HILL.

Dr. Robt. A. Falconer, president of Pine Hill Presbyterian College, Halifax, has been chosen president of the University of Toronto, at a salary of \$10,000 a year, and a free hand in controlling the affairs of the institution.

LUTZ MOUNTAIN.

Lutz Mountain, Westmorland Co., April 27—O. E. Holsen of Grangeville visited here this week.

On the 24th a slight earthquake was felt here. It shook the underground from a farmer's house.

Geo. Horseman went to Grangeville on Friday last week to work for G. T. Wilson.

Sugar making is finished.

Miss Bessie Horseman is expected home to-day.

GONE TO TORONTO.

The young girl named Agnes Arnot, whom Chief Munn located at Fox Creek near Moncton, a few weeks ago, having searched for her at the instance of the mother, who is located in Toronto, left for the latter place last week. The girl belongs to Scotland, and went to Newcastle after arriving in this country. Not finding the surroundings congenial, she ran away, and was located at Fox Creek. She denies, however, that the woman who wrote from Toronto is her mother, claiming that her parents are dead. She left for Toronto at the request of her uncle, who is located there.

THE TRANSCONTINENTAL.

Work will shortly begin in New Brunswick on the Transcontinental. For the Government Mr. Malcolm will be engineer in charge of the 50 miles now under contract between Moncton and Chipman, and will have with him five parties of eight men each on the engineering staff. For these five houses have been built ten miles apart along the line.

SERVICE FOR ODDFELLOWS.

The Oddfellows of Newcastle and Chatham will attend St. Mark's church, Douglastown, in a body Sunday morning, May 5th, at eleven o'clock, when they will be addressed by Rev. F. C. Simpson.

GETTING READY.

Messrs. Hickson's mill, Newcastle, and T. Lynch's, Nelson, had steam up yesterday and will commence the season's operations at once.

CONDUCTOR NICKERSON IMPROVING.

I. C. R. Conductor John Nickerson, who had a serious attack of pneumonia following the severe injuries sustained in an accident at Oxford Junction a few weeks ago, is now improving nicely and on the road to recovery.

Wedding Bells.

SHEASGREEN - WAINWRIGHT.
Mr. James Sheasgreen, formerly of Nelson, N. B., was recently married in New York to Miss Maud Wainwright.

SCOTT-BRACKETT.

At the Methodist parsonage here. Last Wednesday, a quiet wedding took place, the principals being Mr. Richard G. Scott of Strathadam and Miss Annie Brackett of the same place, but formerly of Lawrence, Mass. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. H. C. Rice; and the happy couple will reside in Strathadam.

OSMOND-McCALLUM.

Eighty Allston St. Cambridge, Mass., was the scene of a very pretty wedding Friday evening, April 19th, 1907, when Miss Elizabeth A. McCallum, daughter of Mr. Enbults McCallum of Douglastown, N. B., became the bride of Mr. Jos. J. Osmond, of Portland, Maine. The bride was gowned in white muslin, with lace trimmings, and carried a bouquet of bride roses. The groom was ably supported by Mr. Walter H. Bellet of Cambridge, Mass. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. George F. Durgin of the Grace Methodist church of Cambridge in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. The many handsome and valuable presents received, prove the high esteem in which both parties are held.

KEITH-HADDOW.

In Dalhousie, Wednesday evening, Mr. John Keith of Winnipeg was married to Miss Georgie Haddow, youngest daughter of Mr. Geo. Haddow, ex-M. P. David Keith of Toronto, brother of the groom, and Miss Agnes Keith attended. Mr. and Mrs. Keith left by the Maritime for Toronto and Winnipeg that night.

CARTER-KANE.

A very pretty wedding took place in St. Mary's church Monday afternoon, when Mr. Henry T. Carter, the genial clerk of the St. Charles Mercantile Co., and Miss Mary A., daughter of Mr. Michael Kane of the Commercial Hotel, were united in the bonds of holy matrimony by Rev. Father Dixon. Mr. Michael Kane, Jr., brother of the bride, was best man, and Miss Norah Young, of South Esk, was bridesmaid. Many tokens of popularity and esteem were received by the happy couple, who will reside here.

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