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NAN PATTERSON'S STORY (Continued from Page 4) NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Nan Patterson went on the witness stand today to be cross examined by the prosecution. Assistant District Attorney Rand began the cross examination with the question: "Are you an actress by occupation?" "I am," replied the defendant. "Are you a wife?" "Yes." "Are you a mother?" "I am not." Then the story of her meeting with Caesar Young in July, 1902, while on a train bound for California with a theatrical company was retold. By a long series of questions, Mr. Rand led up to the time when she came to New York last May. The cross-examination will probably continue all day.

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CRUSHED TO DEATH WHILE THEY SLEPT.

Ten Killed and Many Injured in Hotel Catastrophe. Wall of Shakey Building Fell and Crashed Through Roof of a Minneapolis Hotel.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 20.—Four or five and possibly ten or eleven persons lost their lives early today in the Crocker hotel on Fifth street, through the falling of the high east wall of the O. H. Peck building which was damaged by fire Tuesday night. The high wind of last night loosened the bricks in the wall and tons of brick and stone crashed down upon the roof of the three-story hotel next door. The roof was carried through to the basement. Several persons are missing, presumably dead. Seven men and one woman are unaccounted for. The crash came when almost everyone in the hotel was asleep. Almost instantly the building was a wreck with injured persons calling for help. A number who were asleep at the time of the accident and who were not immediately in the path of the falling bricks escaped though badly injured. The fire department responded quickly as did also a large share of the police department, who set to work rescuing the injured.

SMALL BOYS BURGLARIZED W. U. OFFICE IN MONCTON—GOT LITTLE

(Special to the Star). MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 20.—The town office of the Western Union Telegraph Company here was burglarized last night and the place thoroughly ransacked. The cash box was carried off bodily but the contents consisted of only two or three dollars. The entrance had been effected by breaking the glass in a rear window, and the thieves, it is supposed, were small boys. Quite a number of petty robberies have recently been reported.

HON. F. J. SWEENEY ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION TODAY.

(Special to the Star). DORCHESTER, N. B., Dec. 20.—Nomination proceedings here today resulted in the return of Hon. Francis J. Sweeney without opposition. His papers were handed in at eleven o'clock by S. E. Wilson. No other nomination was filed and no objections were entered. The attendance was very slim as it was pretty well known after the previous election that Sweeney would be elected. The election was held at Moncton yesterday but no opposition would be put up to Mr. Sweeney.

WINTER PORT NEWS.

Donaldson Liner Sailed today.—The Sicilian Had Rough Trip. The Donaldson line steamer Indrani sailed today for Glasgow. Her cattle arrived yesterday and were put on board last night. She had a rough trip. The C. P. R. steamer Lake Michigan will probably get away tomorrow. She will have thirty steerage passengers. One of her passengers, David Richards, was taken to the public hospital in the afternoon with pneumonia. The Allan line S. S. Capt. Fairfield, from Liverpool for this port, sailed from Halifax yesterday at 2:30 o'clock and reached here this afternoon. She brought thirty cabin and fifty-second cabin and 280 steerage. There were about six returning cattlemen on board and two stowaways from Liverpool—John Rose, 18; and Adolph Rosen, 18, of Lancashire. Furs, J. D. Morrison and Dr. Turnbull, both of the Tunisian, are on the Sicilian temporarily, the Tunisian being laid up for two or three months. The Sicilian's second cabin and steerage passengers are a fine class. They are chiefly from the British Isles. All are fairly well provided with funds. There are 17 Finns from Copper Cliff, Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie, and a few Norwegians and Swedes. Of the Britishers a dozen or more are miners bound for North Sydney and other mining points. The Sicilian discharged at Halifax about 300 tons of cargo for the railway and 100 tons for the city. All but about thirty passengers landed at Halifax and two were detained because of indications of trachoma. The steamer met with some heavy weather on her run out. Manifests were received at the Custom House today for the following American goods in transit to the Old Country: 5 cars of lard, 1 car of whiskey, 1 car of pork, 1 car of products, 2 cars of cloth blocks, 1 car canned meat, 1 car of sheep, 1 car of oil meal and 1 car of match wood.

STREET RAILWAYS COMBINE.

(Special to the Star). MONCTON, Dec. 20.—The Street Railway Association of Canada held its first meeting today, when a constitution was adopted. Lieut. Col. McLean and N. Z. Earle represented the St. John Street Railway. The head office of the association will be wherever the secretary, who is still to be elected, will reside. The association is formed of all street railway companies in Canada, each member being entitled to one vote by a delegation presenting proper credentials.

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WILL DEPART LUNATIC.

Daniel Kern, the German who jumped from the Pacific express one day last week and is now confined in a cell in the police station, he being considered insane, will probably be transported to Germany by the steamship company that brought him to this country. Kern landed at New York two years ago from a Red Star line steamer and a telegram received here today from Montreal intimates that the Red Star people will take care of him. The local officials have been considerably troubled over the affair, as they did not know what to do with the man. The telegram from Montreal said that a letter with full instructions was on the way here.

ANOTHER PORT ARTHUR FORT BLOWN UP AND CAPTURED.

Japs Charged Through Breach Made by Underground Mines and Massacred Every Defender--- Baltic Fleet May Arrive in March.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE THIRD JAPANESE ARMY, via Fusan, Dec. 20.—The capture of the North Keokevan Mountain fort was a brilliant spectacle. For weeks the Japanese have been tunneling two shafts forty feet in length with four branches. They laid seven mines, which were exploded on the 18th. The two attacking parties were composed of volunteers and those participating in the first attempt failed to capture the fort. The soldiers of the first force were distinguished by a red badge. They remained in the moat during the explosion, the mines having charged prematurely, and many were killed by the debris. The second body of assaulters, distinguished by white badges, was in the gaps during the explosion and was prevented from charging immediately, the mouths of the saps having been filled with debris. The explosion made two huge rents in the north walls, through which the assaulters charged, winning the trenches in front of the wall and killing the remainder of the garrison in the rear of the fort.

SMALL BOY BURGLARS.

Four Arrested For Breaking Into Freight Car and Stealing Boots—Youngest is 9 Years Old. About midnight Deputy Chief Jenkins and Detective Killen arrested three boys and a girl, all of whom are charged with breaking into a freight car at the I. C. R. yard on Nov. 27th and stealing four pairs of boots. The case was commenced this morning. E. S. Ritchie appeared for Kempt. Several witnesses were examined and the names of William Morrison, a lad of about 15 years of age, was mentioned as being one of the crowd. The result was that Morrison was arrested at noon. The case goes on this afternoon. John Ruske told of finding the car.

SCOTT ACT VIOLATION CASES HEARD AT FREDERICTON TODAY.

(Special to the Star). FREDERICTON, Dec. 20.—A number of Scott Act cases occupied the attention of Police Magistrate Marsh this afternoon. Three violators specified first offences and paid the usual fine. The fourth case was a third offence against John McCoy, proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, on York street. Rev. J. J. Colter was the complainant and was an interested spectator of the proceedings. J. D. Phinney appeared for the prosecution and R. W. McClellan for McCoy. One or two witnesses were examined and an adjournment was made for one week.

CARLETON COUNTY COURT.

No Bills in Cases of H. A. Connell and Linda Drost. WOODSTOCK, N. B., Dec. 19.—The adjourned meeting of Carleton county court, Judge Carleton presiding, opened this afternoon. There were two criminal cases: The King vs. H. A. Connell, charged with shooting with intent to do grievous bodily harm. W. P. Jones, for prosecution, and J. C. Hartley for defense. The King vs. Linda Drost, charged with concealment of the birth of an infant. W. P. Jones for prosecution, and E. C. L. Ketchum for defense. The grand jury retired and chose W. W. Hay as foreman. Returning the jury brought in no bills in both cases, which was postponed and the court adjourned.

RELIEVING THE DESTITUTE.

The Associated Charities are at present attending to the wants of a number of immigrant people. Last Friday the destitute condition of one immigrant family living in a house on Hanover street was reported to them and the required assistance was immediately rendered. There is a large number of immigrant people at present in the city who are in poor pecuniary circumstances with little prospect of immediate relief by work. The Associated Charities, however, are doing all in their power to see that such persons are properly cared for.

LATE SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived. Coastwise—St. Kilkeel, Pettis, from Yarmouth; sch Glenora, Stuart, from Pictou; sch Beaver, Reid, from Hopeville. Cleared. Sch P. A. Colwell, 440, Colwell, for City Island, I. O. lumber. Str Indrani, 2331, Gillies, for Glasgow, gen cargo. Coastwise—Str Cacoma, 931, Holmes, from Lunenburg; barge No 1, 439, Nickerson, for Parrsboro; sch Yarmouth, Pictou, Shaw, for Yarmouth; Helen M. Mills, for Advocate Harbor; Beaver, Reid, for Harvey.

TIME TO GET OUT.

Tom—I don't see you automobiling with Miss Giddyan any more. Jack—No; I weighed her in the balance and found her wanting. Tom—What? Jack—Well, wanting to face the parson with me, for one thing.

NORTH SEA ENQUIRY BEGINS THURSDAY.

Members of the Commission Assembled at Paris in Spite of American Admiral's Absence. Brilliant Preliminary Proceedings Took Place This Morning.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—President Loubet this morning received at the Elysee palace, the members of the international commission, which is to inquire into the North Sea incident, but the non-arrival of Rear Admiral Davis prevented American participation. It was expected that Admiral Davis would land at Dover from the Finland and cross over to Calais, arriving here a few hours before the reception, but his decision to go on to Antwerp postponed his arrival until tomorrow. He telegraphed that he would reach Paris on Wednesday afternoon. In the meantime arrangements were completed for President Loubet's reception and Foreign Minister Delcasse's breakfast today, but the formal opening of the session of the commission will probably have to be postponed until the arrival of Admiral Davis completes the membership. The reception of the commission at the Elysee presented a brilliant scene. A guard of colonial infantry was drawn up in the court of the palace, and saluted the admirals. M. Loubet received the commission in the audience chamber, surrounded by naval and civil officials. The admirals and their staff wore the show uniforms of their various countries. The British and Russian admirals exchanged pleasant salutations. Admiral Kasenkoff is a youthful admiral, with keen face and of stocky build. Rear Admiral Sir Lewis Beaumont is venerable and tall, towering above his colleagues. After M. Loubet had welcomed the commission there was a brief meeting of the council of ministers. Comment was heard in high quarters concerning the opening of the formalities before the members of the commission were here. Admiral Davis was not advised of the date it was necessary for him to be in Paris in order to arrive here on time. The date was fixed after he was on the ocean. If he arrives in Paris tomorrow afternoon the first full session of the commission will be held Thursday.

SUGAR UP AGAIN.

A telegram from New York this morning conveys the information that the London, Eng., sugar market has taken another advance. The quotations per cent for December delivery are 214, 21-1/4, and for January, 214 0/8, 3/4. This is below the highest point which the European sugar market in its recent phenomenal advance attained. It brings, however, the market up considerably above the recent drop, and lends weight to the belief that sugar will continue to be high-priced for some time to come.

NO MORE DIPHTHERIA.

The children at St. Vincent's orphanage who are ill with diphtheria are getting along as well as can be expected, in fact the mother superior and the physician in attendance, Dr. J. P. McInerney, are greatly pleased with the improvement the little ones have shown. There are now but two really dangerous cases, a few that might be considered severe and over twenty mild cases. No new cases were reported today.

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THE WEATHER.

F. Decast—Westerly winds, fair and colder by night. Wednesday, moderately cold with snow. Synopsis—A storm of much energy is moving eastward across the Great Lakes and the weather tomorrow is likely to be stormy along the Atlantic coast. Highest temperature during the past 24 hours, 45; lowest temperature during the past 24 hours, 30; temperature at noon, 33.

Hats, Caps And Furs FOR XMAS PRESENTS.

Dressy Hats, from \$1.00 to \$5.00. Cloth Caps, from 35c. to \$1.50. Fur Caps, from \$15.00 to \$25.00. Men's Fur Collars, from \$2.50 to \$25. Ladies' and Gents' Fur and Fur Lined Coats, from \$16.50 to \$85.00. Ladies' and Children's Neck Furs, Muffs and Mitts, in all the Stylish Furs.

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