

### CAR THIEVES GET TWO YEARS EACH

Frank Conley, St John, Donald Williston, Newcastle, and Louis LeBlanc and Joseph Comfort of Massachusetts, the four young men captured last week by Moncton and Shediac police, and charged with having stolen three automobiles in Quebec and Ontario, appeared in the police court at Moncton Thursday and pleaded guilty. Judge C.A. Stevens sentenced each of them to two years in the penitentiary at Dorchester.

The quartette will be conveyed from Moncton to the Maritime prison. LeBlanc owned a car and with Comfort left Fitchburg en route to the province of Quebec. In Montreal the other two men joined the party.

The two girls with the party were held in Woodstock and will be sent when money arrives to pay to their homes in Leominster, Mass their passage.

### CHURCH BURNED

AT ROSAIRVILLE  
The Roman Catholic Church at Rosairville, about 11 miles from Rogersville was totally destroyed, by fire on Monday last. The fire started in a nearby barn and on account of a favorable wind spread to the church. The movable contents of the church were nearly all saved but the loss on the sacred edifice would be \$25,000 or \$30,000. The church was under the pastorate of Rev. Father Sormany of Rogersville.

### HE AIN'T GONNA

REIGN NO MORE  
Kaiser Wilhelm is awaiting a call to the German throne and expects it shortly. This fact is made known by John R. Philip a Chicago lawyer who has returned to the U.S. after several months spent abroad. He met the former Emperor at Doorn, and at that time the Kaiser expressed the belief he would be called back to the throne.

### CAMPBELLTON HAS A HEALTH CENTRE

Campbellton is the second city in New Brunswick, outside of St. John, to have a health centre. Miss Meiklejohn, director of public health nursing services, for the Department of Health has returned from a visit to Campbellton and Elgin in the interests of nursing services and she was greatly pleased with the interest in public health work in Campbellton. The health centre is housed in two rooms, the use of which has been freely given by one of the prominent citizens. The nurse in Campbellton is supported by the town and by local effort under the Red Cross Society. Miss Meiklejohn visited Elgin, Albert county, where the Women's Institute are interesting themselves in trying to get a tonsil and adenoid clinic for the children.

### LIQUOR DEALS BACKED BY CANADIAN BANK

Brest Oct 1—One of the strongest banks in Canada has been shown to be financing huge liquor deals negotiated in New York, according to a statement made to the press today by M. Fournier, M. Fournier will preside over the trial of Max Jerome Phaff German-American who was charged with piracy on the high seas in connection with the looting of the French steamer Mulhouse, off the Canadian coast last July.

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### THE SCHOOL PUPILS

While the success of the public schools depend in large measure on efficiency and inspiration on the part of the teachers and liberal support and encouragement from the parents, says an exchange, the biggest factor of all is in the school pupils themselves. An ambitious young person will learn even if the school building is antiquated or the teacher is poorly prepared.

We rely on our teachers to wake up dull pupils and inspire them with determination to learn. We must all co-operate to that end, and the entire influence of the community should be brought to bear on these young people, to induce them to make the best of the splendid opportunities that are offered them.

Students who go through the schools in a half hearted way repent bitterly afterward that they had not appreciated their chances. It is a source of everlasting regret to them, and they realize a little later that opportunities missed in youth can never be enjoyed again.

These young people ought to realize how much is being done for them. The taxes for schools are very heavy. In most places, more is spent for this purpose than for any other object for which taxes are raised. Parents deny themselves luxuries and comforts so that they can give their children a better opportunity than they had. These days will quickly pass, and before they know it, these students will be out in the world struggling for self support. They will have little energy left for self improvement. The time to fit themselves for success is now. If these opportunities slip by, and they fail to make favorable starts, it will be extremely difficult for them to recover lost ground.

### VALUE OF CANADA'S COAL OUTPUT

In 1923 Canada produced 16.9 million tons of coal, exported 1.6 million tons, imported 22.1 million tons from the United States and 0.5 million tons from Great Britain, so that the apparent consumption of coal in Canada in 1923 was approximately 38 million tons as compared with 27.5 million tons in 1922 and 31.1 million tons in 1921 according to the final report by the Mining Metallurgical and Chemical Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

The report further states that nearly 8.75 million tons of Canadian coal was burned in Canada during 1923; of this amount about one-half was consumed in the producing provinces and approximately four in inter-provincial trade during the year. Shipments of Nova Scotia coal to other Canadian provinces principally New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Quebec amounted to 2,179,061 tons. The province of Quebec received 1,540,284 tons of Canadian coal, an increase of 85,968 tons above the receipts of Canadian coal in the preceding year. About 77,760 tons of Canadian coal was shipped into central Ontario during the year. Manitoba and the section of Ontario lying west of Fort William and Port Arthur received approximately 784,950 tons. Saskatchewan receipts of Canadian coal were 1,251,555 tons while shipments from that province to other places in Canada were 219,940 tons. A certain coal to the extent of 1,934,000 tons found its way to other Canadian provinces and 62,100 tons of British Columbia coal was also shipped for consumption in other parts of Canada.

The per capita consumption of coal in Canada in 1923 was 4,157 tons. The total consumption of coal included 40.3% from Canadian sources and 59.7% of imported coal.

About 30,300 men were employed in or about the mines in 1923; in addition to those, there were 1,746 salaried employees. Salaries paid totalled \$3,893,722 in 1923 as compared with \$3,777,626 in the previous year. The surface men worked on the average 279 days during the year as compared with 259 days in 1922 and the underground employees worked 241 days on the average as against 219 days in 1922. Twenty-one more days work was done on the average by all employees in the coal mines in 1923 than in 1922 the total for the year being 250 days. The earnings per man day were \$5.57 as compared with \$5.18 in the previous year and the total wages paid amounted to \$42,221,990 or approximately 6.5 million dollars more than the total of \$35,773,001 paid in 1922. Capital invested in the coal mines was reported as \$43,447,448 in 1923 an increase of approximately three million dollars.

### CROW'S NEST MAKES

EAT EAT CROW  
Mr. R.E. Finn, K.C. appearing for the Maritime Provinces in the Crow's Nest Pass rate case before the Railway Commission at Ottawa, made a slashing attack on the Crow's Nest Pass agreement. He said that it was well named in so far as those portions of the country that did not enjoy these rates were concerned. "We have" he said "nothing else to do but eat crow while those who enjoy these rates have a great deal of pie to eat." This agreement he said, at another point, "is a vulture and is eating out the vitals of the industries of the Maritime Provinces."

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