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J. TOWNSEND & CO. AUCTION SALES. 2 KING ST. WEST. Auction Sale of the Property of the Guelph Norway Iron and Co. Limited. In Liquidation.

Russia and Japan. HOW THE HITCH CAME ABOUT. In the Arrangements for the Behring Sea Conference at Washington.

London Papers speak in flat terms about the hostility of Americans towards the British Government. Britain gets Kassaia. An important Arab town on the Nile ceded to Great Britain.

It has caused surprise. London, Sept. 27.—A despatch to the Standard from Madrid, says: "The rumor of Austrian mediation between Spain and the United States in the event of hostilities has created surprise among all with incalculable Spanish lands fail to see what Austria could do unless seconded by naval powers, or at least by the combined capital action of several Governments."

Kindly Comradeship. St. Petersburg, Sept. 27.—Emperor William, in answer to the despatch of the Russian Minister of Marine, expressing condolence with the family of the young Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, who was drowned by the capsizing of torpedo boat No. 26, off Cuxhaven, on Wednesday last, has telegraphed saying: "I am deeply touched at the expression of sympathy evinced by the Russian fleet at the sinking of the torpedo boat. The death of the worthy young prince is a sad loss to me and to the German navy. I look upon the expression of condolence upon the part of my comrades of the Russian navy upon this melancholy occasion as an act of kindly comradeship."

Britain Gets Kassaia. An important Arab town on the Nile ceded to Great Britain. Rome, Sept. 27.—All arrangements for the cession of Kassaia to Great Britain have been completed, and everything is ready for the occupation of that town by British troops.



JOHNNIE BULL (getting off): I ain't goin' to play if them fellers is goin' to git on.

BRITAIN'S NOBLE QUEEN. Here is the only court where the law of parity is the law of favor and the requirement of fashion. Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 27.—The Rev. Dr. William Burnett Wright paid a glowing tribute to Queen Victoria and her successful reign of 60 years over Great Britain at the Lafayette Presbyterian Church last night.

HELENESS OF A. T. WOOD. Hamilton's Senior Member Unwell at Vancouver. ABSCONDING POSTMASTER. From Norman, Ontario, Gathered In at Pembina, North Dakota.

RETURNED WITH \$50,000. Mr. Dufresne Made His Pilgrimage in the Klondike Placers and Gives Some News as Well as Advice. Montreal, Sept. 27.—A. Dufresne, a native of this city, but lately a resident of Boston, has returned to Montreal from the Klondike with \$50,000 in gold.

SOME PLAIN TALK. St. James' Gazette speaks in a tone that cannot be misunderstood. London, Sept. 27.—The St. James' Gazette has this morning remarked: "It is quite clear that no concession we can make or display, however sincere, of our wish to be friendly has availed one jot to disarm the bitter hostility of those persons who are already in a thoroughly aggressive attitude."

FOUND A STILL. The Island Revenue Officers Discovered a Syrian Whisky Factory Near Peterboro. The inland revenue officers of the District of Toronto discovered an illicit still near Edgeworth, in the vicinity of Peterboro, on Saturday.

What an Evolution. It is with the recollection of many of Toronto's oldest inhabitants within the Temperance and Yonze-streets corner occupied by a tannery. The history of the several commercial evolutions through which this corner has passed is a most interesting reading, and the erection of the grand new premises—Dineen's building—there will add interest and historic significance to the evolution.

Continued on page 2. FOUND A STILL. The inland revenue officers of the District of Toronto discovered an illicit still near Edgeworth, in the vicinity of Peterboro, on Saturday.

Mr. Thomas W. Whitley, late of The World staff, has assumed the duties of editor and manager of The Dundas Star. Mr. Whitley is a clever and experienced newspaper man, and left for his new sphere of work with the best wishes of all his Toronto friends.

Dr. Burns Will Succeed Him. Dr. Macell has resigned his position in the Ontario Medical Council, and the vacancy caused thereby will probably be filled by Dr. Burns of College-street, who has already been nominated, and in the event of an election will likely be elected by a big majority.

Death of a Contractor—Mr. Sifton and His Klondike Party Ready to Start to-day—Farmers Boycotting the Ogilvie Milling Company Because the Elevator Was Not Opened Early—An Ex-M.L.A. Dead—Winnipeg News. Winnipeg, Sept. 27.—(Special.)—Word has been received here of the serious illness of A. T. Wood, M. P., of Hamilton, at Vancouver. A lad named Jordan was killed by the discharging of a gun while hunting near Wolsley. J. B. Davies, postmaster at Norman, Ont., was arrested at Pembina, N. D., while attempting to abscond with public funds.

The Catholic school at St. Francis Xavier, closed since 1890, has been reopened under the Public Schools Act. A contractor dies suddenly. J. Stanley, contractor, died suddenly at the Brunswick Hotel to-day. He was feeling well, and was found dead at noon. Cause, heart disease. Hon. Clifford Sifton arrived from Ottawa to-day and is visiting his father, To-morrow Major Walsh and party leave. Six Indians and two whites arrived to-day from Fort William, who will go as dog drivers to the party. Philip Walsh, Major Walsh's brother, will be one of the party.

Parties looking for winter accommodation should not overlook the Lake View, corner Winchester and Parliament-streets. Special terms to weekly boarders. Dinners 6 to 8 p.m. The Great remedy for toothache. Gibbons' Toothache Gum. Sold by druggists. Price 15c. Toronto Exhibition. Visitors to the exhibition should call at Bright Bros., 65 Yonge-street, and see their line of fountain pens at 75c each, complete with box and filler. When you ask for Adams' Tuffi Frutti that you get it. Some dealers obtain a big profit by selling off imitation.

STOP DUMPING SAWDUST. Sir Louis Davies Surprises the Chandler Lumbermen by a Preemptory Notice. Ottawa, Sept. 27.—The lumbermen at the Chaudiers were somewhat surprised to-day when they were notified by Sir Louis Davies that they would require to stop dumping sawdust in the river after July 1 next.

Dr. Borden has gone to Nova Scotia. Application has been made for probate of the will of the late Robert Munro, Public school teacher of this city by his brother, Andrew Munro of Morris-town, and Mr. R. H. Cawley, executors.

BRITAIN'S NAVAL POWER. A Grand Display of Strength at Hakodate Japan, in Readiness for the Annual Manoeuvres. Yokohama, Sept. 27.—The British fleet now assembled at Hakodate, Japan, for the annual manoeuvres, is perhaps the most powerful ever brought together under that flag in Eastern waters.

THE WENTER FORT QUESTION. Sir Van Horne Thinks the Government Will Not be Indifferent in the Matter. Montreal, Sept. 27.—Sir William Van Horne, who has just returned from the Maritime Provinces, was averse to discuss the question of a winter port at Wenter Fort, near Hudson Bay, as yet. C. P. R. occupied in relation to St. John and a disinclination to appear to interpose as between conflicting interests.

Did You See the Balloon? The World has received numerous reports of balloons seen floating over different sections of the country. One was seen at Vancouver on Aug. 13. A few days afterwards the President made the following strong remarks on the general question: "I don't think anything has been definitely decided upon as yet. The question is still under discussion. I can only say at this moment that it would not be the policy of the Government to allow a steamship service for the next six months. The Government will not allow anything of the kind."

Scott's Tweed Suits to order as low as \$15.00. The Aristocrat. This well-known, first-class hotel will open on and after the 14th of Sept. be available for permanent guests.

DEATHS. JEWELRY.—At 115 Agnes-street, on Sunday, Sept. 28, 1897, James Jewbury, Printer, aged 44 years.

AN AWFUL SPECTACLE. Farmer Boecker Murdered His Whole Family and Then Killed Himself. Wife and Six Children Shot for No Apparent Cause. The Family Were Prosperous Germans, and to All Appearances Lived Happily.

Carroll, Iowa, Sept. 27.—John Boecker, a farmer, living eight miles from this place, last night murdered his wife and five children and fatally wounded his 8-year-old son Henry. Afterwards the fiendish or demented man sent a bullet into his own head, inflicting a fatal wound. The family were prosperous Germans, and so far as is known lived happily.

Boecker had an engagement to help a neighbor to-day, and on the morning of the 27th he was seen putting in an appearance in his brother Henry's room to see why he did not come. The door of the house was locked and there were no signs of life about. Henry tried to get into the house, but met no response, and finally kicked the door in and came upon the horrible scene. Boecker with his wife and baby slept in a back room, and the three corpses lay on a bed. The wife had been shot in the neck with a shotgun, which stood in the corner; the baby had been shot and his head crushed with a double-barrelled rifle. The man, still breathing, had a bullet hole in his forehead, and by his side was a six-shooter with two chambers empty.

Used Gun and Revolver. Boecker used a shotgun and a revolver. He had seemingly shot his wife first, then the children, and afterwards had stretched himself beside the corpse of his wife and shot himself. His right arm had been burned by the powder, showing the rapid use of the revolver. The weapon he had borrowed from his brother Henry last February, and he wanted to kill rats in the cellar. It is now recalled that Boecker had since then practiced shooting with it. Boecker was 34 years old, and for over twenty years had lived in the neighborhood. He had been regarded as a prosperous farmer, and only recently bought a 200-acre farm a few miles from the old homestead. Yesterday he attended to his duties at Brenda, with his wife and some of the children. Later in the day he was visited by a neighbor, who says that he left the Boecker home in the evening they were seemingly a happy family, and not a premonition of the awful tragedy occurred a few hours later was given by Boecker or anyone of the household.

YELLOW JACK'S DOINGS. Increase in the Number of New Cases, But Decrease in the Death Rate. New Orleans, La., Sept. 27.—Warmer weather in the past two or three days has had the effect of increasing the number of new cases of yellow fever, but it has also had the effect of sending down the death rate. There were 23 cases on Saturday, 17 yesterday and up to half-past six to-day 21 cases. There were two deaths on Saturday, none on Sunday and two to-day.

DRUGS. Moderate winds setting in from the east to-day, fine with rising temperature to-day, fair and moderately warm to-morrow.

Fair and warmer. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Esplanade, 50-60; Kamloops, 50-58; Calgary, 45; O'Connell, 54-52; Winnipeg, 40-72; Port Arthur, 34-36; Pelly Sound, 36-54; Toronto, 37-60; Ottawa, 38-52; Montreal, 40-44; Quebec, 38-46; Halifax, 50-60. RAINFALL. Moderate winds setting in from the east to-day, fine with rising temperature to-day, fair and moderately warm to-morrow.

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