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SHIPPERS NOT SATISFIED.

A Number of Those Interested Held a Meeting Yesterday and Discussed Freight Rates.

For some time past Canadian shippers have been endeavoring to secure cheaper freight rates and better shipping facilities from the railways and ocean steamship companies. A number of concessions have been granted, but still shippers are not satisfied with the present arrangements. A number of shippers who are connected with the Canadian Manufacturers' Association held a meeting yesterday and discussed the matter. It was pointed out that the shipping facilities to Australia and other foreign ports were not of the best and that the rates were exorbitant. Efforts will be put forth whereby the Canadian Manufacturers' Association will obtain from the transportation companies special privileges in the way of shipping freight. At present Canadian manufacturers who ship goods to foreign countries, with but few exceptions, consign only small quantities. They will try to secure an arrangement that will permit them to send their shipments under one head, and thus obtain cheaper rates.

The Reception Committee of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association met yesterday afternoon, and arranged to hold their next monthly dinner in the Temple Cafe, on Thursday, 25th inst., at 6.30 p.m. The subject for discussion will be "Chemistry and Its Application to Manufacturing and Fine Arts." The principal speakers will be Prof. Lang of Toronto University and Dr. Ellis of the School of Practical Science.

Secretary Russell yesterday received a number of trade enquiries from England. A London firm will purchase as much as they can obtain of graphite, a Malta firm wants enamelled ware and a house in the Midlands wants to secure a quantity of broom handles.

Emigration From Ireland.

London, April 12.—The official report of emigration from Ireland shows that 47,107 persons left that country in 1900. This is 10.5 per thousand of the estimated population. The emigrants were equally divided between the sexes.

Governor of Bank of Spain.

Madrid, April 12.—Senor Pio Gullon has been appointed governor of the Bank of Spain.

BIG SUIT WITHDRAWN.

Settlement in Telegraph Case Privately Entered Into—An Appeal in a Damage Suit.

The big telegraph suit of Morrow et al, against the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company and the Western Union Telegraph Company, with reference to the leasing of the Montreal Telegraph Company by the G.N.W. Company, was yesterday, on consent of the parties, withdrawn from the consideration of the judges of the Court of Appeal. The court lately heard argument both against and in support of Mr. Justice Meredith's decision dismissing the plaintiff's action. Counsel for the various interested parties would not make any admissions as to the terms of the settlement privately entered into.

An Appeal Entered.

An appeal has been filed in the Court of Appeal by the Grand Trunk Railway Company from the decision of Mr. Justice Street, awarding Engineer Edmund R. Miller of East Toronto damages for injuries received in consequence of a collision with another engine. Miller was driving his engine out of Port Hope one night in October, 1899, and came into collision with a freight train.

TO INCREASE INDEMNITY.

Bill to Be Introduced in H. of C. to Raise it to $1500.

Ottawa, April 12.—An increase in the sessional indemnity from $1000 to $1500 has been definitely decided upon. Negotiations were begun some days ago between the representatives of the two parties with satisfactory results. Every Government supporter is said to be pledged to the increase, and only two or three on the Opposition side of the House will oppose it. A Liberal caucus is to be held on Tuesday next, when details will be settled. A measure authorizing the increase will be introduced during the present session, and will declare the $1500 indemnity in force from the beginning of the new Parliament.

What French Miners Demand.

Lens, France, April 12.—The Congress of French Miners, which opened here yesterday, to-day passed resolutions in favor of a minimum old age pension of two francs a day, an eight-hour labor day and a permanent minimum rate of wages.

THREE MURDEROUS BURGLARS

Shot a Householder Dead, Resisted the Police, But Were Finally Captured.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 12.—Thomas H. Kahney, a grocer, at No. 13 Albert-street, Mount Washington, about 5 o'clock this morning, was shot and almost instantly killed by burglars who were looting his house. Kahney met death while trying to rescue his wife from the robbers. Three men had entered his house and were trying to force a gag in Mrs. Kahney's mouth to prevent her from giving an alarm. Several shots were fired at Kahney with fatal effect.

After the shooting the burglars fled from the house, and have not been captured.

The murder of Kahney was reported to the police department, and this afternoon several officers came upon the three burglars on Fulton-street. Immediately the fugitives opened fire. The officers promptly returned the fire, and in the fusilade that followed "Paddy" Fitzgerald, one of Pittsburg's oldest and best known detectives, was killed, and two other officers are reported wounded. Before Fitzgerald fell he wounded his murderer and the other officers succeeded in arresting the trio and lodging them in jail.

GREAT STRIKE THREATENED.

All the Building Tradesmen of Cleveland Will Possibly Go Out With the Carpenters.

Cleveland, April 12.—As a result of the refusal of the carpenter contractors to pay their employes 32 cents an hour, a strike of all the labor unions affiliated with the Building Trades Council is threatened in this city. If the contractors employ non-union men, as they have announced they will do, it is said a general strike will be ordered, affecting many thousands of men.

Pioneer in His Line.

Chicago, April 12.—Bert Cassidy, one of the best known newspaper men and artists in the west, shot and fatally wounded himself to-day while standing in the local room of The Daily News, with which paper he was associated. Domestic troubles are believed to have caused the deed.

Cassidy was one of the first men to use chalk plates in connection with daily newspaper illustrating.

BOSTOCK MAULED.

Well-Known Animal Trainer May Lose His Left Arm—Tiger Attacked Him.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 12.—Rajah, the Bengal tiger that fatally injured one of the keepers at the Zoo in this city several months ago, after a desperate fight in the animal's cage, to-day attacked Frank C. Bostock, proprietor of the Zoo, and dangerously injured him. It is feared by the surgeons that Bostock will lose his left arm. His right leg and his face were badly lacerated.

Preparations were being made at the Zoo to ship Rajah, with several other animals, to the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, when the animal suddenly leaped upon Bostock and forced him to the floor. Bostock's left arm was torn by the tiger's fangs. The mask was broken open and the tiger was gnashing at his victim's face when a trainer drove the beast to his cage after firing several shots into his body.

JURY CONTRA TO JUDGE.

Kemptville Killing Case Results in an Acquittal, The Prisoners Charged Against.

Brockville, April 12.—In the case of the Crown v. Garrett, Dell, Gannon and Newman, charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Lancerot Banks at Kemptville early in March, the evidence for the defence was completed last night, and Sir John Boyd reserved his charge till to-day. The substance of the defence was that Banks was a man of ungovernable temper, and that when he attacked Garrett with a stake the latter tried to ward off the blow with another stake, and Banks received the blow from his own stake, from which he died. The judge charged strongly against the prisoners. The jury were out only two hours, and brought in a verdict of "not guilty."

FROST ON TRENT VALLEY.

Deputation, 65 Strong, Saw Minister Blair, But Were Not Comforted.

Ottawa, April 12.—The annual deputation from Peterboro and neighborhood, urging the importance of the Trent Valley Canal and more expedition in the construction, waited upon Hon. A. G. Blair this morning. There were some 65 gentlemen present, but they all left much aggrieved at the cavalier reception given them, and the curtness of the answer received.

FIERCE FIGHT WITH GIPSIES.

Police Make a Raid on Them, But Met With a Warm Reception.

Johnstown, Pa., April 12.—In a fierce fight on the mountains near Lilly last night between a band of gypsies and a posse of officers, one gypsy man was killed outright, a gypsy woman shot thru the shoulder, Division Foreman Tytler of Gallitzin was wounded in the mouth, and Frank Coons, his assistant, was shot thru the body. The latter is expected to die.

The gypsies had come from Blair County, where they are charged with having committed numerous thefts, and were followed by a constable, who secured assistance when he came close upon them. On the approach of the posse the gypsies broke their camp near Summit, but, seeing that escape was impossible, made a stand and opened fire.

After the fight the gypsies carried the body of their dead companion and the wounded woman to Lilly, where several of the party were arrested and put in jail.

SEVENTY CHINESE SANK.

Two Steamers Collided With Fatal Result.

London, April 12.—A special despatch from Hong Kong says two Chinese steamers came into collision yesterday between Canton and Wu Chow and that 70 Chinese were drowned.

Latest Inventions.

Charles H. Riches, patent solicitor, of the Canada Life Building, Toronto, has handed us the following list of patents issued to Canadian patentees this week: Alexander McPhee, nut locks; Adolpa Mahlity, neck-yokes; Albert Drulliard, ventilating devices; Charles Nebeling, devices for stretching fur garments; John A. Parsons, hats; John Muir, endless reels for harvester binders or reapers; Robert N. Moore, mechanical toy; John H. Houston, feed water filters; R. E. Allison, device for preventing the formation of frost on windows; Robert J. Stroud, wrenches; Louis P. Morin, hen's nest; Daniel Patriquen, improvements in hydro-carbon heaters; Walter S. Bowness, device for non-refillable bottle; Charles Bartholomew, telephone desk; Eugene Bartlett, warp rest for looms; Jared H. Beamer, fabric; Hippolyte Bergernon, means for utilizing space in crowded municipalities; Edwin Comber, lock bolt; Henry Gulline, I. E. Hutchins and A. L. Gillies, brake lock; William Jennings, tire fastener; Richard Smith, screen plate for paper making machines; Thomas Barons, jaw member for hoof cutters.

They Must Wait.

Ottawa, April 12.—His Excellency the Governor-General will attend at the Senate to-day to give assent to bills which have been passed.

Some of the Public Works officials have not been paid their salaries for two months.

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WOULD SAVE $41,480.

Statement That Amalgamation of Insurance Companies Lessens Expenses—Bill Reported.

Ottawa, April 12.—Before the Committee on Banking and Commerce this morning Mr. Z. A. Lash, K.C., explained that the amalgamation of the Manufacturers and Temperance and General Life Assurance Companies would result in a saving in annual expenses of $41,480. He stated that there were many reasons which induced the companies to amalgamate, among them the fact that the Manufacturers Life was weak in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and the Temperance was very strong in these provinces. On the other hand, the Manufacturers Company was strong in Quebec. Notice had been given to every shareholder of both companies of the proposed amalgamation.

Mr. Lash was proceeding to offer further arguments in favor of the bill, when the committee decided it was unnecessary, and the preamble was adopted unanimously.

Dr. Sproule urged that a clause be inserted providing that the annual report should include a statement showing the financial standing of the various classes or sections which receive different rates of premium. This was necessary to protect the interests of those who went into the company upon special terms, such as total abstainers.

Mr. Grier said the company was willing to give all proper information to the respective policyholders, and did not desire to be understood as refusing to give the information referred to, but no other company was compelled to publish such information in its report, and, therefore, he urged, this company should not be singled out for discrimination.

Mr. John Haggart said there was the higher question of public interest. It was desirable that the comparative longevity of total abstainers and non-abstainers should be determined. He had noticed a report recently that in New Zealand, where both systems were in operation, the total abstainers had to pay more for their insurance.

Dr. Sproule's proposal did not receive the support of the committee.

The bill was reported.

TECHNICAL SCHOOL EXAMS.

Are in Progress Until the End of This Month—Forty-Two Subjects.

The annual examinations at the Technical School are now in progress, and will continue until the end of the month. The table contains in all forty-two subjects. During the term there have been 1190 students in attendance, as compared with 1030 a year ago. The students have taken up fewer subjects and have attended fewer nights during the term now closing than formerly.

The City Council will be asked, before the next session opens, to build a floor in the large bath department, which is at present not in use. This will be done to improve the modelling department.

The absence of a library to the school is a defect which Principal McMaster suggests should be remedied. He thinks that the scientific portion of the public library should be removed to the Technical School building, where it would be still available for the limited number of people who now use it, and at the same time be of great assistance to the students.

Iron and Steel Prices Higher.

Middlesborough, Yorkshire, April 12.—The news of the improvement in the iron and steel business in the United States is influencing warrants, which are higher than since the middle of March.

Burning Baskets.

Alvinston, Ont., April 12.—James Drake's basket factory here was burned down at 3 o'clock this morning. Loss about $2000, insurance $800 in the Mercantile Insurance Company. Cause of fire unknown.

U. S. Buys More Bonds.

Washington, April 12.—The Secretary of the Treasury this afternoon purchased one million dollars' worth of short term 4 per cent. bonds at $113.55, the same price he paid for the last bonds purchased.

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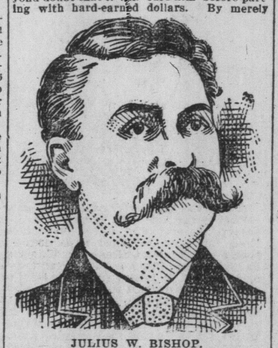

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