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NEARLY TWO HOURS LATE; SUBURBAN SERVICE WORSE TODAY THAN YESTERDAY

Business Men Get To City on Sussex Train

Some Clerks May Lcs Their Positions

Appeal to Board of Trade to Help For Justice — Passengers Last Night Carried Beyond Station and Rather Expected to Walk Back

The latest institution in suburban traffic about St. John, the suburban-freight or the freight-suburban train rolled into the Island Yard this morning at 10:40 o'clock, just one hour and thirty-five minutes late.

For the clerks and city employees who work about 8 o'clock the situation is serious, as they are threatened with loss of employment if they cannot be on hand in time.

Last evening on the C. P. R. from Sussex, G. W. Fowler, M.P., was a passenger and he was beset by a gang of wretched suburban citizens who were waiting to be taken to their homes.

There is now a movement to have the Board of Trade to visit the suburban lines in taking up their complaint.

Carried Past Station

Last evening was the first on which the Quebec express was used for the suburban stops, and the crew were not accustomed to the halts at the different stations.

Several suburban citizens who were carried beyond their stop, and it was suggested to them that they walk back—yes, that they actually walk back.

It would be only something like two miles from the next station, Kingsbury, and they could do it in good time, even though they were half an hour late for supper then. But the trio were not so easily persuaded, and the consequence was that for once the omnipotence of Gatulius was not referred to, as the train had to go back to the station to let them off.

This was somewhat different from the experience of a young Terryburn girl who was carried past her station one night last week and had to walk back late in the evening.

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FEARED ALL BUT ELEVEN WENT DOWN WITH STEAMER IN WATERS OF BAY OF BISCAI

Bremen, Germany, Feb. 24—A fragmentary wireless message from the German steamer Widenfels, reports that she rescued a passenger, the second engineer and eight men and a boy from the Danish steamer Elapitika, when she sank in the Bay of Biscay yesterday.

The captain of the Elapitika perished, but the message does not mention the rest of her complement. It is assumed they went down with the ship.

Montreal Land Inquiry Ended

Montreal, Feb. 24—After sitting for six months, holding seventy-five sessions and examining more than 1,000 witnesses, the civic land inquiry closed yesterday. Judge Fortin's decision is expected within a month.

Phelps and Pierdman WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, H. F. Stephens, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—The cold wave is drawing to the southward and beginning to moderate, the general outlook being now more favorable for a moderation in the waning cold weather.

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Stop Thieving From C. P. R., Says Judge

In County Court it is Stated That Since July \$29,000 Has Been Paid by Railway For Goods Stolen — Travis Case Again—Italian to Dorchester

The February term of the St. John County Court opened this morning, His Honor Judge Forbes presiding.

There was quite a lengthy criminal docket, but the civil docket was small. There were no civil jury cases.

In addressing the grand jury His Honor commented upon the numerous cases of theft from the C. P. R. He said that he had been told by the chief official of that corporation here that since last July they have paid \$29,000 for goods stolen in this division, and were paying \$1,100 a month for private detective services.

He told the grand jury to lay a firm hand on such thieves. "Something must be done to stop these water rats from thieving from the people who come here to do business," His Honor also spoke generally of the large criminal docket, which he attributed to two causes, scarcity of labor, and a large number of foreigners being in the city.

The docket was as follows: Criminal. The King vs. Joseph P. J. King, theft; E. P. Raymond appeared for the defence. The King vs. W. P. McFarlane, arson; L. A. Conlon for the defence.

The King vs. Robert Ross and Annie Breen, offence against morals; E. S. Ritchie for the defence.

The King vs. Simon Landry, robbery. Civil Cases—Non Jury. Carland & Regan vs. Wilson. Ross vs. New Brunswick Construction Co., Ltd. Both of these records are filed by Baxter & Logan, and the cases were fixed for hearing on Saturday morning.

Two Years for Italian

Giuseppe Bombaci pleaded guilty to breaking and entering, and stealing from Alexander Paterson's store in Main street, and was sentenced to two years in the Penitentiary with hard labor.

FOUND ASLEEP IN COTTAGE, CAMPBELL CHARGED WITH VAGRANCY

Joseph Campbell was given in charge of the police yesterday on a charge of being a common vagrant. He was given in charge by David Hargrove, commissioner.

Mr. J. Dean, of Musquash, said that he found that a window in a cottage owned by him in Musquash had been broken and that upon investigation he found that the house, which was closed for a few days, had been entered and the prisoner was in one of the beds.

AMERICAN VICE-CONSUL HERE JOINS THE RANKS OF BENEDICTS TODAY

An event of much interest in St. John will take place at a quarter to five o'clock this afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Culver, 58 Elbow Hill, when Lewis C. Thompson of Norfolk, Va., American vice-consul for St. John, will be married to Miss Dorothy C. Carson, daughter of Samuel Carson of New York. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. J. J. McCaskill, pastor of St. Matthew's Presbyterian church, in the presence of relatives and friends.

The bride will be gowned in taupe duvetyne with hat to match. After the ceremony a wedding supper will be served. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson will leave on a honeymoon trip to Quebec. They will reside in St. John for the present. They have been the recipients of many very nice presents of cut glass, silver, etc., testifying to the esteem in which they are held.

Among the out of town relatives who are in the city to be present at the wedding are the bride's sister, Miss Mary Hale Carson, of West Virginia, and her brother, Philip T. Carson, of Cornell University.

Decision in the Becker appeal in New York was expected today.

WOMEN VOTING IN CHICAGO, THOUSANDS OF THEM, FOR THE FIRST TIME TODAY

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 24—Women voters of Chicago cast their first ballot today at the primary election for the nomination of aldermanic candidates.

As candidates, as voters and as election officials, they played an important part in the election, the first in this city since the passage of the qualified suffrage act by the last legislature.

Registered Letters Are Stolen From The Mail

Chatham Youth Is Placed Under Arrest

BAG RIPPED AND SEWED UP

Something More Than \$200 in All Said to Have Been Taken — Older Associates Said To Have Helped Him To Have "a Good Time"

A matter of serious import in postal affairs is now being dealt with by the department at Ottawa after an investigation conducted by the local post office inspector, Doctor Collier, to whom a report was presented by Alexander Thompson, assistant post-office inspector concerning those cases.

As a result of Mr. Thompson's investigations, Everett Lewis, a young man of Chatham, is now in custody in the jail here on one of the gravest charges in the criminal code, ripping open government mail bags and stealing registered mail.

Young Lewis has been committed for trial. More than \$200 is thought to have been stolen, though by Mr. Thompson the lad said that he did not know exactly how much he had taken.

He had been promised to the thief, he said, by older associates who had helped him spend the money in having "a good time." Lewis was in the employ of W. J. Groat, as driver of the Chatham-Bay du Vin stage, and according to a confession which he is said to have made to the assistant inspector, he ripped open the mail bags entrusted to his keeping, took out registered letters and with a needle and some thread brought about a country store on Cape, sewed up the opening made.

The registered matter was reported missing in 190 in one case and \$11 in another, and the affair was at once brought to the attention of Dr. Collier. Mr. Thompson was sent to Chatham to investigate. The boy was arrested and is now awaiting trial at Chatham. The postmaster at Ottawa has instructed full proceedings to be taken in the case.

IN INTERESTS OF IRISH LANGUAGE AND SONG

Officials of Gaelic League Reach New York For Lecture Tour of United States and Canada

New York, Feb. 24—Thomas Ashe and Dairmaid Lynch, officials of the Gaelic League, are expected to arrive here for a tour of the country in the interest of the league. Their plans include a lecture tour of the United States and Canada which probably will occupy a year.

The primary object, Mr. Lynch said, is to interest their countrymen in the restoration of the Irish language to general use in Ireland. At present it is taught in the National University in Dublin but the league wishes to bring about its introduction into all the schools of the country. If home rule wins in Ireland, Mr. Lynch said, it is expected largely in the hands of the Irish, and it is to be able to take advantage of the present condition that the league is making the present campaign.

In addition to restoring the Irish language the Gaelic league hopes to carry the work further and will strive to revive the old Irish costumes; also customs to such an extent that the Irish will be considered a distinct and separate people with individuality of its own.

L. C. MacNUTT HEADS THE FREDERICTON S. P. C.

Re-organization Meeting Held Last Night—St. John Officers There

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 24—The Fredericton branch of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty was formed last night at a meeting in the city council chamber at which Mayor Hooper presided. Officers were elected as follows: President, L. C. MacNutt; vice-president, Miss Jeannette Beverley; secretary-treasurer, H. E. Harrison; members of the executive are to be selected later by the officers. An agent is also to be appointed.

There were addresses by local people interested in the re-organization of the branch, and also by a delegation from the St. John branch, composed of President R. W. W. Frink, Secretary S. M. Wetmore, Hon. John E. Wilson and George Haman.

The executive of the Liberal-Conservative Association of York yesterday was reorganized and the following elected: President, Wm. J. Scott, Fredericton; vice-president, Coun. H. A. Smith, Douglas; secretary, Percy A. Guthrie, M. L. A.

Hon. H. F. McLeod, M. P., left last evening for Ottawa. He has declined an invitation to be a speaker at the annual dinner of the Canadian Camp Club in New York this week.

The British steamships Sackem and Riverside, ashore near Norfolk, N. Y., are in a dangerous position. The Sackem's crew, however, are still remaining on board.

Deported Labor Leaders Would Not Leave Ship

Men Who Were Sent Out of South Africa

LATER CHANGED MINDS

Reached London Today and Decision Would Upset Plans For Demonstration Which Had Been Arranged For Them—"Pressed on to Vessel Without Consent," Says Secretary

(Canadian Press) Gravesend, Eng., Feb. 24—Nine of the ten labor leaders deported from South Africa on the S. S. Ungeni on January 27, after the general strike had been broken by the government, declared their intention of refusing to leave the vessel when she arrived here today. They said they would remain on board until the steamer returned to South Africa.

Mr. Bain, general secretary of the trades federation of South Africa, acting as spokesman for his fellow exiles, said: "We were pressed on to this vessel against our consent. We do not intend to leave it until we land again in South Africa."

Arthur Henderson, a labor M. P., and other British labor leaders went out on a tug to meet the steamer, but the captain of the Ungeni refused to allow any on board. A conference was therefore impossible, and both parties contented themselves for the moment with singing "The Red Flag."

Secretary Bain handed over the side of the Ungeni to Mr. Henderson a long statement recounting the events which had led up to the deportation. He declared that hundreds of people had been arrested indiscriminately during the strike for no crime whatever. The leaders, he asserted, surrendered only in order to avoid bloodshed when a military officer had threatened to attack the labor men in Johannesburg.

Welcome Had Been Planned

The refusal of the deported men to leave the Ungeni had not been anticipated here. The labor M. P.'s had arranged a great welcome, including a complimentary dinner in the dining-rooms of the House of Commons, and demonstrations at the opera house and in Hyde Park.

The Ungeni proceeded up the Thames to one of the docks where any further steps were taken in connection with the landing of the men.

A general strike of all trades in the Union of South Africa was declared on January 18, and Premier Botha's government responded to it with the proclamation of martial law calling more than 100,000 men to the colors. There were some disorders in Johannesburg and Pretoria but, after a few days, the strike collapsed, and on January 27 the leaders of the movement were taken secretly on board the Ungeni for transportation to England.

LATER

Gravesend, Eng., Feb. 24—After a long party with Arthur Henderson and Charles Bowdler, the exiles from South Africa revoked their decision and landed at Gravesend.

WHITNEY'S PROPOSED CALL ON SIR GEO. ROSS FORBIDDEN AS SENATOR IS TOO WEAK

Toronto, Feb. 24—Sir James Whitney is recovering so rapidly that yesterday he requested permission to pay a visit to his old political opponent, Sir George Ross, who lies ill in a suite across the hall from the premier's apartments in the General Hospital.

The request, on account of Sir George's weak condition, was refused. It is not yet decided when Sir James will be taken home. Sir George Ross has improved somewhat, although he is still very ill.

President Huerta of Mexico proposes to raise a war fund by putting an export duty on coffee.

Take Your Shopping Seriously

It takes judgment to make the family purse do its full measure of service in these days of high prices.

The wise woman takes her shopping seriously and spends her money carefully.

She seeks the best advice she can get, and nine times out of ten she finds it in the advertising columns of live newspapers like The Telegraph and Times.

She reads the advertising daily and keeps posted on what the stores are showing. If some fortunate turn in the market presents an unusual opportunity she is ready to take advantage of it.

She markets as carefully and with as much knowledge of the situation as her husband would show if he were buying a piece of real estate.

Advertising is a business education to the modern woman. It is her ready reference book.

She verifies the statements made in print from time to time and she soon becomes an expert on what's What and Who's Who.

They Will Re-Make Political Map of Canada

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E.M. MACDONALD LIB.

HON. H.S. BELAND CON. LIB.

HON. ROBY ROGERS CONSERVATIVE LIB.

R. BENNETT CON. LIB.

HON. J.P. PARDEE CON. LIB.

Other Side Still To Reach Washington

Manchurian Guardian Says if England is Not Responsible Then United States is — Trying to Make Benton Out a Mexican

Washington, Feb. Dec. 24—A cabinet meeting today afforded President Wilson an opportunity to talk over with his official advisers the latest information about the execution of William S. Benton, a British subject in Chatham, N. S., on his life by Benton.

Before the meeting a half hour was set aside by the president for a conference with Secretary Bryan, who wanted to present more details on the Benton episode, as received in over-night despatches.

Believe Villa for Present at Least

Much interest was manifested in a published interview with General Villa at Chihuahua in which he recited again the story of what he alleges was an attempt on his life by Benton. Thus far the state department, it is known, has received no authentic evidence tending to refute Villa's version of the affair.

Though some doubt as to the manner in which Benton was killed may exist in official circles, unless positive evidence is presented, countering Villa's statement, it is now quite certain the American government will not reject his story.

One direct effect of the incident, it is admitted generally here, will be a manifestation of some kind by the United States to the Constitutionalists to show their foreigners may be given ample protection. It is suggested in some quarters that the American government may seek to reach an understanding with Villa through consular officers whereby

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DIVORCE GRANTED IN FENWICK CASE

Waring and Kane Cases to Be Heard in St. John—Nine in All

(Special to Times) Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 24—Divorce was granted by Judge McKeown this morning in the suit of Alberta Amelia Fenwick vs. G. Burton Fenwick. His Honor made no reference to alimony as a mutual arrangement is now being made.

The cases of Sarah Frances Ross vs. Robert Ross, Wheaton vs. Wheaton, and Tower vs. Tower, will go over till the next term. The Ross case is a new one. G. Earle Logan of St. John is acting for the plaintiff.

The case of Danery vs. Danery is set down for 11 a.m. on Thursday. The case of Waring vs. Waring is set down for 9 p.m. on Saturday at St. John.

The case of Kane vs. Kane is set down for trial in St. John at a date to be fixed.

In the case of Thos. Henry Belyea vs. Annie Mina Belyea, Marvin L. Hayward appeared for the plaintiff, who went on stand. The case was adjourned for further evidence.

In the case of Marion M. Lunney vs. George W. Lunney, R. B. Hanson appeared for the plaintiff. Evidence was given by the plaintiff, Deputy Provincial Secretary Tibbitts and Doctor Hay, of Chatham. Statutory grounds are alleged. The plaintiff resides in Minto and the defendant in Toronto. The court considers.

Police Court

Mabel Boyne pleaded guilty in the police court today to the charge of being drunk in the L. C. R. depot yesterday. She said that she intended going out of the city and had her trunk at the depot. The magistrate said "You are not charged with having your trunk at the station, you are charged with being drunk and are liable to two months in jail for that and with nine months hanging over you, you have no one to blame but yourself if you are sent in for eleven months. You were allowed to go on condition that you turn over a new leaf and no one yet has ever accomplished that by drinking rum." She was remanded.

A man arrested in Brussels street last evening charged with drunkenness, pleaded guilty and was fined \$8 or two months in jail.

Policeman Armstrong, who assisted in making the arrest, was asked by the court if he knew where the man had obtained the liquor. The policeman said he did not know, as the man had been found drunk in the street. The prisoner then offered to tell the court where he got the liquor and said it was the first time he had been before the police court. He was sent to jail for two months.

It was said that the man is a sailor.

Roumanian Queen Operated On

New York, Feb. 24—A London cable to the Herald says that Queen Elisabeth of Roumania underwent a successful operation for cataract on her left eye yesterday. Her condition is normal.