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ONE CENT

WEATHER

Winds falling to light and moderate and becoming variable. Fine today and on Tuesday, not much change in temperature.

KING EDWARD TO GET LARGEST DIAMOND

The Transvaal Government to Make Fine Present

VALUED AT \$5,000,000

Botha Will Ask His Government to Buy the Famous Cullinan Diamond for the King—Greater Than Koh-i-noor.

PRETORIA, Transvaal Colony, Aug. 18.—Premier Botha has announced that he will introduce a resolution in parliament for the purchase by the government of the Transvaal of the Cullinan diamond, the largest in the world, as a present to King Edward, in token of the loyalty and appreciation of the people of the Transvaal of the bestowal of a constitution on the colony.

The Cullinan diamond has been valued at \$5,000,000.

The famous gem was found in the Premier Mine not many months ago by Fred Wells, the superintendent of the mine. He saw it shining on the wall of the excavation and dug it out with a pocket knife. The stone weighs 3,024 carats, about 134 pounds, and measures 4 by 2 1/2 by 1 1/2 inches.

In addition to forming a godsend for the average man, the stone is of the purest color.

It has been said that its value is too great to admit of its being the possession of any private individual. At the same time there has been reluctance among its owners to gift it to the government.

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RUSSIA MAKING QUIET REPAIRS

Czar's Dominion is Doing Its Best to Strengthen Position in the East.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 18.—Russia is gradually, but most thoroughly rearranging her military dispositions and fortified bases in the far east as a result of the late war, according to late mail advices from that quarter of the globe. Formerly Harbin was the centre of the defensive system of Siberia but the displacement of the Russians on the Liaoning peninsula by the Japanese, and the occupancy by the latter of the important spurs from the trans-Siberian Railroad running southward to Dalny has made the existing Russian lines of defense unusable, particularly in the only great Pacific seaport, Vladivostok, endangered so far as concerns the line of the communication with Siberia and Russia overland.

Therefore, according to these advices the Russian have removed their military base back into Siberia, as far as is possible, as the great town of Irkutsk which is to be extensively fortified with the town of Chita as an advance station. To carry out the plan for the improvement of communications of Vladivostok, it will be necessary to construct another line of railroad to connect Chita with that fortified seaport, which in the Russian plans is eventually to be made even more important than Port Arthur was supposed to be. This railway will be located in the valley of the Amur River, running as far westward as Khabarovsk, where it is to connect with the Ussuri Railway.

China is also bestirring herself to repair the ravages wrought by her army and navy by the war with Japan more than ten years ago.

THE CHEQUE WAS MERELY A JOKE

U. S. Treasury Gets "Standard Oil" Cheque for Amount of Big Fine.

Washington, Aug. 17.—When a clerk in the Treasury opened a letter postmarked Toledo, Ohio, yesterday, he caught his breath, nearly fainted, looked again and dashed with it to Acting Secretary Reynolds. He looked at it and then to the clerk who had brought it.

It contained a cheque, made payable to the United States Treasury, and purporting to pay the fine of \$25,000,000 levied on the Standard Oil Company by Judge Landis in Chicago.

The cheque was signed "The Standard Oil Company, per J. D. Rockefeller," and was drawn on the Second National Bank of Toledo.

A newspaper man sent the story first in a matter of fact way to his paper, which immediately wired back.

"Is the cheque genuine? Believe here it is," he asked.

"You're right. I'm not a humorist," he sorrowfully replied.

Several weeks ago the Standard collected \$7 from a representative of the Interior Department for damage to an oil drum. The Auditor of the Treasury directed the company to prove its claim or return the money. The Standard replied today that rather than fuss with the Government, it would refund the meagre \$7.

The announcement amazed the Auditor's office, that it has not recovered sufficiently to take steps to collect the money.

MOTOR BOATS BEING BUILT IN ST. JOHN

James Fleming & Sons Have Turned Out Some Splendid Boats.

That many fine motor boats are being turned out right here in St. John may not be generally known. Messrs. James Fleming & Sons, have just completed a pretty launch, 16 feet long, with a nine foot beam. The boat is fitted with Messrs. Fleming's Essex engine and is 20-horse-power. The natty craft is for Thomas Foley of the Miramichi Hotel, Newcastle. It is fitted up in excellent style. The cabin, which is beautifully finished, is commodious and sleeping apartments for a party. The boat will be shipped to Newcastle today. This firm lately shipped a boat of about the same size to Norman Beveridge of Chatham, and a large engine for a big boat of Neil Nelson, a Dalhousie pilot. Then dozens of smaller engines have been built for fishermen throughout the maritime provinces. In fact so great has the demand been on the firm that they have been unable to handle all orders.

OBITUARY

MARTIN CONE, CALAIS.

CALAIS, Aug. 17.—Martin Cone, one of the best known turfmen in this section of the state and proprietor of Cone's heavy stable, died at noon on Thursday at his home on Washington street, death resulting from the inroads of a cancerous growth in the throat. Mr. Cone has been failing in health for upwards of a year and during the past winter underwent a serious operation in a Boston hospital in hope of gaining relief from the malady which had fastened upon him, but the relief was only temporary and it was realized by his family and friends that the end was approaching. Mr. Cone was a veteran of the Civil War and was one of the best known turfmen doing business on the St. Croix. He was upright and honorable in all his dealings and had a large circle of acquaintances throughout the state. He is survived by a widow, son and daughter.

WILLIAM J. WELLS.
Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Wells, of Kingsville, will learn with regret of the death of their little son, William J. Wells, which occurred at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon after a brief illness. Besides his parents he is survived by two brothers. The funeral will be held at 3:30 tomorrow afternoon and interment will be made in Cedar Hill. Death is attributed to bronchitis.

BUYING THEIR COAL ON CREDIT

Government Will Assist Westerners to Get Coal Supply Now for Fear of Famine Later.

Regina, Aug. 18.—The Department of Agriculture has issued a statement setting forth the arrangements made by the government with the mine-owners, with a view of inducing dealers and householders to stock up with fuel for the coming winter. Some time ago, it states, the Alberta Railway & Irrigation Co., which sells Alberta coal, mined at Lethbridge, offered to supply coal to agents, freight prepaid, and wait till December for payment. The Commissioner of Agriculture has since received replies from a number of other large coal companies, who expressed a willingness to make practically the same or even more liberal terms. This arrangement, it must be confessed, adds the Government, is in the nature of an encouragement of the credit system, which has already been declared by the government to be a condition existing this year amply justified, it is held, being taken on behalf of the people to obtain concessions from the several coal companies operating in the province.

The severe experience of western people during last winter established the fact that the only reliable safeguard against a probable fuel shortage in the prairie country is that the people should buy in their winter fuel supply during the summer and autumn months. The situation at present is such that if the railway companies supply the required rolling stock, which they have promised to do, every facility will be afforded the people of Saskatchewan to purchase their winter's supply of fuel. Retailers throughout the Province who have not ordered a sufficient supply of coal to meet their requirements should at once do so, and consumers will greatly assist in the movement if they will buy at least a portion of the coal they are likely to require, and remove it from the dealers' sheds, to provide space for further shipments. Moreover, the dealers themselves should assist in the movement of coal by promptly unloading cars, there by keeping them in circulation.

THE HARTLAND FIRE

Montreal Paper Says Sensational Evidence Was Brought Out at Enquiry.

A St. John despatch to the Montreal Star, under date of Aug. 16, says—"In the Hartland fire investigation, Lorne McNally, now under arrest, denies all knowledge of the fire, and says he saw nothing of it until awakened by his room mate, Dell Boone, the fire started in the Thornton drug store.

Mrs. A. A. Tracy, the owner of the building, swore that Mr. Thornton rented the store from her for a general store. On hearing that he was running a drug store, she had been advised, under the name of Temperance Act, she gave him notice to vacate the store on July 1st, but had extended the time to August 1st, at his request.

W. D. Keith testified that before the fire Mr. Thornton asked him whether he (Keith) would rebuild if he were burned out, and that on another occasion in Keith's store he asked whether he (Keith) was well insured, and on his replying that he was not, that Thornton said he had better be insured, "as the whole thing would go up in smoke some day."

The case of Hatfield vs. the White Candy Co. resumed in the police court today, when the White Candy Co. was fined two dollars.

Among the callers at the police court today was a man who complained that his landlord was holding his clothes for non-payment of board, which the plaintiff alleges was settled. The case comes up on Wednesday.

THE LAST OF HIS LINE

Felipe Ydos is the Only Pulajane Chieftain Now at Large in the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, August 19.—Pulajanes has been eradicated in the Island of Leyte for the first time, it is said since the American occupation, according to advices received at the war department. The last of his line, Felipe Ydos, is said to have three or four followers still at large.

A SERVICE IN ESPERANTO

LONDON, Aug. 19.—A service in Esperanto was given in St. Clement's Danes Church in the Strand Sunday. A big congregation was in attendance, including many of the delegates to the Esperanto Congress, which has just concluded its sessions at Cambridge.

H. C. Johnston, of the Canadian Detective Bureau arrived in the city today on the Montreal express with twenty-five detectives who will leave here on the harvesters' excursion to the west and keep many members of the party in check. They are stopping at the Grand Union Hotel.

BETTING ON A SURE THING.

Mr. Peter Binks was in a prophetic mood this morning, and also disposed to bet upon a sure thing.

"I'll bet you a big apple," he said to the editor of the paper, "that the city council, having had a squabble the day the governor general arrived here, will have another one about paying the bills."

The new reporter replied that he was prepared for anything, and resigned to it. "You do well," said Mr. Binks, "I admit that ordinarily we should be prepared for anything; but I have a premonition that in this case there will be a different result. The council will not pay the bills. You see this is not a matter of contract or extras, or had damages, or even an asseptic tank, or anything about wood side works. Therefore an organized scrutiny of the bill for toothpicks is as certain as that the Ludlow will need more repairs as soon as the present work on her is paid for."

A GIANT VISITOR FROM THE SKIES

Huge Meteor Plunges Into the Sea Near Long Island

MUCH DAMAGE DONE

It Caused a Small Flood Which Carried Away Bathing Pavilions, and Fishermen's Huts and Ruined Much Property.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—The World today says: At six o'clock last evening an immense meteor, apparently about 75 feet in circumference, fell into the sea about a mile off the Amagansett, L. I. life saving station. First a roar was heard and an instant later a great stream of fire seemed to come down from the clouds and plunged into the sea in the wake of the water with a noise as of a mighty boiler letting off steam. Great waves rolled in upon the beach. Part of the bathing pavilion was washed away along with it several fishermen's huts. Much damage was done to property abutting the water front. Some persons thought the strange incident marked the end of the world. Even old fishermen, used as they are to facing death at sea, were terrified and did not for a long time quit their boats. Capt. George B. Smith, in command of a vessel at St. Pierre, when Mont Pelee blew its top, declared nothing had ever frightened him so much except the Mont Pelee disaster. The meteor apparently fell vertically. From the time the noise was first heard until it plunged into the sea was probably three quarters of a minute. Hundreds of dead fish were found on the beach, and many were gathered by boys and peddled by them.

CANADIAN CLUB LUNCHEON

Several members of the executive of the Canadian Club were asked by the Times this morning about the luncheon at the club, which was held yesterday.

A reply to a letter in today's Telegraph concerning them very severely for the poor catering at the luncheon at which Earl Grey was present. They were not denied to enter into a controversy with an anonymous writer.

It may be stated, however, in connection with the luncheon, that the White Catering Co. declined to undertake the task on the ground that they had all their hands full of getting satisfactory service for the luncheon at the club, and could not secure a sufficient skilled help. This reduced the number of caterers to those from the second place, a very large number of members of the club ignored the offer of the executive to secure their tickets in advance, so that the caterer could tell how many he would have to serve. Furthermore, the caterer had pledged himself to provide an ample number of waiters, and was not prepared to have one called at any time. The constitution makes provision for the annual meeting, and the method by which orders may be called. As a matter of fact, the rapid growth in membership of the club, and they had already considered the question of calling a general meeting to get the views of all the members on this matter. In such a meeting, however, if any mind were thrown, they would know who was throwing it.

WESTERN WHEAT CROP

Winnipeg, Aug. 17.—The C. P. R. crop report reports favorable weather and crops coming along splendidly.

Oscar McLean, crop expert, says the wheat crop in the west is 95,000,000 bushels of wheat. Weather, he says, is ideal for ripening.

POLICE COURT

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PROBATE COURT

In the probate court this morning accounts were passed in the estate of Thos. Smith, Geo. O. Oddy for the administrator, and B. L. Gerow for one of the heirs.

Accounts were also passed in the estate of Margaret McBride, L. P. D. Tilley for the administratrix, and J. H. A. L. Fairweather for one of the heirs.

An alarm from Box 145 at about noon today was for the north end apparatus for a slight fire on the roof of a small building on the Long Wharf. It was quickly extinguished with little or no damage.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

has spent much of her time writing her impressions, and fixing in her memory the exact spot where the Earl's daughter stood when some memorable remark was made. It was a great day in Birdie's calendar, and her memory is good.

There was a swell dinner for Grey But the seats were not placed the right way.

When he showed him the plan hurried home to his closet to pray.

Word has been received from Woodstock that the editors of the Press and Sentinel have been implored to hold up for a spell, lest they exhaust all the political epithets in the dictionary before the elections are brought on, and thus be able to do no more than make faces at each other when the polls are opened.

WON A DINNER BY HIS SERMON

Cleveland Preacher Pleases Rockefeller and Gets Himself Invited to the Oil King's Table.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—According to a despatch to the Tribune from Cleveland Ohio, John B. Rockefeller was invited to contribute \$100,000,000 to the cause of evangelism yesterday. Shortly after hearing the invitation made from the pulpit of the Euclid Avenue Baptist church by the Rev. Courland Meyers, of New York, Rockefeller gripped the preacher's hand cordially and invited him to Forest Hill to dinner. Mr. Meyers in his sermon attacked newspapers, charging them with responsibility for the impression that present day conditions, economic as well as sociological, are rapidly assuming a crisis which might cause revolution. Incidentally he praised Mr. Rockefeller's recent utterance, in which he pleaded for "fair play" for his corporations. Mr. Meyers added his own appeal for a square deal and predicting that "the present attitude of misrepresentation, misunderstanding and criticism cannot longer be endured."

HIS SILENCE COST HIM \$8

Daniel Collins Fined That Sum For Not Giving An Account of Himself to the Police When Found on Sheffield Street.

Daniel Collins, who was arrested by Patrolman Hughes between twelve and one o'clock this morning for wandering about Sheffield street and being unable to give a satisfactory account of himself to the police, learned a lesson that cost him \$8. When asked by the officer what he was doing in that locality at such an hour, Collins replied that he was a newspaper man and thought he had a perfect right to be on the public streets at any hour he liked without being obliged to answer to the police authorities. Patrolman Hughes thought differently, however, and escorted him to the central police station.

In court this morning Collins said that he had not frequented any of the Sheffield street houses and was simply taking an airing. He had only recently procured an artificial limb and was not able to get along very quickly. Patrolman Hughes stated that he had been told that the defendant had been frequenting houses in the locality referred to during the past week and had spent all of Saturday and Sunday in such places. A bank book found in his possession showed he had \$400 in his credit in the savings department of one of the local banks and that he had drawn \$25 on Saturday last. This was the only money he had drawn from the bank since June 17th last. The prisoner declared he had not spent this in Sheffield street houses, but had used it to pay bills. He had \$4 in cash when arrested.

Collins was allowed to go to the bank and draw sufficient money to pay his fine. Amalia France, who was reported by Patrolman Hughes for using profane and obscene language on Sheffield street, during the small hours of Sunday morning, refused to appear in court, and a warrant was issued against her this morning.

Among those who called at the police court this morning was a colored girl, who asked that a warrant be issued for the arrest of Billy Burns, who she alleges assaulted her in the street. The girl says that she was walking along quietly last night when Burns called her aside, and, after using unseemly language, caught her by the hair and attempted to force her to answer the charge on Wednesday morning.

Charles Patterson, who several months ago was sent in for a term of imprisonment for figuring in a Sheffield street case, was in court this morning on a charge of drunkenness, for which he was fined \$8 or two months.

Gilbert Lauchner, Frank Nowlin, Wm. Curvell and James Harrigan, were fined \$8 each, for drunkenness on Saturday. William H. Hopkins has troubles of his own. Not only has he been reported for using profane and obscene language on the West Side, but information has been laid against him for selling cigarettes to a minor, Murray Campbell.

UNWRITTEN LAW AGAIN

Chicago Woman Kills a Man Who Broke Up Her Home—She Has Escaped.

CHICAGO, Aug. 19.—Because she believed he had caused her husband to leave her and broken up her home by circulating malicious stories, Mrs. Berget Ansolino shot and killed a man named Felipe yesterday in an alley in the rear of her home.

Mrs. Ansolino escaped and has not been arrested. According to the story told by neighbors, the woman acted in defense of her reputation and it was their belief that she will not be punished.

AN OUTGROWTH OF COAL STRIKE

Unable to Get Coal at Springhill, C. P. R. Will Bring It From Philadelphia.

Tug Springhill, Captain Cook, sailed today for Philadelphia with empty coal barges No. 6 and 7 in tow. The barges will return loaded with soft coal for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, to fill the orders of the Dominion Coal Company with the C. P. R.

The strike on the Springhill Mines has caused a shortage of coal at Springhill, and the barges have gone to Philadelphia to bring a supply here for the C. P. R.

CAPTURED BY BLOODHOUNDS

YOUNGSTON, Ohio, Aug. 19.—A tramp who assaulted Alma Whitehead, the 19-year old daughter of Rev. J. M. Whitehead, of Turnersville, Pa., Saturday night, was run down by bloodhounds from Warren, Ohio, and captured shortly after midnight yesterday in a swamp near Wick, Ashbula County. He was taken to the Meadville Pa Jail.

BIG ONTARIO APPLE CROP

Cobourg, Aug. 16.—P. J. Carey, Dominion fruit inspector, reports the apple crop generally good, and says fruit is of exceptionally good quality, as far as present indications show. The great bulk of the crop has already been purchased by the local dealers at prices that should leave a handsome profit to the growers. Fred Purdy, of Murray township, sold his apple crop for \$600. Mr. Coffey, of Liddystone, Haldimand township, has sold his orchard, it is said, for \$800. It looks as if the apple output of Northumberland county would be a record one.

A merry yachting party left Millidgeville Saturday afternoon for Fredericton in the yacht Windward. The party was composed of Capt. Thos. E. Powers, Harry Simmons, Jack Stephenson, Harry Young, Wm. G. Macdonald, Misses Edna, Helen and Annie Powers of this city, and Miss Hazel Gimmer of St. Andrews. They will spend about a week on the river.

VICE-REGAL PARTY HERE AGAIN TODAY

They Passed Through From St. Andrew's at Noon

MET BY MAYOR SEARS

Their Excellencies Will Visit P. E. Island and Will Leave for Ottawa on Saturday—Much Pleased With Their Trip.

St. John again had the honor of having the governor-general and party in the city for a few minutes today. Their Excellencies the Earl and Countess Grey, Lady Sybil and Lady Evelyn Grey, with their party arrived in the city on the noon train shortly after twelve o'clock in the private cars Cornwall and York and the sleeping car Colombo. A special train was made up here and the party went on to Point du Chene where they will take the steamer for Prince Edward Island, making a brief visit to Charlottetown. From there they will go to Ottawa on Saturday. Mayor Sears was at the depot to greet their Excellencies, and presented to the governor-general a copy of the history of Trinity Church, and Lawrence's Footprints.

Their Excellencies alighted from the train and walked about the town about which waiting for his train to be made up. He chatted for a few minutes with Wm. Downie, general superintendent of the C. P. R., and others. He told of having spent a delightful time at St. Andrews, where they had warm, balmy weather for the two days.

The Countess Grey is slightly indisposed today. She caught cold while on her trip through the province.

SPANIARDS ARE NOT TAKING THEIR PART

Spanish Soldiers Are Leaving in Casablanca While French Troops Are Worn Out From Constant Work.

PARIS, Aug. 19.—The Figaro's Casablanca correspondent says—"The surprise of all, the Spanish contingent returned to the city after simply making a reconnaissance of the ground allotted them. They announced that they would repeat the reconnaissance the next day and there would decide what they would do. There is much indignation at the attitude of the Spanish troops, who do nothing but stroll about the city, while the French soldiers are worn out from constant work."

M. Malpertuis, the French consul here, has received a number of emissaries of the tribesmen who hinted that several of their tribes are ready to submit to the French if they are met in the right spirit."

THE NEW LOOP OPENED TODAY

First Car Sent Around New West End Loop by Street Railway Company.

The southern loop of the street car service on the west side was opened for traffic this morning, the first car being sent around the loop at 9:20 o'clock. Among the passengers to make the initial trip were Alderman Baxter, G. S. Mayes, H. A. Brown, chief clerk of the St. John Railway, and a number of other officials and west side citizens, as well as a number of small boys.

The route lies along Lansemeier street, through Queen Square, down Queen Union street and back. A twenty minute service will be given. The first car this morning blew out a few fuses, but otherwise everything went along all right.

AFTER THE SOUTH POLE

French Antarctic Explorer Will Go South Again in 1908.

PARIS, Aug. 19.—Dr. Jean Charcot, who headed the French Antarctic expedition of 1903 on board the steamer Francais, announced that he is organizing another expedition and hopes to start in July 1908 in an attempt to discover the South Pole.

P. E. ISLAND NEWS

A rather unusual visitor to a jewelry store, and almost as out of place as a bull in a china shop, was a colt owned by Dr. Jenkins, which on Saturday night wandered into G. F. Hutcheson's store on Commercial street, and caused some excitement among the customers there gathered. As there was no room to turn the animal around without risk of damage it was evicted by the back door and went home apparently quite satisfied with its visit.

The Charlottetown Foundry has been engaged putting together the large steel girders which are to be used for supporting the roof of the new railway car building shop now in course of construction. These girders are rather complicated affairs being made of a number of different sections of steel which have to be riveted together. This work has been ingeniously done by means of a tool made by Mr. Healey. There are twelve of these large girders, each of which weighs three tons.—Charlottetown Guardian.

LATE PERSONALS

Mrs. Donald White, of Moncton, and Mrs. Everett Keith and son, of Sussex, who were the guests of Dr. E. N. Keith of Harvey, returned home on Saturday.

L. P. D. Tilley returned home today on the Montreal express. Col. H. H. McLean returned today from his visit to Montreal. Miss Hoyt, millinery buyer for M. R. A. Ltd. returned today from a visit to New York.

Thomas Alexander, New York stock market operator for D. C. Clinch, and Mrs. Alexander, have gone to Dorchester, N. B. on a well earned vacation of two weeks.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Robert Austin took place this afternoon at 2:30 from his late residence Rodney street, west end. Rev. Jacob Heaney officiated and interment was in Cedar Hill cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Cullinan was held this afternoon at 2:30 from her son's law's residence, Peters street. Prayers for the dead were said at the Cathedral. The funeral of Mrs. Rachel Gilbert was held this morning at 11 o'clock from her late residence, 68 Union street. Burial was in the Jewish Mt. Fernhill.

