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ACCIDENT AT SAND POINT. Frank Lee, stevedore for the Manchester line, met with a very painful accident this morning while working on the steamer Evangeline, loading at Carleton.

mind jumped to one side warning others to "look out." The barrel fell a distance of some fifteen feet, struck the deck in the hold and bounced in the direction of Mr. Lee.

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JAP COMMANDERS

Will Sink Any Colliers Found With Russian Squadron.

Admiral Togo Again On The Move-- Big Russian Army on the Fighting Line.

TOKIO, Feb. 14, 3 p. m.—Manchurian Headquarters reporting today says: "The Russians shelled and twice attacked Waitao Mountain on Sunday, Feb. 12, but were repulsed."

Small forces of Russian infantry attacked Lapatal and Haanamaan on Monday, Feb. 13, but were repulsed.

The Russians continued to construct entrenchments in the neighborhood of Helkoutai.

TOKIO, Feb. 14.—Reports from Liao Yang place the total Russian force between the Shaike River and Harbin at 400,000, of which 200,000 are on the fighting line.

Later estimates of the Russian losses at Helkoutai place the number at 25,000. TOKIO, Feb. 14, 10 a. m.—In discussing a report that colliers had refused to accompany the second Russian Pacific squadron on its way north a member of the Japanese naval staff said today: "Our commanders will fire and sink any colliers found in company with the Russian warships, regardless of their nationality."

Vice Admiral Togo departed from Kure Feb. 13, his destination being kept secret. It is presumed, however, that he is proceeding south.

WRIGHT CLOSE

Both Sides Claim the Seat, Pending Full Returns.

McDougal is Confident While Devlin's Friends Assert He Will Have Over 100 Majority

(Special to the Star.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—Owing to stormy weather full returns of Wright election may not be in today. The contest is so close that results will be uncertain till all are received.

Mr. McDougal himself is confident that he is elected. His private returns give him 73 majority with three places to hear from.

Devlin's friends are equally confident. Their figures give the liberal candidate 100 majority and further returns they claim will increase it.

A NARROW ESCAPE

Youngster Almost Under the Wheels of an Electric Car.

What might have been a very serious accident occurred this morning near the North End police station. Edward McKelvey was running along the street on his way to school and when passing a car he slipped and went under narrowly escaping the rear wheels. The young lad caught the scraper and thus avoided going under the wheels. When he was being taken to the hospital he carried off he kicked vigorously and was allowed to walk. The conductor of the car wanted to get his name and started with notes to look to get it. McKelvey seeing him coming decided that it was for no friendly purpose and he scampered off to St. Patrick's school as fast as he could.

FIFTY CAR LOADS OF FROST BITTEN ORANGES.

There have been no advices from the other side for three weeks as to the prices of Valencia oranges so that the dealers on this side of the water are satisfied that the frosts were even more disastrous than at first reported. Fifty-one cars of frost bitten oranges have been sold within a week in Boston and the dealers who had fruit purchased and in transit before the frost set in are now getting good prices. Oranges when frost bitten turn bitter if in no other way they show the result of the damage.

HALIFAX TRAIN LATE AS USUAL

The Halifax train, due here at 6:25 a. m., is expected this afternoon. At twelve o'clock she was in the vicinity of Dorchester, blocked by a special snow train which was unable to get out of the way. Just two weeks ago the Halifax train was blocked nine hours at Salt Springs by a freight engine, which was lying in the middle of the track, having run off at a switch. Another severe storm will block the I. C. R. between here and Halifax. The Boston and Montreal trains were about two hours late.

To my customers and the public in general—I take this opportunity of thanking you, one and all, for your liberal patronage to me in the past and solicit a continuance of the same, as I intend to continue the business as usual at 266 and 268 Union street. Yours respectfully, Mrs. John F. Lawson.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

WANTED—By young lady, position as cashier or saleslady in store, or office work. One willing to learn. Address A. M. A., Star office.

PARLIAMENT OPENED BY KING EDWARD.

Brilliant Royal Procession From Buckingham Palace--The Populace Cheered All Along The Route.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—The sixth session of the first parliament of his reign was opened this afternoon by King Edward with all the historic pageantry which has marked the ceremony since his accession. The sovereign himself read the speech from the throne to the assembled lords and commons in the upper chamber. The document was commonplace. The only reference to the war which His Majesty said "unhappily continues," was to announce that "my government has been careful to observe in the strictest manner the obligations incumbent upon a neutral power."

The longest paragraph, devoted to the Balkans, says the situation continues to give cause for anxiety. The measures adopted at the instance of the Austro-Russian governments have been instrumental in bringing about some amelioration in the state of the disturbed districts but "these measures have still to be supplemented by radical reforms especially of the financial system before any permanent improvements can be effected in the administration of these provinces of the Turkish empire."

LONDON, Feb. 14.—More than usual interest attaches to today's opening of parliament as the belief is practically universal that it will be the last session of the present parliament. Even should the government escape defeat it is thought that Premier Balfour will voluntarily dissolve parliament in the autumn and take the option of the country on the fiscal and other questions now agitating the electorate.

Good weather favored today's session, which followed the procedure of former occasions. Big crowds were about from an early hour watching the assembling of the troops, which lined the brief route from Buckingham Palace to the House of Lords. The usual interest was shown in the time-honored search of the vaults beneath the house of parliament by the yeomen of the guard with their lanterns and halberds.

LOUBET TO RESIGN

Before Expiration of His Seven Year Term, Twelve Months Hence.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—A Paris despatch to the Herald says: President Loubet will resign office before the expiration of his seven year term, which ends on Feb. 15, 1905. His reason for this step is that the triennial renewal of the senate and the general election for members of the chamber of deputies will take place next year, and parliament will not meet until the close of 1905. Consequently to avoid the election of a president by new members he will resign in time for his successor to be elected by the present chambers, reunited in national assembly in the parliament of Versailles according to the constitution.

ON THE HOG

A Tale of a Porker, a Pig-sticker and a Small Boy.

He was properly on the hog—he was very young, so perhaps the fastidious can forgive him and hope that when he reaches man's estate he will shine among his fellow men and never be called a hog or to be in that condition best described by that noxious slang expression "on the hog."

WINTER TRIP NOTES

There are no C. P. R. steamers in port at present. The first due is the S. S. Montreal, which should arrive here from Bristol on the 16th. The S. S. Lake Champlain will follow, being due on the 18th. She comes from Liverpool. The S. S. Mount Temple, of the London-Antwerp service, is expected on the 23rd with a large passenger list and a big general cargo.

RICHIBUCTO NEWS

RICHIBUCTO, Feb. 13.—The death of Edward Walker, the well known lumberman of Bass River, occurred on Friday afternoon. The deceased was aged eighty-four. He leaves one son, John, and one daughter, Mrs. Hodge, residing in Ontario. The funeral took place at Bass River, Rev. Mr. Townsend (Presbyterian) conducting the services at the house and grave. The country is completely piled up with snow. The storms of last week were heavy.

WHITE'S DISMISSAL

The Fredericton Station Agent Was Inefficient.

Minister Was Therefore Constrained to Cut Off His Head--Gave His Staff a Free Hand.

(Special to the Star.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—The return moved for by Mr. Crockett setting forth the cause for the dismissal of O. White, station agent at Fredericton, has been brought down.

Mr. Emmerson in his letter to Mr. White says: "On the report of the officials of the road as to your inefficiency and the necessity of having a better qualified man at Fredericton, I was constrained to give orders to your being set aside. I have reprimanded the officials for the manner in which the affairs of the I. C. R. at Fredericton were being conducted, and their answer was that they could not be held accountable in view of the want of qualification on the part of some of the officials. I hold them responsible for results and must give them a free hand in the choice of officers to do their work."

ADMIRALTY COURT

Cumberland Coal and Railway Co. vs. St. John Pilotage Commission.

The trial of the case of the Cumberland Coal and Railway Company, of Parrsboro, N. S., against the St. John Pilotage Commission, was resumed this morning before Judge McLeod in the admiralty court after an adjournment of some weeks.

This is an action for the refunding of pilotage fees amounting to \$15,850.03 paid to the pilotage commission by the plaintiff company on the barges arriving and departing from this port since 1893. The ground is taken that the barges are not sailing vessels and consequently should be exempt from pilotage fees. The defence is endeavoring to prove that the barges come within the statutory description of sailing vessels.

Joseph A. Lively, agent for the Cumberland Coal and Railway Company, gave some important testimony. He said he had been agent for the company since the adoption of barges in 1893. These barges were towed by tugs and were provided with no means of self-propulsion. They did not have masts but were provided with derricks for the loading and discharging of coal. Occasionally two small sails, called leg-of-mutton sails, were used, but these did not propel the barges but were used merely as a means of steadying in a strong wind. They might assist the barge a little if the wind was very strong.

James U. Thomas, of the pilotage commission gave a statement of the fees paid. Since May 4, 1903, the fees have been withheld to the extent of \$735.

The case is an important one to the shipping world. The defence is endeavoring to make out that the plaintiff company have by their acts all along regarded their barges as sailing vessels and registered them as sailing vessels. The plaintiff company contend that they protested against the payment of fees.

H. H. McLean appears for the plaintiff company and C. N. Skinner and C. J. Coster for the pilotage commission.

The funeral of the late Mrs. P. McLaughlin took place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from 16 St. Patrick street. The service at the Cathedral was conducted by the Rev. Father Coughlan. Interment was in the Old Catholic cemetery.

IMPORTANT CASE

Heard By Mr. Justice Barker in Chambers.

The case of Gault Brothers, Ltd., of Montreal vs. Morrell & Sutherland, dry goodsmen, of this city, was heard by Judge Barker in chambers this morning. The main question involved was the dissolving of an injunction obtained recently against Morrell & Sutherland, restraining them from assigning for the benefit of their creditors generally.

In 1898 the plaintiffs and defendants entered into an agreement by which the plaintiffs agreed to supply the defendants with dry goods. Subsequently the defendants purchased stock from other concerns with, as they claim, the consent and approval of the plaintiffs. A short time ago a representative of Gault Brothers came to the city and demanded possession of the stock and book debts of the defendants, claiming them on the strength of the agreement. The defendants declined to give over possession on the ground that to do so would be dealing unfairly with the other creditors, from whom they had made purchases with the consent and approval of the plaintiffs, but at the same time the defendants offered to make an assignment for the benefit of all their creditors, or to give possession of their stock to Gault Brothers, provided they would pay the other creditors a pro rata percentage. It appears that Gault Brothers did not take this offer.

Messrs. Hainington, Teed and Hainington for Gault Brothers, obtained a few days ago an injunction restraining the defendants from assigning for the benefit of all creditors.

This morning Dr. Allen O. Earle asked for a postponement which was granted to next Thursday. J. King Kelly represented creditors of the defendants.

The case of Wright Mason, master mariner, of England, against the ship St. Helena, was heard this morning by Judge McLeod. This is an action for wages due and disbursements made, amounting to \$3,642. The ship was arrested some days ago at the port.

Argument was heard on the sufficiency of the affidavit of the plaintiff, C. J. Coster, for the plaintiff and H. H. McKeown, contra. Judgment was reserved.

THE WEATHER

Forecasts—High westerly winds and very cold tonight and Wednesday. Synopsis—The general outlook is very cold and stormy. Temperature is below zero throughout Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba. Highest temperature during past 24 hours, 38. Lowest temperature during past 24 hours, 4. Temperature at noon, 10.

The sleigh drive which was to have been held by the Y. M. C. A. on Thursday evening has been indefinitely postponed.

FURS!

The present is a good time to buy FURS—three months of fur wearing weather yet to come, and there is enough saved on the price to make it an inducement. For instance, I have about twenty BLACK MARTIN BOATS, ranging in price from \$5.50 to \$30.00. Which will be sold at

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By AUCTION. I am instructed by Messrs. Wm. Dunlop & Sons to sell at store, 12 Sydney street, Wednesday morning, Feb. 15th, at ten o'clock. Groceries, Seeds, Corn, Tea, 1 Silver Moon Stove, 1 Office Stove, 1 Fire-proof Combination Safe, 1 Desk, 2 Office Chairs, 2 Trucks, 3 Counter Scales, 2 Platform Scales, 1 Butter Refrigerator, Tea and Coffee Canisters, 2 Horses, Sleds and Harness, at 2:30. W. S. POTTS, Auctioneer. Phone 291.

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