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HERE REGARDING NEW C. P. R. BRIDGE

Dominion Government Officials at City Hall Meeting

Shipping Men Stand Out for Raising of Height to Highway Arch Level—Inspection of Bridge Site Being Made This Afternoon.

Colonel C. N. Monsarrat, chief engineer of the Canadian Railway Commission, and E. D. Lafleur, chief engineer of the dominion public works department, both of Ottawa, and John R. Fairburn, chief engineer, and P. B. Motley, chief bridge engineer, both of the C. P. R. headquarters, Montreal, were in the city today in connection with the proposal to raise the height of the new C. P. R. bridge now being constructed across the St. John river at the reversing falls. This morning they attended a conference at city hall at which the city commissioners, representatives of the local shipping concerns and local C. P. R. officials were present and the reasons for which the shipping men asked for increased head-room were gone over again. The bridge site is being visited this afternoon.

Others present at the conference were Mayor Schofield, who presided, Commissioners Bullock, Thornton, Jones and Frink; Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, K.C., the city solicitor; G. G. Hare, the city engineer; A. J. Gray, engineer in charge of St. John harbor for the public works department; C. C. Kirby, resident engineer, C. P. R.; Colonel P. M. Draper, engineer in charge of the bridge construction and J. Willard Smith, Allan H. McIntyre, F. C. Beatteay, R. H. Cushing, Geo. S. Cushing and R. C. Elkin.

The mayor opened the matter by saying that it had been thoroughly discussed on previous occasions with the railway commission, but the representatives of the public works department were here to look into the matter and he asked Mr. Lafleur if he could say how it stood at present.

Seek for Information.

Mr. Lafleur said he was here to get information and a decision could not be given until the matter had been weighed thoroughly.

Dr. Baxter explained that after the case was submitted to the railway commission the city was instructed to take it up with the public works department and he had written the department about the matter. He asked Mr. Beatteay to explain the situation for the shipping men.

Mr. Beatteay said it was important to get the larger vessels, which are now being built, to the mills above the falls. If the new railway bridge was put to the height of the new highway bridge, this would obviate lightering at a cost of $2 to $250 a thousand. He said there were many millions of feet of lumber stored above the falls.

To Colonel Montsaratt, he said that the vessels usually went up light. The spars ranged from eighty-eight to ninety-one above the water line. These could go through at twenty-five feet on either side of the centre of the highway arch, which was 91.6 high.

More Large Vessels.

George Cushing said that it was in the interests of the city as well as the ship owners and manufacturers to have the new bridge as high as possible, as eighty-five per cent. of the vessels being built ranged from 400 to 500 tons, having spars about ninety feet high.

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SUSSEX MAN IS ONE OF DIRECTORS

Annual Meeting of Canadian Swine Association—Statement of Packers' Case.

Toronto, Feb. 8—As a result of the board of commerce having fixed the price for hog products during the first part of last year, and the British food ministry the export price, the hog business was disastrous last year from the packers point of view. So S. Todd, of Toronto, a representative of the packers' interests, told delegates to the annual meeting of the Canadian Swine Association here yesterday. He said the packers had lost money through selling to the British ministry in the last year. He added that close co-operation between the producers and the packers was necessary if the industry was to continue.

Resolutions were passed asking the dominion government to regulate by legislation the inspection and sale of vaccine, serums, cure-alls, etc., offered to and used by the live stock industry and opposing the high freight rates as they affected this industry.

Officers elected include J. F. Roach of Sussex, N. B., as a director.

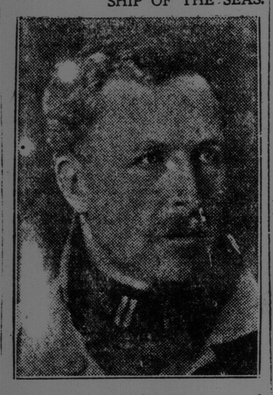
AGAINST A LEVY ON CAPITAL IN BRITAIN

London, Feb. 8—Sir Robert S. Horne, president of the board of trade, speaking at Sheffield last night, said that the gravity of unemployment and depressed trade could not be exaggerated, but there were slight signs of a revival of trade and a few months might bring a considerable change. A levy on capital, he declared, would paralyze trade and bring disaster on the country.

QUEBEC'S LIQUOR BILL.

Quebec, Feb. 8—It was announced in the legislature yesterday that the liquor bill will be ready for distribution this afternoon.

YACHTING CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SEAS.



King Albert of Belgium, who has offered a cup for an international trans-Atlantic race to be sailed next summer. His purpose is to encourage wholesome deep-sea yachting. The race will be open to sailing yachts of all nations.

EARTH OPENED AND SWALLOWED MANY

Missionary's Letter Describes Fearful Conditions After Earthquake in China.

Toronto, Feb. 8—In a letter from G. W. Gibb, secretary of the mission in Shanghai, by A. E. Brownlee, secretary of the China inland mission, this city, it is stated that in the recent earthquake in China whole towns were swallowed; hills collapsed; big valleys opened up and hundreds of human beings engulfed; black water gushed from the ground, and whole caravans of camels disappeared in the earthquake openings. Mission property suffered, but so far as was known all the missionaries were safe.

TO HELP VETERANS OF GREAT WAR.

Major C. Power, M. P., Quebec South, who has filed a motion in the House of Commons to effect better opportunities for disabled men to obtain insurance.

BRITAIN'S DEBT TO UNITED STATES

London Post Says Remission of it Would be Derogatory to National Honor.

London, Feb. 8.—Newspapers here give great prominence to discussions of the address of Austen Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer in the course of which he declared that the United States had intimated that proposals for the remission of the Allied debt would not be favorably received.

The Morning Post says:—"This country, an essential element of whose national policy is maintenance of most cordial relations with America, does not intend to allow them to become imperilled by indefinite postponement of the repayment of its debt to the United States. The nation would regard any suggestion relative to remission of this debt as derogatory to national honor."

Referring to recent suggestions regarding the transfer of a British colony to the United States, the newspaper says:—"That expedient is out of the question. The British people would never countenance it and the sooner the government takes the requisite steps to fund the American debt the better. Regarding the debts owed to Great Britain their cancellation would confer the greatest possible benefit upon Europe and would prove the highest possible service to civilization."

SWISS BAR LEAGUE OF NATIONS FORCE

Refuse to Let Armed Body Cross Country on Way to Vilna.

Berne, Feb. 8—The Swiss federal council yesterday refused permission to cross Switzerland to the armed forces being sent by the League of Nations to Vilna to maintain order during the forthcoming plebiscite to determine the sovereignty of the region.

JACK BRITTON HAS FOUGHT 432 TIMES

He is Oldest Holder of Ring Championship

English Cricket Team Defeats Victoria Eleven — Sandy Staples Finally Chosen to Referee Wednesday's Game

New York, Feb. 8—Jack Britton, world's welterweight boxing champion, fought the 432nd battle of his career last night when he successfully defended his title against Ted "Kid" Lewis, of England. Today he said, "I'm not through yet." Since he entered the boxing game eighteen years ago he has averaged twenty-four ring encounters a year. Britton has passed his 37th year and is the oldest holder of a ring championship.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 8.—Everett McGowan, St. Paul professional skater, today was on his way to Winnipeg to meet Norval Baptie of Philadelphia in a series of races on Thursday. McGowan recently defeated Baptie in four races here.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 8.—A special despatch to the Gleaner from Chatham says:—"The executive of the Chatham hockey club have decided that there will be no appeal to the executive of the N. B. H. L. from the order of President J. D. Black that the Fredericton-Chatham game of Jan. 26th be replayed on neutral ice. There is, however, a feeling that Moncton would be a better place than Bathurst for the re-playing of the game because a larger attendance would result. However, Chatham fans do not expect the game will have to be replayed at all. They feel confident that even without "Shorty" Veno the Chatham club will win at Campbellton tomorrow night and thus clinch the Chestnut cup for the second successive year."

Melbourne, Feb. 8—(By Canadian Press)—The English cricket team today defeated Victoria by seven wickets.

Fredericton, Feb. 8.—Sandy Staples of this city, has been finally named as referee of the N. B. H. L. game tomorrow night when Chatham and Campbellton will play in Campbellton.

K. C. DEGREE FOR A LARGE CLASS

Knights in Large Numbers See An Excellent Exemplification.

More than three hundred members of the local council, Knights of Columbus, were present last evening in their hall in Coburg street for an exemplification of the third degree to about seventy-five candidates. Amongst the visiting members were A. A. Gardiner, district deputy of St. Lambert; J. O'Brien, Thomas McCarthy, J. Foley, L. Danis, John McCaffrey and Dr. J. M. Donnelly, of Montreal; Thomas Murphy of Ottawa, and J. F. Gallagher, Jr., of Woodstock, N. B.

The degree was exemplified in fine manner and those officiating were heartily congratulated on the excellence of the work. Assisting were State Deputy W. P. Broderick, Grand Knight E. J. Henneberry, and others of the local council officers.

FOR MT. ALLISON

Monday's Report From Zone Which Includes St. John Show $27,284.

Monday's report from the Mount Allison Campaign for zone No. 2 shows the sum of $27,284 for the Sackville institution.

Group No. 11, with centre in Sussex, W. D. Turner leader, reported $500.

Group No. 12, Hampton, J. E. Angevine, leader, reported $255.

The report from Group No. 13, St. John, R. T. Hayes leader, showed: Queen Square, $2,572; Centenary, $19,257; Zion, $37; Fairville, $150.

Group No. 14, Fredericton, R. B. Hanson, $1,000.

Group No. 15, Woodstock, L. E. Young, $2,242.

Group No. 16, Hartland, C. S. Baker, $1,271.

PLEADS FOR STRONGER AND BETTER CANADA.

John F. McKay of the Canadian Commisison of Conservation, who declares that unless the duties of citizenship are impressed upon the people of Canada democracy may perish.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "for quite a number of years I have been getting myself disliked. I have annoyed people. I have been a faddist. I have been crying for the moon. I have quarreled with my friends and received bumps from people who did not want to be disturbed. I have refused to lie down. I have lost sleep thinking out plans to make other people sit up. And every now and then I have heard something about myself that made me wonder if it would not be better to drift with the stream and let the world go hang. It would be so much easier. I was feeling that way the other day when I received a letter. I wish I could read it to you, Hiram. It was from somebody who had faith in me. What do you know about that? Do you remember how you felt when you were a boy and the teacher put a hand on your head and said a kind word? I felt that way. My wounds of the spirit were healed, and, I was ready to go out like Don Quixote and tilt another windmill."

"Mister," said Hiram, "the lonesomest men on God's airth is the ones that aint satisified with things as they be. An' yit I guess we need 'em. It's human to want to feel that somebody knows what you're doin' an' hes a kind feelin' fer you—but you don't want to git too human along that line. After all, the reel test of a feller's grit is when his back's to the wall, an' there aint no bouquets in sight.—yes, sir."

"I know," said the reporter, "and I wish I were not so human. I guess it is a weakness in my make up."

"Well," said Hiram, "as long as it aint vanity it aint so awful bad."

MOTHER OF ONTARIO LIBERAL LEADER.

Mrs. E. H. Dewart, widow of a Methodist preacher, who has just celebrated her ninetieth birthday. One of her sons is Hartley Dewart, M. P. P., Ontario Liberal Leader.

MANY OF AMSTERDAM'S DIAMOND WORKERS IDLE.

Amsterdam, Feb. 8.—Nearly 8,000 of the 10,000 members of the diamond workers union here are idle and the bottom seems to have fallen out of the world's diamond market. Experts in precious stones in this city and in Antwerp say an era of financial stringency has supplanted the epoch of free spending to such an extent that precious stones have become a drug on the market, although prices are being maintained.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 8—Opening: Wheat—March, $1.53; May $1.43¾. Corn—May, 65⅛; July, 67⅛. Oats—May, 42⅛; July, 42⅞.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—The depression which was in British Columbia is now central in Manitoba, while pressure has become higher in Ontario and Quebec. A few local snowfalls have occurred in the vicinity of Lakes Erie and Ontario. Otherwise fair weather has prevailed in the dominion, attended by mild conditions in the western provinces.

Fair and Cold.

Maritime—Moderate northerly winds; fair and cold today and on Wednesday.

Northern New England—Fair tonight. Wednesday unsettled and slightly warmer; probably snow or rain; fresh northeast and east winds.

Toronto, Feb. 8—Temperatures:

	8 a.m.	Highest yesterday.	Lowest during night.
Prince Rupert	40	44	40
Victoria	42	55	42
Kamloops	34	44	34
Calgary	36	50	28
Edmonton	28	48	28
Prince Albert	30	28	26
Winnipeg	20	22	18
White River	14	26	14
Sault Ste Marie	6	32	6
Toronto	21	32	21
Kingston	18	28	18
Ottawa	14	22	4
Montreal	18	20	18
Quebec	4	20	4
St. John, N.B.	6	26	6
Halifax	8	20	6
St. Johns, Nfld.	22	30	18
Detroit	28	32	28
New York	32	42	32

NEW PHASE OF THE MOONEY CASE

Perjured Testimony at Trial is Alleged

Counsel in New York Declares Statement Made by a Witness That There Was Frame-up for Explosion Trial.

New York, Feb. 8.—Frank P. Walsh, of counsel for Thomas J. Mooney, convicted of murder in San Francisco in connection with the preparedness day bomb explosion in 1916, early today telegraphed San Francisco authorities apprising them of an alleged confirmation by one of the witnesses in the case that he had given perjured testimony at the trial. A special grand jury now is investigating an alleged conspiracy to convict Mooney.

The witness named by Mr. Walsh was John McDonald, now a resident of Trenton, N. J., with whom Mr. Walsh had a long conference last night. According to Mr. Walsh, McDonald declared in an affidavit covering thirteen typewritten pages that the case against Mooney was a "frame up."

"McDonald swore in his confession," Mr. Walsh said, "that he could not identify Mooney as the man he had seen with a suit case prior to the explosion, although he identified Mooney during the trial. He said that District Attorney Fickert, San Francisco prosecutor, had forced him to make the identification."

McDonald is also alleged to have said he was coached with other witnesses in testimony to be given. He asserted he fixed the time of seeing the suit case dropped at 1.50 o'clock, in the Billings trial. In the Mooney trial, he said that at the instance of Assistant-Attorney R. Edward Cunham, "he changed the time to 1.30 o'clock in order to break Mooney's alibi."

Nine persons were killed in the explosion. Mooney was sentenced to death and Billings to life imprisonment. After every appeal from the sentence had failed, President Wilson interceded in Mooney's behalf and the sentence was commuted to life imprisonment.

LOCAL NEWS

MAYOR WANTS ADDRESS.

The mayor received a letter this morning from a citizen enclosing $25 for the soup kitchen. The mayor said today he would like to have the donor's address.

INSPECTION VISIT.

A. C. Barker, superintendent of the C. N. R., St. John and Springhill districts, arrived in the city this afternoon in his working car, which was attached to the Maritime Express. He is here on an inspection trip.

PARKYN-CARVILL.

At 5.30 this morning in the Cathedral, Rev. W. M. Duke, with nuptial mass, united in marriage Miss Margaret Lucinda, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Carvill Carvill Hall, and Eng. Lieut.-Commander Charles G. Parkyn of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. The bride, who was unattended, was becomingly attired in a gown of dark blue trimmed with black braid and wore a close fitting hat of apple green. Mr. and Mrs. Parkyn left on the early morning train for Montreal, Winnipeg, Regina, Moosejaw and Saskatoon. They will reside in the latter city. With her going away costume the bride wore a handsome corsage bouquet of violets centred with a rose.

POLICE COURT.

The words of the song, "The Morning After the Night Before" were quoted by the magistrate when he stepped to the bench in the police court this morning and gazed upon a trio of inebriates arrested during the night. "Take them below out of my sight," was the order of the magistrate, "they smell none too good, look none too good and they must feel fine." One man was charged with being drunk and also using abusive language to C. N. R. Policeman Bardon, who gave evidence. He pleaded guilty to the first charge but said he did not know anything about the other. He was remanded.

George H. Brooks, was charged with stealing upwards of $100 from his employer, H. Stearn, of the Purity Ice Cream Company, in last September. He pleaded not guilty and was remanded until this afternoon. He was arrested last night by Detective Saunders.

A case against Ronald Taylor, James Walsh and John McPherson, seamen on the S.S. Hochelaga, charged with hitting Inspector Caples and Policemen Corner and Orr with lumps of coal, was resumed yesterday and the accused were allowed to go on payment of a fine of $20 each.

Two men charged with drunkenness pleaded guilty and were remanded to jail.

REPORTED PLAN OF THE GREEKS TO ATTACK TURKS

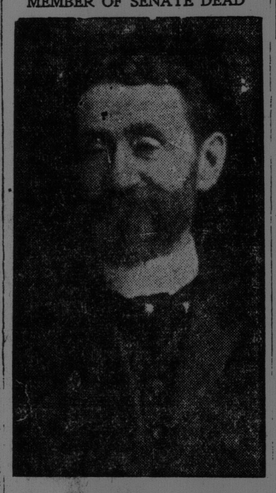
Rome, Feb. 8. — Seventy thousand Greek troops are being organized for a great offensive in Asia Minor, so it is reported here from Smyrna. The Turkish Nationalists are preparing to meet the offensive, and say they will be able to offer a stubborn resistance.

THE STEAMSHIPS.

A radio was received yesterday from the C. P. O. S. liner Pretorian saying that she was 230 miles east of Sable Island, and expected to reach this port on Wednesday evening. She is coming from Glasgow and has eighty-five cabin and 111 steerage passengers.

The C. P. O. S. liner Metagama is due to sail tomorrow for Liverpool with 175 cabin and 300 third class.

MEMBER OF SENATE DEAD



Hon. Peter McSweeney, well-known among parliamentarians, business and professional men of Canada, who died in Moncton recently.

N. S. DRUGGIST IS FINED $500

Warning by Dominion Health Department About Selling of Narcotics.

Ottawa, Feb. 8.—The dominion department of health is continuing its campaign against the illegal selling of drugs, S. N. Wears, a druggist of Bridgetown, N. S., was found guilty of selling morphine on forged prescriptions, by Magistrate McKay of Annapolis, N. S., on the fifth inst, and fined $500. The finding will be of great interest to druggists throughout Canada as it established the responsibility of druggists in the sale of narcotic drugs.

A statement issued by the department of health yesterday contained the warning that the department "intends to make an example of all druggists who are found guilty of furnishing narcotics illegally.

APPOINTMENT URGED.

Bri.-Gen. W. A. Griesback, M. P., who is reported as a possibility as secretary of state for Canada in succession to the late Hon. A. L. Sifton. His name has been recommended to Hon. Mr. Meighen.

EFFORT TO BREAK ALBANY STRIKE

Car Guarded by Mounted and Auto Police in Albany — Troy Breakers Up Against Snag.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 8.—Heavily guarded by mounted police and patrolmen in autos, the first car to be operated by the United Traction Co. since its employes went on strike a week ago last Saturday left the North Albany car barns this morning amid a crowd of more than 100 jeering men. The car, manned by strike breakers, was nearly filled with company guards. The car windows were screened.

The company began operations today upon order of the Public Service Commission with men imported from New York city. An offer by the company to take back their former employes with seniority rights restored was not accepted by the men. The company refused to pay more than forty-five cents an hour, a cut of 25 per cent. It was this reduction which caused the strike.

Troy, N. Y., Feb. 8. — Two strike-breakers, working on an emergency wagon, repairing a trolley in the north end of Troy today, got into an altercation with a traffic policeman, and one of them attacked the policeman with a wrench. Both strike-breakers were "beaten up" by the policeman. The two men were taken to a hospital, and a third, who ran away, was afterwards arrested.

SOME RETURNS FROM ELECTION LIKELY LATE

Cape Town, South Africa, Feb. 8.—The elections take place simultaneously in all the constituencies throughout the union, but the returns from some of the outlying districts may be delayed.

LIBERAL WINS BY MORE THAN 1,300

Burnham and Campbell Tie for Third Place

What Some of Canada's Newspapers Think About Blow Which Government Received in By-Election.

Peterboro, Ont., Feb. 8.—Peterboro is slowly waking up to the fact that there has been a local political upheaval. Belated returns this morning increased G. N. Gordon's lead to more than 1,300. The official report of the returning officer will not be available until Friday of this week.

With one poll of about thirty votes to hear from the standing is now:

Gordon	4,165
Denne	2,844
Burnham	2,497
Campbell	2,497
McMurray	1,001

The result ties Burnham and Campbell for third place.

Ottawa, Feb. 8.—The West Peterboro result was received in government circles with obvious disappointment and considerable surprise. Although the contest was looked upon as being of doubtful outcome, with the probability of a keen run for first place between Mr Gordon, the successful Liberal candidate, and Mr. Denne, the government nominee, it was not expected, however, that Mr. Gordon would have so large a majority. The defeat of the government nominee is attributed to the comparatively heavy poll recorded for Mr. Burnham. The by-election is the second which the Meighen administration has lost out of five by-elections held since the administration assumed office. Two other constituencies are vacant: Yamaska, in Quebec; York-Sunbury, N. B.

The Toronto Mail and Empire says: "The Liberal candidate, Mr. Gordon, has been elected in West Peterboro. For this success he is indebted to the division of the Conservatives. The total vote polled for the two Conservatives was about 1,000 greater than the vote polled for the Liberal. It must be cheering to Mr. King to have won a seat in an English-speaking riding in one of the numerous by-elections that have been held since he took his place as Liberal leader in the House."

Halifax Chronicle—The verdict in West Peterboro is not only a grim disappointment; it is smashing defeat for the government and following its drastic reverse in East Elgin, it may well prove disasterous. At all events, it is unmistakable evidence that Ontario has ceased to be a Conservative stronghold, and the government has not won popular confidence. The West Peterboro victory, one of the most significent in the history of Canada, politics is of good omen to Liberals.

The Toronto World says:—"The result in West Peterboro is a distinct personal victory for G. N. Gordon. It is also a victory for the Liberal opposition, it is however, a victory that may be magnified far beyond its deserts, for it will be observed that the Conservative vote was almost equally divided between Roland Denne the government candidate and J. H. Burnham, independent Conservative. Denne and Burnham between them polled a much larger vote than did Mr. Gordon. For all that the Peterboro by-election is a black eye for the government, the government displayed poor judgment in running a second Conservative candidate. Burnham, who was first in the field, could have been returned by acclamation, and he would have given independents support to the government. However, post mortems are of no avail unless profit is derived from what they disclose."

The Fredericton Gleaner says: "The result in West Peterboro will be pleasing to the Liberals, who have not been making a good showing of late. It will be found that the government lost the seat through a division in its own ranks which presented two candidates who fatally split the party vote. Denne, the government candidate, and Burnham, the Independent Conservative, between them polled a vote much larger than that of the Liberal candidate. But as the public are apt to accept the result very often quite regardless of the suggestions in the analysis of the conditions under which an election is run, the Liberals will make the best of the election of Mr. Gordon. It cannot be said that the result was unexpected, certainly not by those who closely watched the progress of the campaign and who were aware of the personal strength of the Independent Conservative, nor will those who view the situation accurately accept the election of G. N. Gordon under such circumstances as a serious blow at the government or at the policy of the government."

DAYS OVERDUE ON RUN FROM TEXAS TO BOSTON

New York, Feb. 8.—The tank steamer Hewitt, with a crew of forty-two men and a cargo of sulphus, from Sabine, Texas, for Boston, is now nine days overdue, the Union Sulphur Co., owners of the ship, said here yesterday.

JUDGMENT THIS WEEK IN MARRIAGE CASE

London, Feb. 8—(Canadian Associated Press)—The privy council is expected to deliver judgment in the Despatie-Tremblay Quebec marriage case on Friday of this week.

TIGHT SHOE CAUSES DEATH

London, Feb. 8.—A blister on the heel, caused by wearing a shoe which was too tight has caused the death of Doris May Parkinson, a young Ealing woman. The injury resulted in blood poisoning, which proved fatal.

RAN AWAY WITH NEGRO

Quebec, Feb. 8—A girl from Montreal, name unknown, who had fled with a negro, was taken into custody last night at Levis, by a lady of the Y. W. C. A. who had been advised by a message from the girl's brother. The girl returned to Montreal this morning.