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States Able to Provide Necessary Finan-
cial Assistance, But Appropriate
Action of Dominion.

Ottawa, April 25.—The Washington government has informed the governor-general, through the British ambassador, that in its opinion the states would be able without assistance from outside of that country to provide all the financial assistance needed at San Francisco.

The government of Canada will not be able to send the contribution agreed upon a few days ago. The Washington authorities in making this announcement expressed the profound appreciation of the spirit that prompted Canada's offer for assistance. The finance minister made a statement to the House to-day as above.

SEATTLE TRAGEDY.

Contractor Attempted to Murder His
Wife and Then Committed
Suicide.

Seattle, April 25.—Richard J. Thompson, a contractor and builder, attempted to murder his wife, and then killed himself in his home, 4014 Latona avenue, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Thompson's wounds are of a trivial nature.

The act was committed while Thompson was in a fit of temporary insanity. He had shown symptoms of a weakening mind at various times for the past week. No other motive for the attempted murder and suicide could be learned.

Shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon Thompson called to his wife: "Come here and sit down," he said, "I want to tell you something." Mrs. Thompson did as her husband com- manded, but as she seated herself near him she noticed that his eyes had an unnatural look about them. "My God, Dick," she exclaimed, "you are not going to die, are you?"

After considerable persuasion she got his consent to go out on the front porch, where she hoped the fresh air would make him feel better. She walked toward the front door with him. As they passed through the front room Thompson stooped and picked something from the floor. Mrs. Thompson picked it up. It was a revolver. He picked up, for almost immediately after he stooped she saw the gun in his hand and wrestled with him for the possession of it. It was during the scuffle that the first shot was fired. The bullet struck her in the shoulder and she started to crawl to the front door. Thompson fired two more shots, one of which struck her in the head. She fell back, and he stood over her, believing that his wife had been killed. He walked back to his own room and there put a bullet into his own brain. Neighbors rushed in and found him. He lived about two hours.

Thompson had lived in Seattle for about seven years. His relatives live in Lindsay, Ont.

OLYMPIC SPORTS.

Gig and Galley Races—The Swimming
Championship.

Athens, April 24.—In the Olympic contests to-day the Italian contestants won the races for four-oared gigs and six-oared galleys, the French and Greek crews taking the prizes.

The twelve-oar navy barge race was won by the Greeks, who were also second. An Italian barge was third. M. Daniels, N. Y. A. C. holder of the world's championship 100-yard swimming record, won the first heat of the 100-meter swimming race in 1-17 3-5. Healy, of Australia, was second. 1-17 4-5. S. H. Darbyshire, England, third. 1-17 5-5. The second heat was won by Aandilovic, Wales, 1-41; Halmay, Hungary, second, 1-43; Marquand, Missouri Athletic Club, St. Louis, champion swimmer of the Western Association, Amateur Athletic Union, was third. There were twelve starters.

H. Taylor, England, won the first heat of the mile handicap, swimming by 100 yards. Time, 28 minutes 28 seconds. J. A. Jarvis, England, was second. Time, 27-07 2-5. Scheff, Austria, was third.

Germany, arranged specially for the benefit of King Edward, was held to-day at Zaphelon, and won won by the Englishman by 9 to 2. King Edward, Queen Alexandra and the Greek royal family were present.

NEWS FROM WHALERS.

Inspector Howard, of Mounted Police,
Tells of Visit to Herschell
Island.

Ottawa, April 26.—A report has been received at the Mounted Police department from Inspectors Howard, dated Port Moresby, March 10th. It says that he had just returned from Herschell Island. The whalers Jeanville, Karibia, Bowhead, Thresher and Alexander are there. The total of the crews is 20. There has been no deaths, and no cases of serious illness. All are on short rations. They are also short of medicines, which were supplied as far as possible from the medicine chest of the Mounted Police. The supplies will last until the end of July. The relief ship should reach there at the earliest possible date.

The report from Inspector Howard reached Commissioner Perry at Regina and was telegraphed to-day to Ottawa.

PRESTON TO GIVE EVIDENCE.

Ottawa, April 25.—The public accus- tory committee has decided to send to England for Mr. Preston to give evi- dence at the Atlantic Trading Co. in- vestigation.

EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Proposal to Hold Annual Convention
in Out Door Camp Near Oakland.

San Francisco, April 25.—The National Educational association was to have held its annual convention in San Francisco from July 4th and 8th, and plans are being considered to have the convention held in California, in spite of the disaster that has overtaken San Francisco. It has been suggested that a model out-door camp be established in the Piedmont hills, back of Oakland and within easy distance of the University of California.

With some such idea in view a tele- gram has been sent to Dr. Nathan C. Schaefer, president of the National Educational Association, Harrisburg, Pa., as follows:

"In consultation with Benjamin Ide Wheeler, president of the University of California, we have decided to re- quest you to postpone your conven- tion regarding the 45th annual con- vention of the National Educational Association for a week or 10 days, and to communicate here before coming to San Francisco, as to whether you will accept of the offer of assistance, chairman general committee."

WINNIPEG CLEARINGS.

Winnipeg, April 26.—The bank clear- ings for the week ending to-day were \$9,002,993. The same week last year the clearings were \$4,659,791, and in 1904, \$4,208,757.

SUNDAY BILL MAY
NOT AFFECT SMELTERS

Ottawa, April 26.—W. A. Galligher and Duncan Ross appeared before the Sunday observance bill committee yes- terday morning to the effect that the legislation on shipments of British Columbia small fruits and upon smelt- ers and hydraulic mining. From the remarks of the committee the smelters would be allowed to run on Sundays.

'FRISCO INSURANCE.

Special Committee Appointed in New
York to Deal With Whole
Question.

New York, April 26.—The Times says: "At a meeting of the New York fire in- surance exchange, the rating body of the local insurance offices, in the room of the New York board of underwriters yesterday afternoon, all insurance questions involved in the San Fran- cisco disaster were referred to a special committee to be named by G. F. Shall- cross, United States manager of the Royal Insurance of Liverpool, who was chairman of the meeting. Many under- writers and brokers had expected that the exchange would order a formal in- crease in fire insurance rates at least in the congested districts of this city following the course adopted independ- ently by some of the stronger com- panies within the last few days. It was decided, however, that pending the report of the special committee no action in the way of increasing rates or of outlining methods of meeting other contingencies should be taken."

To protect companies against premature cancellation and renewal of policies by brokers in order to avail of the policy holders of rates prevailing before an increase, the exchange or- dered that all such cancellations made be at what is called the 'short rate' basis instead of pro-rata. Seventy- three members were present.

After the meeting Mr. Shallcross said that there had been no concerted effort to raise rates. Fairly exact maps of the burned areas have been prepared by the larger companies on the basis of specific advices from Oakland, and there appears to be no reason for changing the estimates last week placing the insurance at stake in the city of San Francisco at about \$238,000,000, the loss of the property, destroyed or damaged at not more than \$200,000,000, and the insurance loss at from 55 to 60 per cent. of the property loss."

INSURANCE AFFAIRS.

Royal Commission Is Now Holding
Sessions at Toronto.

Toronto, April 25.—The royal commis- sion to inquire into life insurance methods opened its investigation here this morning. After argument between counsel as to whether or not the Manufacturers' Life should be heard before the completion of Superintendent Fitzgerald's testimony, which was incomplete when the commission ad- journed at Ottawa for Easter, J. F. Junkin, general manager of the Manu- facturers' Life, was called. He gave particulars of the organization of the Manufacturers' Life in 1901, which in- cluded the amalgamation of the Temperance Life and General Life insur- ance companies. In this connection he said that Hon. C. A. Cox had obtained 2,300 shares of the Manufacturers' Life from the late George Gooderham, who held the largest number of shares of the company. Mr. Junkin knew nothing about this transaction until the transfer had been made.

Mr. Milley, assistant counsel for the Dominion government, asked Mr. Junkin for an explanation of the agree- ment between Hugh Sutherland, man- ager of the Temperance Life by which the manufacturers agreed to pay him for five years a salary of \$2,000. Mr. Junkin said this was a retiring allow- ance. Mr. Sutherland had to agree not to work against the Manufacturers in any way, otherwise the allowance would be cut off.

FIRE AT MINE.

Sainsville, Ohio, April 25.—Three hun- dred miners at the town of Sainsville, by the destruction of the shafts and tunnels of the Slope mines of the Ohio & Penna Coal Company here to-day by fire. The wreckage of the overhead bridges, and the destruction of the shafts collapsed and blocked the main line of the Cleveland & Pittsburgh railway to through traffic. The cause of the fire is not known.

Norway's population, in comparison with her area, is the smallest in Europe.

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DEFENDS TRADING
COMPANY CONTRACTROSS SAYS COUNTRY
RECEIVED FULL VALUE

Exposed Land Deal During Former Gov-
ernment's Regime in Which Conser-
vative Members Were Interested.

Ottawa, April 25.—Duncan Ross made an excellent speech yesterday during the debate on the North Atlantic Trading Company contract. He showed that the contract paid the country well and that full value was received for every dollar paid.

The member for Yale-Cariboo also showed up further land speculating schemes by the manipulation of the government, of which G. E. Foster was a prominent member. Coloniza- tion companies were allowed bonuses amounting to \$1,000 per settler in pay- ment of land which was now being sold at large figures. He also gave de- tails of a land deal in which certain Conservative members were interested. Mr. Foster got in on the deal, and through his manipulation two of the syndicates were frozen out and had to go to law to get their rights.

He urged the government not to dis- continue immigration efforts as the enormous amount of railway work in the west would require a large number of men. The discovery that the class who build railways should be those who will settle on the land and make a permanent residence of the country.

WOMEN CREATED
SCENE IN COMMONSINTERRUPTED DEBATE
ON SUFFRAGE QUESTION

Laughter of Members Threw Demo-
strators Into Frenzy and Speaker
Ordered Galleries Cleared.

New York, April 26.—A special cable from London to the Sun says: "The House of Commons late last night witnessed one of the most re- markable of its many noteworthy scenes. During the House's debate on the grocer's bill, a beautiful and beautiful bouquet of bridals roses and lilies of the valley.

The maid of honor, Miss Olive Brad- burn, was attired in a pretty costume of white and blue.

The bride was given away by her brother-in-law, Mr. William Parker, of Montreal.

The groom was supported by Mr. Hagen Ritchie, of Peterboro, and the ushers were Messrs. F. C. Smallpiece and A. A. Hallingshead of Peterboro; Gerald Krackham and H. Haviland Gurbie, of Toronto.

After the ceremony a reception took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. K. Eardley-Wilmot, and Mr. and Mrs. Swinerton left for a trip to New York and Boston. On their return they will reside in Victoria.

PLAGUE IN INDIA.

Two Hundred and Eighty-Five Deaths
at Jammu During the Past
Week.

Lahore, India, April 25.—A serious outbreak of the plague has occurred at Jammu, in Kashmir, northern India. There have been many victims among the members of the palace household and the Imperial service troops. Two hundred and eighty-five deaths occurred during the past week.

TEN PERSONS KILLED.

During Fighting Between Catholics
and Maravits—Seventy-Seven
People Were Wounded.

Warsaw, April 25.—Religious frenzy characterized the fighting at Leanos, April 22nd between Catholics and Maravits, when 10 persons were killed and 77 wounded. Four priests were terribly mutilated. The men fought like beasts. The antagonists gouged out the eyes of their adversaries. The Catholics, who were beaten, threaten- ed to avenge St. Bartholomew mas- sacre.

MAY ADOPT ENGLISH
PENSION SYSTEM

Ottawa, April 26.—At a government caucus to-day, Archie Campbell presiding, the views of the party were heard on the Lord's day observance bill. The general opinion was that the bill should be as stringent as possible, but certain interests had to be protected.

The pensions to ex-ministers will be on the English system, and the indemnity to members and Senators will stand as at present.

WEDDED IN EAST.

Marriage of Mr. R. H. Swinerton, of
Victoria, and Miss M. S. Barlee,
of Peterboro.

Peterboro, April 25.—St. John's church was the scene of a fashionable wedding this afternoon, when Miss Marie Edith, fourth daughter of the late George Barlee, of Peterboro, was married to Mr. Robert Hemington Swinerton, of Victoria, son of the late John Swinerton, of Belfast, Ireland.

The ceremony was performed by Canon Davidson, rector of St. John's Epis- copal church, assisted by Rev. Walter M. Locks.

The bride was most becomingly at- tired in a costume of white peau de soie, entrain with a yoke of embroidered chiffon and handsome lace berthe, and wore the conventional veil and orange blossoms as well as a necklace of amethysts and pearls. The gift of the groom, she carried a beautiful bouquet of bridal roses and lilies of the valley.

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EIGHTY THOUSAND MEN IDLE.

French Authorities Preparing for Dis-
orders on May Day.

Paris, April 25.—According to a semi- official statement made by a high func- tionary of the prefecture of police to-day, the military and police are prepared to meet every eventuality on May 1st. He said the police canvass shows that 30,000 men have stopped work, of which number the disorderly element does not exceed 20,000. Against this can be massed 42,000 to 45,000 troops, namely, 20,000 infantry, 10,000 cavalry and 10,000 to 15,000 Republican Guards and police, with large additional reserves.

The police will endeavor to localize the manifestation to the Place de la Repub- lique, which is the great labor centre, and to the vicinity of the labor exchange. This will prevent the manifestations from the centre of Paris from getting west of the Place de la Concorde into the resi- dential sections of the Champs Elysee or Passy.

It is expected that the strength of the military and police will readily enable them to confine the disorderly element within the eastern sections, thus reducing the demonstration to isolated affairs which should easily be controlled.

The police are convinced that there is no danger of a lack of food supplies owing to the strike in the provision trades. They declare that the situation while serious does not warrant it being repre- sented as tragic. The painters have de- cided to stop work on May 1st and to re- main out until they are granted an eight hour day and a weekly holiday.

FIGHT WITH COSSACKS.

Nineteen Persons Killed and Fifty In-
jured in Russia.

Voronz, Russia, April 25.—News reached here to-day from the village of Dewitz, where it was announced yesterday Cos- sacks killed 19 and wounded 50 persons in suppressing disorders, shows that the trouble arose when the peasants attempt- ed to take some grain from the municipal stores. The guards fired several times and one of them shot a pregnant woman, whereupon the peasants of the surround- ing villages assembled with scythes and pitchforks and drove the guards back to the village. The peasants were driven off.

SENTRIES FOUND
DEAD AT POSTSMYSTERIOUS DEATHS
OF TWO SOLDIERS

Men Had Been Shot Through the Head
—Secret Service Agents at
Work.

New York, April 26.—When the guard relief marched to post 8 in the Fort Hamilton reservation yesterday to re- lieve Private Alfred Cargwell, of the coast artillery, doing sentry duty, it found the soldier with a bullet wound in his head and his arms on the ground beside him.

On the morning of April 12th, when the relief marched to the same post at the same time to relieve Private Julius Von Glahn, it found Von Glahn with a bullet wound through his head.

The post runs along the bluff over- looking Gravesend Bay, and the four of duty which both tragedies took place began at midnight and ends at 8 in the morning. It is distant from the barracks, and is one of the lone- liest posts patrolled at night. Nothing was known of the death of either sentry until the relief discovered the bodies. No shots were heard.

The death of Von Glahn was sup- posed to be a suicide, and the affair ceased to be of great interest among the soldiers. The discovery that Cargwell's body yesterday on the same post in the same manner caused the commanding officer to put secret service men at work.

SASKATCHEWAN'S PROGRESS.

Many Settlers Are Arriving, and
Capital Is Being Attracted to
Province.

Regina, April 25.—Saskatchewan is rapidly attracting American attention and capital. Last year 400,000 bushels of flax were shipped from that province and a Minneapolis man is talking of establishing a mill with a grinding capacity of about 200,000 bushels at Regina, Moosejaw or Saskatoon. He is also looking for a site for a large wholesale grocery house. An Ameri- can hardware concern is looking around the province with a view of es- tablishing a wholesale hardware house and it is likely that they will put in a large establishment than any in Win- nipeg at the present time. The firm at present enjoys an extensive trade there.

Regina city is progressing rapidly, the country being greatly improved. The country is fast settling up, and never before has there been such an influx. Every point on the Soo line is sending out great caravans, and it is predicted that the country between Estevan and Weyburn will double the area under cultivation, and there will be as much new land broken this year as has been under cultivation.

There are no values in Canada, or the United States that are so low as those of improved farms in Southern Mani- toba and Saskatchewan that offers vast inducements for farmers to in- vestment to farmers to capitalists. Farm lands are, in fact, ridiculously low taking into consideration their pro- ductiveness and comparing them with the values in the United States. From the present indications it is safe to say that this will be the best year the Cana- dian west has yet seen.

TORONTO TELEGRAMS.

Prince Arthur Opened Horse Show—The
Trial of Phillips.

Toronto, April 25.—Prince Arthur of Connaught officially opened the horse show this afternoon in the presence of a large and fashionable crowd, including many visitors from outside provinces. A luncheon was tendered the Prince at the millinery club by the directors of the horse show prior to the opening of the show. At 5 o'clock, the Prince was the guest of the ladies of the Toronto Humane Society, at 6 o'clock tea. A dinner will be given in his honor by the Lieut- enant-Governor this evening, after which the Prince will again visit the horse show. The Prince leaves for Halifax at 2 in the morning.

The federated council of the building trades has passed a resolution memorial- izing the minister of justice not to call out the militia in case of strikes, as in the case of the strike at Winnipeg. The council claims the conduct of union men never warrants such action, and that in any case the ordinary police force is suf- ficient to quell any disorder.

County Loan Case.

According to a statement made to-day by County Crown Attorney Drayton, Joseph Phillips, of York County Loan Company, will be tried at the May ses- sion if the papers can be prepared in time.

Successful Operation.

Sir William P. Howland underwent a successful operation to-day for appen- dicitis. The feature of the operation is that he is 96 years of age, probably the oldest person operated upon for appen- dicitis.

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Physicians and patients alike are pleased with the prompt action of "Cattarhazone," which destroys catarrh by the action of ozone and thus no medicine is required, no stomach dosing, or cocaine sniffing.

Simply inhale the soothing vapor of Cattarhazone and cure is sure and quick. J. A. Hammill, of Greenham, has experienced instant relief from Cattarhazone, and writes: "No one could have worse catarrh than I. It caused partial deafness, bad taste, upset my stomach, made me sick all over. Cattarhazone cleared my nostrils, stop- ped the cough and gave me a clear feeling in my breathing organs. I am absolutely cured."

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The Back He Was Completely
Cured By "Fruit-a-tives."

"Fruit-a-tives" cures diseased and irritated kidneys
when all other treatment fails.

The proof that "Fruit-a-tives" is the greatest kidney cure known to science is demonstrated by these tablets removing all pain in the back—making the kidneys healthy—and curing chronic constipation.

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I tried "Fruit-a-tives" and now I am entirely well, no pain, no constipation and my stomach and bowels act naturally. I cannot say enough in praise of "Fruit-a-tives"—they are a grand medicine, mild as fruit in their action and easy to take. (Signed) H. MARCHESSAULT, High Constable.

Do you know that every drop of blood in your body goes to the kidneys to get rid of some of the impurities?

When the bowels don't move regularly, the blood takes up poisons in the bowels and carries them to the kidneys. Then the kidneys get overworked—inflamed. Then comes the pain in the back—headaches—constant desire to urinate—nervousness—sleeplessness.

"Fruit-a-tives acts directly on the Kidneys—cleans, heals and strengthens them—makes the liver give up more bile to move the bowels regularly—and stimulates the glands of the skin to increased action. These rid the system of all poisons and every trace of Kidney Disease disappears.

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VICTORIA PEOPLE
ARRIVE UNHARMEDHARRISON FAMILY
ON THE INDIANAPOLIS

Interesting Account of Escape of Mother,
Daughter and Son—Other
Survivors.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

One Victoria family happily re- united unbroken after the calamity is that of His Honor Judge Harrison. Mrs. Harrison, her daughter, Miss Ber- nice, and one son, Mr. R., arrived this afternoon on the Indianapolis, being three of the party that came up on the Senator last night. They are more fortunate than many, in that most of their baggage was recovered, the only loss being a valise filled with curios.

At the time of the catastrophe they were sleeping on the fifth floor of the St. Nicholas hotel, on the north side of Market street, some distance above the city hall. Retaining their presence of mind they secured all valuables, dressed and then left the hotel, walk- ing one or two blocks before ascer- taining the extent of the disaster. But as they went towards the ferry the whole district seemed in flames and they joined the thousands rushing to- wards Golden Gate park. On the way many heartrending sights were seen. The women crazy with grief and summary death met out to ghoulish looters. As the realization of conditions dawned on them it was decided to try and re- turn to the St. Nicholas and endeavor to recover the baggage. The return to the hotel was accomplished under great difficulties. All the water pipe mains had burst, the water was rushing down the stairs, the elevator had been stopped, and in the semi- darkness much trouble was experi- enced in securing the baggage. This was done eventually and just as the family got outside the hotel it col- lapsed. Later reports say that before the earthquake the St. Nicholas had been condemned for want of fire pro- tection. At a very high rate an ex- press wagon was secured to take the

family and belongings to Golden Gate park, where