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# SHIP'S CAPTAIN AND 6 OF CREW PERI

## CITY WINS TWO-YEAR EAGLE MONEY IS BATTLE WITH M.C.R. ON FREIGHT RATE

New Glands

Make Sprinter

Of Aged Prisoner

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Dec. 1 .-

John Ross, 73, yesterday won the 50-yard dash for men over 65

years of age at the annual

Thanksgiving Day track and field most in the state prison here.

Ross underwent a gland trans-

planting operation last year.

bug Is Blamed.

ous Fanatic Is Responsible

For College Fires.

tal department of the University of

which has visited the university within

ever, available about the commence

vinced a religious fanatic is responsible

MONTREAL, Dec. 1 .- Fire last night

did damage roughly estimated at be-

tween \$250,000 and \$300,000 to the den-

east corner of Demontigny and St.

Nine firemen from various stations

were injured during the course of the

started in a student's cloakroom on the

earlier in the evening, but it was report-

Denis street, below St. Catharine street,

The authorities state a strict investi-

LOSS 15 \$300,000.

SAME HAND MAY HAVE

witnessed the festivities.

Seven men condemned to death

Railway Board Awards L. & P. S. R. Increase of 250 P. C. In Tariff Charge.

MEANS THOUSANDS YEARLY TO CITY'S OWN RAILWAY

New Rate Retroactive To December 23, 1920-Sir Adam's ludgment Vindicated.

After two years of battling with the Michigan Central R. R. for an equitable adjustment of the hauling charges allowed to the London & Port Stanley Railway for handling M. C. R.R. freight cars, the London Railway Commission, through Chairman Sir Adam Beck, has succeeded in securing an increase of the rates to 250 per cent. above the old charges. The matter was finally referred to the Dominion Railway Board, and that body has recently handed down the award which was read at a meeting of the commission to-day. The new rates are retroactive to Decem-

ber 23, 1920. of less than 12 cars the charge \$10 per car, and for hauling a single to the moving of cars between St Fromas and London. Then, for inter-switching cars in London, the rate, which was formerly \$2 a car, is in-

VOTE OF APPROVAL. invission in session to-day is decidedly pleased with this award. unanimous vote of approval was sed to Chairman Sir Adam Beck for manner in which he handled the position on motion of Mayor Wiln and Commissioner Harley. gotiations with the M. C. R. offi-

als the company oftered to double he rates they were formerly paying. Montreal, and it is hinted that Ku Klux hat was in 1921, and practically all Klan propaganda may have inspired members of the London Railway him. Last night's fire was the third nission, with the exception of the urged that the offer be ac oted. But Sir Adam was convinced two years and the second within two at the commission was entitled to weeks. No specific information is, howgher rates even, and it was through railway board. In proof of ment of the fire, though professors and soundness of his judgment on the students connected with the institution, estion the award of the board has which is Roman Catholic in its governreased the offer made by the com- ment and character, appear firmly con-

e railway will be increased by \$1,000 that the same hand which set the month or \$60,000 in the five years Montreal fires was responsible for the ring which the rates/will be in ef- origin of the St. Boniface College fire, t, because Sir Adam succeeded in in which 10 lives were lost last Saturring the question referred to the rail- day.

HARGES TOO LOW.

Thile the commission did not think the five years preceding December tistry and veterinary school building of 1920, it was stated that those the University of Montreal, at the northarges were ridiculously low. In 1915 the running rights which the Hubert streets, a general alarm being C. R. held over this line expired, sounded at midnight and the "all out" signal being given at 2.30 o'clock this operation of steam locomotives morning the road." Sir Adam explained. submitted a rrice at which we fire, but only two were sent to a hospid handle the cars for that road. this was not accepted. Then the tal, the others being able to resume duty officials withdrew its busi- after treatment by doctors on the spot. The cause of the fire has not been determined, but is believed to have from the road and that continued even months. The wholesalers of tity became alarmed because they third floor. A class had been held the loss of trade to the towns We were urged ed that the watchman had found every es to make any kind of an thing in order when he made his round not with the M. C. R. that would after the students had left. re its trade to this city. Under SECOND BLAZE. for handling the cars till was fire in a month by the University of Montreal, the main building, on St. he one redeeming feature of that

opportunity of asking for an ad-

ment of the rates at the end of

rench Gun May Outrange: German Big Bertha; May Even Send Projectile 100 Miles

ement was a clause that gave us being damaged to the extent of \$300,000

on November 14.

due Interest In the Invention of Balliot and Bory.

ion of a cannon with virtually cation of any information concerning

uthorities Anxious To Allay Un- cable. If Balliot and Bory have achieved this their cannon will have a range as great as 100 miles, but this will depend largely upon the resistance of the metal and how the gasses are disposed of. The newspaper claims that in the new weapon the gasses are thrown out at hough it refuses to confirm details the rear instead of forward, thus leaving ished in a French newspaper con- the firing field clear. Whatever may be ing a long range rifle outclassing behind the announcement of this dis-German big Bertha, the French war covery at a time when the French to-day admitted that the inven- military budget is being discussed it is Balliot and Bory, have been work- evident that the authorities are anxious along such lines since the armistice. to allay undue interest and taking rding to experts, the secret of ex- refuge in the orders of the counterg the German gun lies in the espionage service forbidding the publi-

American Currency, Depreciated In Value, Is Flooding the Country.

DISCOUNT RATE LIKELY TO BECOME MUCH LARGER

Bankers Advise People Not To Accept It In Their Change.

Since the appreciation of the Canalian dollar on the American money markets Canadian cities, particularly those lying comparatively near the border. such as London, have been literally flooded with American currency and Number of Prominent Education-

In London at the present time there ppears to be as much American money n circulation in small bills and silver as there is Canadian. In fact, to a newly-arrived foreigner, American noney would as like as not be picked ipon as the currency of the country One reason for the fact that there is much American money in evidence no doubt due to the fact that, with the depreciation of the American dollar in Canada, everyone is desirous of passing it on at the first opportunity. So great has been the influx of Amercan money which a few months ago was a rarity that many persons are now refusing to accept the U.S. bills which are passed out to them as change, and in a good many business estabments it will only be accepted at a unt. This was made necessary

y the fact that the banks were dis-

## THIEVES CLEAN OUT GARAGE AT LAMBETH

SET ST. BONIFACE FIRE Use Motor Truck to Remove Acces-Authorities Feel Confident Religisories Valued at More Than \$300. night broke into the garage of Alva a most spitable program for the con-Jones, at Lambeth, and removed acces- vention next week sories valued at more than \$300. Both

Catholic incendiary is blamed for the case truck up to the garage and forced an Rev. Mr. Demille, H. R. Franks, Dr. F. entrance to the building, they were Bryant and Rev. Mr. Myers. The ap- the Nobbs Company account, at that apparently not heard by residents of pointment of a nominating committee the village.

Among other articles the thieves took 34 tires, six earburetors, six coil units, two switches, fly-wheel belts, spark plugs and a large amount o other valuable accessories.

FIRE IN KITCHEN.

The fire department had a run at 3.30 yesterday afternoon to the home of W. J. Mallet, 1039 Dundas street, where an overheated cook stove had started a blaze in the kitchen. The fire was ex-It is suggested in unofficial quarters tinguished with chemicals. damage was done.

## THE WEATHER

HIS CELLAR WHO TELLS OTHER PEOPLE NOT TO WORRY.

FAIR-COOLER. winds and west winds; a few scattered showers, but enerally fair and mild Saturday, westerly winds: fair, and not quite so mild.

The disturbance which was over Nebraska vesterday has moved quickly James Bay, causing strong winds and "Zimmie" showers in the region and snow in Northern On-

TEMPERATURES. The following are the highest and lowest temperatures taken between 8 Stations.

Victoria Vancouver 40 42 Winnipeg . 6 14 Calgary ...x2 28 Pt. Arthur 12 26

0 15 St. John .. 24 42 xDenotes below zero. STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS. Steamer. Arrived at. ...New York ii..New York

Moosejaw .. 10 15 Quebec .... 20 34

Pr. Albert . 0 16

LONDON, 34

Toronto ...38

Montreal .. 34 40

## SEEK MORE CONSTRUCTION CO. udgment Given To-Day By Judge Macbeth In Court

Action.

Board Meeting.

A week ago trustees and officials of

of the entire matter, announced that as

soon as the court action of A. & E.

Judgment in that case was given to-

judgment and meets the claim, a move

which, according to trustees, appears

all defects as might be found neces-

rumored that the latest development

Company and the Board of Education

KILLS MERCHANT; SUICIDES

bullet from a revolver, Albert C. David-

in the Hillyard Mitchell general store.

Under the terms of the agreement

Nobbs against the Kingston Construc-

COLLEGIATE CONTRACT

adjustment.

quite unlikely.

Extension of Present System May A. & E. Nobbs Receive Judgment Be Urged By the Local

Council.

IN SCHOOLS

TO SUBMIT REPORT AT ANNUAL CONVENTION

ists Will Address Gathering On Thursday.

Extension of the system of religious nstruction in the public schools of the city will be one of the principal ssues up for discussion at the annual convention of the London Religious Education Council, which is to be caucus and, after a thorough discussion held in, Talbot Street Baptist Church mitted by a committee which has been tion Company had been disposed of, reviewing the situation and it is like- everything could be settled amicably. y that some action will be taken by the council, which is representative day by Judge Macbeth, but instead of f all the Protestant denominations. day convention, which will be divided in full, in favor of the plaintiffs. The into afternoon and evening sessions, order of the court actually means that

Addresses on religious education will the Kingston Company must pay the tate transfers for the month of Novem-For hauling loaded cars in 12-car trains a price of \$7.60 per car has been allowed for handling empties in 12
Montreal University Again Suffers

The Gibbons property was purchased. one receives in change almost as much the children's division of the Ontario lien placed against the Board of Edu-American silver as Canada. the Children's division of the Ontario lien placed against the Board of Edu-R. E. Council; Mizs May C. Genmell, cation will remain in effect. resbyterian Church; Rev. C. W. De- may result in almost anything. Acmille, general superintendent of the On- cording to information available, it will ario Council, and Rev. C. A. Myers, at least prevent an immediate adjustment of the contract, unless the Kingssociate secretary of the Presbyterian ston Construction Company accepts the

G. W. Hofferd is president and J. S. Lovell is secretary of the local organization and with the assistance of Using a motor truck, thieves last a strong executive they have prepared The afternoon session will be

the local and provincial police have charge of the Rev. L. W. Reid, and been notified and are working on the will be devoted to the interests of ministers, superintendents, secretaries and Although the robbers drove a large teachers. Addresses will be given by will also be made at this session, DEPARTMENT RALLIES.

At 5.15 there will be denominationa allies, led by the denominational repesentatives. Following tea at 6 p. m. here will be departmental rallies for he children's division, 'teen age boys' may actually mean a further detay undivision, 'teen age girls' division and young people and adult division. Under the chairmanship of the presdent the evening session will be cor menced at 8.15, with a song servi DISCHARGED CLERK directed by C. E. Percy and assiste by Miss Gwendoline Ware, contrai soloist, and T. O. Sharratt, organist. orief report of the work of the L. F E. C. will be submitted and Rev. Mr

### ASKS \$3,500,000 TO BUILD HOME FOR LAND SCHEME

Leadership."

Myers will speak on "Training and

Hart, minister of finance, introduced in Guilbalt, another clerk, who witnessed the Legislature last night a bill to the suicide, Davidson had been accused borrow \$3,500,000 to be spent in the con- by McNair of stealing goods and cash, struction of public buildings by the land had confessed his guilt and had been settlement board, on soldiers' land act discharged at noon. He returned later

## Let London's Reply To Santa Claus' Pleas Be Unanimous This Year

Scores of Families of Any pathize with this girl's plight: Brightness Or Cheer This

them emaciated by undernourishment, are lifted in supplication to Santa Claus this Christmas. Scores of citizens have nuch to help Santa Claus because she wear and shoes. is very great. Circumstances, however, list to-morrow: prevent her hand from making the gift A friend that her heart urges and, under the J. B. name of "A Friend," she forwards her Mrs. P. E. widow's mite of \$2. hearten the Salvation Army officials, C. D. R. who have already started to investigate J. Collins

Indifference To the Appeals of and used in the extension of Christmas the Children May Deprive Regardless of your views on the Adolescent Act you will readily sym-"My father is out of work and I need some winter dresses and a coat for school. the people will be taxed in another way I am 15 years old and I cannot work Consequently the purchase of excisout, as I have got to go to school. So' stamps for use on checks is not only please do not forget me. Pearl."

WHO WILL HELP JIMMIE? And here is 7-year-old Jimmie, who for them." is anxiously hoping that Santa Claus answered this appeal with gifts of will visit him home this Christmas and money and clothing. Why not let the money and clothing. Why not let the bring plenty of warm clothing in his FOUR LOSE LIVES IN response of London to the appeals for knapsack. "My daddy has been sick clothing, food and fuel be unanimous for over a month and mother said we have no money to spend for Christmas One frail, old lady writes with trem- this year. I have a sister and two bling hand that she would like very brothers and we all need some under-Make sure that your name is in this

Wm. McNeill into this office during the past few Mrs. C. Windsor .....

# STEAMER MAPLEHURST BREAKS UP IN HURRICANE; NINE OF CREW

**HUNDREDS OF GIRLS** SUFFER INJURIES WHEN FIELD STAND COLLAPSES

AGAIN TO THE FORE MELROSE, Mass., Dec. 1.—Several hundred girls, the cheering section of Melrose high school, were thrown to OTHER LAKE VESSELS ARE IN SHELTER In Full-Means Another the ground in a tangled heap of bodies when a temporary stand collapsed yes terday during a football match between teams. Several girls had ankles broken and scores were cut and bruised. That ancient apothegm. "There's

### nany a slip," might be very appropriately applied in connection with the extremely complicated muddle which members of the Board of Education found when they tried to settle up the Central Collegiate contract. Half a dozen "settlements" of the matter have been made during the past year, in each

case some new development following First Presbyterian Church Purimmediately after the supposed final chases Valuable Residences.

the contracting company met in secret ON DUFFERIN

Gibbons, Little and McDonough Estates Disposed Of.

accepting the defense of the Kingston and McDonough properties, on the south A number of prominent educationists Company, who charged nonfulfillment side of Dufferin avenue, from Wellinghave been secured to address the one- of contract, his honor gave judgment ton street to the First Presbyterian The Gibbons property was purchased

> This rather unexpected turn of events price paid for the other two blocks. The London Life Insurance Company SEVERAL INCHES OF SNOW ing on the property in the near future. present quarters on Wellington street have been crowded for a number of years and plans for the erection of a building that will be of ample capacity for all branches of the business have been tentatively under consideration for note between the Collegiate committee not representative of the Kingston Comsome time. It is not yet definitely de-

### pany a week ago, when the court action was still under way, it was agreed that \$1,000 from final payment on the new Collegiate Institute: the construction company would, in turn, pay all outstanding debts, with the exception of time before the courts. The board also agreed that it would undertake to make such alterations and repairs and remedy

Should Be Used Exclusively On been changed slightly; in fact, it is

til a conference between the Kingston INSTEAD OF POSTAGE STAMPS

Monthly Sale of Excise Stamps Is

Patriotic citizens who wish to help pay the Canadian war debt will not us fatally wounding David McNair with a postage stamps for their checks instead of the regular excise stamps issued for son turned the weapon on himself and that purpose. The act under which the excise

committed suicide yesterday afternoon stamps were issued provides for the use of postage stamps for the purpose, but Davidson, aged 65, had been employonly in places where the regular excise stamps cannot be obtained. However, McNair, about 30 years his junior, was the manager. According to Armand payment of this tax and in consequence The sale of excise stamps at the cusmhouse has largely increased since are for trial by jury. they were first issued and the total now runs in excess of \$8,000 a month. This

the stamp particularly provided for the came into collision with a car owned ten's football team: Jack Lewis, who When they buy postage and driven by J. Leslie Cox, of God-designed and superintended the conmps they merely ircrease the revnues of the post office department and while this is laudable it does not meet were specially issued. Receipts from the sale of excise stamps go specifically to the reduction of the Canadian war deb and if the amounts taken in from thi

pose, why, the natural answer is tha patriotic, out good business and if business men generally recognized that there would be a still greater demand

## PORTLAND HOTEL FIRE

All the Other Guests Escape, Most of Them in Night Clothing. PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 1 .- Four men 5 00 identified several hours after the fire. completely demolishing the caboose on the freight train and throwing two cars 00 have escaped, most of them in their off the track. The front part of the

The number of injured had not been CONDUCTOR TOO LATE. 25 determined at daybreak. The fire broke days. When a white-haired old lady can make her self-sacrifice surely no Billy Ferguson ... 200 to arouse the guests until an explosion freight of 50 cars of automobiles from and just as the crash came threw himself-sacrifice surely no billy Ferguson ... 200 to arouse the guests until an explosion self out of the door on to the track. 

Coast Guard Lifeboat Takes Off Men In Teeth of Gale - Only Those Who Jumped From Bridge Saved - Crew Were All Canadians, Captain Bernard Being From Montreal, and Remainder From Kingston Dist rict.

FORTY-MILE GALE RAGES ON THE LAKES.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 1.-Captain Nason Bernard and 10 members of the crew of the Canadian steamer Maplehurst perished during a severe gale early to-day when the ship, after being beaten against the lower part of the breakwater at the west end of the Portage Like Canal, Lake Superior( sank in 25 feet of water, according to a telephone message from The Calumet (Michigan) News.

CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 1.—(By Canadian Press).—Capt. Nazon Bernard and six members of the crew of the Canadian steamer Maplehurst lost their lives early to-day when the ship broke up a mile west of Portage Lake Canal during a heavy gale. Nine others of the crew were rescued, one at a time, jumping from the bridge into a lifeboat.

Besides Capt. Bernard, the dead include Chief Engineer Dunn, of Kingston, Ontario, and First Mate Smith, of Brewer Mills, Ontario. Names of the others were not obtainable this

ONINE RESCUED

Hurt, Property Damage High.

Two Freighters Swept Out Into

Harbor At Duluth. ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 1 .- Interruptinto several hundred thousand dollars FORMERLY THE CADILLAC Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Western Wisconsin. High winds, was purchased by rain and snow were reported in various ship Lines, her sections of the Northwest. Most of renamed the Maplehurst, North Dakota was blanketed with sev- bula, under command of Capt. Bernard, eral inches of snow. A gale was sweep- of Montreal. ing Lake Superior. Near Aberdeen, S. 200 poles belonging to the Dakota Central Telephone Cimpany were broken off by sleet, snow and wind. the harbor at Duluth and a bulletin was

osted warning of further violent storms on Lake Superior. Temperatures dropped considerably, a 35-degree fall being recorded within a

## CRIMINAL CHARGE AGAINST GUY MANI

few hours here.

Will Be Tried at General Sessions for Doing Bodily Injury to Mrs. Dawson By Furious Driving. There is only one criminal case for

officials accept the postage stamp in the general sessions of the peace, which motor cruiser Speejacks, owned by Allarge number of business men use fore Judge Talbot Macbeth. There are dent of the Portland Cement Company, 16 civil actions, however, six of which completed a 35,000-mile trip around the Mann, of Lambeth, who is charged with the cruiser, said to be the smallest boat is, however, but a comparatively small doing bodily injury to Mrs. Amelia that ever circumnavigated the globe. proportion of the volume of stamps of Dawson, of Westminster Township, by was welcomed to-day by a large fleet all sorts used for the payment of the furious driving. The charge arises out of varied craft which proceeded several of an automobile accident on the Lam- miles to sea to meet her.

"People do not think," said an official beth highway on Sunday, June 4, 1922. The party which made the trip into-day, discussing the tendency to use It is said that Mrs. Dawson was se- cluded Mr. and Mrs. Gowan, Capt. E. the postage stamp on checks instead of verely injured when Mr. Mann's car P. Hogg, who in 1916 captained Prince-

Fauve, Jean Duval and Henry Duval, all of St. Votique, Ont.; Frank Robrique, Caiteau du Lac, Ont.; Frank Marshall, R. Marshall and Thomas Brown, all of Montreal, and H. Burch nad Harry Murray, of Kingston, Ont.

The rescued were Second Engineer W.

Trains Delayed, Many People Bernard and the six others lost their lives because they declined to jum from the bridge.

The rescue was effected in the teeth of a gale of hurricane proportions. The ifeboat ran alongside the ship time and again, only to be washed back. The men were taken off one at a time from the bridge into the lifeboat.

LADEN WITH COAL The Maplehurst, 200 feet long with an iron hull, was bound from Lorian, Ohio, to Port Arthur, with 1,000 tons of coal. She sank in 25 feet of water and this

OTHER BOATS IN SHELTER

SAULT STE. MARIE, Dec. 1. - With a 35 to 40-mile gale blowing at the Soo, Two freighters were swept out into 48 miles at Whitefish Point and 46 miles at Marquette, most of the vessels on Lake Superior took shelter and while three of the four passed up since midnight, headed up the lake, one was still lying above the American Soo locks. I wo vessels are reported to be lying at Detour, waiting for the storm to abate, though the wind has fallen considerably since last night. Nine vessels have passed through here downbound since mid-

### LITTLE CRUISER MAKES TRIP AROUND WORLD

open at the courthouse on Tuesday oe- bert Y. Gowan, of Chicago, vice-presiworld here yesterday. The voyage The criminal action is against Guy began at Miami in September, 1921, and

### her husband were riding. of Chicago, and six others. SCHOOL CHILDREN'S LIVES IN PERIL WHEN C.P. TRAIN CRASHES INTO A FREIGHT

erich, with whom Mrs. Dawson and struction of the boat; Bernard Rogers,

Rear-End Collision At Woodstock further to get a start for the grade at Demolishes Cars, But Passengers and Crew Escape.

Press Dispatch.)—Two carloads of high freight cars over a bridge near this school children and many others had point. their lives imperiled at Woodstock this to back out of the wreckage under ber morning on the 8.11 Canadian Pacific own steam. Wrecking crews came along lost their lives in a fire early to-day in Railway train, which crashed into a from London and the track was cleared. the Ben Hur Hotel, in the business dis- freight train which was standing at the A NARROW ESCAPE. trict here. None of the dead had been water tank just west of the station, night clothing. The building was engine of the passenger train was

The train crashed into was a through made a frantic dive down into the car 

this point. Realizing that the morning passenger train was due, the conductor ran back along the track to give warning, but he was too late and the passenger train crashed into the rear of the freight, smashing the caboose into matchwood and almost sending two The passenger engine was able

A narrow escape was reported by Frank Newglass, of Flint, who was in charge of the automobile shipment. He was in the cupola of the caboose, when he suddenly was impelled to look around Just as he did so, he saw the passenger It had backed to the water tank The passengers on the morning train

recoil, even though suspended on a the details of French national defense. Estonia..... Railway Board Gives Judgment For City In M. C. R. Freight Rate Appeal