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COCAINE HABIT AND DEATH

Charles W. Ralph of Buffalo Believed to Have Succeeded by Leaping into the Niagara.

A LETTER ADDRESSED TO HIS WIFE.

"Going Over the Falls; I am Powerless; My Heart Aches, But I Cannot Help It."

Buffalo, Feb. 17.—Charles W. Ralph, 33 years old, married, and employed as a druggist by Hubbard & Co. of this city, is believed to have committed suicide some time last night by leaping into the rapids of the Niagara from the bridge between Goat and Luna Islands, and going over the falls.

TO EDUCATE CUBAN CHILDREN.

President Eliot of Harvard Agrees to Instruct 1000 Boys During the Summer.

Havana, Feb. 17.—A cable despatch from Charles William Eliot, president of Harvard University, to Mr. Alexis E. Frye, superintendent of schools, will probably have the effect of doing more for Cuba's future than anything yet accomplished.

MEMORIAL TO MISS WILLARD.

Services Held Throughout the World Wherever the W.C.T.U. Exists.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—Special memorial services in commemoration of the second anniversary of the death of Frances E. Willard, founder of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, were held in every city of the world to-day where there are branches of that organization.

510—Washington and Return—10.

Via Lehigh Valley Railroad.

Wednesday, Feb. 21, the Lehigh Valley will run a special excursion from Suspension Bridge to Washington, tickets only \$10 for the round trip, good for return until March 3 and good for stop off at Philadelphia and Baltimore.

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SPENSER WILKINSON'S VIEW

Is That Lord Roberts' Generalship in Relieving Kimberley Has Been Excellent.

BUT GEN. CRONJE HAS ESCAPED

And the Boers Are Now Attempting to Cut Off the British Line of Communication.

London, Feb. 18.—Mr. Spenser Wilkinson, the military expert, reviewing the situation in South Africa for the Associated Press, at midnight says:

"Lord Roberts has begun his campaign by striking at the principal Boer force in the western theatre of the war—the Commandant Cronje, covering the siege of Kimberley.

"In a little over three weeks Lord Roberts had completed the organization of his force. He then quietly amassed some 50,000 men, four infantry divisions and a cavalry division near the selected point, reaching Modder River Station on Friday, Feb. 9. He must have put his troops in motion with the least possible delay, for on Monday the action began. It was an attempt to turn the Boer position by a march round its left, or eastern flank.

"On Monday Gen. French's cavalry seized the passages of the Riet River, south of Jacobabad, and were at once followed up by two infantry divisions. On Tuesday the cavalry moved north and seized the crossing of the Modder River, the infantry following at their heels. On Thursday when one division of infantry was at the Modder and the other close behind it, between the two rivers, the cavalry moved forward towards the Boer position, and besiegers from the southeastern front and opened connection with the town.

"A Semi-Circle Around the Boers.—"The same day the troops from the old camp at Modder River station opened communication with Jacobabad which had already been taken." Thus Lord Roberts had a semi-circle around the Boer position of Modder River Station on the north, and possibly the Boer position on the south, and possibly the Boer position on the west, so that Gen. French might hope by besieging the Boer position to complete the circle, and thus to enable Lord Roberts to envelop and capture Cronje's whole force.

"Cronje Was Able to Escape.—"This was the result hoped for. The plan was vigorously executed. But Cronje had been able to escape the loop. When Gen. French reached Kimberley he found that Cronje had escaped the bulk of his force, had moved off towards Bloemfontein, apparently by the Hoshof Road, or by a shorter route along the north bank of the Modder. The laagers and stores abandoned by the Boer command proved that Cronje left in haste, and the general Kelly-Kenny's brigades were last reported as pursuing the Boer rear guard. Gen. Kitchener is superintending the pursuit, which may be effective.

Where Did He Go?

"Of the first and sixth divisions no mention has been made in the telegrams, and the inference is that a part of the design is as yet undisclosed. Possibly their destination is to complete the circuit on the west, perhaps, too, a force is being sent toward, south of the Modder River to intercept people, who as the mounted Boers cover 30 miles a day no infantry can catch them. A part of the Boer force may have retreated to the north-west towards Barkly and will no doubt be pursued.

"Railway Will Be Reopened.—"There can be no doubt that Kimberley is relieved and that the railway will soon be reopened. This is a success, but the more valuable result is the destruction of a part of the Boer army—has not been seen. It cannot be said that the Boer's retreat in this is attributable to weakness in British generalship, which seems to have been excellent.

"Disquieting Features.—"There are disquieting features in the news. The capture by Boers, said to be come from Colerberg, of a large British convoy may diminish the mobility of the British force and is a proof of the energy of the Boer leaders. The vigorous attack on the British at Renoster shows that the Boers mean to reply to Lord Roberts' advance by striking at his communications. Until the issue of the operations around Kimberley is fully known, it is useless to speculate upon the future.

"The facts that Kimberley has been relieved and that Cronje has made a hasty retreat are to the good side of the account. The opinion is widespread that the invasion of the Free State by the Boer army, or at least the Free State contingent, out of Natal. Upon this point I am less sanguine than most of the British observers, but the news of Roberts' advance will encourage White and his men to prolong their defence."

Important Meeting of Railroaders.

New York, Feb. 17.—A meeting will be held at Detroit on the 27th instant of representatives of the railroads of the central Passenger Association's territory, for the purpose of routing all their express business from the west to New England. It is expected this meeting will settle the controversy as to whether such business shall be sent by way of Albany or over Canadian roads from Niagara Falls.

Russell-Ritchie.

London, Feb. 17.—Miss Mary Ritchie, daughter of the Right Hon. Charles Thomson Ritchie, president of the Board of Trade, was married to Hon. Frank Russell, son of Lord Russell of Kilowan, at Brompton Oratory, this afternoon.

Canadian Pacific and New York Central is Best Route to New York.

Usual Lenten Regulations.—In the different Roman Catholic churches of the city yesterday, the Lenten Regulations were read in the name of Archbishop O'Connor. The rules are the same as usual of fasting and abstinence in regard to food and all intoxicating drink.

A VANCOUVER LADY

Cure of Asthma After Eight Years of Almost Constant Suffering. She Says the Absolute Recovery From the Disease Seems Like a Dream. Clarke's Kola Compound Cures.

Mrs. J. Wise, Mt. Pleasant, Vancouver, B.C., writes: "I have been a great sufferer from bronchial asthma for the past eight years, many times having to sit up nearly all night through the advice of a friend who had been cured by Clarke's Kola Compound. I resolved as a last resort to try it.

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THE NIAGARA CANAL BILL

House Committee Reports in Favor of Mr. Hepburn's Proposal of Construction.

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Washington, Feb. 17.—Chairman Hepburn of the House Committee on Interstate, State and Foreign Commerce to-day submitted the report of the committee in favor of the Hepburn bill for constructing the Niagara canal.

The report says in part: "If the provisions of the bill can be carried out, the United States will, within a few years (from six to eight) be in full ownership and control of a waterway connecting the oceans, that it can defend, and that it can use in the interests of its navy and its merchant marine, as wisdom may dictate."

Estimates of the Cost.—After reviewing the several surveys, the report concludes: "It is true that the estimates of cost are variable, ranging as they do from less than \$40,000,000 to a possible \$145,000,000. It is, however, proper to say that the size and character of the canal estimated for is as variable as is the cost. The estimate of cost is based on the canal suited to the ships of the time. The latter estimates are for ships of this time. Fifty feet depth and 150 feet width are the dimensions of the later proposed canal.

Rights Have Lapsed.—"Your committee is of the opinion that there are a number of persons who claim to have concessions from the Governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica, investing them with rights to navigate the San Juan River and Lake Nicaragua. But, it is believed by your committee that these rights, whether lapsed or are of inconsiderable value, or have been obtained for speculative purposes. It is our opinion that the people of the United States want a Government canal, and that will be completely under the control of the United States.

Things Have Changed.—"It is true that it will disturb the conditions of equality that now exist, but every effort should be made to preserve the same. It is an effort to disturb this equality and to secure advantages for himself. Our Government would have precisely the same right to take advantage of the use of the Suez Canal by British ships as it has to take advantage of the use of the English Government at our using the Nicaragua Canal.

There are persons who say that we are bound by treaty stipulations with the Government of Great Britain in relation to carrying out this great enterprise. It is our opinion that the Government of Great Britain and the United States contemplated the speedy completion of the Nicaragua Canal. They proposed to give joint interests by joint contributions to it. But the possibilities of the Suez Canal, which followed after 1859, have changed the maritime world, and changed the interests of Great Britain. She no longer uses the Nicaragua route for her own uses."

GRAVENHURST SANITARIUM.

Trustees Met on Saturday—Remarkable Results of the Treatment of Patients in This Institution.

A meeting of the trustees of the association was held on Saturday afternoon at the National Club. The members present were Messrs. W. J. Gage, D. E. Thomson, G. C. H. Blin, A. Kent and J. J. Crabbe.

The chair was occupied by Mr. H. Blin and Mr. Sweetman acted as secretary. Various matters of importance concerning the Gravenhurst Home for Consumptives were introduced and carefully discussed. Among these was the existing necessity for additional buildings at Gravenhurst. Suitable accommodation for a reasonable number of indigent people suffering from tuberculosis was also dealt with. These subjects were referred to the trustees for their further inquiry and early action.

An address of sympathy with the family of the late Dr. J. E. Graham, one of the visiting physicians, was adopted, and ordered to be conveyed to Mrs. Graham.

The report for the past year, which has been a most interesting one, was presented. The remarkable success which has attended the treatment of patients in the Gravenhurst Institution is exceedingly gratifying and encouraging. The report shows that during the past year 41 patients have been treated, 43 from Toronto, 14 from other parts of the province, and 1 from other provinces and from the United States. Of the 40 patients discharged during the year 21 were apparently cured, 21 with the disease arrested, and 17 with marked improvement in their condition.

It is a national institution, and should be liberally supported by all classes of the community as a home for the treatment of consumption in the incipient stage. It is an accommodation for the poor, and, as a rule, every room is occupied. Money is needed to add to the buildings, to help pay the cost of maintaining a reasonable number of poor patients who have not the means to pay for their maintenance.

THEIR MISSIONARY SUNDAY.

Sermons by Rev. Dr. Courtice and Rev. J. Morris in McCaul Street Church.

Yesterday was Missionary Sunday in New Richmond Methodist Church, McCaul street. Rev. Dr. Courtice, editor of the Guardian, preached on the subject of the goodness of God and His love to mankind. A very clear illustration, showing the difference between God's goodness and God's love, was drawn from the parable of the fig tree, where Goodness provided all the bounties, and when the invited guests did not come, Love went out and brought in the poor and afflicted. The line of argument followed is indicated by the above, and the doctor's thoughtful discourse was warmly listened to by the evening congregation.

Rev. J. Morris, pastor, preached from the words, "Come unto me." The idea promulgated was that missionary work is desirable because Christianity always goes in advance of civilization, and that there is no civilization without it; and the reverse, that civilization is the result of life between heathen and Christian nations, instancing in particular the west, paid in China, Japan, India, Egypt and other heathen or semi-civilized lands, as against the return paid for labor in Christian countries. Another point prominently brought out was the status of woman in Christian lands as compared with her degradation among the heathen.

S. Ackerman, commercial traveler, Belle ville, writes: "Some years ago I used Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for inflammatory Rheumatism and neuralgic attacks, and every movement caused excruciating pains. I am now out on the road and exposed to all kinds of weather, but I have never been troubled with rheumatism since October. No matter how the strings end, it will raise the largest international problems of this century in Europe."

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DAVITT IS GOING TO AFRICA.

Visit Has "No Political Significance"—Will He Talk Sedition Down There?

London, Feb. 17.—Mr. Michael Davitt, who resigned his seat in the House of Commons as a protest against Great Britain's policy towards the Transvaal, will start for South Africa next week. In an interview to-day with a representative of the Associated Press, he said: "My resolve to go to South Africa has absolutely no political significance. My doctor ordered a change of climate, and I am going where everybody's thoughts are centred to see and learn what everyone wants to know about the struggle which has been going on since October. No matter how the strings end, it will raise the largest international problems of this century in Europe."

FAREWELL TO CAPT. MACDONALD

Dunnville People Gave Their Representative in the Strathcona Horse a Send-Off.

Dunnville, Ont., Feb. 18.—Last evening a large gathering of representative men of the town gave a farewell reception to Capt. J. F. Macdonald of this place, who goes to South Africa as a lieutenant in the Strathcona Horse. An address and \$75 in cash was presented by Mayor Ramsey to Capt. Macdonald, while the Horse Company presented their comrade with a similar gift. Complimentary and cheering speeches were delivered. During the evening a purse of \$25 was raised among those present to be sent to A. J. Hornbroke, another Dunnville boy, who is with the first contingent.

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A.O.T.W. concert, Madras Association, City Hall, 8 West Y.M.C.A. 8 p.m. Meeting re third buying

Home of Industry Trust Mr. Smiley's recital, Assn. of "Hes" Committee Red Government, 11.30 p.m. "Old Curiosity Shop" 8 p.m.

The "Cheery Ball" and "Happy Dumbly" at 8 p.m. "Miss New York Jr." at 8 p.m.