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SAY CITY MUST MAKE IT RIGHT

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On Loch Lomond Water Extension—City Neglected to Supply Necessary Valves, and So the Accident Happened—How the Work Is Progressing.

Work on the waterworks extension is proceeding finely, and Messrs. McArthur & MacVay are now very hopeful of completing the job by Nov. 1st should the weather keep favorable.

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CAN FIGHT IF NECESSARY

Hon. Raymond Prefontaine Talks Straight From the Shoulder in Cleveland Interview.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 22.—Raymond Prefontaine, Canadian minister of marine, in an interview relative to the recent firing on American fishing tugs by the Canadian cruiser Yaldos, said that Canada is determined to break up the practice of American fishermen poaching in Canadian waters.

FRANCHISES ARE TAXABLE

Important Decision Handed Down by Supreme Court of Minnesota Against the Western Union.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 22.—The state supreme court decided in favor of the state today in the suit of the State of Minnesota against the Western Union Telegraph Company.

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REV. GEORGE E. LOYD, NOW OF LLOYDMINSTER, DEBUNKS PROF. MAVOR

Ex-Head of Rothersey College Takes Exception to Professor's Estimate of the West—Not Based on Accurate Knowledge—No One Can Safely Estimate the Wheat Growing Possibilities of the Vast Prairies.

(Toronto News.) "If Prof. Mavor's judgment on the wheat-bearing possibilities of the northwestern Canada is as casual and superficial as his judgment on the English colonies out there, it is not worth more than the paper it is written on, and does not merit the amount of attention paid to it in England."

This is the opinion of Rev. George Lloyd, of Lloydminster, Sask., who is in the city on his way home from the General Synod meeting at Quebec, Mr. Lloyd has been with the Barr colony since the beginning, and has acquired an extensive knowledge of the country and its conditions.

He confesses, however, that he has not enough knowledge to justify definite statements as to the possible area or production of wheat in the Northwest, and he thinks Prof. Mavor is quite unqualified to speak to a reporter of the Barr colony.

Speaking to a reporter of the Barr colony, Mr. Lloyd said: "Without a knowledge of the whole country, as he is, and with a very limited knowledge of the Northwest, Prof. Mavor does not hesitate to say, and to say in no uncertain tones, that the Northwest cannot supply Britain's bread."

The result today to be seen in that British colony is a sufficient condemnation of Prof. Mavor's statements. The Barr colony has proved to be a most successful one. Only a very small portion of the original party returned to England, and the rest are being either directly inside the colony limits or in the immediate neighborhood.

"What is the experience of the Barr colony in that regard?" "There is an answer to each reckless statement. When we went there two years and a half ago we only thought the country would be a wheat-growing country. Yet in that short time we have excellent wheat growing at our own doors. Some of the samples of wheat grown by our own people which I saw before I came east are now in my possession. I am quite satisfied that we are going to find these wheat-bearing areas extending far and wide."

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FIX BLAME ON THE MOTORMAN

State Railway Commissioners Decide That He Was Responsible for Disaster on New York Elevated.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—Responsibility for the elevated railroad accident of Sept. 11, when twelve passengers lost their lives through the fall of a car from the tracks on 9th avenue, was fixed today by the state railroad commissioners. Their report found that Motorman Paul Kelly was responsible for the accident in running by cautionary signals without reducing speed, and in running past the signals which showed that the 23rd street signals was set for 65th avenue.

They also found that Switchman Cornelius A. Jackson contributed to the cause of the accident by leaving the switch set for a 65th Avenue train when the Ninth Avenue train was displaying the proper signals. Jackson was also blamed for leaving the tower without being relieved.

The commissioners find that Kelly's train was being operated at too great a speed for a flat curve, usually five miles an hour.

FREDERICTON NEWS. FREDERICTON, N. B., Sept. 22.—(Special)—The city is thronged with visitors today and the chances are for a record breaking attendance at the exhibition. All departments are now complete. The track is in splendid condition for the races this afternoon.

Misses Abbie and Jennie Currie of Royal Cole were thrown from their carriage on the highway bridge this morning and sustained slight injuries. The horse took a sudden start and ran away, damaging the carriage considerably.

Two boys, named Seymour Chase and Clinton Kitchin, were arrested by Police-man Riddout last night for stealing electric flash lights from Perham & Stewart's booth at the exhibition. They were arraigned in the police court this morning and remanded until Tuesday. They have acknowledged the theft.

The contract for rebuilding Armstrong's wharf on the St. John river has been awarded to William Thayer, of White Cove.

Nominations for York municipal election were made on Monday. Indications are there will be contests in most of the parishes.

Victory Mill finished sawing for the season yesterday, having exhausted the supply of logs. The total cut for the season is about nine millions.

A vineyardist woman who was counting down on a street car remonstrated vainly with a big Irishman who in violation of the rules was distributing tobacco and chewing the passengers. He insisted, without making protest, till the woman losing her patience, exclaimed: "You old fellow, if you were my husband, I'd give you poison!" Giving a complacent puff to his pipe, Pat looked at her steadily and replied: "Begorra, if I was your husband, I'd take it!"

"My friend," asked his spiritual adviser, "have you no fears of the hereafter?" "The great sinners' institution, glancing unseeingly at the inmates of the paper bag, before him, "It is my brethren that I am afraid of."

Mamma—"My dear, what are you doing?" Little sister—"I'm making a doll for my little sister." "But you haven't any little sister." "No, not yet, but Sally's husband has just written and told me she always everything the Stockpots do."—Illustrated Bits.

Terms On Which Norway and Sweden Will Separate SETTLED THIS MORNING

Solution of Hungary's Difficulties Is Now Probable—Cholera in Berlin—Czar to Receive M. Witte at Peterhof Next Week—Another Strike at Lodz.

BERLIN, Sept. 22.—An agreement was reported this morning on the terms of the dissolution of the union of Norway and Sweden. The understanding was arrived at during the final session of the delegation, which lasted over three hours, during which the secretaries were engaged in preparing a protocol for the signature of the representatives of the two countries.

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Sept. 22.—Branislava Kowatsch, Count Julius Andrássy, Baron Benckowicz and Count Zichy, leaders of the various sections of the opposition, will have a collective audience with King-Emperor Francis Joseph today.

The audience is regarded most hopefully and there is widespread expectation that the compromise proposals which will be submitted will lead to a settlement with the formation of a ministry and the restoration of administrative order.

The coalitionists are prepared to demonstrate to the King-Emperor their strong desire to meet the views of the crown on the army question, by confining their demands to a general proposition for the development of the Hungarian army and the national spirit without insisting on the use of Hungarian as the means of command.

BERLIN, Sept. 22.—The official bulletin issued today announced nine fresh cases of cholera and two deaths between noon yesterday and noon today, making the total cases 380 and 64 deaths.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 22.—M. Witte will be received in audience by Emperor Nicholas Sept. 23rd or Sept. 24th at Peterhof, to which the imperial family will return Sept. 24.

Lodz, Sept. 22.—Twenty thousand workmen in the wool and cotton cloth factories struck today. They demand an increase in their wages of fifty per cent. Two more regiments of Dragoons have arrived and patrols are guarding the streets.

POLICE COURT. There was a dark town crew in the police court this morning as the result of a raid made between two and three o'clock this morning upon a house kept by Susan Burns in Blood Alley, a street of Dale Street.

The members of the crew were gathered in by Sergeant James Campbell and Police-men Scott and Crawford and were as follows: Susan Burns, aged 28, Lagertia Hall, aged 18, Frank Kennedy, aged 22 years, J. J. Kennedy, aged 17, and Harry Burns, aged 18, John Burns, aged 8 years and Florence Kennedy, aged 1 year were with the gang and were brought to the Central station for prosecution. Acting Magistrate Henderson remanded the crew for six days, and he might ascertain what could be done with the little children in the meantime.

Officers Crawford and Scott last evening arrested a number of the paper bag men charged with spitting on Sheffield street and in the vicinity of the Central station for two months in jail.

Honoree Brittain, whose serious illness has been causing his friends much alarm, has improved greatly the last few days. The doctors now have hopes of his recovery.

Ivan Rand, son of M. L. Rand, I. C. R. master mechanic, has resigned his position in the I. C. R. audit office and leaves tomorrow for Sandville to take a course in engineering.

John C. Landry, B. A., son of Judge Landry, of Dorchester, leaves on Tuesday next for Washington, D. C., where he will follow the M. A. course in the graduates' school of Georgetown University. Mr. Landry is a graduate of St. Joseph's College.

THE BOSTON CATHOLICS TAKE VERY STRONG STAND

Pass Resolutions Against the Liquor Traffic and in Favor of the Enactment of a Law Prohibiting Treating to Intoxicating Liquor.

Urging all "unfortunate Catholics engaged in the liquor business" to stop "retrograding their lives with the wrecks of some of God's noblest creations," and declaring of unmeasured terms their favor of an anti-treating law, the quarterly convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of the archdiocese of Boston went on record as opposed to those of the Catholic church who sell rum, and pleaded in a resolution that they desert the liquor business.

After routine business had been discussed, at their last meeting, the framing of resolutions against the rum demon was considered. Father Francis J. Butler, president of the organization, and Rev. Michael J. Doody of St. Mary's church, presented this resolution:

"As the drink habit in its last stage not infrequently becomes a disease, practically destroying the will, the Boston Union recommends and urges that it be treated as such, that the victim, restored physical health, may be in a condition to employ means necessary for his moral reformation.

"As self-denial is difficult to acquire, unless learned in Christian homes, the union calls on Catholic parents to bring up their children as total abstainers until they are twenty-one years of age, have them enter in a total abstinence society and become members of such an organization themselves."

After condemning the use of strong drink in the home and at family reunions, the resolutions continue: "The contention that the taking of a total abstinence pledge is unmanly and signifies the loss of self-respect and the dehumanization of character, or we condemn as an unwarranted abuse of a grand word as applied to total abstinence."

"As right living is made less difficult by salutary laws, all friends of total abstinence should support legislation for the promotion of temperance, and where possible Catholics should cooperate with non-Catholic organizations to secure and enforce legislation to discountenance the drinking customs of society.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES

The Russian battleship Retzow, which was sunk at Port Arthur was refloated by Japanese engineers yesterday. Street car traffic in Woodland avenue, Duluth, was blocked last night for several moments by six black bears, three large and three small ones. Recently several bears have been hounded.

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CONDENSED FUNERAL ON MONDAY COMING TO CANADA

The Times noted recently the fact that the population of the state of Iowa had decreased in the last year. The following despatch from Lake Mills, Wisconsin, explains the fact, and shows that what is Iowa's loss is Canada's gain.

"Big crops and deep lands are drawing many Iowans to Canada. Those who have already settled there are writing glowing letters to the friends of the settlement. Most of the farmers are farmers who own some of the big Iowa farms, and, failing to get any more wheat land in Iowa, desire to go to Canada for a land for the investment. The neighbors and friends of many of the tourists have written me accounts of the cheap Canadian lands, the big crops raised, the possibilities of making money in Western Canada, and as there has been no failure of crops in some parts of Canada for fifteen years the excitement is intense. From Washington county in southeast Iowa, this season have come 250 farmers, and all these men expect to settle at one place and start an Iowa colony. Today there is not one of the 120 colonies in the Hawkeye state but has its representatives in Canada, and these immigrants write me so enthusiastically that others are induced to travel northward to see if the fair tales are true. The Iowans used to farming and raising corn and hog crops to raise wheat and small grain in his new home. At Calgary, Banff, Prince Albert, Winnipeg, Alberta and Regina may be found many Iowans now full fledged Britishers, who are one of an accord in their praise of Manitoba, Alberta, Assiniboia or the Saskatchewan or wherever else they may live."

Hotel Arrivals. Clifton House—W. G. Richardson, Antigua; W. E. B. Lindsay, Jamaica; B. W. I.; E. Royce—H. Hale, Boston; I. C. McGregor, New Glasgow.

Duffin—W. E. Marks and wife, Miss Victoria—T. M. Johnson, Truro; J. A. Doran, Montreal.

There are a large number of applicants for the position of deputy collector of inland revenue, made vacant by the death of Wm. F. T. Harrison. The position commands a salary of \$1200 a year, and is therefore a tidy berth. Among those mentioned as seeking the appointment are—J. R. Morton, Edward Sears, C. E. MacMichael, F. W. Tapley, Geo. K. Berton, John B. Magee, Robert O'Shaughnessy and E. F. Jones. This list should keep those who have the government patronage busy.

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 22.—The negotiations with Norway are certain to end in some way, as already forehadowed. Sweden is calm. Norway is not so calm. You might work in a paragraph about Russian intrigue. It can be contradicted next Saturday.

ROME, Sept. 22.—Dig up who you said four weeks ago about the Pope's health. It is time to say it again. About every fourth week is the general media with earthquake. Ring in something about the earthquake. If you have not said anything lately about France as the Vatican give it a quarter of a column.

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THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

(Special Cable to the Times). CALOUTTA, Sept. 23.—The situation in India is very interesting. Almost anything that occurs to you is a possibility in view of the coming of the new viceroy, Lord Minto, will be good reading for a Saturday cable work in Curzon and Kitchener for a little scrap.

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