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### APPALLING CALAMITY

Indescribable Suffering Endured by Settlers in British Columbia.  
**FRASER RIVER STEADILY RISING**

Vancouver and New Westminster Cut Off From the Outside World—Devastation and Ruin on All Sides—Rescuing Boats Navigate Over Farms.  
**VANCOUVER, B.C., May 31.**—The overflow of the Fraser river is causing great destruction and loss of life. The surrounding valleys have been submerged, houses and outbuildings of ranches have been swept away and herds of cattle and flocks of sheep have been drowned. Whole villages on the banks of the stream are floating. So far eight lives are known to have been lost.  
**VANCOUVER, B.C., June 1.**—The Fraser River is still rising, and the indications are that the flood will be even more disastrous than the memorable one of 1893. The river has already risen within eight inches of the high water mark of that great inundation. The whole valley is under water, the Fraser having spread out into a vast lake. The tide is now crawling up at the rate of an inch every three hours.  
**VANCOUVER, B.C., June 2.**—Devastation and ruin are the only words to express the awful calamity in the Fraser River valley country. "Still rising" is the momentous exclamation heard on every hand, for the turbulent swollen torrents of the Fraser river have for six weary days and nights been slowly sweeping away the results of years of arduous toil and hardship. One hundred miles of country have been devastated and the end is not yet. Small mountain streams have changed as if by magic to roaring torrents, bringing down upon their bosoms thousands of tons of snow to add to the destroying elements already included in the juggernaut like journey of the debris. The appearance of the entire Fraser valley is changed. Where the prosperous rancher attended his flocks and herds and where rich fields of grain nodded to the placid waters beyond the dikes, the same waters are now raging furiously in rushing torrents, presenting an appalling panorama of ruin. Hundreds of trees are piled up with a medley of other debris, such as hencoops, outhouses, bridges and fences, and as each floating mass glides by another slip into sight. Hated bodies of thousands of sheep and swine swirl in the mad current, followed by upturned boats or a gigantic tree with chickens roosting in the branches, kaleidoscopic view of hundreds of houses, broken bridges and destroyed farms. The Fraser river has now reached the highest point touched in 1893, the year of the great flood, and it is said that miles and miles of the C. P. R. line have been washed away between Baby Creek and Mission, and

### NEWS TOPICS OF A WEEK

**The Important Events in a Few Words For Busy Readers.**  
Four men were killed in a railway collision at Sharon, Pa., on Wednesday.  
A movement is on foot to effect a general revolution throughout Central America.  
Burglars blew open the safe in Sadher Bros' dry goods store, Warton, and took \$800.  
Robert Bell, originator of the Broxburn oil works, the largest in Scotland, died at Edinburgh.  
Bombs were exploded on Wednesday night in front of the Ministries of Justice and War at Rome.  
It is stated that there are more people of the emigrant class leaving than entering the United States.  
In the United States Senate on Thursday an amendment putting all lumber on the free list was adopted.  
Rainmakers in Nebraska and Kansas claim to have been extraordinarily successful in recent experiments.  
Jack Wright who mysteriously disappeared from Woodstock some months ago, has turned up in St. Thomas.  
The little daughter of Wm. Ross, of Portage la Prairie was drowned by falling into an old well on Friday night.  
A hoisting hook in the Bliss shaft at Nanticoke, Pa., dropped upon and killed Wm. Baker and Adam Hurman.  
The U.S. Government has spent \$73,000,000 more than it has received during the eleven months past of the fiscal year.  
A keg of powder exploded at the Glenwood mine, near Jermya, Pa., on Friday, burning seven men, some of them fatally.  
Mr. William Harty was on Wednesday sworn in as Commissioner of Public Works in succession to Hon. C. F. Fraser, retired.  
A special committee of the Advisory Board has recommended that agriculture be taught in the Public Schools of Manitoba.  
The monument to Horace Greeley, erected under the auspices of Typographical Union No. 6, was unveiled in New York on Wednesday.  
The Canadian engine and locomotive works at Kingston have secured the contract for the lock gates at the Sault Ste. Marie canal.  
Four locks of the Welland Canal were accidentally carried away by the steamer City of Windsor, at Port Dalhousie on Wednesday.  
Annie Garret, of Whitby, aged 23, took on the schooner Sweetheart, was lost overboard when the vessel was near Sand Beach, Mich.  
Four Brazilian rebel naval officers have been sent to prison for ten years. Several other officers have been arrested, and more will follow.  
The thirteenth International Conference of the Young Men's Christian Associations of the world assembled in London, Eng., on Thursday.  
Burglars ransacked the residence of Rev. Father Keough at Paris early on Thursday morning, but got only some small change for their trouble.  
A man from Liverpool, N.S., on Thursday, was drowned with flour ran over Johnny seven years of age, killing

### CIVIL WAR IN BULGARIA

Unpopularity of Ex-Premier Stambuloff Provokes Strife.  
**FIGHTING IN THE STREETS**

Telegrams Revealing the True Gravity of the Situation Are Suppressed—Fighting Hourly in the Provinces—Foreign Powers Watch the Crisis.  
**SOFIA, June 2.**—Anti-Stambuloff riots have occurred in Varna, Philippopol, Bazardjid, Talatrar and other Bulgarian towns, in every case resulting in bloodshed.  
**VREZZA, June 2.**—News from private sources in Sofia shows that the situation there is much more serious than the despatches have indicated. A rigorous press censorship is exercised, and telegrams revealing the gravity of the crisis are either suppressed or mutilated. There has been severe fighting in Sofia, and the rioting in smaller cities grows more serious hourly. It is reported that Stambuloff and all his colleagues excepting Petoff are prisoners in their homes.  
**BELGRADE, June 2.**—The Tagblatt has a Belgrade despatch which says that two battalions of infantry and the entire police of Sofia have declared themselves for Stambuloff. There was a fierce conflict in the streets to-day between them and the loyal troops. Many on both sides were killed. The riots in the provinces continue. The prefect of Tatar-Basagiik, East Roumelia, was murdered last night.  
**ST. PETERSBURG, June 2.**—The Novos Vremya, in an inspired article, says that civil war in Bulgaria is apparently inevitable, adding that whatever may be the result of the conflict between Prince Ferdinand and ex-Premier Stambuloff, the present state of affairs cannot be permitted to go on. If ex-Premier Stambuloff obtains the upper hand foreign intervention in Bulgaria is certain.

### CAPTURED THE CROOKS.

One of them Supposed to be "Molly Matches"—His Record as a Crook.  
**TORONTO, June 1.**—Two men have been arrested, charged with the swindling of John York, the farmer from British Columbia. They gave their names as John Williams and William McPherson. Mr. York identified the men positively as the two who swindled him out of \$130 on the C. P. R. train.  
One of the men is supposed to be the notorious "Molly Matches," who is known all over America as the prince of confidence men. The police are divided in their opinion as to his identity with that notorious character, but the general belief is that he is the man.  
"Molly Matches" has a somewhat dramatic career. When a youth he disguised himself as a match-girl during a big celebration in New York city, and on account of his slight figure and rather feminine cast of countenance he passed among the throngs without being discovered. In this one day he is said to have made \$2,000 and won for himself the nom de plume

### DOMINION PARLIAMENT

**OTTAWA, May 30.**—In the Commons these bills were introduced and read a first time:  
Sir John Thompson—To amend the Dominion Elections Act. He said that the bill provides for a shorter time between nomination and polling day in certain constituencies.  
Sir John Thompson—To amend the Act respecting interest. The bill provides that judgments in the county courts shall bear interest at 8 per cent.  
The House then went into Committee of Ways and Means.  
"Corsets, linen, silk and cotton clothing, and other articles made from cotton fabrics, 32½ per cent. ad valorem."  
Danaak of linen, including napkins, doilies, tablecloths, sideboard covers, danaak stair linen and diaper, were enumerated at 25 per cent. ad valorem.  
Shawls of all kinds, railway and travelling rugs and lap cloths are also 25 per cent.  
Cloth, not rubbered or made waterproof, whether of wool, cotton, union or silks, 60 inches or over in width and weighing not more than seven ounces to the square yard, when imported exclusively for the manufacture of mackintosh clothing under regulations to be adopted by the Governor in council, 12½ per cent. ad valorem.  
The duty otherwise is 27½ per cent.  
Yarns, composed wholly or in part of wool, worsted, the hair of the alpaca goat or other like animal, costing 20 cents per pound and under, 6 cents per pound and 20 per cent. ad valorem.  
**OTTAWA, May 31.**—Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper moved in the Commons the first reading of his bill respecting the certificates of masters and master of ships. The bill was read a first time.  
Hon. Mr. Laurier said that as the First Minister had not yet introduced his bill respecting the Electoral Franchise Act he thought the House would like to know what changes the hon. gentleman proposed to make in the act.  
Sir John Thompson said he thought, as the details of the bill might be somewhat complicated, it would be of some public service if he stated what the principles of the bill would be, in order that it might be understood by the House and the public. They proposed important changes in the Franchise Act, and, without making a speech upon it or giving reasons why the changes were proposed, would briefly state what they proposed. First, they proposed to adopt as a basis of the franchise the franchise of the various provinces of Canada. They intended to propose further that the disqualifications which had been indicated by the Provincial Legislatures shall not apply to persons who would otherwise be entitled to the franchise.  
The House then went into committee on Dr. Weldon's bill to disfranchise voters taking bribes. The bill provided that the petitioner should deposit \$500 when filing the protest.  
Mr. Jannette moved in amendment that the amount should be raised to \$1,000. The amendment was carried on a division.  
The bill was reported to the House with many amendments. It stands for a third reading.  
Mr. C. B. O'Connell moved the House into committee to secure the better