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WILL WEAR MANTLE OF GEORGE IV

Magnificent Robe of Cloth of Gold for King's Coronation

NEWS OF ROYALTY

Kaiser May Visit London When Queen Victoria Statue is Unveiled—Death Invas Household of Dowager Queen; She Herself is ill

(Canadian Press)

London, Feb. 16.—The Kaiser hears that King George has decided to wear at the coronation the imperial mantle worn by Geo. IV. instead of that worn by Edward VII. It is in perfect preservation, is made of the finest cloth of gold and is surrounded with a deep fringe of pure gold threads.

It is said that the Emperor of Germany will visit London in May for the unveiling of the national memorial to Queen Victoria.

Queen Mother is ill. Dowager Queen Alexandra is suffering from an attack of influenza and her physicians have ordered her to keep to her room. The doctors in attendance say that there is no cause for alarm.

Improvement was shown today by the young Prince Edward and his brother Albert, sons of King George, who were stricken with measles at the British Naval College in Dartmouth.

Lady Suffield, a member of Dowager Queen Alexandra's household, died today. Lady Suffield gained a great deal of notoriety four years ago when her man named Reginald Spaulding appeared in Pittsburgh declaring that he had been commissioned by the noble woman to sell to millionaires prescriptions to the court of the then King, Edward VII. Lady Suffield, at the time, denied the story.

ALARMIST SMALLPOX STORY IS DENIED BY HEALTH BOARD OFFICIAL

(Special To Times)

Fredrickton, N. B., Feb. 16.—Dr. Fisher, secretary of the provincial board of health, said today that a smallpox story published in the St. John Standard was incorrect. There are not, he said, 400 cases of smallpox on the North Shore, but there may have been a total of that many cases within the last six months. At the present time, he continued, there are a few cases at Newcastle, and a few at Jacques River, St. John's, and the health authorities here are well in hand.

Moncton, Feb. 16.—But one building remains under quarantine here in the city, the Bourgoyne hotel. The local health authorities hope to have the quarantine raised on Sunday night.

ROTHSCHILD LEFT AN ESTATE OF \$145,000,000

(Special To Times)

Vienna, Feb. 16.—The New York Press figures that the estate of Baron Albert von Rothschild, left by him to worth \$145,000,000.

WEATHER BULLETIN

9 A. M. WEATHER REPORTS

Table with columns: Location, Temperature, Wind, Clouds. Includes Toronto, Montreal, Quebec, etc.

Forecast—Fresh to strong northwest winds, fair and cold; Friday, fresh northwest winds, fair with a little higher temperature.

Synopsis—The high pressure area remains stationary over Quebec, and the storm East of Newfoundland has increased in energy. To banks, strong northwest; to American ports, fresh northwest winds.

Saint John Observatory. The time ball on Customs building is hoisted half its elevation at 12:45, full elevation at 1:20, and drops at 1 p.m. Standard time of the 60th Meridian, equivalent to 5 hours Greenwich mean time.

Local Weather Report at Noon. Highest temperature during last 24 hrs, 22. Lowest temperature during last 24 hrs, 4. Temperature at noon, 10. Humidity at noon, 72.

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NATIONS ON VERGE OF WAR

Relations of Russia and China Strained To Breaking Point

Czar Plans Demonstration on Frontier Alleging Persistent Violation of Treaty by China—British, French and German Governments Receive Notice

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London, Feb. 16.—The relations of Russia and China are strained to the breaking point. Russia today notified the governments of Great Britain, France and Germany of her intention to make a military demonstration on the Russo-Chinese frontier owing to China's persistent violation of the St. Petersburg Treaty of 1851.

Russian troops will be sent at once to the frontier. The vital questions involved are free trade in Mongolia, the extra-territorial rights of Russians in China, and the establishment of a Russian consulate at Kobo, Mongolia.

SOCIETY GIRL IS SHOT DEAD

Just Home From Theatre When Revolver Shot Rings Out From Her Room

(Canadian Press)

Toronto, Feb. 16.—Returning from the theatre last night, Miss Hazel Nicholls retired to her room and a few minutes later the family were startled by the discharge of a revolver. They found her lying from a bullet wound in the head. She lived only a few seconds.

Miss Nicholls was 23 years old, and the second daughter of Frederick Nicholls, president of the Canada Postoffice Co. The family are very popular socially. The shooting is said to have been accidental.

MANY SLEIGHING PARTIES LAST NIGHT

The fine weather, bright moon and absence of snow have been taken advantage of by many young people of the city for the holding of sleighing parties. Last night it is estimated that about fifteen parties were held.

The Junior members of the Natural History Society held a delightful sleighing party at the home of J. P. Clayton, who had refreshments at the rooms. The chapters were Messieurs Wm. McIntosh, F. E. Holman and Arthur Parker.

The members of the Maple Leaf Club, of Charlottetown, on their return here, had supper at the home of J. P. Clayton, where they partook of a tempting turkey dinner.

The D. C. D. Club of Indian street held a drive to Torriburn and on return had supper at the home of J. P. Clayton, where a few hours were spent in games and other amusements. Mrs. F. G. McNeill chaperoned the party.

A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Francis drove last evening to their summer home at Acamae where a pleasing programme of bridge and other social pastimes was enjoyed.

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Another large party of young people, two large sleighs, last evening enjoyed themselves heartily in a drive as far as Newcomb's and on their return to the city had supper at the home of Miss Mary Brown, Main street. A pleasant evening was spent.

Still another crowd of young people drove to Loch Lomond, where a programme of dances was carried out and a pleasant time enjoyed.

GHATHAM BOARD OF TRADE ARRANGING BANQUET

(Special To Times)

Chatham, N. B., Feb. 16.—At a special meeting of the board of trade last night it was decided to hold a banquet on Feb. 27 to stimulate interest in the board. A large committee was appointed to carry out the details.

Excitement is manifest in the town, consequent upon the local curlers capturing the McLellan cup from Amherst, Sackville curlers will be here next week to compete for it.

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ARE FREE ON SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Prisoners Before Judge Forbes This Morning Under The Speedy Trials Act—Some Details

(Canadian Press)

Several prisoners took advantage of the "Speedy Trials Act" before Judge Forbes this morning. George Dangard, for unlawfully wounding Wm. McDonald, pleaded "guilty." Dr. Christie testified as to the nature of the wound, not very serious in nature. His Honor gave the prisoner a lecture on the seriousness of carrying dangerous weapons. On account of this being his first offence he would allow him to go on suspended sentence, provided that in the meantime he would be sent back to jail.

In the case of the King vs. Harry Stone and George Stanton, Stanton appeared to take advantage of the "Speedy Trials Act." His Honor explained that as Stone had elected to be tried by a jury, Stanton would have to appear before the grand jury and be tried at the February session of the court. E. S. Ritchie appeared for Stanton.

In the case of the King vs. John McLean, Frank Spence and Robert Elliott, Homer Forbes for Spence and K. J. MacRae for Elliott. The prisoners were charged with breaking into Philip O'Neill's wholesale warehouse. They pleaded "not guilty." The taking of evidence was postponed to the afternoon.

The increase of the inflammation caused the physicians to fear becoming trouble which would interfere with the breathing of the aged patient. Though the fever had decreased, his temperature was still above normal. The two physicians remained in an ante-room outside the Pontiff's chamber during the night, and were visited at intervals by the nurses, who arrived here from their northern home yesterday. The physicians believe that it will be possible for them to control the attack of influenza and that the Pope is able to recover only with a great deal of difficulty.

The Pope spent a calm night and early today his temperature was found to have fallen from 100 to 98. Dr. Pisani considers that the disease is taking its normal course.

PYTHIANS BUY PROPERTY

Lot for Building Bought by St. John Knights—Other Real Estate News

(Canadian Press)

The Knights of Pythias have purchased from E. A. Smith a lot in Chipman street, midway between Peel street and Hazen street. For some time the knights had had under consideration a project for erecting a building of their own in the city. The lot is the first step in that direction. There are no settled plans as yet regarding a building, and it may be that no move will be made in that direction for a year or two, but in the meantime they are making sure of a suitable location.

The lot is 43 feet, fronting on Chipman street and extending back a distance of 92 feet. It is immediately in the rear of the Free Public Library, and is considered one of the choicest building lots in the city now unoccupied. The transfer was completed last night, and the deed made out in the name of the trustees of New Brunswick and Union lodges.

It was rumored last evening that an option had been secured on the large wooden building at the corner of Erin street and Haymarket square, just below the Aberdeen school. It could not be ascertained whether the option, or for what purpose. It is stated also that a great many lots in Crossville have changed hands lately.

SAYS TO PASSENGERS AND GREW WENT DOWN WITH SPANISH STEAMER

(Canadian Press)

Rennes, France, Feb. 16.—(Canadian Press)—The captain of the Spanish steamer Orlagan, which has arrived here has informed the Spanish consul that the Spanish steamer Abercon, which left Rotterdam for Bilbao at the same time as the Orlagan foundered in a tempest and that seventy passengers and the crew perished. There is no confirmation of the captain's story from other sources.

PEOPLE OF NOTE

Times' Gallery of Men and Women of Prominence

Mr. Peter Binks is much impressed by the fact that there are over sixty men in the jail in St. John at the present time. He says that if you add to this list the names of those who ought to be in jail you would have a somewhat imposing array. He is at a loss to know why a city so well governed can have so many violators of the laws. If it were a Yankee city there would of course be no cause for surprise at such a showing.

HOW HE ESCAPED. The police know how the prisoner escaped from the chain gang this week. The fellow ran away and hid behind the 225 loads of stone that so mysteriously disappeared from the custody of the city council.

IT WOULD NEVER DO. A citizen wishes to ask why when tenders are called for, the civic boards divert up orders among various tenders at different prices instead of giving one the whole order. The answer is of course that to pursue the latter course would be to adopt business methods, and it is inadvisable to introduce any such methods in a city with a charter over a hundred years old.

A NEEDED REFORM. Mr. James Jones says the police must stop taking persons caught in the act of stealing or stabbing to the court and putting the city to the expense of feeding them till they are let go again. James says the police should lead the prisoners gently out of a place where they are caught, and then there and bid them God speed to the next job.

UNDERHAND WORK IN THIS

Opponents of Reciprocity Seek to Incite Students of Laval

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NEW COMPANY AND BID FOR BUSINESS OF WHITE CANDY CO.

White's Limited Applying for Incorporation—Buy Present Concern or Start Another Here

(Canadian Press)

The Royal Gazette contains the announcement of the application of Gilbert White, Arthur D. Ganong, and Herbert Stevens, of St. John, and George H. McAndrew, of Halifax, for incorporation as White's Limited, with a capital stock of \$100,000, and principal place of business in St. John.

This may mean the taking over of the business of the White Candy Co. of this city, or it may be that a new manufacturing business will be started here. A special meeting of the shareholders of the White Candy Co. has been called for this afternoon, and Thomas F. White, president of the company, is expected to be present. The principal business will be the consideration of an offer by outside parties to take over the business. He thought it probable that another meeting would be held before a definite decision was reached.

G. W. Ganong, of Ganong Bros., St. Stephen, one of those mentioned in connection with the new company, is in the city today and a Times reporter he said that an offer had been made to the White Candy Company—a very fair offer—and if it was accepted, the new company was prepared to carry on the business here on an increased scale. If the offer was declined, it was possible that a business would be established here anyway. He said he was not at liberty at the present time to discuss the matter any further.

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METROPOLITAN CASE ON IN FREDRINGTON

(Special To Times)

Fredrickton, Feb. 16.—The case of Gertrude Hopper vs. W. W. Clark et al., known as the Metropolitan Hotel case is now before the supreme court. Recorder Baxter is moving to set aside the verdict. D. Milin K. C., contra.

In the supreme court today the case of John McKane vs. Sheriff O'Brien of Northumberland was taken up. H. A. Powell, K. C., for the plaintiff, and R. A. Lawlor for the defendant argued a special case by order of Judge Landry. The plaintiff is seeking to recover interest on a sum of money deposited with the sheriff as bail. Judgment was reserved.

Plague Invades Barracks

(Canadian Press)

Pekin, Feb. 16.—(Canadian Press)—The bubonic plague has been discovered in the Russian barracks at Vladivostok, according to a report received today. Conditions in Northern Manchuria are slightly improved, owing to a lessening of the virulence of the plague germs, although there is no perceptible falling off in the number of cases.

SHRUBB WON IN FAST TIME

(Canadian Press)

Philadelphia, Feb. 16.—(Canadian Press)—Alfred Shrubbs, the English runner, defeated Johnny Hayes of New York in a 25-mile match race at the American Athletic Club last night. Shrubbs won by half a dozen laps in the last time of one hour and 22 seconds.

STARVING CHINESE IN FAMINE DISTRICT BECOME CANNIBALS

(Canadian Press)

Pekin, Feb. 16.—Several cases of cannibalism, were reported today from the province of King Si, the center of the starvation zone. A man, a woman and two children were killed and their flesh eaten by villagers in the community west of the Yaluing mountains, just south of the district.

From Canton and Shanghai dispatches received today from missions confirm the story of barbarous cannibalism in the famine belt sent word that the famished people are insane from suffering and rioting is frequent. Soldiers sent into the district have been attacked.

Along the valley of the Kan River whole villages have been depopulated and dead bodies strewn the roads and fields.

HALIFAX CONVERTS THE JUDGE

Head of I. C. R. Conciliation Board Makes Violent Attack

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RIOT IN FRONT OF U. S. CONSULATE IN MONTREAL WAS PLANNED—CHAMP CLARK'S SPEECH HAS STIRRED UP IN SOME QUARTERS—PREMIER MCBRIDE'S VIEWS

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VIOLENT ATTACK ON BOTH POLITICAL PARTIES

An Intemperate Temperance Man Gives Vent to His Feelings in Alliance Convention

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Montreal, Feb. 16.—Both political parties came in for some hot criticism at yesterday's session of the annual convention of the Ontario Branch of the Dominion Alliance. Rev. Ben. H. Spence, secretary of the Ontario Branch, denounced "Liberal lechery and Conservative trickery."

He said that while the temperance movement had made great progress, the Ontario Legislature had not passed any real temperance legislation in fifteen years.

"It is not the liquor men, but the politicians who are blocking temperance legislation," he said, "since the days of Oliver Mowat there has been a steady drop in the morals of the Liberal party, but they are not the only offenders. There has never been a record of political trickery like that of the Conservatives. The three-fifths clause is the worst menace to local option that exists. It makes the liquor traffic permanent, but not local option."

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JEWIS REPEOPLING THE HOLY LAND

London, Feb. 16.—The Zionist ideal of the re-peopleing of Palestine by the Jews is being steadily, if slowly, realized. In a few decades the Jewish population in the Holy Land has increased from 20,000 to nearly 100,000 residents, mostly emigrants or children of emigrants, from Roumania, America and other countries.

Now that the Palestine Land Development Company is displaying greater activity in the return of the people is expected on a still larger scale.

SIX DROWNED WHILE SMUGGLING CHINESE

(Canadian Press)

San Francisco, Feb. 16.—At least six persons were drowned off the coast north of San Pedro in an attempt to smuggle a party of Chinese ashore.

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WOULD GIVE ROAD TO C. N. R.

All Rest of Maritime Provinces Asleep, Halifax Wide Awake, in His View—Remarkable Pronouncement in Award on Intercolonial Wages

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