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THE PICKERING INSURANCE FRAUDS

Two Other Charges to be Laid Against Alger.

AGENT BROWN UNDER ARREST.

Others of the Gang May be Jailed To-day.

Dr. Francey's Confession Filed With the Crown Implicates Many Prominent Men in the Township in a Deliberate Scheme to Systematically Defraud the Insurance Companies—Alger's Defence Is That the Fraud Was Perpetrated Without His Knowledge.

Nicholas L. Brown, Ontario county agent for the Home Life Association of this city was arrested at Whitby last evening by High Constable Caverley, on a charge of conspiracy to defraud. His arrest is the first of many which have been expected since the developments of last week in the Alger insurance fraud.

The adjourned preliminary investigation into the charge against Alger, of conspiracy to defraud the Equitable Life, will be resumed at Whitby before Magistrate Harper to-day.

New Charges Against Alger.

Alger will also be charged with conspiracy to defraud the Home Life Association and the London & Lancashire Company. It is for complicity in the first of these two charges, yet to be laid, that Agent Brown has been arrested. In a deposition made at the Attorney-General's department, immediately after his return from Buffalo, Dr. Francey gave the authorities full information regarding all the Alger policies and applications, as well as of a number of additional cases where organized attempts had been made by means of fraudulent medical reports and forged signatures to place insurance upon bad lives. Francey's statement, which is largely borne out by corroborative circumstances, is said to involve the agents of several insurance companies, as well as men in other professions.

Sensational Developments To-Day.

A great deal of quiet work has been devoted to the case by the provincial and county authorities since Alger's arrest, and when the full result of these investigations is made public, one of the most extensive insurance swindles ever undertaken in this province will be exploded.

Brown is well-known throughout Pickering Township, and his arrest will cause some surprise, but the residents of that township have a genuine sensation in store for them when the evidence is given in the London and Lancashire charge against Alger. But according to Dr. Francey's statements, Pickering Township was only the basis of operations for a company or gang of conspirators, the members of which reside in all sections of the country. Some parties who took no active part in the attempts to insure dying risks, but at the same time were accessories to the fraud, may also find themselves in very uncomfortable positions before the air has cleared.

The Charge Against Brown.

It will be remembered that the application made by Alger for a $5000 policy on Mrs. Alger in the Home Life, was in the hands of the company when Mrs. Alger died. When asked by his company for an explanation Brown stated that the risk had been recommended to him by J. Hortop, of the Ontario Mutual, and as he knew Hortop, he thought the risk was all right. This explanation was accepted at that time, but Dr. Francey's confession put the matter in a new light.

Alger's Alleged Innocence.

If Alger's solicitors follow out the lines of defence indicated by their remarks to a World reporter at Brougham on the day Mrs. Alger's body was exhumed, they will endeavor to prove that the application to the Home Life was the result of a conspiracy between Francey, Horton and Brown, and of which Alger had no knowledge.

Brown is out on bail in two sureties of $500 each.

A COSTLY TREASURE HOUSE.

Ransacked By Burglars It Would Yield a Good Haul.

A rich and costly treasure house is the establishment upon the n.w. corner of King and Yonge-streets. If diamonds, pearls and rubies were glistening in the windows the stock could not be more valuable. A hundred thousand dollars in furs alone! It takes one's breath away to think of. If burglars were to get in there to-night and ransack the place, a mere armful would represent thousands of dollars.

Thirty thousand dollars' worth of this stock has yet to be turned into gold.

To-day is bargain day. On mink neck ruffs there will be no reduction, simply because they have been sold right along at $2.50, $3.50 and $5, or a quarter off the regular price, so that they cannot be figured any lower. All ladies who are out shopping are invited to look over the bargains at Dineens to-day, where they will be courteously treated, whether buying or not. The following prices are an indication of what may be expected: Astrachan Capes, 30 inches long, wide sweep, $15, were $20, and capes in other furs i nsame proportion; Long Fur-Lined Circulars, $10, were $18; Three-quarter Length Fur-Lined Wraps, $16.50, were $20; Alaska Sable, Muffs, finest quality, $10, were $12.50, and muffs in other furs in same proportion; Ladies' Fur Gauntlets, $4 and $5, were $5 and $6.50; 40-inch Mink Capes, $25, were $30; 45-inch Astrachan Jackets, $27.50, were $35; Men's Fur Coats, $15, $20 and $25; were $20, $25 and $30. King and Yonge.

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Jay Gould's Money Lost.

London, Nov. 14.—Vanity Fair has a despatch from Paris referring to the recent losses on the Bourse there, in which the statement is made that Comte de Castellane, who recently married Miss Anna Gould of New York, was one of the heaviest losers.

Your grocer sells "Salada" Ceylon Tea.

West Wellington Vacancy.

Drayton, Nov. 14.—A Conservative convention was held here to-day and a resolution was passed advising that a Conservative candidate be placed in the field for the vacancy in West Wellington, caused by the unseating of Mr. George Tucker, the Patron member in the Ontario Legislature.

After severe exercise, take a piece of Adams' Tutti Frutti. It moistens the throat and keeps the mind so pleasantly affected while using it that you escape the depressing feeling of reaction.

To avoid taking typhoid, drink Sprudel, and it will keep your system in such a condition that there will be no danger of taking typhoid.

P.P. STATION BURNED.

It Was a Frame Structure and Was Speedily Reduced to Ashes—Other Fires Yesterday.

Ottawa, Nov. 14.—The Canadian Pacific Railway depot was totally destroyed by fire about 6 a.m. to-day. The conflagration broke out in the refreshment room and owing to the inflamable nature of the building made rapid progress. Despite the strenuous efforts of the fire brigade the building was completely gutted.

Great inconvenience was experienced for some time in the telegraphic service as all the lines of the company to the city office passed through the station, but by 10 o'clock telegraphic service had been restored. The total loss is estimated at $12,000. It is said the fire was caused by an electric light wire.

Elkhorn Indian School Burned

Ottawa, Nov. 14.—Hon. Mr. Daly was notified to-day of the destruction by fire of the Indian Industrial School at Elkhorn. All the buildings with the exception of the boys' quarters, were burnt. The pupils will be accommodated at St. Paul and Regina schools as far as possible.

$5500 INCENDIARY FIRE.

Blaze at Taylor, Scott & Co.'s Brush Factory on Bay Street.

An apparently incendiary fire occurred at 4 o'clock yesterday morning in the basement of Taylor, Scott & Co.'s brush factory in the rear of 116 Bay-street. The flames quickly spread to the first floor, destroying the engines, boilers, pulleys and belting, and also damaging the stock to a large extent.

The losses are: Stock $1000, machinery $3500, and building $1000. The insurance, which amounts in all to $10,000, is in the Guardian, Commercial, Perth and Waterloo companies. The prompt action of the firemen prevented what might have been another huge conflagration. Nothing but shavings and broom corn waste is used in the furnace of the factory, and every evening the fires are raked out and water played on the ashes. There was no light or fire in the building after work was closed down on Wednesday night.

Dwelling Burned at Thorold.

Thorold, Nov. 14.—The dwelling of Mr. William Boyle, Ormond-street, was destroyed by fire this morning. The family had a narrow escape with their lives. Loss $2500. Insured in the Phoenix for $1300.

Mill and Evaporator Destroyed.

Ameliasburg, Nov. 14.—Roblin's saw mill and evaporator were burned here early this morning, and were a total loss. Insured in Queen's and Perth Mutual, which will partly cover loss.

BLAUVELT AND DUFFT AGAIN.

Mrs. Isidor Klein Also Scores a Great Success at Massey Hall.

The concert at Massey Hall last night was a great success in point of attendance and of artistic results. It was the occasion, also, of the debut of a Canadian artiste, who, singing on the same platform with the most popular concert soprano in New York, achieved a genuine and unique success. Mrs. Isidor Klein, a pupil of W. E. Haslam, was heard for the first time here under such distinguished auspices, and aroused genuine enthusiasm. She is a dramatic soprano, and therefore showed to the best advantage in her aria from "The Queen of Sheba," in which her phrasing and general treatment were powerful and artistic. Her voice is what is called large, rich in quality, with a range of two octaves, and she has a style in execution that is striking and good. The other vocalists last night were Miss Lillian Blauvelt and Dr. Carl Dufft. Miss Blauvelt sang a florid number from Bizet's "Pearl Fishers" with all the sensuous charm that is the notable quality of her voice; the organ has broadened out since she last appeared here, and to its sweetness is added a richer, fuller tone. Her concluding number, a bolero by Verdi, provoked great enthusiasm. Dr. Carl Dufft, one of the most finished, magnetic and powerful baritones of to-day, repeated his former success at the Musical Festival, and Mr. Fields' numerous piano selections were a charming feature of the program. Last night he achieved his best successes in several of the emotional works of Chopin.

GRACE CHURCH AND PROF. CLARK.

Rev. J. P. Lewis and His Congregation the Subject of an Interesting Study.

In its bright issue to-day The Week publishes a brilliant description of Grace Church and the preaching of Professor Clark. A Toronto lady writes charmingly of an evening spent some years ago with the great poet Robert Browning. The article is enriched with a facsimile of the poet's handwriting. Barney Barnato's extraordinary career forms the text for the leading article of this number, which can be had at McKenna's Bookstore, 80 Yonge-street. The Week, in discussing Nova Scotia's position in the Canadian Confederation, boldly asserts that the province is a tower of strength to the Dominion, and that only a few feeble-witted politicians seeking notoriety babble about secession. Among other subjects discussed are the Toronto Water Works System, the Trades and Labor Council, Newfoundland's future and American Anglophobia.

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For New York City.

Take the picturesque Lehigh Valley route. Pullman Buffet sleeping car leaves Toronto, via Grand Trunk, at 4.55 p.m., arriving in New York 9.13 the next morning, one hour ahead of all other lines.

When going do not fail to ask for tickets and berths at the Grand Trunk city or depot offices by this popular route.

Returning, leave New York at 6.10 p.m., arriving in Toronto 10.15 a.m. 56

If you know how slow to eat and use a piece of Adams' Tutti Frutti after each meal, you will never have indigestion. Take no imitations.

Eight More Assassins Executed.

New York, Nov. 14.—The Herald's St. Petersburg despatch says: Special despatches from Vladivostock state that owing to the presence of the British fleet at Foo Chow the Viceroy has executed eight more assassins.

Go to Harris for good quality, the latest style and the most perfect fitting sealskin mantles, the manufacturing furrier who always gives satisfaction. 71 King-street west upstairs.

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The following desirable rooms in The World Building are to let:

First floor in old building on Yonge-street, 25x40.

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Delicious to taste, "Salada" Ceylon Tea

Personal.

Sir W. C. Van Horne, accompanied by Messrs. R. B. Angus, E. S. Clouston, manager of the Bank of Montreal, and Gilbert Parker, the celebrated Canadian novelist, passed through the city yesterday morning on their way to the coast.

RALLY AT SMITH'S FALLS

MESSRS. FOSTER, HAGGART AND MONTAGUE WARMLY RECEIVED.

Torchlight Procession, With Bands of Music—Opera House and Town Hall Filled to Overflowing—The Questions of the Day Discussed and Mr. Laurier Scored By the Speakers.

Smith's Falls, Nov. 14.—To-day is one to be remembered by the people of Smith's Falls. Bright and early flags were flying and Conservatives making preparations for the reception of the Ministers. Special trains were run from Kemptville, Merrickville, Perth and different places, and many hundreds of people from the above places flocked her to hear these noted speakers.

The special carrying the Ministers arrived here at 7 p.m., and was met at the station by members of the Smith's Falls Liberal-Conservative Association and presented with an address just as they stepped off the train, which was read by Mayor Steacy.

Torchlight Procession.

Mr. Foster made a short and suitable reply, after which a procession was formed, headed by the Citizens' Band, then about 500 torchlights, the Oddfellows' Band; then came the carriages conveying the hon. gentlemen and other visiting members of the Government.

The procession paraded the principal streets and wound up at the opera house, where it was found that hundreds of the friends were unable to gain admission.

The association, thinking tshis would be the case, had the town hall all in readiness, and to their astonishment, when both audiences had got settled, they were full to overflowing.

On the Platform.

Among those on the platform might be mentioned Hon. George Foster, Hon. J. G. Haggart, Hon. Dr. Montague, Dr. Ferguson, M.P., George Taylor, M.P., Mr. Spence, Mr. Bush, M.L.A., Col. Matheson, M.L.A., John Tavell, S. M. Barnes and many other prominent Constrvatives.

Dr. Anderson, president and made a short speech, after which he introduced Mr. Spence, who, in a half-hour oration, discussed points in the leading questions of the day and was received with great applause.

The Speeches.

He was followed by Dr. Ferguson, M.P., for North Leeds and Grenville, and he took a great delight in raking over Hon. Wilfrid Laurier for what he had said at the Merrickville meeting a few weeks ago.

George Taylor, M.P., for South Leeds was very glad to be here and also to see both the Opera House and Town Hall filled to overflowing.

Hon. Mr Foster's Speech.

Hon. Mr. Foster was intrduced and for a few minutes it was impossible for him to proceed. He said it seemed to do him so much good to be here and the reception he and his colleagues had received would never be forgotten. He was also glad to see so many ladies present. He dealt quite lengthily with the trade question, railways and canals and also the Manitoba school question, and dealt some very severe blows to Mr. Laurier and his party.

Hon. J. G. Haggart was the next speaker. He dealt largely with the Hon. G. W. Ross in refernece to his statements in regard to the indebtedness of the country in 1878 and 1895.

Hon. Dr. Montague was the next speaker and addressed the audience for about an hour and carried the audience with him throughout his speech.

The meeting ended with three cheers for the Ministers. They were then conveyed to the Storey House, where an elaborate repast was awaiting them. They left by special train at 12.30 for Ottawa.

Local Jottings.

Class '97 Varsity dined last night at McConkey's.

McKinley Lodge, L.O.L., hold their annual at home in Victoria Hall tonight.

Ben Cohen, a 14-year-old newsboy, was arrested by P. C. Richmond yesterday on a charge of stealing a pair of ladies' boots.

John Kelly was fined $30 and costs or 60 days by the Police Magistrate yesterday for assaulting two young women at Bay and Adelaide-streets.

Those houses that handle "L. & S." brand of ham, bacon and lard, do the largest trade, because they buy the goods that best please their customers.

This afternoon at Loretto Abbey an entertainment will be given by the pupils of the institution in honor of the 28th anniversary of Archbishop Walsh's elevation.

To have the will of her father declared void on the ground of alleged undue influence, Fanny Dibb of Vaughan Township is suing her brother, George Dibb, jr.

If you are bilious or costive this morning, use Fruit Granules. Nature's own remedy. Cleanses the liver and kidneys, purifies the blood. ed

Oak Hall have just passed into stock a very handsome range of fine Fauntleroy suits for little boys, age 4 to 8. These suits are made of the finest materials and sell from three to six dollars.

Marshall P. Wilder has appeared before more titled people than any other living entertainer. Madame Patti said to him: "I shall always be glad to hear you." The plan opens at Nordheimer's next Monday at 9 a.m.

The change in business reported that William Radcliffe, corner Queen and Parliament-streets, had sold out his business, is not correct, but Mr. Radcliffe has admitted Mr. Cork as partner and the style of the new firm will be Wm. Radcliffe & Co.

Robert Cairns was yesterday sentenced to 60 days in jail for being an inmate of a disorderly house. Cairns is said to be running the notorious Daly place at 166 1-2 York-street since the proprietor was sent to jail for a year for illegal liquor selling.

Chief Justice Armour has dismissed the suit of J. D. and J. Mitchell, the Dominion Waterproof Co., against Adam Mitchell, their brother, for an alleged infringement of a patent on celluloid collars and cuffs. The case will be appealed.

A writ claiming $1000 damages has been issued against the Grand Trunk Railway by A. Marks, a commercial traveler, for injuries received in a recent railway accident at Peterboro. Mrs. McDermot of this city is also suing the G.T.R. for damages for injuries sustained in an accident.

Mary Barriball, a girl employed at Coleman's restaurant in King-street, was remanded until to-day on a charge of stealing a diamond ring from a lady named Hodson, who lives at the Elliott House. Her defence is that the ring was given her by a friend of Mrs. Hodson's, which, however, the latter denies.

The Royal Grenadiers paraded at the Armory last night 489 strong under the command of Lieut.-Col. Mason. Companies B, D, F and K were inspected by Col. Otter and Col. Buchan. D.A.G. Companies A, E, H, and I will parade at the Armory in drill order for inspection at 8 p.m. on Monday next.

BRITAIN AND ITALY CO-OPERATE.

The Italian Squadron on the Way to the Levant to Join the British Fleet—Greece Wants to Join In.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 14.—Five Russian warships have been ordered to start immediately for the Mediterranean, in view of the proposed naval demonstration there arising out of the Armenian question.

This Looks the Other Way.

New York, Nov. 14.—A St. Petersburg special says: Events of late have all tended toward a reproachment between Russia and England. This is the keynote of the situation as it exists at the present moment.

Italian Squadron Sails.

Naples, Nov. 14.—The Italian squadron, ordered to co-operate with the British squadron in Turkish waters, left here for the East this afternoon.

Feeding Innocent and Guilty Alike.

Berlin, Nov. 14.—The Tageblatt asserts that Tewfik Pasha, the Turkish Foreign Minister, has stated in an interview that the Sultan has issued an irade decreeing that all persons who have been wounded or deprived of their property through the recent uprising in Asia Minor shall be clothed, housed and fed at the expense of the state until the situation clears up. The irade extends to the guilty and innocent alike.

NEXT YEAR AT BISLEY.

The National Rifle Association Decides That the Martini-Henry Rifle Shall Be Used.

London, Nov. 14.—For the Grand Aggregate competitions at the meeting of the National Rifle Association at Bisley Common in 1896 it has been decided that the Martini-Henry rifle is to be used.

Mr. Charles D. Rose, the young Canadian whose challenge to the New York Yacht Club recently brought him into prominence, fell while following the hounds yesterday and broke his collar bone.

Mr. Huddart Sees Mr. Chamberlain.

Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Colonial Secretary, was visited this morning by Mr. James Huddart, the manager of the proposed Canadian fast steamship line, who submitted the details of the enterprise and explained fully its objects and advantages. Mr. Chamberlain said he would see Sir Charles Tupper, High Commissioner for Canada, and inform himself of the position of the Dominion with regard to the project.

Mr Chamberlain Sees the West Indians.

London, Nov. 14.—Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, received at the Colonial Office to-day a deputation of prominent sugar farmers of the British West Indies, who had called to ask that negotiations be opened with foreign Governments looking to the abolition of sugar bounties. Mr. Chamberlain replied that he would communicate with his colleagues upon the question of opening negotiations. Regarding the application of countervailing duties, he said he did not believe that the House of Commons would favor such a policy.

Refused to Thank Sir Joseph Renals.

London, Nov. 14.—At a meeting of the London City Corporation to-day, that body for the first time in its history refused by a considerable majority to pass the usual vote of thanks to the outgoing Lord Mayor. The question was debated with much heat, several speakers declaring that Sir Joseph Renals, the retiring Lord Mayor, had been a discredit to the position.

Cholera in Russia.

Warsaw, Nov. 14.—Reports have been received here stating that from October 13 to October 26 there were 1490 cases and 616 deaths from cholera in the Government of Volhynia and 38 cases and 12 deaths in the Government of Kieff. It is rumored that cholera has made its appearance in St. Petersburg.

French Warships Aground.

Paris, Nov. 14.—The French ironclads Formidable, Admiral Baudin and Admiral Courbet ran aground last evening in the roadstead of Salins, Isles of Hyeres, Mediterrancan, in 15 feet of water. The Formidable was floated, but the other two are still aground, though they are in no danger.

Healy and O'Connor Expelled.

Dublin, Nov. 14.—The Parliamentary Committee of the Irish National party at a meeting to-day, passed a resolution by a vote of 33 to 24, expelling Timothy M. Healey and Arthur O'Connor from that body.

THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

Manitoba and Northwest Synod Unanimously Adopt Dr. King's Resolution

Winnipeg, Nov. 14.—After a calm and deliberative discussion, the Presbyterian Synod of Manitoba and the Northwest, unanimously adopted the resolution on the school question as wired last night.

Boats Tied Up.

Buffalo, Nov. 14.—There was an important meeting of the canalers, insurance men and canal forwarding houses this morning to consider a serious state of affairs now existing in the Erie Canal in the vicinity of Lockport. The water there is so low that over 200 boats are stalled and cannot move on account of the scarcity of water.

Canadian Robber Arrested in Buffalo.

Buffalo, Nov. 14.—Howard Burch, alias Henry Smith, alias Kid Malone, was arrested here this morning. He is a notorious criminal in the Dominion of Canada, and is wanted in St. Catharines for highway robbery.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 202-204 King west

Parties desiring winter board should not overlook the Lakeview, corner Winchester and Parliament-streets. Just a few rooms left. J. H. Ayre, Manager. 135

I like my wife to use "Salada" Tea.

A Selfish Brute.

The man who ordered that ton of coal this morning and insisted on buying it where he did just because he had a friend in the business. To-morrow he will rail at his wife about a poorly cooked and late breakfast. The moral is the People's Coal Company.

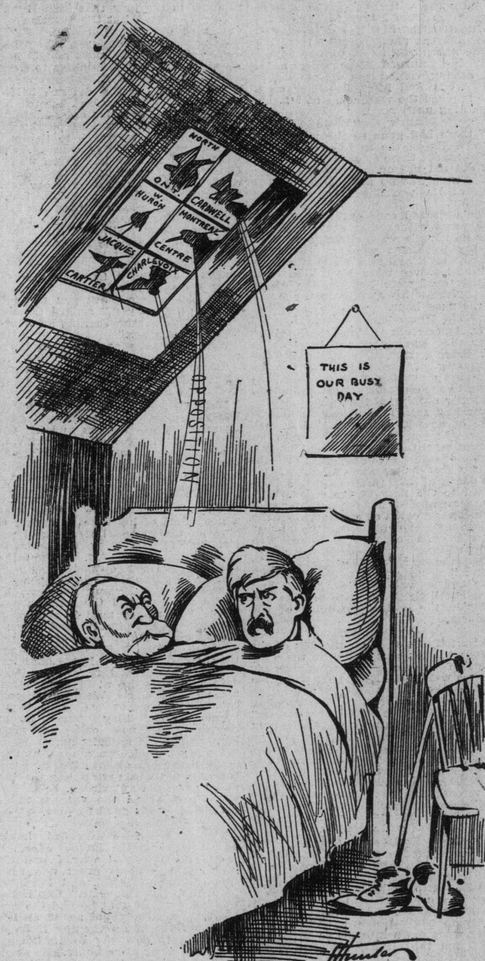
Cook's Baths open all night, 204 King w.

A little boy named George Dane of Frankland-street, Toronto Junction, tried to cross the C.P.R. track between two cars of a freight train near the Junction station yesterday afternoon. The train moved and the boy's leg was caught between the buffers and was badly crushed and lacerated.

The funeral of the late Mr. John D. Armstrong, who was killed on Monday afternoon by a Yonge-street trolley car, took place yesterday from deceased's late residence, 85 Yorkville-avenue, and the Church of the Messiah, of which he was a member. In the funeral cortege were members of Ashlar Lodge, A.F., and A.M. and York Lodge A.O.U.W. The remains were placed in a vault at Mount Pleasant.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 202-204 King w.

A MERE DETAIL OF COLOR.



MR. WALLACE: I wish those open places were filled.
SIR MACKENZIE: By the way, you haven't decided what colored political lights you will assist to put in there, have you, Mr. Comptroller?—Remedial Bleu or Non-Intervention Orange?

MET BY A MOB WITH CLUBS

QUEBEC PROVINCIAL POLICE HAVE A BIG JOB ON HAND.

Farmers of Lowe Township Will Not Pay Taxes—Bailiffs Found Nothing They Could Lay Hands On—Threats of Violence—Railway Men After a Concession on Coal—Other Ottawa News.

Ottawa, Nov. 14.—The Quebec Provincial Police who have gone into Ottawt County to enforce payment of taxes by the farmers of Lowe Township, have evidently a good sized contract on hand. A special from Lowe says the police and bailiffs visited six houses of delinquent ratepayers this forenoon and found nothing to seize, evidently everything having been removed before they arrived. A mob of 40 persons gathered and followed the officers from place to place, and finally, when the officers attempted to enter a house owned by Stephen Driscoll, the mob, all of whom were armed with clubs, offered resistance and prevented the officers going on the property, claiming that it was not Driscoll's property. The officers sought to ascertain where Stephen Driscoll lived, but the mob refused to give any information ,and thus the officers were handicapped in performing their duty. The mob is still together, and its numbers are increasing. They have made many threats of violence and state that blood wil l be shed if the officers persist in making seizeures.

Railways and the Coal Duty.

Mr. William Wainwright, assistant general manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, and Mr. Thomas Tait, assistant to the general manager of the C.P.R., had an interview with Hon. Mr. Ives to-day with reference to the duty on coal. The companies represent that in purchasing suplies of bituminous coal in the States they have to take the coal, as the mining companies express it, from the "Run of the mine," or, in other words, all grades of coal, whether it be in large pieces or small, or even slack. When the coal reaches Canada, before it is used, it has to be screened, and what the companies now claim is that, inasmuch as the duty on screenings is considerably les than on coal, being 20 per cent, as against 60 cents per ton, the Government ought to fix a fair average allowance in every 100 tons of coal which coud be rated for duty as screenings. Hr. Ives said he would lay the matter before his colleagues.

Cause of Low Water.

Dr. Dawson, Director of the Geological Survey, was asked to what he attributed the unusual lowness of the water in the rivers generally this fall. In reply he stated he could not give any other explanation for it than deficiency of rain fall and evaporation during dry periods. For the last three years at least he rain fall had been unusually light, and this all went in the direction of reducing the volume of water in the streams to an unusually low level.

Speaking of the low water in the St. Lawrence, Dr. Dawson said that the St. Lawrence rose and fell according to the volume of water in the great lakes. The great lakes had cycles of low water. Some years ago Dr. Dawson made a computation of the rise and fall of waters in Lake Erie, and from these observations he discovered that the water from the year 1798 reached an unusual low level about every ten years.

Imperial Penny Postage.

Sir Adolphe Caron has replied to Gen. Laurie, M.P., in refernece to Canada's position in the matter of Imperial penny postage, and supplied that gentleman with al lthe figures and data that he requires. The Postmaster-General says that Canada cannot join an Imperial league that will give a penny inwards and outwards postage to the Australian colonies unless the British Government is prepared to lose on penny-half-penny on each letter, and thus Canada would be just where she is now as regards postal receipts and shipping mail contracts.

Had to Watch the Poachers.

Commander Spain of the fisheries protective service, has returned to the city nearly all the vessels having gone out of commission for this year. Capt. Spain reports having had a very busy summer, as there were a good many Yankee vessels off our coasts which, if they had not been closely watched, would have quickly invaded the three-mile limit.

Mica Men Meet.

The General Mica Association of Canada met here to-day, Capt. Robert C. Adams of British Columbia presiding. Amongst those present were Messrs. Baumgarten, the Mica King of Canada; E. D. Ingall of the Geological Survey, and many others. The purport of the meeting was to strengthen the hands of mica men in Canada, the market being greatly depressed at present, owing to competition from India.

Deseronto Man Killed.

Belleville, Nov. 14.—Peter Merrill, a respected resident of Deseronto, was run over on the Grand Trunk about a mile west of this city last night. He stepped out of the way of the train and into the way of another. He was brought to the city and died about two hours later. He leaves a widow, two sons and three daughters.

A Boy Loses a Finger.

Meadowvale, Nov. 14.—Willie Hadden, the 12-year-old son of W. Hadden, C.P.R. section foreman, had his right hand crushed in a cutting box on a farm near Churchville yesterday. Dr. Moore of Brampton amputated the second finger.

Dropped Dead.

Embro, Ont., Nov. 14.—B. B. Monroe dropped dead on Wednesday at his home on the second concession. Apoplexy was the cause of death.

Pember's Turkish Baths, Ladies Tuesday and Friday mornings, all day Thursday. 4

Very Exasperating.

It is very exasperating and vexatious this waiting for breakfast because the fire would not burn up. It upsets you all day. But was the cook to blame?

Try the People's Coal Company, the cook will be pleased, your wife made happy and a cheerful disposition will accompany you down town.

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DEATHS.

CRAWFORD—On Thursday morning, the 14th November, at the residence of her son-in-law, Commander Law, Royal Navy, No. 504 Sherbourne-street, Toronto, Helen Mary Crawford, aged 78 years, daughter of the Hon. Livius Peters Sherwood, puisne judge of the Court of Queen's Bench of Upper Canada, and Speaker of the Legislative Council, widow of John Willoughby Crawford, Esq., Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario.

Funeral from the above residence at 9.45 on Saturday to St. Michael's Cathedral, where requiem mass will be celebrated.

Ocean Steamships.

Nov. 14.	Reported at	From
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H. H. Meier	"	"
Circassia	Glasgow	New York
Glen Morven	London	Quebec
Montevideau	Father Point	London
Britannic	Queenstown	New York

Mild Weather.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Calgary, 28—54; Qu'Appelle, 16—38; Winnipeg, 20—34; Port Arthur, 32—40; Toronto, 38—50; Montreal, 32—46; Quebec, 32—38; Halifax, 28—42.

PROBS: Moderate to fresh, southerly to westerly winds; cloudy to fair and mild, with a few light local showers.

AYLESWORTH IN THE WITNESS BOX

The Brother-in-Law Testifies Against the Petit Twins.

THE BLOOD-STAINED CHISEL.

A Murderous-Looking Weapon Introduced and Identified.

Failure of the Defence to Break Down the Evidence of the Man Who Worked With the Dead Boy—Bushels of Silent Testimony Brought Into Court—Mrs. Aylesworth and Miss Lattimer to Follow for the Crown—Sheriff Mowat's Little Matinee.

For four hours and fifty minutes yesterday E. W. H. Aylesworth stood in the witness box telling Mr. Osler what he knew about the alleged murder of his brother-in-law, Willie C. Wells, by the Hyamese twins, and for one hour and forty minutes he braved the severe cross-examination to which he was subjected by Mr. Lount, of counsel for the defence. Mr. Aylesworth will continue as the leading attraction in the great murder trial this morning, and it is altogether likely that the greater portion, if not all, of the morning session will be consumed in concluding his examination.

The Twins Are Not Happy.

The prisoners did not appear to have passed a very pleasant night when they were brought into court in the morning; their faces were paler than usual, and bore a pinched, worried expression. As Harry handed his counsel, Mr. Johnston, a couple of pages of notes he had probably made in the solitude of his prison cell, his hand shook perceptibly and there was a very noticeable absence of that cheery smile of recognition with which he is wont to greet his counsel before the commencement of each day's proceedings. It is not unlikely that the sensational developments of the day before had had much to do with the apparent discomfort of the twins; certain it is, at all events, that they were not of a nature calculated to strengthen them in the belief that "the crown's case is weaker than on the occasion of the former trial."

How Aylesworth Stood the Test.

Mr. Aylesworth, as a witness, must be pronounced a success. His story of yesterday was plain, seemingly unadulterated and convincing, and his cross-examination at the hands of the able Mr. Lount was in strange contrast to that of six months' ago, when the same legal gentleman so skilfully tangled him up that his evidence in chief must have been very materially weakened in the minds of the jury. Of course, the defence is not yet through with Mr. Aylesworth, and there is a possibility that he may yet be broken down, but at the close of yesterday's session it was strongly impressed upon the two or three hundred spectators that in the battle of words between the prisoners' former employe and the brilliant barrister for the defence the latter gentleman had come out second best.

The Thrilling Story.

It cannot be said that anything particularly new was elicited in the examination of Witness Aylesworth, but his story was of the deepest interest. Commencing with his first meeting with the prisoners and the dead boy, he was carried along by bit by bit through all the transpirations of the years which followed; his engagement and that of the deceased as clerks in the establishment of the Hyamses, the peculiar business methods employed at the warehouse and office, the tragic scenes of the fatal day and his observations and investigations at that time, the circumstances surrounding the securing and collection of the heavy insurances, the grasping and eagerness of the accused men with respect to Martha Wells' heirloom, and the hundreds of other circumstances right up to the hour of the investigation, which led to the arrest and prosecution of the diminutive prisoners, were told with a precision and earnestness that left but little room for doubt as to the relater's sincerity.

The Blood-Stained Chisel.

The identification of an enormous amount of clerical work that had been performed in connection with the Hyamses' alleged commercial agency; the bushels of addressed envelopes, as Mr. Osler termed the huge stack of stationery near the jury box; the telltale bank cheques, which bear silent testimony to the driftings of large slices of the $30,000, which Martha Wells received as a result of the untimely killing of her young brother, were interesting features of Aylesworth's testimony, while the introduction, as an exhibit, and the identification of the blood-stained chisel, a murderous-looking weapon, caused a little ripple of sensation in the crowded court room. Taking it all in all, the testimony of Mr. Aylesworth was most damaging to the prisoners, and the interest in its continuation this morning will likely be unchecked. Following this witness, the Crown will probably call Mrs. Aylesworth and Miss Mabel Lattimer, the young lady who was employed with Aylesworth and Wells at the Colborne-street warehouse.

Sheriff Mowat's Matinee.

Shortly before the noon recess a complaint was made to Sheriff Mowat that the newspaper representatives on duty at the trial were stationed too close to the jury box, and that the conversations among the pressmen might be heard by the 12 good men and true, and tend to affect their verdict. The sheriff therefore notified the newsgatherers to prepare to move, and it is probable that to-day may find them located where they can neither see nor hear, nor be heard. Such an act on the part of the court's officers woud be rather unjust. The acoustics of the dingy little room are not of the best, and in the very favorable space devoted to the use of the press it is even now difficult to hear all that is said at times; and to render their conditions more adverse would be an injustice to the people who depend upon their newspapers for a faithful and exhaustive report of this very important trial.

The implied accusation that the pressmen of this city would for a moment be guilty of an attempt to influence a jury in its duty is too ridiculous for serious consideration.

Ebenezer Takes the Stand.

Ebenezer W. Aylesworth, the Crown's star witness, took the stand immediately on the convening of the court on the morning of the ninth day of the proceedings. To Mr. Osler witness stated that he has known the twins since the 10th of September, 1889, since his marriage with Miss Wells, a younger sister of the dead boy. Had known the deceased a year before he met the prisoners. The Wells family consisted of two girls and two boys, both the