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ONE CENT

U. S. TRANSPORT MEADE SCENE OF A FATAL FIRE AT 'FRISCO LAST NIGHT

Twenty Men Overcome and Three of Them Have Died---Four More Are Missing---Transport Was to Have Sailed Today for Manila with Troops

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Feb. 1.—Fire broke out late last night in the hold of the transport Meade, lying at Folson street wharf, and spread for several hours, despite the efforts of the fire department. Fully twenty men were overcome, of whom three are dead. Four others are missing, and are supposed to be still in the hold. The dead are—Third Officer George Wallace, of the Meade; B. Hennessy, line-man, of Engine Company Four; Captain Charles Dikin of Engine Company Four; Missing: Charles Gill, operator for Chief Remond; George Brown, of Engine 12; W. Rogers of Engine 12. One of the sailors of the Meade, name unknown. At three o'clock this morning the fire

was well under control and the ship was flooded with water, a dozen engines pumping water down the hold. The Meade was to have sailed today for Manila with 1,000 men on board of the Second Infantry and the Eighth and Thirtieth Regiments of Light Artillery. The fire part of the ship, where the fire broke out, contained the personal effects of the officers and men of the regiments. The vessel also had on board a cargo of 3,000 cases of commissary and quartermaster's supplies consigned to the Philippines. It is impossible to estimate at this hour the extent of damage to the ship and cargo. Third Officer Wallace was a native of Sydney, N. S. W., and was 29 years old.

THEY CAN'T GO TO JAIL

Striking Chicago Printers Must Pay Fine—State Will Not Allow Them to Work it Out.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Five hundred members of typographical union No. 16 voted unanimously to go to jail. As they are on strike, they thought they might as well go to jail as to work. They were permitted to go to jail on the amount in prison. After the resolution was adopted a committee was sent to attorney W. H. Heernan to see if there was any hope for the strikers breaking into jail and in that manner satisfying justice. They were disappointed when he told them that if the fine of \$1,000 was paid, the higher courts would have to be paid, and that there was no prospect of the debt being liquidated by the strikers going to jail.

TEACHERS ASK FOR INCREASE

Fredericton Lady School Teachers Contend That They Are Not Sufficiently Remunerated.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 1.—(Special)—A delegation of lady teachers waited on the city school board at its monthly meeting yesterday afternoon and asked for an increase of salary. They presented a memorial showing that the teachers in St. John, Moncton, St. Stephen, and Millville, were better paid than those in Fredericton. The salary paid lady teachers here is \$300 per year and the board is asked to increase it to \$425. The trustees promised to refer the matter to the city council.

WILL CUT DOWN PASS PRIVILEGES

I. C. R. to Curtail All Expenses in Hope of Increasing Earning Power.

An Ottawa despatch to the Toronto News says: The earning power of the Intercolonial Railway is to be increased by the curtailment of pass privileges, season tickets and so forth. The passenger rates are also to be brought up to a figure more uniformly approaching those of other railway companies.

TO VISIT AMERICA

Admiral Togo and two Armored Cruisers Will Come This way in April.

TOKIO, Feb. 1.—It is announced upon reliable authority that Admiral Togo will visit America in April with two armored cruisers. A permit for Americans to visit the Liao Tung Peninsula and investigate the condition of their properties, abandoned at the outbreak of the Russo-Japanese war was officially granted today.

MARRIAGE AT FOURTEEN

WINNIPEG, Feb. 1.—(Special)—Parasit and representations made by the W. C. T. U. the marriage law will be amended by the legislature, fixing the age limit at fourteen years.

WORKMEN KILLED

OTTSVILLE, N. Y., Feb. 1.—Several workmen were buried by a cave-in, which occurred today in the Erie Railroad tunnel, which is now being constructed near here.

PASSED THE "AGE LIMIT"

Prof. Osler's Alleged Theory Finds a Contradiction in the Ages of His Immediate Relatives.

The New York Herald has the following special despatch from Toronto:—"In Toronto the statement attributed to Professor William Osler about chloroforming people reaching the age of sixty has never caused the same amount of discussion as it aroused elsewhere. The reason is that the Osler family is a remarkably long lived one, and Professor Osler often travelled many miles to minister to his father, the late Rev. F. L. Osler, who died only a few years ago, well up in the nineties, leaving a widow who is now in her one hundredth year. "Professor Osler has just travelled from Old Ontario to Toronto to satisfy himself whether science cannot still help to lengthen his days. Other records of great longevity in the Osler family are well known, hence it is that Torontoites have always been satisfied that the learned professor was joking when he made his famous assertion. "Professor Osler's brother, E. B. Osler, Conservative member of parliament for Toronto West, has already entered his sixtieth year, but he shows no sign of accepting his medical brother's views on chloroform or any other means of extending his life. Not only does he refuse to believe in the chloroform doctrine, but he laughs at the very idea of a man going out of business at sixty. He has recently fought a successful election contest, fulfilled his duties of director of the Canadian Pacific Railway and Steamship Company and of several big financial concerns, and spends from eight to ten hours in his brother's office on such days as he is not at directors' meetings. "The most amazing of all is the fact that Judge Osler, an elder brother of the professor, who is within a few months of seventy years of age, remains in remaining bright, clear sighted, mentally and physically sound, and apparently good for another twenty years on the bench, to which he adds dignity and honor. When Christian Scientists, faith healers or other faddists are before Judge Osler they are utterly unable to elude the real issue, and it would be a world lesson if the professor with his sixty years age limit ideas had to stand trial before his brother, who is apparently going to defy the eighty or ninety year age limit. "With the success of the Osler family before them and the fact that almost every member of it defies the sixty-year age limit, people in Toronto are sceptical about the story that Professor Osler ever suggested the application of chloroform as an easy means of exit from this world of those who have attained sixty years of age."

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

FREDERICTON, Feb. 1.—(Special)—David Fisher, of New Maryland, York County, died at the provincial hospital this morning. He was councillor for New Maryland for many years, and held the office of warden for one term. He was about seventy-five years of age. The trustees of Chipman, who lately erected a fine new school building, have made application to the Board of Education for the transfer of the county grammar school from Gagetown. The board will take no action at present, but it is probable that the transfer may be made some time in the future. John McGibney, a bellboy at the Queen Hotel was operated upon at the Victoria Hospital last night for appendicitis. The continued wet weather is making the ice bridges unsafe for teams. Lottie L. Dickson, a student at the Normal school, died in Victoria Hospital last night from tubercular meningitis. She was eighteen years of age. The remains were taken by the early train this morning to her home, at Indian Island, Charlotte county, for burial.

ARRIVED AT HALIFAX

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 1.—(Special)—The German liner Annapolis, formerly the German steamer Capri, arrived from London at 1:30 p. m. today. Ronald A. McAvity is at present studying at Milton Academy, Milton, Mass.

LOOTED WHILE CLERKS KNELT

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Two armed robbers entered the Empire Loan Bank, 144 North Clark street, last night, compelled the two clerks to kneel behind one of the counters, looted the cash register of \$300, filled a value with watches, diamonds, and other jewelry, and made their escape. The jewelry stolen is valued at \$700. When the robbers entered the store it was deserted, except for the two clerks, who were counting up the day's receipts. On leaving the place the robbers warned the clerks not to move for five minutes. They locked the front door after they had gone out, and then ran away. After several minutes one of the clerks threw a hammer through the window to summon aid. The police were notified at once.

BANK CLEARINGS

Clearings for week ending Thursday, Feb. 1, 1906, \$1,000,983; corresponding week last year, \$757,870.

BANKS MUST REPORT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The U. S. comptroller of the currency today issued a call for the condition of national banks at the close of business on Monday, Jan. 29th.

NEARLY \$2,000,000

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 1.—(Special)—The amount of bounty paid on iron and steel for the past calendar year was \$1,900,200.

NATIONAL DRUG CO. IS NOW IN CHARGE OF LOCAL DRUG HOUSES

Transfer Completed Today, and Business is Now Being Carried on in Mill Street Premises---Canadian Drug Company Ten Years Old Today.

The drug metre went into effect today, whereby the Canadian Drug Co., T. B. Barker & Sons and the McDiarmid Drug Co. go out of existence and the National Drug Co. of Canada assumes control of the business. The stock will be moved there from the other premises, which will be rented after May 1. Ten years ago today the Canadian Drug Company started business in this city in the building on Prince William street, which is now the property of the Canada Life Assurance Co. The business was started under very favorable conditions, there being only one other wholesale drug house in the city at the time, namely T. B. Barker & Sons, and only two drug companies in Halifax. The officers of the Canadian Drug Co. at its inception were: James Kennedy, president; W. H. Murray, vice president; S. Hayward, James V. Russell and Cassie T. Nevin, directors, and John Russell, Jr., manager. Since that time the death of S. Hayward and W. H. Murray has taken place, but otherwise few changes have been made in this company. In April, 1902, they were burned out and removed to temporary quarters in the Horn building on Water street, which they occupied until December of that year, when they moved into the new building on Mill street, which is now the headquarters of the firm. The stock will be moved there from the other premises, which will be rented after May 1. The business of T. B. Barker & Sons was organized about 1890 under the firm name of T. B. Barker, the late T. B. Barker having purchased the business from Sir Leonard Tilley. Later, Mr. Barker's two sons, George and Fred, were admitted to partnership, and still later, W. H. Barker was taken into the firm. The McDiarmid Drug Co. was organized in May, 1898, so that this firm is not quite six years in business. S. McDiarmid was head of the company and Harry L. Gantner manager. By the National Drug Co. taking over the business today, these firms cease to exist take in as far as the I. C. R.

retained for the present. They commenced work in the new quarters today. Henry W. Barker is manager; Chas. T. Nevin, assistant manager; Harry L. Gantner will be in charge of outside business; Louis W. Barker will look after city business; Charles Beaton is head book keeper; Frederick W. Fraser, financial clerk; and Blas Smith will have charge of the city books. There will be a total staff of 30, including five travellers for outside and a city traveller. W. R. Gerow of the Barker Co., and L. A. Miles of the Canadian Drug Co. will go to Montreal, where they have accepted positions with other branches of the combine. Mr. Barker, speaking to the Times this morning, said it was the intention to keep the business thoroughly up-to-date and to have in stock always as good a supply as could be had in any upper Canadian house. He said their business would take in all of New Brunswick and part of Nova Scotia, though they were not bound to any special territory. They would overlap some of the Halifax firms' district in the Annapolis Valley and would also take in as far as Truro on the I. C. R.

ARMING FOR THE BATTLE

Mayoralty and Aldermanic Candidates in the Field—Ex-Mayor Sears to Run.

Ex-Mayor Sears has announced that he will be a candidate for the mayoralty at the coming civic election. He told a Times reporter this morning that he had been asked to run and had decided to enter the fight. Robert Maxwell's name has been mentioned as a possible candidate, but it is not considered likely that he will consent to run. This leaves the field to Ald. J. H. Pickett and Ex-Mayor Sears, should no other candidates appear. Among the aldermanic possibilities are mentioned the names of J. King Kelley, to oppose Ald. Pickett, S. B. Bustin to oppose Sears, and J. V. Russell and Dr. W. A. Christie has already announced that he will be a candidate for Wellington ward in place of Ald. Macne, who is retiring.

THE MOROCCAN CONFERENCE

Draft of Taxation Project Adopted Without Modification.

ALGECIRAS, Feb. 1.—The Moroccan conference at its session today adopted the draft of the taxation project. The Moroccan delegates raised a number of objections and provisions were received at the customs duties was not considered.

FAMINE RAGES IN NORTH JAPAN

Thousands of People are Starving and Many Deaths Have Occurred.

VICTORIA, Feb. 1.—(Special)—Advice from Japan by the S. S. Empress of Japan, say that famine conditions in North Japan are becoming awful. Thousands are dying from starvation. Large numbers of deaths have occurred and many others are dying. The government is organizing relief and foreign committees are distributing rice in the famine districts. One third of the population of 2,820,000 in the three stricken provinces are in distress.

THE KAY-WHEATON FUND

The total amount received by the Times for the Kay-Wheaton fund was \$129, as follows: Previously acknowledged, \$157; Sympathy, \$10; Cash, \$62. Total, \$329.

LATE LOCALS

Ralph Dunham, of Meckenburg St. while at work at Sand Point yesterday had his hand badly jammed. He was laid up for a few days. A pronounced cold wave is moving rapidly eastward across northern Canada. It is accompanied by westerly winds and local snowfalls. Captain Ben. Kingston writes the Times that he would like to meet Isadore Patchell again in a bad case. He was taken to take place in any of the city rinks. The home of Edward Evans was the scene of a pleasant gathering last night, when he entertained the members of the social club—about fourteen in all. Music and games whirled away the time until eleven-thirty o'clock, when the merry-makers left for their respective homes.

TOGO IS COMING

When it was known around City Hall this morning that Admiral Togo, "the bull dog of Japan," intends to visit America in April and bring with him two cruisers of the type that bumped Roosevelt, there was a hurried call for the ferry committee. It was pointed out that Togo's real object in his trip was to visit St. John with the hope of making a deal with the ferry committee as to the future conduct of the Ludlow. Togo has heard of the Ludlow's boat, running northward, and like a competent admiral, he recognizes the potentialities of the craft. For instance, the next time he performs he might go straight through and emerge in the main street of Tokio, which would seriously disrupt commercial relations between Japan and Canada. Hence his visit. When Togo comes, it is probable he will be met at Margaree Island by Admiral Glasgow with Wun Lung and the Onagandy. The meeting between the two admirals should be an interesting one.

MEAT RUSH CONTINUES

Corinthian Took \$218,000 Worth of American Packing Products Away on Sunday.

Among the American goods shipped via steamer Corinthian to Liverpool last Sunday were 2,968 packages meats, 2,800 packages lard, and 100 tires, totalling valued at \$218,000. Manifests for 40 cars meats and provisions were received at the customs house today.

THE SUPREME COURT TODAY

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 1.—(Special)—The case of the King vs. Carlisle ex parte Grundy, was before the supreme court this morning. Mr. Laforet shortly came against the rule nisi. Aaron Lawson, contra. Cases on the special paper will likely be taken up tomorrow. Thomas W. Purvis of the city has purchased the Hayward farm at Lincoln.

INLAND REVENUE

Inland revenue receipts for the month of January: 1906 \$10,367.71 \$10,963.87 Spirits 7,446.50 6,263.75 Cigars 331.70 824.70 Raw Lard 284.80 330.00 Bonded Wine 92.92 117.25 Other receipts 1,384.56 3,025.18 Total \$20,138.10 \$21,635.65 Increase for January, 1906, \$1,497.46

ST. LOUIS COPS MUSTN'T SWEAR

Cost One of Them \$50 for Expressing Himself Too Vigorously.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1.—Recently the board of police commissioners issued an order prohibiting policemen from swearing while on duty. Last night Chief of Police Kieley issued an order that policemen should be heard using profane language in the streets and in public places. Since the police board's order was issued, one patrolman has used profane language while on duty and has been fined \$50.

FUNERAL OF MABEL BELL

Victim of Shooting Tragedy Was Laid at Rest Today in Fernhill.

The body of Mabel Bell, the English immigrant girl who shot herself on Tuesday last—was interred in Fernhill cemetery this afternoon, Coroner Berryman having given permission for burial. The funeral took place from the residence of William G. Salmon, with whom she lived. At the conclusion of the service the casket was placed in a white hearse and, headed by the clergyman and Undertaker Chamberlain, the solemn procession started for Fernhill, where interment took place. The services at the house and grave were conducted by Rev Samuel Howard. Among the floral tributes were beautiful wreaths from Knoxth street church and Sunday school. After about three weeks' inactivity at the I. C. R. elevator, work was commenced this morning in unloading about 20,000 bundles of grain to be placed in the big building.

WAS PROBABLY FATALLY BURNED

PORT HOPE, Feb. 1.—(Special)—Mrs. James Massey was so badly burned this morning that she remains unconscious and there is little hope of her recovery. She got up early this morning and was lighting a lamp when her clothing caught fire. Her daughter rushed to her assistance and smothered the flames, but not before the old lady, who is eighty years of age, was severely burned.

IN CIVILIZED RUSSIA

WARSAW, Russian Poland, Feb. 1.—Four more anarchists, making sixteen during the past fortnight, were shot while they tried to cut the citadel here today. Of the ten talibans were Jews.

MONCTON, A POOR FIELD FOR SNEAK THIEVES TO OPERATE SUCCESSFULLY

Young Man Who Stole Hides Caught With the Goods and Confessed--Moncton Fire Ladders To Go To Charlottetown Tournament.

MONCTON, Feb. 1.—(Special)—Considerable petty thieving has been reported about town of late but the boldest and most barbed work came to light yesterday. M. J. Stevens, buyer of beef hides, in the city market, has his warehouse situated a few yards from the place of business. Yesterday afternoon two young men entered the warehouse and stole 2 or 3 hides and were on their way to the market to sell them either to the owner or to a competitor doing business in the market. Unfortunately for the youths they were seen coming out of the warehouse and their game was nipped in the bud. When discovered they dropped their booty and escaped. Today Fletcher Ayies was arrested charged with theft and confessed to the crime. He implicated another young lad for whom the police are now searching. Last evening Undertaker Price had occasion to

visit the stock room over his shop and found a boy going through a window before he could be apprehended. A meeting of the fire department was held last night to consider an invitation to take part in the Charlottetown tournament next summer. It was decided to accept the invitation. A letter from the Charlottetown department states that they have \$100 on hand for prize money and hope to make it the biggest affair of the kind ever held in the maritime provinces. A committee was appointed to get up teams to take part in the sports. The new city council will be sworn in this afternoon and will hold its first meeting tonight. Notwithstanding the mild weather and the soft ice Moncton and Sackville will play in the league match at Sackville tonight.

IS UNSAFE IN SOME PLACES

Soft Weather Has Rotted River Ice and Crossing is Dangerous.

A few days more of soft weather will in all probability make a great difference in the condition of the river. Drift ice is running at Indiantown today and as stated in previous issues of the Times, there is a clear water at Carter's Point. Reports from the Bellisle indicate that the ice there is none too good while at Millerville it is said to be dangerous. There is practically no snow through the country and it is only with considerable caution that farmers are able to reach the city. The soft weather is rapidly rotting the ice in the Kennebecas river as well. A resident of Rothesay said this morning that the ice between Moss Glen and and it is unsafe for teams to cross at this point. Further up the river, however, the ice is said to be in good condition as teams are crossing from the Willows.

BOSTON STRIKE ON

Book and Job Printers Went out Today on Eight Hour Question.

BOSTON, Feb. 1.—A strike was declared today by the book and job printers against all firms that have not acceded to the demands of the Typographical Union for an eight hour day. Many of the larger printing houses, including the firm of Wright & Potter, who are the state printers, and the Municipal Printing plant, have already granted the eight hour day. Both the employers and the strikers expressed confidence in the outcome. The strikers have strong financial backing.

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