

CAPTAIN AMUNDSEN CABLES HE REACHED SOUTH POLE ON FOURTEENTH DECEMBER

Captain Scott, Who Headed British Expedition In the Race for the Polar Honors, Not Yet Heard From.

THE HERO OF NORWEGIANS WINS GREAT INTERNATIONAL DASH

Captain of the Last Polar Honors Will Return Home by Way of the Northwest Passage Which He Was the First to Navigate.

London, March 8.—A cable today received from Capt. Amundsen says that he discovered the South Pole.

The confirmation of Captain Roald Amundsen's attainment of the South Pole on Dec. 14, 1911, received today, from the explorer himself, at Hobart, Tasmania, sets at rest the conflicting reports current on the subject yesterday.

NO WORD FROM SCOTT.

A dispatch published by the Daily Express in London yesterday morning, dated Wellington, New Zealand, declared that Amundsen had stated that Scott had reached the South Pole. It was assumed that this declaration indicated that Amundsen himself had not succeeded in attaining the object of the expedition, and credit was generally given to the British explorer.

Nothing has hitherto been heard from Captain Scott, and Amundsen now denies that he said, or telegraphed anything referring to his British rival or his expedition.

HONOR IS NORWEGIAN.

The honor for the achievement of reaching the South Pole must now be given to the Norwegian explorer until Captain Scott announces the result of his expedition.

London, March 7.—Captain Roald Amundsen has discovered the South Pole. Definite news has been received in London, via Christiania, that he reached the pole between the 14th and 17th of December.

December "14 to 17" is taken to mean by experts that when he reached the geographical pole, Amundsen waited three days, taking noon observations so as to accurately determine his position and exclude uncertainty—that is to say, to establish proofs that would be incontrovertible.

OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION.

Christiania, Norway, March 7.—I have received the following message:

"Hobart, Tasmania, Thursday, March 7, 1912.—Pole attained, fourteenth-seventeenth December, 1911. All well.

(Signed) ROALD AMUNDSEN.

(Signed) Leon Amundsen.

Captain Amundsen's brother, Leon, says Roald will go on a lecture tour of Australia and Europe, after which he will lead an expedition to the North Pole. Meantime the Fram, after making necessary repairs, will go to San Francisco, where Amundsen will meet her in 1913.

[Canadian Press.]

Hobart, Tasmania, March 8.—Capt. Roald Amundsen, the Norwegian explorer, denies having telegraphed anything regarding Capt. Robert Scott or the British expedition.

Capt. Amundsen, up to the present, is the only member of the Antarctic expedition who has landed from the Fram. Nobody is allowed to go on board the vessel under any pretext whatever.

The explorer says that he is pleased with the results of his expedition, but otherwise maintains absolute silence on the subject.

Capt. Amundsen intends to stay at Hobart for a few days. He will then go to Australia, and give a few lectures there, afterwards departing for Europe by the circuitous route of Buenos Ayres and around Cape Horn, up to the Behring Straits and through the Northwest Passage and the Arctic Ocean.

HAS SCOTT FAILED?

London, March 7.—The Daily Express today gives publicity to what purported to be a dispatch from Wellington, New Zealand, quoting Explorer Amundsen as saying that Capt. Scott, heading the British expedition, has reached the South Pole.

There is absolutely no confirmation of the dispatch. Lieut. Evans, the secretary of the Scott expedition, has heard nothing from the explorer, neither has the explorer's wife, and, as a matter of fact, the British explorer is not expected to reach civilization for several days. It is quite possible Amundsen and Scott may have met at or near the Pole.

NOTHING DEFINITE.

London, March 8.—None of the London papers this morning, with the exception of the Chronicle, has any definite news of the result of the race for the South Pole. The Times contains the following comment:

"It can only be a few hours now before we learn the facts. Capt. Amundsen's ship left Buenos Ayres at least a month before the Terra Nova sailed from New Zealand to Capt. Scott's headquarters. If the ice were favorable, Amundsen would then be able to start back long before Scott.

On his way back he might well have called at Scott's headquarters to learn the news, and so ascertain whether Scott had reached the Pole, or he may himself have reached the Pole, only to find that he had been forestalled by his English rival.

NO WORD OF SCOTT.

"The main point at present is that there is no reason to doubt that Amundsen might well have learned what Scott had done, and may have been generous enough to reveal the good news even before he cabled his own tale; but it is all conjecture, and we can only hope that early information may assure us of the Englishman's victory.

Lieut. Evans, secretary of the British Antarctic expedition, which Capt. Scott led, has issued the following statement:

"No authoritative news whatever regarding the success, or otherwise, of Capt. Scott's expedition has yet reached here."

ENGLAND ANXIOUS.

The Chronicle says, editorially: "Our first thoughts (though we may have wished that Commander Peary's hope had come true, that the world should whirl between the enigmas of the same Anglo-Saxon race) will compel Britons, who have striven so heroically for the prize that has been won, to congratulate heartily that great explorer and his nation, to whom the honor of the discovery of the South Pole has so deservedly fallen."

TRIBUTE TO NORWEGIAN.

The Chronicle adds: "England will wait most anxiously for news of the Scott expedition. Though robbed of its crowning glory, geography and science will undoubtedly profit from it. Capt. Amundsen's expedition, which has now ended successfully, was originally planned for the conquest of the North Pole, but, hearing the news which Peary brought back, Amundsen showed his resource and promptness of decision by at once steaming south to the glory of discovering neither the North nor the South Pole has fallen, but in the story of the exploration of the great ice continents this country played a splendid part, and we can join heartily with the whole world today in offering to the conqueror and to Norway a meed of praise which is so well deserved."

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DR. C. S. WRIGHT

The only Canadian with Scott's Antarctic expedition, Dr. Wright went as one of the physicians of the party to make the meteorological and magnetic surveys, as well as some special work of the crystalline construction of the great ice barriers, that have blocked all former attempts to reach the polar regions.

AMUNDSEN READY WITH HIS CHARTS

Supposed to Have Met Captain Scott In Bay of Whales on January 19th.

SCOTT'S RETURN DELAYED

The British Explorer May Be Engaged With New Work of Scientific Nature.

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 8.—Captain Roald Amundsen states that he will submit his charts and all information as to his expedition without delay, according to dispatches from Hobart, received by a special correspondent at Wellington, New Zealand.

After meeting Captain Scott in the Bay of Whales on Jan. 19, 1911, Captain Amundsen camped, with nine men, in the mountains of the Antarctic. He has not revealed his subsequent movements. Captain Scott's agent in New Zealand expressed the opinion that Scott must have changed his plans and proceeded with new exploring and scientific work, thus possibly delaying the return of the Terra Nova for some weeks.

New York, March 8.—The New York Times received a dispatch today from Roald Amundsen, at Hobart, Tasmania, saying that he knew nothing about Capt. Scott, the British explorer, and his expedition.

This message was in reply to one sent by the Times, asking Amundsen if he knew anything about Capt. Scott, and was brought out by the dispatch from Hobart, published first by a London newspaper yesterday, to the effect that Amundsen, upon his arrival at Hobart, had declared that Captain Scott had discovered the South Pole.

Another dispatch to the same effect as the one from Amundsen was received from Henry D. Ficker, the American consul at Hobart.

WANT BARS OPENED AFTER THE POLLING

Toronto Hotelkeepers Have an Interview With Provincial Secretary.

Toronto, March 8.—A deputation of the Toronto Hotelkeepers' Association interviewed Hon. W. J. Hanna this morning, although they refused to disclose the purpose of their visit. It is understood they urged that hotels be allowed to open their bars after the polls close on election day. Also that the 5 per cent. tax on bar receipts be lifted so far as soft drinks, cigars and sandwiches are concerned.

LONDON IN A PANIC THROUGH SUFFRAGETTES

Both Houses of Parliament Have Been Closed to the Public.

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 8.—The panic into which London has been thrown by the activity of the suffragettes, is reflected in the unusual instructions that have been issued for last night court, that ladies would not be admitted to the palace unless they presented their invitation cards, and also in the announcement that both Houses of Parliament will be closed to the public to-day.

A woman speaker at a militant suffrage demonstration held at the opera house last night said that if any woman desired to judge the panic the action of the suffragettes had caused, let her go to the nearest store and try to buy a hammer.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COLDER.

Toronto, March 8.—8 a.m. Today—Cloudy, with occasional light falls of snow or sleet.

Saturday—Fair and somewhat colder. Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations	High	Low	Weather
LONDON	32	10	Snow
Calgary	24	4	Clear
Winnipeg	12	8	Clear
Port Arthur	24	2	Clear
Perry Sound	32	20	Snow
Toronto	35	25	Snow
Ottawa	28	6	Cloudy
Montreal	28	16	Cloudy
Quebec	28	16	Cloudy
Falmer Point	30	8	Cloudy

Minus (—) means below zero.

Weather Notes.
Milder weather now prevails from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces, but it remains cold in the West.

FRIGHTENED BY WHISTLE HORSE JUMPS OVER BRIDGE

Albert Goss, the Driver, Was Carried With the Sleigh Into the River at Chelsea Green—Queer Pranks of Animal When McClary's Whistle Blew.

Frightened by a sudden blast from the McClary foundry whistle, a horse belonging to Gordon B. Drake, an East London grocer, leaped over the railing of the Chelsea Green bridge at noon yesterday, carrying the driver, Albert Goss, and the grocery sleigh with it in its fall of 20 feet. Goss escaped with a few bruises and the horse was badly cut, while the sleigh and groceries are a total loss.

The accident happened at 11:30 yesterday morning. Goss was delivering groceries in the neighborhood of the McClary works, and was driving into Chelsea Green.

Just as the outfit was crossing the Adelaide street bridge the big foundry whistle began to blow. With a side leap, the frightened horse crashed into the side of the bridge, the impact break-

ing about twenty-five feet of the railing and the whole outfit rolling down an embankment onto the ice thirty feet below.

The Driver Jumped.

Goss had little warning that the sleigh was going over, but he managed to spring clear before hitting the ice, thus saving himself from serious injury. The horse fell on the sleigh, and smashed it into kindling wood, while the groceries were scattered all over the ice.

This is the third time this week that a horse belonging to Mr. Drake has figured in a runaway. On Wednesday afternoon Goss was trying out a new animal that Mr. Drake had just purchased, and it ran away on the Hamilton road, throwing the driver into a snowbank. On Monday, another horse belonging to Mr. Drake ran away, but no serious damage was done.

WOMAN HORRIBLY BURNED WHILE OUT EMPTYING ASHES

Mrs. C. L. Burns, of Wingham, May Not Recover—Her Dress Caught From Hot Coals—Neighbor Badly Burned While Attempting Rescue.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Wingham, March 8.—Mrs. C. L. Burns was horribly burned at her home here, when her dress caught fire after she had emptied hot ashes from her coal stove into the snow.

In an instant her clothing was a mass of flames. Her cries attracted

neighbors, who succeeded in smothering the flames. Mrs. Burns was hurried to the hospital, where it was found that her arms and back had been badly burned. All her hair was burned off.

Mrs. Hutton, a neighbor, had her hands terribly scorched while beating out the flames. Mrs. Burns is in a very critical condition.

MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE APPROVE THE CENTRAL CANADA

Line Will Be Built to This City, and Subsidies Are Being Asked.

Montreal, March 8.—At a meeting of the council of the board of trade yesterday the railway committee reported, with regard to the application of the Central Railway Company that the council should approve of the granting of the usual subsidies for that line, which runs between a port in Georgian Bay and Montreal, as it affords another direct route for the export of western products and because the company offers to give

running rights to the Intercolonial Railway over its lines from Montreal to Midland and from Toronto to Port Stanley, via Stratford and London, extensions which the company is authorized to build, thus extending the Intercolonial into the most important sections of Ontario.

The council approved the committee's report and will address the Minister of Railways and Canals accordingly. Being advised that a deputation of boards of trade and municipal councils would wait on the Government on the 14th instant to urge an immediate commencement of work upon the Georgian Bay Canal, the council appointed a committee to represent it and to present a resolution in support of that project.

COMMONS TALKED BOUNDARIES UNTIL TWO THIS MORNING

Mr. Pugsley's Amendment Calling a Conference Was Defeated.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, March 8.—The amendment by Hon. William Pugsley that the provinces should be called into conference before more terms of more money was granted to the provinces was defeated by a majority of the Government was thirty-one.

Mr. Hugh Guthrie moved a resolution designed to cut Manitoba out of the two million dollars back allowance which the bill proposes to give. The Liberal mem-

bers maintained that there was no warrant for this payment.

The Government held that Manitoba should be put on the basis of Saskatchewan and Alberta and that the date of the revised terms should be two years back. This amendment was also defeated.

Mr. Mondou, Nationalist, of Yamaska, then started to debate his resolution, which declared that any regulation which declared that any rights which the Roman Catholics of Quebec have should not be taken from them by joining Manitoba. As Mr. Mondou, in a speech the other night, stated that the people of Quebec had no rights, he did not get much support from his own friends. Premier Borden, at 2 o'clock, suggested the adjournment of the House.

CHAUCER ELLIOTT VERY ILL; RESULT OF OLD ACCIDENT

The Famous Athlete Is Going to New York for Treatment.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Kingston, March 8.—The life of Edwin S. Chaucer Elliott is in danger as the result of an old trouble of a few years ago, when he had the misfortune to have a leg injured by a fall at that time. The member never got well, and when in Western Ontario a few weeks ago, acting as referee of hockey games, he hurt it again. Local doctors have advised him to go to New

York and take the radium treatment, as it is stated that that is his only hope of recovery. Amputation, it is stated, would be useless owing to the fact that the trouble has reached his system. The announcement was made today, and Elliott's many friends in hockey, rugby and baseball circles are greatly shocked. He received the first injury while at Queen's. It was stated this forenoon that he would leave for New York to undergo treatment in the course of a few days. He has been staying at his home here with his wife and little child.

Chaucer Elliott was last year manager of the St. Thomas Canadian League baseball team.

COUNSEL FOR ONTARIO IN MARRIAGE ARGUMENT

The Evangelical Alliance Interviews Premier Whitney on the Matter.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, March 8.—A deputation from the Evangelical Alliance waited on Sir James Whitney this morning with a request that the Ontario Government appoint counsel to represent the Province when the stated case with reference to the ne temere, to be submitted to the Privy Council, to guard the interests of the provinces, and secure a definition of marriage. The deputation asked that in event of the outcome of the stated case of the Federal Government leaving any doubt

as to the standing of the Province on the matter, the Provincial Government submit a stated case of its own in order to set all doubts at rest.

Sir James assured the deputation, he has already taken up the question of appointment of counsel with his colleagues, and the Province would be represented when the case came up.

It is understood that L. F. Hellmuth will represent the Province.

LIBERALS, ATTENTION!

London Reform Association Will Meet in Hyman Hall Tonight.

There will be a meeting of the London Reform Association in Hyman Hall tonight to complete the work of organization.

It is necessary that all Liberals be present, as the business is most important.

All are expected to be on hand.

FIVE KILLED, TWENTY INJURED IN CRASH AT THE CAPITAL

Freight Train Travelling at High Speed Crashes Into Rear of Passenger Train Backing Into the Station, Telescoping the Second-Class Car With Fatal Results.

THE DEAD.
JOHN MOYLES, Quyon, Que.
JOHN ANDERSON, C. P. R. conductor, Ottawa.
JOHN DERBY, Duke Street, Hull.
MISS KEOHE, Quyon, Que.
One unidentified boy.

THE INJURED.
Fred Cole, engineer, Ottawa, fractured skull.
C. A. Roy, Ottawa, spine injured.
Alex. Quinn, Quyon, Que., formerly of Ottawa police force, serious internal injuries.
Clayton Chown, Ottawa, slightly injured.
Charles Steele, Steel Line, Que., face cut.
William J. Kennedy, Ottawa.
John Edmondson, Hudson Bay Post, north of Maniwaki, legs broken.
E. A. Lamb, Ottawa, head cut.
J. Hassen, G. Gobe, Joseph Dove, Muldoon, Que., legs broken; J. R. Maxwell, Ottawa, seriously hurt.
Mrs. (Rev.) Gagnon, of Pontiac, back injured.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, March 8.—Five killed and nearly twenty injured, many of them seriously, was the toll of an accident this morning on the C. P. R. line between Hull and the Union Station here, when a freight train ran into the rear of the Pontiac passenger train, which was backing into the Union Station. There were thirty-four passengers on the train.

The responsibility for the accident seems to rest with a mix up over orders, the crew on each train apparently thinking they had a clear right-of-way, as both were travelling at a high rate of speed. Doctors and ambulances from both Hull and Ottawa were rushed to the scene, and as soon as possible the dead were removed and the injured cared for.

The passenger train was composed of an engine, baggage car, second-class passenger and first-class passenger coaches in the order named. In backing up the first-class car was first, and it was the car struck by the oncoming engine of the freight. The impact caused the first-class passenger car to completely telescope the second-class car, over one half of the latter being completely demolished. It was in this car that the five were killed. The first-class car, above the trucks, was practically intact, with the exception of the seats, which were nearly all torn from their fastenings and the vestibules, which were demolished. The baggage car was also considerably damaged, but was used to convey the injured to the Hull station, from which they were taken to the hospitals.

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