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WHILE SYDNEY CITIZENS GREETED DUKE FIRE CONSUMED HOME AND PROPERTY

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Worst Conflagration Nova Scotia Has Seen Since Windsor Was Wiped Out.

BEGAN WITH OIL-STOVE EXPLOSION.

Loss Estimated at $300,000—Much of Business Part of City Destroyed.

Sydney, N.S., Oct. 20.—Chaos reigns in Sydney to-night. Where large and flourishing mercantile establishments stood yesterday there is now nothing but smouldering ruins. Tall chimneys, charred brick walls and smoking debris tell the story of the greatest conflagration in the history of Sydney. The scene to-night is in striking contrast to the scene of last Sunday night, for there are very few stores standing, and those that are are enveloped in darkness. Disorder and confusion reign, and hundreds of citizens, drenched to the skin from the downpour of rain, jostle and knock one another about in their mad desire to gaze on the scene of devastation.

An Oil Stove Overturns.

Citizens and firemen all fought vigorously to stay the progress of the flames. Shortly before 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon the alarm was sounded, and it was not long before the citizens of Sydney realized that the greatest conflagration in the history of the town was about to launch forth in all its fury, and all on account of the overturning of an oil stove in the large furniture store of Gordon & Keith, on the western side of Charlotte-street, which was being used for melting glue.

Firemen Handicapped.

A short while before a break occurred in the water pipe in the centre of the town, and consequently there was little water to fight the flames. When the firemen reached Gordon & Keith's establishment the flames were coming out of every window. The firemen fought with vigor, tho the heat and smoke were almost unbearable, and many a fireman fell before the fury of the blaze almost stifled.

From Gordon & Keith's the fire spread to buildings occupied by A. R. Carr, jeweler; A. D. Gillis, grocer; Blanchard, Bentley & Co., and The Maritime Premium.

Leaped Across Street.

A strong northeast wind was blowing, and the flames soon leaped across the street to buildings occupied by H. Balls & Co., butchers; Chappell & Warren, bakers and confectioners, and Isaac Greenwell. A few doors north of the last-named store stood the brick three-storey department store of Prowse Bros. & Crowell, and the flames spread with lightning rapidity to it, and it was soon a mass of flames, and nearly the whole of the Prowse stock was consumed. The blaze shot across the street to Burns' corner, also down Prince-street, toward Bentinck-street.

In less than an hour the whole east side of Charlotte-street, from Prince William to Pitt, was in flames. The next street east of Charlotte is Bentinck, and a number of cottages on the west side of this street proved ready victims of the fire; and their sparks ignited a number of houses on the east side of the street.

Firemen Rewarded.

On the west side of Charlotte-street the firemen had better luck than they had on the east side, and when the blaze reached the store of A. D. Ingraham on the corner of Prince-street a body of firemen energetically endeavored to confine it there, and they succeeded. At Prince William a hard fight was waged, and it also proved to be a victorious one, for here the fire fiend was held in check. Back of Gordon & Keith's another brigade worked hard, and succeeded in saving the Esplanade front.

Beyond Their Power.

But, while the firemen were successful in some quarters, they were unable to cope with the sea of flames in other sections. It was a task beyond the power of human skill. Three blocks on Charlotte-street, two blocks on Prince, one on Pitt, three on Bentinck and one on George were all ablaze at one time, and the spectacle was gruesome. It was then that the firemen worked with might and main. Eight thousand feet of hose were out, which included 900 feet belonging to Glace Bay, 1000 feet belonging to North Sydney, and 1000 feet belonging to the Steel Company. The local firemen had the assistance of the brigades also from the above-mentioned places. Besides this, Mr. J. H. Means, superintendent of the blast furnaces, with 30 negroes from the furnaces, rendered good service.

Dynamite Used.

Mr. J. F. Wisschussin, architect of the Steel Company, secured a large quantity of dynamite, and, with the assistance of some employes of the works, used it to good effect. For three hours the fire burned with great fury along the above-mentioned streets, and it was thought that the whole of the town would be destroyed. But shortly before 6 o'clock the conflagration seemed to centre around the corner of Pitt and Charlotte-streets, and every effort was made to keep it there. It was then quite dark, and myriads of sparks floating about in the air formed a fascination to the gruesome. Several nearby buildings were ignited, but in every case the firemen were on hand and saved them. At length it became apparent that the worst fire Nova Scotia has seen since Windsor was wiped out was under control. Vacant lots at the corner of George and Prince-streets prevented the spread of the flames in that direction. The City Hall and the Baptist Church, both on Bentinck-street, narrowly escaped.

List of Victims.

The following were burned out:

On Charlotte-street—Gordon & Keith, furniture; A. R. Carr, jewelry; A. D. Gillis, groceries; Blanchard, Bentley & Co., dry-goods; A. Hagel, bakery; F. Falconer, harness; James Shaw, confectionery; A. D. Ingraham, grocery; John Menzies, jewelry; H. Balls & Co., butchers; Prowse Bros. & Crowell, departmental store; Isaac Greenwell, stoves and tinware; Chappel & Warren, bakery; John McLellan, residence; Maritime Premium Company, clothing; M. Bates, painter; McDonal, Hanrahan & Co., drygoods; S. Bruns & Son, druggists; Dr. Rice, Dr. A. D. McGillivary; J. E. Pattillo, stationery; Union Bank of Halifax; A. McQuarrie, fruits; H. A. Johns, Dr. Forbes; T. Pistone, hotel; W. Reynolds' Clothing Co.; Mrs. Beaton, millinery; Kelly & Dodie, photographers; Neil Ferguson, tailor; Mills, McKenzie & Ross, drygoods; R. Curry, jewelry; C. P. Moore, hardware; Stanfield & McLeod, books and stationery.

On Bentinck-street—O. E. Weeks, harness store and residence; J. P. Conway & Co., hotel; F. A. Crowell, residence; John McKinnon, two residences; A. McQuarrie, residence and barn; C. W. Hill, residence; Mrs. D. Matheson, residence; McNeil &

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FIRE LOSSES AT SYDNEY.

The total loss is estimated at $300,000, with insurance $200,000.

It is hard to get at insurance losses, but J. E. Burchell figures that between $60,000 and $70,000 will cover the loss to the British America, the Canadian, the Liverpool and London and Globe, the Phœnix of London, the Queen, the Sun, the Union, the National, the Western.

A. M. Crofton calculates the following losses: The Royal, $6000; the Phœnix of Hartford, $6000; The Hartford, $8000, and the Caledonian, $6000.

BIG WATER POWER PLANT

Clergue Syndicate Contemplate the Construction of Another Canal to Cost $2,000,000.

PHILADELPHIA CAPITALISTS IN IT

Will Develop 20,000 Horsepower and the Fall Will Be About 18 Feet.

Windsor, Ont., Oct. 20.—F. H. Clergue of Sault Ste. Marie, who is at the head of a dozen or more big commercial enterprises, has practically decided upon the construction of another water power canal to cost upward of $2,000,000. Associated with Mr. Clergue in this enterprise are Messrs. Widener and Elkins of Philadelphia, who, it is understood, will furnish one-half of the capital. The new canal is intended to develop about twenty thousand horsepower electrically in the rapids or falls of St. Mary's River, opposite the ship canal.

The St. Mary's Falls Power Company was organized a short time ago for the purpose, and yesterday made application to the Board of Supervisors, in accordance with the State Statute for permission to divert the waters of the river for the project. The plans contemplate the construction of two parallel dikes on the bed of the rapids, 150 feet west of the line of the international bridge, which crosses the falls. The dikes will be 3100 feet long, and the lateral distance between them will be 480 feet. The fall of water will be about eighteen feet.

Mr. Clergue says that power can be developed here at a cost much less than at Niagara. The waterpower developments now made and projected at the Canadian Sault will furnish 125,000 horsepower for manufacturing purposes alone.

FIRST STEPS TAKEN.

Lansing, Mich., Oct. 20.—Articles of association have been filed by the Trans-St. Mary's Traction Company and the Sault Ste. Marie Terminal Railway Company, both of Sault Ste. Marie, and both capitalized at $100,000. They are Clergue enterprises designed to connect the American and Canadian Soos by way of the International Bridge.

PART OF FACE SHOT OFF.

13-Year-Old Boy Goes Seeking Partridges, Brought Home Dead.

Lanark, Oct. 20.—Yesterday evening L. Jackson and George Fair, two young boys from Watson's Corners, seven miles from here, went out partridge hunting. They became separated in the bush, and Jackson returned home alone. A search was at once instituted for young Fair, who was only 13 years of age, and kept up all night, but not until about 4 o'clock this evening was the body found, cold in death, part of his face having been shot off. The supposition is that the gun was discharged in some unaccountable manner. Deceased was the youngest son of Mr. George Fair, sr., Watson's Corners.

DIPLOMATIC AND SOCIAL EVENT.

London, Oct. 20.—The marriage of Earl Cromer and Lady Katherine Thynne, sister of the Marquis of Bath, on Tuesday, will be an interesting diplomatic and social event. It is to be nominally a quiet wedding, but St. Thomas', Orchard-street, will be filled with the Diplomatic Corps and smart sets. The bridegroom is hale and hearty at 60, and the bride is 36, or 12 years older than the bridegroom's elder son, Viscount Errington.

RHODES AND BEIT SICK.

London, Oct. 20.—Rumors that Cecil Rhodes was ill a serious condition caused a heavy slump in Rhodesian securities this week. He has arrived with Dr. Jameson and Alfred Beit at Salso Maggiore, Italy, where he proposes to stay six weeks. Alfred Beit is out of health, and owing to the pressing attentions of aristocratic matchmaking mothers has caused it to be made known that he can never marry.

Pember's Baths and Sleeping Accommodation. 129 Yonge.

THIRD ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 20.—Robert Nichols, grocery clerk, attempted suicide by cutting his throat from ear to ear. Disappointment in love was the cause. This is the third time he has made the attempt. When he went to his room to commit the rash act his sister followed him, but was too late to prevent the attempt.

Business men's quick lunch, 11.30 to 2.30. Thomas' Chop House.

AN ISLAND OF PHOSPHATES.

London, Oct. 21.—"The British cruiser Pylades reports," says a despatch to The Daily Mail from Sydney, N.S.W., "that she has annexed an ocean island west of the Gilbert Islands. The island, which has hitherto been a British protectorate, is rich in phosphates."

Edwards and Hart-Smith, Chartered Accountants, offices Canadian Bank of Commerce Building, Toronto.

DISASTER IN ENGLAND.

Heywood, Eng., Oct. 20.—The roof of the Nayden colliery here fell to-day, entombing several of the miners. Two dead bodies have been recovered.

Did you ever try the top barrel?

LYNX ESCAPES FROM ZOO

Kills Several Valuable Birds and is Finally Captured By Caretaker.

BUSY ON LARGE DUCK WHEN RETAKEN

Cages Are Only Covered By Wire Netting and Are Said to Be Insecure.

People in the vicinity of Riverdale Park are still excited over the escape of one of the large lynxes that got out from its cage in the Zoo on Saturday night. When Caretaker Carter made his usual rounds on Saturday night he found everything secure, but yesterday morning, when he visited the Zoo, he was surprised to see a number of fowls and birds lying dead and terribly mutilated in their enclosure. He at once began an investigation and soon found the cause of all the trouble.

Forced His Way Out.

One of the spotted lynxes that has been such a source of attraction to the many visitors to the Zoo, had forced its way out between the bars and had taken refuge under the cage in which the large brown bear was enclosed, and was busily engaged in tearing to pieces a large duck. Mr. Carter at once obtained assistance and soon had the wild cat caged again. This being accomplished, the caretaker began an investigation to see what damage had been done, and was horrified when he saw the extent of the animal's depredations.

Killed Everything Within Reach.

"Sandy," the Sand Hill crane, was lying dead, the Chinese goose and gander were torn to pieces, as also were a large number of valuable fowls. The animal had killed all the birds and fowls that roosted near the ground, the only ones escaping being those perched in nearby trees.

The residents in the vicinity of the park think that the cages should be made more secure, as at present many of them are only covered with a wire netting.

Controller Lamb visited the park yesterday, and is of the opinion that new cages must be constructed. It is thought by many persons that the grizzly bear might easily force his way out if he chose to make the effort.

GOLDWIN SMITH COMING HOME

Will Probably Come as Far as Buffalo To-Night.

Ithaca, N.Y., Oct. 20.—The physicians who are attending Prof. Goldwin Smith to-night announced that their patient had almost recovered from his severe attack of bronchitis, and that if nothing unforeseen happened they would be able to start him toward home in Toronto to-morrow night. A stop will be made at Buffalo, where they will allow Prof. Smith to rest for a few days before proceeding further. He plainly shows the effects of his sickness and, tho much improved, he has not been out of his room since he was first taken ill.

POLICE SAVED HER LIFE.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Oct. 20.—Mrs. Edson Taylor made no attempt to go over the Falls to-day, she having been notified by Chief Dinan of the Niagara Falls, N.Y., police that if she attempted to do so in the city limits she would be promptly arrested.

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths. Bath and bed, $1. 202 and 204 King W

THE ONES WHO NEVER SMILE.

Some people are so anxious to be happy
when they go
Where golden harps are waiting to be
played.
That they haven't time for pleasure or for
smiling here below,
And they'll wake up disappointed, I'm
afraid.

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Perhaps your home is just a little too cool to be comfortable. One of our four-tube gas radiators will make it right. They're 32 inches high, finished in aluminum, with fancy mica windows and jewel ornaments on each tube. We sell them for $3.50; they're worth much more, and they cost about one cent per hour to operate. Fred Armstrong, 277 Queen-street West.

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TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Firemen's concert, Pavilion, 8 p.m.
Railway and Freight Rates Committee of the Board of Trade, 4 p.m.
Lecture: "Britain and Brittany," by Frank Yeigh, Association Hall, 8 p.m.
Lecture on "Church Music," Toronto Conservatory of Music, 8 p.m.
Monthly meeting, Mission to Lepers, 110 College-street, 3.30 p.m.
Young Conservative Club, 103 Church-street, 8 p.m.
Young Liberal Club, St. George's Hall, 8 p.m.
Quiet Hour Service, St. Philip's Church, Spadina-avenue, 8 p.m.
Toronto Astronomical Society, Rosedale School grounds, 8 p.m.
General Ministerial Association, Central Y.M.C.A., 10.30 a.m.
Baptist Y. P. U. rally, College-street Baptist Church, 8 p.m.
Rosedale Travel Club, 50 South Drive, Rosedale, 8 p.m.
Princess Theatre, "The Chaperons," 8 p.m.
Grand Opera House, "Royal Lilliputians," 8 p.m.
Toronto Opera House, "Home-Spun Heart," 2 and 8 p.m.
Shea's Theatre, high-class vaudeville, 2 and 8 p.m.
Star Theatre, Majestic Burlesquers, 2 and 8 p.m.

NOT A GOOD SPORTING PAPER.

CHIMMIE THE NEWSBOY ("stuck" with a lot of Globes): Say, dis here Globe is a peach of er sportin' paper, nit. Every geezer on de street talkin' erbout de Tarte-Prefontin scrap for de las' week, an' dere ain't been a line in it erbout it.

DUKE'S FAREWELL WORD TO CANADA

Impressed With Heartiness and Cordiality of Reception Thruout the Dominion—Immigration is This Country's Most Crying Need.

Halifax, N.S., Oct. 20.—The following farewell address to the citizens of Canada was issued late to-night by the Duke of York:

H.M.S. Ophir, at Halifax, Nova Scotia, Oct. 19, 1901.

Dear Lord Minto,—Before leaving Canada I am anxious to make known thru you with what regret the Duchess and I bid farewell to a people who, by their warm-heartedness and cordiality, have made us feel at home amongst them from the first moment of our arrival on their shores.

I should like particularly to express our gratitude for the generous feeling which has prompted all classes to contribute towards that hearty and affectionate welcome which we have met with. This has been strikingly shown, not only in the demeanor of the crowds, and the general manifestations of rejoicing with which we have been greeted, but also by the trouble and ingenuity displayed in the illuminations and street decorations carried out with such conspicuous taste and success by private persons, as well as by the government and local authorities.

We are greatly touched to find in the smallest and most remote places thru which we passed what great efforts had been made by the inhabitants to manifest their kindly feelings towards us.

I recognize all this as a proof of the strong personal loyalty to the throne, as well as a declaration of the deep-seated devotion on the part of the people of Canada to that unity of the Empire of which the Crown is the symbol.

We wish to record our sincere thanks to the Dominion government, the Provincial authorities, municipal bodies and private individuals, for their generous hospitality, their kind forethought and the extreme care and trouble they have bestowed upon all the arrangements for the reception and accommodation of ourselves and our staff. I feel that we are specially indebted to Mr. Pope, by whom so much of the detail was ably dealt with.

Wherever we have been the police duties were admirably carried out. We wish to express our special obligation to the Commissioner of the Dominion Police and other police officials for the excellent manner in which they have discharged the important responsibilities devolving upon them.

Short as, unfortunately, our stay in Canada had to be, it was sufficient for us to understand something of its boundless possibilities, and the scope which it affords to those who, with a spirit of enterprise, determination and willingness to work, desire to seek a wider, less crowded and richer field than that offered by the congested industries and professions of the Mother Country.

I trust that these possibilities may be taken advantage of in the future, and that suitable emigrants from the Mother Country may come in large numbers. At Calgary, we witnessed a large and representative gathering of Indians. Then and on other occasions addresses were presented from different tribes. I was glad to hear of the progress they have made and the contentment in which they live under the arrangements made for their benefit by the Dominion government.

One of the most important features of our visit was the enormous distance traversed by rail, and we feel a difficulty in adequately thanking the Dominion government for all that was organized and most effectually carried out for our railway journeys. The train built especially for the occasion by the Canadian Pacific Railway was a marvel of convenience and comfort, and nothing seems to have been forgotten which might tend to reduce the fatigue inseparable from such a long journey. Special facilities were afforded to enable us to see the most striking points of interest in the vast regions of magnificent scenery thru which we passed, while we received every possible attention and consideration from the officials and servants of the company.

To the authorities of the Grand Trunk and Intercolonial Railways also our special thanks are due for all trouble and consideration which they devoted to providing for the part of our journey which lay over their lines, and for the efficiency and success with which all the services were performed.

We hope that the public did not suffer on account of the special arrangements made for our traveling, which, perhaps, necessitated some interference with the general traffic.

I am especially anxious to record my appreciation of that splendid force, the Northwest Mounted Police. I had the pleasure of inspecting a portion of the corps at Calgary, and was much struck with the smart appearance of both men and horses, and with their general steadiness on parade. They furnished escorts thruout our stay in Canada, frequently horsed our carriages and found the transport, all of which duties were performed with ready willingness and in a highly creditable manner.

The reviews which were held at Quebec, Toronto and Halifax enabled me to judge of the military capacity of the Dominion and of the splendid material at its disposal. Many of the corps showed smartness and soldier-like bearing. I was glad to find that a field hospital organization has recently been provided, as well as a company of engineers.

I was much interested in our visit to the Royal Military College at Kingston to see what excellent provision the Dominion government has made available for the preliminary military education of its militia officers.

Every country now recognizes the necessity of securing the greatest possible military efficiency in return for its outlay on defence, and that the material at hand should not be sacrificed for the lack of adequate training and leading, which can best be insured by a fully qualified staff. I was delighted to have the opportunity of presenting a large number of medals to officers and men for services in South Africa, and it was most gratifying to see with what enthusiasm they were welcomed by their fellow citizens.

It was a great pleasure to us to be accompanied thruout our tour by the distinguished Prime Minister of the Dominion. As this must have been done at a great personal inconvenience we are all the more grateful to Sir Wilfrid Laurier for his valuable help and companionship.

And finally to Lady Minto and yourself we wish to express our most sincere thanks for the unfailing kindness and generous hospitality which we have received as your guests, and also for the great pleasure and valuable assistance that we realized in the presence of either Lady Minto, or both of Your Excellencies, during our long journey. I am further anxious to record my thanks to Major Maude for the efficient manner in which he and the rest of your staff dealt with the exceptionally heavy and anxious work, and overcame the numerous difficulties connected with our tour, and for all that they have done to help me and my own staff.

We wish it had been possible to remain longer in Canada, and by availing ourselves of the many pressing invitations received from different centres. To become acquainted more intimately with its various districts and their people, but we have seen enough to carry away imperishable memories of affectionate and loyal hearts, frank and independent natures, prosperous and progressive communities, boundless productive territories, glorious scenery, stupendous works or nature, a people and a country proud of its membership of the Empire, and in which the Empire finds one of its brightest offspring.

Our hearts are full at saying farewell. We feel that we have made many friends in all parts of the Dominion, and that we owe and gladly extend to its people our sincere friendship and good wishes. May the affectionate regard which all races and classes have so generally shown us knit together the peoples of Canada and strengthen the existing tie that unites the Empire.

Believe me, dear Lord Minto, very sincerely yours,

(Signed) GEORGE.

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STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Oct. 19.	At.	From.
Lake Champlain	Father Point	Liverpool
Philadelphia	New York	Southampton
Bolivia	New York	Naples
L'Aquitaine	New York	Havre
Oct. 20.		
Escanona	Montreal	Marseilles
Marina	Father Point	Glasgow
Fremona	Father Point	Newcastle
Buenos Ayrean	Father Point	Glasgow
Southwark	Antwerp	New York
City of Rome	Moville	New York
Etruria	Liverpool	New York
Waesland	Philadelphia	Liverpool
Rhyndam	New York	Rotterdam
Palatia	New York	Hamburg

CANADIAN SCOUTS PUT BOERS TO ROUT BUT HAD TWO OF THEIR NUMBER KILLED

SCORES CONCENTRATION CAMPS.

LONDON, Oct. 20.—The Evening Star, a pronounced pro-Boer sheet, in a double-leaded editorial, within mourning borders, continues to-day the attack of The Manchester Guardian on the concentration camps of refugees in South Africa.

It says: "Would that we could lay the corpses of those 5000 children along Pall Mall. Would that we could place their bodies in Westminster, where the shades of Milton, Pitt, Bright and Gladstone might look down in inarticulate compassion."

ARMED 15,000 AFRIKANDERS

Kruger Receives a Report That the Greater Part of Cape Colony is in Open Rebellion.

BOERS' WORK OF PAST THREE MONTHS

Russian Intervention in South Africa Discredited in the Knowing Circles of Brussels.

London, Oct. 21.—"Mr. Kruger has received a report from Mr. Schalkburger that the greater part of Cape Colony is in open rebellion," says a despatch to The Daily Mail from Brussels, "and that the Boers have armed 15,000 Afrikanders within the last three months."

Referring to the movements of Professor F. De Maartens of the University of St. Petersburg, who is also a member of the Russian Privy Council, the Brussels correspondent of The Standard denies that he has any mission from the Russian government bearing upon the South African situation, and asserts that Boer circles in Brussels discredit the possibility of Russian intervention.

WHAT THE DICKEY BIRDS HEARD

Montreal, Oct. 20.—Two little Canadian sparrows were playing Romeo and Juliet on the balcony of one of Montreal's big hotels a few days ago. The drawingroom window that looked out on the balcony was open. Enter the Minister of Public Works and some half dozen of his political friends, men who are away up in Mr. Tarte's confidence. The dickey birds say that from the conversation that took place Mr. Tarte will soon throw off the Grit yoke and place himself at the head of the French-Canadian Liberal-Conservatives and force the government to appeal to the country at an early date. Mr. Tarte is said to be extremely sore because Sir Wilfrid sticks to Mayor Prefontaine, and vows vengeance against all concerned. Well, Mr. Tarte was a good Tory once, and may be again. Sir John Macdonald always said that it would take a live up-to-date French-Canadian to successfully handle the Tory party.

NEW TRANSATLANTIC LINE.

New York, Oct. 20.—The Railroad Gazette says: "Lord Strathcona, a large shareholder in the Canadian Pacific, is reported making arrangements with the Canadian government for a fast line of steamers to run between Sydney, Cape Breton, and Queenstown. The distance by this route is 860 nautical miles less than that now in use. The port in the winter time would probably be Halifax, and the line in question would be run as an Atlantic link with the Canadian Pacific, connecting with this company's Pacific fleet from Vancouver. The Bank of Montreal is said to be behind the project, thru its manager, E. S. Clouston. Tenders are to be called for in November."

MANCHESTER SHIPPER FLOATED.

Halifax, N.S., Oct. 20.—The steamer Manchester Shipper, which was ashore at Low Point, was successfully floated unaided on Saturday night at 11 o'clock. She went to North Sydney this morning under her own steam. The first officer reports that she is making considerable water. A diver will examine her bottom in the morning, and it is likely that she will be sent to the drydock in Quebec, as the one in Halifax is not available.

REMOVED WITH DIFFICULTY.

Montreal, Oct. 20.—A hotel on Notre Dame-street, called the Canadian Pacific, was burned to-day. Loss $15,000. The five inmates were removed with a good deal of difficulty.

Fashion's freshest flannel favorites in women's winsome waists, embracing Forsythe's, McCreery's, Altman's, Stern's and Jonassen's up to the minute models were brought to Toronto this week by Mr. Quinn of 93 Yonge-street, to be copied into the Quin waist at about half New York prices.

Our stock of Suitings and Overcoatings is now complete. Call on us when ordering. Harcourt & Son, 57 King W. 135

THE MAJORITY ARGUMENT.

Can Five Dollar Shoes Be Three Fifty Shoes?

The Major paused in the act of applying the polish to my left heel and held out both hands, the bottle in one and the dauber in the other, in token of consternation.

"I thought you had the Victor eludiment," said he at last.

"It's a mere academical question," I apologized.

"You're wearin' five dollar shoes," said the Major firmly.

"Victor shoes sell for $3.50," I retorted.

"Well, s'pose," began the Major.

"Yes!" said I.

"I give you a five dollar bill."

"Willingly," said I.

"You give me a $3.50 pair of kicks."

"I'd boot you all over the lot for five," said I.

"Does it make dat five dollar bill only worth $3.50 if I says 'keep de change'?"

"Why, no," said I.

"Well, then," said the Victor Major Domo, "it's a poor rule that won't work backwards."

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BIG SUM ON THE KING'S LIFE

London Tradesmen Insure Him for £500,000 Until the Coronation.

PREPARATIONS FOR CEREMONY

Every Peer Must Come in State Coach—No Fancy Prices for Flats.

London, Oct. 20.—A syndicate of tradesmen and others who would suffer loss of business in case of his death have insured King Edward VII.'s life with Lloyd's until the coronation ceremony is over next June. The aggregate amount of this insurance is well over £500,000. The rate is about ten guineas for each £100.

In reference to this type of insurance, it seems that no insurance was issued on the lives of the Czar and Emperor William by Lloyds, but it is understood that the rates in each case would have been five guineas for every £100. The few years' seniority of the Kaiser over the Czar is balanced by the far greater security of the former's life.

In view of the order for the court ceremonial that every peer attending the coronation must come in a state coach, many of these old-fashioned chariots are now at the coach-builders' being renovated. They have not been seen in many years, having fallen into disuse during Queen Victoria's reign, becaus of her rare and short visits to London and the quietness of the court.

In regard to the stories of the large prices that have been demanded and already paid for flats and houses to witness the coronation ceremonies, real estate agents now say that they have many clients who are willing to let their apartments, but hitherto the people have refused to give more than the usual rent. Many apartments have been rented at ordinary prices. The agents predict that those who are waiting for American and South African millionaires to give fancy rents will be disappointed.

STEAMER TURNS TURTLE.

Three Lives Lost During a Storm on an Alaskan Lake.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 20.—A private telegram was received in this city to-day from Carbion Crossing to the effect that the river steamer Goddard had turned turtle during a squall on Lake Le Barge, Alaska, and three lives were lost.

One of those drowned was C. E. McDonald of this city, who built the river steamer Angelina at Lake Teslin, and was the first to navigate the Hootalinqua to the Yukon. He was master of the Goddard. The Goddard was built at Bennett in 1898.

WILL NOT TRAVEL ON SUNDAY.

Philadelphia, Oct. 20.—The North American's London cable says King Edward has stunned society by placing the ban on Sunday entertainments of every sort. The news came out as a result of his declining to leave Scotland for London on Sunday. It is said he will not encourage Sunday dinner parties at restaurants or other diversions.

FRIENDLY TOWARD RUSSIA.

Belgrade, Oct. 20.—King Alexander to-day opened the new Servian Skuptschina. The speech from the throne pledged the monarch to uphold the new constitution, expressed gratification at the correct and friendly relations maintained by Servia with foreign states and emphasized Servia's "Traditional policy of securing the friendship and confidence of Russia."

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BIRTHS.

PURVIS—At Grace Hospital, Toronto, on Saturday, Oct. 19, 1901, to Mr. and Mrs. James M. Purvis, a daughter.

YOUNG—On Oct. 20, 1901, at 22 Widmer-street, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young a son.

DEATHS.

CUMMINGS—At his late residence, 58 Davenport-place, on Sunday, Oct. 20, 1901, Thomas Cummings, in his 79th year. His end was peace.

Funeral Tuesday, Oct. 22, at 2 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

MOSSOP—At Shelburne, Ont., Oct. 19, 1901, Elizabeth Janet Mossop, aged 59 years, dearly beloved wife of Thomas Mossop.

Funeral on Tuesday, at 3 o'clock, from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Taylor, 336 Markham-street, Toronto.

REEDIN—On Sunday, Oct. 20, 1901, at Pickering, Ont., Mary Reedin, wife of the late Michael Reedin, in her 70th year.

Funeral Tuesday morning, Oct. 22, to R. C. Church, thence to the cemetery.

SHEA—On Oct. 20th, 1901, Thomas Shea, youngest son of Nathaniel and Sarah Shea, aged 20 years and 3 months.

Funeral on Tuesday, Oct. 22nd instant, at 2.30 p.m., from his father's residence, 52 William-street to the Church of the Ascension, thence to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

An Officer and Two Men Also Wounded in the Short Fight At Balmoral.

GEN. DEWET AGAIN REPORTED DEAD

Kitchener Now Making Capture of General Botha His Chief Objective Point.

PRETORIA, Oct. 20.—A force of Canadian scouts surprised a Boer laager near Balmoral.

The Boers fled after a short fight.

The Canadians had two men killed and an officer and two men wounded.

PURSUIT OF BOTHA.

London, Oct. 20.—(Tribune cable.)—The capture of General Botha is now Lord Kitchener's chief objective point. The despatches are most confusing, representing him one day as heading northward, and the next as doubling back southward. The natural explanation is that, after his retirement to Wakkerstroom, he learned that the British columns were pressing upon him from various directions, and broke up his force into small bands, which are moving north, south and west. The British pursuit of Botha's transport has been unsuccessful, and, while a large force has been concentrated in the Wakkerstroom District, the prospect of making a large capture of Botha's men is unpromising. Diversions in other districts for the relief of Botha have been looked for, but there is no definite information. De la Rey and Kemp have crossed the Vaal into the Orange River Colony for this object, but no British reverse has been reported. Dewet and Steyn are not mentioned in any despatches. The Boer bands in Cape Colony are acting independently, and with increasing audacity, for they have been perilously near Cape Town, but they seem incapable of serious fighting, and exhaust their resources in looting. No reprisals for the drastic British methods of dealing with treason in Cape Colony have been reported. The change of policy was well-timed, since the Boers are apparently unable to take prisoners.

DEWET MAY BE DEAD.

Durban, Natal, Oct. 20.—General Dewet's recent inactivity has produced the impression among military men that he is either dead or incapacitated thru illness or wounds. According to a letter from Pretoria, a prominent Boer recently wrote to a friend there, relating the terrible hardships suffered by the Boers in the field, especially from a lack of surgeons. "Dewet, for example," wrote the Boer, "suffered the most terrible agony before he died. He was wounded in the shoulder by a splinter from a shell, and the wound gangrened, owing to its being dressed with dirty rags."

Five Boers captured at different places recently said that Dewet was dead, but each gave a different version of his death. Against these reports is the statement of Piet de Villiers, the field cornet recently taken prisoner in the northeastern part of the Orange River Colony, who said that, on the morning of his capture, he took breakfast with General Dewet.

BURGHERS TAKE THE OATH.

Bloemfontein, Oct. 20.—One hundred and twenty-five Orange Freen State burghers in the Kroonstadt, Harrismith, Durban and Thabanchu districts have recently taken the oath of allegiance to Great Britain.

BULLER STILL BELLIGERENT.

New York, Oct. 20.—The Tribune's London correspondent wires: General Sir Redvers Buller is reported to be in a most belligerent mood, and likely to spatchcock a demand for the production of the heliograph message to General White, between thanks for the devotion of Devonshire friends and eulogies of the men who served under him. He may receive a warning from the War Office before the luncheon comes on at Exeter. He is surrounded by flatterers at Aldershot, and there is no direct evidence that either the court or the War Office has turned against him. General Hildyard, who was his favorite during the Natal campaign, will be Deputy-Adjutant at the War Office. This seems to indicate that General Buller has not lost the confidence of his official superiors, but neither Lord Roberts nor Mr. Brodrick can desire a repetition of the Westminster luncheon oratory.

"Tailor-Made" Hats.

This is dusty and unreliable weather. You can't wear your very best hat in it, and fashion has provided a ready-to-wear walking hat just suited for fair days. They're fresh from New York, mostly in grey felt, with catchy new trimmings. Dineen Company have a beautiful assortment now on view in their private showroom. Prices range from $1.75 to $6. They're the "tailor-made" hats that are so popular on Fifth-avenue.

SHOWERS AT NIGHT.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Ont., Oct. 20.—(8 p. m.)—During to-day, summerlike weather has prevailed from Manitoba westward to the Pacific, while, from Lake Superior to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the weather, altho fair, has been rather cool.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 52—62; Calgary, 34—62; Edmonton, 40—66; Qu'Appelle, 40—74; Winnipeg, 34—66; Port Arthur, 30—48; Parry Sound, 34—48; Toronto, 28—50; Ottawa, 28—40; Montreal, 30—38; Quebec, 24—34; Halifax, 34—48.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Increasing southerly and southwesterly winds; fair and a little warmer; scattered showers at night.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Increasing southerly and southwesterly winds; fair and a little warmer; scattered showers at night.

Maritime, West and East—Moderate to fresh southwesterly and westerly winds; fair and cool.

Lake Superior—Strong southerly to westerly winds; a little warmer; scattered showers.

Manitoba—Fair and warm to-day; cold northerly winds at night.

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