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BOXES NOW HAVE BEEN STOLEN

Remarkable Development In $50,000,000 Bank Of England Robbery

ON THE WAY HOME TO EXPERTS

Cases From Which Sovereigns Were Taken Probably Intercepted by Same Gang Which Carried Out Original Robbery

(Canadian Press)

London, Dec. 6—There was a remarkable development yesterday in the investigation in the robbery of $50,000 worth of sovereigns contained in two cases of a consignment of $1,000,000 shipped by the Bank of England to the Credit Lyonnais in Alexandria, Egypt, about three weeks ago. The two cases of the consignment, which were found to contain lead instead of gold on their arrival at Alexandria, were sent back to England for expert examination. Extra precautions were taken to guard these two cases on their way back but they have either been lost or stolen, as no trace of them can be discovered.

The continental police believe that they were intercepted by the same gang which planned and carried out the original robbery.

The police were anxious here to ascertain whether or not the original robbery was effected by a substitution of cases or by the abstraction of the gold and the resealing of the cases with carefully imitated seals of the Bank of England and the Credit Lyonnaise. For this reason telegraph codes were sent to Alexandria to have the boxes sent right back in the condition in which they were received. They were sent by steamer from Egypt to Trieste, whence they were despatched by train to Bremen. They should have arrived in London by steamer from the latter place on Tuesday, but all trace of them has been lost.

PLAN RISING IN RUSSIAN POLAND

Large Supplies of Arms Being Bought — Peasants Turn Their All Into Coin

London, Dec. 6—A Vienna despatch to the "Daily Mail" says that, as a result of the war scare, the peasants in the districts bordering on the Russian frontier are blindly realizing on everything they possess, turning it into coin. They are laying in large stocks of supplies, which they bury in their back yards against Russian invasion. One day this week, no fewer than 20,000 pigs were brought to Vienna from Austrian Poland to be sold.

Preparations are being made for a general rising in Russian Poland should war break out, and large supplies of arms are being bought and hidden. Revolutionaries are being given theoretical military training in secret schools and are being drilled at night in the forests outside the town. The Central Committee of the Polish Socialist Club, the headquarters of which are in Warsaw, is expected to

TENDS TO KEEP THE CONGRESSMEN IN RIGHT PATH

Illinois Representative Says Mileage Means Bringing of Wives and Families

Washington, Dec. 6—Suggesting that 'carousing around Washington," was an almost inevitable result of members of congress coming to the capital alone, Representative Mann, of Illinois, yesterday defended the practice of paying members 20 cents a mile for their trips to and from Washington on the ground that the excess allowance was used largely to defray the travelling expenses of the families of senators and representatives.

The house, sitting as a committee of the whole, devoted nearly all of the session to consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill. Representative Cox of Indiana sought to amend the bill so as to provide for the payment of actual traveling expenses of members, but a proposition was voted down, 37 to 21. Consideration of the bill will be continued several days.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service.

Maritime—Strong winds and moderate southwest and west, showery; Saturday strong westerly winds, fair and little colder.

DAMAGE DONE TO OCEAN LINER BY GIGANTIC WAVES DURING STORM

New York, Dec. 6—The bad weather expected during the winter months has started unusually early this year, and it has been more severe than usual. The American liner New York on her last voyage reached New York in a badly battered condition. The bowsprit was broken off above and behind the figurehead, several lifeboats and rafts were smashed, and portions of the railing and an anchor were carried away. Captain J. W. Roberts said that the New York encountered waves thirty-eight feet high. Several of these walls of water struck the vessel, flooding the lower decks and injuring some of the crew and a few passengers. All the boats that encountered the storm were a day late in reaching port.

GET OLDER ONES TO BUY THEIR TICKETS

Some Matters Which Developed Today in Moving Picture Case —Factory Act Inspector Was Asked to Act as Ticket Buyer

A fine of $50 was imposed on F. G. Spencer, proprietor of the Unique Picture Theatre, by Magistrate Ritchie in the police court this morning, on a report for allowing children under ten years of age to be in his theatre. The report was made by Detective Killen, who said that he saw several children under age in the Unique on last Saturday. The fine was allowed to stand, it being the first case that has come before the courts since the act was passed.

Factory Inspector Kenney reported that the moving picture men throughout the province were carrying out the building laws as well as the other laws governing them, satisfactorily, and he asked that the fine be allowed to stand. "This act, he said, "although passed some time ago, has never been enforced until a few days ago, and I am sure the picture house owners will do all in their power to adhere to it. The law is a great protection to the children, in as much as they are not allowed to go to a theatre unless accompanied by an adult, who, in case of fire or any accident would be qualified to look after them. Heretofore if a panic occurred in a theatre the children would have had poor protection and many might have been killed.

His Honor said that the fine ranged from $50 to $200, and that although he would allow the fine to stand in this case, he would collect it in the next one. The parents of young children who allowed them to be out late at night in the nickels were the ones on whom the blame should be laid, and he thought that before long they would have to take action against them, or else arrest all the youngsters who were found around the amusement houses at night.

Mr. Spencer said it was very difficult for the ticket seller to know to whom to sell tickets, as some of those who were under the age required by law, 16 years, were quite large. "The law is strict and hard to carry out," said Mr. Spencer, "stating as it does that all children under ten years of age are not allowed to attend the nickels in the afternoon unless accompanied by an adult, and all those under fifteen are excluded from the night performances unless accompanied by an adult. We have had cases where youngsters got adults to buy tickets for them in order that they could get in." Mr. Spencer asked for a definition of the word adult, and the court decreed that adult meant a person of maturity.

Mr. Kenney related an instance of two youngsters stopping him in Charlotte street and asking him to buy tickets for them. When he refused one of the boys offered to give him five cents if he would get tickets.

CHAMPION STEER TO BE XMAS BEEF

Sells at 50 Cents a Pound on the Hoof in Chicago

Chicago, Dec. 6—Glenarnock the Angus steer declared the champion of the 1912 International Live Stock Exposition at the Chicago stock yards yesterday sold for fifty cents a pound on the hoof, $706 for 1,412 pounds of steer, to the fair store.

Glenarnock was reared by J. B. McGregor, a millionaire cattle breeder of Brandon, Man., Canada. The grand champion will probably be slaughtered and sold for Christmas beef.

ESCAPE FROM DORCHESTER

Two Convicts Made Get Away to The Woods Yesterday

Dorchester, Dec. 6—Two convicts in the maritime penitentiary escaped yesterday. Anthony Votour, of Kent County, doing a five years' term and John Boudreau doing a two years' sentence. They were at work in the quarry and during the dinner hour, they made their escape into the woods.

TORONTO MEN BUY A NEW BRUNSWICK FARM

It is in King's County—Mr. Burley Has Also Sold Tower Street Lot

Purchasers for New Brunswick farms are coming from all parts of the country, the latest being from Toronto. Alfred Burley has sold the Snodgrass farm at Smithtown, Kings county, to two brothers, K. W. and G. J. Diver of Toronto. They will take possession April 1 next, and will operate the farm. The property consists of 100 acres of farm lands with good dwelling, barns and other out buildings.

Mr. Burley has also completed the sale of a building lot, 50 by 100 feet, in Tower street, inside the county line, to Mrs Elizabeth, wife of C. B. D'Arcy, who intends to build a residence there. The lot was owned by C. W. Hallamore.

FALLS FROM BUILDING AND IS BADLY HURT

Frank Biddescombe Seriously Injured While Working on Geo. McArthur's House

While employed this morning in carpenter work about the house of George McArthur, at Riverside, Frank Biddescombe, of Acadia street, met with severe injuries in a fall of about thirty-five feet from a staging. He fell across a beam and broke his leg, besides badly hurting his chest and being painfully shaken up. His injuries are looked upon as serious.

Mr. Biddescombe had the contract from Mr. McArthur for the rebuilding of his cottage, and was boss carpenter on the job. He is regarded as a valuable workman, and both his employer and the men working with him keenly regretted the accident. He is about fifty-five years of age and has a wife and family residing in Acadia street. He is now in the hospital.

WOULD NOT SAY WHY HE WAS OUT LATE

Robert Norris, charged with drunkenness and also resisting the police, was in the police court this morning and was fined $8 or two months in jail on the first charge and $16 or two months in jail on the second. Joseph Rivard, charged with wandering about in Mill street early this morning pleaded guilty, but would make no explanation. He was told that he was liable to be sent to jail for two months, but he replied that it did not matter much to him. He was remanded.

SURVIVORS ARE IN CITY

Three Men Who Were Saved In Wreck of The Sumner

TELL HARROWING STORY

Three Comrades Swept From Forecastle by Wave. Captain Probably Badly Hurt Before Going Overboard—An Awful Night

A thrilling story of a night spent on the shattered hull of a wrecked vessel, while mountainous seas swept around them, threatening every moment to take them to their death, and with their comrades perishing before their eyes, is told by the survivors of the wrecked three-masted schooner Ethyl B. Sumner.

The schooner was driven ashore near Waterside, Albert county, on Monday night, in a heavy gale, the night being so thick it was impossible to see the warning lights until it was too late.

The three men who escaped, Charles Goodwin, of Sackville; Otto Johnston, of Germany, and Edward Brauer, of Finland, arrived in St. John this morning on the coast steamer Stadium.

Goodwin, who was signed on as cook, is 65 years of age and not over-robust. That he should escape while four younger and more active men were lost is a peculiar feature of the wreck. Goodwin tells a graphic story of the night spent on the wreck after the schooner struck. It was pitch dark and raining heavily and they were barely able to see the outlines of the shore. The waves were tremendously high and the sea was so cut up that it would have been impossible to launch a boat and get ashore. As soon as she struck, the deck load of deals began to wash about and the men were in as much peril from them as from the sea. Goodwin took refuge on the stern, which was partly out of the water, and as the deals drifted around him he piled them crossways to get them out of his way and to give him a better footing. For several hours the men battled for their lives every moment bringing a fresh peril.

Three Swept Overboard

The first mate, Horace Cates, of Shulee, N. S., the second mate, Fred Stirling, of West Sackville, N. B., and Joseph Hopkins, seaman, of Sackville, took refuge on the forecastle, where they thought it was safer. The mate's last words were "Boys, I believe we're doomed." Just then a tremendous sea broke over the schooner sweeping the forecastle deck off and carrying the first mate and the seamen with it. They were never seen again. The second mate is thought to have clung to the wreck for a short time longer before being swept off in to the water and lost.

The captain was last seen to throw himself across the gaff and it is believed that he was injured probably so seriously as to make it impossible to help himself. The survivors were not able to get to him and soon afterwards they missed him.

The three remaining men clung to the wreck until seven o'clock in the morning when daylight began to break. How they got ashore seems to be a mystery even to themselves.

The Stadium put into Riverside yesterday and took the survivors on board. While there the crew assisted in searching for the body of Second Mate Stirling and Kempton Rushton, the fireman, was successful in the sad search. He found the body just below low tide, lying face downward in shallow water. There was a severe bruise over his right eye which might indicate that he had been struck by one of the floating deals or a piece of wreckage while still on the wreck and this may account for his death.

The after part of the schooner still holds together. It has been driven from the reef at low water mark, where it struck, to the high water mark where it now rests. The shore is covered with wreckage and the remains of the cargo, and men are at work trying to save the deals.

BELIEVE 82 ARE DROWNED

Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 6—Eighty-two Portuguese fishermen lost their lives during a recent storm on the coast of Portugal.

Four days ago a fleet of 100 small fishing vessels whose crews totalled 192 men were caught in the gale. Up to the present only 110 of the men have returned and it is almost certain the remainder went down with their craft. The survivors suffered severe privations. They were without food or water for three days, while the seas were very heavy and cold winds prevailed. Four of the fishermen became insane, jumped overboard and were drowned. Six bodies have been washed ashore on the northern coast.

THE WATER RATES.

The city commissioners spent this morning discussing the revision of the water rates and will meet this afternoon to continue their consideration of the matter.

Santa Claus Letters Will be Delivered

Washington, Dec. 6—Post Master General Hitchcock has issued an order authorizing all post masters to deliver "Santa Claus letters" to such charitable institutions in the city or town where received as may desire to give attention to the requests they contain.

OPINIONS ON NAVY VARY; COMMENTS OF PAPERS IN CANADA AND IN ENGLAND

(Canadian Press)

London, Dec. 6—The "Times," warmly welcoming Premier Borden's proposal, heartily approves of the appointment of a Canadian minister as a member of the imperial defence committee, and adds:—

"Similar appointments by the other dominions would be equally welcomed, for they mean more than the creation of navies or the contribution of ships."

"Unnecessary Naval Expenditure"

Calgary, Alb., Dec. 6—The Morning Albertan says today: "There is no emergency. There is no control. It is a right about face in our methods of administration. It weakens our autonomy. It is an enormous amount of money. It is but the beginning of unnecessary naval expenditure."

Means No Canadian Navy

Winnipeg, Dec. 6—The Free Press discusses the Borden proposal in a guarded manner and does not go beyond stating what it conceives to be the interpretation of the British admiralty memorandum and Mr. Borden's speech, which it says, in place of calling for a cash contribution from Canada, necessitated by an emergency, is to be regarded as an argument for the adoption of a policy which circumstances will make permanent, whereby Canadian resources in men and money will be placed at the disposal of the British admiralty, with Canada's representation on the governing board weak, because, of course, proportional.

The Free Press says that the policy recommended to Mr. Borden and which he has adopted is in principle that which was proposed to the colonial conference in 1897 by Mr. Chamberlain, the then colonial secretary and to the colonial conference in 1902 by Mr. Chamberlain again and by Lord Selbourne, and on both occasions failed to find acceptance. In spite of Mr. Borden's disclaimers, which plainly do not fit into the texture of the admiralty memorandum is a whole, the paper says, the proposed policy must be regarded as signifying the abandonment of the idea of a Canadian navy, in favor of a system of contributions.

The Free Press dwells on the importance of the issue, and advises the Canadian people to consider the matter carefully, in view of the certainty that the decision arrived at will have a determining effect on the whole future of the policy of imperial defence and also quite probably on the shaping of the constitutional relationship between the constituent parts of the empire.

Le Canada

Montreal, Dec. 6—The Canada says that Premier Bordens' speech resolves itself into a single brutal fact:

"A contribution of thirty-five millions to the imperial treasury."

This, states Le Canada, is the result of the victory of September 21, 1911. It blames Bourassa and the Nationalists for having brought about such a result, by supporting the fight against Laurier's naval policy.

The editorial expresses a hope that the Liberals will reject Mr. Borden's proposals, and adhere strictly to the policy of March 29, 1909.

In Vancouver

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 6—The Vancouver Province says editorially:

"Premier Borden indulged in no high flown rhetoric, no platitudes, told that nation to which he is responsible in the present situation that he intended to act in order to meet it, whether there is an emergency or not. It is a matter of pride that Canada at last takes her place in the comity of nations, not by the grace of Great Britain, but in right of her own strength. At last Canada shares in the responsibilities of empire and stands shoulder to shoulder with the other dominions, determined that no fatuous plea of neutrality shall avail her if ever any other power comes to death grips with the British race. Figures do not express the real value of Canada's contribution. Its value cannot be reckoned in dollars and cents. It is as much, if not more, moral than material."

Montreal Star

Montreal, Dec. 6—The Montreal Star says:—

The Borden naval policy should disappoint no one. It is not too much to say that the prime minister has made Canada, by one stroke, a new power. The decision to lay down three super-Dreadnoughts at once serves notice on the world that eight million Canadians have at last awakened to the fact that they must be prepared to fight if they are to be left in peace. The policy is not one that will attract the grafter. It brings no bribe in its hand to the party camp follower. It is not hypocritical policy, pretending to the noble purpose of providing for defence, while really tickling the palms of the avaricious interests and greedy localities. It is through and through a business programme, meeting an emergency and an effective marine.

Montreal, Dec. 6—La Patrie says:—

"French Canadians who think and who know that they are a unit in the confederation realize that the time has come to give the mother country our tribute of gratitude and to assume our share of the burden she has so far borne alone. It does not belong to the light headed Nationalists to dictate to England what she must do."

Toronto Star

Toronto, Dec. 6—The Star says:—

To vote $35,000,000 for the building of three of the most powerful vessels afloat sounds large and sounds well. One's first impression on reading the big head lines in the daily press is that Canada by a sweeping gesture is waving every menace off John Bull's ocean.

Mr. Borden's policy reduces one of Britain's difficulties but increases the other. He proposes to have built at Canada's expense three powerful vessels and when the shipbuilders and armorers have finished with them, to hand them over to Britain, empty, unpeopled, steamless, idle.

In addition to her own naval budget. Britain will next be compelled to pass a new and additional naval budget of no small size in order to impart life and use

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LITTLE ONES SLOWLY BURN TO DEATH AS FRANTIC MOTHERS TRY TO SAVE

Play With Matches in Barn After Barring Door — Hay Catches and Place Becomes Furnace

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 6—Trapped in a burning barn at Universal, near Turtle Creek, a borough, three small children were slowly burned to death late yesterday while their mothers listened to the children's screams and tore frantically at the weather boarding of the barn in a futile attempt at rescue. The dead:—

Elizabeth Sophan, five; John Chasley, four; and Mary Randa, aged eight. They had visited the barn to play and are thought to have had matches. A large quantity of hay became ignited and the barn was transformed into a furnace.

To shut out the dampness of a rainy day the children had closed and fastened the barn door.

ROWENA ADRIFT IN BAY OF FUNDY

Schooner Started to Fill When Being Towed Here — Experiences of The Stadium

The schooner Rowena, 100 tons, owned in St. John, was lost this morning while bound here from Alma with a cargo of deals. She was in tow of the steamer Stadium, which brought the survivors of the wrecked schooner Ethel B. Sumner to port at the time. There was a very heavy sea and the stress of the waves and the strain of the towing is supposed to have opened her seams. She began to fill and when it was found that it would be impossible to bring her farther, the crew took to the boat and made for the Stadium. After a hard fight they got safely on board and were brought to the city.

The schooner was cast adrift about eight miles above Cape Spencer, and it was expected that she would be driven ashore there. Men were sent along the coast to look out for her, and when the weather moderates a tug will be sent out, if it is found that it can be of use. The men on board were Captain James Matthews, the mate, L. Sabin, and two seamen, Sabin and Lewis.

The schooner Friendship, also laden with deals was also in tow of the Stadium, and was connected with the Rowena. When the Rowena filled the Friendship cast loose and came to St. John under her own sails.

The Stadium had another experience on her outward voyage up the coast. She was towing a scow of deals and when off Quaco the hawser became tangled in the propellor and before it could be loosened the Stadium grounded on a rock, and the scow was driven ashore. The bow of the scow was stove in, and while she held together enough to allow her to be pulled off, she had to be left at Quaco. The steamer Mikado happened to be in the vicinity at the time, and with her help the steamer was gotten off the rocks. She suffered some around the stern, but escaped more serious damage.

ANOTHER MT. PLEASANT PROPERTY PURCHASE

Another transaction in Mount Pleasant real estate took place today when Allison & Thomas sold to Walter L. Doherty two vacant lots each 55 by 160 adjoining the property which they have recently sold to Ronald A. McAvity. E. M. Smith was the former owner of the lots.

HANDSOME WIFE OF MANUFACTURER DROWNED; ADMIRER A SUICIDE

New Quay, Wales, Dec. 6—Authorities here declare that events have gone far towards clearing up the mystery surrounding the death of Mrs. Sidney Nowill, 34, the handsome wife of a Sheffield manufacturer, who disappeared from the Atlantic Hotel here on November 23. Two fishermen at low tide found the body in a cove at the bottom of a cliff. Mrs. Nowill's disappearance was followed in dramatic manner by the suicide of James A. Delay, retired solicitor, and admirer of the woman.

The theory that she was accidentally drowned seems to have been shattered. Her face was distorted with fear and there were many indications of a struggle.

At the conclusion of the inquest, however, the jury returned an open verdict of death from drowning. There was no evidence adduced as to how Mrs. Nowill got into the water.

The name of Delay was mentioned by the coroner in connection with the woman's death. He said that he had no doubt that Delay had behaved heartlessly and cruelly towards Mrs. Nowill, but it was impossible to get beyond that.

Government to Make All the Liquor

Stockholm, Dec. 6—It is proposed by the Swedish government to buy up all the distilleries in Sweden and to make the manufacture of spirits a state monopoly for the future.

Bucharest, Dec. 6—A bill providing for a large increase in the strength of the Roumanian army will be introduced in parliament on Monday. It is reported that the cabinet has decided to devote $6,000,000 to increase the navy.

SYDNEY GETS PLACE IN HOCKEY LEAGUE

Referees to Overrule Goal Umpires — Four Classes of Fouls and the Penalties

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 6—At a meeting of the Maritime Provincial Hockey Association last night Sydney was admitted to membership. Under the question of playing rules the important question of referees over ruling the goal umpires' decisions came up and was unanimously passed upon as taking effect this season.

The secretary introduced a most commendable set of penalty rules as follows:

Class A foul consists of holding or tripping and loafing off side, when the goal is not in danger. For class A fouls, the players shall be warned once, and on the second offence the penalty shall be two minutes and subsequent offences ten minutes each.

Class M fouls consist of throwing the stick to prevent a score, tripping an opponent when the latter is attempting to score, cross-checking, changing from behind, kicking or collaring an opponent. For the first offense the penalty shall be three minutes; second five minutes, third ten minutes, and fourth, he shall be banished from the game.

Class C foul consists of a player disabling or injuring an opponent. For the first offense the penalty shall be not less than five minutes, for the second not less than ten, and for the third he shall be banished from the game.

Class D foul consists of a player insulting an official or any officer of this association. For this offense the penalty shall be not less than five minutes, and subsequent offences not less than ten minutes.

SAY ABSENCE OF LIGHT WAS CAUSE OF STEAMER SINKING

Lawyers' Contentions at Inquiry Into Royal George Accident

Quebec, Dec. 6—The investigation into the cause of the stranding of the steamer Royal George was concluded last night before the wreck commission.

Mr. Holden of Montreal spoke for some time for the owners of the ship, contending that the absence of light on St. Lawrence Point was the primary cause of the accident. Messrs. Pentland and A. H. Cook, of Quebec, on behalf of Pilot Rioux, followed, taking a similar line of argument.

NO WORD OF THE DOMAIN

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 6—No word has yet been received here of the schooner Domain. It is feared she encountered the storm which wrecked the Ethel B. Sumner.

Mayor Robinson of the Robinson Wright Company, the owners, feels confident, however, that the schooner is safe.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES

Pist, Italy, Dec. Guisseppe Di Marinis, one of the Camorrists convicted at Witerbo and sentenced to thirty years imprisonment, has become insane.

New York, Dec. 6—Captain Jose Thomas Ramierez of the Dominican army, chief of staff of General Eladio Victoria, former president of the Dominican republic, was found dead in bed in a hotel here today, asphyxiated by gas. His death was accidental.

Paris, Dec. 6—Jules Mancini, secretary of the French legation in Havana in 1908, died yesterday.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

At a meeting of the members of Branch 125, C. M. B. A., Fairville, last evening, officers were elected as follows: President, John Gallagher; 1st vice, William Terry; 2nd vice, Thomas Lee; recording secretary, Alphonsus Conwell; assistant, John Butler; financial, David Delaney; treasurer, Wm. Lynch; marshall, M. Butler; guard, James Hanlon; trustees, James Hanlon and P. Murray. Wm. Lynch was chosen as delegate to the convention in Hamilton netx year, and C. Hayes alternate.

THE POLICE.

With the addition of the new policemen the local police force is now complete. Besides the chief, there are thirty-four patrolmen, one deputy chief, one detective, seven sergeants and three special men.