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wharf. Notwithstanding the dirty weather a large crowd assembled, and under a complete roof of umbrellas waited until the boats pulled out into the stream. As the boats left the wharf the Fifth Regiment band played "Auld Lang Syne" and afterwards "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows," the crowd on the wharf and those on the boat both joining in the singing. The militia were well pleased with the reception tendered them in Vancouver; in fact, so were all who had been fortunate enough to participate in the celebration.

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## THE SCORCHED EAST

A Great Loss of Life in the Hot Belt in the Eastern and Southern States.

Unprecedented Heat at Ottawa—Mercury at Some Points Stands at 108 Degrees.

Ottawa, July 6.—It is still very hot here, although not so intense as yesterday, when the thermometer reached 98 degrees in the shade. It is about 90 degrees in the shade this forenoon, but there is an occasional breeze, which makes it tolerable. Yesterday was the hottest day in the memory of the oldest citizens in Ottawa.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 6.—As a result of the intense heat two deaths and seven prostrations are reported. During the heavy storm last evening Daniel Matthews, the well known horseman, was instantly killed by lightning, at the Homewood race track.

Cincinnati, O., July 6.—The Commercial Tribune's special report of the results of the extreme heat from outside points is as follows: Springfield, Ohio—Nine cases of heat prostrations to-day.

Wapakoneta, Ohio—Friday, Saturday and Sunday and to-day the mercury stood all the way from 103 to 108. Farmers cannot do their harvesting, as the extreme heat has a serious effect on horses. The wheat is dead ripe and becoming brittle.

Parkersburg, W. Va.—Yesterday and to-day were two of the hottest days on record here, the temperature being 112 in the shade on the streets.

Detroit, Mich., July 6.—The list of persons who have died in this city from sunstroke and heat prostration yesterday was swelled to-day to thirteen.

## A GRAND NATIONAL COUNCIL.

Laurier Urges Direct Representation of the Colonies in Imperial Parliament.

London, July 5.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier the Dominion premier, to-day addressed a meeting of the members of the house of commons. All the colonial party, Sir Charles Dilke, Mr. Curzon, under secretary of state for foreign affairs, Sir John Gorst, Sir Howard Vincent, General Laurier and many other members, were present. Sir Charles Dilke presided.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who was cordially and enthusiastically received, represented the colonies in the imperial parliament, which ought to be, he contended, a national council or imperial conference. In the course of his address he said that if Australia and South Africa were confederated like Canada it would greatly simplify the question.

The Duke of Devonshire presided at a meeting of the British Empire League yesterday, and the colonial premiers then took part in the deliberations. Sir Wm. Whiteway, the premier of Newfoundland, caused a hearty laugh by announcing that he had just received an invitation to visit Ireland in native costume. On the proposition of Col. Denison of Canada Lord Salisbury was appointed vice-president of the league.

## ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS.

Meeting of the International Congress of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers opened to-day in the Imperial Hotel, with a full attendance of foreign delegates, including a number of Americans. The Prince of Wales, accompanied by the Duke of Saxo-Coburg and Gotha and the Duke of York, welcomed the delegates in the name of the Queen.

The First Lord of the Admiralty, Geo. Goschen, welcomed the delegates on behalf of the government. The Earl of Hoxton, president, in the inaugural address, warmly welcomed the foreign delegates, especially the Americans as being of identical origin and common language.

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## DEL VAL SAYS STOP

The Papal Ablegate Orders All Discussion of Manitoba School Question to Cease.

Supplies for Dominion Penitentiaries Awarded—No Cabinet Changes Till Laurier's Return.

Ottawa, July 6.—Mr. Merry del Val writes to Archbishop Langevin under date of July 3rd a farewell letter, in which he enjoins abstention from all agitation on the school question, and such time as the Holy Father has given his decision.

The contracts for supplies for the Dominion penitentiaries have been awarded, and amount, in all, to over a quarter of a million dollars. The successful tenderers for British Columbia at the New Westminister penitentiary are: Flour, Lockyer Bros., Montreal; coal, Gilly & Rogers; hardware, R. F. Anderson; leather, S. O. Delorme, Montreal; Parsons & Sons, Toronto, and Benson, more & Co., Toronto; drugs, L. H. Bernard, Montreal; groceries, M. C. Donough, Johnston Mackenzie, E. J. Rae, Parnell & Gunn, New Westminster. Major-General Gascoigne, who is inspecting the camps at La Prairie to-day, will reach Ottawa to-morrow to have a conference with Dr. Borden, minister of militia.

Political opponents of the government might be reminded that the weather is too hot to discuss changes in the cabinet. Besides, the whole matter can stand over for two or three months until the return of the premier, towards September or the first of October, as nothing will be done until that time. The intention, of course, is to reduce the number in the cabinet as soon as an opportunity arises to do so. One change will likely be that Sir Oliver Mowat will go to Government House at Toronto. A strong pressure will be made upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier to retain Sir Richard Cartwright in the cabinet, as some fear he might be persuaded to take the high commissionership, but there will be no likelihood of that. Sir Richard Cartwright is the personification of broad-mindedness of that kind made until Sir Wilfrid's return.

The controller of customs is busy preparing instructions for collectors of customs in respect to the reciprocal tariff. Before Canadian importers can get the benefit of the preferential clause—that is, the reduced duty on British and New South Wales goods—the tariff will require to be made by the exporters as well as the importer as to the country of origin.

Ottawa, July 17.—Hon. Mr. Tarte has an article in La Patrie, which he signs, regarding Sir Richard Cartwright. Mr. Tarte says that a section of the Liberals have for twenty years allowed Sir Richard Cartwright to be attacked by the Tory press without defending him. Sir Richard Cartwright, Mr. Tarte says, is the personification of broad-mindedness, of great devotion to the public interest and fidelity to his friends. There is no one in the cabinet, says Mr. Tarte, who approaches public questions with greater elevation of thought and a principle of give-and-take than Sir Richard Cartwright. The Globe has said that he was a new Sir Richard, but that was not fair, for he is the same Sir Richard Cartwright as ever was. "I would like to know," says Mr. Tarte, "the name of the man who would like to see Sir Richard and Cartwright leave the government. He is indispensable in the cabinet and in Canadian parliament." This, Mr. Tarte says, is an answer to correspondents who say that he and Sir Richard are not good friends.

P. A. Eagleson, merchant tailor, a prominent Irishman and a large contributor to the home rule fund, dropped dead to-day. He was with Mr. O'Keefe, M.P.P., and some others, calling on the government, and went into Mr. O'Keefe's office on the way home. He sat down on a chair and expired without giving any warning. Heart failure was the cause of death.

Among the Canadians specially decorated in connection with the diamond jubilee, of whom no mention was made in the English press dispatches, was Sir Arthur Halliburton, permanent under-secretary for war. He received the Grand Cross of the Bath. Sir Arthur is a native of Nova Scotia.

Senator Mills has sent a handsome subscription to the fund now being raised to erect a memorial to Hon. Jos. Howe.

Minister Scott defends his course in dismissing employees from the government printing bureau by saying that many who were taken on by himself before the session were included in those laid off. He only desired to run the establishment on business principles and to deal with employees as they should be treated.

From returns furnished the railways and canals department it appears that traffic through the Soo to date is barely one-half of what it was. The total number of vessels which passed through to the end of June was 1,067, with a tonnage of 929,769 tons, and bearing the freight to the extent of 1,015,253 tons.

Hon. Mr. Fisher, minister of agriculture, has put off his western trip for a month, till August, and will spend some considerable time in studying the government farms at Indian Head, N.W.T., and at Agassiz, B. C., as well as the quarantine along the line.

The very latest developments in connection with the fast line contract bear testimony to the discretion of the firm to carry the enterprise into effect. The capitalization of the fast line, which amounts to £2,000,000, has been all subscribed, and the project is advancing in a way which must insure its speedy execution.

## THE FAST STEAMSHIP LINE.

Peterson, Tait & Co. Preparing for the Work.

London, July 5.—The shareholders of the Turramore steamship company, of which Peterson, Tait & Co. are managers, held a meeting yesterday and adopted a proposal to absorb their capital in a new corporation established to work the Canadian fast service under the imperial government's subsidy. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in an interview published yesterday by a Liverpool newspaper, said he could not assert that the new line would be extremely popular in Canada, but the scheme has been undertaken because it is believed to be the best means of developing the country. Canadians thought would attract passengers from all parts of North America because the route would be shorter and more pleasant.

## YELLOW FEVER ON BOARD

The Steamer San Jose in Quarantine at San Francisco.

San Francisco, July 5.—The Pacific Mail steamship, the San Jose, arrived yesterday from Panama and way ports, leaving two of her crew in ocean graves. One of them was Chief Engineer McLane, who died June 4, just before the steamer reached Acapulco. Captain Russell diagnosed the case and he reported that the engineer died of pneumonia of the stomach. Soon after the engineer's death several of the crew were taken ill with symptoms of the dreaded yellow fever. On June 13 Richard Blummerhasset, a mess boy, died and Dr. R. Blie, the federal quarantine officer at this port, says that from the symptoms of the boy's ailment yellow fever was the cause of death.

## DEFIES THE POWERS

The Sultan Refuses to Yield to Wishes of Europe in the Peace Negotiations.

Situation Very Strained—Opinion Expressed That the Powers Must Use Force.

Constantinople, July 6.—Contrary to expectations the decision of the council of ministers is not favorable to the demands of the ambassadors to the Turkish frontier. The situation therefore is regarded as being very strained. The Turkish reply virtually implies a rupture in the negotiations, and the powers must make concessions or adopt measures to enforce their decisions.

It is reported that the grand vizier declared to the sultan that he will never sign an agreement based on the strategic lines proposed by the ambassadors. At the same time it is thought in some quarters that the attitude of the Turkish government is designed to enable the sultan to yield to the latter by sacrificing some of his ministers. Rumors of impending cabinet changes are already current. The bourse at Isparta is largely affected by the situation and there has been a considerable fall in Turkish consolidated securities. The Turks are selling them freely. Some cities are expressing the opinion that Turkey will yield only to European pressure. St. Petersburg, July 6.—The Nov Vreda strongly exhorts the Turkish government to abandon any further negotiations in the negotiations for peace between Greece and Turkey, unless the latter country should wish the powers to adopt harsh measures to enforce their peace programme.

## BIG FOURTH OF JULY BLAZE.

A Cigar Igites a Mammoth Oil Reservoir—Much Property Damaged.

Anderson, Ind., July 5.—A stranger with a lighted cigar gave Madison county probably the most extensive Fourth of July display in its history. The Treats Company, drilling north of this city, had just opened a mammoth reservoir, when he appeared with his lighted cigar. The gas ignited. The flames shot forty feet into the air and could be heard for miles. The derrick was burned down in a minute. There were no valves on the casing and there is no way to shut off the gas. All methods known except the cannon snuffing have been tried, but the pressure is so strong. The cannon will be used to-morrow. A ball will be fired across the casing. It will blow out instantly. This is only one in extreme cases. The outfit is gone and much adjacent property is damaged.

## ANOTHER 'LE ROI DIVIDEND.

Sixteenth Dividend of \$25,000, Made Payable July 6th.

Spokane, July 5.—At a meeting Saturday night of the board of directors of the Le Roi Mining Company, a dividend was declared of \$25,000, payable July 6th. This is the sixteenth dividend, the fifteenth having been paid last Wednesday. Another will be paid this month. The total dividends to date aggregate \$450,000.

## Popular Hotel Man.

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## AMERICAN BRIEFS.

Death Caused by a Pin—Improved Kite Flying.

Oakland, Cal., July 6.—Mary Sullivan, a young woman who lived with her mother in West Oakland, swallowed a pin several days ago and died in agony yesterday. A few weeks ago Miss Sullivan was playing some household work and unconsciously placed the pin between her lips. She drew a deep breath as the result of smothering. The pin caught about the epiglottis. In some manner and struck there. After a long exertion the young woman forced it down her throat and into her stomach.

New York, July 6.—Lieutenant H. D. Wise celebrated Independence day on Governor's island with kite flying experiments. He unfurled the national colors 1,000 feet above the earth. The signal for "flying" the flag was given at noon, when 45 guns were fired. The lieutenant pulled a string that was attached to his kite windlass, and the flag floated gracefully between two of the kites high up in the air.

Monterey, Cal., July 6.—A number of Japanese from San Francisco, who are acting for a firm in Japan, have rented the Hotel Monterey, and they have furnished it with facilities to reduce shark's fat to oil. These men have fishermen engaged in catching the sharks, and expect to do a considerable business. Sharks are very plentiful in this locality, and are of a particularly valuable variety.

New York, July 6.—The resumption of trade after the holidays was marked by a business which was more pronounced in international shares. Americans in London are notably depressed.

New York, July 6.—The new town of Lincoln, N. J., six miles from Plainfield, celebrated Independence day by electing a municipal government, in which women share equally with men.

## STORM IN QUEBEC.

Terrific Thunderstorm Passes Over Lake St. John District—Much Damage Done.

Quebec, July 6.—A terrific thunder storm which passed over the Lake St. John district caused loss of life and considerable damage to property. Owing to the storm the wires are in a demoralized condition, but it is learned that at Johnqueris lightning struck the parish church while high mass was being celebrated. A portion of the roof was ripped off, two altars upset and the officiating priest stunned.

It was discovered that the building was on fire and the whole congregation became panic-stricken. A mad rush was made for the doors, during which one man was trampled under foot and killed and many persons were injured.

The church was burned to the ground, making the third church fired by lightning and destroyed in the Lake St. John district within two weeks.

Hamilton, July 6.—Samuel Lindsay, who escaped from Deputy Sheriff Gibson in 1880, while on his way to Kingston to serve two and a half years for breaking into Grand Forks postoffice, and who was captured in Montreal a few days ago, was sentenced to-day to serve out his term of two years and a half in Kingston, and two months in addition for escaping from the officer.

Edgar Weller, lately a reporter on the Telegram, took a heavy dose of morphine with suicidal intent, but will probably recover.

Dr. McClure, of Hontan, China, has written to the Presbyterian officials stating that he is very greatly in need of assistance, and is suffering from overwork. The officials here, however, say that the condition of McClure makes it impossible to send him help this year.

Montreal, July 6.—According to returns made by the directory canvassers there are at present in Montreal 2,822 houses and 670 stores and offices unoccupied.

Winnipeg, July 6.—John D. Rockefeller, the capitalist, is becoming largely interested in Lake of the Woods mines. He deposited a check for \$85,000 in a Rat Portage bank this week, through his agent, in payment of a recently purchased property not far from Rat Portage.

## THE GREAT STRIKE

The Big Wage Struggle of Coal Miners Throughout Pittsburg Inaugurated Yesterday.

Opinions of Public Men Regarding the Strike and Possibilities of Settlement.

Pittsburg, July 5.—The resolution to strike was unanimously adopted by the miners' convention late Saturday afternoon, and a general suspension was ordered.

The great wage struggle of coal miners throughout Pittsburg district was inaugurated to-day. By a preconcerted arrangement of the district executive board of United Mine Workers, meetings were held to-day in nearly every mining settlement that was represented at Saturday's convention in the city, and the miners were instructed not to falter in the great struggle that has begun.

Terre Haute, Ind., July 5.—President Knight of district No. 11, United Mine Workers of America, says his estimate of the men who will be involved will be about 100,000. Mr. Knight says the object of the strike is to clear out the markets and compel the operators to pay living wages to the men. He declares it is not a war on operators, and the miners do not so regard it. They admit, according to Mr. Knight, that the operators are not responsible for the present aggravated condition of affairs, but are, like the men they employ, the victims of over-production and under-consumption. Mr. Knight says that while the miners may not be especially anxious to see the operators in affairs, they feel sure they have nothing to lose, and trust they may gain something. The coal miners of a half a dozen states are involved.

Morris, Ill., July 5.—In compliance with the general order, the miners of the Wilmington coal fields, including all the Grundy county miners, went on strike to-day.

New York, July 5.—The Journal and Advertiser this morning published special dispatches, giving the following opinions of public men regarding the miners' strike and the possibility of arbitration:

Senator Hanna says: "I deprecate that the coal mining trouble should come at this time, when such conditions are being sought to make it seem impossible to secure a favorable consideration of the demands. The rates of wages are unequal among miners in certain districts, which is unfair to the men. This is the first point to be adjusted, and it is a matter that should be arbitrated at once and fairly settled. As soon as business revives and an increased demand for coal issues it, the miners should have their full share of the benefits, and I believe they will secure it without a strike. I am always in favor of arbitration in the settlement of difficulties between operators and their men. I hope that such a course will be pursued in this instance as will bring results satisfactory to both sides."

Senator Fairbanks says: "I regret that any difference should have arisen between the coal operators and the miners. It is to be hoped that wise counsel will prevail and that an early settlement of the disputed questions may be made upon fair and honorable terms. A strike will unfavorably affect business more or less for the time being. There are evidences on all sides of returning prosperity, and anything that arises which may tend to delay the early return of normal commercial conditions is to be deplored. It would seem that there is some patriotic sentiment among all parties concerned to enable them to unite upon some method of arbitration whereby a speedy settlement may be reached, and suffering and distress thereby averted."

Senator Turpie says: "Neither congress nor the president has any judicial authority, and consequently could not sit as a board of arbitration. I think that arbitration will be the solution of all labor troubles some time, but it must be conducted under federal authority. Some of the states have laws providing for the appointment of arbitration boards to settle strikes and lock-outs, but as many of these troubles extend through more than one state, one board could not deal with the matter outside of its own jurisdiction."

Secretary of State Sherman says: "Arbitration is always the best means of solving such complications as the miners' strike when parties concerned are willing to arbitrate. The question of offering arbitration, I think, is one for congress."

Attorney-General McKenna says: "The strike looks formidable now, but may soon be settled by compromise, or by other strikes have been settled, by one side or the other yielding. I know of no law that authorizes the general government to interfere between employer and employee in a matter of this particular kind. No request has been made to the administration so far as I know by either side to arbitrate between the mine owners and the miners."

Houston, Texas, July 5.—Not a trolley car is running in this city, the men having struck to compel recognition of their union. About 20 cars ran until 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the company gave an effort to run cars, leaving thousands of people in the outskirts of the city.



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## IN HOUSE OF LORDS

Agreement Said to Have Been Reached Providing for Colonial Representation in the Lords.

Queen Presented With Jubilee Addresses—The Premiers Sworn in as Privy Counsellors.

London, July 7.—The Manchester Guardian to-day says that the Duke of Devonshire's recent hint that striking proposals are about to be launched by the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, refers to a scheme for representation of the colonies in the house of lords. This scheme, the Guardian adds, has already been approved at the conferences held between Mr. Chamberlain and the colonial premiers.

By special address of the Queen, all the colonial premiers, including Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Premier of Canada, visited Windsor Castle to-day for the purpose of presenting Her Majesty with the Jubilee addresses from their respective colonies. Subsequently the premiers were sworn in as privy counsellors.

## THE DEADLY FIRECRACKER.

Five Killed and Many Accidents in Chicago Yesterday.

Chicago, June 6.—Patriotism caused the loss of five lives yesterday, and there was an unusually long list of maimed and injured people as a result of the Fourth of July celebration. The dead ones: James W. Keany, one death, all killed by an explosion of powder in a glass bottle; William Allan, eight years old, clothing ignited by fire crackers, which caused fatal burns.

## THE HOT BELT.

Reports From Various Points Regarding To-Day's Weather.

Montreal, July 6.—The first death from heat occurred this morning. Patrick Gallagher, a laborer, was overcome while working on a roof yesterday afternoon, and died at Notre Dame hospital. Jos. Fictou died at the general hospital from a similar cause. He was working in a trench when overcome.

Brantford, July 6.—Wm. Johnson died at the hospital to-day from effects of the extreme heat.

Nisara Falls, Ont., July 6.—Dr. Jas. W. Oliver was found dead to-day, supposed to have been overcome by the heat.

New York, July 6.—The warm wave struck this city yesterday, and it now registers on the street level 102 degrees, while the humidity recorded was 91 per cent. As a result of the intense heat there was one death and many prostrations. Towards evening, however, the sky became overcast and there was a fall of 12 degrees between 5 and 10 p.m.

Cincinnati, Ohio, July 7.—Five fatalities from heat occurred yesterday, making 36 deaths in the last four days.

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