

COMMITTEE FAILED TO REACH AGREEMENT

Joint Operators and Coal Miner's Committee Failed and Conciliation Board Takes up Matter Under Amicable Act—Early Settlement Improbable.

MacLeod, May 26.—When the board of conciliation that is endeavoring to settle the coal miners strike reconvened here today at the call of a chairman Grant the committee of the two sides appointed last week to formulate an agreement for putting into effect the recommendations of the board reported through their attorneys that they had failed to agree. The board then formally opened as a board of arbitration under the Loucheux act. Several conferences were held, the legality of the "preamble" in the mining contracts being debated, attorney L. P. Eckstein of Fernie for the miners testified that he thinks a settlement of the trouble to be a far away affair.

MEN NEEDED.

Champagne, Lobsters and Steam Yachts Not Conducive to Goodness.

Denver, Col., May 25.—"Grace is not usually said over champagne and lobster a la Newburg; family alters are not raised over Persian rugs; students for the ministry do not as a rule get their early training by running steam yachts."

These remarks by Dr. Jos. W. Cochran, of Philadelphia, secretary of the Presbyterian board of education, caused great interest in the Presbyterian general assembly today. Dr. Cochran spoke on the report of the board of education which deplored the lack of recruits for the ministry. "Why can't we get the young men to preach?" asked Dr. Cochran. "I will tell you. In the first place, there is but little Christianity in the home. If there is any, it is gone by the time the young man is ready for an education. He goes to a Godless state university and when he returns to his home he puts religion at a low ebb, and if you ministers find your churches at a low ebb, you know where to place the blame."

"The need in this board of education is not for more money but for more men. We cannot Christianize these state universities, but we can put a shepherd in charge and in this way keep these boys in the flock. Lack of funds will not prevent the American Tract society and the Board of Freedmen in their annual report. "Even the board of foreign missions has come to us," said Secretary James Swift, of New York. "The board wants us to print an arithmetic for the people of Uganda, to suggest to the people of Uganda to compute the number of lions, tigers and giraffes slain by our beloved former president."

PROFESSIONAL ADOPTERS

In the Toils for Abusing Their Little Wards.

Paris, May 25.—On the charge of having maltreated young children confined to their care, Cook H. Sargent, an Englishman and his American wife who was Josephine Savin, of New York, were found guilty in the Correctional court today. Sargent was sentenced to two years' imprisonment and his wife to thirteen months' imprisonment. The children in a small fine was imposed on each. Witnesses testified that the Sargents had beaten the children and deprived them of food. One of the last witnesses, Madame Marchal, of Brussels, declared she had confided her child to the Sargents a few years ago and had not until recently heard any tidings of it. She threw herself at the throat of Mrs. Sargent and tried to strangle her. Guards pulled her away with difficulty.

A curious development was a claim set up by a woman from Versailles that the Marchal child was hers. Pending a solution of this, the court ordered that the child be kept in the municipal orphanage. Sargent and his wife were arrested at Suresne in February last, charged with the cruel treatment of four children whom they had adopted. The couple have been in the hospital, inserting advertisements in English and Belgian newspapers offering to adopt children for a money consideration.

SHEER INVENTIONS.

Teddy Denies Authenticity of Stories of His Doings.

Nairobi, British East Africa, May 25.—A staff correspondent of The Associated Press returned to Nairobi this morning after a two days visit at the Roosevelt camp as the guest of the branch of the Roosevelt party, nor any nearer means of gaining information of the Roosevelt party's doing beyond what is generally known. Any special dispatches appearing are in all human probability sheer inventions. Moreover, the details which purport to be thus obtained can only be due to bribery, and it is safe to state that a disreputable man giving a bribe and a disreputable man accepting the same would be willing to invent untruths for money or traffic in other forms of dishonesty.

New Anglican College.

Vancouver, B. C., May 25.—The educational institution to be known as the Bishop Latimer College is to be opened in Vancouver by the evangelist branch of the Anglican church. Bishop Stringer of the Yukon is, early in favor of the scheme, but Bishop Perrin of Victoria is opposing it.

TO CAPTURE CARIBOU HERD.

Dr. W. T. Grenfell Has Engaged Hunters to Attempt the Feat in Newfoundland.

Minneapolis, May 25.—Edward Balch Barr, of Oshkosh, and Jerome B. Johnson, of Bancroft, Iowa, have been in Minneapolis outfitting an expedition which is going to Newfoundland to get a herd of caribou for Dr. W. T. Grenfell. The expedition will be provisioned at Boston, whence it will sail May 24.

Two years ago Mr. Barr took a 1,000 mile canoe trip to Moose Factory, 300 miles beyond North American civilization. It was a pleasure trip, but from it Mr. Barr became a lecturer. Dr. Grenfell recently closed with the young man, who made a record at Pillsburg academy in all-round athletics, was also chosen and the two met at the Hyatt hotel to lay plans and procure outfit.

Dr. Grenfell hopes to obtain caribou calves to blend with the native reindeer in the wilds of the north. Sixteen men will go in the party, and several will be experienced reindeer herders and guides. Others will be college boys who have volunteered. The latter will pay their own expenses and will be required to work like hired hands.

Labrador and Newfoundland are well stocked with wild caribou. Through generations of captivity the reindeer, such as Dr. Grenfell has domesticated at St. Anthony, 650 in all, have deteriorated. The caribou running free are precisely as good as moose for food, and their hides make fine leather. The problem is to interbreed the species.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Invasives Venezuela—Sanitary Police Will Be Appointed.

Caracas, May 25.—After an absence of six months the bubonic plague has again made its appearance here. One case is officially under examination. The rats of Caracas show infection. No case has been found in Leguaira or elsewhere in the republic.

The government authorities today announced that they would make no secret of the existing conditions and that they proposed to adopt strong measures of sanitation in fulfillment of the Washington convention.

President Goni has issued a decree making the declaration of disease obligatory and providing for the establishment of a force of maritime sanitary police to prevent the importation or the transmission of infectious diseases. The report of the director of the sanitary commission announces one case of bubonic plague in this city and active sanitation measures have already begun.

Castro's Brethren Expelled. Wilmsted, Caracas, May 25.—Celestino Castro, brother of the deposed president of Venezuela, the captain of the notice of his expulsion from the island of Caracas. This action was taken under the advice of the advocate-general of the colony, and it indicates that Celestino is no more welcome in the West Indies, in all events in Caracas, than his brother would have been. Castro is to leave the island within six days.

Companied by his wife he reached Caracas on May 17 on board the steamer Montserrat and on May 18 he forwarded a request to the Venezuelan authorities for permission to visit Venezuela but no answer has been received yet.

Sailor Tells Different Story. Christina, Norway, May 26.—The sailor and Frederickstad who asserted that he was an accomplice in the Guinness murders in Indiana is named James Small. He was arrested on the ship the day after the murders. The captain explains that the man, who is 25 years of age, a native of Maine, wept every day, and three weeks later he was released. He went to bed and asked for poison with which to end his life. Four weeks later he was released. He had killed four persons on a farm near Chicago, one being Mrs. Guinness, who had first paid \$2,000 for killing the other three. Small now has told the court at Frederickstad that all this story was invented to save his own life, and the captain wanted to kill him, by mixing mercury in his food. The man has been sent to a hospital, where the physician thinks he is insane. He says that he was a soldier in Portland, Maine, at the time the Guinness murders were committed.

Automobiles Drowned. Stockton, Cal., May 27.—While cleaning up some land fire got away from a settler at Old Mine Centre, 45 miles east of here. Fanned by a strong breeze it tore rapidly westward and reaching the Manhattan mine it destroyed the engine house and residence and treated the mine. The fire was caused by a steam shovel in a cut over eighty feet high when tons of gravel and sand slid down the sides of the cut. One man was rescued in time, but when they reached the other he was dead. He was buried two hours under the debris.

Buried Under Gravel Slide. Quebec, May 26.—A report from La Tuque announces that Saturday afternoon last, two Italians were buried under a landslide at a point called Vermillion, twenty miles above La Tuque. It appears there was a gang of men at work operating a steam shovel in a cut over eighty feet high when tons of gravel and sand slid down the sides of the cut. One man was rescued in time, but when they reached the other he was dead. He was buried two hours under the debris.

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CALGARY PRESSMEN "DO" CITY COUNCIL

Aldermen Expelled the Reporters and Held "Secret" Meeting But the Boys Got the News and Printed it in Detail.

Calgary, May 27.—At last a definite decision has been reached and the city council will take over the municipal city hall and finish it, with Architect Dodd as superintendent, and the special committee, consisting of Ald. Mitchell, Hornby and Brocklebank assisting him.

This decision was arrived at by the secret session of the council last night after a long meeting, during which all "managed to keep their coats on," to use a classic phrase employed by the mayor after the meeting.

The city will go even further. They will keep all the monies now due to the Alberta Building company, and the mayor and architect were instructed to have checks prepared and to pay all claims now against the building for material and labor supplied upon a statutory declaration that the accounts are correct.

To make their taking over of the building doubly sure, the mayor in person went to the police station after the meeting and informed the officer in charge that the city had now taken over the new city hall, and instructed him that a strict watch was to be kept on same, and no one allowed to enter upon or interfere in any way with the premises unless authorized by the mayor or architect.

Editorially yesterday, the Albertan, in criticizing the secret meeting, informed its readers that it expected that the press would give a report of the proceedings. It succeeded admirably, and presents a very detailed and complete account. How it got the report is another thing.

Kicking Out the Pressmen. The meeting, although scheduled for 8 o'clock, was not called until about twenty-five minutes after that time, and the first step taken by his worship was to ask the members of the press to retire.

"I must ask the newspaper men present to retire, or else give up the idea of publishing anything," said his worship, and all eyes were turned on the offenders, while broad smiles illumined the faces of the pressmen.

Herald Will Not Promise. "I cannot promise that for the Herald," said the representative of that paper. "Well, then, I must ask you to go," replied his worship.

"Did you not go or order us?" persisted the scribe, and his worship put on his grimmest fighting look and came back strong.

"We don't want to move you," he said ominously, "but you will have to go, and if you don't go of your own accord, we will have to have you moved."

"But why?" queried his tormentor. "Secrecy must be preserved. This is his worship's private affair, and explained to the scribes that it had been decreed at the meeting in presence of the pressmen that the press was to be in secret. The mayor even said that a motion to this effect had been passed.

Ald. Reilly Favors Publicity. "There was no motion passed, but we all understand it to be a closed meeting," said Ald. Reilly, who is a member of the press. "I do not know whether this is essential. The aldermen and other present can use discretion in choosing their words, and if it is necessary to cause death and that he met his end by drowning. He had gone into the bank and laid in four feet of water. It was plainly a case of suicide while in a despondent mood, and was so found by the jury.

Cuban Conspirators Arraigned. Havana, May 27.—General Maso Para and Colonel Gabriel Guerra, who were convicted of conspiracy against the provisional government last year and sentenced to three years' imprisonment, but later released by the decree of amnesty, were this morning arraigned before a special judge on the charge of conspiring to overthrow the government.

Prize Rupture Sale. Vancouver, May 26.—With the sale of over \$200,000 worth of Prince Rupert property this morning, the total amount of sales at the Grand Trunk Pacific railway terminal were \$741,000. Besides this an additional \$100,000 worth of property was disposed of this afternoon. Prices ruling this morning in the business district were looked upon as very good. American visitors did heavy buying today.

BURNED TRYING TO SAVE HIS MONEY

Deckhand on the Coquitlam Lost His Life Through Fool-Hardiness—Engineer Stood to His Post Among Flames Till Pulled Away.

Vancouver, B. C., May 27.—Unable to withstand temptation to try to save his money, a deckhand on the Coquitlam, lost his life through fool-hardiness, and the Daily News men were soon out in the cold world, but with excoeding joy in their hearts, for the press had still one more card to play, and even then it was being played.

Dark Secrecy Begins. "We are only standing by our conviction," said his worship after he had gone. "The press has not been elected to represent the city, and we have some opinions of our own."

Mr. Dodd Uses Hammer. Then, seeing that the newspaper representatives were safely out of the way, Architect Dodd produced his little hammer and began to knock.

OAT GROWING CONTEST Alberta and Wyoming in Competition for Yield from Hundred Acres. Laramie, Wyo., May 22.—Bet you \$10,000 I can grow more oats on my Laramie Plains farm than any other man in the world can raise on his farm," says Col. E. J. Bell, a big farmer of Laramie.

DUNKARDS GATHERING. Gathering by the Thousand in Virginia for Annual Conference. Harrisburg, Virginia, May 27.—This city is entertaining the largest crowd in its history this week. It is the occasion of the Church of the Brethren commonly known as "Dunkards," and they are gathering here by the thousand.

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WITH THE CROP REPORTS.

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Portage la Proude—Seedling almost finished, with excessive moisture. Beaver—Wheat seedling about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done. Gladstone—Wheat seedling about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done.

Dauphin—All wheat seedling almost finished, with excessive moisture. Gilbert Plains—Wheat seedling almost finished, other grain about 50 per cent done. Makenzie—Wheat seedling about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done.

Quill Lake—About 75 per cent done, about 2,000 acres more, barley about one-third more oats, barley about one-third more. Winnipeg—Seedling will be about 75 per cent done this week, about 50 per cent done this year than last year.

Alberden—Wheat seedling almost finished, other grain about 50 per cent done. Assiniboia—Wheat seedling about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done. Brandon—Wheat seedling about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done.

Regina—Wheat seedling about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done. Swift Current, is not yet sown, but conditions favorable. Langham—Wheat practically all done, other grain about 50 per cent done.

Radisson—All wheat sown, and conditions favorable. Redfield—Wheat seedling about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done.

South Battleford—Crop done, and nearly as far advanced as this time last year; land in good shape. Lloydminster—Seedling will be about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done.

Vermillion—Seedling will be about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done. Morden—Sixty per cent done, with much larger portion sown and less of wheat done with last year's crop.

Chipman—About 25 per cent done, and barley seedling almost done. Lamont—Seedling almost done, progress about 80 per cent done.

Fort Saskatchewan—About 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done. Fairview—Wheat seedling about 75 per cent done, other grain about 50 per cent done.

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Photos of the Alberta outfields show a similar condition as having existed in that province during the harvest last year. The stakes have already been posted and the oats are now being planted. The harvest will come in September, and the championship award will be made by the officials of the National Corn association immediately after threshing.

NURSE SUICIDED IN TRAGIC WAY. Climbed Piling Along Embankment and Dropped Hundred Feet to Death. Toronto, May 28.—Climbing over the railing and hanging for a few minutes by her hands, Elizabeth Rankhew, a nurse, plunged into the ravine 115 feet below, killing herself instantly. She was aged 46 years and came from England, eighteen months ago.

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