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OUR CABLE LETTER.

No Apprehension that the Government Will be Defeated This Session.

Probability of Balfour Taking The Leadership of the House—The Revolutionary Condition of the Balkan States.

LONDON, June 30.—Most astute friends of the government do not apprehend any danger whatever as to their tenure of power for this session. Their fear is lest by loss of authority the majority of the government should fade away and be lost in some serious crisis of the next session. The loss of the Ayr election, though it is but one seat, is now admitted by government managers to have greatly encouraged the waverers to take their part with the opposition minority, such as exists in parliament, which is far from being homogenious. It is extremely soluble that Gladstone has confidence that the ministerial forces will tend in this way to rapid disintegration. In their councils the ministers themselves are said to be fairly united and act with much more agreement than the cabinet of 1880. The difficulty which may at any time come up in the cabinet, would be the retirement to another place of W. H. Smith, who does his work conscientiously but on whom the labor of leading the house of commons falls at times severly. Less is heard now than in the winter of glowing admiration for Balfour. Then it was the ministerial cue to exalt him as the probable leader. It is still likely that Balfour will some day lead, but his succession is not just now agreeable to all concerned. Sir Michael Hicks-Beach has not changed his opinion that Balfour's way of dealing with Ireland is not the best and though Goschen cannot see the way to the leadership he would like to be put by acclamation into that position.

A French officer of the engineer corps, who has just returned from a

TOUR OF THE BALKAN STATES,

and whose name is withheld at his request, said to-day that the continued massing of Austrian and Russian troops on their respective frontiers was due more to the volcanic state of affairs in the whole of the Balkan States, other than to any immediate danger of a rupture of friendly relations from any other cause than that which might be possibly precipitated by a formidable uprising in one or all of the Balkan states. These states at present are filled with revolutionary plots, which condition extends even to Herzogovina, Bosnia and Transylvania. The revolutionists, who number among them many old experiencad military officers, are daily receiving strength both in men and money. Even the peasants in the states weekly subscribe their mite to the revolutionary fund, and as they have just grievances against their respective governments, they believe they are doing a noble, patriotic act by contributing to ward the fund of the revolutionists. Pro-Russian feeling is predominant in all the states and frequent appeals have been made by the people to the Czar for relief. Austria's government has just added fuel to the flame by the forceful amalgamation of small farms in Transylvania, an act which is simply coercion in its worst character. The Austrian government has adopted a measure against the Roumanians. They recently appealed to King Charles of Roumania to use his good offices with Austria on their behalf, and receiving no answer they appealed to the Czar. An order of amalgamation of the small farms was undoubtedly issued as a punishment for their efforts to secure a peaceful abiding place in the homes they have had for years. The month of August will hardly go by without bringing a crisis in the Balkan states.

BULGARIA ESPECIALLY REGARDS THAT DAY

as an eventful one in their history, as is evident by the naming of their revolutionary organ the *Ninth of August*. Copies of this paper continue to be widely distributed throughout the Balkan states and in towns along the Danubian littarat.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Joseph Kneebone, jr., of Grass Valley, Cal., was found dead near his father's house on Friday morning. He had been shot from behind a pile of rocks, his pockets rifled and the dead body dragged into the bush.

A sanguinary encounter between revenue officers and moonshiners, occurred in Montgomery county, Arkansas, yesterday. Three distilleries were destroyed, when the moonshines attacked the officers and in the melee U. S. Marshal Frammel was killed.

Lucius F. Warren, a U. S. Deputy-Marshal was shot near Lake Megantic by a desperado named Donald Morrison, whom he was attempting to arrest on a charge of arson. A force went out from Sherbrooke, Que., to arrest him.

The 15-year old son of Governor Deems of Jacksonville, Florida, has confessed to poisoning his father and brothers. The father demanded a pistol and other articles which the boy had stolen, threatening to have him arrested. In revenge for this the boy administered the poison. The father died yesterday, and two other children are ill beyond recovery, making five deaths in all, two brothers having already died.

In the U. S. Senate, at Washington, on Friday, an animated discussion took place in connection with the proposed $6,300,000 appropriation for the establishment of a gun factory at Waterolict arsenal. Gorman opposed the appropriation, showing that in other countries governments could not make guns with efficiency and economy. He favored the encouragement of private factories, and said that establishments are now growing up in the country which in a few years would excel anything on the Clyde. Hawley supported the appropriation, saying that private capital would never undertake to build a plant to build experimental guns which might be rejected and the money then lost. The modern gun was the product of generations of study, and if the American people were driven to war, the man who now argued against providing suitable guns would hide their heads in very shame. The U. S., with its 60,000,000 of people, was a monstrous power, but when opposed to modern steel guns it would be of no more account than a dead whale. Stewart said that in its present defenceless condition the U. S. was a fat goose to be plucked by any foreign power. Cockrell spoke in a sarcastic vein of the fear exhibited by other senators about British red coats landing on American soil. Stewart intimated that if boasting (referring directly to Cockrell) could scare Great Britain, there would not be any necessity for this government having either army or navy. The senate adjourned without taking any vote on the appropriation.

THE ALASKA BOUNDARY.

The Proposed Survey an Extremely Difficult Task—What Prof. Davidson Says.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25.—Prof. Davidson, of the coast and geodatic survey, is taking great interest in a little item in the appropriation bill which now looks as if it will remain in the bill when it becomes a law. It is an appropriation of $20,000 for expenses in carrying on a preliminary survey of the frontier line between Alaska and British Columbia. Prof. Davidson says that more than once he has been consulted in the matter of the contemplated survey. The work will be an extremely difficult one, and it will require the skill of thorough field officers to meet the many obstacles which the nature of the country present. The barrier of the coast mountains has never been crossed; neither Indian trails nor prospectors' trail can be seen from the great channels and fords which bound the continental shore. We see the Stickeen river breaks through the mountain range, but the transverse valleys are filled with great glaciers. Indians from this archipelago have never crossed the mountains directly, but have followed the streams. One exception is mentioned by Prof. Davidson, where the Chilcat chief Koh-Klu crossed from the Chilcat river and crossed the intervening coast range to the vicinity of Dry bay on the Pacific shore. The trip was made on the snow in winter. The professor thinks it will require indomitable pluck and great resources of invention to overcome the many difficult and intricate problems that will be presented.

THE NEWCASTLE MINE.

Rumored Suspension of Mining Operations Owing to the Interference of the Knights of Labor.

A report was current at Seattle yesterday that the Newcastle mines were to be shut down and the men discharged. It is said that on Tuesday last the miners received orders from the superintendent to take their tools out of the mine. Everything was moving harmoniously, and there was apparently no difference between the men and the company. The miners have no grievance, and they are at a loss to know just what this order means. Some of the men have taken out their tools, while others refuse to obey the order. The general impression among the men is that this is a movement to starve them out, while others think the mine is to be closed until next winter. If this order goes into effect fully 150 men will be thrown out of employment. It is further stated that if the company has inaugurated a starve out movement it will not succeed, for the miners have been making good wages and have saved their money, and if worst comes to worst most of them can live very economically. Those who profess to know, and it is also understood in confidential quarters, that the mine was to be shut down in consequence of the action of the Knights of Labor; that the company had become tired of having the Knights run their business, and had therefore determined to shut the mine down till such time as the employees would agree to attend to their part of the work and let the business of the company alone.

PROVINCIAL TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The Annual Convention to be Held on Thursday and Friday Next—All Teachers Should Attend.

The annual convention of the Public School teachers of this province will be held on Thursday and Friday of next week (July 5th and 6th). The interest shown in those annual convocations has been extremely creditable to the staff, and the most beneficial results must follow such devoted exertions on their part. Experience shows that those who most needed a practical knowledge of their profession are the most neglectful. Trustees should note the teacher who fails to take advantage of this, the only means afforded in British Columbia of familiarizing himself with improved methods of schoolroom work. It is to be hoped that there will not be a single instance of failure on the part of any one to attend the approaching convention. We would strongly urge all who intend to make teaching their profession not only to attend each meeting of this institute, but to strive to obtain such practical pedagogic information as will lead to good results in schools. The teachers are to be congratulated on the success of their past exertions in this direction, and we trust that the attendance at each session of the institute will surpass that of any previous year. The programme, which is said to be a very interesting one, will be published in a few days.

SAM JONES' REVEREND BROTHER ELOPES.

GREENVILLE, S. C., June 11.—News has reached here that great excitement prevails in Laurens, S. C., caused by the recent elopement of the Rev. Joe Jones, brother of Sam Jones, and Miss Bessie Farrow, of Cross Anchor, S. C.

Mr. Jones met the lady last summer while conducting a series of religious meetings at Laurens. The mother of the young lady was very much opposed to the match, but, on the other hand, it was favored by her father. On one occasion, it is said that Mr. Jones went to see his affianced, and was met by her mother, who "shut the door in his face."

It seems that Mr. Jones became tired of such obstacles, and with the aid of a friend secured the girl and ran away and married her. The happy couple were expected to leave on last night's train, but unfortunately the bride had left in such haste that she neglected to carry her baggage, and they were detained.

The mother declines to give in, and threatens to shoot the "first man who puts his foot inside of the door." Mr. Jones is about 30 years of age, and has for some time been preaching at Laurens, S. C. -Atlanta *Constitution*.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Reported Pleuro-Pneumonia—The Clerk of the Privy Council Appointed Deputy Governor—P. O. Savings Bank Reports.

(FROM Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, June 29.—The minister of agriculture has sent an officer to investigate the reported outbreak of pleuro-pneumonia in Bruce county, Ontario.

McGee, clerk of the privy council, has been appointed deputy-governor, whether the governor-general is absent or not.

The department of customs rules that the duty on carpenters' tool baskets is 25 per cent.

The amount the credit of depositors in P. O. savings banks is $19,750,000.

A proclamation appears to-morrow proroguing parliament to August 9th.

Dr. Mackenzie is at present in Switzerland. It is his intention to return to London *via* Paris.

CABLE NEWS.

The Trafalgar Square Meetings Causing More Trouble.

Winners in the Sandown Park Races—The Celebrated Jockey Libel Suit—Bismarck to take a Holiday—The Czar's Visit.

Great Expectations Dashed.

LONDON, June 29.—The libel suit of the celebrated jockey Woods against the Licensed Victuallers *Gazette*, was decided to-day. Woods sued for £5,000 and the jury brought in a verdict placing the damages at one farthing.

Sandown Park Races.

The Sandown Park first summer meeting was opened to-day. The race for the Electric stakes, a plate of 2,000 sovereigns, for three-year-olds, was won by Mr. R. Beck's bay colt Lullion, Lord Londonderry's Hazlehatch was second, Mr. Abington's chestnut colt Juggle third. There were seven starters.

Trafalgar Square Meetings.

Applications for a summons against Sir Charles Warren, chief of the Metropolitan police force, and Mr. Matthews, home secretary, for preventing Trafalgar Square meetings, have been refused by the courts, the judges holding that no right existed for holding public meetings whereby the square should be blocked up and free passage through it prevented.

O'Donnell's Libel Suit.

The trial of the libel suit of Mr. Frank Hugh O'Donnell against the London *Times* will begin on Monday. Earl Spencer, Lord Aberdeen, Sir George Trevelyan, Timothy Harrington, H. Campbell Banzman and Herbert Gladstone have been subpenaed as witnesses. O'Donnell was present in the commons last evening in earnest consultation with several of the National leaders with reference to the conduct of his suit, and it is probable the list of witnesses will be largely increased in the early part of the week.

The Panama Canal Scheme.

The *Standard*, referring to the Panama canal, said: "A year hence its promoters will be a company with a capital of debts amounting to £90,000,000, and now no available assets. The scheme is now hopeless unless the French government comes to the rescue and completes it.

The Thanet Election.

The result of the parliamentary election for the Isle of Thanet, division of Kent, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Col. E. R. King, will be declared to-morrow.

Bismarck Will Take a Rest.

Prince Bismarck will take his departure for Friedrichsruhe or Varzin in a few days for the purpose of recuperation. He has been in Berlin almost constantly since January 29th, and greatly needs the repose he seeks, as the exertions of the last few months have told heavily upon his nerves.

The Visit to the Czar.

The Czar, it is now announced, will not go to Copenhagen until autumn. No reason is given for the postponement of his trip, but it is generally understood to be due to the fact that the Danish capital just at this time, contains an unusual number of strangers whose movements the police find it extremely difficult to keep track of, and whose objects have not been ascertained. Meanwhile the Czar will go to Finland, whither he will take his departure in a few days, and upon this fact the surmise that he will meet Emperor William at one of the Baltic ports is based. Count Herbert Bismarck, and not the chancellor, as has been reported, will accompany the Emperor on his Russian trip. The Emperor of Austria and King of Italy have been notified that the German Emperor's visit to the Czar will in no wise affect the triple alliance.

Fearful Fires.

LONDON, June 30.—The property destroyed by recent fires at Sundsvall and Umet, Sweden, is valued at 45,000,000 kroner. Twelve thousand persons are rendered homeless by the flames. King Oscar is visiting the districts and is engaged in relieving the wants of sufferers. The houses, forests and standing crops on the farms in other districts were also destroyed.

The Conservative Wins.

The election in the Isle of Thanet, division of Kent, to fill the vacancy in the house of commons caused by the death of Col. E. R. King-Harmon, was held yesterday and resulted in the return of the conservative candidate, James Lowther, by a majority of 658. He received 3,547 votes against 2,889 cast for his opponent, Mr. Knatchbull Hugessin, Gladstonian. At the previous election Col. King-Harmon, who was a conservative, was returned by a majority of 2,088, the vote then standing—King-Harmon, 3,399; E. G. Banker, Gladstonian, 1,311.

Gladstone on Thanet Election.

Gladstone delivered an oration to-day at Hampstead to a large number of people. He said that coercion in Ireland had formerly been a painful necessity and a momentary expedient, but now it had been created into the principle system of the institution, which, had there been a few more liberals at Thanet, would have been struck a deadly blow. "The majority in that division," he continued, "will have the noble satisfaction of reflecting that they have riveted the chains of force to a renewed power of injustice, and," concluded he, solemnly, "each individual is answerable to God for his action."

English Championship Games.

The English amateur championship games took place at Crewe to-day. The one mile flat race was won by T. P. Conner, of the Manhattan athletic club of New York; time, 4:31¾. The long jump was won by A. A. Jordan, who cleared 21 feet 8¾ inches. Clarence L. Smith made the next best jump. The seven mile walk was won by C. W. V. Clarke; time 57 minutes, 8 2-5th seconds.

The Emperor's Visit.

BERLIN, June 30.—The interview between the Czar and Emperor William will be held on July 18th, at a German post on the Baltic sea. Bismarck will be present at the interview. Emperor William, when he received the deputation from the Russian regiments on the occasion of the funeral of Emperor Frederick, said he hoped for an early opportunity to thank the Czar personally for his condolence. The Czar has conferred on Genl. Von Pape, the German Envoy to the Russian Court to announce the accession of Emperor William, the orders of St. Andrew and St. Alexander Newski. He has also conferred upon Count Eulenberg, General Von Pape's aide de camp the order of St. Anne.

FIERCE FREE FIGHT.

Hungarian Miners, Lethbridge Citizens and Mounted Police Have a Set-To.

LETHBRIDGE, N. W. T., June 25.—A serious row took place here on Sunday evening. A number of Hungarian miners, celebrating a wedding, drank freely of Northwest beer, became intoxicated and started fighting. Sergt. Ross, a mounted policeman, attempted to arrest the principals, and was attacked by a mob of Hungarians. He called on citizens to assist him, when a general fight occurred. Several policemen were injured, and a citizen named Chas. Kemp received a severe blow on the head with an axe. Clubs, chairs and axes were freely used. The police and citizens finally overpowered them. Sixteen rioters were locked up, and five of them were heavily fined by Supt. Deane to-day. Those charged with the most serious offences will be tried before Col. MacLeod. None of the injured men are in a dangerous condition.

THE ARBITRATION.

On Wednesday morning the Arbitration Commission which is to settle the claim of the C. P. R. against the Dominion Government on account of the state of the road built under the Onderdonk contracts between Port Moody and Savonas, commenced its sitting at the Hotel Vancouver. The company claim that the road, when it was handed over to them but not formally accepted, was not in a fit and proper condition and that a large amount of money had to be expended in order to fit the road for traffic. It is to settle the amount, if any, due the company under this claim that the commission has been appointed. The commission consists of Mr. T. C. Keefer, C. E., of Ottawa, president of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the arbitrator chosen by the C. P. R.; Mr. C. C. Gregory, of Antigonish, N. S., chosen by the government, and the Hon. John A. Boyd, chancellor of the province of Ontario, chosen as umpire by the two arbitrators. The company's interests will be looked after by Mr. W. C. Van Horne, Vice-President and General Manager; Judge G. M. Clarke of Montreal, solicitor; C. P. R., and Messrs. Walter Cassels and Blackstock, barristers, Toronto. The government will be represented by Mr. Collingwood Schrieber, Engineer in Chief of government railways, and by Messrs. B. B. Osler, Q.C., and Christopher Robinson, Q. C., barristers of Toronto. Among the witnesses and railroad experts who are to be examined are Messrs. Octave Chanute of Kansas city, of the Missouri Pacific; J. Blinkensderfer of Omaha, of the Union Pacific; Thos. Swinyard, formerly traffic manager of the Grand Trunk railway; E. Wragge of the Grand Trunk; W. B. Smellie, C.E., of Brockville; Henry MacLeod, C.E.; L. Fillmore of the South Pacific Coast railroad, and M. J. Haney, who was Onderdonk's superintendent.

The meetings of the commission are to be held with closed doors and nothing will probably be learned until the report is made to the government.

FREDDY AND THE LILLY.

They Are to Be Married in San Francisco in September Next.

CHICAGO, June 23.—One of the delegates to the national convention from New York says: An explicit announcement of the marriage in September of Fred Gebhardt and Mrs. Langtry was made a few days ago at a dinner given by Mrs. Langtry at her New York residence. Two of the guests were James Gordon Bennet and ex-Judge Gunnings Bedford, old cronies of Gebhardt, although they are decidedly older than he. On this occasion Bennett offered as a toast the speedy union of the fair hostess and Gebhardt, who sat in the chair of honor at her right.

"Thank you," Mrs. Langtry responded, "and your good wish is to be realized soon."

"How soon?" Bedford asked.

"May I answer that?" Gebhardt inquired of Mrs. Langtry.

She gave permission, and he then said the wedding would occur early in September, possibly a little sooner, in San Francisco, to which city they will journey, according to the present arrangements, in July.

It is expected she will secure a divorce from her husband in August. It will be remembered Mrs. Langtry, while in San Francisco last year, acquired real estate there and made that city her legal residence. This enables her to put forward her suit for a divorce and she thinks this wil certainly make her a free woman in August. Any hitch in the proceedings will be entirely unexpected and the couple are advised that none is possible.

CRAIGFLOWER SCHOOL.

The public examination of the Craigflower school was held on Friday last in the presence of the trustees and a large number of the parents and friends of the children attending this school. The examination was conducted by the teacher, Mr. A. M. Bannerman, and Mr. D. E. Ker, and judging from the promptness and accuracy manifested in answering the questions asked in the various subjects the pupils must not only have studied diligently and well during the term, but their teacher must have instructed them carefully and thoroughly, in order to acquit themselves as they did so satisfactorily. A number of prizes were then distributed among the pupils, and after a few brief remarks by the Rev. D. McRae, Trustee Porter and others, the pupils, parents and visitors adjourned to the school grounds, where a sumptuous repast awaited them and to which ample justice was done. The rest of the afternoon was devoted to the enjoyment of various sports and amusements, got up for the occasion. The following is the prize list: Fifth class—1st prize, Louise Carter; 2nd, Chas. Adams. Fourth class—1st prize, J. B. Adams; 2nd, Fannie Calvert. Third class—1st prize, Alice Porter; 2nd, Alma Sea. Second class—1st, Florence Whitier; 2nd, Edward Williams. First class—1st, George Andrews; 2nd, Hattie Williams. Special prize for spelling, by Joseph Stewart, Esq., was won by Chas. Adams.

A GROWL.

TO THE EDITOR:—Have the C. P. N. Co.'s officials lost their senses? They advertised the excursion to Vancouver to start at 2 a.m. on Monday and return from Vancouver at 2:30 p.m. on the same day, just when the sports are commencing.

What manner of arrangement is this? I know of fifty would-be passengers who have determined not to go.

THE GROWLER.

Victoria, 29th June, 1888.

The scaffolding on a ten-story building in course of construction in New York, fell yesterday, killing three watchmen, Gus. Clifford, Wm. Tremlane and Dick Thane.

DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH

Married by Mayor Hewitt to Mrs. Lillie Warren Hammersley.

The Ceremony Held in the Mayor's Office. a Few Guests Only Being Present—His Worship Salutes the Bride—The Duke and Duchess to Sail for England To-Day.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

NEW YORK, June 29.—The social world of two continents was startled to-day by an event which has been long-looked for. In the little south-west corner of the city hall, at 1:15 p. m., a romance was terminated and two hearts united as one by the official head of the city of New York, Mayor Hewitt. The contracting parties were his grace the Duke of Marlborough and Mrs. Lillie Warren Hammersley, about whom dame rumor has been very busy of late and whose marriage has been more than once erroneously reported. At one o'clock a carriage and coupé, both private equipages, stopped in front of the county court house, and seven persons alighted; two of these were ladies. The party having an unmistakable aristocratic air attracted the attention of passers by. The visitors hurried through the corridors of the court house and crossing the short stretch of park ascended the steps of the city Hall and went to the Mayor's office. Meantime other gentlemen and a few ladies arrived by the front entrance of the hall, and in less than five minutes the Mayor's office was thronged with a gathering of some of the leading society people of New York. The object was obvious to the *habitues* of the city hall corridors, but no one dreamed who the contracting parties were. Among those who assembled to witness the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clews, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Nicholas Fish, Mr. Fredk. Speddon and wife, Mr. Ward McAllister and wife, Mr. Leonard W. Jerome, Miss Beckwith, Mr. Arthur Leary, Speaker Carlisle, Congressman McMillan, and T. J. Campbell.

Mayor Hewitt appeared to have had a feeling of the purpose of the gathering, and without much formality beyond the greeting of his guests, put the usual questions to his grace and the prospective bride. Mr. Creighton Webb acted as best man, but there were no bridesmaids. The bride was attired in a terra cotta silk walking dress with vest to match, and a small bonnet set back well on the head showing off to advantage her pretty face. The guests surrounded the happy couple while Mr. Hewitt read the official ceremony. Mr. Webb occupied a position to the left of the bridegroom and the ladies of the party gathered in a group beside the bride. Mayor Hewitt concluded the ceremony quickly, and the Duke of Marlborough placed a plain gold ring on the third finger of the bride's left hand. The mayor remarked with a smile that the service was ended and added, "Your grace, with your permission I will salute the bride." Thereupon he imprinted a kiss on the cheek of the blushing lady, and congratulations accompanied them on the steamship. The Duke and Duchess will spend two weeks in London, after which they will go to Blenheim, the country-seat of the family.

Unprecedented Swimming Feat.

Steve Brodie, bridge jumper, finished his swim from Albany to New York at 9 o'clock this morning, having made the distance in six days and one hour, nine hours better than Boynton's time. Boynton swam 30 miles less.

Champion American Lacrosse.

The championship tournament of the eastern lacrosse association for Oelrich's cup was held to-day at the grounds of the Brooklyn baseball club. The competing teams were the Staten Island athletic club, Maple Leaf, of Philadelphia, Nassau athletic club of Brooklyn. The Staten Islanders won easily, the decisive game between them and the Philadelphias resulting in a score of 6 to 0.

A Catholic Prelate Dying.

CHICAGO, June 30.—Vicar-General Conway, probably one of the best known of Catholic priests in America, is seriously ill at his home, and friends have given up all hopes of his recovery.

The Snell Murder Revived.

A Ripple of interest in the almost forgotten Snell tragedy was stirred up this morning by the announcement in police circles that the alleged confederate of Willie Tascott had been arrested in Muskegon, Mich. "Gyp" Ryan, the prisoner, was formerly an employee of the detective agency here and by some, it is said, the relations between him and the suspected murderer of millionaire Snell were particularly close. He disappeared about the same time Tascott withdrew from public gaze and with apparently the same success in keeping his hiding place secret. Bruce's detective agency in this city is interested in his apprehension, believing he knows where Tascott is and he can be induced to part with this information. Inspector Begfield is not inclined to attach much importance to the story that Ryan was implicated in the murder of Mr. Snell. He says that the police have made no effort to find him and that he considers the whole affair rather magnified as an important piece of detective work.

Grasshoppers in Minnesota.

ST. PAUL, Min., June 30.—Grasshoppers recently appeared by the million in this vicinity, and seriously threaten the total annihilation of the crops. A vigorous warfare is being waged against them, several contrivances for catching and destroying them being used. It has been decided to pay one dollar per bushel for the hoppers.

Closing the Mills.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 30.—Francis Hinton, manager of the North Chicago rolling mills at Bay View, says that the works will shut down to-night and remain closed until the disputes are settled. The mills generally employ 1,300 men.

Killed by a Train.

WINCHENDON, Mass., June 30.—Rev. Chas. H. Wheeler and wife of this place were instantly killed at the State line crossing three miles from here this afternoon. The rear of their carriage was struck by the locomotive of a heavy freight, carrying them one hundred feet and depositing them in a railroad woodshed. The carriage was smashed to kindling wood. The horses escaped injury. Wheeler has been pastor of the Unitarian Church over twenty years, and was highly esteemed.

Wrestling Match.

PHILADELPHIA, June 30. — Arthur Chambers to-day sent a final deposit of $250 in the Acton-Faulkner wrestling match to the treasurer of the Olympic club, San Francisco. The match takes place in that city on July 31st. It is for $1,000 stakes and $150 added by the club. The winner takes all.

AMERICAN NEWS.

Methods of Christian Work.

NEW YORK, June 29.— Among the saloon passengers on the steamer Brittanic from Liverpool to-day was a delegation from the English Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, Trinity College, Dublin, and Utrecht University, Holland, which comes here to take part in a conference on Methods of Christian Work and in Bible study at the residence of Mr. Moody, of Moody and Sankey fame, at Northfield, Mass., on July 1st.

A Splendid Telegraph System.

The Postal Telegraph company is receiving many congratulations from newspapers upon the excellent manner in which it handled the great quantity of matter growing out of the Chicago convention. The company transmitted the enormous amount of 2,000,000 words of press news alone, or over 250,000 each day, aside from its extensive commercial business, and the service was not equalled for its promptness and accuracy.

125,000 Men To Strike.

PITTSBURG, Pa., June 29.—The iron manufacturers and the amalgamated association had a last conference to-day on the wage question, but failed to agree on the rates of wages for the next year. At noon to-morrow about 125,000 mill men and miners will quit work.

Yale Wins the Race.

NEW LONDON, Conn., June 29. — The great university boat race of four miles straight away, between Yale and Harvard, eight oars, took place this afternoon on the Thames river. Yale won by 24 lengths in 20 minutes 10 seconds, the fastest time on record.

Dropped Dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 29.—Washington L. Elliott, vice president of the San Francisco Safe Deposit Co., dropped dead this afternoon from heart disease. The deceased served with distinction during the Mexican civil wars and achieved the rank of brigadier - general. General Elliott retired from the regular army a few years ago with the rank of colonel.

Preller's Murderer.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., June 29.—Governor Morehouse has refused to grant a respite of sixty days to Maxwell, the murderer of Preller. He informed Maxwell's lawyers that he would grant them a hearing on Monday, July 9th, on an application to commute the sentence to imprisonment for life. It is the general opinion that Maxwell will hang, July 13th.

The Duke and Duchess Depart

NEW YORK, June 30.—The Duke of Marlborough and his newly wedded bride sailed this morning on the Cunard steamship Aurania for Liverpool. A number of friends were present on the pier to see them off and a number of other friends and acquaintances accompanied them on the steamship. The Duke and Duchess will spend two weeks in London, after which they will go to Blenheim, the country-seat of the family.

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The Snell Murder Revived.

A Ripple of interest in the almost forgotten Snell tragedy was stirred up this morning by the announcement in police circles that the alleged confederate of Willie Tascott had been arrested in Muskegon, Mich. "Gyp" Ryan, the prisoner, was formerly an employee of the detective agency here and by some, it is said, the relations between him and the suspected murderer of millionaire Snell were particularly close. He disappeared about the same time Tascott withdrew from public gaze and with apparently the same success in keeping his hiding place secret. Bruce's detective agency in this city is interested in his apprehension, believing he knows where Tascott is and he can be induced to part with this information. Inspector Begfield is not inclined to attach much importance to the story that Ryan was implicated in the murder of Mr. Snell. He says that the police have made no effort to find him and that he considers the whole affair rather magnified as an important piece of detective work.

Grasshoppers in Minnesota.

ST. PAUL, Min., June 30.—Grasshoppers recently appeared by the million in this vicinity, and seriously threaten the total annihilation of the crops. A vigorous warfare is being waged against them, several contrivances for catching and destroying them being used. It has been decided to pay one dollar per bushel for the hoppers.

Closing the Mills.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 30.—Francis Hinton, manager of the North Chicago rolling mills at Bay View, says that the works will shut down to-night and remain closed until the disputes are settled. The mills generally employ 1,300 men.

Killed by a Train.

WINCHENDON, Mass., June 30.—Rev. Chas. H. Wheeler and wife of this place were instantly killed at the State line crossing three miles from here this afternoon. The rear of their carriage was struck by the locomotive of a heavy freight, carrying them one hundred feet and depositing them in a railroad woodshed. The carriage was smashed to kindling wood. The horses escaped injury. Wheeler has been pastor of the Unitarian Church over twenty years, and was highly esteemed.

Wrestling Match.

PHILADELPHIA, June 30. — Arthur Chambers to-day sent a final deposit of $250 in the Acton-Faulkner wrestling match to the treasurer of the Olympic club, San Francisco. The match takes place in that city on July 31st. It is for $1,000 stakes and $150 added by the club. The winner takes all.

LATE CANADIAN NEWS.

ONTARIO.

Dr. Campbell, of Hamilton, died from the effects of arsenic taken by mistake.

Frederick Stevens, farmer, Campbellford, lies in a critical condition, having taken Paris green with suicidal intent.

Silas Hoskins, an old and respected resident of Stony Creek, was killed by a Grand Trunk train.

William Blackburn, carpenter, Toronto, was drowned in the canal while intoxicated.

Warden Lovell, of Kingston penitentiary, say that of fifty-eight convicts received since the beginning of the year two thirds are under thirty years of age and thirteen are under twenty.

Lawrence Coleman, an old farmer of South Wold Township, was found dead near his home on the roadway. Cause of death unknown.

John B. Burland, manager of the London Car Works, died at Delaware, on Sunday of brain fever.

James Connors and James Doyle, Toronto, continued a quarrel begun by their wives, and it resulted in Doyle shooting Connors in the shoulder, fatally it is believed. Doyle was arrested, and Connors removed to the hospital.

A disbolical attempt at rape was committed near Fort William West. A tramp lay in ambush in the woods near the house of Mr. Kerr, and waited until Mr. Kerr and the children had gone to Sunday school and then entered the house, knocked Mrs. Kerr down and attempted to outrage her. A terrible struggle ensued. The woman fought bravely and after a desperate fight succeeded in fighting off the human brute who fled, seeing he could not accomplish his purpose. Chief McNabb, of Fort William, was notified and after a hot pursuit captured the villain.

James Kehoe, Montreal, asked Thomas Donnelly to go to his (Kehoe's) house and pacify his son Jack who had a violent quarrel with his father concerning some property. Donnelly no sooner entered Kehoe's house than Jack, infuriated at the interference of an outsider, pulled a revolver and shot Donnelly in a vital region. He fell on the floor in a swoon and was removed to his own house where he died two hours later. Young Kehoe was arrested in a hay loft.

A carpenter of the bark Con Enrique, from Ilailo, took an original way of committing suicide during the passage across the Atlantic. He got all his tools together, made them into a bundle, tied it around his neck, and then jumped overboard.

The Canadian Pacific Railway company's earnings for the week ending June 21 were $259,000; for the same week last year $234,000. This does not include the earnings on the Southeastern railway.

NOVA SCOTIA.

A serious difficulty confronts the projector of the big Joggins raft. There is an export duty of $1 per thousand feet on logs taken out of the country by vessels, and the government intend to levy it on the logs in the raft. This would amount to nearly $2,000, and Mr. Robertson, the builder, is going to Ottawa to see what can be done.

MANITOBA.

LaRiviere has withdrawn as the Conservative candidate for the local legislature in St. Boniface, and will be succeeded by Marion. Ex-Sheriff Richard will run as an Independent.

CARIBOO STAGE ROBBED.

The Stage Stopped by Two Men and the Gold Dust Taken.

The Driver Ordered Down, One Man Stands Guard with a Rifle While the Other Takes the Sack—The Robbery 36 Miles Out of Soda Creek.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

SODA CREEK, B. C., June 30.—The Cariboo stage was robbed this evening about 6 o'clock, about 26 miles above Soda Creek, on the bridge this side of an abandoned cabin. There were two men, one large and heavy set, weighing perhaps 200 pounds; the other not so large or tall, weighing about 170 or 180 pounds. Both were masked, the large man with dark calico, the other with a flour sack. The large man had a rifle, the small man a pistol. The small man cut the sack containing the gold dust after ordering the driver out of the wagon. The large man stood on the left hand and the small man on the right. After cutting the sack and taking the contents, they ordered the driver to get in and drive on.

CANADIAN NEWS.

The Street Railway Case.

MONTREAL, June 29.—Judge Davidson this morning dismissed the action of the local government against the street railway company for $3,000 tax, and $5 for every double track, holding that the company was only entitled to pay for a single track.

The Union Bank Defaulter.

Cash, and one of the shareholders of the Union Bank of Providence, arrived this morning and have engaged Hatton, Q. C., to prosecute defaulter Pitcher this afternoon. Prisoner was remanded until Tuesday next to give the prosecution time to prepare their case.

New York Forger Arrested.

Albert E. Krake, cashier of Hush & Co., button manufacturers, New York, who absconded with the proceeds of a forgery of a $3,000 cheque, was arrested here, where he was living at the Windsor hotel. He will return without awaiting extradition.

A Jubilee Celebration.

The jubilee of the battle of Odell town was celebrated there on Wednesday in loyal style.

A Volunteer Drowned.

SHERBROOKE, Que., June 29.—Donald McCoy Marsden, a member of the 8th batalion, now in camp, was drowned while bathing at St. Francis. He was in company with three or four others, but they were quite unable to come to his assistance. The body was recovered this morning and is now in the hands of Coroner Woodward.

The Jesuit Estate Question.

QUEBEC, June 29.—Cardinal Taschereau received a telegram this afternoon from Nashua conveying the congratulations of the French Canadian Convention now in session there.

Mgr. B. Paquett is about to leave for Rome on a mission from the cardinal with reference to the division indemnity of the Jesuite settlement and estates question, and for the purpose of securing a share in it for the Laval University.

Killed by Lightning.

Joseph Foucher, an inhabitant of St. Bernard, Dorchester, was killed by lightning a few days since during a thunderstorm there.

Ship Laborers' Society.

Degrosher's bill to repeal the charter of the Ship Laborers' society; came before the committee this morning. A big crowd was present, both opponents and friends of the measure. After argument an adjournment was made until Monday to give the laborers and ship owners a chance to compromise.

NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

Salmon Running Well on the Skeena—Sockeyes Coming in Freely on Nimkish River—Good Prospects for a Full Pack.

The steamer Cariboo Fly arrived from Fort Simpson and way ports at five o'clock yesterday morning with a small passenger list and considerable freight, including five hundred cases of salmon from the Windsor Cannery Co., Aberdeen, consigned to Henry Saunders. There was also a large consignment of furs from S. Mumson, some fish oil and the first shipment of black cod.

Salmon are running freely on the Skeena river, the canneries at its mouth putting up 500 cases, and those further up the river 300 cases per day. The Inverness cannery has already packed 5,000 cases, and the B. A. P. Co. 3,200 cases. It is fully expected that there will be a full pack this year.

Sockeyes were running fairly well on the Nimkish river, Alert Bay, Mr. Spencer having already put up some 500 cases.

The salmon have not yet made an appearance in Rivers Inlet, but are now expected daily.

Dr. Boas, who is investigating the various dialects of the coast Indians, was a passenger, having taken the steamer at Port Essington. Capt. W. Madden, who took the steamer Nell to Georgetown, and W. B. Anderson, constable at Metlakahtla, also came down. The latter place is devoid of life. E. C. Brooks, photographer, who went north for the purpose of taking photos. of all the canneries, was successful in his mission, and also secured some choice views of coast scenery.

Twenty-five Indians came down on the Fly for the purpose of working in the Fra