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LONDON, ONTARIO, THURSDAY, JULY 30, 1903.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

DEAD NOW PLACED LAST TRIBUTE AT NINETEEN TO POPE LEO

Terrible Scenes Follow the Lowell Explosion.

Lowell, Mass., July 29. — The following is the list of those known to have been killed in the explosion: George Flynn, John McMaisters, Louis E. Richards and James L. Grady, employed by the United States Cartridge Company; James B. Sullivan, Charles Moore and Jean Roleau, employed by the Stanley Forwarding Company; Gilbert McDermott, 10 years; Thomas Houligan, 11 years; Joseph Houligan, 11 years; William Galloway, Robert Galloway, Robert Galloway, Alfred Lebrun, Mrs. Catherine Riggs, Eddie Rogers, Gertrude McDermott, 4 years old; Jos. Perusse, 11 years old; Mrs. Victoria Perusse, Zephaniah Perusse. The nine last named were killed by the fall of the magazines or burned to death. An unknown man.

Two carpenters, names unknown, and John Riggs and Patrick Spencer are missing. Six persons are believed to be fatally injured. The magazines were the property of the United States Cartridge Company of this city, but were situated more than a mile from the factory itself. They were built of brick, and were about 10 feet high. One of the magazines was just within the roadside fence, while the other was about 100 feet behind it, near the banks of the river. Small houses were on all sides. The company has for some time been desirous of strengthening the shore, and the magazines nearest the street, and today eight men were sent there with three large express teams to take out the powder and remove the floor. One of the teams had been loaded, when at 9 o'clock the explosion occurred. Clarence Goodwin, the foreman of the men who were loading the powder, and a man named Boulanger, one of his assistants, were not killed by the explosion.

The latter, in explaining the cause of the explosion, said today that the men found that it was made, and that the powder was leaking. Mr. Goodwin picked up what he thought was a can of water and began pouring it on the nitro-glycerine. As soon as the fluid from the jug struck the floor he found it was nitric acid. The floor at once began to smoke. The men rushed from the building, but had not gone ten feet when the explosion occurred. This explosion was followed immediately by an explosion of gunpowder in the three teams, and several seconds later by the second magazine. The latter exploded, and the men who were loading the powder, and a man named Boulanger, one of his assistants, were not killed by the explosion.

Every house within 200 yards collapsed, trees were blown down, the grass within a hundred yards mowed as if by a lawn mower, while bricks from the two magazines were hurled far across the river and all the neighborhood. For several minutes the air was filled with smoke and dust, through which penetrated the glare from the burning houses. Those who survived dragged themselves to what seemed a place of safety, only to be recalled by the shrieks of the less fortunate. The work of rescue began immediately, but the flames had already gained full sway over many of the crowded houses, and despite energetic efforts, several persons were burned to death before the debris which covered them could be removed. The Lowell fire department became an ambulance corps, as well as a force of fire fighters, and the wounded were hurried to the hospitals. Physicians were conveyed to the two hospitals within half an hour. Those who suffered merely from cuts were cared for at the scene of the explosion, and then turned their attention to the less fortunate. Thousands gathered about the ruins, impeding the work of caring for the wounded so much that four companies of soldiers were called. The soldiers formed a cordon around the death-infected district and cleared the place of every one.

"EMPIRE OF JAM AND PICKLES;" CHAMBERLAIN TO CHURCHILL

Colonial Secretary Has Best of Oratorical Tilt in the House of Commons.

London, July 29. — The House of Commons last night passed the Sugar Convention Bill on its second reading by a vote of 224 to 160. The occasion was seized by Colonial Secretary Chamberlain's opponents to again attack his protection proposals, basing the arguments on the increase in the price of sugar, which, it is foreseen, the abolition of the bounties will entail.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Conservative, who is hotly opposed to Mr. Chamberlain, made one of the best speeches of his career. His remarks were punctuated with clever sarcasm, which drew constant applause. It failed, however, to upset Mr. Chamberlain, who, replying with the greatest good humor, turned Mr. Churchill and his argument into ridicule by ironical comments and scathing analysis, until he had led the House into roars of laughter by proving that Mr. Churchill had shown that the British Empire was founded on jam and pickles. It was an admirable exposition of Mr. Chamberlain's debating skill, against which Mr. Churchill, with all his smartness, was no match. In the course of the debate, Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, in denouncing it, said: "For twenty years we have been trying to secure the voluntary abandonment of bounties. It was when we changed our policy and resorted to retaliation that we secured object for which we had struggled long and so escaped a condition things under which Germany and Austria would be able to regulate

HIS MAJESTY IN MAYO

The King and Queen Take an Automobile Trip.

Dublin, July 29. — The royal yacht Victoria and Albert, with King Edward and Queen Alexandra aboard, which left Buncrana on the north coast Tuesday, arrived at Killybegs Bay on the west coast yesterday. Their majesties were accompanied by the Earl of Dudley, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. Despite the inclement weather they landed on the Mayo side of the island, and afterwards proceeded in a motor car through this picturesque part of Ireland, inspecting many of the laborers' cottages on the way.

A REBEL RISING IN EAST CUBA

The Governor of Santiago Confirms the Rumors.

INHABITANTS ARE EXCITED

Armed and Mounted Bands Call at the Villages Proclaiming a Revolution.

Havana, July 30. — In spite of the assertion made yesterday by Senor Yrujo, Secretary of the Interior, that the killing of three men and the capture of a fourth man, their leader, who had attempted to cause an uprising in the vicinity of Bayamo, Province of Santiago, effectively ended the only semi-revolution of an uprising in Cuba, the rumors of uprisings in Eastern Cuba were fully confirmed today in the Government's reports received from the Governor and other officials of Santiago Province. These are to the effect that since the night of Sunday last 30 armed and mounted men have appeared outside villages in the Cauto River district, proclaiming a revolution and demanding the payment of the river members of the revolutionary army. No acts of violence have been reported, but the inhabitants of the Cauto region are excited.

The leader of the revolutionary party is named Yrujo. He is a brother of one of the bandits killed by the rural guard on Tuesday.

Gen Rodriguez, commander-in-chief of the rural guard, has ordered the mobilization of all the rural guards in Eastern Cuba, and the Governor of Santiago Province has been instructed to enlist as many volunteers as may be deemed necessary to co-operate with the mounted troops.

MONKS EXPELLED; FISHING FAILS

Troublesome Times at St. Pierre, Miquelon — Brothers Are Coming to Canada.

Halifax, July 29. — A special from St. Pierre, Miquelon, to the Chronicle says: "The ban on the congregations has not spared St. Pierre. The Christians, established in the French colony for the past 60 years, left on the steamer Glencoe on the 17th inst., bound for Canada, where they will remain. When they went away about 2,000 persons were on the quay to salute them, and everybody shouted 'Vive les freres', 'Vive la liberte', 'A bas la Canaille', 'A bas Combes'."

The poor remarks did not know what to do. One man, who made some slighting remarks in regard to them, was arrested. He fought with one gentleman, who smashed his head against a wall, and the officers of the law must not do unless commanded. Then the crowd commenced to get excited. They all rushed on the grandstand and wanted to throw them overboard. If it had not been for a schooner lying alongside of the wharf some officers and others would undoubtedly have been thrown into the water."

The dispatch continues: "It is pretty hard to see how we are ruled. Combes is the cause of all the trouble. Why does he not leave everybody free to do as they like. If they send lay teachers from France it will cost the colony six times more than would the brothers, and they will not likely be suitable persons. Forty of the rioters have been summoned before the court for rebellious actions against the police, and seditious thoughts against Combes."

Fishing this year is a total failure. Nobody has seen the like of it before. If the squid do not come at all I do not know what will happen. It will be very bad for St. Pierre. Many will not be able to support such a big loss and will probably fall.

AN AUTO FOR THE ARCTIC

American Couple Will Attempt to Cross the Circle.

Copenhagen, July 29. — Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Gilders, of Lowell, Mass., left here this afternoon in their automobile in an attempt to cross the Arctic circle. The automobilists received an enthusiastic send-off from a big crowd at the starting point.

OPEN TO ALL POWERS

Great Britain and Japan Will Have Consuls in New Ports.

London, July 30. — Following the signature of the Anglo-Japanese commercial treaty, China, it is said, will grant the same open ports privileges to Manchuria to Great Britain and Japan, both of which expect to establish concessions and appoint consuls at the new ports. In British official circles, confidence is expressed that the maintenance of peace will result from Russian assurances regarding Manchuria, and that there will be no interference with Chinese action in the matter.

THE TERRITORIES' CROP

A Large Increase in Wheat, Oats and Barley.

Winnipeg, July 30. — The cereal crops in the Northwest Territories are estimated to be in good condition, and to be the largest in the history of the country. The department of agriculture has issued bulletin No. 8, containing the report covers the sixteen districts into which the agricultural belt is divided by the department. The total wheat crop is estimated at 15,042,000 bushels. Last year's was 13,568,800. The oat crop is estimated at 11,895,000 bushels, the best yet, the next largest, that of 1901, having been 11,113,000. The barley crop is estimated at 1,116,200 bushels. Last year it was 870,477. The flax crop is the best yet, the estimate being 334,000 bushels, against 238,155 bushels last year.

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HUNGARY'S DIET TWICE SUSPENDED

Scenes of Disorder at Budapest — The Obstructionists Finally Withdraw Amid Cheers.

Budapest, July 30. — The third session of the Lower House of the Hungarian Diet (after two suspensions due to disorder in the House) lasted until the early hours this morning. At midnight the obstructionists withdrew, singing the national anthem, and declaring that any further sitting would be illegal, as Wednesday's session ended at midnight, and Tuesday's at 11 o'clock. The majority, after having cheered the departing members, adopted Premier Hedeo-Mary's motion, providing for the reading of the indemnity bill. The House subsequently adjourned until Friday.

WEATHER BULLETIN

London, Thursday, July 30. Sun rises, 5:02 a.m. Moon rises, 12:18 p.m. Sun sets, 7:46 p.m. Moon sets, 11:30 p.m. Tomorrow, Fine and Cool.

Since last night rain has fallen generally in Ontario and Quebec, and heavily in many localities, attended by thunder. In the Northwest Territories and Manitoba the weather has been generally fine and cool. Rain is now setting in over the Maritime Provinces.

Victoria, 54-61; Edmonton, 48-59; Qu'Appelle, 44-66; Winnipeg, 52-69; Port Arthur, 50-71; Parry Sound, 56-78; Toronto, 62-83; Ottawa, 56-74; Montreal, 66-83; Quebec, 50-69; Halifax, 44-63.

Thursday, July 30 a.m. FORECASTS. Today—Fresh to strong winds, shifting to west and north; some scattered showers, but mostly fine and turning cooler. Friday—Fresh northwest to north winds; fine and cool.

Stations. a.m. Min. Weather. Calgary, 48-58, Cloudy. Winnipeg, 52-69, Clear. Parry Sound, 56-78, Fair. Toronto, 62-83, Cloudy. Ottawa, 56-74, Cloudy. Montreal, 66-83, Cloudy. Quebec, 50-69, Cloudy. Father Point, 56-72, Cloudy.

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Local temperatures: Wednesday—High, 82°; low, 68°.

BROWN DOVE FROM PORCH IN AN ATTEMPT TO SUICIDE

Marine Engineer From Cheboygan, Mich., Had Troubles to Tell to Everyone.

THEY WERE TOO MUCH FOR HIM—HE SOUGHT DEATH

A man named J. W. Brown, who registered at the Dominion House as coming from Cheboygan, Mich., dove from the roof of the porch at the rear of the Dominion House, and now is in a critical state at Victoria Hospital.

His act gave every evidence of being that of an insane man. At a late hour this afternoon he was unconscious, and as yet the surgeons at the hospital can say little of his condition, but the result of striking his head on the ground will, it is thought, be very serious, if not fatal.

Night Policeman Regan, of the Grand Trunk station, accompanied the man to the Dominion House last night to obtain a room for him, which he did. This was early in the evening, and the stranger, who said he was a marine engineer, spent the greater part of the evening in talking to different guests of the hotel.

Mr. Cox, the proprietor, and his bartender regarded him with some suspicion. He had, they say, a wild look in his eye, which caused the proprietor to remark that there might be trouble with him. He talked rather strangely, and "wanted to tell his troubles" to everyone he met.

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ROYAL CREDITORS.

This Action by Last Statement of Dougal.

London, July 29. — The French creditors of Princess Philippe of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha (Princess Louise of Belgium), have served writs upon her and her husband, and also upon King Leopold, Princess Philippe's father.

Princess Clementine, Countess of Lonsay (formerly the Crown Princess of Austria-Hungary), calling upon them to show cause why the estate of the late Queen of the Belgians should not be liquidated. The creditors, who comprise dressmakers, jewelers and hair-dressers, also sue for the liquidation of the fortune jointly held by King Leopold and the late Queen.

Lava Threatens Pompeii. Mount Vesuvius is increasing in intensity. The lava stream has reached within 20 paces (65 feet) of the ruins of Pompeii. Slight earthquakes have occurred in Sicily.

Czar as a Pilgrim. St. Petersburg, July 29. — The Czar and Zarina left Tuesday night for the Monastery at Saray to attend the pilgrimage in honor of the Hermit of Mozhkin, who is known at St. Serapion.

British Government Moved to This Action by Last Statement of Dougal.

London, July 29. — The confession on the scaffold of Dougal, formerly of Halifax, the Mount House murder, as a result of the recent appeal of the chaplain, the Rev. J. W. Blackmore, was the subject of three questions to the Home Secretary in recent parliamentary papers. To Colonel Wyndham Murray, who wished to know if it is "part of the duty of a prison chaplain to demand a confession from a criminal when actually on the scaffold," Mr. Aker-Douglas replied.

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Those who survive are his widow and three daughters and two sons. The latter are Robert and Hugh and the daughters Misses Ellen, Annie and Mary. The deceased had been ill upwards of two years. He was always a staunch Reformer. He was a member of the Episcopal Church. The funeral services will be conducted at his late residence Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock, the funeral to take place a half hour later.

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