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Steamship Lines To This Port Now in Rate War

Prices Tumbling On All Sides Is Report

G. P. R. AND ALLANS IN IT

Royals and Donaldsons Also May Be—Commanders and White Star as Well, While Hamburg Americans and North German Lloyds Are at it Hammer and Tongs

(Canadian Press.)

London, Jan. 28.—The rate war started by the Hamburg-American Line on the cancellation of the North Atlantic steamship pool, is now in full swing and it is to be a fight to a finish. The other steamship lines declare their readiness to meet any cuts in steamer rates made by the Hamburg-American company, and to meet its challenges at every point. As a result, rates are tumbling all around.

On February 1 the Hamburg Company will reduce its steamer rate to New York to \$25 and to other ports to \$22.50. The North German Lloyd Company has issued orders to its agents to make a similar reduction and also to follow every cut by the Hamburg company, however and whenever it is made, but it is understood that the Bremen Company will not cut its rates lower than the Hamburg Company.

Lines to Canada Also

The British lines have now decided to cut the rates between the continent and Canada. The Cunard, White Star, Canadian Pacific, and Allan lines, and probably the Donaldson and Royal companies will reduce their westbound rates \$2.50 and the eastbound one \$3. This is described at Liverpool as merely a self-defensive decision to meet the possibility of passengers being tempted by reduced railway fares being met by New York and Boston to travel by those routes.

The opinion in Liverpool is that the competition will be fierce and costly and that rates will eventually drop to those of ten years ago. Nobody will benefit by this except the shippers. The prices of shares of the Cunard and White Star companies have fallen on the Liverpool stock exchange because of the rate cutting.

SURPRISE PARTIES

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garfield in Adelaide street was invaded by a large party of friends last night who gave them a pleasant surprise, and who, during the evening, presented to them a handsome silver scallop dish. The presentation was made, in behalf of those present, by George Wilson. All present had a very delightful time. Refreshments were served, and at a little past midnight the party broke up. Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Phillips were taken quite by surprise last evening at their home 95 Exmouth street when friends called upon them and as a mark of esteem presented to them a handsome parlor lamp. Walter Macaulay made the presentation in behalf of the gathering and all of whom had a pleasant time in dancing, music, games, etc. Refreshments were served about midnight.

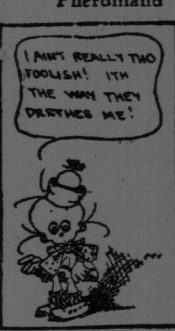
CAUSED EXCITEMENT

An argument between two dealers in the country section of the city market this morning caused quite a commotion and attracted many people to the spot where the two men were "haggling" over the ownership of a hide. Their loud voices and the heated debate which seemed inclined at almost any moment to end in blows. The arrival of the special market policeman put an end to the affair, and the crowd dispersed, though the question of ownership of the hide seemed still in doubt.

Released on Bail

Edmonton, Alb., Jan. 28.—Dr. F. G. Hughes, held here at the request of the Toronto police, was released yesterday afternoon by Supreme Court Judge Beck on \$20,000 bail. In the forenoon Magistrate Massie refused to grant bail.

Phelix and Pheridians



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

Synopsis—The area of low pressure, which was over the Great Lakes yesterday has entirely disappeared and a pronounced high area has come in over Northern Ontario. A pronounced disturbance is moving eastward across the Missouri Valley. The weather is becoming extremely cold in the western provinces.

Colder

Maritime—Moderate variable winds, cloudy, followed tonight and on Thursday by north and north-west winds and becoming colder. New England Forecast—Unsettled today and Thursday; colder today. Moderate variable winds becoming north and north-west.

Militants Try To Break Into the Cabinet Meeting

Auto Dash Into Downing Street, However, But Leads to Their Arrest

London, Jan. 28.—Militant suffragettes today made a bold attempt to break into a meeting of the British cabinet council at the official residence of Premier Asquith in Downing street. An automobile belonging to the militant suffragette organization, with a woman driver at the wheel and filled with suffragettes, dashed from Whitehall into Downing street before the line of police could bring the car to a halt. When the driver refused to obey the order of the police inspector on duty, to retire from the street, the entire party of women was placed under arrest and taken to Scotland Yard.

The women's automobile was decorated with placards protesting against the forcible feeding of suffragette prisoners and demanding that the cabinet cease "the torture of women in English jails." The unexpected move caused great excitement and a huge crowd soon gathered about Downing street.

Y. M. C. A. CRAMPED FOR ROOM

Larger Membership and Increased Interest Bring Suggestions as to Meeting New Conditions

Although every provision possible was made for the handling of increased classes when the new Young Men's Christian Association building was erected here a few years ago, the interest in the organization, as well as the membership, has so increased since that time that it has become apparent that the extra accommodation is not sufficient to meet the increase. And therein lies the problem that is now facing the officers and directors of the association.

It cannot be said that during the last year the numbers of members has increased to any great extent, yet the attention that is being paid by the members to the different classes, and particularly those in the physical department, has increased. To show how much more interest is being manifested in the gymnasium end of the association, a comparison of the attendance during the month of December in both 1912 and 1913 shows an increase for the month of December, 1913, of 25 per cent over the corresponding month of 1912.

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The erection of a new and larger building for the Y. M. C. A. has been suggested as a means of keeping pace with the growth of the institution, but this is not considered practical at the present time on account of the difficulty likely to be experienced in raising funds. The present building would have to be divided for the use of the members' locker rooms. In this way only a sufficient number of lockers would be required for the men in the class than the present number.

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A possible solution of the difficulty has been put forth by one of the men connected with the institution, and involves the conversion of two of the present rooms into locker rooms and the institution of the box locker system. There are now three locker rooms in the building and two of these could be eliminated with the introduction of the new system. In the new arrangement the boxes are made only of sufficient size to hold the gymnasium suit rolled up. Each member would have a box in which his suit was placed and a number of the present lockers would still remain for the use of the members' street clothes while the men were on the floor. The lockers could be locked with the lock taken from the members' own box. In this way only a sufficient number of lockers would be required for the men in the class than the present number.

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WILL REPORT FAVORABLY ON EXTENSION OF THE FRANCHISE TO WOMEN

Mistaken Impression as to What Request to Mayor and Council Meant

Owing to a general misunderstanding of the petition of the St. John Women's Suffrage Association recently presented to the common council, Mrs. W. Frank Hatheway has written Mayor Frank Kenzie asking that the mistaken impression be corrected. It was said at the council that the request of the ladies was for a referendum at the time of the next civic elections to ascertain whether or not the franchise be extended to women in provincial elections upon the same terms as in municipal elections.

LITTLE GIRL MAY DIE; BROTHER MAY RECOVER

Children of Baggage Master McKenzie of I. C. R. Fearfully Injured by Train

Moncton, Jan. 28.—Two children of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McKenzie were run over by an I. C. R. train at Springhill Junction. Mr. McKenzie is one of the most prominent baggage masters on the eastern division of the I. C. R. According to information received here the little boy and girl were playing in the rear of the train on a siding. The train backed out and ran over them, severing one of the little girl's arms and injuring her internally. She is not expected to recover. The boy's legs were broken and he was also crushed about the hips. He may recover. It is understood an investigation will be held. There is much sympathy for the father and mother.

PARCEL POST SYSTEM IN EFFECT FEB. 10

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—The rates on the new parcel post system are out. The plan will go into effect on Feb. 10. The zone system of charges has been adopted to prevent excessive charges for short distances and to save the department loss on parcels carried great distances.

THE STEAMERS

Steamer Manchester left for Manchester for the port, arrived at Halifax at five o'clock last evening. The Grampian, of the Allan Line, from Liverpool for St. John direct, was about Cape Race at 12 o'clock this morning and is due here Thursday morning at two o'clock. Steamer Miquelon, bound for Halifax, was eighty miles north of Sable Island at 1:40 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

TABLES TURNED ON THESE TRAIN ROBBERS

Zanesville, Ohio, Jan. 28.—An attempt to rob a Baltimore and Ohio passenger train was frustrated near here this morning by passengers. Four men boarded the train at Bellaire and one attempted to rob a woman passenger, while the other three demanded money from other passengers. Persons in the car went to the woman's assistance in such numbers that the robbers were captured while the other three jumped from the train. The man gave his name as Harry Warner.

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TRY AGAIN FOR THE RECALL OF COMMISSIONER

Mr. McLellan Says He is Not Worried Over it—A Petition Being Prepared

An effort is being made to secure a petition for the recall of H. R. McLellan, Commissioner of Public Safety. A lawyer has been retained by a committee of citizens to prepare the petition, but he refused to discuss the matter today.

During the last year there have been rumors at various times of similar attempts but so far they have not borne fruit. This time, it is said, the effort to bring the matter to a decision will be a determined one. The man most active in the movement is said to be a former North End fireman who was discharged by Commissioner McLellan.

As the petition must have the signatures of fifteen per cent of the voters qualified at the last election before it can be considered the promoters have a formidable task ahead of them, as this will necessitate about 1,800 signatures.

When asked about the matter today Commissioner McLellan said he had heard rumors of the proposed recall, but added, "I am not losing any sleep over it. In the first place, I do not believe they will get enough signatures. It was tried before and only eleven voters signed the petition. In the second place a commissioner cannot be recalled because his policy is not approved of. If his honesty cannot be questioned, there must be some more specific charge of wrongdoing. I only wish they would succeed so that some of these people would have to come out into the open and give me a chance to answer them. Without appearing too confident I believe that I can safely say that I can beat any man they could put up against me on a recall election under the circumstances."

ASBELL AGAIN IS SCOTT ACT

Hampton, N. B., Jan. 28.—The first time of business in the municipal council this morning related to an assessment of the hall and the playground, leaving the school fund assessed \$6,250 for the school fund. It was ordered that in future all assessments on the ratepayers of Shelburne shall be collected by the regular collector.

The committee on public meadows reported that they had received \$300 from the sale of hay on Grass Island, \$30 from Pig Island, and \$2 from the Kennebecasis meadows. They also asked for a new scow, and were authorized to learn the cost, with power to purchase. The buildings committee reported that they had completed the change of plant in the hall and playground, and that the heating pipes of the court room be connected with the present unused boiler and furnace in the cellar. The report was adopted.

The report of W. G. Asbell, Scott Act inspector, showed that there had been twenty-two cases prosecuted with nineteen convictions. Six appeals had been made to the county court. Twelve persons had been tried and eleven had been convicted. The cost had been \$7,201, and the financial shortage was \$508.01. The report was adopted.

On a motion to re-appoint Mr. Asbell as inspector, a delegation from Sussex consisting of Rev. Mr. Mitchell, Rev. Mr. McDonald, Rev. H. C. Rice, Rev. Mr. Parker and Mr. Weyman, representing the ministerial association, the W. C. T. U. and the temperance alliance, spoke most highly of him as a public officer and said that the interests of morals and public good called for a continuance of his services. Mr. Asbell was unanimously reappointed at a salary of \$500.

A resolution of regret at the death of Councillor Laughey, of Norton, was entered on the record.

RILEY HORSE NOW SAID TO BE AT GONDOLA POINT

The Riley horse case was again before the police court this morning but Leo McNamara who it was thought owned the horse said he had disposed of it to Mr. Harrison at Gondola Point. The case was further adjourned until next Wednesday.

McNamara said that a few days ago he sold the Riley horse to Mr. Harrison for \$50 but had not yet received payment as he was in no hurry for it. He described the horse as being in first class condition and said that it was a steel gray color although the Riley horse was described as a roan horse. Policeman Goslin said that he had seen Mr. Riley drive the horse in question some time ago and that it was in poor condition.

Mrs. Charles Coster said she saw a roan horse in King street last fall and that it was very lame. She spoke to the driver but could not swear that it was Mr. Riley but would be able to identify the horse.

The funeral of Frederick McConamy was held today from his late home at South Bay. Services were conducted by Rev. A. J. Archibald and Rev. H. R. Boyer, and interment was in the Greenwood cemetery at Sand Cove. Mrs. W. H. Southern, of West St. John is a sister of Mr. McConamy.

Says Government Against Canadian Laboring Men

Arraignment By The Labor M. P. In Commons

KEEPING UP LIVING COST

What High Tariff, Trusts and Watered Stock Mean in Actual Dollars in the Working Man's Household—Unemployment Figures of Sir Wilfrid Within the Mark

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—Mr. Verreille, labor M. P., the last speaker before the vote was taken in the House of Commons last night, expressed regret that there was nothing in the speech from the throne indicative of any action by the government on behalf of the laboring man.

The general course of the government, he said, tended to give the impression that the ministry is hostile to labor. While he did not disapprove of the appointment of a commission to investigate the high cost of living, he held that some immediate action should be taken to deal with the problem.

"When the fire is at a man's home," he said, "he does not usually send for the fire brigade by mail."

"Three capital causes," he said, "are mainly responsible for the high cost of living—tariffs, the over-capitalization of trusts and mergers and the operation of the cold storage system."

Incidentally, he said, fifty-six trusts and mergers have been formed in Canada in the last four or five years, nineteen of them in 1912. Tariffs, he declared, increased the cost of the clothing of the average working man's family \$40 a year while the additional cost of food-stuffs on account of the tariff was \$60 a year. Moreover, watered stock caused a further extra payment of \$183 so that a big hole was made in the working man's wages.

As to unemployment, Mr. Verreille took the ground that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had not exaggerated when he said that 100,000 Canadians were out of work today. He read a telegram from R. I. Pettipiece of Vancouver, to show that today there were 4,800 men out of work in the bonded trade alone, and that 10,000 people had left British Columbia for the United States because of lack of work in the last four months. In Greater Vancouver, 10,000 people were workless today. In other cities similar conditions prevailed.

"Our friends opposite told us in 1911, Mr. Verreille exclaimed, "that if we receded the factories would close. Reciprocity did not pass, but some factories closed or have cut down to half time."

The absentees when the vote was taken included Premier Borden and Hon. W. T. White, both of whom are confined to their homes with illness. The premier was paired with Fred Pardee, chief Liberal whip, and the minister of finance with Hon. H. R. Emmerson.

FAIL TO HAVE RACE PROBE DEFERRED

Athletic Committee Looking Into Circumstances of New York Contest

New York, Jan. 28.—Efforts to have the registration committee of the Metropolitan Association of the A. A. U., members of which suspended James Kolehmainen and Abe Kiviat pending an investigation of what the committee termed a suspicious race on last Saturday night, rescind their action, if only temporarily, in order that the men might compete tonight in the games of the Millrose A. C. in Madison Square Garden, have failed.

Kiviat put in a personal application and coupled his statement with a certificate from his physician, the gist of which was that he had not been physically qualified to do anything like his best at the time of the race and that necessarily warranted his miserable showing. Kiviat said that he had been badly treated by the committee, because he had not been given an opportunity to clear himself from any charges which might have been brought against him.

John McGowan, the manager of the games, last night was informed that no further action would be taken by the registration committee until their announced session, which would take on the nature of a trial, on February 4. All that Kolehmainen has had to say was that he had done his best.

NEW YORK B'GADE HAS A FIGHT WITH DANGEROUS FIRE

New York, Jan. 28.—With chemical manufacturing plants on either side and a nitro-glycerine factory across the street, Brooklyn firemen on shore and harbor fought a four-alarm blaze in the fruit packing establishment of Hill Bros, in Irving street, last yesterday. The property loss was estimated at more than \$20,000.

Five minutes before the fire broke out between 800 and 400 girls had been at work. The fire was still in the building when it escaped.

BRAVE RESCUE BY INDRANI'S MEN

Captain and Five of Crew of Schooner From Nova Scotia Picked Up

New York, Jan. 28.—Captain Dean and five members of the crew of the schooner Anna E. Banks, which they were forced to abandon about 650 miles southeast of Cape Race on January 15, were brought to New York today on the steamer Indrani from Swansea, Wales. The schooner of 185 tons burden was owned by James Baird, Ltd. of St. John's, Nfld.

She left Herring Neck, N. S., on January 8, with a cargo of dry fish for Gibraltar. When two days out bad weather was encountered, the strain on the vessel caused her to leak, and on Jan. 15, a tremendous sea struck her aft. It carried away the rudder and rudder post and caused her to list.

With the rudder gone, the schooner was completely out of control. The sails and the two small boats were washed away, and Captain Dean and his five men were in a helpless state when the Indrani hove in sight.

Although tremendous seas were running, Chief Officer E. T. White and five men launched one of the Indrani's boats and picked up the six distressed seamen. They had been forced to jump into the boiling sea, for the lifeboat could not get alongside the schooner.

Transport troops by airship in battle. Project of British Army Airmen Submitted to War Office

London, Jan. 28.—According to the Daily Mail the army of airmen here plans for adapting aeroplanes for the transportation of troops and to hope to initiate the war office to sanction them. The idea is to build a fleet of aeroplanes each of which shall be able to carry a pilot and ten soldiers with full combat equipment. The airmen argue that 100 such aeroplanes would enable the commander of an army to transport 1,000 men from one point of a battle field to another at a rate of a mile a minute.

HARVEY CROWELL OF HALIFAX CLUB IS FOUND DEAD IN BED

Halifax, Jan. 28.—Harvey Crowell, secretary of the Halifax Club, was found dead in his bed this morning. He was in his usual good health last night and attended a hockey match in the arena. He was one of the best known men in Halifax and very popular.

SOME FOUR THOUSAND STRONG; SUFFRAGETTES PLAN MARCH TO BUCKINGHAM PALACE

Plan to Place Petition Before the King on February 10

London, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Deane Fox announced on Monday at a meeting of the Women's Social and Political Union that the suffragettes had completed plans to carry a petition to King George. She said that 4,000 women would march to Buckingham Palace on February 10, a few hours before the opening of parliament, and present their plea.

Several Scotland Yard detectives at the meeting smiled cynically at Mrs. Fox's remarks. The suffragettes voted approval of another scheme to force the public to take notice of them. Their plan is to annoy pleasure seekers on every possible occasion. They will start action of sympathetic disturbance in theatres, restaurants and moving picture houses.

Notes for Women of Bohemia. A special despatch from Vienna says that the Austrian premier has informed the leaders of the German and Czech parties in the Bohemian diet that the Austrian government proposes to alter the Bohemian constitution in such a way as to enfranchise women.

CONVICT KILLS WIDOW WHO SPURNED HIM; ENDS HIS OWN LIFE

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 28.—James F. Glennard, a former convict, shot and killed Mrs. Cleo Ferrand, a widow, here last night, and then turned the pistol on himself, dying instantly. The woman had refused to marry him.