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## SUCIDE WAS WORTH A MILLION

### Edward Steinhauer, Young Pittsburger, Goes to Cheap Hotel to End His Life—Mourned Dead Brother

Pittsburg, Oct. 31.—Edward Steinhauer, a member of an old family and worth more than a million dollars, killed himself in the American House, a cheap hotel, where he was unknown to the proprietors. It was believed at first that he had been plunging on the wrong side of the market, and had also been grieving over the death of a younger brother. He left a letter addressed to a friend, but this gave no satisfactory explanation of his motive. A secret and more serious motive was hinted at by the police.

Steinhauer, who was thirty-eight years old and popular, registered at the American House as "E. W. Lawrence," and requested a large, airy, clean room. When he got to it he ordered stationery. Then a few minutes later the sound of a shot and a falling body called attendants to the apartment and they found him dead, with a hole through his head and a revolver in his hand. On the dresser was this letter, addressed to W. S. Wilson, an old friend and neighbor:

"Dear Billy—Break the news to the dearest ones at home. Tillie and mamma are at Annie's for supper, but grandma is at home. I cannot help this. Forgive me, dear friends. I cannot rest until I am with George."

"Don't phone about this. You might startle them. And, Will, have my body buried up right before it is taken home. Let them remember me as I was. Goodbye old pal, goodbye."

"Annie" proved to be a married sister of the suicide. She, her sister, Tillie, and the mother were present at the news. "George" was a younger brother, who died some years ago under very sad circumstances.

His father was a wealthy brewer and owned much valuable real estate. He died several years ago, leaving more than \$1,000,000 to his son, Edward Steinhauer.

Steinhauer was heavily interested in a steamship line in Nicaragua and spent much of the last two years in that country. He had been making preparations for his return there. Mrs. Steinhauer, his mother, was in Pittsburg during part of the day, and the son made certain that she had returned to her daughter on the North Side before he went to the hotel.

## SUBSTITUTE FOR COTTON IS TRIED

### High Price of Staple Leads German to Experiment with Kapok—Are Successful

Berlin, Nov. 1.—Owing to the high price of cotton, the German textile experts have been turning their attention to other fibres that might be used as a substitute for it. Recently a spinning company at Chamnitz has succeeded in spinning the fibre contained in the seeds of the kapok or silk cotton tree of the tropics. In its natural state, this fibre cannot be spun owing to its extreme brittleness, but Professor Goldberg, of Chamnitz, has discovered a method of treating it to make it spinning and the yarn is described as having a soft silky feeling.

The fibre has hitherto been used as a padding material for furniture and in making pillows and similar articles and it has answered this purpose so well that the cultivation of the tree has already been introduced into the German colonies of New Guinea and East Africa. The fibre has the advantage of being considerably cheaper than cotton, but no information is at hand showing the wearing qualities of fabric made from kapok yarn.

## RUSSIAN PLAN TO ADVERTISE PRODUCTS

### Steamer to be Sent to a Number of Ports in Near East

Berlin, Nov. 1.—The floating Russian expedition leaving Odessa in the latter part of November to advertise Russian products in the ports of the Near East, will be one of the best steamers in the Russian Steamship & Trading Co., the Imperator Nikolai III. The novelty of the plan and the principle idea of it has caused most of the leading firms trading in the Near East to apply for a share so that the shares are fewer than the applications.

The ship will visit among other places Varna, Constantinople, Smyrna, Mersina, Alexandria, Tripoli, Beirut, Port Said, Alexandria, Pireus and Salonika.

## FIVE BATTLESHIPS TO BE SOLD FOR THE JUNK HEAP

Washington, Nov. 1.—Iron and steel manufacturers have received requests to submit offers on one of the most notable fleets of scrap iron ever put up for sale, nearly one half of the Ottoman navy, as it appeared on paper. On Nov. 1 bids will be received by the Porte for the sale of five battleships. Their construction made Turkey the third naval power in the world, their destruction at a time when that country ranks near the bottom of the list of naval powers, is a step by the

## MRS. WRIGHT PRESIDENT AGAIN, NOT SURE SHE WILL ACCEPT OFFICE

### Majority Only Four Over Mrs. Asa Gordon in Dominion W. C. T. U. Election Today—Would Like Larger—Union in States Asks Action Against Border Houses

The meetings of the Dominion W. C. T. U. Convention were continued in Centenary Church school room this morning. The session was long and interesting and it was almost 1 o'clock before adjournment was made. Many reports were read at this morning's session, and the election of a president for the next term took place. Mrs. S. R. Wright, of Toronto, receiving the position with a slight majority over Mrs. Asa Gordon, of Ottawa.

The customary prayer service led by Mrs. Gordon, was held in the parlors before the convention opened in the Sunday school.

The convention was called to order by the president at 9:45, and opened with the responsive singing of the hymn, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," led by Mrs. Asa Gordon, who also acted as accompanist.

## DR. JOHNSON ACCEPTS M.P.A.A. PRESIDENCY

### Meeting of Executive Called For Nov. 10.—St. John Committee

H. D. Johnson, M. D., of Charlottetown, has accepted the office of president of the M. P. A. A. of the United States, secretary, A. W. Corey, of St. John, is junior vice-president, and will act with two other gentlemen as a St. John committee for the association.

The bulletin with the official announcement of the new president and secretary has been issued. Mr. Johnson has received letters from the new officials asking him to call a meeting of the executive committee at a meeting of the executive for Nov. 10, in the morning at the Hotel Victoria, and in the meantime applications for association can be made to him or to Charlottetown.

## JUSTICE MOODY GOES TO HOSPITAL

Boston, Mass., Nov. 1.—Associate Justice William H. Moody, of the United States supreme court, was taken from his home in Haverhill to the Corey Hill Hospital in Brookline in an automobile yesterday to undergo special treatment under the eyes of experts for rheumatism.

## ANOTHER VICTIM OF FOOTBALL

### Rov Spynuck, Indian Player, Dies of Injuries Received Saturday

Kansas City, Nov. 1.—Roy Spynuck, 19 years old, an Indian football player, died of injuries received in a game at Buckner (Mo.) Saturday.

Spynuck played right tackle, and as he dived for the ball, he slipped and struck his head on the ground. The young man's father, is a full blood Wyandotte Indian.

## CANADIAN FOOTBALL RESULTS SATURDAY

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 1.—(Special)—The Ottawa Rough Riders scored fourteen to the Argonauts' nine in the interprovincial football game here on Saturday.

In an Ontario Rugby football game, seniors, the Toronto Athletic Club beat Parkdale ten to six.

Kingston, Ont., Nov. 1.—(Special)—In a break game of Rugby on Saturday afternoon, Queens defeated McGill in the senior intercollegiate game by 19 to 12. The half time score was 6 to 0 in Queens favor.

Montreal, Nov. 1.—(Special)—Rugby team succumbed to the time-seasoned veterans from Hamilton in an interprovincial game here on Saturday, 24 to 1. The half time score was 10 to 0. The locals were simply overwhelmed, and although they played a steady game, the match was an entirely one-sided one.

## JAP COMMISSIONERS IN WASHINGTON NOW

Washington, Nov. 1.—Forty-six of the leading bankers, manufacturers and the leading business men of Japan, members of the commercial commission touring the country, arrived here this morning and started in on a three days' inspection of the national capital.

Officials of the state department and the Japanese embassy took the distinguished party in hand and will continue with it until the banquet Wednesday evening that will complete the visitors' sojourn here.

## TO RESTORE CHAPEL OF THE ROSARY

Begun, Nov. 1.—It has been decided to begin the reconstruction of the famous Chapel of the Rosary, which was erected to commemorate the battle of Lepanto, a naval victory won in 1571 by the Italian and Spanish fleets over the Turks. The chapel was badly damaged by fire in 1897.

## GOLD WAS CHEAPER

London, Nov. 1.—The Bank of England announced that gold was cheaper in the market today at 75, 74, a decline of a farthing.

## MORE RURAL POPULATION IS NEEDED

### Rev. James Crisp Discusses New Brunswick Before Evangelical Alliance—No Preacher Yet For Campaign

The members of the Evangelical Alliance this morning listened to a very interesting and comprehensive paper dealing with the physical, agricultural, commercial and religious conditions in New Brunswick. The paper was prepared by Rev. Dr. James Crisp and he was warmly commended for his work. Several members spoke in support of the suggestion made by Rev. Crisp that the alliance should interest itself in the problem of immigration in this province.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Rev. James Crisp, D. D., C. B. Appel read a portion of scripture and Archdeacon Raymond led in prayer.

## THE EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN

Rev. G. A. Rose reported for the committee on evangelism. He said he had received a report from Rev. Dr. Crisp, of Boston, respecting that he was unable to come here to address the people as requested. He suggested Rev. Dr. H. B. Manchester, of East Boston, Manchester had written, however, that he would be unable to come here in November, but the members of the alliance knew enough about the evangelistic movement to bring the matter before their congregations in December in January, 1910. He suggested Rev. Dr. Hunter Boyd, of Warwick, made a brief address expressing his interest in the alliance work.

## EACH PARTY DECLARES ITS MEN WILL TO WIN

### The Day Before the New York Election—Tammany Funds Distributed

New York, Nov. 1.—New York's mayoral campaign this year will be carried right up to election eve, and tonight speeches in various parts of the city will be made. William R. Hearst, the leader of the civic alliance, closed his campaign last night in a great meeting at Madison Square Garden.

This is distribution day at Tammany Hall. The leaders of the Tammany districts received their final instructions from leader Murphy. The leaders were given up to election eve, and tonight speeches in various parts of the city will be made. William R. Hearst, the leader of the civic alliance, closed his campaign last night in a great meeting at Madison Square Garden.

## YOUTH STARTS ON WALK ACROSS THE CONTINENT

### San Francisco, Nov. 1.—Chas. Hahn, a long, lank, pedestrian, started today morning for New York, taking a southern route. The entire distance to be covered is 7,000 miles, and Hahn, who is twenty years of age, expects to complete the journey in 230 days.

## DEMOCRATS EXPECT GAINS IN MASSACHUSETTS

Boston, Nov. 1.—While the Republicans were confident of the reelection of Governor Draper and the rest of the party today, they admitted that the Democrats were the greatest foe against which they had to contend.

## MONTREAL HAS AN ANNIVERSARY TODAY

Montreal, Nov. 1.—(Special)—The centenary of steam navigation on the St. Lawrence is being celebrated here very quietly. Flags are flying on a few public buildings, and employees of the brewery established by John Molson, who built the first steam vessel built here, are having a holiday. Otherwise the anniversary is unobserved. The vessel made her first trip on November 1, 1809.

## WALL STREET TODAY

New York, Nov. 1.—Holidays in foreign markets subtracted something from the usual opening business here. Buying orders were in the ascendancy and prices advanced. Union Pacific and American Gas rose 1 and Erie and Pressed Steel Car large fractions. Vulture Detelling Pit sold at an advance of 3. International Pump declined 1/8.

## CHOLERA AND BUBONIC

Amoy, China, Nov. 1.—It is officially reported that there were fifty-two deaths from cholera and seventy-eight deaths from the bubonic plague in this city during the fortnight ending Saturday last.

## OUTBREAK IN KOREA FEARED

London, Nov. 1.—The correspondent of the Star at Kobe, Japan, telegraphs that an outbreak of cholera is feared in Korea, a widespread unrest caused by the assassination of Prince Hui.

## KILLED IN JUMP FROM AUTOMOBILE

Chicago, Nov. 1.—Believing the automobile in which she was riding today with her husband and baby boy, was about to collide with a rapidly moving trolley, Mrs. Mary Blakeley jumped out and was run over and killed by the trolley. Before she made the jump Mrs. Blakeley threw out the child, but the little one escaped unhurt. Mrs. Blakeley avoided the collision by quick

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## C. P. R. WILL NOT ACCEPT TERMS OF HARBOR TRANSFER

### Matter to Come Before Aldermen Today—Durant Likely to Get Site—The Berths

A meeting of the harbor board is being held this afternoon to allot the berths for the steamship lines for the coming winter. The Allans have applied for No. 1, but the general opinion seems to be that the allotment will be the same as last year, namely—Nos. 1, 2 and 3. C. P. R. No. 4, Dominion No. 5, Allans, with No. 6 as a spare berth.

The sugar refinery proposition of F. C. Durant will again be taken up for consideration and some arrangement will probably be made for granting a site where the I. C. R. trestle now runs from the Ballast wharf to the wharf. It is stated that the Strait Shore site would not be acceptable to Mr. Durant, even if it could be secured.

The agreement regarding the transfer of the west side harbor lots to the government for the use of the C. P. R. will also probably come up for discussion.

## GEBHARDT SUSPECTED IN OLD CASE

### Ontario Murder Story of Four Years Ago Revived By New York Arrest—Lash For Crimes Against Women

Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 1.—(Special)—The story of the Barton township murder of 1905 has been revived by the confession of Fred Gebhardt, alias Otto Mueller, to the New York police, that he had committed several murders.

Gebhardt's victims have been women, and the circumstances are similar to those which surround the killing of and unfortunate woman in Barton township four years ago. The man in question is said to tally in some respects with that of a man seen with the murdered woman (Toronto, Nov. 1.—Special)—More than thirty persons, convicted in criminal sentences of various crimes, were sentenced on Saturday by Judge Winchester. The longest sentence imposed was on Dr. Stephen B. Pollard, found guilty of illegal operation, was given five years in Kingston penitentiary. John Bourcock, Frederick Ward and Robert McArthur, convicted of crimes against women, were sentenced each to two years in the penitentiary, with thirty lashes.

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## LOSE NO WORK WHILE FIGHT GOES ALONG

### Important Move Against White Plague—Victims in Early Stages Cared For Working Hours

New York, Nov. 1.—In order that in the first stage of tuberculosis may be enabled to continue their work, and contribute to the support of their families while undergoing treatment, a "Night Tuberculosis Camp" will be inaugurated tomorrow at the New York Throat, Nose and Lung Hospital, East Fifty-seventh street.

The institution was first to establish a special clinic for tuberculosis, supplying food as well as medical care. This was in 1894. Now the officials of the hospital believe they are taking an even more effective way of fighting the scourge.

Some time ago the building next door to the hospital—a Jewish synagogue—was vacated and secured for a nominal sum. The problem of securing funds for equipment was solved when Minnie Calve and several other eminent artists offered their services for a benefit concert, which took place last March.

## ITO'S BODY BROUGHT TO HIS HOMETOWN

### Tokyo, Nov. 1.—The warship Iwate with the body of Prince Ito on board arrived at Yokosuka, a little before ten o'clock this morning. Among the officials who met the warship were Count Inouye, who was Prince Ito's closest friend, Marquis Ono Minoru, and Baron Shimpei Goto, minister of communications.

Tokyo, Nov. 1.—The body of Prince Ito was received in this city this afternoon with honors consistent with the distinguished career of the Japanese statesman. From Yokosuka a special train brought the party to Tokyo. The scene at the railroad station here was remarkable. The platform was filled with the most distinguished representatives of public and private life, among those paying honor to the late prince, including five princes. At Yokosuka the privilege of guarding the casket had been relinquished by the navy and assumed by the army, and here it was placed in a carriage and drawn by troops to the Ito home. The route was lined with hundreds of thousands of mourners and from every house were displayed flags and crepe, the latter being of bright colors, as is the custom in Japan. The body will be in state at the late residence of the prince until the funeral on Thursday.

## ENGLISHMEN EATEN BY CANNIBAL TRIBE

### Manila, Nov. 1.—Rear-Admiral Sabre reports that when the United States Pacific fleet touched at Admiralty Islands it was learned that cannibals captured and ate a boat containing three Englishmen and three Chinese. One of the Englishmen who escaped through the connivance of a native life, said that his companions had been killed and eaten.

## MR. CAHAN DEFENDS THE CEMENT MERGER

Montreal, Que., Nov. 1.—(Special)—A reply was made to the charges of the Canadian Union of Municipalities today by C. H. Cahan, president of the Canada Cement Merger. He says that the merger has not yet taken over the factories of component companies and has not yet organized its selling department. Therefore, he claims that, though some companies may have raised prices, the charge is entirely absurd as regards the merger.

## WED MISS ELKINS

Paris, Nov. 1.—The Petit Parisien's Milan correspondent learns from a member of the court well acquainted with the Duke of the Abruzzi that the duke is in constant correspondence with Miss Katherine Elkins and will soon be promoted to rear admiral, soon after which his marriage with Miss Elkins will be celebrated. It is said Miss Elkins will become a Catholic.

## BIG INCREASE IN CUSTOMS REVENUE

The following is a comparative statement of customs revenue collected at the port of St. John during the months of October 1908-1909.

1908	1909.
87,148.21	\$101,927.41
Sick Mariner's fund	149.88
149.88	198.52
Total	\$87,298.22 \$102,126.96

Increase for October, 1909, \$14,828.74.

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