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## MILLIONAIRE TRURO MAN ILL

### Aged Capt. Fleming Stricken In New York

### WORRY OVER HIS WILL

**Cuts Off or Reduces Legacy to Nephew and Nervousness Over This Brings Him to Serious Condition—Fortune From Coal And Iron**

(Canadian Press)

New York, Jan. 28—Capt. Wm. Fleming, of Truro, N. S., said to be a millionaire former steamship captain, is seriously ill at the Waldorf Astoria. He became very ill quite suddenly on Saturday, and it was difficult to find out where any of his relatives were. His sister, however, has been summoned from Nova Scotia, while a nephew, now in the south, is also on the way here.

Capt. Fleming, as a young man, went west and became captain on the Mississippi. After the war, he bought coal and iron lands in the south and these have netted him a fortune of several millions. He is a bachelor and is said recently to have quarrelled with his favorite nephew. It is known that he had decided to change his will and cut down this nephew's share, if he left him anything at all. The nervousness consequent on this decision, is considered the main cause of his present condition.

Capt. Fleming has been in the habit of spending a part of the winter at the Waldorf Astoria, and is a general favorite there. His physician says he has improved somewhat, but he is a very old man and the outcome of his illness is by no means certain.

## DEATH DUE TO CONSUMPTION

### Investigation Shows no Crime at Riviere du Loup — Sensational Story Was Sent Out

Reviere Du Loup, Jan. 28—Dead of tuberculosis caused by excessive use of alcohol is the conclusion of Doctors Pareau and Pettigrew who attended Mrs. Desjardines, who died a few days ago in the local hospital kept by the Sisters of Providence. Stories told about her years ago were unearthed and enlarged to the extent that mention of crime was made.

The local police who have investigated the case do not find the remotest cause for a crime, and the physicians also say emphatically that death was caused by tuberculosis only, and that no traces of violence were found either before or after her death.

The woman was suffering from tuberculosis for a long while and her death was absolutely natural.

Several people are indignant at the circulation of a story of a crime. It seems to have originated in Quebec. It is not true that the attorney-general has sent provincial detectives here.

## TONIGHT'S DINNER AND BOARD OF TRADE TALK

### Proceedings Will Not Be Continued Late—300 at Table

Three hundred citizens will meet around the dinner tables in Keith's Assembly rooms this evening to discuss plans for increasing the effectiveness of the Board of Trade and for securing the best possible results for the good of the city. The dinner marks the completion of the first step in the campaign which is to be carried on by the board. The first object was to arouse the attention of the citizens generally to the possibilities in Board of Trade work on a larger scale than has been undertaken here in the past, and the fact that 300 citizens have signified their intention of being present indicates a substantial success in this feature of the work.

The dinner will be served at a quarter to seven, and will be followed by several speeches. J. M. Robinson, who will preside, will give a short address and will be followed by His Worship Mayor Frink, H. V. Chase, who is assisting the local men in the campaign, will deliver the principal address, in which he will outline some of the results of such work and show what can be done in St. John, pointing out how it can be accomplished. The affair will not a late one.

Music will be furnished by Holder's orchestra.

## WEATHER BULLETIN

**Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service.**

Fine weather prevails in all portions of the dominion, attended by mild conditions in Alberta and Saskatchewan and partly cold elsewhere.

Probabilities Here.

Maritime—Fair and cold today and on **Wednesday.**

## RICH KNIGHTS' TEMPLAR PLATE IN WINDOW OF NEW YORK PAWNBROKER

### Was Invitation to President McKinley to Assembly—Its Course a Mystery

New York, Jan. 28—Displayed in the window of a Broadway pawn broker's shop is a handsome fourteen karat gold plate which bears an invitation from the California Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, to the late President McKinley to an assembly held in San Francisco on the night of May 17, 1901. The invitation is signed by the recorder and secretary of the commandery.

In one corner appears a handsome blue white diamond of at least a karat in weight. The gold tablet is enclosed in a box which bears the sign of the order.

Among New York friends of the late president considerable surprise has been expressed that the plate should have fallen into such hands, especially as there has been no intimation that any member of his family was in want.

Later.

It is learned that the plate was sold for $700 by Mrs. McKinley Baer, a niece of the late president. The purchaser was the pawn broker in whose window it is displayed. It was explained at the Baer home that there had been several burglaries in the neighborhood and that, with no proper place for safe keeping, it was deemed advisable to dispose of the plate.

## AGAIN BRING UP WILLIAMS CASE

### Convicted Murderer Who Was Not Allowed to Wed

### ATTEMPT TO CLEAR HIM

**Home Secretary Says Matter Evidently Concocted—Lord Chief Justice Ill—Noted Divorce Case Recalled — The Doctors and the Act**

(Canadian Press)

London, Jan. 28—In the House of Commons last night, Mr. Munro, liberal member for Wicksburg, called attention to documents which had been submitted to the home office, purporting to prove the innocence of John Williams, under sentence to be hanged on Tuesday for the murder of Police Inspector Walls, and whose case has attracted attention because of his desire to marry Florence Seymour for the purpose of legitimizing her child.

Home Secretary Reginald McKenna forbade the marriage on the ground that it would prevent the woman, who was one of the principal witnesses, in the prosecution, from testifying.

Secretary McKenna said that he had investigated the matter and was satisfied that there was no foundation for the allegation of Williams' innocence. The document, he said, contained matter that had apparently been concocted. He declared that he had been informed that Williams' mother's life was in danger, but even that would not allow him to interfere with the orderly prosecution of the law.

Ate the opening of the Court of Criminal Appeal yesterday, it was announced that the lord chief justice would be unable to attend to his official duties for a few days. Last month Lord Alverstone's attendance at court was extremely irregular.

Memories of one of the most sensational divorce cases in a generation in England, were revived yesterday when Earl Cowley figured as co-respondent in a suit brought by Geoffrey Buxton. A decree was granted.

It is estimated that the British Medical Association spent $150,000 fighting the insurance act, and some members of the association who opposed the attitude taken by the society are asking where the money was obtained. A special guarantee fund to protect those doctors who suffered by adhering to the association's pledge not to take service under the act, was created, but no special authorization was given by the members of the association as a body to use the society's money.

## WOODSTOCK WILL SEND DELEGATE

### James Carr to Good Roads Meeting—Arbitrators in Session

Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 28—A meeting of those interested in the good roads movement was held last night in the town hall for organization. James Carr, was elected president; George Balmain, treasurer; John Lindsay, secretary. The president was appointed a delegate to the good roads convention in St. John.

Arthur Hoyt is in charge of the customs department owing to the critical illness of Collector Fisher, who shows little signs of improvement this morning.

The arbitrators between the St. John and Quebec Railway and land owners are in session this morning taking evidence. John M. Stevens of Edmundston, John S. Leighton, jr., and A. S. Holyoke are the arbitrators. F. B. Carvell, M. P., has the case of the land owners and J. C. Hartley is acting for the railway.

London, Jan. 28—A court circular announces that the Turkish ambassador, Tewiik Pasha, was unavoidably prevented from obeying His Majesty's command to dine yesterday at Windsor Castle.

## KAISER AND SON RECONCILED ON BIRTHDAY OF EMPEROR

EMPEROR WILLIAM

Crown Prince Frederick William and the Crown Princess

Berlin, Jan. 28—The most important feature of the Kaiser's birthday celebration was the report that the emperor and the crown prince are at last reconciled after their many differences which resulted in the crown prince being practically exiled at Danzig. His Majesty went to the theatre last night with the crown prince and crown princess. This has not happened for a long time.

Today the announcement was made that the crown prince was promoted to the rank of colonel of the Prussian army. The people are generally pleased and relieved at the end of the quarrel between the present and future emperors. They were greeted enthusiastically when they attended the annual birthday parade in front of the palace.

## SUFFRAGETTES START RIGHT IN

### Windows of Dublin Castle Smashed Today

### TROUBLE, TOO, IN LONDON

**Threat to Search Out Lloyd George in House of Commons Tonight — Mrs. Despard Defiant as Sent to Jail**

(Canadian Press)

London, Jan. 28—The Suffragettes have lost no time in opening their militant campaign. According to a despatch from Dublin, they made a concerted attack at noon today on the windows of Dublin Castle, several of which were smashed. Three Suffragettes were arrested.

In London, too, they are displaying great vigor. "General" Mrs. Drummond sent an ultimatum today to David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, when he refused at her request to receive a deputation of women on the ground that he had other engagements. She wrote:—

"I and other members of the deputation intend to wait upon you in the House of Commons at eight o'clock this evening. We trust you will make the necessary arrangements to receive us."

Mrs. Despard, one of the most prominent leaders of the militant Suffragettes, and two of her companions, were sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment today on the charge of resisting the police in the execution of their duty when they dispersed a meeting in Trafalgar Square last evening.

Mrs. Despard, who is a sister of General Sir John French, was offered the option of paying a fine of $10, but she refused and was sent to jail.

A fourth Suffragette, who was among those arrested last night, was sent to prison for seven days.

Mrs. Despard, addressing the magistrate after being sentenced, said that she would propably repeat her offense when she was released.

Some sympathizers in court who made a demonstration when sentence was pronounced, were ejected by the attendants.

Dublin, Ireland, Jan. 28—Three Suffragettes, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Counsins and Mrs. Connory, who were arrested this morning on the charge of breaking fifteen panes of glass in the windows of Dublin Castle, were sentenced this afternoon each to a months hard labor.

London, Jan. 28—The government appears to have decided to drop the question of franchise reform altogether for the present session. Harold Trevor Baker's plural voting bill, which was expected to replace the franchise bill, requires too extensive amendment, according to the government view, to be undertaken in the short time remaining in the present session. Hence, the whole question will be postponed until the session of parliament, beginning probably on March 6.

## PLAN NEW MOVE IN CHILD EDUCATION IN ONTARIO PROVINCE

Toronto, Jan. 28—The famous "Montessori method" of educating children may be introduced in Ontario schools. The first step, an experimental one, has been made by Hon. Dr. Pyne, minister of education, in supplying to each of the normal schools of the province a set of the didastic apparatus used in the Montessori system in kindergarten instruction. After a sufficient time has been given the teachers to study the system and its practicability as far as Ontario schools are concerned, reports will be received from the staffs as to the advisability of introducing the Montessori method in any form.

This system of child instruction is expounded by Dr. Montessori, a woman physician of Italy, who has seen it put into effect in the schools of Rome.

P. E. I. SERVICE.

George Carvill, I. C. R. ticket agent here, received word today that both the government steamers Stanley and Minto were now running between Pictou and Charlottetown. Mr. Carvill has just received a valuable moose head from the offices in Moncton, which will adorn the ticket office here. The head has a spread of sixty-two inches and is a perfect one. It was shot in the New Brunswick woods this past season.

## REDUCTION IN WOOL SCHEDULE IS CERTAIN

### That is Assured by Statement of Palmer in Washington—Worried Witness Declares Tariff Committee Session a Political Meeting

(Special to Times and Montreal Star)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 28—Determinedly the democratic members of the house ways and means committee continued yesterday afternoon and evening their assault on the "citadel of protection," the wool schedule of the Payne-Aldrich tariff. They made it plain that, whatever the evidence submitted, apparently, heavy reductions will be made in the rates.

"There is some obligation on our part," said Mr. Palmer, the democratic member from Pennsylvania, in questioning a wool manufacturer, "to make some very considerable reductions in the rates. The verdict has been given by the people, and we are here simply to render judgment on that verdict."

And as the hearings draw near to a close, it becomes more and more evident that, while the hundreds of pages of testimony may secure some modification, they will effect no vital change in the judgment.

Both parties represented on the committee are already pledged to a decision. They are much in the position of a judge who hears evidence that he may justify the verdict he has already made up his mind to return.

**One, Like Oliver, Asks For More**

"In spite of what anybody may say," angrily declared a witness, who had been closely pursued by democratic cross questioning for more than an hour, "In spite of what anybody says, this is a political meeting."

The woollen manufacturer showed no disposition to yield meekly to the loss of his protection. Alternative rates to those in the tariff were, indeed, suggested, but they merely provided in the main for a re-classification. In several instances, in fact, the war was carried into Africa and daring individuals came out boldly for increased duties.

Patrick McGraw, of Pittsburg, president of the McGraw Wool Co., coolly asked for an increase in the tariff which would have quadrupled his protection.

"You are a brave man," Mr. Longworth

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## LOOKS FOR COMPULSORY MILITARY SYSTEM

London, Jan. 28—Lord Curzon is quoted as saying:—

"Speaking with some knowledge, I believe we are on the eve of some great awakening in the matter of military training. I believe the greatest men of the country are thoroughly aware of the apalling imminence of the danger by which we are confronted, and conscious that our resources are inadequate to meet it, are prepared to make a move in the direction we have in view.

"I should not be surprised if, at no distant date, there was an approximation of views between the two parties ordinarily severed. That compulsion in some form or other will form part of our military system, I entertain no doubt."

## FOUR KILLED IN AN EXPLOSION ON SOO LINE

North Bay, Ont., Jan. 28—A premature explosion of dynamite in a contractor's camp near Spragge, on the C. P. R. Soo Line, eighty-five miles west of Sudbury, on Sunday afternoon, blew four Austrian laborers to pieces and seriously injured two others.

## UNITED STATES TROOPS AND MOORS IN CLASH

Manila, Jan. 28—Further sharp fighting betwen United States troops and the Moros is reported this morning. Near Jolo, the American troops lost one man killed and six wounded. A large force made a sudden attack and succeeded in rushing two troops of cavalry and a detachment of Philippine constabulary. After a severe fight, the Moros were beaten off, it is believed with heavy loss.

## BERTILLION FIGURES OF CHINESE IN CANADA

Ottawa, Jan. 28—It is reported that the immigration department in an effort to prevent the smuggling of Chinese, will try to secure as complete identification records as possible by the Bertillion system, including two photographs of each Chinese, full face and profile, records of age, occupation, financial standing, family connection, marital relationship, etc. Records of body marks will also be kept, which may assist in identification.

The project is on a larger scale than ever attempted by any government, and is expected to stop much of the fraud known to exist in connection with the Oriental immigration. For some time the work has been conducted in a small way.

It is estimated that they are 50,000 Chinese in Canada.

## WOMAN DIES IN TORONTO JAIL; SHE HAD EATEN POISON PLACED FOR RATS

Toronto, Jan. 28—Rats overrun the basement of the Toronto jail from time to time. Just now they are extremely prevalent and from the fact that the jail is over-crowded and basement cells have to be requisitioned, a woman of foreign origin died this morning as a result of having eaten rat poison.

At an inquest held by Coroner Wigham yesterday afternoon upon the body of Annie Stasn, a Russian, who was serving a thirty days sentence for theft, a verdict was reached stating that "The deceased came to her death from the effects of rat poison administered by her own hands."

**Strike Causes Bread Famine**

Lima, Peru, Jan. 28—The Peruvian capital is today practically without bread owing to the bakers joining in the general strike of factory employes and other workmen, which began early in January.

## ENGLISHMEN IN NEW YORK THOUGHT THEY HAD TO CARRY GUNS

### Arrested on the Day They Landed and a Fine of $25 Imposed on Each

New York, Jan. 27—"Our English papers said the streets of this city were full of blooming gunmen," said Thomas Connor, yesterday, as ne paid a fine for carrying a revolver. Connor and a friend, Thomas Smalley, wealthy Englishmen, were arrested here on the very day they landed. Both explained that they thought it necessary to carry weapons to protect their property. Each was fined $25.

## CHURCH CENSUS OF THE YOUTH OF TORONTO

### Fear Many Are Drifting Away From Church on Sunday Afternoons

Toronto, Jan. 28—Fearing the drift of too many boys and young men away from the church on Sunday afternoons, the United Protestant churches of the city have decided to compile a census of the young men from the age of fourteen to twenty-one in all parts of the city with a view to ascertaining the number attending either the Sunday school or one of the brotherhoods of Bible classes.

To carry out this work the co-operation of several hundred Bible classes and brotherhoods with senior Sunday classes has been enlisted. The city will be divided into sub-divisions and each sub-division will be covered by a Bible class of brotherhood. It is expected that the canvas will be completed within the next two weeks.

## THE LATE JAMES KENNEDY

### Many Attend Funeral—St. Andrew's Church Trustees Pass Resolutions

The funeral of James Kennedy took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from his late home in Summer street. Services were conducted at the house by Rev. Dr. J. H. MacVicar, after which the body was taken to St. Andrew's church, where services were conducted by Rev. Dr. MacVicar assisted by Rev. Gordon Dickie. The choir of the church sang "Now the Laborer's Task Is O'er," and "Forever With The Lord." The service in the church was attended by many. After the services, the body was escorted to Fernhill for interment. Many prominent citizens attended the funeral, which was a very lengthy one.

At a meeting of the trustees of Saint Andrew's church on January 27, the following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted.

Whereas the trustees of Saint Andrew's Presbyterian church, in the City of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick, Dominion of Canada, have learned with profound regret of the death, on the twenty-sixth instant, of Mr. James Kennedy, a native of Maybole, Scotland, a life-long Presbyterian, and from the time of his removal to St. John at an early age, a staunch adherent of this church, in which he held from time to time many important offices, including that of membership in the board of elders;

Resolved, that this board, as an expression of their sense of the loss which Saint Andrew's church has sustained by his demise, and their appreciation of his many years of faithful membership, and as a mark of respect to his memory, do hereby cause the within preamble and resolution to be entered in full upon the book of records of the said trustees, and direct that a copy of the same be forwarded to the members of his family as a token of the sympathy of the congregation and of this board with the family in the hour of their affliction.

## WESTERN MURDER CASE IS REVIVED

Edmonton, Alb., Jan. 28—With additional evidence and information which may throw considerable light on the Wm. Lennox murder mystery of two years ago at Buffalo Lake, nine miles north of Stettler, the authorities are preparing to re-open the case and immediate arrests are expected.

Lennox, a rancher, was shot and killed while sitting in his shack one night, by a bullet fired through the window. Horse foot-prints found nearby, were said to have been the tracks of a noted race mare named Girlie. A neighboring young rancher named Soderberg was taken into custody but released after preliminary examination.

## MAY BE UP IN THE COMMONS TODAY

### Telegrams on West Indies Matter Received

### HALIFAX JOINS ST. JOHN

**Word From Mr. Foster's Secretary —Hon. Mr. Pugsley Speaks o Situation in Interests of St. John and Canada**

The council of the board of trade met yesterday to take action regarding The Times' report that the contract for a new West Indian steamship service, with a subsidy of $400,000 a year, might give the company the privilege of calling at Boston going and coming. The matter was taken up with the West India merchants and they were unanimous in their objections to the proposed terms. Telegrams protesting against the arrangement were sent to Ottawa to Hon. George E. Foster, Hon. Wm. Pugsley and Hon. J. D. Hazen, and a telegram was also sent to the Halifax board of trade asking for their co-operation.

The telegrams sent were as follows:—

The telegrams sent to Ottawa read as follows:

"The board of trade understands that there is a bill before parliament giving a steamship service $400,000 Halifax or St. John to the West Indies via Boston, both ways. Our board and every West Indian shipper canvassed today protest vigorously against the Boston call as dangerous to Canadian interests and would divert business from Canadian ports. They ask for both Halifax and St. John each trip and no Boston call.

(signed) "J. M. ROBINSON,
"President Board of Trade."

The telegram sent to Halifax reads:

January 27, 1913.

President Board of Trade, Halifax (N. S.)

We are telegraphing to our members and the Minister of Trade and Commerce, the protest of this board and St. John shippers against subsidizing a steamship service for the West Indies, sailing from Halifax or St. John, via Boston, and returning the same way with a subsidy of $400,000 annually. We suggest that your board and merchants co-operate and ask that Boston be cut out and the service be made Halifax and St. John.

(Signed) J. M. ROBINSON,
President Board of Trade.

**May be up in House Today**

The terms of the contract may be laid before parliament today and the members of the Board of Trade and the West Indian merchants are awaiting the announcement of the details with interest.

A telegram has been received from the secretary of the Halifax Board of Trade announcing their action in connection with the matter. Commenting on the fact that the boards of both cities are acting in unison in this matter President J. M. Robinson said this morning that he hoped that this would be only the beginning of the co-operation between the two cities. There has been the same lack of the get-together spirit throughout the provinces as there has been in the city, he said, and he thought the time was pretty nearly ripe for a movement towards united action in all matters of mutual interest.

The Halifax telegram is as follows:—

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 27, 1913.

J. M. Robinson,
President Board of Trade,
St. John.

Have wired premier, minister trade and commerce, F. B. McCurdy, who is president this board, and A. K. McLean, protesting against West India contract via Boston.

(Sgd) E. A. SAUNDERS,
Secretary.

A telegram was received from Hon George E. Foster's private secretary in which he said, what was already known, that the matter has not yet come before parliament and promising to bring the telegram to the minister's attention on his return. The telegram was as follows:—

Ottawa, Jan. 27, 1913

J. M. Robinson,
St. John, N. B.

No bill respecting steamship service between Canada and West Indies before parliament. Minister absent from city. Will bring your telegram to his attention immediately upon his return.

(Sgd.) C. H. PAYNE,
Private Secretary.

**Hon. Mr. Pugsley**

Hon. Wm. Pugsley is in the city at present and when asked this morning regarding the progress of the matter in parliament when he left he said: "Before leaving Ottawa my attention was called to an article in the Montreal Witness in which it was stated that the Minister of Trade and Commerce was likely to give a contract for the West India service, with a subsidy of $400,000 a year and with the privilege of calling at Boston.

"From my place in the house," he continued, "I had asked the minister to state the terms of the proposed contract and he had replied that he would do so on the third reading of the bill to authorize the treaty with the West Indies which was ex-

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## PLUCKY BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA CLERK FIGHTS ROBBERS

### Ledger Keeper Wounded in Edmonton — Thieves Get Only Few Hundred

(Canadian Press)

Edmonton, Alb., Jan. 28—The most daring bank robbery in the history of this city took place at half past twelve o'clock this morning in the most thickly populated part of the city. Two unknown masked men carrying a coil of rope, entered the bank of Nova Scotia and, at the point of a gun, demanded of the only person in the building, a ledger keeper, named Clare West, that he throw up his hands. West refused and a desperate struggle ensued, while many late pedestrians passed by totally unaware of what was going on inside the bank.

Eventually the robbers managed to bind West and hurriedly proceded to the outer safe, which they rifled of a hundred dollars. While they were continuing the search, West managed to secure his revolver and fired four shots at the men. They returned the fire hitting him in the forearm. Then they made their escape through the rear, while those on the outside who heard the shots were unable to get in the front door, which the robbers had locked after them.