

MOTHER AND 3 CHILDREN ARE ALMOST ASPHYXIATED

All Found Unconscious on the Floor When Husband Returned Home From His Work.

Five persons came close to death by gas poisoning in the city yesterday. When James Orr, 28 Sackville-street, got home from his work at the Crown Carriage Works at 8 o'clock last night, he found his wife and children lying unconscious in their sitting room.

Just how the accident happened is not known, but the mother says that she took the youngest child into the room after they had had their lunch, and both went to sleep on the floor. The window was closed on account of the flies. It is thought that the other two children, the oldest of whom is 5 years, climbed on the table, and turned on the gas, which they had done before.

Naomw Aboojama, a Syrian merchant from Cobalt, was found at 5 o'clock yesterday morning unconscious in bed in a room at 114 York-street.

MANUFACTURERS ANGRY

Don't See Why Railways Alone Should Get Labor Aid.

Toronto manufacturers are not generally pleased with the recent amendment to the immigration laws, which allows for the free entry of navvies for railway work who do not possess the qualifications required in the case of ordinary immigrants, the most important distinction being that the navvies need not have \$25 cash of their own, and need not come into Canada direct from their native country.

The World called on several of the large manufacturers in town last evening. J. O. Thorn of the Metallic Roofing Co. said: "While it is a good thing to let good navvies in, it seems a very poor regulation. Plenty of criminals have money. I don't think a money test is what should be applied as a standard."

"The rule put us in an unenviable position before the British people, by discriminating against them in favor of foreigners. The arrangement was outrageous, and such things were not a question for politics, but the good of the country."

G. Frank Beer of the Eclipse White-wear Co. said: "My view is that \$25 is not a very important qualification as regards their being fit to be a charge on the country."

J. P. Murray of the Toronto Carpet Manufacturing Co. was particularly outspoken. "Why should manufacturers be dealt with differently to others? It's mere pettifoggery class legislation. Surely," said Mr. Murray, "a firm prepared to pay the passage of from 50 to 500 men, as was often the case, could be trusted to import good men only. If Scandinavians, Swedes, and Italians were to be admitted indiscriminately, why should British subjects be kept out?"

"The \$25 requirement," Mr. Murray said, "could only inculcate shamming and trickery on the part of the immigrant, who would try to get over the difficulty by lying. It is a waste of money, encouraging the people we didn't want, and keeping out the people we wanted."

J. W. Woods of the Puritan Knitting Co., while not personally affected by the situation, said that he certainly thought there should be one law for everybody in such matters.

MAY ENLARGE DOCK

Proposal Which Will Enable Halifax to Repair Largest Liners.

HALIFAX, July 29.—Altho the Halifax graving dock is at present large enough to accommodate any steamer running between Canada and Europe, there are a number of trans-Atlantic liners that are too long for the dock, and to which repairs could not be made at this port. In order to be able to compete for work on any of the largest liners, it would be necessary to enlarge the dock and the company are now considering a proposition to extend it 200 feet. As there is no land available to the north, the necessary extension would have to be made to the south or out into the harbor, along the shore.

The cost of this work would be something over \$1,000,000, and it would take about 14 months to complete the work.

Civic Holiday Excursions to High-lands of Ontario.

The Grand Trunk the only line reaching all the resorts, viz.: Lake Simcoe, Severn River, Muskoka, Lake of Bays, Algonquin Park, Georgian Bay and Perry Sound, Madawaska River, French River, Temagami, Cobalt, etc., will be fully prepared to take care of all business.

Tickets, illustrated folders, at Grand Trunk City Ticket Office, northwest corner King and Yonge-streets, Phone Main 4209.

Three Accidents.

Bennie Schliederman, 13 years, 475 West Queen-street, was knocked down by an express wagon at Bay and Richmond-streets at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. His back and hip were wrenched, and he was taken to his home in the police ambulance.

Percy Laidman, 14 William-street, was struck by W. G. Ross' auto at Queen and Simcoe-streets yesterday afternoon. His right leg was broken, and he was taken to Grace Hospital.

Charles Hoar, a farm laborer, was brought to the city last night from Greenwood, Ont., where he had fractured his left leg while operating a threshing machine. He was taken to the General Hospital.

Will Accept C. N. R. Offer.

LONDON, July 29.—(C.A.P. Cable).—The bondholders protection committee of the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway recommend the acceptance of the improved offer by the C.N.R.

Descriptive.

It was at the opera. They were looking at the splendid décolleté raiment of the ladies present. "Do not the dresses remind you of Covent Garden?" she asked. "The shock his head." "No, not of Covent Garden," he replied. "I should say, rather, of the garden of Eden."—New York Times.

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WHAT CANADA WILL PAY MEN FOR THE NEW NAVY

Salaries Range From 25 to 50 Per Cent. Above the Regulation British Scale.

OTTAWA, July 29.—(Special).—The scale of pay allowance and gratification for officers and men of the Canadian naval service will appear in to-morrow's Canada Gazette.

The main items were announced during the parliamentary session. The salaries are based chiefly on British pay, with additions of from 25 to 50 per cent, to meet the extra cost of living here.

Captains start with \$3.20 per day, \$2 more as command money; commanders, \$6 and \$1, command money; lieutenants, \$4, and sub-lieutenants, \$3; midshipmen, \$2; engineer captain, \$13.50; engineer commander, \$7.50; engineer lieutenants, \$4; chief warrant officer, \$3.50; able seamen, 70 cents.

There are gratuities and increases with length of service.

B. C. FISHING RIGHTS

Federal Government Disputes Exclusive Powers Claimed.

OTTAWA, July 29.—(Special).—The authority of the provincial government of British Columbia to grant exclusive fishing rights is being challenged. This affects all the provinces of the Dominion.

The federal government has referred the question to the supreme court, under the following terms: "Is it competent to the legislature of British Columbia to authorize the government of the Province of British Columbia to grant by way of lease, license or otherwise the exclusive right to fish in any or what part or parts of the waters within the railway belt (a) as to such waters as are tidal and (b) as to such waters as are not tidal are in fact navigable?"

"Is it competent to the legislature of British Columbia to authorize the government of the province to grant, by way of lease, license or otherwise, the exclusive right, or any right, to fish below low water mark in or in any or what part or parts of the open sea within a marine league of the coast of the province?"

"Is there any, and what, difference between the open sea within a marine league of the coast of British Columbia, and the gulfs, bays, channels, arms of the sea, and estuaries of the rivers, within the province, or lying between the province and the United States of America, so far as concerns the authority of the legislature of British Columbia, to authorize the government of the province to grant by way of lease, license or otherwise the exclusive right to fish below low water mark in the said waters or any of them?"

INSURANCE NOT QUERIES

Government Asks Supreme Court to Interpret Sections.

OTTAWA, July 29.—(Special).—The government has referred the following questions to the Supreme Court for decisions: "Are sections 4 and 70 of the insurance Act, 1910, or any or what part or parts of the said section, ultra vires of the parliament of Canada?"

"Does section 4 of the insurance Act, 1910, operate to prohibit an insurance company incorporated by a foreign state from carrying on the business of insurance within Canada, if such company does not hold a license from the minister under the said act, and if such carrying on of the business is confined to a single province?"

Section 4 of the act refers to licenses and section 70 to penalties.

Sometime ago in the recorder's court of Montreal the presiding judge intimated that these sections were ultra vires of parliament and that the question was really one for the provinces.

Hon. A. B. Aylesworth stated at the time that the question would be referred to the Supreme Court for discussion.

KING GEORGE POPULAR

Recent Inspections — Queen Alexandra in Poor Health.

LONDON, July 29.—While the government and the opposition are marking time and postponing the settlement of momentous questions to a more convenient season, the King is making rapid progress in commanding the respect and affections of his subjects. He is on his own ground in inspecting the naval works and dockyards at Portsmouth, and the processes of super-dreadnought construction and details. His surprise visits to the fleet and not shots at his targets carry the conviction that he is converting empty functions into tests of efficiency.

It is a common comment that the King always takes the Queen with him and appeals to the home-loving instincts of his subjects by having his children with him as much as possible. The proposed drive of the King and Queen thru the east end of London will increase their popularity.

The postponement of Queen Alexandra's departure for Denmark is due to nervous depression, following prolonged tension and excitement. Rumors that she declines to live at Marlborough House, that she expresses a preference for Kensington Palace as a residence, and that she would like to have the nation purchase the Duke of Sutherland's house for her, are irresponsible gossip.

BIG NEW COMPANY

"Sheet Metal Products" is Capitalized at \$5,000,000.

OTTAWA, July 29.—(Special).—The Sheet Metal Products Company of Canada is a new Toronto company, capitalized at \$5,000,000. The incorporators are: W. J. Holliday, H. A. Holliday, R. M. Paterson, T. E. Moberly and H. H. Gosmore.

The Capital Stove and Heater Co. has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$600,000. The head office is at Hamilton.

Quarterly bank dividends are announced at the following rate per cent. per annum: Union Bank of Halifax, 5; Bank of Montreal, 10; Bank of Commerce, 5.

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