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A LATE VOYAGE.

Steamer Ionic Proceeding Gingly to Port—Tugs in Attendance.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—The steamer Ionic has been reported from Middleton, but a snowstorm is blowing up, and it was deemed advisable to have help at hand in case of stress of weather or any untoward event, and two tugs left here this afternoon to proceed down there and escort the steamer on its way to port. The Ionic left the Soo on Saturday last and has been keeping to the north shore in view of the fog Philadelphia. She has a cargo of general merchandise consigned largely to local merchants.

LAND FOR INDIANS.

Babies to Receive Large Tract as Compensation for Relinquishing Barricades.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 21.—After a long conference between Indian Agent Loring of Hazelton and Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Green a final settlement was reached, which, it is hoped, will obviate any more trouble with the Sabine Indians over the use of barricades in the streams of that country for taking salmon. Mr. Loring acted for the Dominion Government in the matter and arranged for a large block of land from the Province in partial compensation to the Indians for giving up the use of the barricades and thus destroying the salmon and preventing their spawning. The land given includes both grazing and farming lands, and gives the Indians access to streams. Mr. Loring leaves for Kitimat, where the Indians will meet him and go over the trail to Hazelton. The journey will take about three weeks.

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HISTORY OF FRANCE'S TROUBLES

In the eventful history of the state and church in France there has arisen no crisis graver than that which today confronts both institutions.

For the struggle that must ensue no one can foresee an end, but students of affairs believe it will be peaceful and orderly—a war rather of elections than of force, with both sides hoping that some compromise may be discovered.

The term marked by the Separation law for the state to hand over the churches to the "public worship associations" has ended in France. Roman Catholics have refused, and do refuse to form such associations and therefore, if the government sees fit, it may eject all congregations and artists from their houses of worship, all bishops from the houses, all archbishops, all cardinals and all seminaries, and every other religious superior whatsoever.

There is a power to give them a year's grace, if they but their legal right to the property is gone. All will belong absolutely to the state after 1907, state, thus depriving the church of the 3,000 churches built by private subscriptions, and to the 100,000 churches of the Sacred Heart in Paris and at Lourdes, both built by American subscription.

Goes Back to Revolution.
The action which has been taken in Paris harks back to the French Revolution and the Reign of Terror. Before that time the power and standing of the church were unquestioned, but on August 4, 1789, representatives of the church were ordered the privileges and tithes to the National Assembly.

In November of that year all ecclesiastical property was placed at its disposal, in February of the following year monastic vows were suppressed and in April the Catholic religion was declared to be the religion of the state. The convention, four years later, formally decreed the separation of the church and state, thus depriving the schismatic church of all its revenues and privileges.

The revolution ended and with it came the Concordat. Order had been restored and the influence of the church was again felt. The prescribed clergy returned to France, and in Paris, on July 15, 1801, was signed the famous Concordat, which remained in existence until last year. This was signed by the Pope and the Emperor Napoleon as equal parties, and set forth: First that the First Consul was to nominate bishops and the Pope was to confer canonical institution; bishops and clergy were to take an oath of obedience to the government; the bishops were to be appointed subject to governmental approval; the Holy See was not to disturb those who purchased property, confiscated at the time of the revolution; the government was to guarantee proper salaries to bishops and parochial clergy and French Catholics to have full power of founding endowments.

Supplementing this were the "Organic Articles" put forth by a junta. Portals which contained and amplified the Concordat. This provided that no bulls, rescripts, decrees, mandates, provision or other document from the Vatican was to be published in France without permission of the government; no synod, national or diocesan ecclesiastical assembly to be held without express leave of the government, no bishop to quit his diocese without permission of the head of the state.

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The Association Catholiques are to consist of residents in the parish and their membership ranges from seven to twenty-five, according to the population. The association has the sole charge and it might rent its church to any sect or creed, civil or religious body, which it felt gratified to do. The act, but episcopal and seminaries are granted rent free for only two years when all such buildings revert to the state.

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LIEUT. GOV. BULTEA IS NO COAL LOOTER

Member of Company Spending \$160,000 Developing Mine to Produce 500 Tons Daily.

Lieut.-Governor Bulteau interviewed by a Bulletin reporter the other day concerning the charges made against him and other public men of "looting" the coal lands of Western Canada, said: "It is a fact that I own coal lands in Alberta, or at least it is true that I own stock in a company which does own coal lands, and I guess title to some of these lands was taken out in my name, although I did not personally make application and was not aware that my name was being used at the time that the application was made; not saying, nevertheless, that there is any reason why I should not have made the application personally and in my name; I should have this right, along with any other citizen, as long as I comply with the regulations, and I will be shipping 500 tons a day from the date which Mr. Heron sets for the issuance of the certificates of title is probably correct; but as to what we are being charged with or why we should be charged with anything. The company acquired its title in the orthodox manner. We are not locking up the land, but are spending \$160,000 in developing and hope to ship 500 tons a day within the next year. And what is more to the point, the coal rights that we acquired from the Dominion were not the prime factors in the assets of the company, but merely incidental thereto. The company acquired coal lands by purchase from Hudson's Bay Co. and by purchase from the Dominion Government. We hold altogether 500 acres of land, most of which is coal land, of which only a part was Dominion land."

Moneyless Ministers.
It was in 1905 when the governor was living in Regina, that a Baptist clergyman, Rev. A. T. Robinson by name, wrote from Calgary stating that a friend of his, Rev. Mr. Padley, also a Baptist minister, had found a big seam of coal on the Elbow river. Of course the two ministers had no money, so Mr. Robinson advised Mr. Padley to write Hon. Geo. Bowyer, Underwood, who would probably finance it for him.

Rev. Padley wrote: the coal seam was examined and found to be good. Arrangements for floating a company were made, and the incorporations were placed in the hands of L. M. Johnson, minister of Lehighbridge, who at the same time started out to acquire the coal lands in question from the government. When it came to making application to the Dominion government the solicitor naturally used the names of the two clergymen, one of whom was the lieutenant-governor. Another was the president of the company, thus Underwood. He is a man of means.

The papers of incorporation were issued from the office of the provincial secretary a couple of months ago, and the Diamond Coal Co. is now in full swing, rushing development work on the property. They have a big gang of men working under the direction of Mr. Reynolds, C.E., who opened up the International Coal and Coke Co.'s property at Coleman, and the Diamond is the best open mine in the mountains.

Cheap and Simple Mining.
Mr. Reynolds is running in a whole string of tunnels from the face of the river bank into the coal seam, which is from seven to eight feet thick, and putting in an incline railway to hoist the coal from the level of the mouths of the tunnels to the prairie level above. It is probably the simplest coal mining that is being carried on anywhere in the West. When the company has completed its present plan of development it will have invested \$150,000 and will be shipping 500 tons a day.

But about the Home Mission board. When it came to incorporating the company, Rev. Padley had the company set over as a reward for his services in discovering the coal. A large block of the stock to the Home Mission board of the Baptist church. The company is incorporated for \$1,000,000, but of this only a little over a million has been issued. The Home Mission board owns 500,000 shares of this million.

The trustees for the Mission board are G. F. Stevens and C. W. Clark, of Winnipeg, and Thos. Underwood of Calgary. So far only 200,000 shares of the treasury stock have been placed on the market, and that amount was taken up by some Toronto parties at \$10 a share. That would make the block of stock which Rev. Padley gave to the Mission board worth \$2,000,000 before development was commenced on the property. The probabilities are that it would now bring twice that money. Rev. Mr. Padley was given a little stock that went to the Mission board, but he practically gave it all away.

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Sign of an Open Winter.
KINGSTON, Dec. 21.—J. Hyland was walking home along Elliot Street when an object fell at his feet and started to run. He made haste to secure it, and found it to be a black lizard, six inches long. He believes the insect fell from the sky. It may have been caught up by the wind as some distant point. The presence of the insect at midwinter portends an open season.

HARRIMAN WRESTLES VICTORY FROM HILL

Retains Control of Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Road After Great Fight.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Edward J. Harriman has repaid James J. Hill in his own coin, by wresting victory from him in the shadow of defeat, through one of the most effective ploys ever executed in financial battles. The control of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad which Morgan and Hill confidently believed would be theirs yesterday morning, is lodged with the Harrimans. Standard Oil interests, and will be strengthened.

As Hill threw Harriman out of the ownership of Northern Pacific, in the Christmas season of 1903, so Edward J. Hill from an ownership in St. Paul. Mr. Hill executed his flank movement by retiring the preferred stock of Northern Pacific, in which his opponent's control rested. Mr. Harriman and his friends maintained St. Paul by issuing two-thirds of a \$100,000,000 stock increase to the holders of the preferred. While Hill's control of Northern Pacific common was a golden apple, his control of St. Paul common is but ashes.

For a month there has been a titanic struggle for the ownership of St. Paul in the open market. Quietly and almost unsuspected, the Morgan-Hill people have been buying St. Paul in the hope of getting control and turning the Pacific extension southward into the Harriman territory. In the last week this battle for the stock has been acute and a disturbing feature to Wall Street and the money market.

Much of the old bitterness has been aroused. The attack of Jacob H. Schiff upon banks charging excessive money rates for stock loans was directed against Morgan institutions. For some days the Morgan banks were calling loans, as the money was needed to buy St. Paul stock, the high rates and the calling of loans forcing out large blocks of stock, and to some extent deceiving the trained speculators as to the real purpose.

The Crucial Point.
Tuesday the crucial point was reached. The Morgan-Hill interests were under safe grounds; they could count on enough stock to swing the management of the road, and they reached for a good quarter of a point control. The Morgan-Hill interests were under safe grounds; they could count on enough stock to swing the management of the road, and they reached for a good quarter of a point control.

There was a hesitation in the purchasing, a searching inquiry, and the information from friends in the enemy's camp that there would be a coup in the management of a stock issue of \$100,000,000, which was \$25,000,000 more than was expected at this time. That the contest was given up, the stock broke and weakened the market.

The official announcement betrayed the cunning of the Harriman people to make safe their management, to make sure the extension of the St. Paul into Hill territory. Of the \$99,227,400 new stock, the preferred is \$46,327,000, or 46.3 per cent. of the present issue of \$100,000,000. There is to be \$38,184,000 new common, or 40 per cent. of the present issue of \$95,188,000.

Subscriptions to this new stock at the rate of 75 per cent. of the present holdings of preferred and common were given to shareholders of record Wednesday, Dec. 19, and the first instalment of 10 per cent. must be paid on Friday, Dec. 21. In other words, subscribers who own the stock or who buy today must exercise their right by three o'clock on Friday at the place of registration in New York.

All stock not taken at that time reverts to a syndicate which has control of the stock. The syndicate consists of friends of the present management or of Harriman and the Rockefeller.

Owing to the short notice, not half the shareholders outside the watering trough will be able to avail themselves. It is reported that the Morgan-Hill interests hold \$45,000,000 of the common stock, which would give them the privilege of taking \$38,750,000 of the \$99,511,000 new securities and \$78,750,000. The Standard Oil people own \$30,000,000 of the preferred issue and \$30,000,000 of the common. Their proportion of the new stock would increase their holdings to \$95,000,000.

Through the short notice they will profit by securing \$25,000,000 more of the new stock, which would give them \$120,000,000, or a clear majority of the \$230,848,000 of stock as increased.

Winnipegger Drowned.
VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 21.—William Allen McDonald, a wealthy rancher of Alberta and a resident of Winnipeg for the past ten years, was drowned some time last night. He had sold his ranch and came to the Coast to invest his money. He deposited a large sum in a local bank and then started out to look for investments. While crossing Granville Street bridge he must have fallen in the water.

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PIONEER PASSES AWAY.
Wife of Rev. Dr. Gaetz Dies Suddenly In Her Chair Without Warning.

CALGARY, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Gaetz, wife of the Rev. Dr. Gaetz, of Red Deer, died very suddenly last evening. She had been in her usual health during the day, but when a hearty supper and died while sitting in her chair, without uttering a word. Dr. Gaetz was in the next room, but before he could reach his wife's side she had expired.

Mrs. Gaetz was of a historic character in central Alberta, being the first white woman to settle at Red Deer in 1884, and one of the first to settle between Calgary and Edmonton. Dr. Gaetz is well known in the West, having filled pulpits at Halifax, Montreal, Toronto, London, Hamilton, Winnipeg, Brandon and other Canadian cities.



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