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SEVERAL KILLED DURING A STORM

YACHT'S PASSENGERS HAD NARROW ESCAPES

Much Damage by Lightning in New York—The Intense Heat Caused Eight Deaths.

New York, July 2.—A terrific storm this afternoon followed a day of most intense heat. There were four deaths from the heat to-day, and a score or more of prostrations. Already three deaths, directly traceable to the storm, have been reported, many persons caught in the fury of the wind were injured. At one time the gale blew at the rate of 72 miles an hour in the upper part of New York, according to the weather bureau.

Many places were struck by lightning, which played continuously for an hour or more. There were in reality two storms, both blending into one. The Bronx felt the first and worst effects of the storm, trees being uprooted, plate glass being broken, and people being thrown from their feet.

Five persons were rescued from a dismantled yacht by Sir Thomas Lipton's crews this afternoon, after a squall had wrecked their craft, and in the nick of time the yacht was the cabin caboose Yankee, of New Brunswick, owned by Jacob Zeiser. On board with him were Edward Wing of New York, and Mrs. E. Smith and her two daughters, also of New York.

Deaths at Pittsburgh.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 2.—Four deaths, two of the victims being children, represent the effects of the intense heat.

Prostrations.
Baltimore, Md., July 2.—To-day was the warmest recorded in this city during the present summer. The thermometer registered 94 degrees in the shade at 2 p. m. There were several prostrations from the heat.

SECOND DAY OF CELEBRATION.

Horse Races, Bicycle Meet and Baseball at Vancouver.

Vancouver, July 2.—There was a fair attendance at the Hastings track to-day. The track was fast and the racing was good. In the hand race, Red Tom pace, two in three, Glangary Patchin won in four-one-two-one. Red Tom second in two-two-one-two; Bamford Boy third, in 2:44.3. Best time, 2:39. Red Tom was fined \$25 for pulling. Storm Junior drawn fourth heat.

Four and a half furlongs, British Columbia horses: Bellaria 1st, Karabel 2nd, Mafada and Madrone 3rd. Time, 60.

Seven furlongs: Belmont 1st, Idaho Chief 2nd, Bernadillo 3rd. Time, 1:35.

Five furlongs: Ellis Green 1st, Miss Diddie 2nd, Mafada 3rd. Time, 1:06.

Pony race, half mile: Bessie Trent 1st, Little Bessie 2nd, Steepy Dan 3rd. Time, 56.

Vancover again defeated Whatecom at ball to-day by a score of 5 to 2.

Enormous crowds visited the bicycle championship meet. There was no fast going owing to the heavy track. The race were well handled. Morton, the Toronto champion, captured the principal events. He won the one-mile championship of Canada against Wm. Todd, S. Archie, M. Bell and K. V. Martin. The race was second. The time was 2:41 2/5. Morton also won the half mile championship with Bell a close second; time, 1:15 2/5. In the quarter-mile open, however, Morton lost to Martin, the latter winning in 34 seconds; time, 1:28 2/5. The novice was won by Willhard Hooper second, Jeffs third; in 2:54 2/5. In the one mile open professional, Boloid won, Hill second; time, 2:38 2/5. In the quarter-mile handicap, Morton was first and Willard 25 yards second.

King Edward's Telegram

To Serbia's Ruler Does Not Change Relations Between Two Countries.

Belgrade, July 2.—The King of England has replied in courteous terms to King Peter's notification of his accession to the throne, wishing him a prosperous reign and hoping it will bring peace and order and justice to the country. King Edward's reply has caused the most gratification here. King Edward also expressed the hope that King Peter would be able to re-establish the good name and renown of the people of Serbia, compromised by the recent tragic events.

No Change.

London, July 2.—It is officially stated in London that King Edward's telegram to King Peter does not change Great Britain's attitude towards Serbia, and it is added that diplomatic relations between the two countries will not be immediately resumed.

PREFERENTIAL TARIFF.

Lord Rosebery Asks For Further Information Regarding Cabinet's Plans.

London, July 2.—Lord Rosebery, in the House of Lords this afternoon, renewed the debate on the preferential tariff proposition, making a further request for information regarding the cabinet's plans. In the course of a long speech, he ridiculed Colonial Secretary Chamberlain's programme, and said he did not believe the government intended to prosecute any inquiry into the matter. The allegations that such an inquiry was being made, said Lord Rosebery, was merely a cloak to screen the irreconcilable differences between the Colonial Secretary and the other members of the cabinet, and he demanded to know whether the inquiry would be definite and organized, whether it would be individual or collective, and whether the results would be published.

FUND FOR CHAMBERLAIN.

Large Sum Said to Have Been Subscribed to Assist Colonial Secretary in His Campaign.

Montreal, July 4.—A special cable from London to-day says that it is now stated in England that Mr. Chamberlain is in command of a big election fund, which has been subscribed to pay the expenses of candidates advocating his plan at the coming general election. It is also stated that every Unionist free trader will be opposed by a Chamberlainite, which the Spectator calls "an inappreciable piece of political lunacy." This fund is said to have been subscribed largely by capitalists and traders in opposition to the Canadian and Scotch Unionists, who expect to reap themselves profits earned under the preferential tariff system.

CUNARD LINE WITHDRAWS.

From the North Atlantic Shipping Combine—No Changes in Rates.

New York, July 2.—The Cunard Steamship Company withdrawal from the North Atlantic combine went into effect to-day; the 14-days' notice of intention having expired. At the offices of the company here it was said that no orders had been received to make any change in the rates, either freight or passenger.

ARRANGEMENT WITH GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC

How Section to the Coast Will Be Constructed—Details Now Made Public.

Ottawa, July 3.—Details of the agreement between the Grand Trunk Pacific and the government for the building of a trans-continental line are as follows: The government will build the road from Montreal to Winnipeg, and it will be leased for fifty years by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company. The company will only pay operating expenses for the first five years, the next five years it will pay the net over working expenses, but not to exceed 3 per cent, and will pay 3 per cent. the balance of the time.

From Winnipeg to the Pacific the government is to guarantee 3 per cent. bonds to the extent of 75 per cent. of the cost, but the maximum amount to be guaranteed is \$13,000 per mile, and the mountain section not to exceed \$30,000 per mile. On the bonds the company will pay 3 per cent. interest from the date of issue. As the government is building part of the road the capital stock of the company will be reduced from \$75,000,000 to \$45,000,000. \$25,000,000 preference and \$20,000,000 common stock, the latter to be owned and controlled by the Grand Trunk Company of Canada, which will be interested in this way. Running powers are to be given to other railways from Montreal to Winnipeg. The government section will be built by commission. The arrangement is regarded here as an excellent one.

FIRE AT LETHBRIDGE.

Hardware and Furniture Warehouse Destroyed—General Manager McNeill at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, July 2.—J. Rodie and Staffords' hardware and furniture warehouse at Lethbridge, was destroyed by fire yesterday.

General Manager McNeill, of the C. P. R., arrived from a Western trip of inspection with Supt. Leonard to-day.

Afonso Menagh, the young burglar who escaped from custody at Cleary on Tuesday, was arrested at Rat Portage while en route East.

GERMANY AND CANADA.

An Interview With Sir Wilfrid Laurier on Present Dispute.

Montreal, July 2.—The Star's London cable says: "Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in an interview granted to the Montreal correspondent of the Frankfurter Zeitung, on Tuesday, declared emphatically that the initiative towards a settlement of existing differences must come from Germany." "His advances contain an understanding," Sir Wilfrid declared, "had hitherto emanated from Canada. The Dominion authorities, though their readiness to accept any reasonable agreement was unhesitatingly determined, were not to move another finger in the matter."

BUILDING MAY CEASE.

Action of Vancouver Sawmills Is Likely to Result in Cessation of Operations.

Vancouver, July 3.—Unexpected action was to-day taken by all Vancouver sawmills which threatens to tie up building operations for the season. The mills issued a notice to-day that no more lumber of any kind would be sold to anyone in Vancouver until further notice.

A month ago all bench carpenters working in the mill, sash and door factories went on strike for a nine-hour day instead of ten. Now the mills object to the city contractors hiring these strikers on buildings, and for other reasons won't sell another stick of lumber until the workers are coerced to return to work. Buildings will start to be tied up tomorrow, as the contractors have no lumber on hand. Foreign shipments will continue as usual, unless other mill workers go out in retaliation.

The timber market is in a bad way, and there is no sale to-day for logs at less than two-thirds the price of a month ago.

COMOX LIBERALS.

Form an Association and Elect Their Officers.

Cumberland, July 2.—More than half of the farmers in the Comox valley turned out last night to organize a Liberal association. W. Sloan gave an address on the principles of Liberalism. The following officers were then elected: President, J. A. Halliday; treasurer, Walter McPhee; executive committee, Jas. Bennett, Hornby Island; J. Millan, Denman Island; Hugh Clark, J. B. Holmes and Alex. Salmon. A delegation from the Cumberland association was present to arrange for the calling of a convention and the adoption of a local platform. A joint meeting of the Comox and Cumberland executives will be held on Monday evening.

GOLFERS FROM ENGLAND.

Chicago, July 3.—Definite arrangements for a visit from the team of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society have been made at a meeting of the directors of the Western Golf Association. The visitors will play their first local match on the links of the Chicago club at Wheaton, meeting a team chosen from the best players in the Western Golf Association. On August 15th the Britishers will meet an all-Chicago team.

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TURBINE WARSHIP.

Work of Constructing Boat For United States Navy Delayed.

Washington, July 2.—The preparation of plans for warship of the turbine class designed to be the swiftest large vessel in the American navy, and to be used as a scout, has been suspended temporarily, owing to the discovery that in the calculation of the expected increase in the size of the turbine in much more rapid than the increase in power, which is a reversal of the ordinary practice of mechanics, and that the turbine required would take up far more space than is available under any proposed design. Although active plans have ceased for the time being, the project has not been abandoned. The provision for successively reversing the turbine shaft has been met by the navy engineers through the combination of an English turbine for the forward motion and an American turbine to back the ship.

NAVAL DEMONSTRATION

To Be Made in Chinese Waters by Japanese Warships.

Yokohama, July 2.—It is rumored here that the Japanese naval manoeuvres off the island of Mutsu, Po, south of Korea, will be followed by a Japanese demonstration in Chinese waters.

Paid in Silver.

Pekin, July 2.—The bankers' commission has informed the ministers that the semi-annual installment of the Chinese indemnity has been paid in silver at Shanghai, and received under the usual protest on account of being tendered a total rate 22 cents below the current exchange. This has increased the satisfaction at Chinese contempt of the protocol, and her repudiation of advice given by the most competent foreigners here, that she should sign the gold bonds and depend afterwards on the generosity of the powers for relief for the decline in silver.

EXPLOSION FOLLOWED FIRE.

Station of Gorge Railroad at Niagara Destroyed.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., July 2.—About 8 o'clock this evening Miss Lydia Upper, in charge of the Whirlpool station of the Gorge railroad, under the lower steel arch bridge, found that the station was afire. She grabbed the books and money and ran. She was not 75 feet away when an explosion blew the station to pieces. The fire department had great trouble in running the hose to the scene, and the station was burned to the ground. It is supposed that dynamite stored in the building exploded. The bed of the road was torn up for some distance, and the cables had fallen. Wrecking gangs worked hard, and by midnight one track could be used. Cars, filled with tourists and electrical engineers, which had been stalled here, were brought to this city. The damage to the Gorge railroad will be very heavy. It is said Miss Upper had noticed a stranger suspiciously loitering about the building just before the fire. He is supposed to have started the fire. The wrecking gangs hope to have both tracks in order tomorrow. The jar of the explosion was terrific. Debris and rocks were thrown a considerable distance. At the north end of the city buildings were shaken and chimneys toppled. Panes of glass were broken. Miss Upper, while trying to escape, came through the affair without serious injury. Her escape was remarkable.

ATTEMPTED TO ASCEND MOUNT BIANCO—RELIEF PARTY MAY REACH THEM TOMORROW.

Chamonix, Switzerland, July 3.—A relief party sent to search for seven students of the Geneva university, who have been missing since last Saturday, when they started on an excursion of Mount Blanc, has sighted four of the missing students, who were seen making signals of distress on the Dome du Goûter, 14,900 feet high. It is hoped to rescue them tomorrow. The whereabouts of the other climbers is unknown.

BOUNDARY DISPUTE.

The British Counter Case Has Been Completed.

Toronto, July 2.—The News's London cable says: "The British counter case on the Alaskan boundary dispute has been completed, and will be deposited at the American embassy to-morrow. Next proceeding will be preparation of written argument to be read before the tribunal. This must be filed by September 3rd. 'F. C. Wade, K. C., who is in charge of the preparation of arguments since the 14th, returned to Canada, and W. F. King, another of the Canadian counsel, are moving their quarters to the foreign office."

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Heat claimed many victims at Chicago yesterday. Two deaths and nine-tenths prostrations were reported. The temperature reached ninety degrees.

A cloudburst and tornado swept over the country between San Antonio and Corpus Christi, Texas, on Thursday. Eleven persons are known to have lost their lives near Petrus.

A Bucharest, Roumania, telegram says: "The Balkan frontiers have been overthrown the Pruth, Sereth and other rivers in Moldavia. Several fatalities have occurred and thousands of acres of wheat and maize have been destroyed."

APPEAL FOR PROTECTION.

If Petition to Congress and President Fail It Will Be Carried to Nations.

Springfield, Ohio, July 3.—At a meeting of the National Anti-Mob and Lynch League Association, just held here, it was decided to petition congress and the President for some legislation for the protection of the negroes of the country from the lynchings and slave drivers. If the rulers of the United States fail to remedy the evils which exist they will appeal to the Christian nations of Europe.

A NEW REPUBLIC

To Be Formed by the Venezuelan Rebel Leaders.

New York, July 2.—News has been received from Trinidad that at a meeting held there by the principal Venezuelan rebel leaders, Gen. Nicolas Boland was elected unanimously to succeed Gen. Mateo, chief of the revolutionaries. It was also decided to found a new republic to be called "The Republic of Guayana," comprising all the eastern section of Venezuela now in the hands of the rebels. This extends from the Gulf of Paria to the river Orinoco and includes the Arich Orinoco territory. The proposal is to make Gen. Boland president of the new republic. It is said English capitalists are interested in this programme.

GRAIN FIRES.

Much Damage Has Already Been Done in Various Parts of California.

San Francisco, July 3.—Grain fires are raging in the Sacramento and Stockton districts. In Yolo county an area of six by four miles has been burned over. On Union Island barley worth \$350,000 was destroyed. Reports of forest and grain fires are coming in from other sections of the state.

SUIT FOR TWO MILLION.

Action to Recover Value of Timber Alleged to Have Been Unlawfully Cut.

Butte, Mont., July 3.—The United States government has instituted suit in the Federal court at Butte against the Anaconda Copper Company, the latter Root Development, the Marcus Daly estate, William Scallan and others for \$2,000,000, being the value of timber alleged to have been cut unlawfully from the public domain in the western part of Montana.

STUDENTS IN DISTRESS.

Attempted to Ascend Mount Bianco—Relief Party May Reach Them Tomorrow.

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SEAMAN DROWNED.

C. B. Olsen, Who Was at Work on Bowsprit of Columbia, Washed Away.

Newport, R. I., July 2.—For the first time in the history of races between American 90-footers, a fatal accident occurred to-day. Carl B. Olsen, a seaman of the old cup defender, was washed from the bowsprit just before the yacht reached the first turn in to-day's race, and was drowned. The two other men who were out on the bowsprit, Olsen snapping the big jib tropsal, were washed inboard by the same sea that swept Olsen away. Both managed to get another hold upon the bowsprit, and were quickly pulled on deck by the crew. When the Columbia lifted from the big wave into which she had plunged, Olsen was seen almost under the stem, clinging to the bowsprit, but before assistance could be given, the sloop dipped into another great comb, and he was not seen after. Search was made for Olsen without success, and out of respect for the dead man Mr. Morgan withdrew from the race.

TWO LIVES LOST.

Dallas, Texas, July 2.—A dispatch from Austin, Texas, says: "Mearge telephone advices from Beville says a cloudburst occurred there to-day, and that two lives were lost. Washouts are reported on the Arkansas railway. All wires are down to Beville."

JEALOUSY IN THE SHIPPING COMBINE

CHANGES ARE TO BE MADE IN MANAGEMENT

So Far It Has Not Been All Smooth Sailing—Several Instances of Clash of Authority.

New York, July 3.—While no official information is available in regard to the discussion at the recent joint meetings in this city of the American and English directors of the Morgan Steamship Trust, some of the details have become known, says the Journal of Commerce, and this indicates that important changes in the management are under consideration, and will be gradually worked out.

The matters discussed naturally hinged on receipts and expenses, with the object of discovering how the receipts can be increased and the expenses curtailed.

In the matter of receipts the relative popularity of the various lines in the service was weighed, and it was agreed that the necessity existed for increasing the popularity of all backward divisions of the service. On this line the discussion led to the undoubted jealousy that seems to exist on both sides of the water between the men of the enormous rival lines. It appears also that in several instances there has been a clash of authority. The leading financial interests of the company are said to favor policies of the absolute general management in the hands of some practical steamship man, who shall have demonstrated his ability in this direction, and who has the time and inclination to devote his entire services to the work of the company.

ARRIVAL FROM NOME.

Steamer Roanoke Has Reached Seattle With \$50,000 in Gold.

Seattle, July 3.—The steamship Roanoke arrived from Nome last night, bringing \$50,000 in gold and several passengers. This makes the third arrival from Nome within 24 hours.

BRIEF FIGHT.

Herrera Won in Two Minutes and Ten Seconds at Salt Lake.

Salt Lake, Utah, July 3.—It took Aurelio Herrera, of California, just three punches and two minutes and 10 seconds last night to dispose of a fighter who claimed to be Jack Downey, the Brooklyn featherweight. Downey was knocked down after a minute's fighting, and was sent down again. The third time Herrera knocked Downey down, the latter was out for 30 minutes.

MILNER'S SPEECH.

At Opening of the Intercolonial Council—Financial Situation Reassuring.

Johannesburg, South Africa, July 3.—The intercolonial council opened here, Lord Milner, in his inaugural address, said the financial situation was reassuring. Though rapid expansion was probable in the near future, steady progress was certain. He disclaimed any intention of forcing federation, but he remarked it would come, though he did not expect it for some time.

"PASSIVE RESISTANCE."

Two American Taxpayers Refuse to Pay the Education Rate.

London, July 2.—The first foreigners to join the "Passive Resistance" movement against the Education Act are two American taxpayers living at Wimbledon, Rev. F. Farquhar, formerly a pastor of Portland, Oregon, and E. P. Gaston, who at one time lived in Chicago. They have both refused to pay the education rate, and consequently their household will be seized and sold at auction to satisfy his claims for a few shillings.

HON. H. T. DUFFY DEAD.

Provincial Treasurer of Quebec Passed Away Suddenly.

Quebec, July 3.—Hon. H. T. Duffy, provincial treasurer, died at 3 o'clock this afternoon from a stroke of apoplexy.

Hon. H. T. Duffy was born in the township of Durland, Quebec, on May 23rd, 1852. He was educated at public schools and St. Francois College at Richmond. He was admitted to practice law in 1879. He held the portfolio of public works in the Marchand government. He was a Liberal.

TREATMENT OF JEWS.

The Czar Alone Can Decide Whether Petition From the States Will Be Received.

St. Petersburg, July 3.—President Roosevelt's decision to forward to the Russian government the petition in behalf of the Russian Jews is not published here. The foreign office has made the following statement: "The czar alone can decide whether the petition will be received, but Alexander III, would have never received such a petition. The petition from the Guild Hall meeting, called by the Lord Mayor of London in 1891, was returned through the foreign office as being inconsistent. The foreign office hopes the Americans will not invite such a slight. They would resent an anti-lynching petition. His foreign office has no special interest in the question except a desire that international relations remain unharmed, since the matter is purely domestic and belongs to another ministerial department."

THE PILGRIMAGE TO THE CAPITAL

IS OBJECT TO SECURE FUNDS FOR ELECTION?

British Columbia Members Have Matters Affecting the Province Well in Hand.

Ottawa, July 4.—A Liberal representative from British Columbia when asked about the mission of Messrs. Wilson and Green, who are reported en route to Ottawa, said they were no doubt taking a holiday trip at the expense of the province. Incidentally they would try and find a cry to use in the election. The representatives from British Columbia in the Dominion parliament are fully informed on all questions relating to their province, and at the present moment have them well in hand. The 'pretence hands' of Messrs. Wilson and Green will only injure the matter, but probably the visit to Ottawa is only a bling to cover up negotiations to be carried on in another city for funds to run the election. In any case they are not travelling for their health.

Charter Granted.

At the railway committee yesterday a charter was granted to the Brandon, Saskatchewan & Hudson Bay Railway Company for a road from the international boundary to Brandon on through the Saskatchewan district to Fort Churchill on Hudson Bay.

Immigration Returns.

Immigration returns for the year ending June 30th last shows 124,655 arrivals, a marvelous growth, being 57 per cent over last year. By nationalities the arrivals were: United States, 44,980; British Isles, 41,287, and Continental Europe, 21,388. The homestead entries for the year were 31,345, an increase over last year of 16,710. In 1896 the entries were 1,857.

Grand Trunk Pacific.

The last touches to the Grand Trunk Pacific agreement with the Canadian government re the proposed transcontinental railway will be made at to-day's cabinet. The proposition will be submitted to the Liberal caucus on Tuesday next. At last night's meeting between the members of the government and the representatives from the Grand Trunk works in the Merchant government. He was a Liberal.

Shipments to Crofton.

Large Amount of Ore Received at Smelter Last Month—To How in Monday.

Crofton, July 1.—Shipments to Crofton smelter for the month of June were approximately as follows: From Marble Bay, Texas, 1,800 tons; from Lone Pine, 146 public, 970 tons; from Trade Dollar, Republic, 45 tons; from Ontario, 100 tons; from Quebec, 122 tons; from Bestway, Upper Sicker, 3,090 tons; from Bestway, Lower Mountain, Prince of Wales Island, 130 tons; from Van Anon, Texas, 50 tons.

There is now in the neighborhood of 700 tons of coke on hand, and shipments are expected regularly. The smelter will blow in again on Monday next, and the sample mill, which has not been running for a few days while undergoing repairs, starts again Thursday morning.

Many of the residents took advantage of the holiday to-day to take in the sports and shows at Duncan's.

Lake Yarrow Copper Co. will shortly resume regular shipments from their mine at Quartzine.

BOER FARMERS.

Many Are Anxious to Emigrate to Canada—Palm—Trophy Contest.

Toronto, July 3.—The News's London cable says: "The representative of a number of Boer farmers called at the Canadian immigration offices, and said that many Boers in the Transvaal feel their defeat and present position so keenly that they are anxious to emigrate to Canada, if assured of a welcoming there. He was assured on that point and will return to South Africa loaded with emigration literature.

"The Palma trophy competitors will be lined after the contest at the Trocadero. The Duke of Cambridge is expected to preside and King Edward is expected to be present. The trophy will be shot for on the 13th instant at Biscay. A great many people are anxious to see the Canadian team win.

"Justice Armour is gradually getting weaker, and is not expected to live long. He is perfectly resigned and has made all arrangements of his affairs. He expressed the desire to his wife to be buried at Cobourg."