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DRAWING BACK ON ARBITRATION

Peace Conference Committee Adopts Somewhat Colorless Resolution

SOME DELEGATES ABSTAIN

Mr. Choate's Speech in Explanation of United States' Attitude

The Hague, Oct. 11.—The following is the text of the declaration drafted by Count Tornielli (Italy) in accord with the leading delegates to the peace conference:

"The conference unanimously favors:

"First—The principle of obligatory arbitration.

"Second—That certain differences, especially those regarding the interpretation and application of conventional clauses, are susceptible to being submitted to obligatory arbitration without restriction. The conference unanimously proclaims that while a convention on the subject was not concluded, the differences of opinion had more of a judicial character, as all the states of the world in working together for four months not only learned to know each other better by getting together, but developed during this long collaboration high ideals for the common welfare."

After a long debate the arbitration committee adopted Count Tornielli's declaration, which was accepted by all the delegates, except those of the United States, Japan, Hayti and Turkey, who abstained from voting.

Jos. H. Choate, the American delegate, made a strong speech, in which he explained the abstention of the American delegation. He was frequently interrupted by applause. Mr. Choate declared that nothing had shaken his belief that the international bureau to act as a chancellery of the court of arbitration of 1899 should be instituted as soon as nine powers adhered to the proposal, so that the project of obligatory arbitration should take a more concrete form than was given in the resolution today. Mr. Choate said that although the immediate results of the recent conference were [illegible] he had always hoped the conference would make the position reached at the preceding conference its point of departure, so that by successive steps results ultimately would be obtained that in the beginning had appeared quite impossible. He continued: "In the matter under discussion we carried the business as far as our instructions permitted, namely, if no agreement was reached it would be better to lay the subject aside or refer it to some future conference in the hope that intermediate consideration might dispose of the objections. We regard the present resolution as a very decided and serious retreat from the advanced position in favor of obligatory arbitration which the committee already has reached, and one which in our judgment cannot but retard the imperial progress of the cause of arbitration in general. Therefore, we cannot conscientiously vote on this resolution, and I am instructed by the American delegation to abstain from voting."

It was much commented upon that contrary to the fears that had been expressed, the United States did nothing to induce the Latin American delegates to follow her in her course today. On this subject Mr. Choate said: "We take care of ourselves. We are neither the guardians nor the patrons of Latin America." It was also noticed that Mr. Choate merely abstained from voting, while he might well have defeated his opponents by voting against the resolution. This course would have robbed it of unanimity.

It is expected that Dr. Drago, Argentina, will propose as the last decision of the conference the following: "The conference expresses the wish that the governments should consider the encouragement of friendly feelings among their respective peoples as a duty to be carried out with the resources of the state, arbitration and international hospitality and other like methods."

MISS MALONEY'S ADVENTURES

Curious Statement in Regard to Alleged Osborne Marriage

New York, Oct. 12.—It was learned today that Clarence B. Ritchie and Mrs. Ritchie, sister of Miss Helen Maloney, who is supposed to have eloped with Samuel Clarkson, are in London endeavoring to locate the couple.

W. J. Fanning, counsel for Martin Maloney, father of the missing girl, said today that Arthur H. Osborne, who says he was married to Miss Maloney two years ago, called on him yesterday.

"The story of the marriage he told me was substantially as has been published," said Mr. Fanning. "I have only his word for it, however, as he had no marriage certificate with him. From what I know of Helen, I am inclined to believe she considered the Osborne marriage more in the nature of a lark than anything else. She has been reared strictly in the Catholic faith and, therefore, a marriage by a justice of the peace would not be regarded by her as binding. She evidently did not think the matter of sufficient importance at least to mention it to her family.

"Osborne's calls at the home of Miss Maloney had been infrequent since the time of the alleged marriage, and she had seen little of him."

Fatal Boiler Explosion

Ronalds, Ga., Oct. 12.—Three trainmen were killed and much property damaged today by the explosion of an engine on the Central of Georgia railroad standing near the station here.

KILLED BY HIS BROTHER

Young Lad Victim of a Gun Accident Near Battleford

North Battleford, Sask., Oct. 12.—A tragedy marred the hunting season, when Bert Hunter, aged 15, accidentally shot and killed his brother Frank, 12 years old. The boys lived with their parents about ten miles north of town. Frank and Bert had been out hunting chickens, and were returning home when the accident happened. They were walking down a steep grade close to their home, Bert ahead carrying the gun over his arm, his brother following closely. Suddenly, for some cause not yet learned, the gun went off. The full charge struck Frank in the forehead, terribly mutilating him. Bert looked around and at the terrible sight, ran screaming to the house of Mr. York, a neighbor. Meanwhile, the boy's father, hearing the screams, ran to the spot. He picked up the dead body of his son and carried it to the house.

Only the Barrels

New York, Oct. 12.—An announcement published today that the price of refined oil for export has been advanced 30 cents per barrel is not entirely correct, according to the Standard Oil company. There has been no advance in the oil since last June, the company says, but there was an advance yesterday of about 15 cents in the price of empty barrels because of the increased cost of cooperage.

Fire in San Jose

San Jose, Cal., Oct. 12.—A fire which broke out in the Arcade drygoods store on Fernandino street last night destroyed the building. The loss is more than $300,000.

CHARGE OF THEFT AGAINST BUTCHERS

Stealing of Cattle in Carberry District Finally Leads to Arrests

Carberry, Man., Oct. 12.—On information sworn out by James Cuddy of this place, charging them with the theft of a steer, D. Wright and E. Campbell, carrying on a butcher business in town under the style of Wright & Campbell, were arrested yesterday afternoon. Farmers in the district tributary to Carberry for some months past have been missing cattle, [illegible] and variety, and the climax came when Mr. Cuddy, through the services of a detective, found the hide of one of his animals at a Winnipeg warehouse. Upon finding out that the skin had been sent by Wright & Campbell the crown authorities were notified, with the above result. Mr. Wright protests his innocence, and in support of it he states that he has not been in the country for cattle during the past two months, and declares that he will have no difficulty in clearing himself from the charge. Police Magistrate Dickie refused to grant bail on account of the seriousness of the charge, and the fact of the same having been laid by the crown. The case for the prosecution is in the hands of Crown Prosecutor Matheson.

LUMBER TRADE DULL

East Kootenay Operator Reports Closing of Mills

Winnipeg, Oct. 12.—A. Leitch, a pioneer of lumbering in the Cranbrook district and managing director of the East Kootenay Lumber company, is in Winnipeg. He says: "Only one of the company's three mills is running, the other two having been closed. We are operating the mill at Cranbrook. Seventy-five per cent of the mills in the district are not working, and not more than 30 per cent of the logging done last winter will be done this. Wages are getting easier, and unless labor is absorbed in some other direction they will inevitably fall. Many men have obtained employment at railway work. Cranbrook is not yet suffering very much, but, as it depends, in a measure, on the lumber industry, it will, of course, experience some slight depression.

"I look forward to a revival of trade next spring," he continued. "The mills have large stocks, and they don't want to increase them. But when the crop is marketed and money moves freely again there will be more work for the lumber industry."

METHODIST MISSIONS

Arrangements Made For Extension of Work in the West

Winnipeg, Oct., 12.—Dr. Woodsworth, Superintendant of Western Missions of the Methodist church, arrived in the city after attending the annual meeting of the board of missions of the church in Toronto. Dr. Woodsworth stated that at the meeting appropriations had been passed amounting to half a million, the same being for the work of the current year for foreign and domestic missions.

The band of 33 missionaries who are to arrive in the city shortly from England for work in the west are now on the Atlantic, but will arrive here in ten days or so. They will be at once sent to fields in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, most of the positions having been already assigned.

The Ticket Agents.

Port Arthur, Oct. 12.—A large party of members of the Canadian Ticket Agents' association arrived in the city this morning. The party was divided between here and Fort William, and prominent citizens of each city provided entertainment. The party left on an afternoon special for Kakabeka Falls to view the immense waterpower plant which generates elecrical energy for both cities. They leave this evening for Winnipeg.

TWENTY-ONE LIVES LOST IN WRECK

Big Ore-Carrier Founders in Fierce Storm on Lake Superior

ONLY ONE MAN SURVIVES

Lost Steamer is the Cypress, of Buffalo, Wrecked on Second Trip

Sault Ste Marie, Mich., Oct. 12.—The steel steamer Cypress, owned by the Lackawanna Transportation Company, and carrying a cargo of ore, was wrecked last night in Lake Superior off Deer Park, about thirty miles from Grand Marais, and all of the crew of 22 excepting the second mate were lost. The latter was washed ashore near Deer Park lashed to a raft. Two bodies have been washed ashore at Deer Park.

The Cypress was a new boat, 440 feet long, with a capacity of 7,500 tons. She had made but one trip to the head of the lakes, and was bound down on her second trip. It is believed that her machinery must have met with an accident.

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 12.—The last payroll of the steamer Cypress was aboard the boat, and probably lost. This alone can give the names of the members of the crew, according to the officials of the Lackawanna Transportation Company the September payroll gives little information, as there are usually many changes on lake vessels between trips, especially among the firemen and deckhands.

The captain was F. B. Buck, of Sheridan, N. Y.; first mate, John Smith, of Cleveland; second mate, J. C. Pitts; engineer, J. J. Norcross, of Towanada, New York; cooks, W. M. Dundon and wife.

The Cypress was loaded with iron ore and bound for Buffalo. She left Superior, Wisconsin, at 9 o'clock Thursday. The officials of the Lakawanna Transportation Company have received no details of the wreck other than are told in the press despatches.

Sault Ste Marie, Mich., Oct. 12.—A bulletin from Deer Park station says that the Cypress foundered on Friday evening at 7.45 o'clock, 12 miles north of the station, and that the dead bodies washed ashore were those of the first mate and watchman.

Detroit, Oct. 12.—A despatch to the Journal from Grand Marais reports that the Cypress was lost last night in Lake Superior off Deer Park. One survivor was washed ashore lashed to a life raft, and is now in a critical condition. He was just able to tell that he was the sole survivor of 22 persons on the boat. A furious northeast gale prevailed on Lake Superior last night.

TAINTED MONEY FOR MISSIONS

Missionary Board of Disciples of Christ Deals With Gift From Rockefeller

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 12.—Thomas W. Phillips, a wealthy oil and gas magnate, and former member of congress for western Pennsylvania, today made an unsuccessful attempt to have the Foreign Christian Missionary Board of America, connected with the "Disciples of Christ," return $25,000 given by John D. Rockefeller, on the ground that it was "tainted" money. The money was accepted with a clause providing that no more be solicited from the same source.

Gift to Victoria University

Toronto, Oct. 12.—Another prominent business man in Hamilton, whose name is withheld, has given $50,000 to Victoria university, which will enable that institution to take advantage of Andrew Carnegie's offer of an equal sum for a library building, the conditions being that the university should collect the same amount for a building endowment. Alumni of Victoria had subscribed about $7,000 as a nucleus for endowment, but owing to the generosity of the Hamilton gentleman this sum will be available for furnishings.

Train Despatcher's Fault

Manchester, N. H., Oct., 12.—The fatal mistake as a result of which 26 lives were lost and 20 persons seriously injured in a head-on collision between a freight and a passenger train on the Boston and Maine railroad at Canaan, N. H., on Sept., 15, originated in the office of the train despatcher at Concord, according to the report of the state board of railroad officials disclosed that the error lay between James A. Brownley, train despatcher at Concord and John S. Greeley, telegraph operator at Canaan. The report exonerates Greeley from blame, but no recommendation is made with reference to the train despatcher.

Fatal Train Collision

Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 12.—In a collision between a Louisville & Nashville freight train and a Frisco newspaper train at Pratt City, Ala., this morning, one man was killed and eight injured. Pullman Conductor B. C. Smith, of Birmingham, was instantly killed, and among the injured are E. T. Wilcox, general freight agent of the Frisco, and Wm. M. Goldsmith, of Rochester, N. Y. The injured were in the Pullman car.

PLEADED GUILTY

Forger Who Operated at Orangeville Remanded for Sentence.

Orangeville, Ont., Oct. 12.—William Hanlon, arrested a week ago at Schomberg, and brought here for trial on charges of obtaining money by forgery and false pretenses, pleaded guilty before Magistrate Patullo yesterday afternoon and was remanded for sentence until October 19. The charges were of obtaining $100 and $200 from the Orangeville branches of the Sterling bank and the Bank of Commerce, respectively, but the managers of the Metropolitan bank and the Bank of Commerce at Guelph charged him with swindling their branches in that town out of about $1,200 by forging cheques. Hanlon operated in Guelph under the name of John Gilles, a wealthy farmer residing about three miles out of Orangeville.

Case of the Pressmen

Cincinnati, Oct. 12.—After a hearing on the petition for a permanent injunction against the International Printing Pressmen's and Assistants' Union of America, which was charged by the United Typothetae with violation of an agreement made in January in demanding an 8-hour day, United States Judge Thompson today said he would give his decision on Monday.

Death of Bishop Kingdon

Fredericton, Oct. 12.—After lingering illness, Rt. Rev. Hollingsworth Kingdon, D.D., Church of England bishop of the diocese of Fredericton, died here last night, aged 72 years. My the death of Bishop Kingdon, Rt. Rev. John A. Richardson, a graduate of St. John's college, Winnipeg, who has been co-adjutor bishop for two years, succeeds him.

MORE CLAIMS ON YORK LOAN ASSETS

Damages Are Wanted by Employees Who Lost Their Situations

Toronto, Oct. 11.—Damage claims from the thousand or more ex-employees of the York County Loan and Savings company, who were suddenly thrown out of employment when the company went into liquidation on Dec. 16, 1905, is the latest bomb to be thrown among the "ordinary" shareholders, who were anxiously waiting to know what [illegible] of the blue-ribbon investment [illegible] of the assets.

W. J. Tremear, counsel for the employees, gave a hint of this big claim today, during the proceedings before Referee George Kappele, who is trying to straighten out the troubled skein of the company's affairs. Mr. Tremear also presented a list of bonuses special and commissions due agents, superintendents, inspectors, clerks and other employees of the company, amounting in all to $16,589.20.

Mr. Tremear also presented a list of wages due office employees and amounts contributed by them to the salary contingent fund to December 16, 1905, amounting to $91,266.

Old Pensioner Killed

Port Hope, Oct. 12.—David Sullivan, aged 76 years, a pensioner of the British army and residing in Toronto, fell off a Grand Trunk passenger train near Newtonville yesterday while stepping from one car to another, and in walking back to the station was struck by a freight train and received fatal injuries. When found he was still alive, but died before medical aid arrived.

Big Blaze in New York

New York, Oct. 12.—Fire of unknown origin, against which firemen from thirteen engine companies battled, early today destroyed a six story brick factory building on Grand street, causing a loss of over $200,000. Hundreds of families were driven from surrounding tenements in a pouring rain, and were not permitted to return to their homes until 5 this morning. Several firemen were overcome. A watchman lost his way in the smoke, and was rescued from the third floor.

Brandon College Opened.

Brandon, Man., Oct. 12.—The formal opening of Brandon college was held last night in the Baptist church, when a very large number of citizens were present. Dr. McDiarmid, the principal, in his opening remarks congratulated the large body of students for entering a hall of learning. He pointed out to the professors the importance of their duties, and announced that the college endowment fund had recently been increased by $50,000. He next introduced the new members of the faculty.

CURING CANCER.

Electrical Process Used With Success In France.

Paris, Oct. 12.—Dr. Keating Hart, of Marseilles, gave a practical demonstration here yesterday of the new electro-surgical cure for cancer, which up to the present time has secured most wonderful results. The system consists of applying in a special manner high tension intermittent sparks to the cancerous growth. These are softened by the electricity, and their cutting out is made most easy. At the same time, the electricity causes the wound to heal with magical rapidity, kills all pain, and prevents a recurrence of the growths. This electrical process, which has been named "Fulguration," can be applied also to cancer in the head, where operations are impossible. Its application causes the growth to disappear gradually and puts a stop to the dreadful pains that accompany cancer. Professor Samuel Pozi and a number of other eminent French surgeons, as well as several of the foreign delegates to the surgical congress now in session here, witnessed the demonstration of yesterday and declared it to be of the greatest value.

NEW PROPERTY PROMISES WELL

Good Ore Found in the Idaho Claim, Now Operated at Rossland

FIND SEVERAL PAY SHOOTS

Ore Production of the Kootenay and Boundary Mines for Past Week

Rossland, Oct. 12.—The Idaho mine, which was acquired several months since by the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co., is turning out well, although development has been in progress for only a short time. In the shaft, which has reached a depth of 60 feet, is found an excellent grade of shipping ore. The stripping of the ledge on the surface has also disclosed pay shoots, while ore has been found of good grade in the levels run into the Idaho from the workings of the Centre Star.

Following are the shipments for the week: Centre Star, 3,740; Le Roi, 1,610; Le Roi No. 2, 525; White Bear, 35; total for week, 5,910; and for the year, 210,607 tons.

Trail smelter receipts were 7,126 tons during the week, while Northport smelter received 1,610 tons in the same period.

Nelson, Oct. 12.—Following are the ore shipments and smelter receipts in southeastern British Columbia districts for the past week and the year to date, in tons:

Shipments—Boundary, 34,204 and 983,633; Rossland, 6,384 and 211,582; east of Columbia river, 2,603 and 113,493; total, 43,011 and 1,308,718.

Smelter Receipts—Grand Forks, 21,022 and 524,694; Greenwood, 6,659 and 268,390; Boundary Falls, 4,176 and 155,209; Trail, 7,126 and 191,314; Nelson, none and 11,340; Northport, 1,713 and 74,888; Marysville, 400 and 24,600; Total, 41,296 and 1,256,205.

Montreal Street Flooded

Montreal, Oct. 12.—Craig street was turned into a swift running stream shortly before midnight by a bad break in the water main. The cab comes down grade from St James street and was deposited from curb to curb, thus breaking through the wooden pavement. The sudden jolt threw the driver from his seat, and the occupant inside stretched forward and struck his head against an iron rod or brass railing, causing blood to flow. The driver was cut and stunned. The south side of Craig street from St. Peter to St. Francois Xavier was flooded on the sidewalk up to the inner edge. Street cars were stopped, and it was an hour before the water department shut off the water.

COLLECTOR LAYS DOWN NEW RULE

Department Issues Circular Regulating Autos Crossing Line

Port Townsend, Oct. 12.—In a circular to customs officers issued today Collector Harper has outlined what shall constitute the exchange of automobiles between points in this customs district and British Columbia. The rules are occasioned through confusion reported from the border in Whatcom county, where wood highways and speedways carry heavy traffic with the gasoline wagons.

Automobiles belonging to non-residents and crossing the boundary in Washington, must report at the nearest customs house. Automobiles belonging to well known persons crossing the boundary, for bona fide touring purposes of not longer than ten days' duration, may proceed after appearance at the customs house without the formality of making an entry. Owners desiring to remain longer than ten days may have their privilege extended up to three months' limit with the providing of bond.

Owners desiring to avail themselves of the privileges recited must present a certificate that they are not engaged in the automobile manufacture or sale business, and that the machine is not to be employed for any commercial purpose. Automobiles belonging to non-residents imported for exhibition, commercial or business pursuits are subject to entry and payment of duty.

Violation of any of the conditions recited subjects the machine to the penalty of seizure and forfeiture.

Americans who may be returning to the United States, bearing dutiable goods, who shall fail to report at the nearest customs house for entry, are subject to the forfeiture of their machines, as well as the goods transported.

Secretary Taft at Hongkong

Hongkong, Oct. 12.—United States Secretary of War Taft was warmly welcomed on his arrival here today. Immediately on landing he visited the governor, Sir Matthew Nathan. Secretary Taft will sail at midnight for Manila.

Propose Works at Toronto

Toronto, Oct. 12.—Mackenzie & Mann have asked the city for 350 acres of Ashbridge's marsh land in the East End. They will erect a fifteen hundred ton smelter and many other subsidiary industries, including rolling mills and car repair shops for the Canadian Northern Ontario railway.

IMPRISONED ENGINEER

Citizens of Kenora Endeavor to Have Him Released

Kenora, Oct. 12.—A petition is being circulated here by a number of the most prominent citizens, asking that George Wright, the engineer who was sent up for three months' imprisonment because of his connection with the Butler wreck of June last, be allowed out on parole. Wright was given three months on October 1, because of his neglect in running against train orders, causing the wreck, in which several Chinamen were killed. In the petition it is pointed out that Wright was a cautious engineer, sober, industrious and one of the best on the division. He was not alone in mistaking the orders, which resulted so disastrously. He has a wife and children depending on him, and the citizens feel that the ends of justice would be fully met if the parole is granted. At the trial the strongest recommendation for mercy was made. Though the petition was only started today, it already has over two hundred signatures, including the mayor and council and most of the prominent men of the city. It will be forwarded to Ottawa as soon as possible.

REGISTRAR BECK RESIGNS

Takes New Work—Arrival of Vice-President Bosworth.

Vancouver, Oct. 12.—J. A. Bosworth, fourth vice-president of the C. P. R., arrived from the East today and will go to Victoria tomorrow.

A. E. Beck, for seventeen years Supreme Court registrar here, has resigned to take a position as permanent solicitor and claims agent of the B. C. Electric company.

CLEARING ROUTE FOR E. & N. ROAD

Work at Wellington—Nanaimo Starts Yearly Catch of Herring

Nanaimo, Oct. 12.—An extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the Nanaimo Gas company was held this afternoon. Among other business transacted was the appointment of new directors to fill the vacancies caused by the deaths of W. K. Leighton and Morgan Harris and the resignation of R. J. Norris. The new directors appointed are A. H. Johnston, E. M. Yarwood and George Williams.

A new paper on this island was born today. It is the Ladysmith Standard, a semi-weekly paper published on Wednesdays and Saturdays by the Ladysmith Publishing company. Robert R. Hindmarsh, a well known citizen of Ladysmith, is manager and editor. In its editorial greetings, the manager announces that the first and chief aim will be to make the Standard a good, reputable newspaper, first place being given to city news. As regards politics, it is said the Standard will be Conservative.

C. P. R. officials who have been on the island arranging for the E. & N. extension of right of way made arrangements with settlers at Wellington to start clearing the right of way from that point. Malpass & Donner have secured the contract for clearing five miles from Wellington, and today commenced operations. As representations have been made to the officials that many white men are now out of work, none but white men will be used in clearing this section.

The first herring of the season were brought into the harbor today, two sloops running in with loads. The herring were large and fat, and several lovers of this toothsome Nanaimo delicacy were down at the wharf this morning to get a few. The herring were caught out in the gulf. This does, not, however, signify that herring are commencing to run in the harbor, as it will be several weeks in all probability before they begin to come in.

Grocers' Guild Prosecution

Hamilton, Oct. 12.—The grand jury has brought in a true bill against the Wholesale Grocers' Guild, charged with combining to restrict trade. The case will likely go to Toronto for trial.

SAYS HE IS INNOCENT

Jacob Sunfield's Story of the Killing of Radzyak at Hamilton

Hamilton, Oct. 12.—Jacob Sunfield was last night found guilty of the murder of Andrew Radzyak on July 12, and was sentenced to be hanged Nov. 29.

According to Sunfield's own story of the murder told by him at the trial yesterday afternoon, he was on intimate terms with Mrs. Radzyak from the first week he boarded in the house, and Radzyak was jealous of him and they had many fights. Sunfield had heard Mrs. Radzyak threaten to kill her husband, but never when Radzyak was within earshot.

Sunfield and other members of the family had been drinking heavily for a couple of days before the shooting. He was in the back yard on the afternoon of the shooting. He heard the shot and started towards the house and met Mrs. Radzyak coming out. She appeared excited. He went into the house and found Radzyak in a pool of blood. The man was semi-unconscious and was swearing at his wife. That was all Sunfield could remember until he found himself in the police station and was informed of the charge of murder against him.

Cross-examination failed to shake the prisoner's story.

After the jury had pronounced the verdict of guilty and the prisoner was asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed on him, he shouted out, "I'm not guilty. I'm sorry to die, you will find out that I am not guilty later on."

EMPEROR'S LIFE MAY SOON CLOSE

The Physicians Are Apparently Doubtful as to Outcome of Illness

GIVE REASSURING REPORTS

Speculation as to Possible Results of Veteran Ruler's Demise

Vienna, Oct. 12.—The condition of Emperor Francis Joseph took a turn for the worse at noon today, and at a late hour tonight the symptoms of inflammation of the lungs had increased.

Taken as a whole, the day cannot be said to have been one of progress, although the physicians who examined his majesty at ten o'clock declared that the fever had abated and that the condition of the patient was unchanged. At eleven o'clock tonight his majesty was quiet and fell asleep.

Maria Christina, the dowager queen of Spain, who is also archduchess of Austria, arrived here this evening from Madrid. All sorts of reports regarding the Emperor's condition are in circulation in this city tonight and there is considerable excitement among the people. In some quarters it is averred that his majesty is suffering from inflammation of the left lung only, and others say that the attacks of lethargy have become more frequent.

The physicians in attendance, as well as the members of his majesty's entourage, are endeavoring vainly to calm the public nervousness by assurance that the life of Francis Joseph is not seriously threatened. It is known, however, that since shortly after noon today a physician has been continuously in his majesty's room, endeavoring to ease the pain caused by the severe coughing. The condition of the patient early tonight was not so serious as it was in the morning. The fever was higher but it had abated by the time of the last examination. The patient is generally weaker than he was yesterday. He asked to be permitted to go to bed, but his physicians advised him that it would be much better if he remained seated in [illegible] and he is able to do this without pain or disturbance, the physicians hope that a turn for the better will occur soon, yet so long as the fever remains and inflammation continues they dare not predict a favorable outcome.

The Heir Apparent.

Berlin, Oct. 12.—The prevailing official opinion here is that should Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria die in the near future, the transfer of the crown to Archduke Francis Ferdinand would take place without a shock to the dual monarchy, and without controversy of moment arising between Hungary and the new sovereign.

Archduke Francis Ferdinand has shown himself in a favorable light as a man during the last two or three years. During recent months he has demonstrated that he is capable of dealing with public business. The policy of the emperor in preparation for the succession has been to push the archduke forward and take no decision of importance without the latter knowing all about the subject. It is especially true of Hungarian questions, and the Hungarian leaders have thus been brought into personal contact with the heir apparent. They found him to be a man with whom it was possible to work, and they have accustomed themselves to the idea that they ill have to get on with an emperor-king.

SUPPOSED CONVICT

Man Arrested at Steveston Wearing Penitentiary Shoes.

New Westminster, Oct. 12.—A man wearing penitentiary shoes and bearing other signs of having been a habitant of the big New Westminster stone building was captured yesterday afternoon as he was about to put out from Steveston in a small boat. He was arrested and taken to the Steveston police station to await the arrival of an official from the penitentiary to identify him if possible. Guard Carroll was dispatched late yesterday afternoon to the cannery town to make an inspection of the prisoner. The latter is thought to be Kelly, one of the men who escaped from the penitentiary farm at Pitt lake.

The boat in which Kelly and his companion escaped from the island was found a short time ago near Patterson's camp about four miles down the river from the place where they had taken to the water. The boat had been chopped with an axe and filled with stones to keep it under water.

DANGEROUS SITUATION

Crowded Car Takes Fire While on High Trestle

New York, Oct. 12.—Crowded with theatregoers returning from New York and half way across a high trestle, a Hoboken trolley car suddenly burst into flames shortly before midnight last night. At this point on the trestle the car was 70 feet above the ground. Many of the passengers were women, and it was with difficulty that a panic was quelled. The conductor and the motorman begged the passengers to be calm, and assured them that all would escape in safety. As soon as the car was stopped, the passengers streamed out and made their way to a narrow plank pathway, made slippery by the rain. On this dangerous footing, surrounded by live wires, they walked for some distance in the dark before reaching solid ground. All got off the trestle, which is 150 feet high at its highest point, without accident. The car was entirely consumed.