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TWO SAILORS DROWNED FROM THE LAKE MANITOBA ON THE VOYAGE TO ST. JOHN

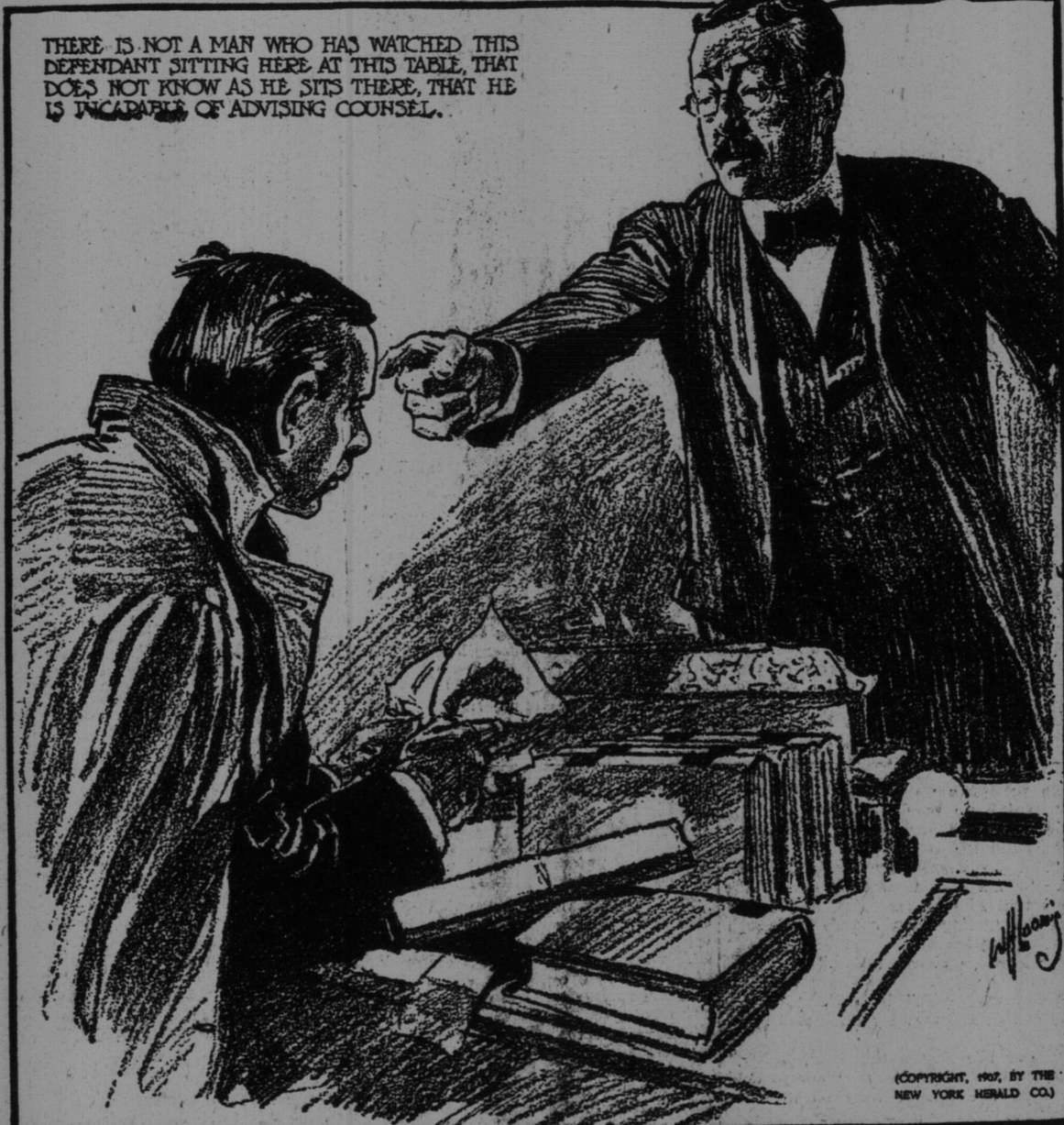
Big C. P. R. Liner Docked This Morning With 1343 Passengers.

Steamer Had Very Rough Trip Across and Passed Many Icebergs—Rev. Fr. Ryan Back From Ireland—Salvation Army Immigrants Among the Passengers.

The steamer Lake Manitoba, which docked at Sand Point this morning, shortly after ten o'clock brought with her the startling news that two men had lost their lives on the trip across from Liverpool. The steamer was due here Sunday but the dreadful weather that she encountered prevented her from reaching this port until today.

The Lake Manitoba left Liverpool on the 13th inst. and when on a day she encountered high winds and the high waves washed the decks of the steamer. On the second day the first tragedy occurred when one of the crew working in the saloon being thrown into the sea. The unfortunate man was working near the railing when the heavy sea caused the great steamer to lurch and a huge wave aided in the sailor being thrown into the sea. The shout of "man overboard" was sent out and as speedily as possible Capt. Carey, in command, stopped the steamer and some of the crew launched a boat. For three hours they were tossed about by the waves in their attempt to find their brother sailor, but the high winds and the great waves imperilled the lives of the men in the small boat. After fighting the waves for several hours the men gave up hope and returned on board the steamer, which proceeded.

THAW ON VERGE OF COLLAPSE BUT WILL FACE COMMISSION



Mr. Jerome Intimates that Thaw is a Hopeless Lunatic.

NEW YORK, March 28.—This afternoon at two o'clock the first session of the commission which is to determine whether Harry K. Thaw is sane or insane will be held. Daniel O'Reilly, of counsel for Thaw, said yesterday that Thaw will surely appear before the commission and answer all of its questions, and further that he will submit to a physical examination by any experts sent to him for that purpose. Thaw is becoming nervous and excited under the steady strain. His friends and relatives fear that he will break down unless the case ends soon.

His wife, too, is giving way. When she was in court yesterday with the prisoner's mother and brother and sisters, it was noticed that her cheeks were pale, and her brow wrinkled. When she and Mr. William Thaw went to Thaw's cell after he had been told by his lawyers that Justice Fitzgerald had appointed Mr. McClure in place of ex-Justice O'Brien it is said that she collapsed, but the elder Mrs. Thaw is reported to have borne herself with much fortitude.

NEW YORK, March 27.—After the jury which has been trying Harry K. Thaw for more than two months past was excused today until next Monday morning, and the members of the lunacy commission named yesterday afternoon by Justice Fitzgerald to enquire into Thaw's present state of mind had been sworn in, there came the sudden announcement late in the afternoon that former Supreme Court Judge Morgan J. O'Brien, chairman of the commission, had resigned. In a letter to Justice Fitzgerald, Judge O'Brien stated that, upon reflection, he was forced by the condition of his health and professional engagements previously entered into, to decline to serve as a member of the commission.

HELD UP AND ROBBED

New York Clerk's Experience With a Bold Foot Pad.

NEW YORK, March 27.—While preparing to make a deposit in the bank in Astor City for Assistant Superintendent Hayes, of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., who sits in the post office building, Mrs. Percy B. Wilcox, a typewriter and clerk in Mr. Hayes' office, was held up and robbed by a negro, who "wound a towel" around her with chloroform about her head. After a struggle

in which two of her front teeth were broken, Mrs. Wilcox became unconscious. The facts were not made public until today.

The robbery occurred in the busiest part of the day in one of the prominent office buildings in Astor City. An all night search for the negro was unavailing and there is no clue upon which a capture can be hoped for.

Dr. J. V. Daniel M. P. returned from Ottawa today.

WEST INDIES MUST TURN TO CANADA

United States Will Soon Have Her Own Sub-Tropical Sources of Supply—Much Good May Result from Canadian Delegates' Visit.

Ofers of Spain, Trinidad, Gazette, March 10. The visit of the Canadian "Ambassadors of Commerce" is now a thing of the past, and people in this community are asking each other "what is the result of it likely to be?" Judging from commercial men there are two distinct sets of opinion on the subject, and the holders of the one set expect as much to come of the visit as the others are certain that nothing at all will come of it. As a matter of fact both sides are pretty well of the mark. Because a few delegates from Canadian boards of trade have paid a flying visit to the West Indies it is not likely that mutually beneficial reciprocal trade relations will at once follow. Neither is it probable that the visit, from its hurried and unofficial character and other reasons, will be productive of little or no good, as so many people seem to imagine. Reciprocity between nations is a plant of extremely slow growth, and between Canada and the West Indies, it is likely to be of even less rapid growth than usual. Closer trade relationships do not arise in a day; they are the slow and gradual work of years, and we should rather regard the visit of the Canadian delegates as one step forward in a useful direction than as likely of itself, to lead to the consummation of the end sought. At present there is no doubt that generally and as a whole, the interests of the West Indies would be served by reciprocity with the United States. We are not, however, likely to get much special-favoured treatment in that direction. The United States will trade with us as long as it suits their purpose, but they will trade with us as the big brother trades with the little one—with the advantages all on his side of the deal. At present American trade with the West Indies is increasing rapidly. Practically the whole of the various products of Jamaica go to the States—though Great Britain is now taking large quantities of fruit—and this increasing tendency of American trade is nowhere shown more clearly than by the fact that New York is gradually becoming the principal cocoa market for West Indian and South American cocoa. There are however, two important factors

to be considered in connection with this matter, and these are the marvellous development of the Southern States of America which is now taking place, and the strong movement afoot in the United States to give the full rights of citizenship to the people of Cuba. The sub-tropical area of the United States has until the last couple of years, been practically an undeveloped asset, America has been so busy developing its rich lands of the great west that she has had no time to turn her attention to the development of the equally rich but neglected south until just lately. But she has now started on that development of her sub-tropical belt, and so wonderfully well equipped is the American department of agriculture that it is hard to tell what she may not grow there in a little while. We may be pretty sure that whatever she does grow there will be protected on her own market against West Indian produce except it be from Cuba. Cuba, again is the largest and perhaps the richest island in the West Indies, and the American occupation its development has been little short of marvellous. The political movement to give the Cubans full rights of citizenship in the republic grows apace. If that is ever done, the United States, while keeping a heavy hand on the native, will proceed to work the country industrially for all it is worth, and what with cotton, tobacco, sugar and fruit in the great south, and cocoa, sugar, fruit, cotton, tobacco and pretty nearly every other tropical product in Cuba, America is rather likely in a few short years to find everything she wants, except the spices and other products of the far east, under the very shadow of the stars and stripes. Of course this is not going to happen all in a day, and by the time it does happen there will be Canada to fall back upon, and hence it is important to do the best we can to maintain close trade and other relationships with the Dominion—at the same time, not frittering away our American trade. Canada is not going to be annoyed because at present we must trade where we can get the best (Continued on Page 5)

EASTER IN THE MARKET

Good Supply of Easter Beef and Vegetables—Eggs Are Plentiful—How the Prices Run.

The country market is bountifully supplied with Easter beef, a large quantity of which has been imported from the States especially for Easter trade. Large quantities are displayed at the stalls and on the racks, and some very choice lamb has also been brought in. Vegetables— for the most part American—are also to be had in good variety but the prices of course are high.

Butchers were busy fixing up their stalls yesterday, and as a result some of the displays looked very nice last evening.

Another important item is the supply of Easter eggs, which seems to be full plenty. Prices range as follows: roasting beef, 10 to 12c; mutton chops, 10 to 12c; mutton, 10 to 12c; pork roast, 15c; pork steak, 15c; fowl, 8c; chicken, \$1.00 to \$1.50; geese, \$1.25 to \$1.50; turkey, 20 to 25c; ducks, \$1.50 to \$1.75; ribstark, 20c; a lb; spinach, 6c; cucumbers, 25c; each; tomatoes, 30c; lb; boxes (new) 12c; a bunch; potatoes, \$1.75 to \$2.00 per barrel; per peck, 25c; parsnips, 35c; peas; carrots, 30c; peck; cabbage, 10 to 12c; red cabbage, 10 to 15c; lettuce, 6c.

BEST WISHES GO WITH HIM

George Ham of C. P. R. Enroute to Mexico on a Health Seeking Trip.

George Ham, of the C. P. R., was a passenger on the Atlantic express today, enroute to Halifax, where he will take the steamer Horn of the Elder-Dempster line, for a trip to Mexico. Mr. Ham has been in poor health for some time, but he hopes the proposed trip will restore him to health. He had planned to remain over in St. John for a day, that he might greet his many friends here, especially among the newspaper boys, but on seeing the brand of fog which the winterport was handing out he decided it would not help his rheumatism so he will take a chance at putting up with Halifax for two days. Mr. Ham expects to return to Montreal about the 13th of May.

THE EMPRESS OF BRITAIN

CAPE RACE, Nfld., March 28.—The steamer Empress of Britain, Liverpool for St. John, was in wireless communication with the Marconi station here, when 180 miles south of this point, at 10.15 p. m., 27th.

MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, March 28.—(Special)—There was not much buying today in the stock market although prices were extremely low presumably on account of the difficulty in getting funds which are tighter than ever and likely to remain so for some time yet. There were some rallies but the general tone of the market was pretty limp. The most active issues were Mackay pfd. 67 to 68; Toronto Ry. 36; Nova Scotia Steel, 79 cash and 80 1/2; Twin City, 82; Toledo, 25; Illinois pfd. 85; Dom Iron, 16 1/2; Bonds, 78; Montreal Street Railway, 29; Canadian Pacific, 109 1/2; Detroit, 68; Mont Power, 67; Dom Coal, 61.

FUNERALS

The funeral of the late Mrs. Cullinan was held this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence Richmond street, to the Cathedral, where Rev. J. W. Holland read the burial service. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of the late John Schaefer will be held today at 4 o'clock to the Cathedral, where Rev. J. W. Holland will read the burial service. Interment will be made in Fernhill cemetery.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary J. Hazenwood was held this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her son-in-law's residence, Guilford street, to Cedar Hill cemetery, where interment was made. Rev. H. D. Marr conducted the funeral service. There were no pall-bearers.

POLICE COURT

A young man, who was arrested by Constable L. Le Cook, of the C. P. R., on suspicion of stealing a jar of cheese from C. P. R. car No. 81429, at Sand Point, was arraigned in the police court today before Judge Ritchie. He pleaded not guilty, and was remanded for the present. The prisoner claims that the cheese was given to him.

Michael Kennedy, charged with drunkenness, was also remanded.

J. H. McRobbie returned to the city on the noon train.

CITIZENS ARE FRAMING SCHEME TO DEFEAT ALL THE PRESENT AERDMEN

A Good Government Association May Be Formed By People.

Movement on Foot to Form a Complete Civic Reform Ticket—Private Meeting Called for Tonight, and Big Public Meeting May Follow.

"In view of the great interest at stake in the city at the present time has been thought advisable to hold a meeting of about thirty taxpayers to consider the question of forming a Good Government Association, to be a permanent organization for the purpose of promoting and discussing the different schemes that may come up in the development of the port and the city generally and you are requested to attend a meeting to be held in the waiting room of the opera house, the 28th inst. at 8 p. m."

It is also stated on good authority that a large public meeting will be called, probably on Saturday night to consider the names of a number of citizens who it is claimed are not averse to offering their services as aldermen, provided a sufficient number of men can be secured to make a complete ticket against the present aldermen.

ST. JOHN RIVER MARKET MEN UP IN ARMS

Premier Pugsey Brought His Resolution Down Today—Mr. Hazen Supports it.

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 28.—(Special)—Premier Pugsey brought down his resolution in the legislature this morning to provide for the construction of a railway down the St. John valley from Woodstock to Westfield.

Another instance of Civic Department Incompetence. A number of dealers in the country-market are incensed over the fact that the work of excavation, started yesterday morning, to locate a leak in the water-pipe, should be carried on just as the Easter trade is coming on, thus causing much inconvenience, especially as the work is being negotiations being carried on with MacKenzie & Mann, and expressed himself as confident that they would enter into a contract for the construction of the road.

It was proposed, he said, in guaranteeing the bonds that the company shall give as security a first mortgage on their railway rolling stock and franchise. To facilitate matters, he had communicated with the minister of railways and had requested him to secure a revote in parliament of subsidies for the railway line between Woodstock and Westfield. He hoped the opposition would be patriotic enough to give their hearty support to the resolution.

A TRAGIC SUICIDE

Woman in Troy, New York, Wraps Herself in Paper and Applies the Match.

TROY, N. Y., March 27.—Minnie Sweeney, aged 45 years, committed suicide today in a tragic manner at the home of her sister, Mrs. Patrick Fitzpatrick, in Mechanicville. She deliberately hurled herself to death. The woman, who was temporarily insane, wrapped herself up in paper and then applied a match. Occupants of the house heard the woman's cries, but their aid was too late. She died a short time afterward.

Good Friday services will be held tomorrow in the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches throughout the city. The Roman churches will hold service only in the morning.

The body of the late Frank A. Baird was brought to the city on the noon train from Fredericton and conveyed to Chamberlain's undertaking rooms, where it will be prepared for burial. The funeral will probably be held tomorrow afternoon, though definite arrangements had not been made up to 2 o'clock.

The mayor wrote to Hon. Mr. Emmerson this morning with reference to the dredging on the west side. He has not yet received a reply to the telegram sent yesterday.

The regular monthly meeting of the treasury board will be held tonight.

BANK OF ENGLAND

LONDON, March 27.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes:— Total reserve, decreased ... £2,377,000; other securities, increased ... 1,200,000; Bullion, decreased ... 1,157,814; Other securities, increased ... 620,000; Public deposits, decreased ... 84,000; Notes reserve, decreased ... 2,323,000. Government securities, unchanged.

VILLAGES SHELLED AND MUCH DISORDER

Situation in Certain Parts of Roumania is Still Very Serious—Horrible Atrocities by Revolting Peasants.

VIENNA, March 28.—Press despatches received here from Cernowitz, on the Moldavian frontier, say that conditions in certain parts of Roumania are still most serious. Grave disorders are reported to have broken out on the estates of King Charles at Poiana, and troops have been sent to the royal domains. It is rumored that large numbers of peasant rioters have been killed in conflicts near Braila and Papiucula, and it appears that a large number of rioters on trying to enter the town of Galatz were repulsed by soldiers near the village of Loussac, with a loss of twenty men killed.

The peasants turned their attention to Braila, where angry fighting is reported. Fighting is also reported from several other villages, but these reports are probably occurrences of Monday, as owing to the censorship, all despatches have to be mailed to the frontier. Information received here last night indicates that peace is slowly being restored, particularly in the northern part of Moldavia. It is feared, however, that one result of the disturbance will be the neglect of tillage and a consequent dearth of wheat next winter, with diminishing exports, which will mean a financial calamity in Roumania.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

HERE'S ANOTHER WAR.

Mr. Hiram Hornbeam declares that modern progress has its disadvantages. This remark is prompted, it appears, by recent developments in Hornbeam Settlement due to a cable from Berlin, published in one of the weekly papers. It was to the effect that Count Arco, in his wireless telephone experiments, has succeeded in obtaining direct exchanges of words in a tolerably natural voice, at a distance of two miles, by using poles 30 feet high.

Smith's wife could call across country to the Jones' wife two miles away, early in the morning, and find out what Jod Pike's wife said about Sal Perkins's new beard that made Sal so indignant, it would add spice to life. Therefore the meeting decided that every man must forthwith erect a pole thirty feet high close to the kitchen door, and contribute to the cost of a cable equity to Count Arco for further particulars about his system.

Hiram says the Settlement is in an uproar. The men say they know what will happen if women get talking at long range, with other women listening all along the route, and they are strenuously opposing the scheme, in the interests of good neighborhood and of the hens, pigs and cows. But the women are as obstinate as the London suffragettes, and what Hiram fears is open rebellion. "It's the worst racket we ever had in the place," said Hiram. "It is—By Hym!"

