

CARRY THE POWER BY LAW---THAT IS THE DUTY WHICH RESTS WITH TORONTO NOW

ENGLISHMEN'S HARDSHIPS IN A CONSTRUCTION CAMP

Nearly 100 Men Quit Work at McDougall's Cuts, Alleging Most Inhuman Conditions.

Only 30 of the 120 men sent up to McDougall's Cuts on railway construction work are now on the job. The others have quit in consequence of the severity of the weather and lack of provisions.

Progressive China

Amoy, China, Dec. 28.—Active construction work has been begun on the telephone lines which are to connect Amoy with the two other cities of this prefecture, Tseunhoufu, fifty miles to the north, and Changchoufu, thirty miles to the west.

WEIRD SCENE IN COURTROOM

Boy, Charged With Murder, Falls Senseless Beside His Mother.

BUFFALO, N.Y., Dec. 28.—Charles Schrott, the 17-year-old boy who shot and killed his father in the living rooms of his saloon on Genesee-street on Thursday last, pleaded not guilty today to a charge of manslaughter in the police court.

BOY DANGEROUS AS DOGS NEARS

Condemned Negro Exhibits Many Traces of Uneasy Spirit.

As the days draw on to Jan. 5, the day set for the execution of John Boyd for the murder of Edward Wandie, the condemned man becomes more and more restless and unquiet.

Just Try a Smile

This is what one United States paper says, and it has an uplift for Canadians: When a nation has been afflicted with famine or flood or war or some great business depression, which follows as a legitimate result of gigantic political or economic upheavals, there is such a thing as "hard times."

INDIAN STARVES FOR CHILDREN

Sacrifices Her Own Life That Four Little Ones May Have Sufficient Food.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Starving herself that her four children might have sufficient food to sustain life, Mrs. Phoebe Prince, who was taken to the Eastern District Hospital from a barren room in Williamsburgh, died a few hours later as a result of the privations she had undergone.

SUFFRAGETTES IN AMERICA

English Advocate Arrives to Gain Support for Movement There.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The first attempt at an aggressive suffragist campaign in New York will be made next Thursday evening. It is planned to hold at that time an open-air meeting in Madison Square at which the principal speaker will be Mrs. Boorman Wells, an English woman who has been sent to the United States by the "suffragettes" of England to secure the moral support of American women.

RUSSIAN DOUMA PASS FAMINE APPROPRIATION

\$7,500,000 To Be Devoted to Relief Work—Parliament Has Done Little Work.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 28.—The last session of the Russian Parliament, before the beginning of the Christmas holidays was held today, and a famine appropriation of \$7,500,000 was passed. This appropriation with a few local bills comprises the entire legislative product of the first six weeks' work of the third Douma. Committee work, however, is well advanced and the Douma will be in a position to begin consideration of the budget and several other important measures soon after the recess, which terminates Jan. 23.

CANADA AND CANADIANS.

Chief Justice Fitzpatrick's Address at Ottawa Club.

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—"Canada and Canadians" was the subject on which Hon. Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, K.C.M.G., chief justice of the supreme court of Canada, this afternoon addressed the Canadian Club. He contended the feature of the twentieth century would be the way Canada would develop. To men who could recall the way the principles of to-morrow and to-day to dig her people were content to obey there had been progress until the people governed and the King obeyed. The speaker devoted a few moments to quoting statistics comparing Canada's growth relative to that of the States, and said that what Canadians needed was not more tunnels and work in her mines. They had to remember that what Canada needed was not more tunnels and work in her mines, but to be a Canadian citizen.

NOT FOR THE CANDIDATES.

City Authorities Refuse to Allow Campaign Speeches at Massey Hall.

The civic authorities on Saturday were started to hear of an evident attempt in contemplation to convert the city's power by-law meeting in Massey Hall into a personal one. The following postcard was exhibited as one of many which were being sent out: 71 Grosvenor-street, Toronto, Dec. 28, 1907. Dear Sir—A mass-meeting at Massey Hall is being held on Saturday, the 28th inst., at 8 p.m., in the interests of the power by-law. Dr. Nesbitt will be present, and he would be glad if you could make it convenient to attend. It was determined that the intention to refuse to allow any candidate to speak should be adhered to.

Man Educated and Refined Chose the Life of a Hermit

Charles Powell, Years Ago a Newspaper Writer in Toronto, Dies in Massachusetts Hospital.

MELROSE, Mass., Dec. 28.—An investigation by the officials of the poor department and the police to-day, partially unraveled the mystery of a man who died yesterday in the Melrose Hospital, the "hermit of the Middlesex Falls." Powell, living much of the time in case in the Middlesex Falls, in the case he had only a blanket for a covering and an oil stove on which he cooked such food as he could obtain. According to Mr. and Mrs. George Beckford, the hermit's name was Charles Frederick Powell, a native of Plymouth, England, and he had a romantic career. Powell possessed an exceptionally good education and was familiar with art and literature, although his mode of life was that of a tramp. He told the Beckfords that at one time he was a student at Trinity College, Oxford, and was a member of the college choir. King Edward of England was a student there at the same time. Powell said, and was frequently in the audience which listened to the choral music.

ICE MAN NOT ALARMED

CROP WILL COME LATER

Some of Last Year's Harvest Left Over and Cold Spell is Expected. The mild weather up to the present has caused no alarm to the ice man, who does not usually look for his harvest before the middle of January. An icy frost four years ago was ushered in by weather similar to what has prevailed lately, but this is not expected to continue.

INTERVIEWED DR. PYNE

Concerning the Examination of Harbord C. I. Science Master.

The legislation committee of the board of education, represented by Trustees Ogden, Parkinson and Hunter, and accompanied by Dr. Embree and Secretary Wilkinson, interviewed Hon. Dr. Pyne, minister of education, on Saturday. They placed before him the resolution of Trustee Brown, which asks that legislation be obtained to make Toronto a high school inspectorial district, and to have appointed an inspector whom the education department would recognize as the high school inspector for Toronto. Dr. Pyne promised that it would be given careful consideration. The committee did a little sounding as to whether the high school inspectors would look into the Harbord Collegiate tangle, as wished by the board of education. Concerning this, Trustee Ogden afterwards said: "Altho the minister of education made no definite statement, I am inclined to infer from what he said that the inspectors are not inclined to burn their fingers with the Harbord matter. I think the board will have to deal with the question themselves, altho the government will look into the matter."

ARRESTED IN CHICAGO.

Quebec Man Must Answer For Wife's Death.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Omer Rochette and his wife, Albana Rochette, were arrested here today on request of the Montreal police. They are wanted in Montreal to answer a charge brought in connection with the death of Rochette's first wife, who died in Quebec on Nov. 11. Rochette is accused of having poisoned his wife. He married again within a few days and left for the United States. DR. JOHNSON INVESTIGATING. BRAMPTON, Dec. 28.—John Davis Terrace is brighter and more cheerful. Detective Greer has called to Newcastle, England, with the idea of securing information. The police there will be asked to find out what they can about Terrace's past. The prisoner's explanation of the shooting is to be investigated by medical experts. Dr. Lawson was out in Elmhurst yesterday for a second time, and Dr. Arthur James Johnson of Toronto is also to make an examination. It was ascertained whether the shot which killed Mr. Curry could also have gone into the ceiling.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. W. B. Melkie.

Mrs. W. B. Melkie, wife of Mr. W. B. Melkie, general manager of the Western Assurance Company, died suddenly on Saturday morning from heart failure. Mrs. Melkie had been ill for the last day or two at her home, 111 Avenue-road, but hopes were entertained for her speedy recovery until yesterday morning, when she took a turn for the worse. The deceased came from London, England, last spring, her husband having come out the preceding year. Only her husband survives, there being no children.

BRITISH BATTLESHIP COMING TO ESQUIMALT

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—H. M. S. Algerine has been ordered to Esquimalt from Hongkong to augment the fleet maintained here since the withdrawal of the Pacific squadron.

Advices to this effect were received at Esquimalt today. The Algerine will be placed in commission at Hongkong in January, without orders from the China squadron, and will be ready to start across the ocean about the end of next month. The complement of men to be carried by the Algerine will be 150, and it is expected that it will be completed in one week, after which she will be provisioned and made ready to leave. The ordering of the Algerine to Esquimalt has again raised the report that the British admiralty will dispatch a squadron to Esquimalt during the early part of the coming year.

Pittsburgers Are in the Grip of an Epidemic of Sickness

Pneumonia, Typhoid and the Grippe Are Making Such Ravages That Every Home is Affected.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 28.—What is said to be the worst epidemic of sickness since 1889 is being experienced in Pittsburg, and physicians estimate that thousands of persons are prostrated by pneumonia, typhoid fever and especially the grippe, throughout the city. Probably every home is affected in some manner, and a scarcity of employees in the large office buildings is seriously felt. The Pittsburg Railroad Company is having difficulty in manning its cars on account of conductors and motormen being laid up with the grippe. City Physician A. E. Booth says the present epidemic of grippe exceeds in scope and severity all but that of 1889, the worst in history, and may yet break that record. He considers it contagious and believes the germs of disease may have originated far from here. In 1889 the malarial start was traced back thru Europe to Asia and finally located in Hongkong, China.

FIENDISH ITALIANS DIG MAN'S EYES OUT

One of Two Men Who Attempted to Hold Up is Horribly Murdered.

Snobomish, Wash., Dec. 28.—Two men named Miller and Carroll entered a section house last night, which was occupied by seven Italians, and ordered them to hold up their hands. The hold-ups then began shooting. The Italians attacked the outlaws with tools. After killing Miller, a crowbar was driven thru his head, an axe was stuck in his body several times and his eyes were dug out. Carroll, the other man, was also wounded, but survived until officers from the city arrived, when all were taken to prison. Three Italians were wounded. FIRE MENACES OIL TOWN. FRESNO, CAL., Dec. 28.—Fire is menacing the whole town of Coalinga, on the Southern Pacific Railway, 50 miles from Fresno. The town is one of the oil centres of southern California.

SUNDAY WEATHER

Fine and a little cooler.

COMPANY LIMITED. Dec. 28. ear n's Boots, priced to flush the shod this in doing. cool Soles, 19c. Black 6 49c. es' Boots, leather, lighter and lighter, \$1.99. of Men's solid and left from heavy soles, all sizes in sale Mon. \$2.47. Dr. White. ASSES OF MEN. Aspects of Vitality. in Diseases. cency Affections. if it impossible. stamp for and Toronto. m. 2 p.m. '91. d WHITE. to, Ontario. rants, Messrs. rymont, Thos. R. R. Mow. John A. White. mently men. spoken of. ship and office. many aspirat. question be. wife visited. of East To. Brougham. vely. There is. near Pickering. ver This Busy. Miss Mary B. ate of Toronto. position vacan. the teaching. h School. Linton a few. air golden wed. re the leading. re were present. tr. Brooks bank. ouble presented. Mrs. Linton by. etler and many. handsome pres. oners one. four-inch wa. rest, some 400. he connections. will be about. supplied to the. of about 50 p. Snowball had. hand had crush. smil on Christ. Whiskey. Mr. John Max. living at Bon. de New Brunsw. Charlotte. as Day from. key. Maxwell. playing about. vious discov. drank some. ORS OF. ORK. no have per. and used. ke me their. in this way. for their ar. ore long, to. each, per. ork, I shall. est warmth. Wallace.