

# MANAGED LUNATIC JUMPS FROM SPEEDING EXPRESS

## And Miraculously Escaping Death, Has Made His Escape, and is Now Wand'ring Through the Woods Near Moncton—The Liberal Convention.

MONCTON, March 22.—With the train running at 30 miles an hour a French lunatic, handcuffed, jumped through an open window of the Maritime express this morning and before the train could be brought back he disappeared in the woods and has not been found. The train was running along at her usual rate of speed on a down grade when the lunatic, who was sitting in the second class, suddenly jumped through the window. He had been giving no trouble previously and boarded the train at Bathurst en route for the asylum at St. John. For half an hour before the accident the man had been walking up and down the car aisle wringing his manacled hands and moaning as if in pain. Suddenly, as the keeper for a moment relaxed his vigilance, he made a dash for an open window in the smoking compartment and with almost incredible rapidity wriggled his way through. He was all but out, when the keeper turned and saw the escaping man and clutched him by a foot. He clung desperately for a few minutes, but the lunatic kicked and tore himself clear, and before the passengers could come to the assistance of the guardian a crash in the gravel of the road bed announced that the man was gone. The conductor, Mr. Faxon, notified and the train, which had gone about half a mile, ran slowly back to the point where the man had made his escape. The passengers and the crew crowded into the expectation of finding the man's dead remains lying by the side of the track. Instead they found only the cap which the insane man had worn, and marks on the gravel showed where he had fallen. The country in the vicinity is covered with a thick growth of trees, and although a search was made by the search by the passengers and train crew no trace of the missing man was found. The guard remained behind to look for him, but after an hour, no news was heard. The lunatic is heavily handcuffed, and the probabilities are that he is living in the neighborhood, to whom he will be forced to appeal for food.

Moncton is bright today with bonfires and burning of straw in celebration of the big county Liberal convention which opens this afternoon. The afternoon meeting is to be held in the curling rink, and this evening a special meeting at which Senator McSwenney will preside is to be held. The curling rink has a seating capacity of two thousand and is likely to be crowded. Senator Domville is among those here.

### RHEUMATISM CURED BY "NERVILINE"

"Nothing I know of has the relieving power of Nerviline," writes David Wells, of 222 Charlotte street, St. John, N. B. "When rubbed into the sore part it eases at once. I have proved that Nerviline cures Rheumatism, Neuralgia and Muscular pain; it is powerful and soothing and the best pain remover ever tried. I recommend all to use Nerviline. Get a large 25c bottle from your dealer today."

## PROVINCIAL NEWS

### CHATHAM.

CHATHAM, N. B., May 21.—The clergy of the diocese of Chatham held their quarterly deacons' meeting today at Bay du Vin. In addition to the local clergy were present Rev. W. J. Bates of Dalhousie, who arrived in Chatham yesterday and went down river this morning; Rev. Mr. Bacon of Newcastle, and Rev. Mr. Hooper of Bathurst. A meeting of the St. Joseph's Association also took place at Bay du Vin today, and Miss Burchill, of Nelson, and Miss Thompson of Newcastle, were delegates.

The Governor General will visit Chatham while he is in the province this summer. Lt. Governor Tweedie stated yesterday in reply to a question as to this possibility.

Mrs. A. C. Woods has installed a soda water fountain in her restaurant. M. Moos is excavating under his jewelry store for a cellar and will also put in a plate glass front.

Felham Winslow and Brad. Crombie arrived home yesterday from Montreal to spend their vacation.

J. Stafford, of Benson, of Campbellton, was in town over Saturday.

The schooner Joseph McGill is unloading coal at the public wharves for the M. S. N. Co. An island schooner loaded with produce was lying in the stream yesterday.

This M. S. N. Co. put a roof on their coal shed last fall and last week tore it off to get the coal out in the shed.

Miss Nan Harriman of Loggieville is visiting friends in Moncton and St. John.

Shipping coal to Newcastle would seem to be no stranger than shipping hay and oats from town to the country. Yet the cargoes of the Alexandria on her first trips this season were largely made up of hay and grain.

Dr. G. J. Sproul returned Monday from a trip to the St. Lawrence, St. John, and St. Inland, of 2,839 tons, arrived in port Friday from St. John and is now loading lumber at the New Brunswick

# THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENT OF CONFERENCE

## Sir Wilfrid's Fast Steamship Scheme is So Described

### All Look for a Successful Conclusion—Premier Left for Paris—King Will Give Cup for Artillery Competition

LONDON, May 21.—The most important event in connection with the colonial conference so far as Canada is concerned is undoubtedly the development of the project advocated by Sir Wilfrid Laurier for the establishment of a fast steamship service to Canada and through Canada to Australia, New Zealand, China and Japan. The conference, including representatives of the Imperial government, definitely committed itself to the project, and it is believed that Sir Wilfrid is satisfied with the assurance that he has received from the Imperial government that they will give the matter favorable consideration.

Hon. Clifford Sifton, who with Mr. Sutherland today for Canada per the Gunter Caronia, was seen prior to his departure. It is understood that he spent a large portion of last month in co-operation with Sir Wilfrid and Lord Strathcona in connection with the details of the scheme. He expressed himself as satisfied that the enterprise is now in such a condition that a successful conclusion is looked for.

The Australian press comments on Winston Churchill's Edinburgh speech in the charge of St. James' Presbyterian Church on Thursday evening. A committee of ladies, consisting of Mrs. W. Watt, Mrs. Osborne Nicholson, Mrs. J. Stables, Mrs. W. F. Copp, Mrs. David Co., Mrs. John Robertson and Misses M. Fleming and M. Davidson, were arranging for the reception of Mr. and Mrs. McArthur after the induction ceremony.

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NEWCASTLE, N. B., May 21.—The town council met last night. The wages of the three framers at the power house was raised from \$1.50 to \$1.75 a day. The street laborers asked for an increase from \$1.50 to \$2. Their petition will be considered at next meeting.

Mrs. P. J. McEvoy was elected school trustee to succeed Mrs. W. P. Harman, now of the U. S. A.

The Boys' Brigade concert at Douglstown was a great success. Over \$30 was realized.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Somers and their two children arrived from Boston on Saturday last to spend the summer.

The May Queen had a number of passengers from Chipman this morning, among others Mrs. T. Mitford Wright, Mrs. Harry King and her two daughters, Elizabeth and Dorris, Miss Vincent, Miss Nellie Crandall and Miss Mabel Harper.

The Foresters will hold a special business meeting on May 24th. One of the main items will be the building of the new hall, which they hope to get started soon.

A New England supper and concert will be given in the hall on May 31st under the auspices of Chipman Lodge, I. O. G. T.

### REPORT THAT 200 LIVES HAVE BEEN LOST

By a Tidal Wave Which Also Did Immense Damage to Property on the Caroline Islands

NEW YORK, May 21.—A despatch from Sydney, N. S. W., says: It is reported that a hurricane and tidal wave swept over the Caroline Islands, April 30. Two hundred persons are said to have been killed and immense damage done to property.

### FIT THE GROCER

Wife Made the Suggestion

A grocer has excellent opportunity to know the effects of special foods on his customers. A Cleveland grocer has a long list of customers that have been helped in health by leaving off coffee and using Postum Food Coffee. He says, regarding his own experience: "Two years ago I had been drinking coffee and must say that I was almost wrecked by nerves. "Particularly in the morning I was so irritable and upset that I could hardly wait until the coffee was served, and then I had no appetite for breakfast and did not feel like attending to my store duties.

"One day my wife suggested that I try Postum. There must be some merit in it, and suggested that we try it. I took home a package and she prepared it according to directions. The result was very happy one. My nervousness gradually disappeared and today I am all right. I would advise every one affected in any way with nervousness or stomach troubles, to leave off coffee and use Postum Food Coffee. "There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville" in pkgs.

# ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF CRIMINAL LIBEL

## James H. Crockett of Fredericton Gleaner Out on Bail.

### Information Laid by Mr. Emerson—Preliminary Examination Will be May 29th—Lawyers Interested

FREDERICTON, N. B., May 21.—Jas. H. Crockett, managing director of the Fredericton Gleaner, was this afternoon arrested on a warrant issued by Police Magistrate Marsh for alleged criminal libel issued in the Daily Gleaner of March 27th last.

The information being laid by the Hon. Henry R. Emerson, the information charges at length the grounds of complaint, the chief one being where the article accused the Hon. Mr. Emerson of being ejected from St. Lawrence Hall, Montreal, with two women of ill-repute, making him an object of contempt and ridicule. The arrest was made in the office of the police magistrate, there being present beside the magistrate, Crockett and Sergeant Phillips, the latter serving the warrant.

The warrant was issued under sections 338 and 334, chapter 146, of the Revised Statutes of Canada, which sets forth that any one publishing libel, knowing it to be false, shall be subject to two years imprisonment or a fine of \$400 or both.

Mr. Crockett in receiving the warrant said he may help Churchill with a section of his party, but not with the colonies, the good opinion of which from the day he took office he has been doing his best to forfeit.

The Tariff Reform Association is suggesting that the colonial emigrants be brought here to assist in educating the electorate in doctrine of preference and that fiscal missionaries should be despatched to the colonies to preach the same gospel.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and party left for Paris this morning. Among those present at the station were Lord Strathcona, Sir Frederick Borden, Mr. Fielding and Premier Gouin. Before his departure, Sir Wilfrid heartily thanked the colonial office officials, and through them, all who had shown such hospitality and kindness to him and his party during their stay in London.

A Sydney cable says that Parry challenged George Towns to row for the sportsman's cup on the Thames in September. Towns replied that he cannot row in September, but is willing to accept the challenge for the next season.

His Majesty the King will give a hundred pound cup for artillery competition between British and Canadian teams in Canada in July.

As far as can be learned at this date it is difficult to say who Mr. Crockett's lawyers will be, but it is likely they will include O. S. Crockett, H. F. McLeod, J. D. Hazen and H. A. Powell. Mr. Emerson is represented by J. H. Barry, Attorney General Pugsley, A. S. White and A. B. Copp.

It is thought that when the legal talent gets fighting the case will consume some time.

Magee and McConoghly, the two young boys charged with carnally knowing a young girl today elected to be tried by Judge Wilson under the speedy trials act.

They pleaded guilty and were remanded until tomorrow when Judge Wilson will deliver sentences.

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# PULLED RAILS APART AS TRAIN APPROACHED

## Deliberate Wreck of a Western Express.

### Ingenuous Device Adopted by the Criminals—One Man Killed and Over a Score Hurt

LOS ANGELES, May 21.—Train No. 26, one of the South Pacific's coast line flyers, due at nine o'clock last night, was wrecked at West Glendale near here at 12.30 this morning. The wreck was the deliberate work of train wreckers. One man who was stealing a ride, was killed and 22 other persons injured, 3 probably fatally.

In accomplishing the wreck of the train, which was the Coast Line Limited, a devilish ingenuity had been exercised. At a point on a trestle over the Arroyo Seco, the fish plates and bolts of two connecting rails on the south-bound track had been removed and in the aperture whence the bolts were taken, strands of heavy wire were fastened at the end of each rail. From the appearance of the track after the wreck, it was evident that some persons hidden on a hillside close to the trestle had pulled the wire as the train approached and spread the rails outward toward the edge of the trestle.

The train, hours late, was travelling at a rate of between 35 and 40 miles. The engine wheels were first to leave the rails and the engine took to the ties, travelling nearly 100 yards before it was brought to a standstill. The tender, the diner, two pullmans, the buffet and baggage cars plunged over the edge of the trestle, falling a distance of 16 feet. The buffet car, the express car and one of the pullmans were turned completely upside down and the others landed on their sides. All were badly crushed and splintered.

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### CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 21.—A special to the Times from Dayton, Tenn., says: "While returning from the mines of the Dayton Coal and Iron Company, six white miners met death yesterday afternoon and several others were injured." Two heavily loaded freight cars plunged into the train, carrying the miners. The dead are: John (Tom) Daily Green, James Tower, Elijah Huff, Tom Jarmon and Bert Best.

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## Only One Man Escaped from Injury in Accident.

### Explosion in Pittsburg Furnace Occurred Without a Moment's Notice With Awful Results

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 21.—Two Americans, well known mill men, and three foreigners were terribly burned to death when an explosion occurred at the Eliza furnace No. 1 of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company, Limited, in the Hazelwood district of the city. A crew of ten men at the furnace when the accident happened, only one, a foreigner, escaped uninjured. The dead: E. B. Willard, assistant furnace superintendent. John A. West, blower. Three unknown foreigners.

The accident occurred without a moment's warning. The ten men were about ready to draw off the molten metal when the ore slipped, falling to the bottom of the furnace. The heavy weight of the ore forced the gas with terrific pressure, through the first dust catcher, which was unable to stand the strain and burst. A tremendous roar accompanied the breaking of the dust catcher, and before the men could escape they were caught by the flames. Willard, West and the three foreigners were directly in front of the furnace. The five other men were back several yards. For fully ten minutes the flames shot out of the furnace for a great distance, and when finally the gas was turned off, only a few bones of the five men were found.

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OTTAWA, May 21.—The decrease in the amount of freight sent from St. John last winter made it clear to the East that the transportation system of Canada is hardly up to the requirements of traffic. This has been brought home to the West as well, and the railway commission has heard from Canada East, West and centre on the subject.

A glance at the problems the commission is dealing with shows the complexity and magnitude of the work it is doing. Many industry leaders are pointing to the Montreal. An investigation of express will follow. Other items on the board's programme include the preparation of a new schedule of freight rates from Vancouver eastward to meet complaints now made that there is a discrimination favoring westbound traffic, the drafting of new freight tariffs from western Ontario eastward to the coast to correct anomalies on rates from Windsor, Sarnia, Chatham and other Ontario points as compared with lower rates for a longer haul from Detroit, Port Huron and other Atlantic points; the drafting of a new form for bills of lading to meet the objections now made by shippers generally; deciding on a new set of uniform operating rules for all the railways to insure safety of the public and employees; the compelling of the railway companies to improve rolling stock, roadbed and equipment and to equalize haulage charges and relieve congestion; the investigation of accidents which have resulted from broken rails replacing the blame and prevent further accidents; and the investigation of these matters are demanding solution.

The question of rates from Ontario to the east has been before the board for many months. In fact, the investigation of the commission, some time ago the railway companies submitted new schedules, ostensibly improving upon the existing rates. The commission examined the schedules they found that while the tariff in some cases had been reduced, it had been increased in others. The result, about the same. Another schedule was prepared under direction from the commission. The railway companies objected. In the Montreal meeting of the Grand Trunk, declared that it meant an annual loss of a million dollars a year to the com-

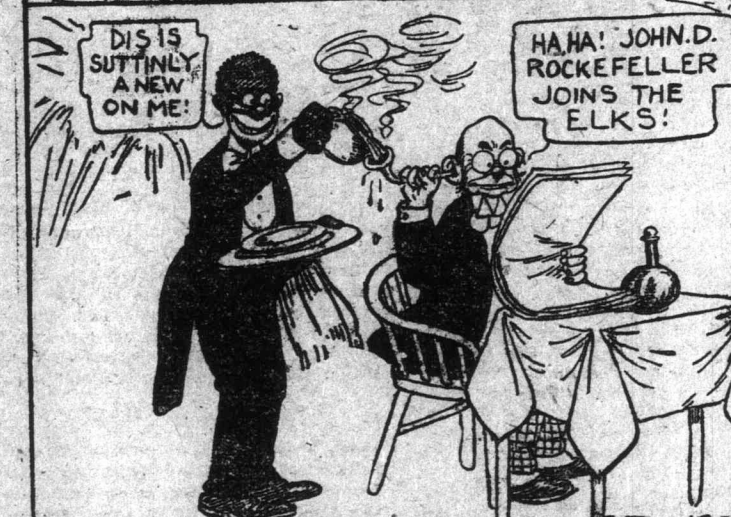
### OFFICIAL END OF STRIKE ANNOUNCED

Montreal Longshoremen Are Fast Returning to Work.

They Will, However, Apply to Minister of Labor for Board of Conciliation Under Lemieux Act.

### MONTEAL, May 21.—The official end of the longshoremen's strike came at five o'clock this afternoon, when the union voted to accept the terms of the settlement. The union had previously attempted to obtain from the Shipping Federation a renewal of the offer of arbitration of the union demand on Friday evening, but the offer was unconditionally. At the same time it was announced that it was the intention of the union to apply to the minister of labor for the appointment of a board of conciliation and investigation under the Lemieux Act. The union has, therefore, now reached the position it occupied before the strike. Under the act the minister has fifteen days in which to order the appointment of the board of conciliation. The first step taken is to call upon the other party to the dispute to name a member. It is expected that when Mr. Lemieux calls upon the Shipping Federation to name its representative he will meet with a refusal. The federation, it is explained, will likely take the ground that the purpose of the act is "aid in the prevention of strikes and lockouts; that the federation was at all times perfectly willing to accept the arbitration of the act; that it is not an offense to make an application for the appointment of a board under the act; that the federation half way in its attempt to secure a settlement of the difficulty without resort to a strike, the men, treating the provisions of the act making it an offense to strike before an investigation had been held, with contempt and in spite of the persuasion of the officers of the labor for arbitration, and that, finally, when the federation, at much loss and inconvenience, had actually broken the strike, and had actually broken the strike declared by the union, that it would

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