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BUCHAREST IN A STATE OF SIEGE

Four Thousand Armed Peasants Marching Upon Roumanian Capital--Riots and Bloodshed are Already Reported--The Situation is Very Grave.

BUCHAREST, Roumania, March 25--Four thousand peasants have joined forces and are marching on Bucharest. A minor state of siege has been proclaimed here and the military authorities are taking steps to prevent the revolted peasants from entering the city.

pears to start at the synagogues, ending with attacks on Christians' property. Two thousand peasants yesterday made a determined attack with hatchets and cudgels on a detachment of cavalry in that district. The troops only dispersed the rioters after killing or wounding many of them.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

various Bills Discussed in Committee This Morning--The Asylum Accounts--General News.

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 25--(Special)--The public accounts committee of the legislature met this morning and finished their examination of the expenditures in connection with the provincial hospital. W. A. Quinton was present and made explanations.

Mr. Morrison yesterday called in question a payment of \$220 to Harry G. Smith for a horse. Upon learning this morning that the man who sold the horse to the government is a brother of B. Frank Smith, M. P., Mr. Morrison expressed himself as satisfied that the item should pass.

Fredericton assessment bill was further considered by the municipalities committee of the legislature this morning. L. W. Johnston suggested an amendment in connection with the assessment of bonds, mortgages, etc. He contended that such securities should not be taxed as personal property but that the income derived from them should be taxed on the same basis as other incomes.

Ald. Scott strongly opposed the section of the bill which proposed to exempt church property from taxation. He also asked that the poll tax be reduced from five to three dollars. J. H. Barry, K. C., will be heard tomorrow on behalf of the real estate owners.

The corporations committee, this morning, recommended the bill to incorporate La Societe L'Assomption and the bill to amend the incorporation of the Tobique and Campbellton Railway.

The bill to vest the property of the Fredericton Boat Company in the St. John River Log Driving Company, was taken up and referred to a sub-committee.

Letters have been received here from John A. Chesley, who is now on his way to South Africa, where he is to assume the duties of Canada's commercial agent. Mr. Chesley reached Liverpool on the 10th inst. and sailed from Southampton for Capetown on the 16th. He spent about a week in London, while waiting for a steamer to take him to his new position.

The funeral of the late Carrier Mitchell was held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his parents' residence, 17 St. Andrew street. Rev. Mr. Hand conducted the funeral service, and the interment was made in Fernhill.

CANADIAN COAL MINE BURNING 120 YEARS

An Explorer Reports Twenty Mile Bank of Burning Fuel; First Discovered in 1789.

(New York Herald, Monday.) A coal mine burning for the last 120 years; the biggest natural gas well in the world, on fire for eleven years; the largest oil field yet discovered, and tropical heat are some of the marvels of today that are known to exist in the Canadian Arctic regions.

These facts were stated in the evidence of explorers given before a special committee of the Dominion Senate in the course of the inquiry respecting the Hudson Bay route and the resources of the north. According to one of the experts, Professor von Hammerstein, who has made extensive explorations in Northern Canada, there is an immense deposit of hematite iron ore between Athabasca landing and the mouth of the Great Slave River. On the lower part of the Athabasca there is stone suitable for building, clay for making brick, sand from which glass could be made and natural gas with which to melt it.

The greatest gas well in the world is located at Pelican Portage. The government had sunk a hole 800 feet deep when testing for oil eleven years ago.

LOCAL STREET TALK OVERS COMING ELECTIONS AND POSSIBLE CANDIDATES

Interest in the civic elections appears to be increasing daily and the principal topic of conversation on the streets at present is the new ward system bill and the list of probable candidates.

There was considerable talk this morning about the public meeting to be held tonight in the Opera House and the council meeting called by the mayor at the request of seven aldermen for 1:45 o'clock today.

AN EX-SLAVE WANTS TO BE CITY'S MAYOR

"'Cose I'll Win," He Says, as He Files Petition in Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 25--Joshua Wallace Voorhies, a negro, has filed a petition, signed by 678 members of his race, with the city clerk in Kansas City, Kan., asking that his name be placed on the ballot for mayor on the Independent ticket to be voted at the coming municipal election.

Voorhies was born a slave at Nashville, Tenn., just before the close of the Civil War. He has been a member of the police force and a deputy street commissioner, and is now in business for himself.

"Do you expect to win?" was asked of Voorhies.

"Sure I do. Wouldn't have entered the race if I hadn't. No man ever lost yet that I backed for office. I can push myself in the same way. 'Cose I'll win."

WOMEN COPPERS IN CALIFORNIA Long Beach Will Have Petticoated Policemen to Look After Summer Crowds.

LOS ANGELES, March 25--Long Beach will have women patrols during the coming summer. The suggestion was made by the Women's Christian Temperance Union and met with instant favor among city officials. Police in petticoats will soon be appointed.

The idea is to have them patrol the beach, pier and auditorium after dark, perhaps half a dozen of them, and it is believed the cause of morality will be greatly aided and many evils of the past season remedied.

Mayor Downs of Long Beach, stated that he thought women dressed with full police powers would accomplish much more than men, and he was anxious to try the experiment. Members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union will doubtless be selected and they will wear ordinary police stars. The question of arming them has not been decided.

Conditions at Long Beach were such last season that the city's name suffered greatly to no measure adopted seemed of any avail to their liking.

WEDDING RING MELTS ON WOMAN'S FINGER

NORRISTOWN, Pa., March 26--Trying to dislodge a chinker in the kitchen stove, Mrs. William Whitehead badly burned her hands with live coals. Her gold wedding ring melted off her finger.

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MOONSHINERS SLAY WOMEN

Makers of Illicit Whisky Slay Suspected Spies in Blue Mountain District.

DANVILLE, Va., March 25--A special to the Register, from Valley, 25 miles from Danville, says that as the result of an attack by a mob of men on Sunday night, Annie Hall, a white woman residing near Charley, Patrick county, was shot to death and her sister, Jane Hall, seriously wounded. The accounts of the murder are very meagre and it is supposed to have been the work of illicit distillers of whisky. The murdered woman and her sister lived in a cottage with their nephew, and it is alleged that they have been acting as spies to the revenue officers and the names of the operators.

LITTLE BOY'S AWFUL DEED

Murdered a Six Months Old Baby Because it Cried.

TORONTO, March 25--(Special)--"Baby wouldn't stop crying" was the childish explanation offered by little six year old Willie Wineberg when he was charged with the murder of his six months old baby. The child was lying dead with the side of its head crushed in Mr. Wineberg's hand. He was found on the 8th inst. by a woman who had been called to the house by a neighbor. The child was lying on the floor, and a small screw driver was found in the other rifle, when the first shot was fired.

The witness read the report of Major Hym, who made an inspection of the rifles in the regiment. The inspection took place after the annual drill. The rifles were wet and rusty, and some parts of them were broken.

ST. JOHN MAN ON THE STAND

Public Accounts Committee Examined About Ruffie.

OTTAWA, Ont. March 25--(Special)--The Ross rifle came before the public accounts committee today. The deputy minister of militia was first examined, J. Lawrence Drake, of St. John, N. B., of the 3rd New Brunswick Regiment, was next examined. He said that two accidents had occurred at St. John with the Ross rifle. In one rifle part of the breech was blown out, and a small screw broke in the other rifle, when the first shot was fired.

To Sir Frederic Borden the witness said that there was no report of these accidents at the time.

To Mr. Northrup the witness said that he would not be afraid to use the rifle if he had to, but he would not use it unless he had to.

To Col Hughes he said that he was not a rifle expert and did not know much about the mechanism.

BOY GETS A LICENSE TO MARRY STEPSISTER

DENVER, March 26--Stepmother and stepfather stepped into the court house and made for the room where Mr. Mand Felner, clerk of the marriage license department reigns with gentle sway. With them came their parents, whose consent was necessary before the coveted document could be procured.

Louis F. Rambo, aged eighteen, and his stepsister, Josephine E. Falling, aged sixteen, were the prospective bridegroom and his bride.

The funeral of the late Rose A. Lockhart was held this morning at 8:30 from her late residence, Barker street, to Holy Trinity church, where requiem mass was celebrated by the Rev. J. J. Walsh.

WAR IN VAUDEVILLE REACHES ST. JOHN

St. John Vaudeville Theatre May Pass to Control of the Morris Kahn-Grant Syndicate.

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MAYOR AND DIRECTOR

James Sullivan's Wages May Lead to Friction Between Mayor Sears and Director Cushing.

James Sullivan, a laborer, employed by the city, called at City Hall this morning to see the mayor on what he considered an unjust action on the part of Director Cushing.

Mr. Sullivan stated that he was receiving only \$1.40 per day, whereas he should receive \$1.50. The matter was brought to the mayor's attention by Mr. Sullivan some few days ago and his worship sent a note to the director asking him to put Sullivan on the list at \$1.50 as ordered by the council on July 4th last.

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STOLEN ART WAS ON ITS WAY TO AMERICA

Italian Officials Seize Bas-Relief Taken from Florence.

ROME, March 25--The customs house officers have stopped at a frontier station a beautiful Della Robbia bas-relief which was stolen from the villa of Count Baldi, near Florence, and which, it is asserted, was destined for America.

QUESTION OF LICENSES WITH CITY AND C. P. R.

Twenty-eight C.P.R. Employees Summoned to the Police Court.

The city contends that, according to the interpretation of the by-law the men should pay a license fee, and the recorder is looking into the matter. It is expected the case will be considered tomorrow.

Sixteen men employed by the C. P. R. in addition to the twenty-eight reported have already procured licenses, and in previous years these men have all been compelled to pay a license fee. In addition to the C. P. R. employees there are a large number of men brought here by the Allan the Dunsmuir and Manchester lines and these have all taken out licenses. The matter is one that involves quite a considerable sum of money, taking all the different lines into consideration, and if a decision against the city's contention is reached it will mean a considerable loss in revenue.

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