

MINNESOTA TOWNS IN FIRE PERIL

Hibbing Threatened With Destruction and Grand Marais Appears Doomed.

Duluth, Sept. 8.—Forest fires which have been raging for several days, tonight threaten Hibbing, a city of 10,000 people, the largest and most prosperous town on the Mesaba range. Every place of business is closed and the men are all out fighting the flames. A telegram from Hibbing says:

"The fire is very near the Great Northern spur, on this side of Brooklyn, a suburb of Hibbing, and the wind is blowing in our direction."

"The city has available hose out, and every man we can find is fighting the fire. They have established a pipe line and installed two pumps."

In response to an appeal the Duluth fire department has gone to the scene, while the Mesaba Railroad has trains in readiness at Hibbing to take the people away.

Smoke from the fires, which surround the town, make Hibbing so dark that the electric lights have been turned on there in the day to enable the citizens to see their way about.

The smoke is stifling, and the heat very oppressive. Unless the wind changes, Coleraine and Bovey will be safe. In these towns the schools and business houses are closed, and everyone is prepared to flee.

Grand Marais, Minn., on the north shore, is on the verge of the fire. The women are weeping with fright and the worst part of the situation is that there is no avenue of escape open. Al J. Smith, county attorney of Hennepin County, who has been camping beyond the Grand Marais, was burned out at his camp, and with his party escaped to Grand Marais in a launch. Settlers are walking into Grand Marais, smoke beguiling, and are so dazed, with packs of the most valuable belongings on their backs and their families dragging behind them.

When Mr. Smith left, the fate of Grand Marais was in doubt. The citizens were loath to leave their homes and belongings without making a fight for them, so many of them remained behind.

Mr. Smith says that an east wind would bring on a destruction of Grand Marais within an hour, and no power can save the town. If a fire comes before a boat gets there, the fate of the population will be in doubt.

FEARED A DEMONSTRATION

Montreal Police Out Yesterday To Suppress Sympathetic Demonstration.

Montreal, Sept. 8.—The arrival of a large body of strikebreakers for the C. P. R. caused the calling out of the police today, as it was feared that the sympathizers of the strikers would start a demonstration. There was a large crowd gathered at the Place Vigor, depot, the company's east end terminal. The police, however, succeeded in keeping the demonstration within bounds, and nothing more than hoots and cat-calls resulted.

FIVE WERE KILLED IN THE FIRE PANIC

A Score Jumped From Window—Ten Saved by a Fireman.

Denver, Col., Sept. 8.—Five men lost their lives and a score of persons were injured, several of them seriously, in a fire that gutted the Belmont Hotel, a three-story building, at 1723 Stout street, this morning. The dead: Edward Moore, aged 55, real estate agent, Philadelphia, killed in jumping; George Burtell, Pullman conductor, suffocated; John D. Kane, Colorado Springs, suffocated; George Bode, Middleton, N. Y., died at hospital of injuries sustained by jumping; George Ott, Dodge City, Kansas, died at hospital of injuries sustained by jumping.

The dangerously injured: William E. Lewis, brakeman, badly burned about face and breast, will die; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lanham, O. E. Klinger, and Charles F. Stewart.

Patrick Treadwell, a fireman of Cripple Creek, Col., who was sleeping in the Belmont when the fire started, is credited with having saved at least ten lives by inducing entrapped guests to jump from the upper stories into a courtyard across a five-foot alley to the roof of an adjoining building and catching them in his arms.

In the opinion of officials of the fire department, the fire was set afire, and a rigid investigation is being made. The blaze broke out on the third floor at the top of the hotel, and spread with amazing rapidity. One hundred guests were in the house, and many found all means of egress cut off when aroused. Nearly a score jumped from windows, while others were carried down extension ladders by firemen and policemen working in relays. The damage to the building is \$25,000.

THE COTTON CROP

Nearly 400,000 Bales Ginned From the Crop of 1908.

Washington, Sept. 8.—A total of 379,924 bales of cotton ginned from the growth of 1908 to Sept. 1 and 6,613 acres of cotton are announced in the census report on cotton ginning issued today. This is against 290,278 bales at the corresponding date in 1907, 4,050 active ginneries; 407,551 bales, and 6,828 ginneries in 1906, and 478,655 bales and 8,229 ginneries in 1905. This figure counts round and half bales. The report includes 29,614 round bales for 1908; 11,503 for 1907; 21,855 for 1906 and 22,231 for 1905. The report also embraces 1,324 sea island bales for 1908; 85 for 1907; 63 for 1906, and 1,146 for 1905.

Shingles are now made under a patented process from asbestos fibre and Portland cement.

FOUR BROKE JAIL

Bore a Hole Through Wall of Kenora Jail to Liberty.

Kenora, Ont., Sept. 8.—Four prisoners last evening made their escape from the jail here: George Johnston, awaiting trial for the murder of Ada Ackerman, and Dan Cavanagh, A. S. Darling and R. H. Griffin, sentenced to short terms for theft.

At 6 o'clock the turnkey and head jailer removed the supper dishes from the large common cell in which the four were confined, with fifteen others. He then went to his own supper. At 6:30 he returned to the cell and found that four of the men had escaped through a hole bored in the 18-inch wall. The mortar had been scraped away by means of a piece of thin wire. The stones had then been moved until a hole was formed about eighteen inches in diameter. The other fifteen prisoners did not attempt to escape.

Early this morning Johnston was tracked to some houses on the outskirts of the town and captured. Griffin was captured two hours later. The other two men are still at large.

A GIGANTIC CLAIM

Lambert Heirs Say Centre of Quebec City Is Theirs.

Quebec, Sept. 8.—Answering a call that all relatives of Mr. Lambert, who died many years ago in the United States, meet in this city today to take steps to claim property in Quebec, which, it is claimed, rightfully belongs to the heirs of the estate of the late Mr. Lambert over a score of people claiming different parts of the continent claiming kinship, gathered here today.

The meeting was called for 10 o'clock this morning in the offices of Climon, Sevigny & Parent, advocates, but when those answering the call had all gathered, the question in Peter street were altogether too small to hold the proposed meeting, and it was adjourned to this afternoon, a more commodious room in Joseph street being secured for the occasion.

The Lambert heirs, through Mr. Campbell, who appears to be the head of the movement, and who has been in Quebec several times during the past few years making inquiries and gathering information, claim considerable land in the heart of Upper Town, including that upon which the Basilica, Chateau Frontenac, courthouse, Anglican Cathedral and other buildings are situated.

BATTLE IN ALGERIA

Twenty Thousand Moors Routed by Five Thousand Frenchmen.

Paris, Sept. 8.—Five thousand French troops, comprising the garrison of Bou Denib, on the Algerian coast, today attacked the Moorish troops who had surrounded them, and have made several attacks on the garrison. The Moors, who numbered 20,000, suffered a disastrous defeat, and were routed in disorder, after ten hours' fighting. The Moorish loss is said to have been very heavy, while the French casualties were three men wounded.

According to news from Indo-China, revolutionary principles seem to be making tremendous headway among the inhabitants, who are regarded as being in certain districts on the verge of open rebellion.

Organized raids by natives, armed with modern rifles, are of daily occurrence, and whole villages, whose population is supposed to be loyal to the French, are often plundered.

The French authorities are at last taking to the gravity of the situation, and a strong body of white troops has started on an expedition into the district believed to be the centre of disaffection.

It has been discovered that thousands of native soldiers wear inside the lining of their uniforms badges bearing Chinese signs indicating their membership in a secret society. The revolutionists are said to number at least 30,000, most of them armed with Mauser rifles. Against them there can be mustered in the entire colony only 7,000 white troops. The French Government is rushing 5,000 soldiers to Tonkin at once, preliminary to the dispatch of further reinforcements if necessary.

DO PLANTS SEE?

Science Says Have Organism Similar to Brain.

London, Sept. 8.—The interest aroused by the contention made by Francis Darwin, son of the author of the "Origin of Species," in his presidential address to the British association last week, that plants can remember and can develop habits, was increased by a paper read today by Professor Harold Wager, the well-known botanist. Professor Wager declared that plants possess an organism corresponding to a brain, and further demonstrated that they have eyes with which they can see, and see well. Professor Wager showed that the outer skins of many leaves are in fact lenses very much like the eyes of many insects and quite as capable of forming clear images surrounding objects. This is the case with most leaves, but especially with those that grow in the shade. These lenses are so good and focus the light that falls on them so carefully that photographs can be taken by means of them.

Not only do these plant eyes see well, but the rays of light, which by means of them are focussed on the interior of the leaf are carried to the brain of the plant and affect subsequent movements. It has been long known that the leaves of plants move so that they can get the maximum light. It is now suggested how this movement is made possible, and the process is identical with the movement of animals.

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VALUABLE FIND OF FOSSIL BONES

Remarkable Discovery Made in East Africa.

London, Sept. 8.—From German East Africa news comes of a remarkable discovery, namely, a deposit of prehistoric animal skeletons which, according to Prof. Fraas, of Stuttgart, excels in importance the American Altonosaurus beds east of the Rocky Mountains. Prof. Fraas has discovered specimens of the gigantosaurs and his investigations lead to the conclusion that the remains found are those of the youngest of the dinosaurs in family, which flourished long after its species in America and Europe had become extinct.

The locality where they were found is known as the Lindi hinterland, and is close to the Tendaguru Mountain range. The bones had absorbed much lime in the course of centuries, and were consequently in better condition to withstand the ravages of time than the friable marl and sandstone in which they are embedded, and so that frequently appeared on the surface. Some skeletons were dug out as complete as the animal stood when it perished.

The discoverer calculates their age as belonging to the upper Cretaceous era, while the remains found in America and Europe are of the Jurassic period, or at the outside, to the lower Cretaceous age. The size of the skeletons just unearthed is hardly exceptional, only about fifty feet in length, and from ten to eleven feet in height, but any deficiency in size is made up by the enormous quantities of bones composing the deposit.

MANY TURNED BACK

Undesirables From the United States Not Permitted to Enter Country.

Ottawa, Sept. 8.—The system of rigid inspection established by the immigration department this summer along the international boundary has resulted in the turning back of hundreds of undesirable from the United States, who otherwise would probably have become a public charge or would have added to the congestion of the Canadian labor market during the coming winter. During the month of August no less than 198 people were debarred from entering Canada at Niagara Falls alone. Practically all of these were out of work and possessed of no funds, and if allowed to enter would probably have been prevented by the United States authorities from again crossing the line if the Canadian immigration department sought to deport them.

\$50,000 MISSING

Big Steal Made From the Wells-Fargo Express Company.

Portland, Oregon, Sept. 8.—A package entrusted to the care of the Wells-Fargo Express Company at Salem, Oregon, by J. R. Albert, president of the Capital National Bank of that city, and addressed to Joseph M. Meyers at the Portland Hotel in this city, containing jewelry, notes and other valuables and papers, representing over \$50,000, is strangely missing. That the package reached Portland from Salem on the Southern Pacific train arriving here at 11:30 o'clock on the night of Aug. 21, has been established beyond doubt, but what became of it after that hour is not known. Superintendent Beckwith of the Portland office of the Wells-Fargo express said today: "We have detected a man working on the case, and will never let up until we catch the thief, no matter how long it may require. We have some clues, but we are not ready to make public."

WESTMINSTER NOTES

Protest Against Cutting Down Train Service—Great Field of Corn.

Westminster, Sept. 9.—Yesterday the discontinuance of the evening train from London to St. Thomas went into effect. The merchants and business men of the town, who passed Westminster at the usual time, but with no passenger car attached. What seems passing strange to the people of this whole district between London and St. Thomas is that it should be so expensive to have a passenger car attached to a train service of all these past years, which has become a necessity. We hope the people of St. Thomas and London will all unite in getting the Pere Marquette at once to reconsider this matter. We must have relief in some way. The present condition of things cannot continue.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Nichol have returned after a delightful visit with their daughter, Mrs. Beattie, of Maudsland.

Miss Jones, of East London, is visiting Mrs. Andrew Beattie, of the third concession.

Quite a large number of Westminster people are attending the Toronto fair.

Mr. Harry Ralston has one of the finest fields of corn ever seen in this country. Some weeks ago some stalks were found to be fourteen feet tall by actual measurement.

Rev. Dr. McCrae will give his lecture on "The Wit and Wisdom of the Scottish Minister of the Older Times" in the First Presbyterian Church at Wilton Grove on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. At the close of the lecture the young ladies will serve refreshments in the schoolroom, and a delightful social time is assured.

Mr. Thomas Gott was taken suddenly ill on Sunday evening. Dr. Reid, of Glanworth, is in attendance, and his friends will be glad to know that Mr. Gott is improving rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sproule have gone to Toronto to visit friends and take in the fair.

Argentina's area under cultivation is now 26,000,000 acres, comparing with 12,000,000 in 1905.

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TOLSTOI SNUB FINDS OPPOSITION

Russ People Angry at Circular Sent by the Holy Synod.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 8.—The circular by the holy synod appealing to all believers not to participate in the celebration Sept. 9 in honor of Count Leo Tolstoy's eightieth birthday meets with approval from only a limited section of the press and the public. This circular is virtually a second excommunication of the aged writer. The Znamia and other newspapers condemn it unstintingly, and a scathing criticism by the Novoe Vremya, which usually is a staunch supporter of the Government, furnishes a criterion of the temper of Russian society.

The administrative provincial authorities are bestirring themselves at the eleventh relatives and closest friends will not be re jubilee and the governors of the provinces of Moscow, Warsaw, Saratov, Simbirsk, etc., have resorted to the provisions of martial law to veto the celebrations arranged by the municipalities. Furthermore, the censorship at St. Petersburg has prohibited the memorial performance arranged for a local theatre.

Tolstoy's Health Is Better.

A telegram received here from Yasnaya Polyana says the influenza and fever from which the count has been suffering has disappeared and that the inflammation in his leg has subsided. In the last few days, however, he has become extremely weak, and his grief at the press and the severity of his mental vigor is not impaired.

The count's wife has issued no announcement, setting forth that even her husband's relatives and closest friends will not be received at Yasnaya Polyana next Wednesday because of the patient's weakness. She has requested all newspapers publishing commemorative articles of the count to forward copies to the Russian Historical Museum at Moscow for preservation in the Tolstoy room.

Tolstoy Grieves at Hatred.

The efforts of the countless to prevent the news of the bitterness expressed by his jubilee from reaching his husband have been fruitless. He insists upon seeing all the newspapers and his grief at the harsh sentences expressed is pathetic.

The Novoe Vremya in a leading article on the encyclical says: "The shade of the Spanish inquisition is seeking to darken one of the most precious holidays of Russian civilization—the birthday of Russia's greatest writer. Good taste should have prevented the holy synod from anathematizing Tolstoy again at the grave's threshold."

Without sharing Tolstoy's theological views, the whole of the Russian orthodox people, educated and uneducated, has the full right and duty to honor Tolstoy, and it would be ungrateful and ignoble to abstain from doing so. Every fervent member of the orthodox church believes in the judgment of God will not be guided by encyclicals breathing the spirit of the dark ages."

ASKS THAT BOYD RESIGN.

Ottawa, Sept. 8.—The axe has fallen at last on the Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada. At Saturday's meeting of the central Olympic committee, the official report of which was handed out today, a resolution was passed unanimously in which the committee expressed the opinion that the federation broke faith with the country, the Olympic committee and the Canadian Amateur Athletic Federation when Leslie Boyd protested Tom Longboat, and requested the resignation of the remaining members representative of the federation on the general Olympic committee.

PRESIDENT NOT IN PERIL

No Attempt Made To Assassinate Mr. Roosevelt at Oyster Bay.

Oyster Bay, Sept. 8.—Sensational reports that an attempt had been made to shoot President Roosevelt apparently have their origin in the fact that hunting season has opened on Long Island, and there is considerable shooting daily in the outlying districts. Close investigation fails to show that there has been any overt act directed against the President. It is his custom to ride out every day, covering various routes in the countryside, and it is not unusual for him to encounter parties of hunters. Also there is a shooting club which engages in target practice not far from Sagamore Hill.

Mr. Loeb, secretary to the President, said today that he had no knowledge of any attempt to harm the president.

Minola, N. Y., Sept. 8.—John Coughlin, the armed man who was arrested while attempting to reach the president at Sagamore Hill yesterday, was examined by two physicians today, and pronounced insane. He will be sent to an asylum at Kings Park, Long Island.

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

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Arrive from the east—*2:50 a.m., 10:56 a.m., *11:15 a.m., *11:23 a.m., *6:30 p.m., *8:00 p.m., 10 p.m.

Arrive from the west—*12:09 a.m., *2:45 a.m., *11:28 a.m., 1:10 p.m., *4:10 p.m., 6:25 p.m.

Depart for the east—*12:14 a.m., *3:40 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., *11:38 a.m., 2:06 p.m., *4:25 p.m., *6:53 p.m. (Eastern Flyer).

The train leaving at 7:30 a.m. and 2:06 p.m. stop at all stations.

Depart for the west—*4:00 a.m., 7:40 a.m., *11:18 a.m., *11:35 a.m., 1:40 p.m., *8:18 p.m.

The 7:40 a.m. and the 1:40 p.m. trains stop at all stations.

LONDON AND WINDSOR.

Arrive—10:00 a.m., *4 p.m., *6:50 p.m. (Eastern Flyer), 11 p.m.

Depart—8:35 a.m., *11:27 a.m., 2:20 p.m., *8:10 p.m. (International Limited).

STRATFORD BRANCH.

Arrive—*3:25 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:35 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 11:25 p.m.

Depart—6:10 a.m., 10:20 a.m., 2:45 p.m., 4:55 p.m.

LONDON, HURON AND BRUCE.

Arrive—10:10 a.m., 6:10 p.m.

Depart—8:30 a.m., 4:50 p.m.

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Arrive—From the east *11:30 a.m., 8 p.m., *10:52 p.m. From the west—*4:30 a.m., *8:20 a.m., *6:20 p.m.

Depart—For the east—*4:40 a.m., 8:28 a.m., *5:28 p.m. For the west—*11:38 a.m., *8:10 p.m., *11:00 p.m.

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Depart—7:15 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 5:55 p.m., 10:25 p.m.

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