

MCKINLEY'S NEW ROLE

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Tenth of March Date of Execution of Cordelia Poirier and Partner in Crime.

Prisoner Caught Breaking Gaol—Dead in a Ditch—Drowning Accident.

Special to the Colonist. St. Scholastica, Que., Dec. 28.—The trial of Samuel Parslow for the murder of Isidore Poirier at St. Catharines was finished to-day at 5 o'clock. Parslow was found guilty and sentenced to be hanged March 10. Cordelia Poirier, Parslow's partner in crime, will hang on the same day.

WALKERTON, Dec. 28.—Robert King, arrested in Paisley last Friday upon information furnished by the Pinkerton National Detective Association, made a futile attempt at jail-breaking here to-day. The attempt was frustrated by the arrival of the turnkey in all time interference with the prisoner's escape.

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C. P. R. PROFITS.

Statement for November and Eleven Months of Present Year.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—(Special)—The C. P. R. statement for November is: Gross earnings, \$2,524,487; working expenses, \$1,421,271; net profit, \$1,103,216. For the eleven months ended November 30, 1897, the net profits were \$11,189,753.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL. Senator Adams on His Deathbed—Use Found in Sawdust—Visitors Here From This Province.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, Dec. 29.—A private despatch received to-day from Senator Michael Adams is dying. He is 53 years of age, and was called to the senate from the House of Commons during the last parliament.

Prof. Ruttan, of McGill, who was here to-day, says the new machine tested here a few weeks ago for converting sawdust into calcium carbide is a success.

Col. F. B. Gregory and Alex. Begg, of Victoria, and R. D. Armstrong, president of the Grand Forks board of trade, are in town.

MATCHING THE FRENCH. British Fishery Protection Service off Newfoundland to Be Improved.

Halifax, Dec. 29.—(Special)—The dock yard authorities at Halifax are being informed by the British admiralty of its intention to replace by better and faster vessels the old fishery protection vessels on the coast of Newfoundland. The ships now in use include the Cordelia, Burrard and others.

NICARAGUAN CANAL. Three Feasible Routes and Outside Cost Probably One Hundred and Fifty Millions.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Copies of the preliminary report of the Nicaragua canal commission, which Admiral Walker is chairman, have been furnished to Senator Morgan and others interested in the canal project.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS. Directorate for This Province Recently Chosen—The Annual Banquet.

Vancouver, Dec. 29.—At the annual meeting of the Northwest Commercial Travellers' Association, held in Vancouver on the 24th inst., the following officers were elected to the directorate for British Columbia for the ensuing year: Vice-president, Mr. A. O. Campbell, of Vancouver Hardware Co., by acclamation.

COAL ON FREE LIST. The one important concession, that of the free entry of Canadian coal, submitted to the Senate of the United States to-day, has been disregarded in the matter.

IRISH POLITICAL PLANS. Liberal Disorganization to Be Turned to the Benefit of Home Rule.

Dublin, Dec. 29.—Irish political plans are being discussed in London at the present time, and there is speculation as to the course of the factions in the United Kingdom.

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LAUGHING AT CANADA.

Washington Politicians Ticked at Their Handling of the Liberal Knights.

Who Gave Away So Freely That Nothing Remained to Offer for Reciprocity.

From the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. Washington, Dec. 28.—No one familiar with the work of the joint commission by the respective governments of Canada and the United States to adjust certain matters of difference which have for some years annoyed the citizens of both countries will have the courage to assert positively at the present time that the new treaty will be signed. Should the commissioners agree upon sufficient points to warrant drawing up a treaty for submission to their respective governments, it is by no means certain that both countries will ratify the same.

ALAN B. SLAUSON. AMERICANS AT SAMOA. Germany Sees in Their Movements a Check to Her Growing Influence.

Berlin, Dec. 29.—There is much comment here on the reported arrival of an American warship at Apia, Samoa. The newspapers regard it as a sign that President McKinley intends to carry out the programme outlined in his recent message to congress.

TARTE A BITTER PILL. Revolt of French Liberals Brings a Beseeking Letter From Sir Wilfrid.

Mindful of the Power for Mischiefs Which His Troublesome Colleagues Always Has Been.

Special to the Colonist. Montreal, Dec. 29.—At a meeting of the Reform Club, held last evening to make arrangements for a big demonstration which it is proposed to hold Tuesday next at the Monument National, a letter was read from Sir Wilfrid Laurier to Senator Dandridge, and another from Sir Wilfrid to the Hon. Mr. Mackenzie Bowden, in which he could not be present, and making some exceedingly interesting observations on attacks made from within the party on Mr. Tarte.

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DUTIES OF GOVERNORS

Colonial Secretary on Their Obligation to Be Advised by Responsible Ministers.

Under the British Constitution the Legislature Must Be Supreme Authority.

Refusal to Disallow Newfoundland Contract or Reserve It Until Elections.

By Associated Press. St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 29.—Governor Murray has made public the text of the message received by him from Mr. Champlain, secretary of state for the colonies, in which he finally and definitely refused to disallow the Reid railway contract, or to interfere in colonial affairs, the purpose of which had been already made known. The message is regarded as a rebuke to the Governor, and is considered an important pronouncement of the Imperial government and legislative control which the Imperial authorities may safely exercise over colonial questions. 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