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A TERRIBLE HOLOCAUST OCCURS IN NEW YORK CITY.

The Big Windsor Hotel on Fifth Avenue Catches Fire While Hundreds of Guests and Visitors Are Within the Building.

Fifteen People Were Killed or Burned to Death and Two Score or More Were Injured, Many of Whom Will Die.

St. Patrick's Procession Was Passing in the Street and the Hotel Windows Were Filled With Guests and Their Friends.

Many Jumped From High Windows Only to Meet Instant Death or Die a Few Minutes Later in the Hospital—A Horrible Affair.

New York, March 17.—Flames, which originated from the lighting of a lace curtain, burst forth from the second floor of the Windsor Hotel, at 47th-street and Fifth-avenue, shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon, just as the St. Patrick's Day parade was passing the building, and in a few moments they had leaped up to the roof and enveloped the entire fifth-avenue and 47th-street fronts of the hotel.

Leland, proprietor of the hotel, died from burns about the body. Helen O'Connell, daughter of Warren Leland, jumped from window. Mrs. Rosina Rosenthal, body burns. Unknown woman, fractured skull. Unknown man, hands and arms burned.

IN RUINS IN TWO HOURS Impossible to Check the Raging Flames and Soon All Was Destruction and Death. The flames could not be checked and in two hours from the time that the fire broke out the entire structure was in ruins and the streets on three sides of the building were filled with debris from falling walls and tall chimneys, while the streams of water being poured from the interior of the ruins had no other effect than to fill the air with clouds of scalding steam, making it impossible for anyone to approach near enough to search for missing bodies.

THE INJURED. Kate Roscho, face burned, leg fractured. Jolly Noonan, hotel employe, burns on body.

TERRIBLE LOSS OF LIFE. Hundreds of guests and employes were in the hotel when the fire broke out, and for many of them escape with safety was impossible.

THE DEAD. Up to midnight the list of dead is as follows: Mrs. Elizabeth Leland, wife of Warren Leland.

THE INJURED. Helen Brewer, thigh broken. Mrs. Von Speigle, leg and rib fractured. Mrs. Catherine Misch, face and hands burned.

THE DEAD. Mrs. Mary Kirk Haskins, Chicago, shock. Miss Dorothy Wheeler, shock. Nellie Thomas, shock. John Clifford, shock. William F. Love, shock.

ON A CHARGE OF BIGAMY. A Middle-Aged Woman, Who Married a Second Time, in Trouble at Chatham.

Chatham, Ont., March 17.—Mrs. Swanson, a middle-aged woman, was brought here from Saratoga, N.Y., on a charge of bigamy. The charge was preferred by her second husband, Swanson. The story appears to be this: The woman lived with a man named Haggard, to whom she was married, for three years, when they separated. Neither one had seen the other for twenty-five years, when she met at her daughter's house, the woman claims to have told Swanson the story of her life, in which she alleges, saw nothing to hinder their marriage.

MUST HAVE A STRONG NAVY

French Minister of Marine Made a Vigorous Speech in the Chamber of Deputies.

SOME STARTLING REVELATIONS.

Navy Was in No Condition to Fight During the Strained Relations With Britain.

Paris, March 17.—In the Chamber of Deputies to-day, during the debate on the naval estimates, M. Lockroy, Minister of Marine, sketched the government program and gave a curious insight into the unreadiness of the navy during the recent Anglo-French crisis.

Starting Revelations. The Minister of Marine then proceeded to reveal a number of startling facts relating to the condition of the French fleet at the critical juncture in the relations between France and Great Britain some months ago.

Will Not Suppress the Truth. M. Lockroy declared that he would never back the Chamber. "These facts," he continued, "have been obtained after painful inquiries, but there are men behind the guns everywhere now."

Beaver Plug is the only "Gentleman's Chew." No Press Required. Write your letter. Place it in our "Beaver" Letter Copying Book, result as good as a copy can be obtained in a press.

A RISKY FRENCH PLAY.

Draws Crowded Houses in Variety Circles, But Average Parisians Apathetic.

Paris, March 17.—For the moment the Dreyfus affair is eclipsed by a stage sensation. M. Henri Lavedan, a member of the French Academy, has launched on the theatrical world a play which the not over-squeamish French critics describe as the riskiest comedy that has ever been given on the Paris stage.

Metropolitan Railway. Every Saturday and Wednesday afternoon cars leave C.P.R. crossing, Yonge street, at 1:30, 2:40, 3:50, 5:40 and 7:45; returning, leave Richmond Hill at 2:30, 4:40, 7 and 10 p.m. Return fare: Adults, 25c; children, 15c. Through excursion every evening, 7:45 o'clock. Return fare, 25c.

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths. W. Open all night, 302 and 204 King-st.

Steamer Ada Alva Leaves Chatham. Street for Island Park at 6:55 and 11:30 a.m., 2 and 5:20 p.m.

Dunlop's Greaser. Fresh cut road and knobby tires. Dunlop's greaser is graded according to length and strength of stem. The greaser is made in all colors at Dunlop's works.

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Money to Loan. Owners of central residence or business properties may obtain loans on favorable terms.

Did you ever try the top Barrel? Inspector Stark in a new role at the sale of unclaimed goods, Police Headquarters, 2 p.m.

Macdonald Club discusses Senate reform. Bazaar and musicale in aid of Working Boys' Home, at Temple Building, 2 and 8 p.m.

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From Chosen Leaves. In Cuba the tobacco plant grows to a height of six feet, the leaves being 12 to 18 inches long.

Lucky Strike 75 quality and quantity. The best 10c plus Kentucky chewing tobacco in Canada. Ask for it.

Victoria Park at Street Railway Terminals. Tenders are invited for the restaurant and club privileges, also merry-go-round, swings, boating, bathing and donkey cycle, etc., for the whole park.

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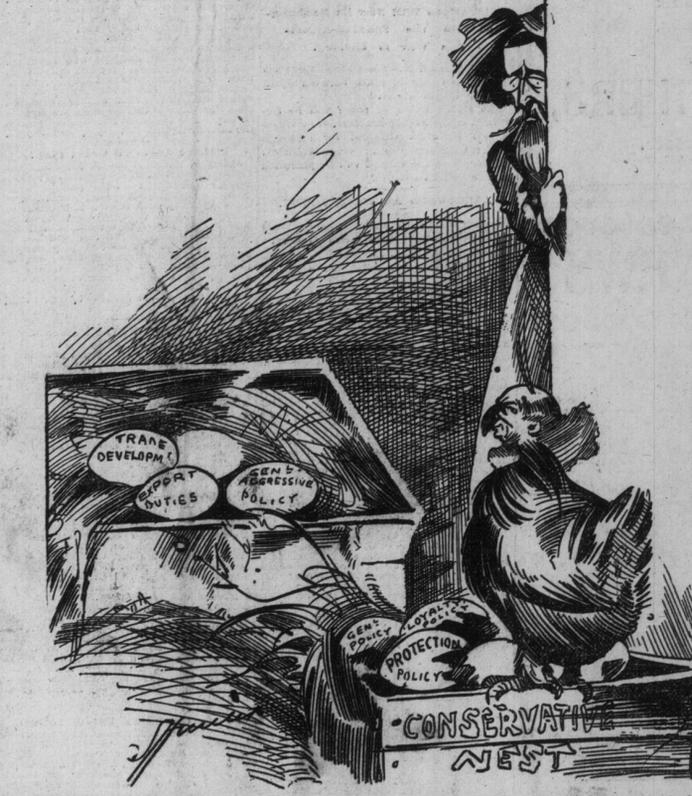
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NEGLECTED EGGS.



HOUSEWIFE FOSTER: There she goes cluckin' an' cacklin' on a nest of eggs that was hatched long ago, an' that never belonged to her, an' neglectin' a settin' of eggs that she ought to be governin' at this very minute.

HELL DAY FOR COMMONS. HE MET A HORRIBLE DEATH.

A Good Many Members Went to Brockville to the Funeral of Hon. J. F. Wood.

THE DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS

Was a Matter of Speculation - Sir Charles Tupper Said to Be in an Aggressive Mood.

Ottawa, Ont., March 17.—(Special)—Today has been unusually dull, even for an off-day, owing to the fact that almost all the members who did not go home last night took advantage of the special train provided by the C.P.R. to attend the funeral of the late Hon. John F. Wood in Brockville.

The Debate on the Address. There is some speculation as to the length of the debate on the address, which will commence on Monday, the general opinion being that it will last the greater portion of the week, and may possibly go over to the next week.

His Body Crushed and Battered - Lingered in Agony a While - Leaves a Family.

James Healy, a coal driver, caught in a belt and mangled to death.

Good billiard players like a fast cushion, a nicely-maced, well-balanced cue, and must have the best of ivory balls, perfectly round. All the above and many other desirable features are embodied in the new outfit of "superior" tables recently installed in the house by Samuel May & Co.

The New Hat Arrivals at Dineen's. To-day, at Dineen's you can see every new hat style of famous makers, whose spring creations can be shown before the Easter opening.

Armada Ceylon Tea has the flavor. Old Havana at McConnell's. Only a few boxes left of good old Havana. Nothing made to-day to equal them.

THE CONDITION OF THE POPE

Newspapers Lay Stress on His Weakness, but Vatican Authorities Not So.

Rome, March 17.—The newspapers Fanfulla and Opinions continue, in their reports of the Pope's condition, to lay stress upon his weakness.

Another Operation. Paris, March 18.—The Times correspondent of the figure says the Pope's physicians have decided upon another operation.

See the new "English" billiard table in the Kosmin building by Samuel May & Co. Men who know say it surpasses anything ever imported. So it goes.

Pember's Turkish Baths, 129 Yonge St. Call and inspect our stock and get our prices before purchasing elsewhere.

Deaths. CHESTER—On Wednesday, March 15, at Scarborough, Isaac Chester, aged 82 years.

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MATTERS IN ENGLAND.

Mr. Shaughnessy, Vice-President of the C.P.R., Gives an Interesting Talk.

EVERY PLACE A BEEHIVE.

Railway Shops and Shipyards Overloaded With Work and Everybody Busy.

The Magnate Says Railway Freight Rates Are Higher There Than in Canada - The Same Applies to French Railways - Not Much Encouragement for the Canadian Fast Steamship Project Under the Present Bus Conditions.

Montreal, March 17.—(Special)—"There are two things to learn," was the reply given to-day by Mr. Shaughnessy, the vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, when asked if a Canadian or American railway man could get pointers from the English or Continental roads.

And the public do not kick? "No. There appears to be very little trouble on that score," and then the vice-president proceeded to show how English lines receive a higher figure for even short hauls, but this is greatly increased on long distances.

He was then asked if this would apply to French lines and, although he had gone fully into the matter, he stated that in that country the freight and passenger rates would be in excess of charges on Canadian railways.

All England is Busy. Mr. Shaughnessy also made the following interesting statement: "The whole country presents the aspect of a beehive. The chairmen of the Great Midland Railway informed me with regard to the question of locomotives, that the best promise he could make is to deliver the orders of the first portion of an order in 15 months. With the great ship-building yards it is the same. The best promise he could make is to deliver the orders of the Imperial Government and the mercantile marine, the yards are overworked, and it is not a considerable time to come. I do not think that any man of substance could be found who would commit himself to the project of the fast Atlantic service at the present time, or, indeed, for three or four years to come, unless he were prepared to pay 25 per cent. over prices, which obtained two years ago. Neither the Government nor the syndicate would be likely to do that. I know that Mr. Dobell is in England. I have heard of his progress in the press, but the conditions are such—the industrial conditions I mean—that with the work which is in progress, the orders which are ahead and with the prices which would have to be paid for the cost of carrying out the project at the present time is prohibitive."

PROBABLY A CANARD. The New York World of yesterday printed a startling story to the effect that Canadian and United States miners had met in deadly conflict north of the Atlin district in British Columbia, on ground that was disputed territory. It was reported that one American and three Canadians had been killed. A C.P.R. press report from Vancouver says the story has no foundation. Carl Hummerfelt, a passenger by the steamer Tees, who brought the story down, says he was not within fifteen miles of the scene of the reported fight, but he heard the yarn from another man, who himself only heard the rumor from a third person. No one who witnessed any fight can be traced, and there is the peculiar fact that no other passenger on the Tees knows anything about it.

To Europe, 1899. The Anglo-American Bank, Limited, London, England, offers special facilities to travellers. Apply to Bank of Toronto and branches, or prior to departure apply to Mr. Charles Johnston, of the well-known shipping firm of W. Wingate & Johnston, 246

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