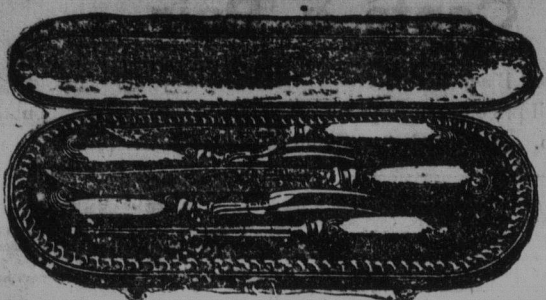


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RAILWAY IN ALASKA.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 5.—T. W. Dickinson, head of the Council City and Solomon River Railroad, has sailed for Seattle, Alaska. One hundred and twenty thousand dollars' worth of railroad equipment will follow on the steamships Eureka and Astor for the construction and operation of a railroad from Solomon City to Council City, a distance of 50 miles.

KING AND QUEEN TO IRELAND.

LONDON, June 5.—It is officially announced that King Edward and Queen Alexandra will arrive in Dublin on July 21st, on their visit to Ireland.

CRICKET.

The first cricket practice of the season will be held on the Shamrock grounds tomorrow at three o'clock, when the Trinity church players will turn out.

St. John, N. B., June 5, 1903.

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THE FAR EAST.

Say Manchuria Will Be One Great Battlefield.

Russian Officers Make Significant Remarks to Chinese—The Situation in Korea.

VICTORIA, B. C., June 4.—The steamer Rio Jun Maru which has arrived from the Orient brings additional news regarding the crisis in Manchuria. The North China Daily News tells of the adoption of the Russian tactics by Japan, which power is gathering forces in Korea in the guise of settlers, of the general situation in Manchuria the North China Daily News says: "Reliable news has been received by local mandarins of the great increase of Russian soldiers in Manchuria. Port Arthur is one succession of large camps. In answer to Chinese questions the men say they expect war with Japan, whose troops would most likely try to enter Manchuria through the western coast of Liao Tung. Russian officers friendly with Chinese have earnestly advised them to return with their families to China and not come back until after the war, on the ground that the whole of Liao Tung and southern Manchuria will soon be a great battlefield."

Mr. Clement, the agent investigating the Kwangsi famine, has reported that 150,000 persons are utterly destitute. He says he witnessed a public sale at Kwangshun where people were sold for food, even sons, daughters and wives. It is estimated that 10,000 children have been sold.

NINE KILLED

And Six Seriously Injured in Railway Wreck.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 5.—Further details of the wreck on the Santa Fe railroad at Stillwell, Kansas, yesterday, show that nine people were killed and six seriously injured. Among the dead are Wm. Newmiller of Plainfield, N. J.; E. H. Ward of Newcastle, Pa.; and Carlos M. Torpado, a Porto Rican, who was studying in Kansas University, and who was on his way to New York.

Of the injured William Woods came from Mount Forest, Ont. He is injured internally and is in a serious condition. The wreck was taken to undertakers' establishments here. The train that collided were the third section of No. 4, northbound from California to Chicago and No. 1, southbound, the California limited.

Each train consisted of nine cars. The baggage cars and the smoker of each were completely demolished. The pullmans and chair cars kept to the track. The killed, with the exception of two, were occupants of the baggage car, which was crushed by the chair car of the southbound train.

THE EXTENT OF THE SLUMP.
Losses of Hundreds of Thousands in Halifax.

(Halifax Recorder.)
The estimated loss by shrinkage of values in stocks in Canada within a year is placed at about \$75,000,000. This is arrived at by taking the total market value of the securities involved in the declines at the top prices of the year and placing them on top of the reduced value at the value of Monday's slump.

The following table gives an idea:

	High	Low
Canadian Pacific	138 1/2	117 1/2
Toronto Railway	115	85
Dominion Steel	62 1/2	32
Dominion Steel, pfd.	90 1/2	50
Dom. Steel bonds	80 1/2	45 1/2
Montreal Street	282	243
Albion	106	77
Halifax Trust	106	77
Dominion Coal	132	82 1/2
Dom. Power	80 1/2	50
N. S. Steel	112 1/2	75
Toledo	35	24
Detroit	80 1/2	75

Dominion Steel figures out with a shrinkage of about \$15,000,000 in common and preferred stocks and bonds. Canadian Pacific decline represents a shrinkage of about \$15,000,000, while Twin City adds another \$5,000,000. Dominion Coal has crawled down to the extent of nearly \$10,000,000 while nearly a dozen of other stocks range from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

The loss at Sydney is placed at \$300,000 and with the great trade in Halifax the losses here should figure as much as in Cape Breton.

ROUTE MARCH.

The 32nd Fusiliers are to have a route march this evening leaving the drill shed at eight o'clock (sharp). The route will be Carmarthen street to Mecklenburg, Sydney to Princess, Charlotte to King street and thence by Prince William to the drill shed. The men will be in marching order.

FOOD MIXTURES TO AVOID.

Do not drink tea while eating meat. Tea retards the digestion of any food. Drink weak tea and after a meal. Do not drink whiskey immediately after eating bananas. This has produced violent cramps and colic. Do not eat cheese with raw onions. Do not eat salad with a hearty meal. Vinegar retards digestion. Do not eat cheese after meat, especially after salt meat.

IRON DROPS TO \$15 A TON.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 4.—Iron was dropped to \$15 per ton Wednesday by the Southern Pig Iron Association, after a meeting lasting about six hours. Practically all the interests in the association were represented at the meeting, although the action taken is no surprise to those well posted concerning the iron conditions.

For some time iron has been shipped into this district from England and German ports and sold at a lower rate than the price fixed at a former meeting of the association, which was \$16.50 for No. 3 foundry. This is a drop of \$1.50 per ton. No. 2 foundry being the basis of iron prices. These prices become effective immediately.

GREAT PROJECT.

Cunard Co. Will Get Aid from British Government.

And Build Two of the Largest, Finest and Fastest Steamships Afloat.

The following is copied from the Liverpool Mercury: We understand that at the last meeting of the directors of the Cunard Steamship Company, held within the past few days, it was decided to proceed with the construction of the two steamships which, it is hoped, will once more bring back the British flag to the credit of possessing the largest, finest, and fastest steamships afloat. The directors, it is said, also resolved to place the contracts, one on the Clyde and the other on the Forth-east coast. The liners are to be built under certain terms entered into with the government, which provide that the Cunard Company shall, during the term of the agreement, remain a purely British undertaking—British in its shareholders, ships, board, officials, and employees, and British as to its management and control in every respect. The two great liners, together with the rest of the fleet, are to be held at the disposal of the government during the currency of the agreement; and, in return for this, the government are to lend to the company the money for the construction of the two new vessels at 2 1/2 per cent. per annum, and they are also to pay the company from the time these new ships commence to run \$150,000 per annum.

It has been stated that the great liners are to have a minimum speed of 25 knots from port to port, and will cost \$1,500,000 each, the time required for construction being put down at a couple of years. Assuming that 25 knots is the speed required, and that the vessels are designed with the same block co-efficient as the Campania and Lucania, the new craft will have a displacement of nearly 22,000 tons, or 6,000 tons more than the Kaiser Wilhelm II., which is 16,000 tons, and other dimensions in proportion, will be required for their flotation. It has also been estimated that the driving power will have to be 65,000 i. h. p., and the turbines will number no fewer than 200, needing 400 frames, &c. Shipbuilding experts who have had the question of construction under consideration, according to remarks made from time to time, have it is gratifying to note, every confidence that the new liners will prove a complete success and fulfil every anticipation formed regarding them.

AN ALLEGED DEFAULTER

May Have to go Back From New York to Vienna.

VIENNA, June 5.—The detention at Ellis Island, New York, of an alleged fugitive from justice, a Vienna advocate named Zinner, has brought forth several conflicting reports regarding him. The police deny any knowledge of the affair, but according to a circumstantial report, Herr Zinner is being held in accordance with a cable sent by Marcus Braunvantis, immigrant inspector, who is now investigating the emigration conditions in Austria-Hungary. At an official meeting of the chief of police of Vienna, Zinner, yesterday requesting a remittance of a thousand dollars to enable him to fight the case against him, failing which, he said his deportation was certain. At an official meeting of Zinner's creditors it was stated that his debts amounted to 10,000 kronens.

A PSALM OF RAIN.

Passages from a Holy Book.

I will give you rain in due season and the land shall yield her increase and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

I will give you the rain of your land in due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that they may gather in their corn and their wine and their oil. The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give thee rain unto thy land in his season and to send down plentiful rain upon thee many nations and thou shalt not borrow.

When heaven is shut up and there is no rain because they have sinned against thee: if they pray toward this place and confess by name I will give rain upon thy land which thou hast given to thy people for an inheritance. God giveth rain upon the earth and sendeth water upon the fields.

He raineth a father? or who hath begotten the drops of dew to cause it to rain on the earth?

Thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain whereby thou didst confirm thine inheritance.

Sing unto the Lord, who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.

And also I have withholden the rain from you where there were yet three months to the harvest.

Ask ye of the Lord rain—so the Lord shall make bright clouds and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.

For sendeth rain on the just and the unjust.

And he prayed again and the heavens gave rain and the earth brought forth her fruit.

J. FIERPONT MORGAN WANTED.

(New York Times.)
A member of a prominent New York firm recently had occasion to communicate with J. F. Morgan & Co. He told the new office boy at the telephone, who was a perfect type of fresh young America, to call up Mr. Morgan. Soon his ears were greeted with this: "Hello! Is this Morgan & Co.?" Yes, please, and in a hurry!"

Brakeman Edward Allingham, who has been representing Canliover Lodge at the railroad men's convention in Denver, returned today. Lady Tilley returned today from Ottawa.

FOREST FIRES.

Today's Reports From Various Parts of St. John County.

Help for the People Who Were Burned Out—Serious News from Black River.

Deputy Chief of Police Jenkins came up from the Lunenburg fire district this morning and reports that the flames are still raging in the vicinity of Spruce Lake. During the night a crew of men had a hard fight to save several properties in that vicinity, but were unsuccessful. Chief of Police Clark's camp was among the buildings saved. Unless there is a sudden change in the wind all danger to John O'Regan's saw mill, dwelling and barns is passed. In fact all the property on the same side of the lake the railway is on is safe. At Pleasanton the flames threatened to do considerable damage, but as yet no damage to houses or barns has been reported. The danger, however, has been so great that the fishermen have preferred to stay home and guard their property rather than to go out after salmon.

In the parish of Simonds there has been considerable loss, particularly in the vicinity of Black River. Out Mispic way considerable valuable timber lands have been destroyed.

At Black River Peter Bruleau lost his home and barns and a portion of his furniture. He had no insurance. Wm. Armstrong and Mr. Day's houses were also burned and it is understood they were not insured. The Power's barn at Black River was on fire several times yesterday and was badly scorched. A barn belonging to Mr. O'Neil was burned and also the Black River bridge and the Morrison homestead.

Fire is raging all the way to Mispic, and several houses near the pulp mill narrowly escaped destruction yesterday. A large tract of valuable timber lands near Milligan Lake are surrounded by fire and their destruction is imminent if it has not already taken place.

Willard Smith, who has a summer residence near Westfield, says that when he left there this morning there was little danger, the fire being a considerable distance away. Mr. Smith says that the newspaper reports as to the seriousness of the danger at Westfield have been exaggerated and caused more alarm than was necessary. The statement that many parties had moved their furniture from their homes was hardly correct. Some one person may have done so, but that was all.

This morning Mayor White telegraphed to Ottawa for permission to use 25 tents and 400 blankets stored in the military department here. His shipwrecked wishes to send the tents and blankets to the homeless at Musquash. A relief fund for the Musquash sufferers has been started and the collections are meeting with great success. At noon the list at City hall read as follows:

Geo. R. Fairweather \$5
Dr. Jas. Frink 3
James Reynolds 10
A. Friend 3
Herbert Wardroper 5
J. R. Armstrong 10
The mayor has also received two packages of clothing from Mrs. W. H. Mullin.

AT WESTFIELD TODAY.

Information received from the Westfield district yesterday was to the effect that the forest fires were within two miles of the village. Today's advices state that this morning the fire was not more than half a mile away, but was moving very slowly. At seven o'clock there was no wind, the wind and while many of the residents of Westfield and Lingley were becoming nervous the immediate danger was slight, unless a south or southwest wind arose. This would bring the fire down on Westfield in a very few minutes.

As yet none of the houses near Westfield have been burned, although all the standing timber on the back lands has been destroyed.

SHORE LINE TRAIN IN.

R. W. Tilton, traveller for W. H. Thorne & Co., was among the passengers on the Shore line train leaving St. Stephen between one and two o'clock yesterday. Mr. Tilton told the Star today that the train was stalled at Musquash. From there the passengers and baggage were transferred by teams to this side of Prince of Wales, which places they reached about eight o'clock. Supt. McPeake, who was with the party, came to Carleton on a hand car and took out a train by which the passengers were brought to the city, arriving at one o'clock this morning. All along the track from St. Stephen to Spruce Lake are fires or burned ground. All one side of Spruce Lake seemed to be in flames last night, but this is the fire nearest to the city on that line. The Shore line is badly damaged around Musquash and at Bonny River, and it will be some weeks before trains can run through. In the meantime trains will be made up of a man who came in from Loch Lomond today told the Star that the fires in that section were not doing any serious damage today.

The light at Cape Spencer, which was in danger last evening, was in all probability escape, word to the marine department today having been received to this effect.

Word reached the city this morning to the effect that the large club house at Black Lake has been destroyed by fire. This building was one of the most comfortable of its kind in the province.

WHY TOMMY WAS LEFT.

(Oswego Times.)
Tommy and his sister attended school where certificates of good conduct were distributed. At the end of the term the little girl was the proud possessor of one, but Tommy failed to qualify.

"How do it happen that you did not get a certificate, Tommy?" asked his mother.

"I'd have got one," replied the little fellow, "only they didn't have enough to go round."

FREE TRADERS

Are Worrying About Mr. Chamberlain's Proposals.

Daily News as Usual Thinks it Sees Dissension in the Cabinet.

LONDON, June 5.—Regarding Mr. Chamberlain's imperial solvency scheme, Lord Spencer says the country ought to press the government to get the nation's opinion without delay on the details of the scheme.

The Daily News asserts that in the debate in parliament on the colonial secretary's proposals, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach and Mr. Goschen will both disavow Mr. Chamberlain's policy, whilst the Duke of Devonshire, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Ritchie, Foreign Minister Lansdowne and Lord Selborne, first lord of the admiralty, are all against the colonial secretary. It is not improbable, adds the liberal organ, that Premier Balfour, finding such grave differences of opinion among the members of the cabinet, will resign forthwith.

With the Daily News, however, the wish is father to the thought, and in authoritative quarters no word of a possibility of Mr. Balfour's resignation is heard. At the same time there is ample evidence that a strong body of opposition is forming within the conservative ranks against Mr. Chamberlain, and urging Mr. Balfour, as head of the government, to enlighten the public regarding the government's real ideas and intentions.

LONDON, June 5.—It was reported this morning that the Marquis of Salisbury was seriously ill at Hatfield House, but inquiry showed the report was exaggerated. According to the former premier's private secretary, Lord Salisbury had a chill during the night, which occasioned some alarm. He was better this morning.

HIGH MASS CELEBRATED.

Catholic Party Strong in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

NEW YORK, June 2.—A solemn high mass was celebrated in St. Ignatius Protestant Episcopal church today. At the conclusion of the mass the convention of the Council of Clerical Union for the Maintenance and Defence of Catholic Principles, was held. There were ten delegates present, representing dioceses of Boston, Philadelphia, New York, Cleveland and Baltimore. The conference was in executive session.

The reports of officers indicated that the Catholic party in the Episcopal church is progressing. It is equally powerful in New York and Philadelphia, Boston comes next and Cleveland is fourth on the list.

Father Hotovitsky of the Russian Orthodox church, and Father Tymbalos of the Greek church spoke in a general way of the re-union of the Greek, Russian and Anglican churches and said such a re-union was bound to come eventually. Speaking of the time was approaching when the Catholic party would have to cut loose from the Protestant element in the Episcopal church. No reference was made to a possible union with the Roman Catholic church. How to bring about ceremonial uniformity was also discussed.

SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Coastwise—Sch Miranda B. 75, Tulls, from Alma; sch Electric Light, 33, Bain, from Digby, N.S.; sch Emily, 55, Morris, from Advocate Harbor, N.S.; sch Myra B. 40, Galt, from Quaco; sch Gazelle, 47, Morris, from Advocate Harbor, N.S.; sch Anne Blanche, 68, Rowe, from Parrishore, N.S.; sch Reif, 54, Reif, from Wolville, N.S.; sch Temperance, 68, 74, Wilcox, Advocate Harbor, N.S.; sch Beulah, 80, Black, from Quaco; sch Walter Scott, 76, McDonough, from Point Wolfe, N.S.; sch Ham Brook, 46, Haines, from Freeport.

Cleared.
Coastwise—Sch Rowena, Merriman, for Port Greville, N.S.; sch Emily, Morris, for Advocate Harbor, N.S.; sch Harbinger, Powell, for Westport, N.S.; sch Myra B. 40, Galt, from Quaco; sch Temperance, 68, Wilcox, from Advocate Harbor, N.S.; sch Reif, 54, Reif, from Wolville, N.S.; sch Temperance, 68, 74, Wilcox, Advocate Harbor, N.S.; sch Beulah, 80, Black, from Quaco; sch Walter Scott, 76, McDonough, from Point Wolfe, N.S.; sch Ham Brook, 46, Haines, from Freeport.

Str. State of Maine, 518, Thompson, for Bath.

COMMERCIAL.

STOCK MARKET.

On the New York stock market at noon today over a score of stocks were quoted lower than yesterday's close, and only one or two showed even a fractional advance. Sugar was 117 1/2 compared with 120 3/4 at yesterday's close. B. R. T. was off over a point and T. C. I. two points.

NEW YORK, June 5.—Wall Street: Opening dealings in stocks showed no relief from yesterday's depression and there were heavy offerings of some of the principal issues. A thousand shares of Pennsylvania followed by a 3.00 share block of United States, which were sales successively of 1,000, 2,000 and 1,000 shares block of United States, which depressed 3/4. Amalgamated Copper fell nearly a point and there were large fractional declines in United States Steel stocks, Missouri Pacific, B. & O. and American Smelting. Losses of a point or even were scored by the Canadian Pacific, Illinois Central, Consolidated Gas and Union Bag. Hocking Coal dropped two points.

COTTON.

NEW YORK, June 5.—Cotton: Futures opened barely steady. July, 12 1/2; August, 10 1/2; September, 10 1/4; October, 9 1/2; November, 9 1/4; December, 9 1/4; January, 9 1/4.

A WHEAT TRUST.

LONDON, June 5.—According to a Central News despatch from Lisbon, the leading importers there have formed a trust whereby all the milling interests in Portugal are amalgamated.

ST. STEPHEN NEWS.

Daniel Crilly, formerly police magistrate, died at his residence on Union street this evening. He was one of the town's most honored and respected citizens. Illness had confined him to his home during the past few months. He is survived by a wife, a son and daughter.

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