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300 ON BATTLESHIP PERISH; POWDER MAGAZINE EXPLODES

Awful Disaster Reported From Aboard a French Warship in the Harbor of Toulon

Toulon, March 12 .- A powder magazine on board one of the battleships nere, said to be the Lena, exploded today, owing, it is reported, to the explosion of a compressed air torpedo on the vessel. It is said that the casualties number from 200 to 300, but as this dispatch is filed, no details are obtainable, and even the identity of the warship is not definitely established.

NEW PASSENGER CARS FOR G. T. R.

seventy Being Built for Use on Some Interesting Facts Brought Out Before Committeee of Various Lines-- Are Modern the Legislature. in Every Respect.

PRISON CONTRACT

A POOR BARGAIN

[Special to The Advertiser.]

the contract but had had nothing to

"From 15 to 17 cents an hour up,

"Then would you not think prison

"No, I would not, keeping in mind

Mr. Mackay figured out that there

"How do you account for that?"

Mr. Rogers would not admit it.

ernment and partly by the company.

and the prisons and had not a com-

"Then you might be mistaken in

some of your answers," suggested Mr.

that it was not the general foreman,

but the machinist, half of whose salary

"Mr. MacKay has asked you if this

The last payment by the Taylor-

Scott Company had averaged four cents

Mr. MacKay quoted figures of a re-

and N. O., but Mr. Matheson ruled it

A motion to investigate the accounts

of A. P. Drinkman, forest ranger, was

C. P. R. CONSENTS

Toronto, March 12.-The Canadian

THAT TRIP TO BUFFALO

for the London deputation to go to

Buffalo tonight or tomorrow instead

labor was worth ten cents an hour.

Matheson to his own witness.

was paid by the Government.

"No, I do not think it is."

"I might."

an hour.

should say.'

Seventy passenger coaches of the of construction for the Grand Trunk facts in regard to the prison labor conlongs to No. 1 committee, and last
Railway. A number of the cars are Railway. A number of the cars are the company, while the remainder are lic accounts committee this morning. being built under contract by private Mr. Rogers, inspector of prisons, was concerns. The cars are for use on the examined by Mr. A. G. MacKay good, and they will not consider it. various lines, and they are to be fin- (North Grey). He said he had signed ished in green plush and similar in every respect to the first-class day coaches now in use on the Interna- do with the drawing up of the con- a local gentleman of \$8,000 for tional Limited and the Eastern Flyer. tract. Under it the Taylor-Scott Com-The building of the cars has been found pany had the use of the north shop necessary by reason of the company and its machinery, and prison labor at selling a large number of its oldest roughly three or four cents an hour, coaches to the Grand Trunk Pacific to or 30 or 40 cents a day. be used in the construction of the new, lines through the west. The new cars the free market?" are expected to be delivered at an

The company is also building at its shops in East London four vans of a labor ought to be worth at least ten type not heretofore used on the Cana-cents an hour?" dian part of the system. The cans are only sixteen feet in length, with two the necessity of keeping the prisoners wheel trucks, and they are to be used employed." by the crews engaged in the transfer of freight train from Mimico to York, had been a loss altogether of \$30,000. and vice versa. Until quite recently eastbound freights had to be taken "I don't know unless there was mark of honor befitting his high rank from Mimico to York by the crews something false about the bookkeep- in life the body of the late Seator which took them to the first-named ing." place, but under a new arrangement the trains are left at Mimico to be taken through the Toronto yards by detained from two to six hours in getyards freight crews were invariably ting through, meaning the payment of the working out of the profits," as- gan acting as deacon and Rev. Father a large sum in wages monthly for de-tention. The company now has crews

CROWN'S COURSE IN M'PHERSON CASE

Will Be Decided in a Day or Two -Now Under Consideration by Mr. McKillop

today what action will be taken in the tase of Daniel McPherson, the young man arrested in connection with the death of his father.

The jury at the coroner's inquest last night returned a verdict that the blows administered by the son were delivered in self-defense and without malice. The medical evidence showed a fracture of the right jaw, and blood clots on the brain, due to a hemorrhage, and also that the deceased was suffering from pneumonia, and was in such a condition the night of his death that the doctors could not understand how he managed to be around.

Mr. McKillop has the evidence under passed. consideration, and he will decide in a day or two whether a more serious charge than assault, that on which Mc-Pherson is being held, will be laid.

The medical evidence is strongly in Pacific Railway has agreed to consent favor of the young man. One of the judgments for about \$20,000 damdoctors who conducted the post-mor- ages in connection with the Azilda tem is strongly of the opinion that the wreck, near Sudbury, on Sept. 12 last hemorrhage was brought on solely by Mrs. F. E. Blackwell, widow of a Toexcitement, while the others are in- ronto policeman who was killed, reclined to the same belief, rather than ceives \$8,080; the widow of Thomas that it was caused by the blow. All Puddicombe, \$8,000; Mrs. Harmann, \$4, the medical men agree that the frac- 032, and there are others who particiture of the jaw was not responsible for pate under the consent judgments. the hemorrhage.

TEAMERS ARRIVED.

SILA				
Citta di Milano Massillia Smolensk Sicilian	Boston Glacgow Boston Naples Liverpcol St. John Christiansand New York Rotterdam New York	morning and considered the invitation of the Independent Telephone Company to go to Buffalo and inspect the exercism which is in operation there The		

....Gibraltar.... BATTLE AT MOSCOW.

Moscow, March 12.-In a fight be- of later in the week. The telephone tween police and a band of revolution- matter may come before the finance ists today, in which revolvers were committee of the city council at its freely used, one policeman was killed, meeting on Friday afternoon, the Lontwo revolutionists were wounded, and doners desire to have all the informa- One man was killed and three were infour of the latter, mere youths, were tion possible in the matter before that jured today in a head-on collision be-The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday were:

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The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday were:

Highest, 39°: lowest 14° above 200. captured. They will be tried by court- time. In addition to the grocers, re- tween a freight train and a train of martial, Premier Stolypin having di- presentatives of the board of trade, express cars on the Fitchburg division rected the suspension of trials by drum- the Trades and Labor Council and the of the Boston and Maine Railroad. The

AN OFFER OF \$8,000 TO BE MADE FOR THE EAST END HALL

Local Man Would Purchase East MORE ELGIN HOTELMEN End Building-City May Ask \$10,000.

The old east end hall is again in the

Many times the city has trotted out the hall on the halter and paraded it before would-be purchasers, but the Magistrate Hunt today heard the adlatter always appeared to find traces journed cases arising out of the roundno sale to date.

the building. He requested that the offer be kept dark if it was not accepted, and up till last night his name was case of Dan Butler, of the Orwell

the matter up again, and his remarks on the subject have been published.

| Crand brought | a chattel mortgage, not ordered to be may still be hired. | The other end. One man was washed may still be hired. | Overboard and the others beecame | on the subject have been published. So far, no official announcement of and later increased this by \$1,000. It is

his intention to start a cap factory The manufacturers' committee had of course, no power to deal with the tract were brought out before the pub-Nevertheless, neither the manufacturers' committee nor No. 1 committee consider Mr. Crabb's offer as very

There is still a chance that the hall may be sold, however. Ald. Gillean stated today that he has had an offer from building and land.

This is the price the city set on the property a couple of years ago, but it to put in all sorts of legitimate amuseis said that since that time the city ments, and all winter negotiaions lookfathers have come to the conclusion ing to this end have been going on. that they must get at least \$10,000 for Today Mr. R. H. McBroom, of the the Pere Marquette lines. "What is ordinary labor worth in the hall.

its next meeting.

SENATOR CASGRAIN BURIED

Interred at Sandwich Cemetery Before Large Concourse of Mourners,

Sandwich, March 11.-With every Charles E. Casgrain was laid to rest "Don't you think the Taylor-Scott in the Catholic Cemetery in Sandwich

contract had something to do with it?" this morning. By the time the cortege arrived at crews employed especially for that "The contract of 1890," said Mr. Mac- St. Alphonsus Church the edifice was purpose. The same rule applied to Kay, "brought 50 cents a day and \$6,- crowded to the doors, with the excepwestbound train from York to Mimico. 500 in addition. Wouldn't you think tion of one section in front, which was It was found, however, that owing to with the price of free labor higher the reserved for the mourners and the acthe large number of train in Toronto Government should get a better bar-tive and honorary pallbearers. Solemn requiem high mass was celebrated by "That contract was not as good in Rev. Mgr. Meunier, Rev. Father Ho-Keeley as subdeacon.

Mr. Rogers was asked who checked The casket was borne by Alexander whose sole duty it is, to handle the the piece work done by Taylor-Scott. St. Louis, Albert Dumouchelle, Fredwhose sole duty it is, to handle the piece work done by Taylor-Scott. St. Louis, Albert Dumouchelle, Fred-east and westbound freights between He thought it was the foreman, but erick Laing, Joseph Leggatt. Charles the general hospital here this morning. the French Republic, was the son and red to the society. While investigating the father) was in bed before witness

To Mr. Matheson, Mr. Rogers said he was inspector of all the asylums plete knowledge of the details. These were looked after by Mr. Thorne and

\$300,000 of Local Improvement Securities Must Soon Be Mr. Matheson then elicited the fact Negotiated.

The finance committee of the city council will again take up the debenture question on Friday night. Matters have apparently come to

head in this regard. Owing to the tightness of the money market, the city is now carrying about

smith had a motion to investigate the right of way Murphy lease with the T. condition of the money market would depression, centered tonight in the Mission of the money market would depression, centered tonight in the Mission of the money market would depression, centered tonight in the Mission of the money market would depression, centered tonight in the Mission of the money market would depression, centered tonight in the Mission of the money market would depression. and N. O., but Mr. Matheson ruled it mo improvement, and the prospects are must first be brought up in the House. bad.

It is understood that the city has son, 32-40; Victoria, 38-40; Vancouver, 34 now received several new offers for 47; Edmonton, 12-20; Calgary, 12-18; the debentures, and under the cir- Prince Albert, 10-22; Qu'Appelle, cumstances it is deemed best that they Winnipeg, 18-32; Port Arthur, 2 below-28;

The city has been carrying the debentures by means of notes given the Molsons Bank.

THIS MAN GOT A PASS

Was a Physical Wreck, and Was Working His Way Home

Inspector McCallum this morning gave a young man of 28 a pass to a point east. The man appeared to be in great need, and was paralyzed or one side. Tears rolled down his chees as he told his story to the inspector tail Grocers' Association met this "I left my home a couple of years morning and considered the invitation ago to go west," he said. "I was wel and strong then, but when I got away system which is in operation there. The I fell in with bad company and began to drink. This is where it has left me. invitation was accepted, but the gro-Now, I'm going back home, unable to Sable Island, and marked depress cers decided to ask the 'phone com-

It was a clear case of doing good and the inspector handed out the pass.

Williamstown, Mass., March 12.

MAY STILL HIRE

Weiner and Butler Already Plead Guilty

[Special to The Advertiser.] St. Thomas, March 12. - County over the effect the new Lord's Day act

of heaves, spavins or perhaps a frac- up of rural hotels in Elgin County last rigs on Sunday. ture of the stifle-joint. At all events, week. There were two charges against This morning Ald. Rose, who is a whatever the reason, there has been Charles Weiner, and the crown attor- liveryman, had City Clerk Baker go the Sacramento Valley and Eastern ney said if he would plead guilty to carefully over the statutes, with the Railroad. The Greeks, an Indian and one the second charge would be with-Crabb, of this city, made an offer for drawn. This was done and Weiner result that nothing against the hiring the foreman of the crew started to was fined \$100 and \$5 85 costs. The of rigs to anyone for his or her per-cross the river in a ferryboat. When same procedure was followed in the sonal use could be found.

Law Seriously Affects the Liverymen.

Local liverymen are much exercised will have upon them in the hiring of

The new law merely prevents 'bus' But at the meeting of the manufac-turers' committee Mr. Crabb brought Liquor, on which a third party held ride parties, etc., on the Sabbath. So balance, whereupon the men rushed to

Mr. Crabb's offer has been made, but lit is said that at first he offered \$5,000, Pere Marquette to Boom Port Stanley This Year

Made Very Attractive for Visitors.

The Pere Marquette is preparing to make things hum at Port Stanley the before.

McBroom Amusement Company, Buf-Ald. Gillean says the offer he refers falo, went with Traveling Passenger

> the situation. only too anxious to assist him.

Under the lease held by the L. E. cursions."

DEATH SUMMONS

at Ottawa. Following an Operation.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

TO PUT UP PRICE.

association held here yesterday.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW-UNSETTLED.

Toronto, March 11-8 p.m. turn laid on the table of the house to prove the payments for 1906 averaged three and a half cents. Mr. C. N. Smith had a motion to investigate the A few light snowfalls have occurred

Minimum and maximum temperatures Dawson, 2-18; Atlin, 10-28; Port Simp-Sound, 4-36; Toronto, 20-40; Ottawa, 8-38; Montreal, 16-34; Quebec, 8-32; St. John, 14-38; Halifax, 16-32. FORECASTS.

Tuesday, March 12-8 a.m. Today-Strong winds; mild and showery. Wednesday Cloudy and unsettled.

	TEMPERATURES.				
1	Stations.	8 a.m.	. Min.	Weather.	
ŝ	Calgary	- 2	- 4	Clear	
	Winnipeg	8	8	Clear	
	Port Arthur	30	26	Cloudy	
	A STATE OF THE STA		24	Snow	
	Toronto		30	Cloudy	
1	Ottawa	The state of the s	10	Fair	
9			20	Fair	
	Quebec	12	10	Clear	
1	Father Point	18	10	Clear	
SIL	The sign — in first column in the temperature and the second	the at 8 o	clock the	is morning minimum	
n	*****	THER	NOTES.		

Another energetic storm is centered near work, and to be a burden on my poor ist in the upper lake region and in the old parents."

West-southwest States Light snowfalls have occurred in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and sleet and rain is falling this Detroit, March 11.-Lower Michigan: Tuesday-Rain or snow; warmer in east portion. Wednesday-Local snows and colder; brisk south winds, shifting to

amusement privileges at the Port. It is understood that the company will endeavor to have the favorite resort made very attractive for visitors this year, and that the passenger business will be boomed as it was never The Pere Marquette has issued It is the intention of the company very handsome booklet setting forth the advantages of Port Stanley as a summer resort, and this will be sent

Pere Marquette operates the line, the company has the right to grant all

broadcast over the district reached by

"We expect very many American visitors this summer," Mr. Kearns to will come before No. 1 committee at Agent Kearns to the Port to look over said. "The place has been well ad- Society was held in the city hall yes-It is understood that Mr. McBroom beautiful spots in North America, it is anxious to put in a figure-of-eight should draw well. When we put in a and other such amusements at the few first-class attractions we hope to lakeside, and the Pere Marquette is be able to induce more Londoners to take advantage of our every-day ex-

MEMBER DEAD GREAT FRENCHMAN ents having repeatedly promised to take Mr. J. B. McKillop appeared for the better care of their children, the in-

dent of the Republic, Passes Away.

Ottawa, March 12.—Thomas Martin, mir-Perier died today. Jean Paul children in the county, and in both M. P., for North Wellington, died at Pierre Casimir-Perier, ex-president of will lead to the children being transferthe places named, the result being more the places named, the result being more and did not know whether it was the fore- Cooney and George M. Black, the lat- He had undergone an operation on satisfactory to the Grand Trunk from man who was partly paid by the Gov- ter of Detroit.

He had undergone an operation on grandson of statesmen. His father, these cases in the county, the inspector withese cases in the county, the inspector got home. Witness' father had been with the second of the so- ter of Detroit.

Friday last for gall-stones. He was happily placed in foster. not in good health all session. Last of the interior in 1871, and his grand-homes, and doing remarkably well. time he spoke in the House was on father was leader of the opposition Mr. Blain's cigarette resolution. De- when Louis Philippe ascended the the Shelter Home, a larger number than SELL DEBENTURES ceased was 57 years of age. He was throne, and afterwards was premier. first elected to Parliament at last gentral election.

throne, and afterwards was premier. The ex-president was born Nov. 4, 1847, and 1847 and after a brilliant career as a stu- ing the month. Chicago, March 12.—The generally joined the militia of the Aube during the resultant shortage of cars will be resultant sho eastern and western members of the orated with the cross of the Legion of difficult of solution.

ant in the ministry of the interior. BRANTFORD LIBEL CASE

Casimir-Perier, jun., became his assist-

Mayor Bowlby Asks that Trial Be Held

in the Fall. Brantford, March 11.-Mr. Justice

Britton opened the spring assizes here today. The only criminal case before the court was the charge of defama- pointed a subcommittee to arrange tory libel preferred by A. G. Montgomery against Mayor Bowlby. Mr. A. W. Hollinrake acted as the crown counsel. The case went before the grand jury, who returned a true

Mayor Bowlby appeared and requested particulars to be furnished. His ordship, however, upheld the indict- Grand Trunk Did Not Have to Turn a ment. No plea was entered, the defendant wishing the case to be traversed to the fall assizes in case the plea was a special one.

The import of Mayor Bowlby's recharges made in the document, which Trunk said today. the plaintiff holds as libel. Justice

TORONTO TO PORT STANLEY

Charter Granted For New Line Through Western Ontario

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, March 12. - The railway morning granted a charter to the Otta- No revenue is derived from them, but placed him sitting against the wall. wa River Railway Company to build then they are a handy thing to have. He was not breathing. Witness saw from Toronto to Port Stanley. They already have charters enabling them weather which handicapped the freight "What did your brother Dan say to build from Midland and Orillia to business east of Toronto for some time, when you went into the room?" Port Stanley, via Stratford and Lon- the Grand Trunk would not have a "I asked what was the matter and don. They were granted an extension cause for a grumble."

of five years in the time.

Jury Says Self-Defense; RIGS ON SUNDAY Finding in McPherson Case

ARE HEAVILY MULCTED Nothing in the New Lord's Day FIFTEEN R. R. NAVVIES PERISH CROSSING RIVER

Crowd to One End of Boat and Are Tipped Into the Water.

Redding, Cal., March 12.-Fifteen men lost their lives in Pitt River yesthe boat had reached the middle of the stream the Greeks collected at one end of the 34-foot boat, which lost its

of the boat, some jumping on the rail-The boat was overturned and every man slid off into the water. The ferryman and the foreman clung to the boat and swam ashore, but fifteen of the Greeks were drowned.

TAKES CHILDREN FROM PARENTS

Aid Society Decides on Last Resort in Case of Four Little Ones.

A well-attended meeting of the board of management of the Children's Aid made the post-mortem was of particvertised, and as it is one of the most terday afternoon, Sheriff Cameron pre-

> The inspector submitted a length; child-neglect and waywardness with spector was given authority to take McPherson. legal proceedings to secure the guardianship of the little ones. This

to the board. Paris, March 12.—Ex-President Casi-

At present there are 23 children in came home late. He was not home for

cause an advance of prices on manufac- they were summoned to Paris, Casi- Radcliffe and Mrs. J. W. Hyman, was tured products of the American Paper mir-Perler behaved with such galand Pulp Association for 1907 and 1908. lantry that he was mentioned in an some of the children now in the so-This was the result of a meeting of the orders of the day, and latter was dec-A committee consisting of Mr. George

first republican cabinet of M. Thiers, Armstrong, Sheriff Cameron, and Rev. in the city.

It was decided to formulate a timemittee, with Mrs. J. W. Jones as convener, and Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Leonard on, but he had taken off his shoes. and Mrs. George T. Brown were apthe details.

SNOWPLOWS NOT

"Now that the warm weather is an proaching, I think it will be safe for

"Last fall we had a number of extra stood the smaller plows, such as we were Dan and my father." have also been idle.

opportunity to use the plows. Running other side of the room. "Were it not for the severe cold no sign of blood.

The experience of the company this I hit him."

Blows Were Dealt Under Provocation and Without Malice -The Son's Story.

Doctors Say Deceased Could Have Lived But a Few Days.

"That the deceased Daniel Mc-Pherson came to his death at his home, 942 Wellington street, on the morning of Saturday, March 9, as a result of blows dealt by his son. Daniel.in resisting an attack made in a state of intoxication. The blows in the opinion of the jury were dealt under provocation and intent to do grievous bodily harm."

After being out but a few minutes, the coroner's jury, empaneled to inquire into the death of Daniel McPherson, brought in the above verdict last night. Mr. Maurice Scarrow was the fore-

Evidence was taken for nearly three hours before the case was sent to the

Those who testified were McPherson, the young man who is being held by the police; his brother John, and Drs. Hadley Williams, Ernest Williams and W. J. Tillmann.

Young Daniel McPherson, mediumsized, boyish-looking, and 21 years old, told his story apparently without reservations of any kind. John McPherson also told a straightforward story

The evidence of the doctors who ular interest. Dr. Hadley liams swore that the deceased was suffering from acute pneumonia and under no condition was he likely to have lived more than a few days. He eport, outlining the many cases of thought McPherson should have beer in bed instead of walking around.

This witness was corroborated by which he has dealt during the past Drs. Ernest Williams and W. J. Tillmonth. In the case of one family of mann, and though Dr. Waugh was not four children, which has now been be- placed on the stand, he stated to Coroner Ferguson that he agreed with the fore the board for over a year, the par- statements of his brother physicians.

John McPherson.

John McPherson, brother of Daniel, is always a last resort with the so-his evidence in a straightforward manciety, but conditions in this case are ner. Witness gave his age as 23. He so bad that no other course was open has been living at home, but worked at a local hotel. His father, mother, In addition to the city children dealt Daniel and four sisters live at home.

Witness had seen his father almost every day last week with the exception of a couple of nights when he

Witness had left the home with his father on Friday morning and they walked together to Oxford street. He had seen the deceased in Collins' Hotel again about 9 o'clock that night. Wit-'What condition was your father in

"Considerably so?"

"Yes." Was "Dopey."

Witness said his father left after being in the hotel about 10 or 15 minutes. D. S. Hamilton, was appointed to con- When witness came home at night his fer with similar committees from other father was home. This was about boards interested in furthering the ob- 11:35. The father was sitting on a ject of establishing public playgrounds chair behind the stove in the kitchen. He told him he had better go to bed. It was decided to formulate a time- The old gentleman said all right. He table, whereby every lady member of looked "dopey." Witness took hold of the board will visit the shelter periodic- him and shook him. He was leaning ally. All the lady members of the forward with his head almost against board were constituted a visiting com- the stove. Witness stood his father on his feet. His hat and overcoat were

Instead of going to bed the deceased said he wanted to go out. He tried to put on his boots, but could not. Witness put them on for him. Witness then helped his father to the door and told him not to fall. He watched him USED THIS MONTH for an instant, and then went to bed, thinking his father could take care of himself. Witness did not hear his father come in again. It was about 11:55 when he (witness) went to bed. "What next?"

Brother Aroused Him.

"My brother aroused me. He came quest is thought to be that the defense us to put out snowplows away until to the bedroom door and said: 'Get will endeavor to prove some of the next fall," an official of the Grand up. There's something the matter with pa." "Then what?"

Britton wanted the defendant to plead large plows built for use on the double- "I got up and went to the kitchen. track lines in Western Ontario, and My sisters and mother were up then. they have stood in the yards in East I picked up my father and tried to London all winter. They have not stand him up. My mother and sisters turned a wheel. With them have also were in the parlor. In the kitchen

use on the single track lines. These Witness said his father was lying in the northwest corner of the room, and "Of course, the company has no the stove was west of him. A table complaint to offer at not having an was also near him. Dan was at the

them is an expensive piece of business. Witness lifted up the father and

he said: 'He tried to beat me up, and