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Stirring Days They Were In Montreal For St. John's Queen

A Recount of Incidents in the Miss Canada Contest Before and After the Title Had Been Won by Miss Blair.

In her hurried preparations to make ready for the national contest followed by a week of utmost activity during the Montreal test, then the triumphant journey home and its great climax yesterday, Winifred C. I. Blair—typical Miss Canada—has hardly yet had time to adjust her mind to the full meaning of her new position as the first little lady of this greatest country on earth.

Miss Canada is no sinecure in titles. It may be fictitious, it certainly is transitory and in a twelve-month may be the nom de grace of some other fair daughter of the Dominion but there is a depth in its meaning, a scope in its national quality that even perhaps our most deliberate thinkers have themselves not yet fully sensed.

To lift a naturally sweet and intelligent maiden of nineteen from the quiet routine of average family life and work day labor to the pinnacle of national fame as typifying the Canadian Sisterhood out-wonders Alice in Wonderland, makes the fairytale book come true and yet carries with it a reality and genuineness which, with practical thinking and practical acting, should mean great things for the raven-locked little lady of Duke street today acclaimed throughout this country, the United States and the British Empire as embodying all the graces of Canadian girlhood.

Busy Hours.

Some idea of the international importance attaching to Miss Blair's selection as Miss Canada can be gleaned in chatting with those who handled her affairs at Montreal. While during the beauty test local press writers and photographers were constantly interviewing and "shooting" her it was not until her cononation as queen of the land the big drive of notoriety began. It was six o'clock on Sunday morning before Her Majesty could tumble into bed due to press of insistent callers at her suite in the Mount Royal Hotel. At 8 o'clock bedside telephones were ringing in the whole St. John suite and at times at least three interviews were being given by the tired out Winterport group at the same time.

Flashlight press photographers with heaps of paraphernalia for indoor photography were lined up in the hallways outside the suite begging to be allowed to take Miss Canada's picture and one particularly aggressive cameraman wanted to snap her as she lay sleeping—by no means an unattractive picture in itself. Chaperonage reached its most efficient stage at this junction and had it not been for the willing service and constant loyalty of the Mount Royal's valet service and handmaidens Mrs. Golding and male escort might have succumbed to the demands of those who were intent on getting material for Sunday editions in New York and elsewhere.

St. John Callers.

When Miss Canada arose at noon and during her breakfast she consented to a steady procession of callers through her suite. She was greatly pleased that among her very first visitors were Miss Catherine McAvity, Mrs. Alward (formerly Dorothy Blizzard), and her sister, Mrs. Miller, who brought the love and best wishes of the young womanhood of her own City of St. John. It was the natural order of things too that the next group of callers should be headed by W. S. Fisher, whose group included David Pottinger, formerly general superintend of the Intercolonial Railway and some very prominent maritime provincial gentlemen now among the leaders in Upper Canadian life, accompanied by their ladies.

It would be next to impossible to convey an intelligent idea of the informal reception that followed throughout the day—a mingling of defeated queens and their followers who were extremely lovely to our St. John girl, maritime people, Montreal officials and last but not least a generous sprinkling of uniformed employes of the Mount Royal Hotel of whom there are close to one thousand. Miss Blair was a favorite from the very beginning with these workers because of her chatty and friendly attitude towards them at all times and also because they had learned her father was a veteran of the Great War like most of the trained male help under Manager Cardy's efficient direction. Miss Blair's tip money was always rejected and the St. John group received its deepest thrill when Miss Blair's private valet, a tall English ex-soldier, begged his way into the room before she had arisen and kneeling at her bedside kissed her hand. "She certainly is a little lady in every sense of the word" was his comment and since that Englishman had all his life been an attendant in English aristocratic circles the compliment carried much more meaning than the enthusiastic commonplaces one often hears on occasions of that kind.

Triumphant Procession.

The journal through the long hall of the sixth floor to the elevator section and thence to the ground floor lobby towards the dining hall was a triumphant procession for Miss Canada. Maids hurried from scores of rooms and reflected their strict training in deep courtsies to our little lady expressing pretty compliments and craving a photograph. The French maids were especially dainty in the nice things they said and did. The elevator boy came smartly to attention and gave Miss Canada the military salute. A crowd of passengers jammed into the car, waited until it reached the ground floor and then ranging up on the carpet bowed deeply and enthusiastically shook Miss Blair's proffered hand. On the way to the dining hall there was a rush of loungers and hotel workers from all corners as each uniform in the house was a St. John propagandist and no flare of trumpets was needed to herald our queen whenever she emerged from the lift.

Joseph, the Monte Carlo head waiter in the grand dining hall, who had been making amorous eyes to Miss St. John for a week, honored her orders and volunteered enchanting descriptions of the dessert lists whenever she quizzed him about the formidable food card, rushed out to meet her as she approached and a table in the very centre of the big hall was already in waiting, heaped with orchids. The orchestra struck up "O You Beautiful Doll" and those who observed the situation rose in their places and bowed gracefully. Little Winnie was right on hand with the return compliment, her famous smile and big liquid eyes performed their most alluring functions. "Now for a good square meal," whispered Miss Canada to her chaperon for during the week the langorous luxury of whole-hour dining was not the happy privilege of the busy queens.

After that it was a continual surging about Miss Canada and party wherever she happened to go. Manager Cardy of the hotel insisted that her pictures and congratulatory telegrams—which arrived at the rate of ten a minute—be bulletined in the main lobby. Ex-St. John people on their way home from church gathered in knots and paid their respects. In fact it was a regular down-east convention which prompted President Dudley and Vice-President General Kincade of the United Hotels Corporation, who happened to be in Montreal, to remark that St. John and the Maritime Provinces must be a very clanish country, an observation heavily freighted with a wonderful meaning to the newspaper cars of one of Miss Canada's party.

Battery of Cameras.

More photographers arrived and when the door porters escorted Miss Canada to the pavement a battery of movie cameras and syndicate concerns such as Underwood & Underwood, the Central News and other international bureaux snapped and "ground" our St. John girl, her chaperon and party in a dozen poses. The burly footman who had picked Miss Blair as a winner from that Sunday morning of her arrival when he lifted her in his big arms from her sleigh, paid her great homage and incidentally remarked that he had won a ten dollar bet on her. In fact the Mount Royal Hotel staff had a regular betting pool sold containing hundreds of dollars, the winners of which held a little celebration in the servants' quarters early Sunday morning that for a few hours somewhat disorganized the otherwise perfect working of that greatest hotel in the British Empire.

Then came the plunging into trunks and their frenzied packing, a duty in which the deft handling of filmy clothing was done by trained maids. The porter staff were erect at attention in the halls like any royal guard and a full hour before train time, in spite of the shortness of the remaining time everything was ready for Miss Canada boarding her train.

Invited to New York.

The last call made by the St. John girl, her chaperon and staff was made upon Manager Cardy and the United Hotels visiting officials in the hotel's executive suite. They were most gracious hosts and General Kincade on behalf of the corporation extended an invitation to Miss Canada to visit New York as the guest of their hostelries. To observing members of the St. John party this little meeting of hotel magnates and Miss Canada was a happy augury in the development of plans that will place St. John even more conspicuously on the map in a surprisingly short time from now.

At the Windsor station a great crowd of St. John people and others were on hand to bid our queen fond adieus, there were the usual lusty cheers, heaps of flowers, boxes of candy and all that sort of tribute-bearing. Cameras clicked, newspapermen edged in for some more of those marrying, movie-star questions and even when Miss Canada threaded her way down the aisle of the pullman between the cheering groups of McGill basketball players and skaters the ubiquitous paragraphers would not let go. When the train started Her Majesty Miss Canada pulled off her hat, threw it up in a rack and throwing her arms around her chaperon's neck shouted with girlish glee: "Now for dear old St. John and mother."

POST OFFICE AT YARMOUTH AFIRE

(Special to Times.)

Yarmouth, N. S., Feb. 13—The post office building, remodeled fater a big fire a year or so ago, is on fire. An alarm was sounded at one o'clock. Dense columns of smoke were emerging from the basement. A heavy easterly wind was blowing.

BROTHER OF DALTON McCARTHY IS DEAD

Orangeville, Ont., Feb. 13.—Maitland McCarthy, former county court judge of Dufferin, and a brother of the late Dalton McCarthy, for years a prominent member of the Canadian House of Commons, died yesterday after a short illness from pneumonia.

MISS CANADA

1.

Miss Canada, our fair and gracious Queen,
Thy loyal subjects tender thee a crown;
St. John is justly proud to claim thee for her very own,
Our Loyalist City's doubly graced by thy widespread renown.

Chorus:
All hail to thee! Miss Canada!
Loud dost thy praise ring out from shore to shore,
Dear to our hearts thou art forevermore.

2.

Miss Canada, our first Dominion Queen,
Reign o'er our hearts with beauty, love and grace,
True type of fair womanhood that makes our land supreme,
Thy modesty and wholesomeness add glory to thy face.

Chorus:
(To the tune of "O Canada").

MRS. PAUL SWEENY

Here Are Traffic Regulations For Races at Park

The matter of traffic at Lily Lake and its approaches is one of importance. H. Mont. Jones, chlarman of the transportation committee, said this morning very emphatically that no vehicles would be allowed past the top of the toboggan slide at the crest of the hill leading down to the lake. He strongly urged people not to attempt to take motor vehicles out there.

All vehicular traffic to the lake will be routed along Mount Pleasant avenue and will leave via the public gardens. No parking will be allowed. Owing to the depth of snow it is almost impossible to turn an automobile between the top of Burpee avenue and the end of Mount Pleasant avenue, and Mr. Jones said that motorists going to the lake should not attempt to take their cars beyond Burpee avenue. If one car became stalled in the snow it would hold up the whole thing. Two automobiles were stuck in the snow on Sunday, one near the toboggan slide and the other in Mount Pleasant avenue, and considerable snow has fallen since then. Once a car got off the beaten track the least bit it would stick, and the track is so narrow that nothing else could get by.

It is earnestly requested that motorists bear these things in mind and do not try to motor to the lake. Traffic policemen will be on hand to see that regulations are observed.

LOCAL NEWS

LIQUOR CASE

Inspectors Journeay, Killen and Carson visited the premises of Lloyd George Miller in Synthe street this morning and report finding a quantity of whiskey. The wet goods were seized. The case was set down for hearing later in the week.

FAIRVILLE SCHOOL HALF HOLIDAYS

At a meeting at noon today the trustees of the Fairville schools decided to accede to the numerous requests and to grant half-holidays on Wednesday and Friday to conform with the official holidays being observed in St. John. These holidays will be observed by the Fairville Superior School and the Union Point School.

FROM WEST INDIES.

The R. M. S. P. Caraquet arrived this morning at 7.45 o'clock from Bermuda and the British West Indies and docked at 7.45 o'clock at the Refinery wharf after an uneventful trip. She carried, besides a fair freight, fourteen passengers, five first-class, one second and eight third, including three soldiers returning to England from Bermuda, and three Chinese en route under escort to Hong Kong. The first class passengers were Commander Mark L. Ellis, U. S. N. R.; Mrs. Rosa St. John Mildmay, of the United States! Alfred E. Priest of Halifax, returning from Bermuda, and Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Edgett of Moncton, returning after a honeymoon in Bermuda.

NINE SKATERS ARRIVE

Practically all the big circuit skaters are now in the city in preparation for the International championships which open on Lily Lake tomorrow. With the arrival of the Montreal train today the remainder of the skaters, who did not come directly from Lake Placid, reached St. John. Among those to arrive today were—Harry Kasky, Chicago; Ted Coombs, Pittsfield, Mass.; Walter Thorne, New England champion; Russell Wheeler and William Smith, both of Montreal. It is expected that West Becker, of Boston, will arrive on the delayed Boston train late this afternoon. With Becker's arrival St. John will have assembled within its gates one of the fastest crowd of skaters that has ever been brought together for an international meet.

BURIED TODAY.

The funeral of Michael J. Kelly was held this morning from the residence of his brother, William J. Kelly, 51 Murray street, to St. Peter's church for solemn requiem high mass by Rev. Dennis Coll, C. SS. R., assisted by Rev. George Coffin, C. SS. R., deacon, and Rev. James Wood, C. SS. R., subdeacon. The funeral was attended by many friends and a great many spiritual offerings were received. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Andrew Dempster was held this afternoon from her late residence, 122 City road, to Fernhill. Rev. A. L. Tedford conducted service.

The funeral of Eldon M. Reed was held this afternoon from his late residence, 258 Tower street, West End, to St. George's church for service by Rev. W. H. Sampson and Rev. W. P. Dunham. Interment was at Cedar Hill.

Ruhr Question Looms Large as The British Parliament Opens

Government, With 70 Majority, Faces a Hard Session

Determined Drive by Labor for French Evacuation of Occupied Germany—Liberals United in Lords, But Still Disrupted in the Commons.

(Canadian Press)

London, Feb. 13.—The Ruhr question was stressed in the address from the throne at the opening of the parliament today. The address declared that although the British government was unable to concur or participate in the Ruhr operations, it was acting in such a way as not to add to the difficulties of Great Britain's allies.

The speech disposed of the U. S. debt question in one sentence, saying that His Majesty welcomed the settlement "which reflects the determination of our people to meet their obligations."

The remainder of the speech was devoted largely to an expression of the hope that the Turkish question might yet be settled. It also touched upon domestic problems, particularly unemployment. The session was opened with the usual ceremonies of state.

A small procession of the unemployed paraded the Strand and Whitehall, with sandwich boards reading: "Out of work," and "we are determined to see Bonar Law."

Hard Work For Government.

It is generally conceded that the government faces an exacting task. Its majority is only about 70 and its whips will need special vigilance in view of the energetic attacks to which it will be subjected by the strong Labor party, to say nothing of the Liberals.

The Laborites make no attempt to conceal that they are entering the session in a spirit of aggression, determined to force the pace and arouse parliament in an unprecedented manner. Their leader, Ramsay MacDonald, who by reason of the numerical strength behind him is leader of the opposition, is an experienced and able parliamentarian. He is expected to call upon the government to take the initiative, with the co-operation of the U. S. if possible, in an endeavor to bring about the evacuation of the Ruhr.

The British position in Palestine and Mesopotamia has a prominent place among Labor's criticisms. As regards the evacuation of Mesopotamia the Laborites are not alone, for such a step is being insistently demanded by many other politicians.

The attitude of the Liberals,—both the Independents, led by Mr. Asquith and the National-Liberals whose leader is David Lloyd George, is regarded as one of the burning topics of the day. The Liberal position is somewhat less clear than that of Labor, for it is somewhat overshadowed for the moment by the question of a reunion of the two wings. There are many Liberals under both leaders who are eager to rennite, but the difficulties have not yet been overcome.

Lloyd George is credited with a keen desire to fuse with his old colleagues. However, many of the latter are rather afraid of the liability of the former premier's recent political past for many do regard it as a liability and are doubtful how he would use his position in an united party. Nevertheless, the general tendency seems to be in the direction of reunion. This has already been virtually accomplished in the House of Lords, where the Liberal peers have agreed to serve unitedly under the leadership of Viscount Grey.

The Ruhr situation is becoming particularly difficult, involving as it does the question of relations with France. The Laborites and the Lloyd George faction are already insistently demanding the withdrawal of the British troops from the Cologne area, and would have Britain removed from any responsibility in the French action.

France's policy in the Ruhr is not being well received by the country as a whole, and it is therefore believed that Great Britain's position of benevolent neutrality will be subjected to vigorous attacks.

WILD TIME AT A WEDDING

One Man Shot Dead and Four Others Seriously Injured.

Worcester, Mass., Feb. 13—Peter Nero, 22, was shot dead and four others were so seriously injured that they were taken to a hospital here last night when a free for all fight occurred at a wedding reception in the Shrewsbuty street district. Four outsiders went to the wedding and insisted on remaining after being ordered out. One of them slapped the groom, Mariano Derubis, and when others interferred, knives were drawn and plied with vigor. The bride made desperate efforts to stop the fight but a gun was drawn and a bullet was sent through Nero's back. He fell at her feet. Members of the wedding party are being held by the police for questioning.

WOULD PUT THEM UNDER RAILWAY COMMISSION.

Winnipeg, Feb. 13—Enquiry by a royal commission into the alleged combine of shipping interests on the Great Lakes may result in a recommendation that all freight rates on the lakes between Canadian ports be placed under the jurisdiction of the board of railway commissioners.

As Hiram Sees It

"Say," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "you orto hev heerd Hanner dressin' down a woman yisterday fer sayin' she didn't see nothin' great about Miss Canady. Well, sir, Hanner flared up an' went at 'er. 'If you aint proud o' her,' says she, 'I'd hate like plsen to hev you fer a neighbor. You're one o' them sourfaces that 'ud see a flaw in an angel's wing. Anybody in St. John that aint got enough pride in the town to be proud o' Winnie Blair—an' the way she's held up the credit o' the place an' showed herself a lady from fust to last—orto be ducked in a frog-pond. When Miss Canady gits over this here Carnival me an' Hiram is goin' to ask her out to the Settlement—jist fer a nice quiet week to think over the good time she's hed—an' hev a good rest. I'd just love,' says Hanner, 'to wait on her. She'd like it, too—I know she would. She aint the kind to fergit the old days in the Settlement and put on airs. I aint sayin' she's the ony gal wuth talkin' about—an' she wouldn't, nuther—but she was put to the test an' she won the prize. That's enough fer me—an' I guess it's enough fer anybody that aint got green specs on.' That's what Hanner said—an' I was proud of it—By Hen!"

EDISON KICKS OVER HEAD AS NEW YEAR STARTS

Wizard Shows His Activity at 77—Comments on World Events and Problems.

West Orange, N. J., Feb. 13—Thomas A. Edison, the electrical wizard, started on the first lap toward his 77th birthday yesterday by kicking over his head, receiving hundreds of messages of congratulations from all parts of the U. S. entertaining several guests at his house, answering questions of newspapermen on domestic and world affairs.

Briefly, he thinks the Ku Klux Klan should be "wiped" out, that the British debt refunding scheme is all right, that the French are right in occupying the Ruhr, that the Germans are bad losers and the British good sports, that Coue is not a fake and seems to be in earnest; that booze will not be a critical issue at any time, and the U. S. should be sober; that the newspapers print too much scandal, and politicians make suckers out of the publishers, that business conditions are shaping nicely and that college men don't know what's going on.

Mr. Edison also wants the world to know that he likes the movies pretty well.

SISTER WAS KIDNAPPED AND ESCAPED

Frederick, Md., Feb. 13 — Sister Cecilia, a music teacher at the Notre Dame Academy here, who was believed to have been kidnapped from the institution yesterday, returned to the convent last night after she had escaped, according to her story to Father Wm. J. Kane, supervisor of the academy, from a house in Baltimore where she was held captive for several hours.

DEBT MATTER FIRST.

Washington, Feb. 13—Agreement was reached today by Senate Republican leaders to lay aside the administration shipping bill tomorrow for consideration of the debt funding legislation.

Pretty and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—The low pressure which was in the western states yesterday has moved to the Great Lakes and middle states, while the northwestern high has spread southward bringing extremely cold weather in the western provinces and also British Columbia. A snowfall has been general in Ontario and western Quebec.

Forecasts:

Cold, With Snow.

Maritime—Easterly gales with snow. Wednesday, cold with occasional snow.

Gulf and North Shore—Northeast winds, cold with occasional snow today and Wednesday.

New England—Rain or snow tonight and Wednesday, not much change in temperature; fresh to strong shifting winds.

ST. JOHN WARMLY GREETS MISS HALIFAX ON ARRIVAL

YOU'RE WELCOME, MISS HALIFAX

Mrs. Ora Doherty, Halifax entrant in the Miss Canada competition, who arrived in the city today and will be the guest of Miss Canada during Carnival week.

Miss Canada and Committee Greet Her at the Depot

Assemblage Cheers Queens as They Meet and Drive to Royal, Where Visitor will be Guest of Miss Canada.

St. John today extended its welcome to its second queen within the last twenty-four hours. Yesterday, at noon, the citizens turned out en masse and gave a rousing reception to Miss Winifred Blair, who returned home as Miss Canada. Today they turned out to say "Hello" to Miss Halifax, and the welcome was all the more fitting because the queen who yesterday was hailed by her own, today occupied the leading place in greeting the stranger within the gates. Several of the skaters who will take part in the international skating championships here, starting tomorrow, as well as Julian T. Fitzgerald, presidient, and Edward A. Mahlke, secretary of the International skating Union, also arrived on the Montreal train.

Miss Halifax was accompanied to the city by her official chaperon, Mrs. Ernest Girvan, who was formerly Miss Louise Robertson of this city.

Welcomed by Miss Canada.

Miss Canada drove to the station in the royal coach, accompanied by Mrs. H. J. Sheehan. Soon after their arrival at the station the train bearing Miss Halifax and her chaperon pulled in. Miss Canada, with Mrs. Sheehan and several members of the Carnival Committee, met her as she alighted from the train and accompanied her to the exit, where the four ladies entered the royal equipage and were driven to the Royal Hotel, where the ladies' reception committee greeted them. Here Miss Halifax and her companion will be the guest of Miss Canada during the carnival week.

Preparations were made at the station to prevent today a repetition of the crush which occurred on the arrival of St. John's queen. Ropes stretched between the pillars in the train shed enclosed a passage from the tracks through one of the baggage rooms to the exit. When the train arrived there were large crowds assembled about this enclosure, and as the two queens passed through, a rousing cheer went up, which was repeated as the coach drove off from the station.

A very fitting touch was added yesterday to the celebration of the arrival in St. John, Canada's winterport, of Miss Canada when a government boat, the Canadian Leader, hung with a full complement of flags in honor of the occasion, greeted the arrival of the nation's Carnival Queen with loud and long blasts from her powerful whistle.

Luncheon on Saturday.

A luncheon will be given next Saturday in honor of Miss Canada at the Royal hotel by the Women's Canadian Club. A meeting of the club executive was held this morning at the home of the president, Mrs. W. Edmond Raymond and this decision was arrived at. the president had called on Miss Blair last night and had told her of the desire of the club to do something in her honor. Miss Blair had expressed great pleasure at the visit and the expression of good will on the part of the club. The luncheon will be held at 12 o'clock in the Royal and arrangements have been made for the entertainment of such guests of honor as Miss Canada's chaperon, Miss Halifax and her chaperon and others.

Included amongst the members of the committee who were present to welcome Miss Halifax were C. O. Owens, D. J. Corr, R. S. Ritchie, Martin R. Dolan, and H. Mont Jones.

A Pathe operator got a good shot of the greeting of the visiting queen by Miss Canada, as the latter stepped forward and embraced the Halifax lady. Miss Canada was then introduced to Mr. Fitzgerald, to Mrs. Fitzgerald, who accompanied her husband to the city, and to Mr. Mahlke.

With Miss Canada Today.

After the excitement of yesterday and in anticipation of a strenuous few days here, Miss Canada rested this morning in her suite in the Royal Hotel. Her first public function was the reception of the Carnival Princess, Miss Beatrice McKinney, who was brought to the Royal suite at 12.30 o'clock and introduced by Mrs. George McArthur. The queen and the princess spent a few minutes chatting and Miss Canada then prepared to go to greet Miss Halifax.

For this afternoon a reception is planned in the Knights of Columbus Hall, where Miss Canada will be introduced to many of her loyal subjects. This evening she will be the guest of honor at the Military Ball at the armories.

Mrs. Chandler, on behalf of the I. O. D. E. chapters in Moncton, has asked Miss Canada's chaperone to try to arrange to have the queen accept the entertainment of the Moncton chapters at a social function to be held on the Monday afternoon after her prospective arrival in the railway city. The event is being arranged for immediately after the afternoon programme of skating races.

Miss Canada has personally, or through her chaperone, received numerous other invitations to social events, and these are all being referred to the Carnival Committee, which has taken upon itself the duty of arranging her itinerary during Carnival week.

MISS HALIFAX SPEAKS OF THE EXPERIENCE.

Montreal, Feb. 13.—With her chaperon standing on one hand directing the hotel porter in the removal of a trunk, a hat box and sundry other pieces of baggage, a friend on the other asking her to sign transportation requisitions and to attend to other necessary business, and acquaintances calling by telephone to say good-bye, Miss Halifax's last hour of her stay in Montreal was a busy one.

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MRS. GOULD LEFT $1,690,020 IN TAXABLE ESTATE

Wife of Financier, who Died on Golf Links, Owned a Collection of Jewels Valued at $800,000, Which Were Bequeathed to Her Children.

New York, Feb. 13. — Mrs. Edith Kingdom Gould, wife of George J. Gould, who died suddenly on November 13, 1921, on the golf course of the Gould estate, Georgian Court, at Lakewood, N. J., left a gross taxable estate in New York of $1,690,020. The net estate here amounts to $1,583,705. Of this amount, more than $800,000 represented the value of Mrs. Gould's collection of jewelry. The valuation shown in the transfer tax appraisal of the estate filed in the Surrogates' Court represents about sixty-five per cent. of all the property left by Mrs. Gould.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gould had two residences in New York, one at 857 Fifth avenue, which they seldom occupied, and the other at 177 East Sixty-fourth street. Mrs. Gould was the owner of both these properties, which were valued at $783,000. In her will Mrs. Gould devised these properties to her husband for life or until he should remarry. Mr. Gould relinquished his interest a long time before his remarriage.

Included in the record of the transfer tax proceeding is a statement by Jay Gould, a son of Mrs. Gould and one of the executors of her will, in which he tells of the necessity of disposing at sale of his mother's great collection of jewelry, which was part of the residuary estate left to her children.

These children, besides Jay Gould, are Mrs. Marjorie Gould Drexel, Lady Vivian Decies, Mrs. Edith Gould Wainwright, Miss Gloria Gould, Kingdon Gould and George J. Gould, Jr.

In telling of the need of the sale of the jewelry, Jay Gould said that the brokerage fees for this sale would amount to $50,000, and he asked that that amount be deducted from the taxable value of the estate. This request was held in abeyance by the Transfer Tax Appraiser.

The principal pieces of jewelry owned by Mrs. Gould were diamond and emerald corsage, $200,000; pearl necklace, $105,000; pearl necklace, $127,000; rope of pearls, $85,000; diamond tiara, $45,000; pearl sautoir, $32,000; diamond necklace, $22,000; diamond and emerald pendant with two large stones, $35,000; pearl and diamond crown set in platinum, $22,000, and festoon of pearls and diamonds, $21,000.

HOME TO FIND WIFE AND BOTH CHILDREN DEAD

Bienfait, Sask., Feb. 13.—Gas escaping from the kitchen stove caused the death of Mrs. Annie Erickson, her son Ernie, aged 6, and her daughter Annie, aged three years, yesterday.

The discovery was made by her husband, when he returned from work at the Hawkson Mine.

DEATH LIST IN MINE EXPLOSION NEARS 100

Dawson, N. M., Feb. 13—Dawson's known death toll in the disastrous explosion of No. 1 mine has reached 97 tonight and is expected to soar above 100.

Toronto Man Kills Himself; Love Unrequited

Toronto, Feb. 13.—His love unrequited by the girl to whom he had given his heart, Cyril Victor Kitchen, aged 28, of Toronto, stabbed himself four times in Miss Florence Terry's apartments last night. He was dead when found by a police officer and Miss Terry.

Following a quarrel Miss Terry parted company with Kitchen in the street and went to lay a charge of ill treatment against him. The young man returned to her apartments and ended his life.

GIRL STUDENT, ILL, ENDS LIFE WITH A KNIFE

Groundless Fear Lest She Fall Behind New York University Class Haunted Her.

New York, Feb. 13—The ambition of Clara Held, 19 years old, to be graduated in the social service course of New York University, which has kept her poring over her books for months, will never be realized. Three weeks' illness, its after-effects and worry over the interruption of studies and fear that she might fall behind her class caused the girl to kill herself in her Newark home.

Mrs. Lena Held, her mother, was in the kitchen of their home in the Ambassador apartments, 16 Johnson street, preparing breakfast. Her daughter, awakening shortly before, had shown she still was in the despondent state that followed influenza. After trying to cheer her daughter, Mrs. Held finished the breakfast preparations, and bearing a tray entered the girl's room.

The bed was empty and Mrs. Held quickly found that Clara had fled to the bathroom. She tried the door, but found it locked. Moans came from within and Mrs. Held beat upon the door. Finally it swung slowly in and Mrs. Held found her daughter collapsing on the floor. The student's throat was cut and a carving knife was on the tiled floor. The girl died on the way to the City Hospital.

Dean Turner of the University Arts College said Miss Held was an exceptionally keen student, well up in her work and in no danger of falling behind because of her absence.

HOTEL PROBLEM IN ONTARIO

Toronto, Feb. 13. — The committee of the Legislature which toured Ontario and a portion of New York State during the last summer in search of ideas for the improvement of the hotel accommodation in this province laid the result of their labors before the Legislature yesterday in the form of a report, recommending chiefly the appointment of a permanent commission made up of hotelkeepers, commercial travelers and Ontario Motor League members to tender advice and generally look to the improvement of the hotel business.

The report states that the first thing that seems to be necessary is an entire separation of the business of enforcing liquor laws and the business of regulating and developing good hotels.