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Rebel Scythe and Fork No Match For Big Guns

Roumanian Artillery Lays Waste Ranks of the Peasant Army—Women Fight With Rebels—Fierce Assault On Galatz.

Bucharest, March 30.—Field guns, loaded with grape shot, according to the official reports, are winning against the revolutionary peasantry, whose arms are mostly bay forks and scythe blades. The insurgents were able to hold their own against the troops at close quarters and even withstood cavalry charges, doing terrible execution with long pronged forks and scythe blades, strapped to long poles, but the slaughter since the troops used artillery appears to be terrifying them into submission. In the district of Vlasieva, where the outbreak was particularly serious, large numbers of insurgents have surrendered and have denounced their leaders to the authorities, with the result that many of the latter have been arrested. The Government hopes that with the leaders in jail the undisciplined bands will soon abandon the field.

Women in the Ranks.

The self-styled "generals" usually turn out to be country school masters and village priests. Numbers of women are fighting in the insurgent ranks and many of them have been found among the killed, side by side with their husbands, sons and brothers.

Details of the attack made by the peasants on Galatz show that the pitched battle was fought. The insurgents, who were several thousand strong, began the assault at midnight, carried the outer earthworks by storm and captured a suburb, which they set on fire, after pillaging it. Three battalions of infantry attempted to stem the peasants' entry into the city itself, but the fork and scythe-armed rustics fought desperately hand to hand, and had almost routed the troops when the field guns, loaded with grape shot, put them to flight.

THIEVES SECURE RAZORS AND CASH

Bold Robbery at a King Street Barber Shop Last Evening.

A daring robbery was committed at Mr. George Campbell's barber shop on King street, near Richmond, between 8 and 9 o'clock last evening, when some unknown person or persons forced an entrance through a back door and stole about a dozen razors, 5 o'clock, and was in a nearby pool room watching a game when the robbery was committed. The burglars first cut the netting in a screen door and then forced the inner door. Once inside they opened a trunk with a pair of scissors, which were broken in the operation. In the trunk they evidently found nothing which they valued, for they went to the shelf in front of the chair, where they helped themselves to the best razors they could find. Next they took the contents of the cash register and departed.

It was not until 10 o'clock that the burglary was discovered by P. C. Highted. A large plate glass window in the front of the shop enables one to see the entire interior from the street, and for this reason the burglars must have been very daring as they were in danger of being detected at any time.

Mr. Campbell has no idea as to who the thieves might be, but is confident that the police will round them up within a short time.

ALIEN STRIKEBREAKERS

U. S. Courts Give Important Decision in Favor of Labor.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 30.—Action against the Alaman Manufacturing Company, of Canton, Ohio, charged with importing alien contract labor into the United States for the purpose of breaking a strike, was dismissed yesterday by Judge Taylor in the federal court. The case has been in court three years. The counts were nolle prosequi on recommendation of the department of justice at Washington.

The suit was instituted by the organization of the International Iron Molders of America. It was alleged that when the molders were on strike at Canton, the employers imported several hundred foreigners from Canada to take the place of the strikers. The grounds on which the nolle was based was that while the men came here from Canada, and although they had not taken out naturalization papers they had been employed previously in the United States.

SHORT OF SUPPLIES

Railway Surveying Parties in Peril in Northern Wilds.

Ottawa, March 30.—A survey party on the National Transcontinental Railway, who were with Engineer Cotton in the Abitibi country, may be in some danger. There are grave doubts if they have enough supplies to last until spring. One-half of the party, seeing this trouble ahead, started for Ottawa on snowshoes, and got to Englehart on the T. and N. O. Thence they came on to Ottawa, a lame and weary bunch, with the above report.

PULL OUT GAS BILL

Windsor, Ont., March 30.—Hon. Dr. Reaume, at the request of the Windsor Gas Company, has withdrawn the proposed bill recently introduced into the Legislature. The reason was the clause inserted by the private bills committee, giving the municipal commission the right to regulate the rates charged for gas. The company, it is said, would rather do without the legislation altogether than submit to the requirements.

THREW HER BABY INTO ATLANTIC

Awful Act of a Demented Mother on Board German Liner.

New York, March 29.—The story of a demented mother who threw her 14-months-old infant into the sea, and then attempted to follow it, was told by the officers of the steamer Konig Albert, which arrived here today from Genoa. The mother is Mrs. Elmona Aquila, who, with her husband and five of their eleven children, embarked at Naples. One son already was in America.

Early in the voyage both Mrs. Aquila and the infant daughter contracted measles and were sent to the ship's hospital. The mother's mind became affected and last Wednesday Mrs. Aquila thrust the infant through a port hole and attempted to follow. A seaman had seen the body of the child fall from the port hole, however, and while the ship was being stopped attendants found Mrs. Aquila trying to force her body through the port hole. She was rescued. No trace of the infant's body was found.

CARDINAL MACCHI DEAD

Aged Secretary of Apostolic Briefs Succumbs to Apoplexy.

Rome, March 29.—Cardinal Luigi Macchi, secretary of the apostolic briefs, died today after a sickness of only twelve hours. He celebrated mass yesterday morning, complained of illness in the afternoon and died today as the result of an apoplectic stroke. The deceased cardinal was born in Brazil in 1832, and was elevated to the Sacred College in 1889.

ROADS IN BAD STATE

Many Vehicles Stranded in the Mud, and Owners Lose Footwear.

The principal highways leading into London are in the very bad condition, the mud being so deep as to render them simply impassable for a heavy load. At several particularly bad spots along the roads, as many as three wagons have been abandoned by their owners, so deeply mired that they could not be gotten out. Not only are there a few wagons mired, but many of those who were unfortunate enough to get stranded lost their rubbers and top boots while striking out for the high and dry.

Among those who got stranded on their way to the city this morning were Mr. Ross Hodgins and Mr. Alfred Hodgins, of Southgate, who were bringing in a heavily-loaded wagon. They got mired in what is known as Spoke Hollow, about three miles from the city. Fortunately they had no sooner driven into the bad spot, than a native tamped with the dynamite, which exploded.

THE LABOR PARTY

Organized and Launched by a Big Convention at Toronto.

Toronto, March 29.—A convention yesterday in Broadway Hall, attended by over 600 delegates of trades unions from all parts of the Province, which will be known as the Ontario branch of the Canadian Labor party was organized. Its objects, as set forth in the principal resolution adopted, are to safeguard in different ways the interests of the workmen by nominating candidates for municipal councils, Provincial Legislature and also for the Dominion Parliament.

Mr. Walter R. Rollo, of Hamilton, an active figure in unionist circles and who acted as chairman throughout the day, was elected president. The other officers elected are:

Vice-President—Mr. W. A. Kelly, Kingston.

Second Vice-President—Deputy Robert C. C. Hahn, of Berlin.

Secretary—Mr. W. R. James, Toronto.

Treasurer—Mr. Charles S. Chislaus, Windsor.

The assembly of so large a number of labor representatives from Toronto, Hamilton, Kingston, London, Brockville, Stratford, Berlin, Guelph, Sault Ste. Marie and many other cities and towns brought together workers in nearly all departments of industrial activity.

U. S. FACES A MIGHTY STRIKE MAY TIE UP WESTERN RAILWAYS

Chicago, March 30.—Whether there will be a strike of the employees in the train service of the western railroads hinges on a meeting to be held today between two federal officials and the representatives of the unions and the railroads concerned.

The railroads declared that they had conceded everything possible, and the union representatives asserted that further concession will have to be made or today's meeting will fail to prevent a strike.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and the railroads are still trying to settle their differences.

Another meeting was held yesterday between these interests, but no agreement was reached.

The employees, however, say they will not accept arbitration and declared their position that nothing short of greater concessions from the railroads will prevent them from walking out.

President Roosevelt, according to advices from Washington, has been following closely the developments in the situation here, and Messrs. Knapp and Neill, chairman of the Interstate Commerce commission and commissioner of labor respectively, will undertake the delicate work imposed on them by law, with full consciousness that the President is extremely solicitous that all differences be settled by arbitration.

Pumped Blood Into Dying One

New York, March 30.—For the first time in this city, transfusion of blood was resorted to yesterday to save the life of a patient, says a dispatch from Philadelphia. Mrs. Peter Anderson was dying from anaemia in the Polytechnic Hospital. The doctors decided on a bold stroke to save her life, and the husband of the dying woman cheerfully permitted a quantity of his blood to be pumped into his wife's veins. The woman was brought back to consciousness, and now has more than a 50 per cent chance for complete recovery. Anderson himself, though weakened by the loss of blood and the ordeal of the operation, soon rallied, and bids fair to be himself again in a few days.

Anderson was anesthetized and the pulse in his left arm was severed. The large vein in Mrs. Anderson's left arm was severed and the artery of her husband was inserted in the incision. For an hour the man's heart pumped blood into his wife's veins. Then the arteries were loosened and the proper connection made.

MARCH A SEVERE MONTH ON AGED

Over Half the Deaths in London Were of Persons of Over Fifty Years.

A peculiar feature of the vital statistics compiled by City Clerk Baker for March is that of the 66 deaths recorded, 35 were of people between the ages of 50 and 88.

This is the heaviest death list amongst the aged in any month since the statistics have been kept.

In March, 1906, there were 71 deaths. During the month about to close there were 65 marriages recorded at the city hall, against 24 in the same month a year ago.

This is a phenomenal increase, and it would not doubt lead to the belief that men had grown tired of single blessedness in London, and were rushing into matrimony, were it not for the fact that more than half the marriages registered this month took place in 1906.

One clergyman brought in a bunch of about 25 marriages performed last year. All of these should have been registered months ago.

In March, 1907, there were 67 births, against 74 in March, 1906.

The natural increase in population of the city, as shown by the registrations of births and marriages, was only one.

The registration of deaths shows that the principal causes were as follows: Scarlet fever 1, Bright's disease 2, heart disease 4, apoplexy 1, tuberculosis 3, pneumonia 5, meningitis 2, cancer 1, violence 1, paralysis 1, old age 8.

I. O. O. F. ANNIVERSARY

Strong Committee Organized to Make Arrangements For It.

Local members of the Independent Order of Oddfellows are early on the move to make the approaching anniversary the greatest ever held in London. Efficient committees have been appointed from the different lodges and encampments. The strength of the committee is sixty, among the members being Past Grand Sir Dr. Campbell, Past Grand Master R. K. Cowan. The committee met on Thursday and elected as chairman, Past Grand Sir Chief Patriarch W. F. Howell, of Dominion Lodge, secretary, Robert Pearson, of Eureka Lodge, with Past Grand Joseph Sanders as treasurer. It is the intention to make this year a record in Oddfellowship. It is expected that the supreme head of the order will be introduced to London. There will be stirring times in local Oddfellows' circles, during next month. New degree teams are in formation. The uniformed degree is also moving and citizens will have the privilege of again seeing it on parade.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FINE AND COOL.

FORECASTS.

Saturday, March 30—8 a.m. Windy, fine and cool.

Sunday—Fine and cool.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	14	6	Cloudy
Port Arthur	22	18	Fair
Perry Sound	32	32	Fair
Toronto	40	36	Clear
Ottawa	40	36	Fair
Montreal	40	36	Fair
Quebec	36	32	Fair
Father Point	36	32	Fair
St. John's	36	32	Cloudy

The first column in the above table records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, while the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

Since yesterday morning showers have occurred generally in the Ottawa and St. Lawrence valleys and locally in the lake region. In the Western Provinces the weather has been fair and cold, with night temperatures below zero in most places.

Trouble in Building Trades Not Looked For on Monday

INCREASE PASSED THE MILLION MARK

March a Record Month for the London Clearing House—The Returns.

That March was an exceedingly brisk period in local business circles is shown by the report of the London Clearing House for the month ended today.

The greatest increase experienced since the establishment of the clearing house is recorded.

During March, 1906, the clearings totaled \$4,328,695, whereas during the month ended today the total was \$5,400,436.

The increase over 1906 is \$1,071,741, a weekly average increase of considerably over a quarter of a million dollars.

THESE FOR THE AMERICANS

Bay of Island Folk Object to the Herding Fishery Laws.

St. John's, Nfld., March 30.—Advices from Bay of Islands today say that a number of fishermen at that station held a public meeting Thursday, and adopted resolutions protesting against the policy of the Government of excluding the Americans from the herding fishery there. The resolutions called upon the Imperial Government to take measures to secure the unrestricted prosecution of the herding fishery by the Americans. The resolutions were forwarded to Governor MacGregor today for transmission to the British cabinet.

The village of the Bay of Islands was built by the American frozen herding industry.

May Come a Month Hence, 'Tis Said—Plumbers Say They Will Fight Men.

Monday is the 1st of April, and it was understood some time ago that on that date nearly all of the building trades would insist on an increase of wages.

Inquiries made among the employers today, however, elicited the information that there is not likely to be any trouble Monday—that, in fact, most of the trades have informed their bosses that the increases asked for would have to go into effect not later than May 1—a month hence.

It is understood, however, that the painters will insist on an advance from 25 cents an hour to 30 cents on Monday. Some of the bosses are agreeable to the increase, but the majority of those interviewed stated that the men will not get what they ask for. The bosses declare that wages are already as high as a city the size of London can stand. One employer told The Advertiser that he has purposely avoided taking contracts so as to be in a position to fight the men.

Bricklayers Want Standard Wage.

The bricklayers are out for a standard (Continued on Page Ten.)

DEATH OF MRS. POTTS.

Wife of the Eminent Methodist Minister Has Passed Away.

Toronto, March 29.—The home of Rev. Dr. Potts was saddened yesterday by the passing away of his wife, Margaret, after a short illness, which assumed a serious aspect a few days ago. Mrs. Potts was born at Kingston in 1840, the daughter of Mr. Wm. Breden. Since her marriage she lived in Hamilton, London, Montreal, and Toronto, the most of the time, however, in this city. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and two daughters to mourn her departure. The funeral is to be private on Monday from the home on Prince Arthur avenue.

EXPECTED TIE-UP OF RAILWAYS MAY HIT ALL WESTERN CANADA

Trainmen West of Fort William May Be Called Out.

Winnipeg, Man., March 30.—There is every possibility that Western Canada will be involved in the expected strike which will tie up the railways of Western America. It was stated in a Chicago dispatch that the men on the C. P. R. and C. N. R. would not be involved in a general strike order, owing to complications which would arise with the authorities because of the provisions of the labor disputes act recently passed at Ottawa. This would appear to be incorrect from information obtained locally. Members of the unions have stated that if a strike order is issued all railway employees west of Fort William will be called out.

DEBATE AT HYMAN HALL

Interesting Topic To Be Discussed on Friday Evening Next.

A debate will be held next Friday night at Hyman Hall under the auspices of the Young Liberal Club.

The subject to be discussed will be: "Resolved, that public life offers no inducements to young men of today."

Several well-known speakers among the ranks of the Young Liberals will discuss the subject, and it promises to be one of the best entertainments yet given by the club.

There will also be a musical programme. All Liberals and their friends are invited to attend.

EAST MIDDLESEX LIBERALS'

ANNUAL CONVENTION APRIL 6

Hon. George P. Graham, Leader of Ontario Opposition, Expected To Attend.

The annual meeting of the East Middlesex Reform Association will be held at Hyman Hall on Saturday, April 6, at 1:30 p.m., when officers for the year are to be elected and other important business transacted.

An effort is being made to secure the presence of Hon. George P. Graham, the leader of the Ontario Opposition, and it is hoped that he will be able to accept. Should he attend the convention, it will be Mr. Graham's first public appearance in London. That he will be greeted by a large gathering is assured.

Among the speakers for the convention are Messrs. George C. Gibbons, K.C., T. H. Purdom, K.C., J. M. McEvoy and Dr. McWilliams.

Every Liberal of the east riding should attend.

PREMIER SAILS ON APRIL 15TH

Sir Wilfrid Will Be Accompanied By Ministers Fielding, Borden and Bourcier.

Montreal, March 29.—Among the first cabin passengers sailing on the Canadian Royal Mail steamer Empress of Britain, from St. John, N. B., on April 15, will be Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and Lady Laurier, Sir Frederick Borden, Hon. L. P. Brodeur and Madame Brodeur, Hon. W. S. Fielding and the Misses Fielding, the Hon. Emmanuel Tasse, the Capital lacrosse team, who are to play before His Majesty the King in London. Mrs. Grantham, Toronto; Mrs. Scott Griffin, of Winnipeg; Senator and Madame Chouquet, Lady Morley, Mr. R. A. Willard and Madame Willard.

KING CO. REORGANIZED

Syndicate Purchases Movable Assets But Company Retains Name.

Toronto, March 30.—The application of A. R. Clarke and of the Ontario Bank for a winding up order in the affairs of the J. D. King Company, which got into deep financial waters recently, was this morning discussed by Chief Justice Falconbridge on consent of both applicants. A syndicate has purchased the movable assets of the concern, but the company will retain its name and premises. The organization of the business is going on.

DUNCAN SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS

Ex-Manager of Bank of Commerce at Ayr Punished For Fraud.

Berlin, Ont., March 30.—John F. Duncan, ex-manager of the Bank of Commerce at Ayr, was sentenced this morning by Judge Chisholm to four years in Kingston Penitentiary for having committed forgery, fraud and theft.

LIVELY MIX-UP ON THE MARKET

Ald. Cooper and Joseph Brown Exchange Compliments From Rival Auction Stands.

Ald. Cooper and Joseph Brown, auctioneers, had a very warm argument on the market square this morning. At its conclusion it was voted by common consent that Joseph had taken Neil down.

The trouble, it is alleged, was brought about by Mr. Brown. He and Mr. Cooper were selling articles on the market, when the former began sermonizing his hearers.

Ald. Cooper didn't want to listen, but try as he would he found himself hesitating when he asked "How much? Are you all done?" When Mr. Brown reached a point where he said that men are responsible for the sins of the world, and they will seek by every means to get out of paying their just debts, even to the auctioneer license fees, Ald. Cooper felt personally insulted.

Ald. Cooper dropped the sale of things and sailed into Mr. Brown. The number of "h's" lost in the mix-up could not be counted by two men and a boy. Hypocrite, liar, windbag, fakir and other such choice designations filled the air. The people on the square forgot their business and looked to hear the row. Ald. Cooper began a defense of his position and why he does not pay his license which in length rivaled that of Warren Hastings.

Mr. Brown came back at Mr. Cooper tooth and nail. The hotter the fight the more pleased Mr. Brown appeared to be. A row to him was like a row to the fireman in the story—"No trouble at all—a pleasure, indeed."

Mr. Brown intimated that Mr. Cooper had no place on the market, as he had no license to sell. Mr. Cooper invited the entire family of Browns, as designated in the directory, together with any number of Smiths or Joneses who might be lying around loose, to come and put him off the square.

Several people standing in the crowd suggested to Mr. Cooper that perhaps Mr. Brown was right, and that Mr. Cooper had forgotten to pay his license. This angered the alderman, who promptly called one of them a liar. The gentleman remarked that Mr. Cooper looked a little to him like Ananias.

In the middle of the fracas two butchers' dogs got into an argument over the merits of the case, and they began a battle which almost attracted the crowd from the auctioneer. The owners of the dogs only remained away from the first scene of battle long enough to separate the fighting canines. Then they rejoined the merry throng surrounding the auctioneer.

In concluding the argument, Mr. Cooper took occasion to refer to some person as a "pin ed." No bloodshed resulted.

After about 30 minutes, Ald. Cooper went on with his sale, and his opponent lapsed into a brown study.

Later Ald. Cooper was kept busy in the arcade of the city hall, explaining that it was Brown who commenced the rumpus, and that the lawyer says he doesn't have to pay the amount of license fees Inspector McCallum says he owes.

CANADIAN CLUB'S FIRST BANQUET

Arrangements About Completed for Event—Trophies To Be Presented.

Arrangements for the Canadian Club's first annual dinner, to be given on Tuesday night next, are about completed. The committee in charge may be congratulated on the enthusiasm with which the members have entered into the spirit of making the banquet a success. The tickets, which have been limited to 300, are about all disposed of, and many distinguished guests from out of town have signified their intention of being present. Advantage will be taken of the occasion to present the club's trophies offered for competition in connection with the road races and team races on Thanksgiving Day last.

Mr. W. J. Skelgrove, principal of Lorne avenue school, the winner of the school team race, is invited to attend and accept on behalf of his school, the cup won by them. Mr. Stanley Brent, physical instructor of the Y. M. C. A. team winners of the five-mile road race, is asked to accept on behalf of them the trophy which they successfully completed for. The Horton hockey team, winners of the City Amateur Hockey League, 1906, will also be presented with the cup of which they are the winners this year. Mr. George Powell, secretary-treasurer of the team, has been invited to attend and receive the trophy. The Hortons are composed of J. Reynolds, goal; A. E. Carrothers, point; Frank Knott, coverham; George Powell, center; J. Abraham, rover; Jas. Carrothers, right wing; and W. Arthur, left wing.

F. D. Monk, K.C., M. P. of Montreal, Sir William Mulock, and Mr. Thomas Martindale, of Philadelphia, will be the speakers. Music will be furnished by Mr. Fred L. Evans' orchestra, and Mr. Cyril Dwight-Edwards has consented to assist in the programme.