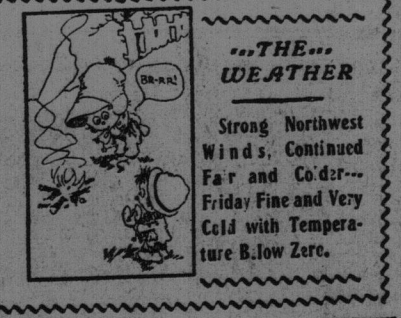


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YUAN SHI KAI TRIED TO POISON EMPEROR

Kang Yu Wei, Leader of the Chinese Empire Reform Association, Makes This Charge Against Him—A Crime of Twenty Years Ago.

New York, Jan. 7.—Special cable advice to the Herald from a post in Straits Settlement, says that Kang Yu Wei, Chinese exile reformer and leader of the Chinese Empire Reform Association, claims credit for the overthrow of Yuan Shi Kai, the eminent Chinese statesman, as member of the grand council.

NOT FOR YEARS HAS THIS PROVINCE SUFFERED SUCH GREAT DAMAGE BY FLOODS

Serious Havoc Wrought by High Waters as the Result of Heavy Rains—Perry's Point Bridge Swept Away—Great Loss to Property of St. John River Log Driving Co.—Trains Will Resume Tonight.

Reports of disasters in yesterday's storm continue to come in, and it is expected when the railways are running again and the mails arrive, tidings will be received of many more cases of damage in various parts of the province. The work of repair on the C. P. R. is being pushed as rapidly as possible and traffic will be resumed tonight, the outgoing trains leaving on time and the delayed trains from the west arriving at 8 and thereafter.

Perry's Point Bridge Was Carried Away

Word was received this morning that the Perry's Point bridge, a wooden structure which spans the Kennebecasis between Perry's Point and Jubilee, was almost completely destroyed by the flood in Moncton, and was a very expensive one to keep in repair. Repair work was going on at this time. The bridge was in all the papers, Yuan Shi Kai was playing a great part in the province and also the most expensive of the province and also the most expensive of the province and also the most expensive of the province.

SHARP CRITICISM OF UNITED STATES ARMY

Army Appropriation Bill Before House Committee Drew Forth Caustic Comment From Several of the Members—Cavalry Officers Who Are Poor Horsemen.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Sharp criticism of the United States Army and its management is being heard about the Capitol. Some of the most pointed remarks have been published in the official record of the testimony before the House Committee on Military Affairs in connection with the Army appropriation bill. It developed that \$10,400 had been expended for mileage in connection with the horsemanship tests ordered by the president.

POLICE COURT

The suspicion that Carl Hanrickson, the fifty-five year old German, arrested on Smythe street last night, on a charge of lying and luring, but in reality to ascertain if he was the escaped lunatic from the asylum, were disposed this morning. The man was arrested on New Year's eve for intoxication, and released under a suspended fine of \$8 or 30 days. He left a ship in port only a day or two previous. In his possession is a certificate of good behavior, dated December 30, 1908, from the master of the vessel. To the magistrate, Hanrickson stated that he was proceeding on an errand when taken into custody. It is believed the man is slightly demented. In one of his pockets was a flask of whiskey, and imbibing of the fluid may have occasioned his threats to swim the harbor. He was remanded.

ONCE A MILLIONAIRE BUT NOW BANKRUPT

San Francisco, Jan. 7.—James Treadwell, once a multi-millionaire, one of the promoters of the world's famous Treadwell Mines of Alaska and a former director of the California Safe Deposit and Trust Co. of this city, which suspended during the panic of 1907, was yesterday adjudged bankrupt in the federal court on petition of the depositors of the bank. Treadwell is under indictment by the grand jury in connection with the failure of the bank.

EMPRESS WILL SAIL TOMORROW

C. P. R. Royal Mail Steamer May Be Delayed Because of Late Trains.

The C. P. R. royal mail steamer Empress of India will sail for Liverpool via Halifax tomorrow, Friday, afternoon 6 o'clock. If the delayed trains reach here this evening and passengers and baggage can be put on board in time, the steamer will sail about noon, otherwise she will not get away until the night tide.

FIRST GAME FOR STARR TROPHY

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 7.—(Special)—The weather became colder last night, with the result that the Amherst Ramblers will play here tonight in the first game of the Starr trophy series. The Victoria line up will be the same as that given previously by your correspondent. There is a slight settling in the outcome, and a local victory is looked for in Moncton, if not elsewhere. The defeat of the Ramblers at the hands of the Halifax Crescents on Monday evening is the main cause for the local confidence, and with the Victoria in good shape, it is generally expected here that the locals will have little difficulty in retaining championship honors.

FIRE HAS BROKEN OUT ONCE MORE IN MESSINA

light earth shocks were felt today, which tumbled down tottering walls and renewed the fires, but these were not serious. The shocks were also felt at Scylla. Rome, Jan. 6.—General Marza, the commander of Messina, has sent the following despatch to Premier Giolitti: "Today, as on preceding days, search is continuing among the debris for injured. Ten were found today. The probability of finding others is diminishing every day. The search is still going on and will be continued while one is found alive. The work of removing the dead for burial is progressing. At least 2,300 persons have been extricated alive from the ruins. About 200 bodies have been buried with every precaution. Every facility has been given to the refugees to leave the city. I am convinced that their removal is necessary in the present condition of the city. Railway communication with Palermo and maritime connection with Naples have been re-established. Railway employees have been sent to the Calabrian coast to re-establish the railways to Naples. The building of huts has begun and this will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible. The hygienic condition of the troops is excellent. The work of the harbor and inclemency of the weather."

RAILWAYS EXPECT TO BE IN SHAPE TONIGHT

The C. P. R. officials expect to have the line between Fredericton Junction and this city open for traffic early this evening.

CANADA'S PLACE IN THE EMPIRE

Sir James Whitney Says Unless Sacrifices Are Made the Empire Will in Time Dissolve.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 7.—(Special)—"Sometimes I think we are not thankful for our connection with the Motherland," said Sir James Whitney, in responding to the toast of "Our province" at the Whitney Club last night. Sir James said, "we have lands and fancies brought from who knows where and foisted upon people, but I believe a great change will take place and we will make a small return for the blessings we receive. The British Empire will dissolve, the Premier went on, 'if we do not unanimously agree to make sacrifices, and the longer this is delayed the worse it is going to become. Nine out of ten of the population of Canada are in favor of making these sacrifices.'"

PREFERRED PRISON TO TERM IN HOME OF GOOD SHEPHERD

Edna Goodspeed Offered Her Choice of Year in Local Institution or Five Years in Dorchester Has Difficulty in Deciding—Other Prisoners Sentenced by Judge Forbes.

The equity court room, in the Puley Building, was thronged with spectators this morning, the magnets being the announced sentencing of Edna Goodspeed, alias Gibson and Mark White, and the trial of William Smith, who elected to go to the Home, and not to his Honor's Speedy Trial Act. To the girl was given the choice of a one year term in the Home for the Goodspeed or five years in either Kingston or Dorchester penitentiary, and the persuasion of the judge and her counsel, Messrs. McKewen and Ritchie, failed to convince her that it was advisable to accept the term in the local institution, she preferring imprisonment in the penitentiary, though, as an inducement his honor offered to order her release from the home prior to the expiration of the sentence if the man to whom she claimed she was engaged to wed would seek her freedom through His Honor, and the marriage to be solemnized subsequent to her being exhausted His Honor remanded her to jail until Saturday morning, when he will visit her in jail, and if she has not altered her decision the five year sentence will be imposed, and on Monday morning she will be conveyed to Dorchester, and, if possible, he will secure the permission of the department of justice to transfer her to the Kingston, Ont. penitentiary, which is equipped with special accommodation for women.

AMATEUR THEATRICALS

Two very delightful farcical dramatics were given at 34 Orange street Tuesday and Wednesday evenings last. The piece, "In Honor Bound," was well staged and produced. Those in the cast were Miss Helen E. Kenney, Miss Alice Buckman, Cecil Merritt and F. G. Kenney. The various roles were well handled, the players displaying abundant talent. Miss Kenney and F. G. Kenney were in the cast of "The Sailor's Sweetheart," where they did excellent work.

MONTREAL HAS COLD WEATHER

Thermometer Dropped 46 Degrees Inside of Twenty-four Hours.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—(Special)—Yesterday morning pedestrians coming to work had their umbrellas and hats, but the thermometer registering 36. Last night, when it was time to go home, it was freezing so hard that furs were necessary to be comfortable. This morning at McGill Observatory the thermometer registered 6.9 degrees below, making a drop of 46 degrees inside of twenty-four hours. This, accompanied by a strong wind, made it very uncomfortable for Montrealers this morning.

IS REPORTED FOR STORING LIQUOR

Fredericton, Jan. 7.—(Special)—R. E. Walker, station agent here, has been reported by the Temperance people for storing liquor at his railway freight shed here. The case was called in the police court this morning, but on the strength of a telegram from E. H. McAlpine, agent of the department of justice, a postponement was made until Monday next. The case has arisen out of a recent seizure of liquor made at the C. P. R. station, and is said to be the first of the kind taken under the amendment to the Scott Act. The authorities have been unable to locate the parties who imported the liquor, and are proceeding against Walker with a view of bringing the matter to a head.

PROBATE COURT

Estate of David H. Anderson, of the Parish of Musquash, farmer, deceased, having died intestate, administration is granted to the widow, Olivia N. Anderson, and a son, George A. Anderson, of Musquash, mill owner, other sons joining in the request therefor. Real estate about \$15,000, subject to mortgages of about \$8,000. Personal property \$100. S. A. M. Skinner, probator.

LEAVES LARGE FAMILY

Mrs. Ellen Driscoll is Mourned by Seven Children, Fifty-six Grand Children and Twenty Great Grand Children.

Three sons, four daughters, fifty-six grand children and twenty great grand children survive Mrs. Ellen Driscoll whose death occurred this morning at the home of her son Timothy Driscoll of Mill street, after a lengthy illness at the age of 87 years. The sons are Daniel, of Musquash, Michael, of Seaview, near Musquash, and Timothy, of this city. The daughters are Mrs. Nathaniel McGuire, of Seaview, Mrs. John Travis, Mrs. P. Foley, and Mrs. John O'Brien of this city. The funeral will be held on Sunday with interment at Sand Cove cemetery.