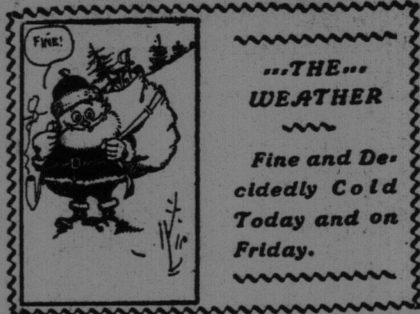


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HOW A PUCKY FREEMAN FOULED TRAIN ROBBERS

Great Northern Express Held Up This Morning Near Hilyard, Washington—Robbers Got Some Booty But Much Was Saved.

Spokane, Wn., Dec. 10.—Three men held up a Great Northern train near Hilyard, Wash., this morning. The robbers got some booty but much was saved.

The robbers then left the engine and freemen with the train and boarded the locomotive and themselves ran it several miles east, where they boarded the train.

DELEGATES FROM THE WHOLE OF CANADA

Will Assemble at National Congress in Toronto Next Spring in Connection With Laymen's Missionary Movement.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—The National Laymen's Congress, the most important gathering yet held in any place in the world in connection with the Laymen's Missionary Movement, will begin at Massey Hall on March 31, continuing on April 1, 2, 3 and 4.

CANADIAN ACTRESS DEAD

Miss Ida Hawley of Toronto Who Was Understudy to Fritzi Scheff, Died in New York Yesterday.

New York, Dec. 10.—Miss Ida Hawley who for two years past has been understudy to Fritzi Scheff, died yesterday in a private sanitarium here, following an operation for appendicitis.

BIG PRICES FOR SOME RARE POSTAGE STAMPS

New York, Dec. 10.—An unusually fine unused copy of the very rare sixpence vermilion postage stamp of Newfoundland, issue of 1877, brought \$210 at the Collectors Club in West 29th street, last night.

At a conference of the Kansas political reformers, held at Lawrence, Kan., Senator-elect J. L. Bristow declared that the railroad control most of the federal judges.

JURY OUT IN RUEF'S CASE

They Report That They Cannot Agree on the Guilt of San Francisco's Ex-Boss.

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—The jury in the trial of the Ruef on the charge of having bribed Supervisor Foley to aid the United Railroads in securing the overhead trolley franchise, looked up at 1 o'clock this morning, having failed to reach a verdict after having been out since 3.30 in the afternoon. There were various reports as to the standing of the jury. The best opinion is that they voted ten for guilty and two for acquittal.

WILL CHARGE HIS WIFE AND SISTER WITH HIS MURDER

Philadelphia Politician Was Killed During a Row With His Wife and Sister-in-Law

Media, Pa., Dec. 10.—The murder of J. Clayton Erb, the well known Philadelphia politician, will come before the county grand jury today when the District Attorney will present indictments against Mrs. Erb, her sister, Mrs. Catherine Beisel, charging them with the crime. The witnesses in the case will be principally servants. Mrs. Erb is out on bail having obtained her release on a writ of habeas corpus after a long hearing in which the Commonwealth failed to establish that she had killed Mrs. Beisel, still in the county jail. Erb was shot and killed in a fracas that occurred on the night of Oct. 6, in Erb's country home near here.

NOT GUILTY OF MURDER

Jury in Case of Chas. E. Davis Acquitted Prisoner After Thirteen Hours Deliberation

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 10.—The jury in the case of Charles E. Davis charged with the murder of Dr. Frederick T. Ruskin, returned a verdict of not guilty after thirteen hours deliberation. Two hours after the verdict was returned and ordered the discharge of the prisoner.

RAILWAY SAFEGUARDS

Railway Commission Issues Orders for Protection of Passengers

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 10 (Special).—The Railway Commission has issued several orders having for their object the safety of traffic, passengers and the public. An order provides for the daily inspection of electric bells at highway crossings.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY TRINITY PROTECTOR

Trinity Proctor, No. 877, R. B. K. of Montreal, met last evening and elected the following officers: W. H. Sully, W. P. Samuel Ferguson, D. P. Col. J. Armstrong, chairman; W. Williams, registrar; W. B. Marter, treasurer; J. W. Ruck, 1st lecturer; J. C. Mowbray, 2nd lecturer; C. White, 1st censor; Isaac Mercer, 2nd censor; J. J. Cook, 1st standard bearer; M. J. Lankey, 2nd standard bearer; Wm. Rogers, sr. purveyor; G. C. Grey, 1st clerk; S. Chambers, R. G. Magee, T. W. Moore, H. N. Spence, F. Stanley G. Burns, and J. A. Ross, committee. After the election the officers were installed by Col. A. J. Armstrong, P. G. M.

DR. CURREY OF THE STAND AND SHARPLY QUESTIONED

Question of Mrs. Currey's Alleged Extravagance Was Thrashed Out at Some Length This Morning—Dr. Currey Denies Abusing His Wife But Admits Frequent Quarrels.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 10 (Special).—In the divorce court this morning the cross-examination of Dr. Currey was continued by Mr. Teed and he succeeded in eliciting some rather startling statements from the witness.

Mr. Teed produced a letter which Dr. Currey wrote to William Mullins of Westfield, N. B., in which he requested that Mullins take no orders from his wife. The witness explained that Mullins was his caretaker and his wife's housekeeper. He did not know that Mullins was his caretaker and his wife's housekeeper. He did not know that Mullins was his caretaker and his wife's housekeeper.

BIG TIMES IN STORE FOR NEW BRUNSWICK

The Drummonds Interviewing Local Government Say They Have in Gloucester Co. The Largest Deposit of Fine Iron Ore in Canada and Will Start Development Work on Large Scale.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 10 (Special).—At a meeting of the local government this morning Messrs. Gordon and John J. Drummond of the Canadian Iron Corporation, W. F. C. Parsons, a Londoner, and W. Brown, a steel expert made formal application for a bond guarantee for a line of railway to connect the Gloucester mines with Bathurst Village.

VICTIM OF WRECK BLEEDS TO DEATH

Spreading Rails on the Northern Pacific Wrecked Train and Brought Injury to 25 Passengers.

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 10.—Twenty-five passengers were seriously injured, one of whom, a man, died, according to reports when the Northern Pacific North Coast Limited jumped the track and ran down a ten-foot embankment last night within half a mile of the town of McKenzie, twenty miles east of this place.

SBARRETTI IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 10.—Monsignor Donato Sbarretti, apostolic delegate of the Pope to Canada, arrived on the steamer Kensington Louise from Genoa.

GETTING AFTER MONTREAL DIVES

Vigorous Campaign for Social Purity Inaugurated in That City

Montreal, Que., Dec. 10 (Special).—A campaign for social purity was inaugurated in the records of the court today, when one of the best known women keeping a house of ill fame, was fined and put under bonds of \$3,000 to quit the business. Rev. Arthur French, of St. John the Evangelist church, and his Band of Mercy are responsible for the campaign.

BORING FOR COAL IN P. E. ISLAND

Contractor Obligated to Abandon One Boring Because of Heavy Flow of Water

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 9 (Special).—After putting down the new supply of casing recently received from the states, with the hope that it would shut off the water and enable him to get the required 2,300 feet, contractor Street, who is boring for coal at Bardscove, found after going another hundred feet that the water continued to come in as freely as ever, and this at a depth of 1,900 feet, so he suspended work and telegraphed to Ottawa for further instructions.

NOVA SCOTIA APPLES WINNING HIGH PRAISE

They Have Made a Splendid Name in the British Market—Ontario Fruit in Bad Shape

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 10 (Special).—J. E. Ray, acting commercial agent at Birmingham, advises the Department of Trade and Commerce that the Birmingham market for apples is well stocked and prices are falling low, so that Canadian exporters would do well to hold their fruit until after Christmas. Mr. Ray comments with severity upon a particularly bad consignment of 300 barrels of apples from a well-known Ontario exporter.

OTTAWA NEWS

udge Cassels Report in the Marine Inquiry Will be Ready When Parliament Meets

MME. NAZIMOVA INJURED

Famous Russian Actress Fell on the Stage in Lincoln, Nebraska, Last Night.

CANDY AND FRUIT STORE BADLY GUTTED BY FIRE

MONTREAL STOCKS

DROP ELECTION PROTESTS

CHRISTMAS BOAT WILL TAKE MANY PASSENGERS

A MISSIONARY WAVE IN P. E. I. A Laymen's Missionary Movement Inaugurated With Glowing Prospects of Success.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 10 (Special).—A laymen's missionary movement has been inaugurated here with a central committee of eighteen consisting of two representatives of each Protestant church to act in conjunction with the congregational committee headed by each clergyman.

FANATIC CLAIMS HE IS GUIDED BY THE LORD

Louis Pratt, Follower of the Messiah, Who Fought Kansas City Policemen, Claims His Deed Was Justified by God.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 9.—Efforts by the police today to find James Sharp, hailed by his fanatical followers as a second Messiah, failed to reveal his whereabouts yesterday's bloody fight with the police. The only clue so far obtained is that shortly after the fight he had his hair trimmed and an unshaven beard shaved.

BIKE RIDERS ARE STILL AHEAD OF RECORD

But the Pace is a Killing One and Only Eight Teams Remain—One Rider Injured Early Today.

New York, Dec. 10.—The killing pace which has been maintained by the riders in the six days bicycle race which began at Madison Square Garden just after midnight Monday morning, already has proven too great a strain for eight of the sixteen teams. Those whose wheels would not stand the fearful grind and have kept steadily ahead of old records until early today, began to show signs of wear.

AUSTRALIA SUFFERS FROM NEWSPAPER LIARS

Victorian Government Besieged With Requests From Would Be Settlers Misled by American Press.

Melbourne, Dec. 10.—As a result of certain inaccurate articles that have appeared in American newspapers since the visit to Australia of the American battleship fleet under Rear Admiral Sperry setting forth that the Victorian Government will advance passage money to agriculturalists and grant them cash and land credits to the extent of \$10,000 on arrival, the government has received numerous letters from the United States requesting that this understanding be carried out.

TO MINT SOVEREIGNS OF CANADIAN GOLD

First Gold Coins to be Made at the Ottawa Royal Mint This Week.

Ottawa, Dec. 10 (Special).—Lt. Col. Rodgers states that the Royal Mint of Canada will begin making English sovereigns some time during the present week. So far the design for the minting of Canadian gold pieces of five, ten and twenty dollars each are not ready, so by special permission of the British Government the Canadian Mint will this week commence work by minting the English dies, and every sovereign coming out of the Ottawa Mint during the remainder of the year will have the letter "C" directly under the King's head. It is understood that about two hundred and fifty of these sovereigns made in Canada will be turned out during this year, after which the Canadian dies will be ready and the work of making Canadian gold pieces will be begun.

MAY HOLD WORLD'S FAIR IN PANAMA IN 1915

This Means May be Taken to Celebrate the Opening of the Panama Canal

Panama, Dec. 10.—Steps are being taken looking to the organization of an association for the purpose of commemorating the opening of the Panama Canal in 1915. It is proposed if the scheme is found feasible, to hold a world's fair here. Many of the most prominent men on the Isthmus have heartily endorsed the plan, which if successfully carried out would mean so much for the country.

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