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ROBBED AND LOCKED IN HIS OWN CELLAR

Toronto Jeweler Says Three Armed Men Mistreated Him and Stole \$6,500.

Toronto, Jan. 31.—I. Shoot, head of the jewelry firm of I. Shoot and Sons, this city, reported to the police that on Saturday night he was held up in his store by three armed men, who knocked him on the head and imprisoned him in the cellar, then robbed him of \$6,500 in cash, \$1,000 of Victory bonds and a diamond necklace which his wife owned, worth about \$1,000.

OUR FISHERIES IN DECEMBER

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—(Canadian Press)—The total catch of sea fish landed on both coasts during December was 478,668 cwts, with a value in first hands of \$964,181, against 483,939 cwts, valued at \$1,202,255 for the same month last year.

LARGE SUM HERE FOR IRISH RELIEF

On Sunday, January 24, a collection was taken up in local Catholic churches for the relief of suffering in Ireland. In the Cathedral the sum was \$1,688.85, a very large collection. In St. John the Baptist church \$450.80 was collected, in Holy Trinity church \$250.09, and in the Church of the Assumption, West St. John, \$264.50. Some others are yet to report.

QUEBEC FACTORY IS PREY OF FLAMES

Quebec, Jan. 31.—(Canadian Press).—The Arnand Bastien factory at Indian Lorette was totally destroyed by fire last night. The factory was a two-story wooden building and was used for the manufacture of Indian moccasins, fancy slippers, snowshoes and canoes. A rough estimate of the loss places it at \$50,000.

HYDRO RATES

C. O. Poss, chief engineer of the New Brunswick Electric Power Company, had a conference with the mayor and some members of the city council this morning with regard to the matter of establishing a differential rate for the handling of the electric power from the developments at Musquash. It is the intention of the commission to submit the matter to an independent engineer to investigate and arrive at a proper rate for the delivery of power and light in the city and elsewhere in this section of the province.

RELEASE OF J. J. GREGORY ORDERED

PUNERALS  
The funeral of Harry Taylor was held this afternoon from his late residence, 19 Hammond street, to Fernhill, and was attended by many. Members of the Sons of England, of which Mr. Taylor was a member, attended in a body. Service was conducted by Rev. H. I. McKim.

Case of Man Arrested in New Brunswick at Request of Maine Authorities.

(Special to Times).  
Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 31.—J. J. Gregory, who was arrested here by Sheriff Foster at the request of the Maine authorities on charge of beating a Houlton deputy sheriff, was released on Saturday night on an order of the immigration officer. The case aroused interest as the affair occurred during a great fight in Gregory's premises in Houlton and an endeavor was made to class him as a bootlegger and an undesirable citizen of Canada. Gregory's counsel took the ground that no warrant had been served on the accused and he was not under indictment when he left the province. Gregory was released and notified him that he would be deported in ten days and he must report to him at that time if still in Canada. Gregory was well supplied with money and lost no time in leaving, ostensibly for Moncton, where he said he had business.

MAINE GOVERNOR DEAD.

Augusta, Maine, Jan. 31.—F. H. Parkhurst, governor of Maine, died Monday. He fell to recover from the effects of a diphtheritic infection under the tongue with which he was attacked three weeks ago.

Varying Opinions on Settlement of Reparations Matter

What Newspapers of England, France and Germany Have to Say—Lloyd George Returns to London.

London, Jan. 31.—The editorials in the morning newspapers approach the Paris agreement from different angles and come to different conclusions. The Daily Express doubts whether Germany will be able to foot the bill, but says: "If payment can be exacted it will be in a form that will do her credit more harm than good." The newspaper cites examples of the dumping of surrendered ships and a reduced demand for British products. The Daily Telegraph, on the other hand, asserts that Germany is quite able to meet the bill if she chooses to do so but it asserts that she probably will not pay except under stringent compulsion.

BACKS CHURCHILL

London Sunday Observer Strongly Endorses New Colonial Secretary.

London, Jan. 31.—(Canadian Ass'n Press).—The Sunday Observer, in a long article on the task of the empire and its difficulties, says the succession of the Right Hon. Winston Churchill to be colonial secretary is a signal and perhaps epoch-making event. The paper credits Mr. Churchill with indomitable courage and inexhaustible energy and in the colonial office, which will receive some new title, such as the ministry for imperial affairs, in order to express the unexampled range of his duties. Mr. Churchill, says the Observer, has been fitted to his power than any he held before.

MEXICAN PLANS FOR AN ARMY OF 80,000 MEN

Mexico City, Jan. 31.—Organization of the Mexican army, which is now being provided under plans drafted by Enrique Estrada, minister of war, and members of the general staff, means that the test army of 80,000 men will be authorized, it being planned that youths between the ages of eighteen and twenty would be enrolled.

REV. DR. SUTHERLAND REFERS TO SERMON OF A WEEK AGO

Federicton Minister Speaks of St. Paul's Church Matters.  
(Special to Times).  
Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 31.—Rev. Dr. J. S. Sutherland, minister at St. Paul's Presbyterian church, on Sunday referred briefly to his sermon of a week ago, to which some had taken exception, but in no way was evoked by any proceedings at the annual congregational meeting. He explained that these remarks should have in any way injured the feelings of his congregation, for whom he cherished only the warmest feelings, and his brotherly love, explaining that the words which he had inadvertently quoted were not in any sense an expression of his own opinion.

FOR INCREASE OF INDEMNITY FOR N. S. MEMBERS

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 30.—At the closing session of the provincial convention of the Independent Labor Party here on Saturday, the party went on record as favoring an increase in the sessional indemnity of members of the provincial assembly. Four members will take their seats in the House of Assembly when it convenes and it was stated that "members of the working class who are elected to the assembly have no means of support outside from the sessional indemnity." The convention also passed a resolution favoring the abolition of the executive council of the provincial legislature.

TRAINS CRASH; SEVEN KILLED

Limna, Jan. 31.—Seven persons were killed and more than forty injured when a passenger train collided with a freight train yesterday at Huchanan, near Oroya. Many of the coaches were completely demolished.

As Hiram Sees It

"Look-a-hera!" said Mr. Hiram Hornbush to the Times reporter, "I see where the farmers in Carleton county is gittin' a dollar a barrel for potatoes, an' they're sellin' 'em in St. John for fifty an' sixty cents a peck. Sixty cents a peck is six dollars a barrel. Every little while some feller gets up an' sells about the farmer gittin' rich. Will you just tell me who's gittin' rich on them potatoes? Who gets that extra five dollars? Answer me that. The farmer he works early an' late, he fights weeds, an' bugs, an' droughts, an' rain, an' rust, an' rot, an' he gets a dollar for his share of 'em. Six dollars an' a half, that's the farmer's party!"

ALL DEAD BUT ONE

Mother Sole Survivor in Family After Fire in Home.

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 31.—Arthur Byrne, eight year old son of Patrick Byrne, who with two children, Emmitta, aged five and Stanley, aged three, met death on Friday night when the Byrne home was destroyed by fire. Arthur died Sunday night from his injuries.

BLACKLIST TO BE PROVIDED BY LIQUOR LAW

Quebec Provision for Every Retail Depot

Quebec, Jan. 31.—(Canadian Press).—The provincial cabinet has, it is understood, agreed on the original features of the liquor control bill, which is to be submitted to the legislature this week in respect to the sale of the liquor at the retail government shops to the consumer, there will not be a permit system, such as is being suggested in British Columbia, but there will be an effective system of "blacklist" in every shop. Those who are condemned for drunkenness will get on that list, those whose mothers, fathers or wives complain that their male folks are drinking too much will get on that list, and the commission will devise such a system of checking up that it will be difficult to beat such a list, especially in small places.

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COMMISSION ON MATTER OF GRANTS

Quebec Provincial Plan—Will Use Money From Amusement Tax.

Quebec, Jan. 31.—The provincial government intends to set up a commission to supervise the distribution of provincial grants to charitable and other institutions. The commission will take over the amusement taxes all over the province and give each municipality one half of the amount collected in its boundaries, with the proviso that this half shall go to the institutions. The other half the commission will distribute as it sees fit in all parts of the province.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. S. T. G. P. G., director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—A trough of low pressure extends along the Atlantic seaboard this morning with rising temperature over Ontario, Quebec and the maritime provinces. Much colder weather prevails in Eastern Canada while in the West it continues cold in all but the extreme southern districts of Alberta and Saskatchewan. Fair and cold.

POLICE COURT

At this morning's committee meeting of the common council, Commissioner Thornton made a report on investigation carried out in connection with a statement made by C. P. O. S. officials last week to the effect that they could not get justice in the police court in connection with alleged pilfering at West St. John.

DEATH OF CHILD.

Ethel May Patchell, aged five years, died at the East St. John Hospital yesterday. She was a grand daughter of Isaac Patchell. Those bereaved will have the sympathy of many friends.

Teachers Present Their Case At The City Hall

Appeal for Full Amount of Estimate to provide for Increase—Mayor Says School Board is Passing the Buck—Will Ask Trustees to Meet Council.

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The committee room at City Hall was far too small to contain the large delegation of school teachers who appeared before the common council to ask that the council pass the estimates presented by the board of trustees. The amount allowed by law for school estimates for general purposes is \$850,000, while the estimate presented by the school board called for \$1,645,000 more than that amount. The council, however, declined to pass more than the legal assessment.

TROUBLE IN THE CIVIL SERVICE IN SOUTH AFRICA

London, Jan. 31.—(Canadian Associated Press).—A cable from Johannesburg to the Canadian Press says that the civil service of the Union of South Africa is seething with discontent owing to the delay in rectifying the scales of pay. Many of the younger officials are reported to be strongly in favor of direct action, especially in view of the success of the recent strike of bank clerks. The older men with families and responsibilities, who hitherto been able to hold their own in the struggle, are reported to be becoming more menacing.

SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS MARRIED; 1,000 CELEBRATE

New York, Jan. 31.—Married seventy years ago in Galicia, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Dick, observing the Galician custom of celebrating "three score years and ten" as the diamond anniversary of their wedding, last night were hosts at an East Side entertainment to which more than 1,000 persons were invited.

ST. JOHN SKATER

Charles Gorman of St. John, who made such an excellent showing in the Canadian Skating Championships, which were held in Montreal, if he had not fallen in the last lap of the two mile event it looked as if he would have won premier honors. As it was he tied Goodman, of Winnipeg, for third place with a total of 70 points.

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Hurled Into Fiery Pit as Wall of Burning Structure Collapses.

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Providence, R. I., Jan. 31.—Three firemen were killed and eighteen injured when a wall of the building at 88 Madison street, collapsed during a fire about 3:45 o'clock this morning. The blaze started in a pool room and bowling alley and spread with great rapidity, necessitating three alarms.

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The dead are: Lieut. Thomas Keller, of Engine No. 2, and Andrew Cooper, of Engine No. 18, and Fireman John Feunature. The injured were taken to the Rhode Island Hospital. The property damage is estimated at \$50,000.

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Trapped on the roof and blinded by smoke, when flames suddenly severed the front wall, a company of firemen were hurled into a fiery pit. Their comrades in the street were showered with huge javelins of blazing beams and debris, but, defying the danger they rushed into the ruins and brought out the living and the dead. The building was of four stories. In the first floor was a restaurant, on the second a billiard parlor, while the bowling alley and dance hall occupied the remainder.

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The mayor characterized the action of the school board as "passing the buck." He said that the proper place for the teachers to present their grievances was before that body. The schools were dismissed at 11:30 o'clock this morning to allow the teachers to be present at City Hall at noon.

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A mass meeting of the school teachers will be held this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock to discuss the situation. The Teachers' President, Mr. Reicker said that the salaries had never been over-generous. No increase was made until 1913. Since that time further application had been made, but the board had pleaded lack of funds. Last year the board granted part of the increase and promised the balance this year.

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The teachers understood that the premier had promised to support legislation for an increased estimate, but were surprised to learn that the common council had declined to pass the full amount of the school estimate. W. J. S. Myles.

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Mr. Myles said the school board had asked for an increase of an additional \$50,000 last year, \$40,000 of which was for teachers' salaries. The council cut this amount down to \$40,000, the teachers received \$30,000. The finance board promised the teachers then he said, that if they did not make any trouble, the balance of the increase would be granted this year. The teachers have been looking forward to getting this balance.

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The school board this year asked for some \$100,000 more than the law allows for general expenses, but the council did not pass the amount. This was no doubt done, he said, in the interests of the taxpayer, but savings have always been effected at the expense of the teachers. The teachers here, Mr. Myles said, were asking as a maximum a salary which was a minimum in many cities in Canada.

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He asked the city council to act the same way as last year and pass the amount asked by the school board pending the necessary legislation. Joseph Harrington.

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Mr. Harrington said he was under the impression there was a "nigger in the woodpile" somewhere. The teachers had never received justice in their salaries. Mr. Nelson said that last year the board had asked the teachers not to press their claims for the full amount of their best to get the balance of the increase this year. He said one of the city commissioners expressed surprise that the full amount of the increase last year was not granted.

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He said that no teacher had any desire to close the schools for even the half hour which was necessary today in order to be present at city hall.

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Miss McCloskey said that in the schedule submitted last year the school board was asked to recognize time of service. The board had done all in their power and she believed the city council knew the board could not carry out its promise.

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Miss Besse Wilson. Miss Wilson said that in the city of Winnipeg grade teachers started in at \$1,200 and high school teachers received as high as \$2,000, while in St. John the average salary for high school teachers was \$1,400. In Moncton the best paid teachers received \$300 a year more than the best paid teachers in St. John. She said the province of Saskatchewan was advertising for 1,000 teachers at a minimum salary of \$1,200 and a free house guaranteed.

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Miss Wilson referred to the growing scarcity of teachers in New Brunswick and the fact that the provincial government was considering the proposal to offer a bonus to young people attending normal school. She said that the local newspapers had, without exception, supported increased salaries for teachers. What the teachers asked was five increases of \$2 a week, bringing their salaries up to \$1,200.

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The mayor said he regretted that the teachers had to come to the council in the matter of salaries. This matter should be brought to the attention of the board of school trustees. The school act stated how much the board was allowed to ask. He said that the excess asked for this year should not be taken from the teachers, but they could reduce other expenditures to come within the legal estimate. He said that what he proposed to the board was for them next year to seek legislation for whatever amount was required and then present their estimates to the council. He characterized the action of the school board as "passing the buck" to the common council. He said if the school board wished to do these things its members should be elected by and responsible to the people.

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