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## GENESIS OF TRAIN ROBBERY

Told by W. A. PINKERTON

William A. Pinkerton, at the annual convention of the chiefs of police, held in Jamestown last week, delivered an address on "Train Robberies, Train Robbers and Hold-up Men."

Mr. Pinkerton may be justly regarded as the final authority on the subject, as it was the Pinkertons who made the industry not only unprofitable, but distinctly unfashionable.

The state of Missouri, Mr. Pinkerton said, produced more train robbers than any other section, and it was a notable fact that many of the criminals were brothers or members of one family.

The hold-up robber originated among the bad men in the gold mining camps, unscrupulous as a prospector, too lazy to work, and with enough bravado and criminal instinct to commit these crimes.

Mr. Pinkerton did not confine his address wholly to the record train robberies, but related many interesting incidents in his career as a thief-taker. He also told of some of the nuggets made by his father, the late Allan Pinkerton.

But it is the train robber that has done more than cause criminal poison the mind of youth and to inspire a sinister spirit of criminal emulation, and rather did, pay about the smallest dividend of any investment to which man ever turned his attention or best his energy.

As desperate and as murderous a crew as ever assembled was that of the "Arkansas" band, a former cowboy who operated in Texas mainly, although their first big job was when they struck by a Union Pacific train near Big Spring, Neb., getting away with \$60,000.

## LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS

PRESIDENT OF HAGUE CONFERENCE VERBALLY COMMUNICATES TO DELEGATES.

THE HAGUE, July 17.—M. Neidoff, president of the conference, today verbally communicated to the leading delegates the proposition for the limitation of armaments, presented to him by Sir Edward Fry, head of the British delegation, who, as yet, has not discussed it with the other delegates.

The effect of the proposition cannot be obtained for publication, but it sets forth substantially that the burden of armaments having greatly increased, the conference considers that the question of their limitation has now assumed an urgent character.

## INQUEST OPENS ON LONDON VICTIMS

CAUSE OF DISASTER STILL A MYSTERY—MAYOR WILL HOLD INVESTIGATION

LONDON, Ont., July 17.—The cause of the disastrous collapse, which occurred yesterday, resulting in the loss of seven lives is still to some extent a mystery, which no doubt will be explained at the investigation which will be held.

Major Judd has decided to hold Frank Reid, of the firm of W. J. Reid, who, it is believed, was in charge of the alterations, prima facie any responsibility, stating that another man took their lease on Monday. The loss to their property is estimated at over \$100,000.

At noon today Coroner McLaren opened an inquest on the bodies of the two victims, Hamilton and Reid, who were found in the hospital in the afternoon.

The attorney-general, Hon. J. H. Lamont, M. L. A., has instructed that charges be brought against L. W. Williamson, J. P., of Heward, claiming the return of a fine received by him and not returned to the department, and for an account of fines collected and not paid over and for the penalty of \$100 provided by the magistrate's act.

When arrested finally he proved to be an apparently inoffensive person except for this one weakness, a person who had no other bad habits and who was quick to plead guilty and take his medicine.

During his "career" he never injured a human being. It is almost certain that if he had met with even slight resistance on his first attempt to break down the door he would have made for the tall timber and given up the business for good.

## ABYSSINIA WANTS WAR WITH ITALY

KING MENELIK IS ORGANIZING ARMY PRESUMABLY TO FIGHT WITH ITALY

TURIN, Italy, July 17.—Dispatches from the Italian colony of Erythria in Africa, state that it is feared that King Menelik of Abyssinia, is preparing to make war on Italy. He is organizing an army of 20,000 men for the purpose of restoring order in that part of Abyssinia close to the Italian border, but as his installation of the St. Lawrence in Italy for the care of Italian prisoners during the last war had been paid, Menelik has now nothing to expect from Italy, and his pacific expedition is regarded as a mere pretext.

## SIR WILFRID IS NEARING HOME

MONTREAL, July 17.—The Canadian Pacific railway steamer "Empress of Britain" with Sir Wilfrid Laurier on board, has been expected to arrive at Quebec tomorrow evening, provided the fog now so prevalent in the St. Lawrence does not close about the liner and compel her to slow down.

## NEW MAYOR FOR SAN FRANCISCO

WILL PROSECUTE GRAFT BRIBERY AND END "REIGN OF BIG STICK"

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 17.—Dr. Edward R. Taylor, physician and lawyer, declared today that he is the favorite of the university of California, was elected mayor of San Francisco yesterday, and will supervise the city and by open avowal of bribery graft prosecution, the so-called "Reign of Big Stick" came to an end.

Other Fellow Shoots First  
LA PORTE, IND., July 17.—(Special)—Ezekiel P. West, of Hanna, this county, found his wife and Archibald P. Moore, together at her father's home. He drew a revolver but before he could use it West shot him three times. Doctors say he will recover.

## PORTUGAL ON VERGE OF POLITICAL UPHEAVAL

KING'S REFUSAL TO ORDER ELECTION OF NEW PARLIAMENT CONDEMNED.

MADRID, July 18.—A communication from Lisbon, published in the Liberal, describes the situation in Portugal as extremely serious.

The press all over the country condemns the king for refusing to order the election of a new parliament, and the political parties are practically unanimous in denouncing the prevailing regime of absolutism.

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## NEWFOUNDLAND FISHING QUESTION

SUGGESTION THAT REFERENCE OF WHOLE SUBJECT BE SUBMITTED TO TRIBUNAL

WASHINGTON, July 17.—The approach of August 1, marking the beginning of the new fishing season, has brought to the attention of the American government, a matter of great concern to the state department, for it finds the fisheries controversy between America and Great Britain in a most confused and unsatisfactory shape.

Indications today are that it will be difficult to reach any kind of a permanent settlement of the trouble and the whole effort of the negotiators is apparently concentrated for the moment on the drafting of some form of modus vivendi to guard against the development of a serious situation.

## IMMIGRATION RETURNS FOR MAY

FALLING OFF FROM STATES—INCREASE THROUGH OCEAN PORTS

OTTAWA, July 18.—The completed returns of immigration into Canada for the month of May show that the total for the month was 45,277, as compared with 37,191 for May of last year, an increase of 8,436 or 23 per cent. Immigration through ocean ports total 38,755, an increase of 18,113 or nearly 100 per cent.

The prices at which the railway companies and lands speculators are now holding western lands, and the comparative cheapness of Texas lands are already largely to blame for the temporary ebbing of the tide of "the American invasion."

## UNWRITTEN LAW AGAIN A WINNER

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Both jury and people acquit Mrs. Mary E. Bowie and her son, Henry, of all blame for their acknowledged slaying, last January, of Hubert Posey, the betrayer of their daughter and sister, Priscilla Bowie, who, with her fatherless child, has made a most pathetic picture in the courtroom during the progress of the trial.

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