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CALGARY TO HAVE A UNION STATION

Report That G.T.P. and C.N.R. Are Negotiating for the Purchase of Land—A Big Fire.

Calgary, Jan. 4.—There appears to be good foundation for the report that the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern are negotiating with the government for the purchase of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police Barracks property in this city as the eastern end of Eighth avenue. The railways intend to use this property for a Union station. The negotiations follow the energetic attitude of the Alberta government to ward branch railway development under which the railways concerned in the terminal want an entrance to this city as soon as they can push in the steel.

There seems good ground for the statement that the Canadian Northern will build in two branches from Saskatoon and from Vegreville, while the Grand Trunk Pacific will build here from Hardisty. This would give railway facilities to a large area of fine agricultural lands, whose development is now crippled by a lack of transportation facilities.

The highest fire since the cement works burned broke out Saturday night, shortly after eleven o'clock and destroyed the Western Milling Company's elevator and warehouse with its contents of flour, wheat and chaff. The loss is \$50,000, fully covered by insurance. The blaze broke out near the roof and fanned by a high gale defied the efforts of the brigade to save the building. The firemen, realizing that the elevator was doomed, centered their efforts on saving the \$150,000 mill, about ten feet distant, and succeeded.

The conflagration was one of the most spectacular ever seen in Calgary and gave the fire brigade an all night's work. The men from one station were on duty all day Sunday, flooding the smoldering debris to prevent the big mill catching. Various estimates are given of the quantity of grain in the elevator, but there was probably less than ten thousand bushels. The water pressure was good and the brigade earned unqualified commendation for their work in saving the mill. The elevator will be rebuilt.

VANCOUVER ELEVATOR BURNED.

\$200,000 Fire Destroys Grain Warehouse of Vancouver Milling Co.

Vancouver, Jan. 3.—In a raging race this evening the fire department waged a winning fight against a fire which did \$200,000 worth of damage. Various estimates are given of the quantity of grain in the elevator, but there was probably less than ten thousand bushels. The water pressure was good and the brigade earned unqualified commendation for their work in saving the mill. The elevator will be rebuilt.

PLUNGED TO BOTTOM OF A BLAST FURNACE

One Man Killed and Six Fatally Injured in Accident in Cleveland—Scaffolding on Which 17 Men Were Working Gave Way.

Cleveland, Jan. 4.—One man was killed, six fatally injured and several others badly hurt tonight when seventeen men working on a scaffold inside the Central blast furnace were plunged to the bottom of the furnace by the breaking of the scaffold. The furnace was empty and the men were repairing the furnace. Various estimates are given of the quantity of grain in the elevator, but there was probably less than ten thousand bushels. The water pressure was good and the brigade earned unqualified commendation for their work in saving the mill. The elevator will be rebuilt.

POPE SEES VISION OF VIRGIN.

His Holiness While Praying is Visited by Virgin Mary.

Rome, Jan. 3.—There is much suppressed excitement in church circles here over reports that the pope has seen various apparitions recently. The Italia declares that while praying on Christmas night in his private oratory, Pius was visited by the Virgin Mary, who spoke to him. Those in the ante-room heard her voice. The story was contradicted the following day by the Correspondenza Romana, but the denial does not satisfy and does not silence the public, who talk of other visions. The pope is said to have seen.

Secretary Confirms Report.

London, Jan. 3.—A news agency correspondent says that Monsignor Boghosian, a papal secretary, when asked at the Vatican about the story that the pope had a vision of the Virgin Mary, replied: "Not only is the story correct, but I can assure you that we are gathering proof that Pius has seen the Virgin Mary."

New Hotel for Lethbridge.

Lethbridge, Jan. 3.—Plans are being prepared for a new three-story hotel to be erected opposite the depot. Some business blocks will also be erected in the spring. The Imperial bank has an option on property near the courthouse hotel.

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INTERLOOMING FOR C. N. R.

Report That Mackenzie and Mann May Secure Montreal to Montreal End.

Halifax, Jan. 3.—There is a strong probability that the Intercolonial will reach the hands of a private company and that B. F. Pearson knows a great deal more about it than a denial he publishes. He admits that Mackenzie and Mann want the property. It is said that a plan under consideration by the government is to make over the portion from Montreal to Moncton to the Canadian Northern. This would bring that road to Moncton and place them on an equality with the C. N. R., which will reach there on its own rails. The second phase of the deal is that the portion from Moncton to Nova Scotia and from St. John to Moncton would be retained by the government, but giving the Canadian Northern, the G. T. P. and C. P. R. simple running and haulage rights to Halifax. This is said to be the basis of the government's plan, which Hon. Mr. Graham announces will be made to parliament.

VICTIM OF NIGHT RIDERS.

Georgia Planter Who Had Throat Cut Refuses to Name Assailants.

Thomasville, Ga., Jan. 4.—D. F. Ackridge, a planter, who lives near here, was seized last night by night riders, bound to a tree, brutally maltreated and his throat cut from ear to ear. Ackridge was found apparently dead this morning by Sheriff Singletary. At the hospital the doctors advised that he would not survive. He refused to name his assailants but will not tell their names, as to do so would invite death.

RIOT OUTSIDE CALCUTTA.

Troops Compelled to Fire on Hindu Rioters, Killing Several.

Calcutta, Jan. 4.—The prohibition by the police of Mohammedan sacrifices of cows on Sunday led to a serious riot at Tittagarh, just outside Calcutta. Troops were summoned from the barracks to quell the trouble and were compelled to fire upon the rioters, several of whom were killed and sixty seriously injured. Two hundred arrests were made.

International Chess Figures.

New York, Jan. 4.—The dates for both the international chess matches with Great Britain have been agreed upon and the interesting struggle anticipated by chess lovers is expected to start in London in a week or two. The first of the fixtures is set for March 20, when the chess match will play against Oxford and Cambridge.

Liquor Men Have Entertainment.

London, N.Y., Jan. 4.—The great evening entertainment under the Law and Order League and Association of Liquor Men, formed for the purpose of keeping the lid down and enforcing the law, was held in the Star-theatre tonight.

PREMIERS AND THE ELEVATORS

Elevator Question Has Not Been Dropped But Will Be Again Dealt With.

There is absolutely no truth in the statement that the governments of the three provinces have abandoned the idea of dealing jointly with the question of the control of internal elevators. Premier Rutherford, Premier Rathbun and Attorney General Cross returned to the city from Vancouver on Saturday, when they were in conference with Mr. Mackenzie, president of the Canadian Northern Railway company concerning the extension of branch lines in Alberta, under the policy of railway development recently announced by the provincial government. On this subject the premier had nothing to say at present. The modus operandi of the government railway policy will not be made public until the legislative session. On the question of elevators, several of the premier's legislative assistants made a statement, which will have a reassuring effect on the farming interests of the province, and a refutation of the published report, issued last week, that the premier had announced the extension of branch lines in Alberta, under the policy of railway development recently announced by the provincial government.

MARTIAL LAW IN DEVASTATED CITY

Human Ghouls in Messina Are With Great Difficulty Controlled by Troops—Work of Relief.

Rome, Jan. 4.—It has been necessary to proclaim martial law in the earthquake district of Messina, where the only means of dealing effectively with the pillagers and marauders in Messina, one of the worst disasters which have befallen the island, is to place the city in a state of martial law. The population of the city is estimated at 100,000. The earthquake on the 28th of December last week, and the suffering it caused, is a tragedy which has not yet been forgotten. The earthquake on the 28th of December last week, and the suffering it caused, is a tragedy which has not yet been forgotten.

THE AGENT MISUNDERSTOOD.

Fernie Man Assailed of Charge of False Pretences.

Fernie, Jan. 3.—Judgment in the case of Rex vs. Deane was handed down by Judge Wilson last night, the verdict being for the prosecution. Deane was on trial on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences, in misrepresenting the financial standing of the Globe and Mail company. He was found guilty and sentenced to six months in prison.

NEW YORK BAD MAN.

Police Have Captured the Famous "Scar-Faced Man."

New York, Jan. 3.—With the arrest tonight of William Delaney, a former politician, the police believe they have not only captured the man who last night broke into and looted the police station in the criminal courts, but have under lock and key a "scar-faced man," they have been seeking for nearly a month on the charge of impersonating an officer and carrying unauthorized arrests. Headquarters detectives assert that Delaney has been in the hands of the police for some time, and that he is now being held in the city.

DAUPHIN SCHOOL BURNED.

Building Emptied of its Occupants Without Semblance of Panic.

Dauphin, Jan. 4.—No. 1 school, which contained four rooms of public school and five of Collegiate institute students, was burned down this morning. The fire started in the morning. The fire started in the morning. The fire started in the morning.

Overcome by Smoke.

Vancouver, Jan. 4.—Five firemen were overcome by smoke but were not seriously injured in a fire which last night did \$80,000 worth of damage to B. A. Smith & Company's furniture store, Granville street. The damage was chiefly to the stock. The fire started in the basement. The cause is unknown. Thousands of the people viewed the blaze and the street car traffic in the downtown section was stopped for hours.

Chinese Grand Councilor Escapes.

Pekin, Jan. 4.—Yuan-Shih-Kai, the deposed grand councilor, has succeeded in making his escape out of Peking in a motor car. He is now in the hands of the British government. He is now in the hands of the British government.

Crusade Against Sunday Shows.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 3.—Further enforcing the crusade against Sunday amusements, Mayor McCall has ordered the police today to close all the motion picture shows. All other playhouses were closed in a previous order.

Rectory of All Saints, Toronto.

Toronto, Jan. 3.—Rev. Walter J. Southwell was appointed rector of All Saints Anglican church today.

IS FIFTH AMONG CANADIAN CITIES

Edmonton Shows Wonderful Progress in Building—Permits for 1908 Totalled \$2,549,847.

The year 1908 came in with financial depression prevailing throughout America and Europe. In all the cities of Canada and the United States many of the big projects in contemplation were abandoned or left over to fill some future time when money could be more easily obtained. Western Canada suffered as a result of the security of available capital, and the cities of the West met with a decided check in their rapid growth. In Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, and other metropolitan centres, the building operations were greatly curtailed, owing to the scarcity of money to finance large undertakings. In this general curtailment of building, Edmonton stands out as a great exception, despite the large amount of contented work that was postponed. Edmonton's position in building operations and has established a record over a quarter of a million in excess of the previous year. The city's growth is thought would not be equalled for a long time to come.

THE FIFTH CITY.

Once more Edmonton, at the close of 1908, gives evidence of her marvellous growth and progress by the total of her building permits for the year. The total permits issued for the twelve months recite the sum of \$2,549,847, or more than a quarter of a million over the total of last year. This magnificent record places her in the fifth position among Canadian cities, Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg and Vancouver being only greater in building activity. And when it is considered that Edmonton, with a population of from 20,000 to 25,000, pushes close for the first place with the four largest cities in the Dominion, having a population from four to twelve times as great, the standing of the city of Alberta is one of pride to the citizens and the astonishment to the remainder of the Dominion.

600 PILLAGERS ARRESTED.

Stories of incendiarism are also current, in which human ghouls are stated to have set fire to churches and other public buildings. Six hundred pillagers have been arrested since yesterday. At Regina, in a battle between the police and bandits, two of the police were killed. The Minister of Justice, Mr. Bennett, has announced that the services continue against the pillagers, who Saturday night set fire to the Regina city hall. The police forces, resulting in the death of one Bersagliere and one customs guard, and the capture of several bandits, who were found valuable to the amount of \$27,000.

To Increase Italy's Taxes.

Rome, Jan. 4.—The Italian government has decided to increase, by one-tenth, the more important taxes for some years to come until such a time as the earthquake and the earthquake are rebuilt. Opposition is already shown to the proposal to bury Messina for the purpose of increasing the city's population by the state and by the charity of the world, would rebuild Messina.

Experiencing Terrible Hardship.

Calcutta, Jan. 4.—The situation in Calcutta today resembles the camping place of a great army. Earthquake victims, who have lost their homes, are busily adding to the number of the homeless. The earthquake on the 28th of December last week, and the suffering it caused, is a tragedy which has not yet been forgotten.

THE TOTALS BY MONTHS SHOW.

The total of permits during the past four years is as follows: Total cost: 1906, \$1,000,000; 1907, \$1,500,000; 1908, \$2,549,847.

Toronto Shows Decrease.

Toronto, Jan. 1.—The effect of the commercial depression has been shown in the serious falling off in the statistics for the year 1908. Toronto again this year leads the Dominion in building activity, the value of the building permits reaching a total of \$12,502,957. In 1907 the figures for the year totalled \$13,200,000. That conditions are gradually getting better is shown in the record for December, when the total is over one hundred thousand dollars greater than in December, 1907.

Montreal Falls Off.

Montreal, Jan. 1.—It would appear from a report that is now compiled in the office of the building inspector that the building operations this year are only about one-half in value those of the year 1907. The building operations for the year 1908 totalled \$8,000,000, while for the eleven months of the present year the total is but \$4,541,326. The figures for the year to date, month by month, are as follows: New bids, after 1907: January, \$5,650,000; February, \$7,250,000; March, \$17,200,000; April, \$27,000,000.

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THE FALL OF MESSINA.

London, Jan. 2.—A description of the fall of Messina as witnessed from the sea is furnished to a Cardiff newspaper by the captain of the Cardiff steamer Afonwen, which was in Messina harbor. "About five o'clock in the morning," he writes, "I was awakened by a low growling, which, I at first thought made me get up and look at the sleeping town. Then, all of a sudden, the Afonwen gave a terrible lurch and broke her anchor chains and started going fast shorewards, from whence came loud crashing. This was made more terrible by the fact that all lights had gone out everywhere.

DIPLOMATS UNABLE TO AGREE ON ACTION

Dismissal of Chinese Regent from Whom Powers Cannot Expect Fair Treatment Has Endangered Peace—Minister Cannot Decide What to Do.

Pekin, Jan. 4.—The British and American ministers at a conference at the British legation reached an agreement that the dismissal of Yuan-Shih-Kai, the Chinese regent, should not be passed until the British, German and Japanese ministers met later at the American legation. Sir John N. Jordan, the British minister, joining with the American minister, in submitting an outline of representations which should be made to the foreign office. The ministers disagree on the question as to whether the welfare of foreign interests is technically involved by the regent's recent action, but they agree that peace is endangered.

Another Tidal Wave.

Naples, Jan. 2.—Another tidal wave has swept through the Straits of Messina, it is reported here. The steamers loaded with refugees and other persons that are expected here today have not yet been sighted and crews are entertained for their safety. The vessels may have sought shelter at some one of the islands along the coast, but efforts to locate them have failed and in some quarters it is believed they have been wrecked.

Honor Foreign Soldiers.

The British and Russian soldiers who worked so devotedly at Messina are the heroes of the day. Hats and caps are raised in their honor. Another town, Castrolibero, has been added to the lists of devastated localities. Not a house escaped. The streets are filled with despairing survivors seeking friends and relatives and crying aloud for food and water. The town had a population of about 4,000.

To Prevent Epidemic.

New York, Jan. 1.—The Herald correspondent writes from Messina: "I am informed that in three days, when all hope of saving the wounded will have disappeared, warships will bombard Messina to bury the bodies under the ruins and prevent the development of an epidemic. This decision, I am told, was reached today aboard the battleship Regina Helena by General Mazoni. By this terrible act all the scenes of beauty and human activity which have been the name of Messina will have forever ceased to exist.

Chinese Robbed Japanese Survivors.

Vancouver, Jan. 3.—The steamer Mount Eagle brought news that some survivors of the wrecked Japanese steamer Ginsei Maru and Negatoo Maru reached shore near Chefoo, but that the building operations this year are only about one-half in value those of the year 1907.

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