

STRIKERS AND C.P.R. PARLEYING

COMPANY GRANTS MORE SATISFACTORY TERMS

Non-union Mechanics Are Let Out—Jap Laborers for Vancouver.

Winnipeg, Oct. 7.—Deputations from the various mechanic unions on strike interviewed the officials of the C. P. R. last night, when an attempt was made to arrange more satisfactory terms on which the men would go back to work later.

Each union held a meeting in separate rooms in the trades hall, when it was announced that Superintendent Bury had promised that every man on strike would be taken back to work at once. It was also arranged with the officials that all the gang bosses should resume their duties at the shops this morning.

Last night fifty Japanese laborers who have been cleaning cars in the yards in the place of strikers were sent west to Vancouver and at noon 200 non-union men left work at the shops. Non-union carmen interviewed last night said they intended to hold their jobs intimated that the company intended to keep them at work indefinitely.

In Vancouver Shops. Vancouver, Oct. 7.—A number of union machinists are being taken back to-day at the C. P. R. shops. Others will be taken on as rapidly as the incompetent strike breakers are weeded out, but there is a fairly large staff of workmen here at the present time.

FIFTEEN CERTAIN SEATS IN NOVA SCOTIA

Maritime Province May Go Solid for Laurier Government.

Montreal, Que., Oct. 7.—J. Beak, a former Liberal organizer in Nova Scotia, is here and brings cheering news from that province. Fifteen seats are sure for the Laurier government, and there is a fighting chance in the three others. Nova Scotia will give a slashing rebuke to the campaign of scandal.

KILLED BY SISTER-IN-LAW. U. S. Captain Victim in Philadelphia Crime Originating in Domestic Quarrel.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 7.—The killing of his country home near here last night of Capt. J. Clayton Erb, captain in the Pennsylvania National Guard and confidential man of Israel W. Durham, former leader of the local republican organization, has caused a sensation in this city. Capt. Erb was shot dead by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Katherine Beisel, during a quarrel over every-day domestic affairs. He was extremely well known in all walks of life in the city and had many friends throughout the state.

RUEF JURY OUTCOME. Trial for Alleged Attempt to Bribe Ruef Is Commenced.

San Francisco, Oct. 7.—A jury having been secured last week, the actual trial of E. A. S. Blake, a contractor, indicted on charge of having attempted to bribe J. M. Kelley, a prospective juror in the Ruef bribery case, to vote for acquittal if he were accepted to try Ruef, began yesterday in Judge Graham's court. In his opening statement, District Attorney Langdon asserted that Blake told Kelley, as a means of inducing him to accept a bribe, that jurors had been purchased through the murder of Nathan Ruef. Witnesses called were officials of Judge Lawlor's court, who were sworn to prove that Ruef was on trial and that the witnesses were being called when the alleged attempt to bribe Kelley was made.

LIQUOR VS. PROHIBITION. New Haven, Conn., Oct. 7.—The prohibition forces had a drawn battle with the liquor men in the town elections, the complexion of the 188 towns remaining unchanged since the vote from no license to license. Nine others went from license to no license. This makes 87 towns no license to 71 license.

PAWNBROKER MURDER TRIAL AT PORTLAND

Circumstantial Evidence Will Be Adduced Against Ex-Army Officer. Portland, Ore., Oct. 7.—Edward Hugh Martin, formerly a lieutenant in the United States artillery corps, and the son of a wealthy New York real estate broker, will be placed on trial to-day charged with the murder of Nathan Wolf, a pawnbroker. The case probably will extend over a week or ten days. The state's testimony is chiefly circumstantial.

The murder of Wolf occurred about dusk on May 1st. The murderer robbed the pawn shop.

LIBERAL ENTHUSIASM IN ONTARIO

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 7.—Hon. W. S. Fielding, who is nearing the end of his Ontario tour, was joined here by Charles Murphy, K. C., the new secretary of state. At a meeting, which exceeded anything in Kingston's history for sheer enthusiasm, Mr. Murphy made a splendid impression and was well received.

G. N. R. TO RUSH NEW LINE INTO WINNIPEG

Proposed Route From Emerson to Prairie Capital is Being Staked Out.

Emerson, Man., Oct. 7.—Twelve surveyors are here, with equipment, to locate the new line of the Great Northern from Emerson to Winnipeg. They started in at Noyes, which is the union depot for the Great Northern and the Soo line, to stake out the proposed route. From Noyes the stakes lead along the street west of the C. P. R. track, through Mayor Wright's field, and will probably parallel the C. P. R. onto the city. The work of laying out the new line is being rushed to completion, and it is expected that construction will be started at the earliest possible date.

LEAGUE SETTLE BUSINESS.

Vancouver, Oct. 6.—The directors of the Northwestern Baseball League met in Seattle yesterday and formally awarded the pennant to the Beavers, who are now officially named the champion team of the circuit. When the accounting of the different clubs came up it was discovered that the Spokane and Vancouver all had lost money on the season. Tacoma and Butte lost money, while Dugdale, at Seattle did likewise, but should have made good on the season. Aberdeen went badly in the hole and it is thought will not be represented in the league next year.

JOCKEY CLUB STAKES. Siberia, a 4-1 Shot, Wins one of England's Richest Turf Prizes.

London, Oct. 6.—For the Jockey Club stakes last week Siberia was first, at 4 to 1; Premier second, at 7 to 4; Royal Balm, third, at 20 to 1. Ten horses ran.

Sculler George Towns is returning to Australia via Canada.

ILLNESS OF REV. CANON TUCKER. Toronto, Oct. 7.—Rev. Canon Tucker is confined to his home through illness, but expects to leave for the west at the end of the week.

New York, Oct. 7.—Arrived: Steamer China from Liverpool and Queens-town.

FREIGHT CRASHES INTO YARD ENGINE; THREE DEAD

Disastrous Head-on Collision in Ontario—Engineer and Fireman Injured. Brantford, Ont., Oct. 7.—A collision took place yesterday between a freight train and a yard engine between Mount Vernon and Brantford. Three men were killed and two injured. The names of the dead and injured are: Dead—Charles Buppel, yardman, Brantford; Cecil Birchall, fireman, London, crushed and scalded to death; Engineer Frank, London, cut in two. Injured—George Yap, engineer, Brantford; Ernest Lewis, fireman, Brantford.

It was a head-on collision between a special freight for Springfield and a yard engine. Both train and engine were travelling at a fair rate of speed, and the train had practically no chance of jumping.

OVERDUE VESSELS.

Ship Totokih, 219 days from Port Talbot, 90 per cent. Barque Alive, 137 days from New Caledonia for Rotterdam, 15 per cent. Ship Verbera, 183 days from Portland for Queenstown, 3 per cent. Barque Yraccan, 141 days from Port Talbot for Iquique, 15 per cent. Barque Holt Hill, 130 days from Cardiff for Iquique, 10 per cent. Barque Cecil Castle, 133 days from London for Melbourne, 10 per cent. Ship Leicester Castle, 148 days from Cardiff for Pisagua, 10 per cent. Barque Waterloo, 159 days from Shields for Callao, 10 per cent. Barque Victoria, 150 days from Barry for Callao, 10 per cent. Ship Jupiter, 173 days from Liverpool for Puget Sound, 10 per cent. Ship Acama, 185 days from Rotterdam for San Francisco, 10 per cent. Barque Grande Duchesse Olga, 99 days from Newcastle, N. S. W., for San Francisco, 10 per cent.

GETTING INTO SHAPE.

Ladysmith, Oct. 6.—The local football boys are starting this week to get into shape for their match with Victoria two weeks hence. The club has not gone as well this summer as its supporters could have wished, but it is hoped now that there will be an end of all difficulties. Three new players are expected from Winnipeg, and if they play up to their reputation, the Ladysmith eleven should be as strong as any on the coast. The management also has its eye on other players, and an earnest attempt is being made to wrest back the honors lost last season.

CHANGING THE MAP OF EUROPE

FURTHER PARTITION OF BALKAN PENINSULA

Dual Monarchy Annexes Bosnia and Herzegovina—Treaty of Berlin Broken.

London, Oct. 7.—There is no confirmation of the assassinations of the King of Serbia and the Crown Prince of Greece, rumors of which were current in New York this morning.

London, Oct. 7.—The second and culminating step in the Austro-Bulgarian programme for aggrandisement to themselves at the expense of the status established by the treaty of Berlin, was consummated last night when Emperor Francis formally proclaimed the practical annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the dual monarchy. The present situation is as follows: Turkey calls upon the powers to preserve to her what they guaranteed by that treaty. Austria and Bulgaria strongly declare their determination to keep what they have taken. Serbia is protesting bitterly against being hemmed in more strongly between two unpopular neighbors, and against having Servians in Bosnia absorbed into the Austro-Hungarian nationality. The other powers concerned in the treaty are discussing the holding of an international conference, a mere preliminary, to consider matters of which the present is one of the most delicate problems. Turkey's most unexpected restrained policy minimizes the possibilities of war, which is now considered out of the question.

The English papers unite in praising Turkey's moderation and in denouncing Austria. The Standard, in a typical utterance, says to-day: "We are sorry for the aged Emperor. We regret that so late in his long and honorable career he has chosen to sully his name with a deed which will go down to history alongside of the partition of Poland." Several of the London newspapers question whether or not Emperor Francis Joseph is acting against his will. A conference of the powers is expected to be held within a few months, if it can be arranged, but no one imagines that it will undo this week's work. Austria declines even to discuss annexation and the most that is expected is some arrangement that will save Turkey's pride.

Turkey to Protest. Constantinople, Oct. 7.—The council of ministers has decided to protest against the annexation of the provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austria-Hungary. The protest will be made through the Austro-Bulgarian ambassador. In an interview here to-day, Tewfik Pasha, president of the council of state and minister of foreign affairs, declared that the government had protested against the declaration of independence and had posted a notice to the signatories of the treaty. The minister said that Great Britain, France and Russia disapproved of the conduct of Bulgaria. In a reply to a question he said that Turkey desired peace in the interests of internal reform and counselled calm and moderation.

SERBIA MAY WAR ON AUSTRIA.

Paris, Oct. 7.—Official advices received in Paris indicate a great degree of popular excitement in Serbia. Further mobilization orders have been issued and the number of reserves called to the colors is said to be 150,000. It is feared that the Serbian government, in order to save itself will be driven to embark on a desperate adventure against Austria-Hungary.

It has not yet been decided whether power will take the formal initiative in inviting the powers to a conference to consider the revision of the Berlin peace treaty, whether the invitation will be sent out jointly by France, Great Britain and Russia, or by Iwowski, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, will leave here on Friday for London to take up the matter.

The diplomatic situation is briefly as follows: Turkey has virtually agreed to refrain from final measures against Bulgaria and Austria-Hungary, pending the peace conference. In the meantime the cabinet of Paris, London and St. Petersburg are engaged in efforts to formulate a programme for submission to the powers. Certain difficulties, especially on the side of Russia, which desires latitude for compensatory advantages, principally the question of the passage of the Dardanelles are intimated, but it is thought they can be adjusted.

Malcontents in Bosnia. Sarajevo, Bosnia, Oct. 7.—The Imperial proclamation setting forth the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina to Austria-Hungary, was posted this morning throughout the occupied provinces. The announcement has been given a mixed reception but up to the present time the Servian malcontents are quiet. The troops are confined to their barracks in readiness to quell any possible disturbance.

10 YEARS FOR ROBBERY.

Montreal, Oct. 7.—Ten years on each of twelve counts, but to run concurrently, was the sentence meted out to Abraham Feldman, in the court of special sessions yesterday by Judge Elche. Samuel Rosenzweig, who was the accomplice of Feldman in a series of robberies, which for a time during the spring and summer months set the detective department at defiance, was also given ten years.

LIMIT TO SKYSCRAPERS.

New York, Oct. 7.—If the building code revision committee has its way according to a resolution adopted yesterday, buildings in this city will be restricted to 300 feet in height, unless they face a park, square or place, when they may be built 350 feet high. An ordinance will be drawn containing these provisions.

MILNER'S PORTRAIT NOT TO BE VEILED

London, Oct. 7.—According to a Durban dispatch the government gave instructions that Lord Milner's portrait in the room of the national convention for closer union sits on the 12th inst, should be veiled by a curtain, supposedly not to offend some of the Dutch delegates. Indignant protests were made by leading citizens and the curtain has been removed.

DIRECT CHARGES OF COWARDICE AND NEGLECT

Tugboat Captains Must Answer for Deserting Ill-fated Star of Bengal.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 7.—Federal indictment returned by the United States of Bengal with 11 lives on Coronation Island on September 20th, has resulted in the filing of direct charges of responsibility against Capt. Patrick Hamilton, of the Katak and Capt. Farrar of the Battle Gage. Capt. Nicholas Wagner, master of the Star of Bengal; Victor Hohannes, first mate, and two of the seamen, who testified at the investigation made to ascertain Capt. Wagner's responsibility for the loss of the barque, yesterday made a statement under oath to the United States officials, in which they charged Capt. Hamilton and Farrar with cowardice and neglect in deserting the barque when in a critical position.

DEATH BLOW TO HORSE RACING IN JAPAN

Tokio, Oct. 7.—The government has decided to prohibit gambling at race tracks and to enforce the laws governing racing. The action of the government has created excitement and it is believed it will eliminate horse-racing in Japan.

CARLOAD OF BABIES SHIPPED TO THE WEST

Sixty-seven New York's Waifs Are Given to Farmers.

Milwaukee, Oct. 6.—There were sixty-seven of them and sixty-seven different varieties. They were babies, from two years up to five, all corals, shapes, sizes and previous conditions of servitude.

Little waifs they were, the discard of New York, out in search of a home far from the centre of sorrows and woes that they were born into. On the way to St. Paul from New York a special car with these babies passed through Milwaukee. With the children there were several sisters of charity and two trained nurses.

The Home Finding Society of New York is sending them west to deal them out into good homes among the farmers near St. Paul.

When the conductor came out of the car there was a suspicion of moisture in his eyes.

"I won't go through there again," he said. "They're all happy, and all that, but it's so pitiful. They all wanted to shake hands with me and caught hold of my hand and looked up at me and smiled as I passed. I suppose they are taught to do it."

There are all kinds and they are just as sweet as most babies are. It's a shame that they will never know a real mother or father."

The sisters made the babies' beds by placing boards across the seat to rest for the special car was not a sleeping car. Several babies were piled into one "bed." The one car accommodated the sixty-seven, besides the nurses and sisters.

Long pieces of sheeting were stretched across the tops of the seats to cover the "beds" and keep out the cinders and dust.

CANARY SINGS TO CONDEMNED MURDERER

Prisoner Feeds Tiny Feathered Songster Every Day.

Montreal, Oct. 6.—Frank Smith, the murderer of Mike Smith, has been placed in the "death cell." This cell is larger and more comfortable than the ordinary prisoners' cells, but the door is of iron bars which enables the "dead wailer" to see every movement of the prisoner.

In front of the "death cells," four in number, is a hall, where the prisoner is allowed to walk during the day, and while Smith is always in company of a guard, he has also another companion; a little canary bird that warbles most of the time.

When Hanon, the last murderer hanged in Montreal, seven years ago, was nearing his doom, he made a request for a canary bird as the companion of his last hours. Mrs. Vallee, wife of the governor of the jail, granted his prayer, and since then the bird has remained in "murderers' row," where he is fed daily by the prisoners.

Smith, who did not seem to have anything on earth, he ever cared for, has taken a liking to the bird, and gives it some of the delicacies he receives at the jail from his friends, and the bird goes on singing all day long; it sings the song of life to the man who is doomed to die on November 27th.

LIBERALS HAVE BUILT UP WEST

SIR WILFRID DEFENDS IMMIGRATION POLICY

Denounces Conservative Campaign of Slander—Thousands Welcome Premier.

L'Islet, Que., Oct. 7.—Nearly 4,000 electors of this county welcomed Sir Wilfrid Laurier at an open air meeting yesterday. Sir Wilfrid spoke for over an hour, and devoted a large portion of his speech to a defence of the government's immigration policy which had been attacked in the House last session by Eugene Paquet, the Conservative member for L'Islet.

Sir Wilfrid set up the claim that the government introduced over a million new citizens into the West, whose needs gave employment to the industries of the East.

The premier then dealt with the Transcontinental railway, the St. Lawrence channel, and closed by denouncing the Conservatives for spreading scandals against the government.

PROPOSED BY CABLE.

German Naval Officer Weds Daughter of St. Louis Millionaire.

Chicago, Oct. 7.—A proposal sent over the Atlantic cable culminated on Monday night in the marriage of Miss Adelaide Franz, daughter of the late E. D. Franz, a well-known St. Louis millionaire merchant, to Lieut. Robert Zimmerman, Jr., of the German navy, at the Church of Our Saviour, in Chicago. Five years ago the bride went to Kiel, Germany, to study music and there met the lieutenant. Lieut. Zimmerman is a son of Robert Zimmerman, Jr., millionaire director of the Vulcan Shipbuilding Company, of Stettin, Germany. He has been in the navy since boyhood, and is second in command of the battleship Hannover. The bride and bridegroom will sail for Germany on October 13th.

SURVIVORS OF SHIPWRECK.

Vessel Bound For Baltimore With Crew of Wrecked Gasoline Launch.

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 7.—The Norwegian steamer Hypolite Dumois, freight-laden from the West Indies to Baltimore, passed in the Virginia Capes early to-day, signalling to the weather observer at Cape Henry that she had aboard twelve men saved from the shipwrecked gasoline launch Mayflower. The steamer gave no further particulars concerning the rescued men or identity of the lost launch. The Dumois passed the Cape at 4 a. m., and is due at Baltimore in a few hours.

MORMON LEADER AND POLITICS.

Salt Lake City, Oct. 7.—In the closing hours of the general conference of the Mormon church, President Smith put the seal of his approval on Utah's present representation in congress which consists of Senators Smoot and Sutherland and Representative Joseph Howell, all Republicans. Because of the influence President Smith's utterances are supposed to have upon the Mormons, his words caused a sensation in political circles. Senator Smoot and Representative Howell are Mormons and Senator Sutherland is a non-Mormon.

BUYS TORONTO STOCKYARDS.

Company Under Management of Swift of Chicago, is Capitalized at \$500,000.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 7.—Toronto Union stockyards, of West Toronto, have been bought out by Swift, of Chicago, capitalized at \$500,000. The stock is \$25,000 preferred, and \$150,000 common stock. The price paid by Swift is eighty cents for the preferred and sixty for the common stock.

SEEKING TO SAVE OTHERS.

Policeman Loses His Life in Tenement House Blaze at Jersey City.

New York, Oct. 7.—A policeman lost his life early to-day while attempting to rescue the occupants of a burning tenement house at Ocean avenue and Atlantic street, Jersey City. It is believed that all the tenants escaped.

PASSENGERS ON EMPRESS.

Montreal, Oct. 7.—Among the passengers on board the Empress of Ireland, which is due at Quebec to-morrow afternoon, are Brigadier General Buchan, and Lady Reid, of Montreal; Mrs. Whittie, of Winnipeg; Col. Robertson and contingent, of the 8th Highlanders of Toronto, who went to Aldershot to take part in the manoeuvres.

RHODE ISLAND DEMOCRATS.

Providence, R. I., Oct. 7.—Olney Arnold, of Providence, was nominated for governor of Rhode Island by acclamation at the Democratic state convention held in this city yesterday. Adelaar Archambault, of Woonsocket, was nominated for lieutenant-governor.

LONDON BARRACKS CRIME.

London, Ont., Oct. 7.—The grand jury has returned a true bill against Private Moir, charged with shooting Color Sergeant Lloyd at Wolsey barracks here in April. The trial has been postponed till the January sitting of the court.

C. P. R. APPOINTMENT RUMOR.

Vancouver, Oct. 7.—It is understood that W. O. Miller, the C. P. R. chief service agent, and for years chief dispatcher here, will be appointed superintendent at Vancouver, succeeding J. T. Arundel, recently appointed to Winnipeg.

ELEVATORS FULL, BUT CARS ARE SCARCE

Winnipeg, Oct. 7.—All twelve elevators at Indian Head, the largest wheat marketing point in America, are filled. The Board of Trade at a special meeting wired to Wm. Whyte, of the C. P. R., that cars must be forthcoming. The question was a serious one and had now reached a crisis.

PITTSBURG MAY YET WIN BASEBALL PENNANT

To-day's Games Will Leave Contest in National League Still Undecided.

New York, Oct. 7.—Although the last regularly scheduled games of the National League season are to be played to-day, the day will end with the race for the pennant still undecided. Post-season games will be necessary in any event and there is even a possibility that Pittsburg, which practically abandoned last Saturday, may yet win the year's baseball honors.

The only material game remaining to be played to-day, that between New York and Boston will take place on the National League grounds in this city. It is the last of a final series of three of which the home team has taken two.

Pittsburg's renewed hope lay in victory for the Bostonians to-day and a subsequent victory by New York over Chicago in the tie game play-off ordered by the board of directors in the league yesterday. That would leave New York, Chicago, and Pittsburg, tied for first place at 88 and give all three even chances for the pennant. Should New York, Chicago, and Pittsburg, tied for first place and the ownership of the pennant would be decided by the play off of the tie game.

MAN MURDERS WIFE.

Seattle, Oct. 7.—Mrs. Sarah Cox, who was supposed to have attempted to kill her husband, Leander Cox, by shooting him in the head, and then committing suicide, was killed by her husband, who placed the gun to his own head and fired, without serious effect, after he had shot his wife. Cox, at the hospital yesterday, confessed to Detective H. C. Adams that he killed his wife.

STREET CAR IN COLLISION.

Smashed Into By Grand Trunk Engine—Four Ladies Injured.

Toronto, Oct. 7.—An open Bathurst street car was struck by a Grand Trunk railway yard engine at the corner of Front and John streets this morning. Four ladies, Irene Early, May Diggins, Hannah Tracey, and Belle Cummings, were injured. The motorist saved his life by jumping. Several passengers also jumped.

CAPITALS BEATEN BY

George Bryson Has a Kind Word for Westminster Players.

Eight Goals to Four. New Westminster, Oct. 6.—The Minto cup holders this afternoon unwound another little piece of by-play for the benefit of the Capitals when they sent on their return trip home without any big money and a third defeat with eight goals to four.

It is said that George Bryson, the Capitals' manager, is a sad man and when interviewed this afternoon he said: "What's the use of trying to beat you fellows? You don't do anything else in this town but play lacrosse twelve months in the year. Every season is a lacrosse season here. No wonder you have a lacrosse team. And you sure have one, too."

Penny and Bryson were absent from the local line-up while two intermediates took their places in Munn and Latham. There were also two other intermediates on the team in the brothers Springs. All four played good lacrosse.

TORONTO DOCTOR KILLED.

Dodging Wagon He Is Run Over By Street Car and Cut in Two.

Toronto, Oct. 7.—Dr. A. K. Ferguson was run over and killed by a street car yesterday afternoon. He was riding a bicycle and in getting out of the way of a wagon rode in front of the car and was knocked down and cut in two. A widow, son and daughter, survive him.

REGISTRATION IN NEW YORK.

New York, Oct. 7.—Comparative apathy among the voting population of this city seems to be indicated by the figures of the registration in Greater New York. For the whole city the figures for the two days' registration total 408,407, as against 484,761 in 1904, a falling off of 25,554.

CANADA'S SUPREME COURT.

Ottawa, Oct. 7.—The Supreme court of Canada opened its second session yesterday, the chief justice presiding and all the judges being present.

MILLION IN SUCCESSION DUTIES.

Toronto, Oct. 7.—Succession duties collected by the province for the nine months of the present year exceed a million dollars.

TAFT AND BRYAN MEET TO-NIGHT

CHICAGO GREET'S POLITICAL LEADERS

Great Project of Joining Lake Michigan With Ocean is Discussed.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 7.—National attention was directed to the opening of the lake to the gulf by the deep Waterways Convention to-day, when the Republican and Democratic nominees for the presidency arrived in Chicago preparatory to doing their part in the gathering to promote the great waterway project that will link two great lakes with the ocean.

Wm. J. Bryan was the first to arrive and was greeted at the Northwestern station by a delegation that included officials of both the waterways convention and the Democratic committee. Two hours later Wm. Howard Taft received a similar greeting and after a short interval was escorted to the convention hall, where he delivered the first of the notable speeches that will mark the three days' session. Each of the political leaders talked enthusiastically upon their arrival at the convention hall, where he delivered the first of the notable speeches that will mark the three days' session. Each of the political leaders talked enthusiastically upon their arrival at the convention hall, where he delivered the first of the notable speeches that will mark the three days' session.

The committees on resolutions, nominations, credentials, and finance, were appointed and the convention adjourned for the dinner to be given to make a personal inspection of the deep waterway route between Chicago and Joliet. Mr. Taft and Mr. Bryan will meet at the banquet of the Chicago Association of Commerce in the evening.

BROCKVILLE'S POPULATION.

Brockville, Ont., Oct. 7.—The population of the town now is 8,117, an increase of 191 during the past year.

CHINA TO REDEEM PEKIN-HANKOW ROAD

Will Raise £5,000,000 for Purpose if Europe's Markets Are Favorable.

Pekin, Oct. 7.—A loan of £5,000,000 for the redemption of the bonds of the Peking-Hankow railway has been provisionally decided upon. The final decision, however, is dependent upon the situation in Europe. The new loan will be issued equally in London and Paris and the term is to be thirty years.

The security will be the Imperial government and certain designated revenues of the provinces of Chekiang, Kiangsu, Hupe and Chih. China has notified the Belgian company holding the railroad that the redemption will be affected by the end of next December.

SHATTERS HIS HAND.

Hunter While Returning Home Has Painful Accident.

Revelstoke, Oct. 7.—Geo. Green, a C. P. R. blacksmith, was returning home last night from a hunting trip with Lee. When within six miles of town, while putting his shotgun over a fence by the muzzle, it discharged, shattering his hand. He narrowly escaped severe injuries in the abdomen. After a trying struggle over the rough country, the hospital was reached. Green was in a very exhausted condition.

A HEAVY SENTENCE.

Toronto, Oct. 7.—William Gill, through counsel, is making an appeal to Judge Anglin for the quashing of the sentence of nine months in Central Prison imposed upon him by Magistrate O'Brien of Fort. William. Gill was one of the Nova Scotia harvesters arrested for throwing stones at the railway telegraph wires. It is claimed in the appeal that the magistrate applied to his case rulings that apply only to much more serious offences.

PLAGUE DECREASING.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 7.—The cholera in St. Petersburg continues to decrease rapidly. For the twenty-four hours ending at noon yesterday there were 111 cases and 58 deaths in the municipal hospital. There have been ten cases and two deaths in the hospital of the palace of Gatchina, the residence of the Empress dowager. The Empress dowager is now in Denmark.

NEW BANK DIRECTOR.

Montreal, Oct. 7.—Charles R. Hosmer was yesterday elected a director of the Bank of Montreal, succeeding the late Sir Robert Reid.

C. P. R. TO ADD FIFTY MILLIONS TO CAPITAL

Authority to Issue Stock is Granted at Annual Meeting of Corporation.

Montreal, Que., Oct. 7.—At the annual meeting of the C. P. R. directors authority was given to issue fifty millions of new stock.

There is no immediate necessity for this money, but Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, in his report, says it is a precautionary measure so that the directors may be able to utilize it in such amounts as may be desirable in meeting the demands for improvements and extensions called for by the needs of