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ALCOHOL CAUSED MCGOY'S DEATH.

Such the Finding of the Fredericton Coroner's Jury.

INSURANCE RATES.

Underwriters Agree to Let Premiums Stand as They Are Provided City Establishes a Fire District That Has Metal Roofs, and Buys a Chemical Engine.

Fredericton, May 2.—(Special)—The inquest over the body of the late Frederick McGoy, who died suddenly in Sprague's saloon Saturday night, was held here this evening by Coroner McNally.

The verdict of the jury was that McGoy died of alcohol poisoning, caused by continued and excessive drinking.

The witnesses examined were Dr. J. W. Bridges, who held the post mortem examination; David Duffy, Charles Wright and Austin Sweeney.

The doctor swore that the condition of the heart and lungs of the deceased were indicative of alcoholic poisoning.

Wright and Duffy swore that they saw McGoy drinking several times from a bottle of gin during Saturday evening. His condition in accompanying them to Sprague's saloon was entirely voluntary and he was partly under the influence of liquor at the time. He had no liquor after entering the saloon.

The jury returned a verdict after a few minutes' deliberation.

At the annual meeting of the Bicycling and Boating Club, held here this evening, the following officers were chosen for the coming year:

President, Judge Gregory; president, R. Barker; vice-president, J. A. Winslow; secretary, D. B. Winslow; treasurer, W. S. Sweeney; managing committee, D. H. Neill, J. A. Winslow, Joseph McPeake.

The river has risen over a foot since last night. The Star line high water wharves are now submerged.

Peter Clinch, secretary of the New Brunswick Board of Fire Underwriters, had an interview with City Clerk McCready today with reference to some regulations proposed by the board for adoption in Fredericton with a view to better protection against fire. The chief proposal is the establishment of a fire district extending from Brunswick street to the water front, the buildings within which must have metal roofs. Another is a new chemical fire extinguishing engine. If these proposals are adopted it is understood the board will leave no stone unturned at present; otherwise an increase will be ordered.

H. M. WHITNEY ONLY WANTS \$100,000 ROYALTY.

This Will Be the Cost for Submarine Bells for St. Lawrence Route in Addition to Paying for the Apparatus.

Ottawa, May 2.—(Special)—It is understood that the proposition of H. M. Whitney, of Boston, to the marine department of the St. Lawrence route, is that a royalty of \$100,000 be paid, and the government consent to use as many bells as they desire for the St. Lawrence, and only for that route, after paying this amount of royalty in addition to the price of the bells, which are said not to be very expensive.

Commander Spain and Capt. C. E. Fishburne have reported strongly in favor of the proposition to the marine department. The matter has not yet been disposed of by the government.

TO MARK ALASKA BOUNDARY LINE.

Canadian Surveyors Named, and They Will Commence Their Labors at Once.

Ottawa, May 2.—(Special)—White Frazer, of Dawson, and C. A. Biggar, of Ottawa, have been selected to carry out the survey of the Alaska boundary, in accordance with the decision of the arbitration, which was set in London last year.

Mr. F. King, the chief astronomer, who has charge of this work will go with the party as far as Vancouver, tested there, and will start at the St. John's and other at Chilkat River.

The Ottawa men will leave on the 10th, and will be commenced in the first of the work in June. There will be United States surveyors in the field as well. Mr. McLaughlin, of the survey department, has left to take charge of the survey of the boundary line between Washington and British Columbia.

Black Watch Band on Tour. Toronto, May 2.—The famous Black Watch Band is coming to Canada for the Canadian National Exposition in Toronto next August, will go on tour for four weeks, visiting the principal cities of Canada from Winnipeg to Sydney.

SLOW PROGRESS ON G. T. PACIFIC BILL.

It is Calculated at the Present Rate 'Twill Take 80 Days to Pass It.

MOUNTAIN SECTION.

Wade of Annapolis Says It Can Be Built for \$40,000 a Mile—Report of the Commission on Dogfish Pest Will Soon Be Ready.

Ottawa, May 2.—(Special)—The Grand Trunk Pacific bill is dragging along wearily. The opposition have even today made up their mind to spend a certain time on the subject in committee and to let a clause or two be adopted daily.

One member who has been figuring out the time disposal on the question so far in committee says that it will take about eighty days to pass the bill at the rate of Thursday's and Friday's work.

This afternoon, Mr. Paterson, minister of customs, challenged the opposition to say what the cost of the mountain section, that being the clause under consideration, would be under their policy as compared with the Liberal proposal. He wanted to know how they were going to raise the money. Taking Mr. Barker's figures he said the country would have to pay \$1,470,000 more per year on the mountain section on the proposition of the opposition than under the bill before the house.

Mr. Borden, during his remarks, said that Messrs. Sifton and Wade said that the cost would not be any greater under the modification than under the original contract.

Mr. Wade (Annapolis) said that on account of the statement made by the leader of the opposition he desired to say a few words. Mr. Borden stated that the changes in the contract would not entail any extra cost and that he (Wade) had followed the same course. The leader of the opposition had taken extracts from his speech after detaching them from the context to show he (Wade) had said so. Mr. Wade said that he stated plainly that under certain conditions the changes would cost more. However, his view was that if the government retained power and the present prosperity prevailed the 3 per cent. bonds would be sold at par and therefore the government would not be called upon to pay any more in this regard.

Mr. Wade expressed the opinion that the mountain section could be built for \$40,000 a mile.

Mr. Borden thought that Mr. Wade had no better information than the dog fish pest as to the cost.

Dogfish Pest Report Soon. In answer to Mr. Kaulback Mr. Prefontaine said that the government had appointed a commission to inquire into the dog fish pest. The commission finished the dog fish pest. The commission finished April 21 and he expected the report to be finished shortly.

In reply to Mr. Bell Sir F. H. Borden said that Sir Charles Ross, of the Ross rifle factory, had applied for more land on the Cove Fields at Quebec. The application was under consideration.

FIRE DESTROYS DOUGLASTOWN HOME.

House of Richard Coulthart, and the Contents Burned Sunday—Steamer Pydna Arrives at Loggieville.

Chatham, N. B., May 2.—(Special)—The steamer Pydna, from Louisbourg, arrived at Loggieville today, the first of the season.

Richard Coulthart's house near Douglastown, and nearly all the furniture, was completely destroyed by fire yesterday.

TERRIFIC CLOUDBURST DOES GREAT DAMAGE.

Florence, Colo., May 2.—A cloud burst in the Green Horn Range eight miles south of Florence today, caused the Arkansas River to rise between eight and nine feet in less than an hour.

The unexpected rush of water caused great damage. One bridge across the river has gone and the Santa Fe and Colorado and Cripple Creek railroad bridges are in imminent danger.

The Santa Fe tracks are under water and traffic is held up.

In the northern end of the town the streets have been transformed into rivers and cellars are being flooded. Business is paralyzed.

An immense amount of damage has been done by the hail to fruit trees and gardens in the valley.

Strikers Losing Ground. Quincy, Mass., May 2.—General Manager H. G. Smith, of the Fore River Ship & Engine Company, stated tonight that labor situation at the company's yards had changed materially during the day; 230 more men went out with the strikers two weeks ago having applied for reinstatement.

VICTORIOUS JAPS DRIVING RUSSIANS.

They Dislodge Them From Several Lines of Intrenchments.

Fog Saved Vladivostok Squadron Twice from Attacks of Mikado's Ships—London Delighted With Performance of the Little Japs—China's Neutrality Tottering—Czar Suppresses War News.

Chicago, May 3.—A Daily News special from Kobe, Japan, says:— "Details of the heavy fighting in the neighborhood of Chiu Tien Chen received here this morning, say that the Russians made a most stubborn resistance to the Japanese advance, but were driven successively out of seven lines of trenches."

London Delighted With Japs' Victory. London, May 3.—The latest despatches received here confirming the completeness of the Japanese victory on the Yalu could hardly have given greater satisfaction in Tokio than they have done in London. The editorials in the morning papers ring with admiration at the success of General Kururoki's strategy in a manner indicating that Great Britain had been in considerable doubt of the capacity of her ally's troops when matched against the Russians and, despite the lack of Japan of good cavalry to follow up her victory, it is believed she will speedily drive the Russians out of Feng Hun Cheng also.

Few further details have yet been received, but it seems that the Japanese Imperial Guards fought with conspicuous bravery and sustained the brunt of the fighting, losing heavily. Some accounts speak of bayonet charges.

It is evident that the Japanese success is largely due to the superiority of their artillery, the Russian guns being too light.

The Japanese victory has caused complete surprise in London, and is expected to lead to difficulty in Russia's efforts to raise a loan.

Rumor of Japanese Reverse Near Genzan. An unconfirmed report of severe fighting between 3,000 Russians and a similar number of Japanese at Genzan, is sent by the Standard's St. Petersburg's correspondent who says the Japanese were compelled to retire into Genzan, both sides losing heavily. Two Russian officers are said to have been killed.

The Standard's Tien Tsin correspondent, cabling under date of May 2, states that Viceroy Alexieff has sent a lengthy dispatch to General Kuropatkin commanding the Chinese troops, informing him that the occasion may arise for Russian to increase their forces in Sin-Min-Tung.

As an indication of General Kuropatkin's anxiety regarding the whereabouts of Japan's second army, the morning Post's Shanghai correspondent says that Viceroy Yuan-Shai-Kui is secreted in Chang-chi, Fu-Chau, Hai-Cheng, Kai-Ping and other places have been dispatched along the sea coast to watch for a Japanese landing.

China's Neutrality Tottering. According to the Shan Hai Kwan correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, evidence is accumulating that China's neutrality is tottering. The Tartar general in Kirin has urged the Peking government to adopt a strong policy against Russian aggression west of the Liao river. It is alleged that Viceroy Yuan-Shai-Kui is secretly making war preparations and everything, in the opinion of the correspondent, points toward China making a military demonstration against the European capitals.

A special despatch from Port Arthur says that about 100 Chinese junk boats were observed on the horizon yesterday between the mouth of the Yalu and the Liao Tung peninsula.

Russians Replacing Captured Guns. St. Petersburg, May 2.—The central military administration has already despatched all guns and artillery stores necessary for the re-arming of the army in the Far East.

The absence of news led to the circulation of wild rumors. For instance it was said that General Sasselitch would be relieved of his command and court-martialed for making a too strenuous stand on the right bank of the Yalu. As a matter of fact, while the war office is surprised at the resistance made by General Sasselitch, a telegram from General Kuropatkin to the emperor on April 29 announced that Sasselitch, in view of the preparations which the Japanese were making to cross the Yalu, had begun to reinforce his troops on the Manchurian bank.

Another report says that the war office has been informed that the Russian casualties numbered 2,000. Should this be true it can be accepted as a certainty that the Russian plan of operations never contemplated such a sacrifice.

In view of the cautious advance of the Japanese, it is not expected that they will quickly follow up Sasselitch, but will take a few days in getting the remainder of their troops and supplies across the river and in clearing the country of Russian detachments in order that their communications may not be exposed to attacks.

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While Kamimura was steaming north the first time he passed the Russian squadron bound south on the road to Genzan which resulted in the sinking of Japanese merchant steamer Goro Maru and the transport, Kinshiu Maru. The Japanese and the Russian squadrons must have passed very close to each other, for the Japanese were conscious of the presence of the enemy.

When Kamimura was compelled to suspend his attack upon Vladivostok he moved to the southeast and again passed the Russian on their way north after the Genzan raid.

As soon as Kamimura returned to the Korean coast he learned that the Kinshiu Maru was missing and immediately returned to the north to search and pursue it. He found three boats belonging to the Kinshiu Maru floating at sea. He then detached some cruisers from his squadron and ordered a search of certain inlets in the vicinity of Genzan, Izu, Izu. The Japanese cruiser exploded the mine.

Vice Admiral Kamimura closes his report by saying that the continuation of the force Thursday has prevented a renewal of the attack.

Russians Vastly Outnumbered. St. Petersburg, May 2.—The Associated Press has obtained from the general staff an outline of the operations on the Yalu during the past week. The Russian forces, including the reserves, were 100,000 men, and the Japanese were 20,000. General Mischenko's Cosack outposts, and a brigade of artillery, the whole of which was under the command of General Sasselitch. Knowledge is essentially clear under the Russian lines, and it is believed that the Russian lines were under the command of General Sasselitch.

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San Francisco, May 2.—Dr. Greth started to make a trip of fifty miles to San Jose in his air ship today, but, after travelling about fifty miles, some slight disarrangement of the machinery was discovered and the aerial voyager landed safely.

Dr. Greth was accompanied by Engineer Frederick Belcher. He was satisfied with the results of his experimental flight because he accomplished a good deal more than on former occasions, and concluded that he was working in the right direction.

He ascended at 8.10 a. m. with the car attached to a rope to prevent doing damage to houses.

When the rope was cast off Dr. Greth made a circular figure about a quarter of a mile in circumference and started for the San Bruno road. It was then going to the San Bruno road. It was then going to the San Bruno road.

Dr. Greth said that what broke could not be repaired without certain tools and he deemed it expedient to descend. The fans and the rudder are to be enlarged in order that the ship may be more airgible.

Prayed for Roosevelt's Re-election. Chicago, May 2.—A prayer that President Roosevelt might be returned to the White House caused an unusual demonstration today during the opening exercises of the 22nd quinquennial conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church. The utterance was the occasion of deafening shouts by the assembled delegates. Delegates from Africa were the centre of interest at the convention.

Edgar Fawcett, Author, Dead. London, May 2.—Edgar Fawcett, the American author, died here early today after being unconscious for several days. Death was caused by an internal disorder, which was not yet been diagnosed. Only a servant was present at the time of his death.

Mr. Fawcett was born in New York in May, 1847. He was a graduate of Columbia University, New York.

Safe from British Authorities. Washington, May 2.—The United States Supreme Court today affirmed the decision of the United States Circuit Court re leasing Thomas Walsh, alias Lynchbaum, Irishman arrested in Indiana and for whom extradition was sought by the British authorities. Lynchbaum was charged with murder.

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RIOTING STRIKERS AT SYDNEY WORKS.

They Wreck Compatriot's House Because He Would Not Join Them.

STEAMERS RELEASED.

Those Fast in the Ice Near Louisbourg Reach Port—Shipping Season Opened; First Vessel Ready to Sail for St. Lawrence—Output of Coal Less Than Last Year.

Sydney, N. S., May 2.—(Special)—About twenty-five Hungarian strikers at one of the coke ovens of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company, quit work this morning because the company refused to grant them an increase in their wages. Yesterday they held a meeting, and because one of their number refused to join the party early this morning they practically made a complete wreck of his house, with stones and bricks besides severely assaulting himself. Four of the assailants were arrested. There were about a dozen in the fracas.

The men's places have been filled by others.

The shipping season at Sydney opened today with the steamer Thorild taking 2,600 tons of coal for Montreal.

The fleet of steamers that were in the ice off Louisbourg for the past two or three days, broke away yesterday and succeeded in getting into port.

The output of the Dominion Coal Company for the month of April was 241,728 tons, an increase of about 5,000 tons over the March output.

The output for April, 1903, was 232,878 tons, and for the corresponding month of 1902 it was 242,292 tons.

GREAT PREPARATIONS FOR CHATHAM EXHIBITION.

Fair Will Be Sept. 26, 27, 28 and 29—North Shore Sawmills Starting Up.

Chatham, April 30.—A largely attended meeting of the Miramichi Agricultural Exhibition Association was held in the Canada House, yesterday afternoon. Hon. L. J. Tweedie, president of the association, in the chair. From reports submitted by different committees, it was seen that the various branches of work in connection with the exhibition to be held on the 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th of September, were progressing most satisfactorily. The prize list will be completed by the middle of May.

It was decided to ask for tenders for the enlarging and roofing of grand stand on race course, and also to grade, and prepare the grounds in the rear of the building for base ball, football and tennis.

It is reported that the association will be holding the 24th of May as Arbor Day, and plant trees, ornamental shrubs, etc., and otherwise beautify the grounds in front of the building.

This association is most enterprising, and already has done much to promote the best interests of our town and country. During the last year marked progress has been made in practical farming. Stock has been improved, the handsome exhibition building, which is such an ornament to our town erected, and a fair, which brought in large numbers of people from country into prominence was held, one of the best race courses in the province made.

E. Hutchinson's saw mill at Douglastown began the summer operations on Thursday. It is expected that the Snow-hill and Richards mills will start on Monday.

Steamboat Alexandra will start on her season's route down river on Monday or Tuesday.

A Freaker's new tugboat was launched Thursday. He calls it the R. R. Call.

Inspector Mersereau has completed his annual examination of the town schools, and left for his home at Dorchester yesterday.

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BROKE JAIL TO GET TOBACCO.

Annapolis Youth Denied Luxuries by His Jailor, Got Them Anyway.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

Young Desperado Was Found Helping Himself in H. A. West's Store and Taken Back to Prison—Subsidy Expected for Stmr. Granville Between St. John and Bridgetown.

Annapolis, N. S., May 2.—On Friday evening one of the youthful offenders named Vidite, incarcerated here for breaking into stores in Bridgetown and committing petty larceny, made his escape from jail and shortly afterwards effected an entrance into the grocery of George E. Corbett by breaking a window in the rear of the building and deliberately helped himself to candy, cigars and tobacco, but on seeing he was caught by H. A. West and again returned to duance vile. On being caught he stated that he intended returning to the jail with his booty as the jailor would not supply them with any luxuries. District Deputy Grand Master C. R. Barr, of Digby paid an official visit to Annapolis Royal Lodge, A. F. & A. M., on Wednesday evening and congratulated them on the manner their records were kept and the general efficiency of lodge work. After closing of the lodge he was entertained to a supper at the American House.

At the annual convocation of Eureka Chapter No. 5, R. M. S. of Royal Arch Masons, held in Masonic Temple on Monday evening last, the following Companions were duly installed into office for the ensuing year by Past Grand Officer Frederick Leavitt: J. M. Owen, M. E. H. P.; W. J. D. Mills, treasurer; C. W. Mills, secretary; S. D. Tobias, C. of H.; W. H. Weldon, P. S.; Jas. P. Lynch, R. A.; G. McDormond, G. M.; 2nd V.; Rev. H. deBois, G. M. 1st V.; R. S. Miller, Tyler.

F. G. Whitman, president of the board of health, has just returned from Ottawa where he has been interviewing Sir Richard Cartwright relative to a subsidy to the steamer service between St. John's to ply between Bridgetown and St. John, calling at intermediate points, and was promised that the question would receive favorable consideration. He also interviewed Sir Richard in reference to the proposed line of fruit steamer between Annapolis and England and expects to interview him again in the line re-creating government aid.

DOG FISH PEST COST GLOUCESTER MEN \$40,000.

Commission's Report Will Recommend a Bounty Be Paid for Exterminating Them.

Ottawa, May 2.—(Special)—Peter P. Morris, of Carleton (N. B.), who is a commissioner along with Professor Prince to look into the dogfish pest on the Gloucester coast, arrived in the city today. He has brought with him all the evidence of the fishermen, which shows that about \$40,000 was lost last season to the Gloucester fishermen alone by the reason of the dogfish destroying part of the catch nets and gear.

The commissioners will no doubt report that the government should take immediate and vigorous steps to put down this evil.

The fishermen are of the opinion that a bounty should be paid by the government for the destruction of dog fish. The amount necessary varies with them from one cent to three cents a fish caught. Mr. Morris thinks that one and one-half cents would be reasonable compensation. He will give his report tomorrow along with Professor Prince. As the evidence is voluminous and as they will have to go over it all, it will take several days before it is ready to be submitted to the ministers. It might be mentioned that some of the fishermen are in favor of fitting up the government cruiser with special gear, and to increase the crews so that they might be used in assisting to exterminate the dogfish pest.

Mr. Ferguson, M. P., was instrumental in having the commission appointed.

Heavy Ice in St. Lawrence Yait. St. John's, Nfld., May 2.—The steamer Bruce, which arrived here from Sydney today, reports that while crossing the Gulf of St. Lawrence yesterday she passed through the heaviest ice of the winter. The ice will seriously impede navigation by ocean steamers bound to Montreal.

The season is unusually late. The ice blockade on the west coast of Newfoundland still continues and Bay of Islands is covered with a mass of ice four feet thick.

Waterloo, May 2.—A special to the Waterville Morning Sentinel from Bingham says that James McGilvery of Madison, a river driver, was drowned at Spencer Gap today by being pulled into the rapids while attempting to cross the stream on a raft. Five companions who were with him managed to reach safety with the assistance of men on shore.