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**PRES. FAILLERES IS WELCOMED IN ENGLAND**  
Cordial Greetings From Britishers High and Low for the Representative of France.

LONDON, May 25.—King Edward, the Prince of Wales and other members of the royal family; Foreign Secretary Sir Edward Grey, Premier Asquith and Home Secretary Gladstone, welcomed M. Failleres, the president of France, when he arrived at the Victoria Station this afternoon to return the visits which King Edward and other members of the British royal family have paid to the head of the French Republic in Paris.

A procession of state carriages, with positions, was formed and proceeded to York House, the residence of King Edward, where M. Failleres will reside during his stay in London.

The large crowds that had assembled gave the president of France a hearty welcome as he could have wished for.

The King and Queen of England entertained their French guests to-night at a brilliant banquet at the palace.

President Failleres, in reply to King Edward's toast, expressed the pleasure the visit afforded him, commencing as it did the cordial relations existing between the two countries.

Tomorrow the president and King will visit the Franco-British exhibition; Wednesday will commence with a reception to the diplomatic corps at St. James' Palace, followed by a visit to the city and luncheon at the Guild Hall.

There was nothing especially eventful about the day, but the crowds were an event in themselves. The theatres on such a fine day were naturally not so well patronized as in winter, but even they had good houses for the season.

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# The Mirror to World

**YESTERDAY'S CROWDS**

Street Railway carried (estimated)	335,000
Island	50,000
Woodbine races	16,000
Baseball (morning)	9,940
Baseball (afternoon)	14,471
Lacrosse game	1,500
To Hamilton (by Macassa and Modjeska)	3,000
To Hamilton (by Turbina)	1,200
To Niagara Falls (steamers)	2,500
To St. Catharines (steamers)	1,500

## TORONTO ENTIRE WAS OUT FOR GOOD TIME

And in One Way or Another Everybody Probably Got What They Were After.

Yesterday undoubtedly constituted a record in the way of Toronto holiday-making.

The whole four days of solid enjoyment of some years ago drew nothing like such a turnout of crowds of pleasure-seekers as the ordinary standard attractions of the city combined with weather of almost ideal character did on the Victoria Day celebration.

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## MARK TWIN PAYS A TRIBUTE TO VICTORIA

"She Will Be Remembered and Revered in the Far Off Ages," He Tells British Alumni

NEW YORK, May 25.—King Edward, thru his private secretary, Lord Knollys, contributed a message of good will and Mark Twain made a characteristic speech at a dinner given to-night by the British Schools and Universities Club in Delmonico's in honor of the late Queen Victoria's birthday, which since her death has been celebrated thruout England's vast dominions as Empire Day.

Dr. Walter Eyre Lambert, president of the club, which is composed exclusively of English and American alumni of British universities and colleges such as Eton, Harrow and Rugby, presided, with Samuel L. Clemens, the guest of honor and the possessor of the degree of doctor of literature, conferred upon him last year by the University of Oxford, at his right.

Dr. Lambert, after proposing the health of the late Queen, and of President Roosevelt, which were received with the singing of the British national anthem and the Star Spangled Banner, read a cablegram from Lord Knollys conveying a message of good will to the club from the present King.

All present were then called upon to drink silent toast to the memory of Queen Victoria, and Dr. Clemens was asked by Dr. Lambert to give expression to an American appreciation of the monarch who reigned for more than three score years over the British Empire. Dr. Clemens spoke in part as follows:

**Never to Be Forgotten.**  
"You do me high honor indeed in selecting me to speak for my country in this commemoration of the birthday of that noble lady which finds its just image in the virtues and the humanities and the promotion of lofty ideals and was the model upon which many a humbler life was formed and upon which many such lives still will be formed in the generations that are to come—a life which finds its just image in the star which falls out of its place in the sky and out of existence, but whose light still streams with unfaded lustre from across the centuries of space—long after his fires have been extinguished in their sources."

"As a woman, the queen was all that the most exacting standards could require. As a far-reaching and effective and beneficent moral force, she had no peer in the history of the world—either monarch or commoner."

"As a monarch she was without reproach in her great career. One may not venture, to say so sweeping a thing as this in cold blood about any monarch that preceded her, upon the throne of this world, and she is a colossal eulogy, but it is justified."

"In those qualities of the heart which beget affection in all sorts and conditions of men she was rich, surpassingly rich, and for this she will still be remembered and revered in the far-off ages when the political glories of her reign shall have faded from what history and fall into a place in that scrap heap of unremembered ages and ends, which we call tradition."

**Peace Always.**  
"Which is to say, in brief phrase, that her name will live always. And with it her character; a fair name in the history of thrones, dominions, principalities and powers, since it will not be forgotten, and she is a colossal eulogy, but it is justified."

"What she did for us in America in our time of our great stress we shall not forget, and whenever we call it to mind we shall always remember the wise and righteous mind that guided her in saying that we hold him in deep honor, and also in cordially wishing him a long life and a happy reign."

**Among the other speakers** were the British consul-general, Walter Courtenay Bennett, C.I.E., who, having spent thirty years of his life in representing his country in all parts of the world, was called upon to speak for "The Empire."

Rev. Dr. Parker Morgan, as the first president of the club, praised the good work which it was accomplishing in promoting goodwill between the two great English-speaking countries, and Hon. Robert P. Porter, who, also an American citizen, and director of the eleventh United States census, received his education in an English public school.

**DISMISSALS CAUSE 2ND STRIKE.**  
FERNIE, B.C., May 25.—(Special.)—Michel miners having returned without terms, the management to-day discharged several of the ringleaders, with the result that the entire camp is on strike again.

**Killed by Train.**  
NORTH BAY, May 25.—(Special.)—Arthur Bedard, 20 years of age, was instantly killed by T. & N. O. railway train at Moose Lake to-day. His parents reside at Sturgeon Falls.

## BORDEN ARRANGES TOUR.

HALIFAX, May 25.—(Special.)—R. L. Borden will open his Dominion campaign in Halifax on or about June 23.

This tour will include the Maritime Provinces, Quebec and Ontario. There will only be one meeting in Nova Scotia, and that at Halifax.

Special trains will run from all provincial points. Mr. Borden will be accompanied by Premiers McBride, Whitney,

## A BREAKDOWN



DRIVER MACKAY: I kinda thought I was puttin' on too heavy a load.

## TO BE MERGED

**CEMENT?**  
A Report that the Canadian Companies Are Going to Pool Their Interests.

It is reported that a \$25,000,000 Portland cement merger is being organized in Canada. Cement is one of the most active commodities in the commercial world, and where regarded in the building world a score of years ago as an experiment it is now one of the staples in all lines of construction.

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The great amount of raw material in the natural resources of the country would always be a check on monopoly and encourage competition, and the trader, who would purchase the entire output and market it, would be feasible.

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## COURT CAN'T PAY ITS DEBTS

**Portugal's Royal Household in Embarrassing Position Because of Legal Formalities.**

LISBON, May 25.—The royal household of Portugal is being besieged by its creditors, and the newspapers of Lisbon are filled with the notices of suits brought by tradespeople against its members.

The courts already have awarded a butcher \$210 and costs, the amount of unpaid meat bill against Dowager Queen Maria Pia, and the Duke of Oporto. This situation arises from the fact that the members of the royal household have not received a single penny from the state since King Carlos and his son were assassinated, because the new civil list cannot be approved until after the financial accounting of the reign of the late King Carlos is completed.

This is held by threatened revelations from Senhor Carvalho, who was minister of finance under ex-Premier Franco, regarding moneys which went to members of the present government.

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## THAW STAYS IN ASYLUM

**Supreme Court Judge Declines to Set Him Free, Declaring That He Is Still Insane.**

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y., May 25.—Harry K. Thaw, the slayer of Stanford White, will not be released from the lunatic asylum.

This is the decision reached by Justice Morschauser of the supreme court in an opinion filed early this morning in the matter of Thaw's application for release on a writ of habeas corpus.

Both points brought up by Thaw's attorneys are decided against him. The justice declares that Thaw now is insane and should not be allowed at large, and he further declares that the commitment to the lunatic asylum by Justice Dowling after the last trial of the case was entirely legal.

Thaw's lawyers will apply to the court for permission to place Thaw in some other institution than the Matteawan Asylum, and by stipulation with the district attorney, the prisoner will be kept in the jail here until Justice Morschauser renders a decision. The justice is holding court at White Plains this week and will not be able to hear the application before next week.

**THAW GETS A COMPANION.**  
SYRACUSE, May 25.—W. Halstead Gray, the 18-year-old youth who choked his mother to death in this city three months ago, was placed in the Matteawan asylum by a commission appointed to investigate his mental condition, and he was ordered committed to Matteawan by Supreme Court Justice W. S. Andrews.

**BROTHERS LOSE LEGS.**  
Boys of 19 and 15 Years Suffer a Terrible Affliction.

OTTAWA, May 25.—(Special.)—The injured as a result of the street car collision here on Sunday are all progressing as well as can be expected.

Last night Charles Byrne, aged 19, son of Rodrick E. Byrne of 435 Lisgar-street, had his leg amputated. This morning his brother, Frederick, aged 15, also had a leg amputated. Both operations took place at the Protestant Hospital, and the brothers stood it well.

The company began an enquiry to-day.

**Used a Knife.**  
Jack Rhymer and Terrino De Pietre, who had with Tony Mitchell at 27 Magalloway-avenue, got drunk last night, and about 11:30 o'clock incurred the anger of Tony, who proceeded to carve the party. Jack was stabbed in the left arm, while Terrino was wounded over the left eye with the same knife. T. C. Wallace, (23) arrested Tony, who is charged with wounding the other two. The wounds are not serious.

**\$5,000,000 Coal Bill for U. S. Fleet's Cruise.**  
WASHINGTON, May 25.—Approximately \$5,000,000 is the estimate of the cost of the coal consumed by the United States fleet which will be sent to the British Isles next week. It shall have finished its cruise around the world.

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## LIABILITY LAW IS NOT EXACTLY A SUCCESS

**Too Many Claims Are Made Under Terms of Compensation Act—Easy to Defraud.**

LONDON, May 25.—None of the efforts in paternalism by the semi-socialist government now in power in this country have been more mixed in their effects than the operation of the Workmen's Compensation Act which came in force in July of last year.

The law of the land is that every employe, including domestic servants, who sustains an injury from whatever cause, even if self-inflicted, is entitled to compensation while disabled at the rate of one-half of their regular wages, the maximum allowance being \$5 per week. In cases of fatal accident, any dependents of the victim are entitled to receive the lump sum of three years' wages.

Most English politicians, even of the Radical party, profess to be opposed to class legislation. In this bill they deliberately lifted the burden of the ordinary physical hazards of life from one class in the community and imposed it upon another class, a victimized class, submitted to the imposition on the whole with remarkable patience.

The insurance companies came forward promptly and agreed to assume the new liability at a price so nominal that what was in effect a new tax seemed merely an annual annoyance instead of a financial drain. They agreed to pay all claims arising under the act for a premium of 50 to 75 per cent for each female domestic servant employed, the rate for men being about double.

The insurance companies to-day are sorry they spoke. They say that less than a year's experience has shown them that the premium rate, which was fixed by sharp competition, is altogether inadequate. The manager of one of the largest companies doing business in this line informs the writer that he has paid already fifty cases of loss, and that he has received claims for more than 6000 minor accidents in the case of domestic servants alone. The law adds to a serious loss of work, a humiliating compensation the value of board and lodging, usually fixed at \$2.50 a week, that the total amount of disability amounts to a considerable sum.

**Invitation to Deceit.**  
What the insurance companies chiefly object to are those features of the law which invite and encourage fraud and the undue extension of the period of permanent disability. Malingering is a rapidly growing evil. The law as it stands compels the employer to pay the cost of the injury, and which, if not recently occurred, a boy employed in a machine shop was angered because his employer would allow him to leave school on off to go to a football match. He deliberately allowed a steam hammer to fall on one of his fingers. He was injured to a serious extent, and his employer had to pay him for the self-inflicted injury.

The injustice of the act was well illustrated in a case in court last week. A householder employed a man to clean his windows over a front window. One of his visits the window cleaner, entirely thru his own fault, fell into an open window and was injured. The brother claimed compensation and the court ordered the householder to pay \$80.

One of the early effects of the act was to lead employers in general lines of business to curtail their staffs to a considerable extent. They discriminated against the older members, for some of the insurance companies demand a higher premium on men over the age of 35. The law was responsible for some severe hardships in this direction.

It was not an uncommon sight in the streets of London to see old men in rags and shabby frock coats—discharged clerks—selling newspapers door-to-door. This was the result of the law. John Brunner, who is the employer of thousands of men, to investigate the liability to accident as related to the age of the victims. His calculations cover a period of fifteen years among the men in his works. The percentage of accidents per annum among men aged 15 to 25 years was 8.5; among those between 25 and 30 years, 6.8; 30 to 35 years, 4.2; 35 to 40, 3.6; 40 to 45, 2.8; 45 to 50, 2.7; 50 to 55, 2.4; above 55, 2.4. Discrimination against old employees is thus shown to be unjustified.

The insurance companies point out that future claims under the act will undoubtedly increase in large proportion. Experience of earlier legislation of similar semi-socialist tendency has never failed to show this. The tendency here is not yet fully aware of all the advantages it is possible for them to gain under the new law, and the temptation to fraud will also prove increasingly attractive.

**Companies Organize for Protection.**  
Since the law came into effect the insurance companies have formed a central association, the chief object of which is to provide against the acceptance of unduly business. They are carefully studying the operation of the new act, but the data thus far are not conclusive enough to enable them to fix permanent rates.

Next year they will make a substantial advance in premiums. When that happens public opinion will call for a government to account, if perchance the present government still exists, and the popular revulsion against socialism will become stronger than ever.

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