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NEGOTIATING LARGE IMMIGRATION SCHEME

Important Salvation Army Officials to Interview Government—Methods Pursued For Securing Populations.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Some thirty odd years ago, in a couple of arches under a bridge crossing Bethnal Green road, London, and at the junction of that thoroughfare and Globe road, meetings were held that created astonishment and not a little disturbance. Soon the establishment developed into open hostility, and the work of the pious women and red-jerseyed men, who even then wore the uniform of the Salvation Army, was menaced by a body of hoodlums calling themselves the "Ski-tons." The War Cry of that day was painted with a brush on a big board, pelted with mud, but now, printed in many languages, it is the common name of the most virile denominational series of publications in the world. The same master hand that guided the destinies from the start is at the helm to-day; the eagle faced ex-Wesleyan minister, William Booth. But the organization is now world-wide in its ramifications, and, as its latest move is directed towards British Columbia, an account of what is intended to be done will be of interest. The prominent in the councils of the Salvation Army in Canada is Adjutant White, of Toronto, who is in the city for a few days, and who will spend several weeks investigating conditions in the province. Apparently no one of slight build, clean shaven and aristocratic, he bears no slight resemblance to what General Booth must have been in his younger days. White was formerly one of the greatest lacrosse players in Ontario, but is now engaged practically as confidential secretary to the leaders of the Salvation

Army in Toronto alone last year, but yet have applications on hand for 600 or 700 more. If once suitable arrangements can be made as to transportation there should be no difficulty in getting servants to come to British Columbia. It is, after all, largely a question of remuneration. In the east their wages run from \$12 to \$15 per month, while in the west in British Columbia the pay is from \$18 to \$25.

"But is not the question of transportation the difficulty?" queried the reporter.

"Yes," admitted Adjutant White, "but it should not be unobtainable. Brigadier Howell has been looking into this matter. He has had several interviews with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., and while I am not at liberty to say what I know regarding the result, the matter seems to be shaping favorably for a successful solution. British Columbia is ripe for immigration, and speaking from personal experience in the east, there is no comparison with it and other provinces, in the variety of opportunities and practical remuneration. What assistance we may ask from the local government, I am not in a position to state. In other provinces, a certain amount has been granted, just about enough to pay interest on the money the army has invested in its immigration department. We have a colony of about 25 families at Saskatoon that is doing very well. The land in this instance was given free by the government of Saskatchewan."

Adjutant White is in British Columbia what may be termed as paving the way for the forthcoming visit of his superior officers when the matter will be taken up in a formal manner. The party will arrive at the beginning of next month, and consists of Commissioner Coombs, chief of the army in Canada, Newfoundland, Alaska, and Bermuda; Brigadier Howell, head of the transportation department for the Dominion, and Col. Pugmire, who has devoted his life to the rescue of criminals, and is also a noted evangelist. Commissioner Coombs will be accompanied by his wife, and they will be guests of Lady Crease during their stay in Victoria.

Combs was the first Salvation Army officer to come to Canada. He opened his first office in the Dominion over 20 years ago. Brigadier Howell recently returned from England after spending two months looking into the question of immigration from the Old Country standpoint.

But Col. Pugmire would probably be considered the most picturesque figure in the coming party from a public point of view. More than any other man living is he responsible for what is termed the prison gate movement. He has made a life long study of rescue work, and is one of the recognized authorities of the world in this particular line of effort. To-day there are 52 penitentiaries and jails opened up to the army work, including those in this province. Last Year over 800 men who had served sentences were taken in hand. Of these 600 were placed in good positions, and Adjutant White States the great majority of them have reformed. At the request of the Ontario government every one, male or female, leaving the central prison at Toronto is met. Since the beginning of 1906 over 400 have been received in this way, of whom 90 per cent. have been rescued and are now respectable.

A meeting will be held in this city on December 8th, at which all the gentlemen mentioned will be present and deliver addresses. Arrangements have been made for it to take place in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Douglas street. Rev. W. Leslie will occupy the chair, and other clergymen in the city have been requested to participate.

VICTORIA LUMBER COMPANY TO CUT SEVENTY MILLIONS

Manager Talks of Large Output of Sawmill Tributary to the City.

Interviewed by a representative of the Nanaimo Herald, E. J. Palmer, manager of the Victoria Lumber Company, operating at Chemainus in reported to have said:

"We shall cut this year about 70,000,000 feet of lumber. Our mill's capacity that much or more, we are cutting mostly from our own limits, and our lumber is nearly all exported. Our contracts are such that we must at times have logs to meet them promptly. During the present season we have imported logs from Bellingham at a cost of \$13.10 per thousand feet laid down at Chemainus. Of course on our own limits we can produce them for less money, but the scarcity of loggers has greatly handicapped us. And \$3.00 to \$4.50 per day which is regarded as very high pay for such work, does not guarantee that a camp will be supplied with labor steadily. For the past season we have had at times five or six donkey engines laying idle." Our limits are, however, in good condition, and what we do not cut off now we will have for future work."

Mr. Palmer stated that men with whom he had made contracts for logs, could not in many cases supply the agreed upon amounts, on account of the scarcity of labor. Instancing one case, where he had contracted for 6,000,000 feet of logs but had only re-

ceived 1,000,000 instead of the amount agreed upon.

Although lumber is selling at \$17 per thousand instead of \$8 to \$12, as heretofore, Mr. Palmer states that owing to the high price of logs, there is not the profit in sawing and selling lumber, that people generally believe there is. His company, which began operation in Chemainus fifteen years ago, has never yet paid a dividend, but says of course the company has largely increased their holdings during that time.

As showing the importance to the Island of such companies the pay roll of the Chemainus company is now over \$30,000 per month. A new slip is being put in for transfers, and it is expected that the Great Northern and Northern Pacific will be able to load and send cars direct from the mills before very long, as is now done at Crofton.

SKATING FATALITY.

Five Boys Drowned by Breaking of Ice.

Varennes, Que., Nov. 24.—A terrible accident occurred here yesterday afternoon by which five school children lost their lives in L'Etiang brook. It was a little after two o'clock when six of the scholars of St. Paul's College went out on the brook to skate. They were: Edouard Malepart, nine; his brother, Paul, aged six; Dionide Dugas, aged 11; Camille Racicot, aged 14; Raoul Marchand, aged 10; and Aideric Provost. The ice broke, precipitating the six into the water. The five first named were drowned, Provost being the only one left alive.

THE BLOWING UP OF NIAGARA HOTEL.

SOME OF INJURED NOT EXPECTED TO LIVE

Verdict of the Coroner's Jury Which Investigated Recent Outrage—Rovella Remanded.

Grand Forks, Nov. 26.—Additional particulars are now to hand regarding the blowing up of the hotel at Niagara. Up to the present time only one of the victims of this outrage is dead, Miss Louise King, the eighteen year old daughter of Mr. King, the proprietor of the hotel. The Italian who was supposed to have been killed at the same time, although badly injured. The man most seriously injured by the explosion is an Italian named A. Donati, who has a bad fracture over his right eye; five ribs broken and one of his lungs is badly punctured. His recovery is very doubtful. His son, C. Donati, had his face, both legs and his chest lacerated and burned. Mr. King, the proprietor of the hotel, has lost his hearing, and his face and chest are badly lacerated, while Mrs. King has her left arm and hand lacerated, and her face badly burned. Besides these three other Italians were burned on the face and hands.

It is stated that after the house took fire, Mr. King, who was badly injured, was chased for a distance of nearly two miles by two Italians with long knives. King, although weak and partly dazed, was able to keep ahead of his tormentors and reached Contractor Lane's camp ahead of them.

The Inquest.

Grand Forks, B. C., Nov. 24.—The coroner's inquest was concluded this afternoon. The verdict was as follows:

"The jury finds from the evidence submitted, that the death of Louise King was caused by the blowing up of the hotel at Niagara, deliberately and maliciously, by Frank Painblanc, also known as Cedio, who was assisted by an accomplice, Sam Rovella. The threats, wild behavior and subsequent flight of Cedio, constitute a strong chain of evidence against him. The testimony of witnesses shows Rovella to have been closely associated with the missing man."

Rovella is now in custody, charged with participating in the murder, and was remanded this afternoon for eight days. Pending the remand every effort will be made to secure Cedio.

EDUCATION BILL.

Hon. D. Lloyd George Declares Amendments Are Unacceptable.

Gloucester, Nov. 24.—Hon. David Lloyd George, president of the board of trade, in a speech here to-night, declared that the amendments made to the education bill by the House of Lords were totally unacceptable. He said the question had arisen as to whether the country should be governed by the people or the act of deadheads, and declared that the action of the lordly meddlers was a menace to freedom.

NO DANGER OF ERUPTION.

Naples, Nov. 24.—Preceded by loud detonations, another portion of the crater of Mount Vesuvius on the side nearest Pompeii collapsed to-day and the volcano threw ashes, cinders and smoke, which rose like an immense umbrella. Prof. Matarazzo, director of the Royal observatory on Mount Vesuvius, continues to declare there is no danger of an eruption.

PLUCKY CONDUCTOR CAPTURED ROBBER

AFTER HE HAD SECURED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS

Relieved Passengers of Money and Jewelry But Was Forced to Give Them Up.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 26.—A most daring train robbery was committed 100 miles east of Kansas City early to-day between Slater and Armstrong, Mo., a distance of 21 miles. A masked man, single-handed, robbed twenty passengers in the cars of the fast eastbound combination Chicago and Alton, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy passenger train. After half an hour's work he secured approximately two thousand dollars, besides several watches and other pieces of jewelry. The man was finally overpowered by Conductor Heywood, who knocked a revolver from the robber's hand and forced him to the car floor. The robber was bound and made to disgorge, and four hours after the robbery was committed was placed in jail.

The robber, who said his name was Truehart and that he came from California, was recognized by the engineer as the same man who in November last, in an exactly similar manner and at the same place on the road, went through the rear sleeper of an east-bound Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific overland limited, which on this division runs over the Alton tracks. Truehart, who refused to give his full name or tell what town he came from, said that it was his brother who held up the Rock Island train.

The train robbed this morning was No. 24, which left Kansas City at 9 o'clock Sunday night. From Kansas City to Mexico, Mo., the train is run over Rock Island tracks; at Mexico it cut in two, the Alton portion continuing to Chicago and the Burlington portion going to St. Louis. The train reached Slater at midnight, and when it started out of that place, five minutes later, Truehart boarded the smoking car, the upper part of his face was covered with a mask. Leveling a revolver at two passengers in the seat nearest the door, he ordered them to pass over their money and valuables quickly. The men complied, and Truehart placed the stuff beneath his belt and proceeded to give his commands in a loud voice to a man in the next seat. The car was full of passengers who were thoroughly aroused and ready to comply. When the robber had systematically relieved the passengers in the smoker of their belongings he passed to the door, keeping them covered.

He was a 25-minute run from Slater to Glasgow, and he awaited the train at the latter place. As the train stopped at Glasgow he swung off and boarded the chair car as it rushed by. A moment later through the chair car the robber's tactics were repeated. Next he entered a sleeper and began again his commands to the luckless passengers to surrender their valuables. Conductor Heywood appeared on the scene here, and Truehart, with the command "Throw up your hands," pointed his revolver at the conductor's breast. Instead of complying, the conductor knocked up the weapon, threw himself upon the man, and bore him to the car door. The man passengers in the car came to the conductor's aid and the robber was literally pinned to the floor.

When Armstrong was reached a marshal boarded the train and Truehart was held hand and foot and taken into the station. He refused to talk except to berate the passengers for cowardice, and to declare that Heywood was the only nerve one among them. He appears to be 32 years of age, and his description tallies with that of the Rock Island robber, and the engineer of last night's robbed train positively identified him as the same man.

ROBBER'S STOLEN SAFE.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 24.—News reached here to-day from Ridgefield, Wash., that a trio of cracksmen crawled through a window of Blackburn & Burrows' general store here early yesterday morning, unlocked the door, pulled a 700-pound safe two blocks and a half down the street into a cut, punched off the combination, and got safely away with \$300 in money. The firm's papers were left intact. The robbers were traced as far as Kalama, Wash., where the trail was lost.

STORM ON PRAIRIES.

Traffic on Number of Branch Lines Has Been Blocked.

Winnipeg, Nov. 24.—"The storm of the early part of the week was the worst which has visited the Canadian West during the last thirty years." This statement was made last evening by an old-timer, Winnipeg felt but a small portion of the real strength of the storm, the centre of activity having been farther to the west. Dispatches from the West, and the statement of passengers who have been

able to reach the city, indicate that the heaviest portion of the storm to date has been between Moose Jaw and Swift Current, on the main line of the C. P. R. William Whyte, second vice-president of the company, stated that more snow had fallen than ever before in his experience. Traffic was almost suspended on the main line, and the branch lines were entirely blocked. When the storm struck its gait it caught the railway companies unprepared. No special preparations had been made to fight such an unprecedented fall. For a time all went well, but as the drifts piled up the trains out on the line began to feel the strain, and it was not long until double headers were necessary if any progress was to be made.

STRIKE AT GREENWOOD.

Men Idle at Properties of the British Columbia Copper Company.

Greenwood, B. C., Nov. 24.—The strike at the British Columbia Copper Company's smelter is still on. Both sides are firm. The company has shut down the Mother Lode mine, throwing 150 men out of work. The union has retaliated by calling out all the men at the other mines worked by the British Columbia Copper Company, except those necessary to save the property from destruction. The full strike involves over three hundred men. If the strike is prolonged the business of the town will be tied up, as most of the working men are idle.

MEASURES TAKEN TO PRESERVE ORDER

MAYOR OF HAMILTON ISSUES PROCLAMATION

Fredrick Fay, Leader of Strike, May Appeal to Washington For Protection.

Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 25.—Street cars were running to-night, and there were no disturbances, Col. Denison having threatened to clear the street at any cost on the least sign of disturbance.

Mayor Biggar has issued a proclamation as follows: "In view of the recent disturbances in connection with the strike of the street railway employees, all persons are hereby commanded not to assemble on the public streets, places or squares of the city."

The publication of this proclamation and the reading of the riot act renders everyone who "congregates" liable to arrest and imprisonment for life. In the afternoon large crowds gathered in the streets, although there was no serious disturbance. Soldiers were jeered and jostled.

Frank Fitzgerald, who poked his head out to see what was the cause of the trouble at Sanford avenue barns, and was struck over the head by a pickaxe handle in the hands of one of the strikers, lies at the point of death at the city hospital.

Declines to Leave.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—The United States government has been asked to furnish protection for a labor leader engaged in conducting a strike in another country. The appeal came yesterday from Frederick Fay, who is leading the street car strike in Hamilton, Ont. The serious riot last Saturday night in Hamilton, in which many persons were injured, the Canadian authorities ordered Fay to leave the country at once. Fay declined to go and instead sent a telegram to Chicago asking for aid. The message was received by President Wm. D. Mahon, head of the street car men's union in the United States, who immediately sent the following reply: "Demand protection of the United States consul at Hamilton, and stay where you are."

Mr. Mahon last night said efforts would be made to-day to have the matter taken up at Washington, and an international question made of the situation which is without parallel so far as known.

It is said Fay will be instructed to insist on his rights as a citizen of the United States.

The chief of police of Hamilton and Sheriff Middleton, it is said, both have served notice on the strike leader that 24 hours will be given him to step over the border. If the order is met with refusal the authorities threaten to throw Fay in jail.

BOY BURNED TO DEATH.

Montreal, Nov. 24.—The two-year-old son of Philippe Dupuis, 301 Champlain street, was burned to death to-day, as the result of playing with matches, and the little victim's sister, Maria, is likely to die at any moment in the hospital, as the result of burns sustained in an effort to extinguish her little brother's burning clothes.

MAYOR AND CORONER TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

IN CONNECTION WITH BUCKINGHAM RIOTS

They Are Charged With Having Neglected Their Duty—Six Strikers Also Arrested.

Montreal, Nov. 25.—The arrest of Mayor Vallee, Coroner Rodrigue, and six strikers, is the latest development in the recent Buckingham strike. The charge against the mayor and the coroner, both of whom, as magistrates ex-officio, is that they neglected their duty and failed to use the proper methods for the repression of the strike. The strikers arrested are H. A. Hamlin, H. Carette, L. Landry, J. E. Clement, C. Bestien and George Robinson.

Kenneth P. McCaskill, chief of the provincial police, made the arrests. The accused were immediately taken before Judge Choquet, who allowed bail. They will again come before him on Monday. Considerable excitement has been revived in the town over the affair.

TEMPERANCE SUNDAY.

Mass Meeting of Sabbath School Scholars in Metropolitan Methodist Church Yesterday.

(From Monday's Daily.)

The annual world's temperance Sunday was fittingly celebrated in Victoria by a mass meeting of Sabbath school scholars in the Metropolitan Methodist church yesterday. Noah Shakespeare called the large gathering to order at 2 p. m., and with him were associated, among others, the Revs. Dr. Campbell, T. W. Gladstone, Geo. Dean and K. Adams. (Dr. Campbell reported the proceedings of the previous year, which Mrs. Andrews read an appropriate lesson. Revs. T. W. Gladstone and Geo. Dean delivered short addresses. Miss Seaton gave a recitation suitable to the occasion. Special hymns were sung, and Rev. Geo. Dean closed the meeting. Great interest was manifested by all who attended, and many spoke favorably of the wise move made when the manner of celebrating Temperance Sunday was inaugurated.

TRANSFER OF THE BISHOP'S PALACE

IMPORTANT BUILDING SOLD ON SATURDAY EVENING

New Structure to Be Erected on View Street Immediately—Fair Farm Also.

(From Monday's Daily.)

On Saturday evening the Bishop's Palace, on Yates street, the property of the Roman Catholic church, was sold for the sum of \$40,000. Plans are being prepared by Hooper & Walkins for another archiepiscopal palace to be erected immediately on View street, at the rear of St. Andrew's cathedral. His Grace Archbishop O'Neil will remain in residence at the present palace until the new structure is built. The architect will consult His Grace in the course of a few days to the style and interior arrangements of the new building, and thereafter prepare the plans as rapidly as possible. The new building will cost \$100,000, the balance of \$30,000 being used to defray the debt on the cathedral.

The building just sold was erected about 1884, the late-Bishop Demers, who was murdered by an insane companion at Nulato, on November 28th, 1888, being its first occupant. He was succeeded by Bishop Lemmens and Archbishop Christie and O'Neil.

The intentions of the purchaser, whose name is withheld by request, are not known. Erected, as it was, for the leading province of the Roman Catholic church in the province, the palace would be unsuitable for many purposes, and there is some curiosity as to what use it will revert.

Another sale of magnitude in the vicinity of Victoria, since the last issue of the Times, was that of the well known Fair farm at Goldstream. It was purchased by a resident of this city for a consideration of about \$55,000.

BABY'S HEALTH.

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GENERAL BOOTH.

Army in the Dominion. His visit to British Columbia is to look into the question of immigration, and, if possible, to arrange that some of the extensive colonization schemes of the organization mentioned shall cover this province. Adjutant White has carefully investigated the shortage of labor, and has received from many important employers assurances that respectable immigrants will be welcomed and given positions at once. The matter of small agricultural holdings has also been looked into, and it is probable that something will be done along this line.

At the present stage, however, the negotiations are of a private character. The provincial government has been approached, and is considering the various questions involved, but Hon. B. G. Tatlow states that a definite announcement will not be made until a public meeting that will be called to discuss immigration in Vancouver on December 2nd.

There need be no feeling of disturbance as to the class of immigrants it is proposed to bring to British Columbia. Adjutant White was most emphatic when asked regarding this point. "Though we may assist men to come here," he said, "it is on an arrangement that has worked admirably in the east. Everyone who comes out under

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