

FRENCH MOB BURN AND WRECK

The Champagne District the Scene of Burnings and Destruction.

Women Lie Down on Streets and Defy Cavalry to Ride Over Them.

Delimitation of Wine Districts the Cause of All the Trouble.

Paris, April 17.—The storm raised by the vote in the Senate on Tuesday reopening the delimitation question with reference to the champagne districts, gives no signs of abating at the present. On the contrary, there seems a probability of the disturbance spreading to the Bordeaux wine region.

Mobs continue to burn and ravage the property of unpopular merchants whom they accuse of importing grapes from Auvergne and other departments, from which they manufacture a wine designated as Marne champagne.

The champagne question formed the subject of the debate in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday and after listening to the statement of Premier Monis, the Chamber voted confidence in the Government, practically unanimously, so that the Senate's resolution is not legally effective.

GROWING WORSE. Epinay, Department of Marne, France, April 17.—Despite the fact that the Department of Marne is a vast armed camp with infantrymen and dragons bivouacked throughout the night at almost every village in the Champagne district, renewed rioting broke out today and the flame of anger and vengeance continues to sweep the grape-growing region.

At Vinay the rioters hastily threw up barricades with barrels, cases and debris of all sorts, and succeeded in holding back the advancing troops while another group of manufacturers armed with torches entered the vast champagne depot.

The mob smashed all the bottles of champagne they could find, wrecked the wine presses and set fire to the buildings.

Women were foremost in the work of destruction, denouncing articles of revolutionary origin and urging on the men to the work of destroying the wine monopoly. When the troops reached Vinay the women lay down on the roads and defied the cavalry to ride over them.

At dawn many fires in the wine-growing district showed the horizon darkened by the smoking ruins of the wine depots burned during the night.

Reinforcements of troops are arriving at Epinay on every train, and immediately on descending the soldiers are detached to the centres of activity where they are forced to continually charge and disperse the reassembling manufacturers.

The government officials claim that the work of seeking and burning of wine property is being led by criminal elements which are flocking into Marne from other districts.

The public prosecutor at daylight this morning announced in a public hearing that he had started a confederation of rioters by incendiaries threatened for a time last night to destroy the entire village, and made twenty arrests among the ringleaders of the manufacturers.

MORE RIOTING. Epinay, Department of Marne, France, April 17.—Renewed rioting broke out today in almost every village in the Marne champagne district.

Rioters at Vinay demolished the wine presses and burned the buildings there. A score of the ringleaders directing the movement have been arrested.

LOTS OF TROOPS. Paris, April 17.—The Cabinet met late last night and decided to place at the disposal of the President of Marne all the troops that he needs in the champagne riots. He has at present eight regiments of cavalry and three of infantry, and orders have been sent to four more regiments of cavalry and one of infantry to proceed at once to Epinay.

WILL RAISE PRICES. London, April 17.—London hotel managers and restaurateurs are viewing with anxiety the progress of the French champagne riots, and the majority are convinced that the disturbances, coupled with the limitation of area and shortages, will cause prices to rise to an altitude which will force the people to refrain from drinking champagne or to drink other than the classic brands.

TWO HOLIDAYS.

King's Birthday and Coronation Day—King George's Preference.

Ottawa, April 17.—June 3, the birthday of His Majesty King George, and June 22, Coronation Day, will be proclaimed as statutory or legal holidays in Canada. Some time ago His Majesty instructed through the Colonial Office that he would prefer to have his birthday celebrated on the actual anniversary of his birth, instead of adhering to the precedent set by the late Sovereign, King Edward, whose birthday was officially celebrated on Victoria Day, instead of November 4, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Victoria Day and Dominion Day are now statutory holidays, and with June 3 added as a fixed holiday from now on and on Coronation Day made an extra holiday this year, the Dominion will be well served with public holidays during the coming 11 weeks.



EDWARD JARDINE, Tried for his life, charged with the murder of Lizzie Anderson, at Goderich.

CASE OF INSANE

Ontario Government May Establish a Custodial Institution.

To Sell Toronto Asylum Property—Jail Overcrowded.

Toronto despatch: The Provincial Government is contemplating the establishment in the near future of a custodial institution for the care of the insane. Hon. W. J. Hanna, Provincial Secretary, being asked yesterday what the Government was doing about the situation as regards overcrowding in Toronto jail, to which attention had been directed by Mrs. Willoughby Cummings on Monday at the Associated Charities meeting in the City Hall, admitted freely that among the prisoners there are insane persons awaiting transfer to the asylums for the insane.

Hon. Mr. Hanna acknowledged that the public institutions today are crowded to their limit, and he said that the solution that occurred to him was the sale of the Toronto asylum property, consisting of a small building in the city, and the erection in the neighbourhood of the city of an institution that would accommodate at least fifteen hundred people.

The crowded condition at the jail has often been brought to the attention of the authorities, and the building of a custodial institution would be a welcome relief.

Rev. Dr. Chambers, Governor of the jail, stated last night that the most feasible and direct means of relief at the jail would be establishment of the proposed jail farm. This would take away many of the men prisoners and place them in healthful surroundings, performing a useful service.

The extent of the overcrowding caused by the necessity of providing room for the insane makes, but almost every week at least one person is committed as a lunatic.

ROBERTS TROPHY.

Changes in Rules of the Cadets' Competition.

Ottawa, April 17.—Militia orders today announce changes in the rules of the Roberts Trophy competition for the Cadets of the Empire. The Canadian team will do its firing during the D. R. A. meeting. The ranges will be 500 yards, snap-shooting at figure targets, 200 yards slow time, at figure targets, and an attack on figure targets between 500 and 200 yards.

The Empire Day Challenge Cup (Schumacher) match will be held throughout the British Empire, teams of 40 officers or men from any regiment competing. The prizes are a challenge cup, medals and £30, given by Lieut.-Col. Schumacher of Johannesburg.

A special course in signalling open to all corps will be held at Petawawa during August.

"Where are you going in such a hurry, old man?" "I'm going to consult a lawyer about having my wife indicted for making incendiary speeches." "You don't mean it?" "Yes, I do. She insists on my getting up and starting a fire every morning."—Boston Record.

NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

A New Jail to be Erected by Wellington County.

Recent Toronto Suicide Said to be Athens, Ont., Man.

St. Thomas to Start a Y. M. C. A. Campaign Fund.

A cotton clearing house has been established in New York.

A jury found the city of Toronto responsible for the death of John Newman.

Eli Herbert, a retired farmer of Tecumseh, has been missing for over two weeks.

Aviator Pierre Prier made the trip from London to France, 200 miles, in a monoplane without a stop.

McGill University will confer the honorary degree of doctor of laws on Dr. S. E. Dawson, C. M. G., Ottawa, and Dr. Jean C. Braze.

The town of Big Heart, Oklahoma, has been blown away by a tornado, according to reports at the offices of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway.

At a meeting of the St. Thomas Y. M. C. A. Board of Directors arrangements were made for a campaign to raise \$50,000 for a new Y. M. C. A. building.

John Kelly, for horse stealing, stealing three cow hides and escaping from custody was sentenced at Berlin by Judge Chisholm to three years in the penitentiary.

Alexandre-Camille Chayette, the newly-appointed French Consul-General, has reached Montreal, M. Raymond, Vice-Consul, will sail on April 29 for Montreal.

St. Andrew's Church congregation, Kingston, decided to grant to Rev. Dr. Mackie, after thirty-four years' service, a retiring allowance of \$500 during the rest of his life.

It is reported at London by cable from Pekin that gold bars valued at \$20,000,000, a part of the wealth of the Dowager Empress, have been sent secretly to England.

At a special session of Wellington County Council the decision was reached to erect a new and more compact county jail on the site of the present one at Guelph.

John Blackman, retired farmer, living at Paynes Mills, north of St. Thomas, died on the 50th anniversary of his wedding. The deceased was 73 years of age.

The meeting of citizens called by the Lord Mayor of London to discuss Anglo-American arbitration for April 25, Premier Asquith and Mr. Balfour will be among the speakers.

The wireless scheme between Australia and New Zealand has been modified in consequence of a strong protest made by the cable companies. It will be confined to defence purposes only.

Judge William S. Keayon, Republican, was elected United States Senator to succeed the late Senator Doolittle in the sixty-seventh ballot in the Iowa Legislature. The victory came with the second ballot.

The U. S. Interstate Commerce Commission has declined to make any reduction in what are known as ex-lease grain rates from Buffalo, N. Y., to eastern destinations, either on domestic or export traffic.

The Provincial Legislature completed its business and has been prorogued. The Government bill providing the export of petroleum out of Ontario October 1 next.

An impost was held at Grafton over the body of Mrs. William McGraw, who was found dead on the floor as her

husband returned from his day's work. A verdict of death from natural causes was rendered.

Franze Hamon, chief of the accounting department of the French Foreign Office, was arrested charged with serious irregularities in the accounts of his department and with the embezzlement of funds.

Announcement was made in Boston of an increase—generally of one dollar—in the passenger rates on all transportation lines operating between the Maritime Provinces and New England, to go into effect on May 1 next.

Smallpox has broken out in three families at Roebuck, in the township of Augusta, and quarantine has been enforced by the health authorities. A spread of the disease, which is of a mild type, is anticipated, as the patients have been exposed.

James H. Metcalf, of Kingston, a former member of the Provincial Legislature, has received an appointment as Game Warden, Lieut.-Col. A. E. Boucher, ex-Mayor of Southampton, and a prominent Orangeman, has been appointed to a position in the Registrar-General's Department under the Ontario Government.



LIZZIE ANDERSON, For whose murder Edward Jardine was tried for his life at Goderich.

SHOT BURGLAR.

Toronto Man Had Startling Experience in Hotel at Montreal.

Montreal, Que., despatch: A burglar gained entrance to a room of the Windsor Hotel early today by way of the fire escape. The occupant of the room, a Toronto man, was awakened by the noise, crawled out of bed and made his way to the electric switch. When the room was flooded with light he saw a young man, about 25 years of age, holding a revolver. The guest by a pretence of attempting to help, succeeded in grappling with the burglar and bringing him to the floor.

The occupant of the room managed to get hold of the revolver, and when the man made a rush for the window, fired at him, evidently with effect, as the man fell out and slid down the fire escape. In his exit he left his cap behind him. The police succeeded in tracing the man as far west as Mountain street by a trail of blood.

A DESTRUCTIVE STORM.

Kansas City, Mo., April 17.—A heavy wind storm, attaining the velocity of a tornado in some sections, and accompanied by rain, hail and lightning, swept over western Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma today, killing fifteen persons, practically destroying two towns, injuring almost a hundred persons, while wrecking scores of buildings, and putting every telephone and telegraph wire in the territory out of commission.

A HERESY HUNT.

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FRIENDS IN MEXICO

Many Inquiries From Canada as to Their Safety.

Chitla Captured by Insurrectos After a Fierce Fight.

Washington, April 17.—The Mexican revolution has caused anxiety in many friends in the affected territory. The State Department has had many such inquiries, and has attempted through its Consuls to furnish prompt replies. Dr. Vasquez Gomez, head of the confidential agency of the Mexican revolutionists in Washington, has also been besieged with telegrams since the revolution started. Most of the messages, however, fail to state in what region the friends were last heard from. Dr. Gomez received a message of that kind to-day from Bellefontaine, Ont. It read:

"If you can reply that Walter MacKenzie and M. H. Lodge are not killed you will greatly relieve us." (Signed), Wm. Jackman."

Dr. Gomez has requested further information, and will endeavor to locate the men through the records of the revolutionary army.

CHITLA CAPTURED.

Pueblo, Mexico, April 17.—That Chitla in this State, was captured by rebels in a small force of state troops, who made a valiant resistance. Among those killed is the Jefe Político, Antonio Andonagui, who directed the defence.

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 17.—A touch of politics in the death of James Whitcomb Riley is noted in the word which he has given Miss Clara Farr, of Montpelier, Ind., a friend, concerning his condition, upon inquiries during a call at his home to-day. Miss Farr declares Mr. Riley said he would probably never be able to speak in public again, and even now his work is restricted, for he has lost the use of his hands. Despite his condition, Mr. Riley will issue another edition of his poems this spring.

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No Danger of Negroes Bringing It into the Northwest.

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Hon. Frank Oliver, Minister of the Interior, will have his attention called to the matter.

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GOT OFF EASILY.

William Chapman Sentenced to Three Years in Penitentiary.

St. Catharines, Ont., despatch — William Chapman, Toronto, a young man arrested in company with his brother Harry for burglaries here, this morning was sentenced by Magistrate Campbell to three years in Kingston Penitentiary. Chapman is wanted for similar charges in Gravenhurst, Toronto, Windsor and Peterboro, and when his present sentence expires he will have to face the other charges. He denied this morning that he was the man wanted in Windsor, but photographs produced looked very much like him. The reason the Magistrate showed leniency to William Chapman, when he had just a week ago given his brother Harry an eight-year sentence, was because William is married, and he made some restitution of goods stolen.

GENERAL WILSON

Death of a Distinguished Soldier at Montreal.

He Was With General Gordon at Khartoum.

Montreal despatch — The death occurred yesterday of one of Canada's most distinguished soldiers, in the person of Major-General Frederick Wilson. Although General Wilson had been in feeble health for a very long time, it was only during the past few weeks that he has been confined to his house. He gradually became weaker, until death ensued.

He was born at Kingston in 1852. After education at Trinity College School and Trinity College, Toronto, the deceased, when nineteen years of age, joined the 47th Battalion as an ensign. The following year, 1872, he was appointed second Lieutenant in the Kingston Artillery Battery. In 1877 he was made captain of A Battery and won his majority in 1883. In 1884 he was transferred to the Imperial army and was sent to Egypt, where he served under Viscount Wolsey in the expedition sent out for the relief of General Gordon at Khartoum. He took part in several engagements during this expedition, and was recalled to Canada on the outbreak of the Northwest Rebellion. He returned to Canada via England, taking charge of a party of invalided and wounded soldiers. While in England he was presented to Queen Victoria, and received the Egyptian war medal and clasps and also the Khedive's star.

In 1897 he was appointed Commandant of the Royal School of Artillery at Quebec, which post he occupied for many years, as well as that of Inspector of Artillery for the Quebec district. In 1907 he retired from active service, when he was granted the rank of Major-General by the Dominion Government.

Shortly after his retirement from active service General Wilson removed with Mrs. Wilson to Montreal, and he has since resided here. He was prominent in sporting circles, despite persistent ill-health, and took a keen interest in the work of the Montreal Jockey Club. The deceased in 1892 married Florence Adelaide, daughter of the late Sir Hugh Allen, who survives him. There were no children. He will be given a military funeral, both in Montreal and Quebec, where interment will take place.

THE EASTER EGGS

The Dyed Variety Not Injurious to Public Health.

New York, April 17.—The varicolored Easter egg has received a vote of confidence at the hands of the New York city health department. An investigation was recently ordered as a result of numerous complaints that the pigments used in covering the surface of the candy eggs were injurious. The report of the investigators vindicates the samples submitted and the sale of the candy eggs will therefore be permitted as heretofore.

The health commissioner says in his report that there is perhaps too much dye used in many cases, but that the coal tar colors, which are used for the purpose are not deleterious.

JURY DISAGREED.

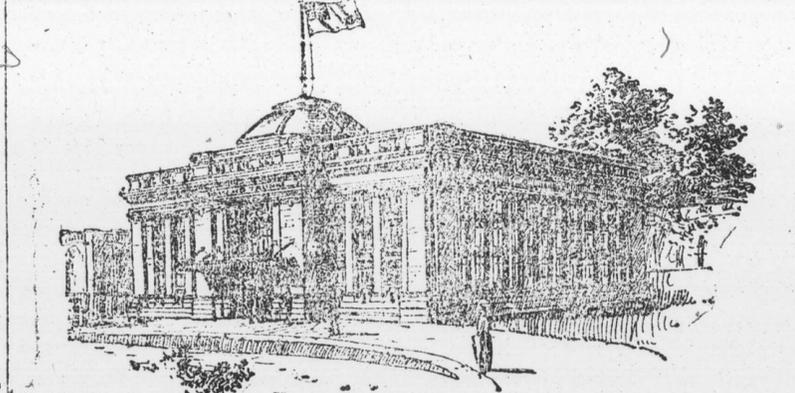
Chapman Acquitted of Assault—Breach of Promise Action at Barrie.

Barrie despatch — The jury trying Edward Chapman indicted on three counts for assault of a girl under 14 years of age, after being out nearly five hours, failed to bring in a verdict. The jury agreed for acquittal on the first count, but disagreed on the last two counts. In these eight stood for acquittal and four for conviction. His Lordship asked if there was any possibility of reaching an agreement, to which the jury replied no. The jury were dismissed, and the case put over for trial at the next hearing.

The breach of promise case, brought by Elizabeth M. Doyle, of Tottenham, against Joseph McDermott, of the same place, is now being tried.

OLD STYLE SMUGGLER.

Windsor, Ont., despatch: Wearing two suits of clothes, the old one outside and a complete new one beneath, purchased in Detroit, Chitla Triffo, a Walkerville man, was caught at the ferry dock to-day doing an old-fashioned smuggling act. He was allowed to go after paying double duty on the goods, amounting to \$11.60.



GRAND TRUNK SYSTEM BUILDING AT FESTIVAL OF EMPIRE, CRYSTAL PALACE, LONDON, ENG.

The progressiveness of the Grand Trunk in connection with their publicity propaganda is again demonstrated in the erection of a magnificent structure to house their exhibit at the Festival of Empire, which is to be held at the Crystal Palace grounds, London, England, this year. The building is ornate in its architectural style, and is a reproduction on a small scale of the new Grand Trunk passenger station now nearing completion at Ottawa. At this exhibition the company are putting up one of the finest exhibits that they have ever installed, and it will embrace all portions of the system, including the Grand Trunk Railway, the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, and the Grand Trunk Pacific Steamship Company.

The several tourist and fishing and hunting districts in Eastern Canada will be represented through large photographs, and a valuable collection of mounted fish and game. Western Canada will be put before visitors in an interesting and instructive way by large pictures, showing the agricultural possibilities and developments, as well as by the exhibit of grains in the straw, grasses and the products of the land from Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta. The mountain division of the Grand Trunk Pacific will be well portrayed through a series of oil paintings of some of the principal show places of the Canadian Rockies, painted by G. Horne Russell, the well-known Montreal artist, who spent last summer in these mountain fastnesses. The centre of the interior of the building will be occupied by a large model, about ten feet square, of the "Chateau Laurier" at Ottawa.

There will also be a large oil painting of a portion of the city of Ottawa, showing the new station and hotel, the Parliament buildings and surroundings. Models of the steamships "Prince Rupert" and "Prince George," of the Grand Trunk Pacific North Pacific Coast Service, will be on view. A separate room has been provided in the building for the projection of cinematograph pictures, and the subjects owned by the company will be shown several times each day. Among these cinematograph films are Lachlan Rapids, Mackinac Island, Lake Superior, Anne de Bellevue, apple culture near Whitby, Ont., several scenes in the "Highlands of Ontario," Niagara Falls, views showing the construction of the new National Transcontinental Railway, and agricultural scenes in Western Canada. Thousands of publications will be distributed. Mr. S. W. Cummings will be in charge of the exhibit.