

Yukon's Law Appeals

Bill Introduced Directing Them to Supreme Court of British Columbia.

Grand Trunk Resist Modification of Their Fat Bargain with Dominion.

Ever Growing Levy on Taxpayers—New Post Offices in Yale.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, July 8.—Hon. David Mills has introduced a bill permitting appeals from the Yukon courts to the Supreme Court of British Columbia. This is done to facilitate the hearing of Yukon cases.

Holding Out for Snap.

The Grand Trunk will not accept the Conservative senators proposed amendment to the bill now before parliament.

Biggest Tax on Record.

The revenue returns up to June 30 show a total of \$44,638,455, an increase of \$5,750,000.

Yale Post Offices.

New post offices have been opened in Yale named Buller and Kitchener.

Mr. Edward's Hospitality.

W. C. Edwards, M.P., to-day entertained many senators and members at his mills at Rockland, and showed them the lumbering operations in every phase.

CANADIAN DEATH ROLL

Prominent Toronto Physician—Montreal Stockbroker—Fatality at Barn Raising.

Toronto, July 8.—(Special)—Dr. J. E. Graham, of Bloor street, specialist in skin diseases and one of the leading physicians, died at Gravenhurst sanitarium of consumption.

Tiverton, Ont., July 8.—While barn raising was in progress on the farm of John Convey in Kincardine township, the bent gave way and fell upon the men beneath, killing Dan McKenzie and more or less seriously injuring sixteen other men.

Winnipeg, July 8.—A. C. Clark, a prominent stockbroker of Montreal, who has been visiting his sons here for the past week, died suddenly this morning from pneumonia. The deceased was 71 years old.

ANGLICAN CONFSSIONALS

Only Five Dioceses Report Having Boxes—Heard Openly in Others.

London, July 8.—A parliamentary return issued in regard to the number of Church of England churches having confessionals boxes seems to show that the confessions of the aristocrats in regard to this specific alleged lawlessness are totally groundless, as all the dioceses except five say that not one exists.

The five exceptions are London, Chichester, Exeter, Oxford and Southwell. At the same time there are scores of churches, especially in London, where confessions are heard at the altar-rails or in chairs placed in defended portions of the nave, in order to avoid possible scandals through hearing confessions in the vestries or rectories.

A KIDNAPPER'S WRATH

She Scratched, Bit and Cursed Her Escort to the Prison Cell After Sentence.

Chicago, July 8.—Ann Elizabeth Ingersoll, when sentenced to the penitentiary to-day for the kidnaping of Gerald Lapiner, fought like a maddened tigress in the court room, scratching and biting at her manacles and struggling frantically all the way back to her cell in gait, accompanying her blows and bites with screams and curses. She was finally carried to her cell after having severely abused several guards. John Collins, who was sentenced at the same time, made no scene. Both were given indeterminate sentences.

ONE HONEST ELECTION

Conservative Member for South Perth Vindicated by the Judges.

Toronto, July 8.—(Special)—The general tenor of the judgment of Justices Meredith and Street in dismissing the petition against the election of Nelson Monteith, Conservative, in South Perth, and directing the petitioners to pay the costs, is as follows:

"Monteith was duly elected. No corrupt practices were proved to have been committed by or with the consent or knowledge of either candidate. John O'Brien was proven at said election to have been guilty of corrupt practices. The finding in regard to the reserved petition concerning the legality of the issue of a writ during a session of the house was as follows:

"In the present case it appears the writ was issued upon a resolution of the house directing its issue. It is not necessary to consider whether the house has any interest to act in this way, because it has clear statutory power to do so."

A FRENCH REVIEW

Paris, July 8.—The Minister of War, General Gallifet, denies the report of changes in the plans for the review of troops on July 14, the anniversary of the fall of the Bastille. He says Major Marchand and the members of his expedition will participate in the ceremonies as originally arranged.

ON EVERY BOTTLE

Of Shiloh's Consumption Cure is this guarantee: "All we ask of you is to take two bottles of this cure. If you are not benefited, return the bottle to your druggist, and he may refund the price paid." Price—25 cents, 50 cents and \$1.00. Sold by Henderson Bros.

TROUBLE IN TEA TRADE.

London Merchants and the Planters Engage in Mutual Boycott.

London, July 8.—There is great excitement in the tea trade, owing to the decision of the India and Ceylon sellers to abolish the practice of allowing a pound extra in every two hundred as compensation for waste. The dealers in London have resolved to boycott Indian and Ceylon teas.

As a counterblast to this is the decision of the sellers of Calcutta yesterday, who withdrew all their teas, refusing to sell for London. Twenty thousand chests were withdrawn at Calcutta alone, and the auction was stopped. Out of 240,000,000 pounds required for Great Britain, planters and exporters representing 215,000,000 have promised to stick to the abolition resolutions. Some of the planters are starting for England to open agencies in that country for the sale of their teas. In the meantime, the doors have been opened for China teas of a lower grade.

A WOMAN SUSPECTED.

New Developments in the Murder of Mrs. Lane at Brandon.

Winnipeg, July 8.—(Special)—There is a strong impression in police circles that a woman, and not a man, was the murderer of Mrs. Lane at Brandon. The woman, it is said, is continually shadowed by the detectives, and may be arrested shortly. The woman suspected came to Winnipeg some time ago, and registered at one of the city hotels under her own name. She purchased a revolver and a box of cartridges, both of the same make as the revolver and cartridges found in the back yard after the murder. The revolver found was a new one, and did not appear to have been previously used.

WORRYING OVER LEPERS.

Busybodies Write Fiction to the Presbyterian Mission Society.

Toronto, July 8.—(Special)—E. R. P. Mackay, secretary of the Presbyterian Mission Society, has received letters complaining of the condition of the leper colony at Darcy Island on the Pacific coast, including lack of medical attendance and insufficient fire protection. It is alleged that fire has cost several lives.

OTIS RECEIVED HIS COUNTRYMEN.

For Months Proclaimed Success of His Campaign But Conditions Desperate.

Washington, July 8.—General Wheeler sails for Manila from San Francisco on the 20th. He was at the war department to-day anxious to get away at the earliest possible moment. General Wheeler called upon the President and had him good-bye.

Berlin, July 8.—The press comments on the war in the Philippines and the resignation of McKinley to increase the force of American troops there are not hopeful for American success. The difficulty of the situation is regarded as confirmatory of the views expressed before the rebellion.

The Vossische Zeitung makes merry over what it calls General Otis' "Napoleonic" attempt of preparing bulletins. It adds: "With negligence of the most obvious facts, he has been reiterating for months that the resistance of the Tagalogs was broken, their armies in complete dissolution, and the end of the war in sight."

Deutsche Tages Zeitung prints a letter from a German at Manila complaining of the Americans "destroying the beautiful industry in the Philippines," and deceiving their countrymen at home by sending false news.

Madrid, July 8.—An official dispatch from Manila says that 30 Spanish military prisoners and 17 civilians who were held by the Filipinos have been released.

CONSERVATIVES ORGANIZE.

Preparing Under Hugh John Macdonald to Win Manitoba from Greenway.

Winnipeg, July 10.—The Conservatives of Manitoba held a provincial convention at the Maple Leaf Conservative rooms, in this city, this evening, the object being to formulate a platform on which the party will meet the electorate in the coming campaign, also to arrange for a tour of the province by Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, who will visit all the principal points.

The president and secretary of each electoral district's Conservative organization were named as delegates, as also the candidates now nominated, as well as members of the executive of the Provincial Conservative Association, of many in the city for the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition.

Hugh John Macdonald presided, and gave a short speech, thanking the delegates for the large attendance. He hoped the platform adopted would be satisfactory to all Conservatives, and he was certain with a united front victory would follow the appeal. The Laurier government had announced that the school law was a dead letter in politics, but if resurrected the Conservatives of Manitoba were prepared to meet the issue.

The balance of the convention was devoted to the adoption of a platform, made by the movers and shakers, presided by W. J. Kennedy, M. P. P., has been nominated by the Dennis Liberals, and named at the Russell Liberal convention.

K. Whinnery, of Stobart & Son, Winnipeg, died in Manchester, England, yesterday.

The Winnipeg exhibition opened to-day.

Jealousy The Cause

Woman Confesses the Brandon Murder Which She Blamed on Tramp.

Household Servant Who Resented Affection Shown for the Children.

Confesses the Crime and Says She Intended Self Destruction.

Winnipeg, July 10.—(Special)—Emily Hilda Blake, charged with the murder of Mrs. Robert Lane, had a preliminary trial before Magistrate Campbell at Brandon to-day. The accused had no counsel. She sat through the trial unmoved, part of the time with her eyes closed. When asked if she had anything to say, accused rising to her feet, said: "Yes, I am guilty and deserve the severest punishment you can give me, that's all." The prisoner struggled hard to maintain her composure, but her lips trembled and the short statement ended in a sob. The magistrate committed her for trial at the next assizes, opening November 14th.

The Blake woman was a servant in the Lane household. She confessed her crime yesterday, and admitted having told a false story when she stated that a tramp had committed the murder. Mrs. Lane, having bought the revolver in Winnipeg for the purpose of killing herself, but she grew insanely jealous of Mrs. Lane's love for the children and shot her, not knowing what she did.

CZAR'S HEIR DIES.

Consumption Makes an End of Grand Duke George, brother of the Czar, is dead.

St. Petersburg, July 10.—Grand Duke George, brother of the Czar, is dead. The Grand Duke George of Russia, heir apparent, was born April 27, 1871. He had been in ill health for a number of years, suffering from consumption. He died in the imperial palace in the Caucasus, where he had been residing for his health.

The Czar's brother, Grand Duke Michael of Russia, now heir apparent, is in London. He accompanied the Prince of Wales to the voluntary review of the Horse Guards parade on Saturday. It is understood that the evening of a minor succeeding to the throne, Grand Duke Michael is to act as regent.

ORLEANS WASTED MONEY.

Huge Sums Blown in Futile Attempts to Change Course of Events in France.

Paris, July 10.—The Gazette de France to-day publishes the report which the prefect of police presented to the government March 20 on the Orleanist party. It says the League of Patriots and the Anti-Semite League were in close relations with the Duke of Orleans, who sent 50,000 francs to M. Deroulle and large sums to Deputy Jules Guerin. Although the royalists are said to have expended 300,000 francs in getting the Senate to elect Prince and Prof. Syveton, treasurer of the League of the French Fatherland, has been suspended from his duties at the College of France for attempts to incite an anti-Dreyfus agitation at Rennes.

THE EIGHT HOUR LAW.

Nelson Board of Trade Decide That It Has Become a Political Question.

Nelson, July 10.—(Special)—At a well attended meeting of the Nelson board of trade held to-night, a resolution was passed against considering the eight-hour law at the convention of boards of trade to be held at Rossland on August 5.

Another resolution was passed which instructed the delegates from the Nelson board to not only vote against the consideration of the question if it was introduced, but to vote any way the question came to a vote at any stage of the proceedings.

The president of the board is the manager of the Ymir mine, and has been very active in his opposition to the law, and his mine is the only one that is not working in the Nelson district. As the board is not only voting against the law, but also to vote against it, the delegates from the board claimed that the eight-hour law was a political question with which the board had better not have anything to do.

A SAD STORY.

Explosion in Paint Shop Fatally Burns the Proprietor. His Wife and Son.

New York, July 10.—Abraham Finklestine was fatally burned to-day by the explosion of some material in his paint shop at Forsythe and Hester streets in this city. The bodies of Mrs. Finklestine and her son Isadore were subsequently found in the hall at the foot of the stairs leading to the shop. Both had been burned to death.

STREET RAILWAY RIOTS.

Militia Called Out in Ontario City to Protect the Cars.

London, Ont., July 10.—(Special)—The streets were cleared of disturbing street-car employees by the military on Saturday afternoon, and further trouble is expected. The street-cars are running as usual, but they have been of late, with the occasional passenger. Citizens are attending to their ordinary business as usual.

Militiamen ordered here for duty in batches of 25 men each from Windsor, Ingersoll, Galt and Guelph, together with detachment of cavalry, have arrived in this city, and are now encamped on Carling's Heights. The city council met this morning and ratified the mayor's action in calling out the troops.

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FOR KRUGER'S ARSENALS.

Two Steamship Loads of Weapons and Ammunition on the Way.

London, July 8.—A social despatch from Rome says that the steamer Reichsiger (German) has sailed from Naples with 15,000 rifles, 500 tons of war material and 500 miles of the Transvaal. According to the same despatch, another steamer with a similar cargo will sail July 14 from Ancona.

Montreal, July 10.—(Special)—La Patrie gives the programme of the government expenditures in the harbor and on the elevator for Port Colborne, over which the government will have control. There will be most modern appliances for the canal improvements to the harbor of Montreal and completion of the projected improvements between Quebec and Montreal. It is reported that Sir Wilfrid Laurier said there would be a general election next year.

GREAT PUBLIC WORKS.

News From Montreal Leading Up to Announcement of General Election.

Detroit, July 8.—A decidedly Anglo-Saxon aspect was imparted to the speeches at the Christian Endeavor "Peace Jubilee" held on Belle Isle this afternoon. All the speakers were representatives of English-speaking countries, American and British, and all seemed to favor greater friendship and closer relations between the United States and British subjects were heartily cheered. The weather throughout caused the curtailment of the attendance somewhat.

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A Peace Jubilee With Anglo-American Friendship Generally Discussed.

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TOO MUCH RAIN.

Residents of a Connecticut Town Flooded Out of Their Abodes.

Torrington, Conn., July 8.—Lower Germantown, a suburb of this place, was to-night so badly flooded as the result of the unprecedented heavy rains of to-day that half its residents have been forced to leave their homes and seek refuge in that portion of the place called Upper Germantown, located on a hill. July 25 acres are deluged with water to an average depth of two and a half feet, and in places it is deeper. The cellars and first floors of a third of the houses (sixty odd places) are badly flooded and the water in other houses is more or less damaged by the water.

THE CAPTAIN OWNS UP.

His Mistake and Nothing Else That Wrecked the City of Paris.

New York, July 10.—The report of Capt. Watkins, of the stranded Paris, was made public to-day by the local board of steamboat inspectors. Capt. Watkins makes no attempt to evade responsibility for the accident, but on the contrary says frankly that the stranding of the ship was the result of an unaccountable error on his part. He admitted, he says, was not due to any want of thought or anxiety about his duties, but resulted from a mistake he made in calculating the position of the ship.

Capt. Watkins is still in charge of the Plympton and is in the interests of the underwriters, to whom the ship was turned over by the American Line officers. Capt. Watkins has had a long and honorable career on the sea. He entered the service of the Inman Line in 1863, and since 1876 has been continuing his career as a seaman. He has made nearly 500 voyages across the Atlantic.

YUKON SOLDIERS COMING HOME

Reducing Force There by Half—Annual Drill for Whole of the Militia.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, July 10.—In reply on the militia estimates, Dr. Borden explained the intention of the government to have the annual drill, even if it were necessary to reduce the numbers of the force. It is the intention, also, to provide an army medical corps, and an army service corps to arrange machinery for transportation and supply.

Sir Charles Zupper approved of annual drill. It was better to spend all that was necessary to carry out the purpose of a military organization of high capacity.

General Hutton had stated that the permanent force was discontinued by the absence of a large contingent in Yukon. This permanent force was organized largely for educational purposes, and was not the least necessary in Yukon. Dr. Borden contended that the permanent force did good work last year, in spite of the absence of the Yukon contingent. The presence of these soldiers in Yukon may have had a salutary influence on the mining population. Dr. Borden, however, announced the intention of the government to withdraw at once half the Yukon force.

FRASER STILL RISING.

Queenslea, July 8.—The river has risen six inches to-day. The weather is warm. Lillooet, July 8.—The river is rising gradually. The weather is warm.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

Mr. Maxwell's Style in Evidence—Baptist Convention Cricketers Tie.

Vancouver, July 8.—The Trades and Labor Council met last night for the election of officers and other business. A letter from Mr. Maxwell, M. P., in answer to a memorial from the council asking for the abolition of the Senate, read as follows: "Received resolution re Senate. I thank your body for it. The resolutions are entirely in accord with my own views. The Senate, as it stands, is a disgrace to a civilized country." It was reported that the City Clerks' Union was a strong one, and that the shoemakers of the city had united. Last year's officers were re-elected. It was decided to celebrate Labor Day in Vancouver.

The following officers have been elected at the Baptist convention: President, W. T. Stackhouse; vice-president, W. M. Merchant. Yesterday afternoon addresses on mission work were delivered by Messrs. Rose, Trotter, West, Saunders and Huggert. An attempt will be made to raise \$5,000 for the Westminister-Vancouver cricket match at Westminister this afternoon.

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DROUGHT IN JAMAICA.

Water Supply of the Towns Affected—Natives Want for Provisions.

Kingston, Jamaica, July 8.—The severe protracted drought in Southern Jamaica is causing great destruction and alarm. The falling water supply of Kingston necessitates a curtailment of the service to 18 hours daily.

The coffee, orange and crops are almost destroyed, and the destruction of the natives' provision crop is causing famine. The rural population is fleeing from the homesteads, seeking relief in town centres. The trouble is augmented by an outbreak of typhoid and malarial fever through using putrid water.

DOWN TO THIS CENTURY.

Paris, July 8.—At to-day's session of the Venezuelan arbitration commission, Sir Richard Webster, attorney-general of Great Britain, presented in support of the British case a chronological review up to the year 1816. He will continue this feature of his argument Monday.

KAISER CHARMS THE FRENCH.

Indications That His Polite Attentions Are Removing the Sting of Defeat.

By Associated Press. Berlin, July 8.—Emperor William's visit to the French training ship Iphigenie at Borgen on Thursday and his cordial exchange of telegrams with President Loubet were received with great satisfaction not only here but also throughout Europe. As one paper puts it, it promises to be a turning point in the world's history.

At the opening of the Kiel canal His Majesty went on board one of the French ships, but in the present instance it is maintained the Emperor set foot on the deck of a French vessel, which is equivalent to French soil, by the express invitation of her commander, who was acting upon instructions from his government. It is therefore believed here that the many graceful courteous actions which during the past seven or eight years the Emperor has been in the habit of paying the French government have borne fruit.

The Emperor's act has been sympathetically received in France though some see in it only a desire to visit the Paris exhibition in 1900. Most of the papers print the Iphigenie telegrams without comment. The Tageblatt says: "It was the first official act of France for a generation expressing a desire for more friendly relations. The courtesy of the Kaiser is gradually telling upon France."

The Vossische Zeitung says: "The incident must fill with satisfaction the friends of peace not only on both sides of the Vosges, but everywhere in the world. It proves that the present rulers of the French are not hypnotized with the idea of a revanche, and have the moral courage to show it."

The Lokal Anzeiger sees in the incident proof of good feeling on the part of the Kaiser, and looks upon it as an indication of how far France and German sentiments have moderated recently.

The Cologne Gazette looks upon it as a turning point in the world's history, and sarcastically expresses the hope that Prof. Steingel's mind will now become more peaceable.

The attitude of the French press has caused much satisfaction.

SENATOR SANFORD DROWNED.

Untimely End of a Popular Member of the Canadian Upper House.

Windsor, Muskoka, July 10.—Senator Sanford, of Hamilton, was drowned this morning by being upset from his boat while fishing in company with a young lady visitor near his own island. Two young girls near by had cries for help, and arrived in time to save the young lady, but when the Senator's body was got ashore and help called, it was found that life had departed.

Hon. W. E. Sanford was one of the best-known and most popular members of the Canadian Senate, to which he was called in 1887. In social circles he was a leader, and having independent means he was enabled to practice on a generous scale the hospitality for which he had become noted. The Canadian Parliamentary Companion notes that William Eli Sanford was born in New York in 1838, was a liberal descendant of Thomas de Sanford, who was knighted by William the Conqueror on the battlefield of Hastings. The American branch of the family first settled in Haddam, Conn. The deceased Senator's residence in Hamilton dated from the time of his parents' death, when he was in his seventh year. He was twice married, and his second wife, daughter of the late Thomas Vaux, of Ottawa, survives him. Mr. Sanford was head of the extensive wholesale clothing and manufacturing establishment which bears his name. He was a Conservative in politics.

ALASKAN SQUABBLE.

Sir Wilfrid Admits the Tension Indicated by the Washington Despatches.

Names of Ontario Judges Who Will Administer the Gerrymander.

BRITISH COLUMBIA RAILWAY BILLS

Assented To—Senator Sanford's Death.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, July 10.—Profound regret is expressed here at the announcement of the death of Senator Sanford, who was here attending to his parliamentary duties up to Friday last. In the Senate to-day Sir Mackenzie Bowell spoke feelingly of the late Senator, and moved the adjournment. Mr. Mills spoke in similar strain, and the Senate adjourned.

Lord Minto assented to the interim supply bill and several other bills this afternoon, among them being the following: Respecting the Columbia Southern Railway; respecting the Columbia & Western Railway; to incorporate the Klondike Mines Railway Company; respecting the Northern Commercial Telegraph Company; respecting the Bellington & Nelson Railway.

ALASKAN BOUNDARY.

Col. Prior in the House this afternoon asked a statement from the government respecting the Alaska boundary, concerning which sensational statements have appeared in the despatches. Sir Wilfrid said there was nothing new in the situation. As to the temporary boundary, the United States and Canadian governments had not yet been able to agree.

When the Gerrymander bill came up Sir Wilfrid Laurier announced that the commissioners to determine the boundaries of Ontario and Quebec consist of Chief Justice Falconbridge, Chancellor Boyd and Judge Balcanquhall. The two former are Liberals, and the latter a Conservative. The part these judges can take is a very minor one, their appointment being for expected committee justified by the facts.

Sir Wilfrid moved the house into committee to amend the clause relating to St. John. The amendment was only intended to make clear the intent of the clause. The bill still provides that St. John county, with 1,000 people, shall have one member and St. John city, with 19,000, shall also have one. A long discussion arose about this anomaly, but eventually the amendment passed.

EXCHANGE OF FAVORS.

At 1 o'clock the Opposition suggested an adjournment but the House would not consent, and Dr. Borden thereupon was asked to explain the purchase of the Yukon Railway. He said that \$24,000,000 was to be paid to the Government for the purchase of the Yukon Railway, and that the Government was to receive \$24,000,000 in return.

Mr. Taylor vigorously criticised the charges made by the Opposition, and by the statement that the firm were very respectable, which poor explanation moved him to add that Harte, Sr., had bought and furnished the house in which Sir Wilfrid Laurier now lives.

Mr. Sutherland, chief government whip, said this was a serious statement to make.

Mr. Taylor said it was a matter of common sense that he had written on his own responsibility as a member.

MR. DEWDNEY.

Hon. E. Dewdney arrived from England to-night, and proceeds to Victoria to-morrow.

A CONSEQUENTIAL SIV.

Paris, July 10.—Gen. Giotta di Sangiuseppe, the Italian officer who was arrested at Nice June 12 on the charge of espionage and sentenced to five years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of 5,000 francs, will be pardoned upon the occasion of the French national fête, July 14, the anniversary of the fall of the Bastille.

A HANDSOME REWARD.

Toronto, July 10.—The Attorney-General's department is awaiting applications for the \$1,000 reward for the capture of Fara and Holden. The expected claimants are Chief of Police Duncan, of Campbellton, and St. Onge, caretaker of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

EXPLOSION KILLS FIVE.

Pretoria, July 10.—Five artillerymen were killed to-day by the explosion of a powder magazine in Magdalah.

THE CHESS TOURNEY.

London, July 8.—The chess experts met at noon to-day, and when an adjournment was taken at 4:30 o'clock Schlechter had beaten Bird. Showalter had disposed of Tinsley. Tschigorin had lost to Janowski, as did Mason to Pillsbury, while Blackburn and Maroczy and Cohn and Lee adjourned their games in even positions.

A STOLEN LETTER.

Montreal, July 10.—United States Consul Bittinger denies the story of Leo F. Bill with reference to the stealing of the Caranza letter. He says that Ralph Reformation, of Boston, stole the letter and brought it to him, and was forwarded by him to Washington.

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