

ACTION IS TAKEN BY MAYOR GAYNOR

Forbids Operation of Express
Wagons by Unlicensed
Drivers—State
Authorities
May Also Intervene

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Mayor Gaynor received letters tonight which promise to bring the action of the express company employees to a head tomorrow. Briefly, he forbids the operation of express wagons by unlicensed drivers, threatening to take action against them if they do not stop. The mayor's action is a direct result of the strike of the express company employees, which has been going on for several days.

Mayor Wiggins, of Jersey City, has already taken this stand, and a test case is now in the courts. John Williams, state commissioner of labor, is due here from Albany tomorrow, and with Mayor Gaynor's action and a threat of state intervention, it is hoped a settlement will be reached.

The mayor's letters are addressed to the American Express Company, and Mayor Wiggins, of Jersey City, respectively. "Although this strike has been on for two weeks, the express companies have not up to today, caused their drivers to be licensed and licensed as required by law, before they may act. I must now require that this condition be met."

The sight of the city protecting its police, wagons driven by unlicensed drivers in violation of the law is exciting just criticism.

"We have continued this protection only because we expected from day to day that on second thought you would not, especially at such a time, continue such an object lesson of disrespect and disregard of the law."

In his letter to Mayor Wiggins, Mayor Gaynor reviews the men's demands for an eleven hour day, pay for overtime and recognition of the union.

"At my earnest request," he continues, "the men withdrew their demand for recognition of the union, and also agreed to leave the settlement of hours and wages until after they had resumed work. I supposed, of course, that this would settle the strike, but when I presented it to the companies, they refused to accept it as a basis of settlement, but wanted an additional condition that they should be free to reject or discharge any one on the ground that he had joined the union. They rejected what is called the 'open shop'."

The company is the United States Express Company, and the 'one man' is Frank H. Pellat, its president.

TRANSFER MADE
TO THE DOMINION
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and when they arrived the forts were found dismantled, the ships gone, the place deserted and after a cruise in search of Russian vessels in which none was sighted, Admiral Bruce returned with his ships to Esquimaut.

The little wooden building at the entrance to the naval base at Esquimaut, which has its site on it and this is marked 1884—was the first building in the yard, built in 1884, by the government. It was the first building in the yard, built in 1884, by the government. It was the first building in the yard, built in 1884, by the government.

The transfer was made yesterday afternoon from the Admiralty to the Dominion government, and the Dominion government has taken over the entire naval base at Esquimaut, including the ships, the buildings, the land, and the water.

POVERTY IN ITALY

Artificial Advance in Prices of Necessaries Works Severe Hardship on Poorer Classes

ROME, Nov. 9.—Every now and again a bitter cry of discontent is raised in the cities of Italy against the cost of living, which threatens to far outstrip the increased means of the inhabitants, especially when it can be proved that the rise in the price of food or lodging is largely artificial, as is the case in the case of those places where the purveyors of the necessities of life to the masses are few and far between.

Today we are told that the cost of living in Rome has risen to such an extent that the poor classes are unable to obtain the necessities of life. The cost of food has risen to such an extent that the poor classes are unable to obtain the necessities of life.

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BRITISH CAPITAL FOR INVESTMENT

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THE VICTORIA COLONIST

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WATER-APPEAL DISMISSED
OTTAWA, Nov. 9.—The department of justice has decided to dismiss the appeal of the Burrard Power company, which has been dismissed by the judicial committee of the privy council.

SAFE MAJORITY
FOR DEMOCRATS
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of Washington went Democratic in the congressional election. The plurality of the Republican supreme court is estimated at 1908.

SEATTLE, Nov. 9.—William E. Humphrey, re-elected to congress from the First Washington district, and a supporter of Speaker Cannon, is the chief rival of the Democrats in the national congress.

BERLIN, Nov. 9.—Today's newspaper comment on the American elections, which are viewed as very important, is that the Democrats have secured the majority.

AUSTRALIA HAS
CHINESE FRAUDS
Admission of Orientals Secured
by Corrupt Agents—Farmers
in New South Wales Are
Heavily Burdened

MELBOURNE, Nov. 9.—Australia has an immigration scandal similar to that which was recently reported from Vancouver, China in this case also being concerned. A regular traffic in the admission of Orientals has been brought to light here.

Party Gains
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MAY BE AFFECTED BY U. S. ELECTIONS

Reciprocity Negotiations Placed
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Delegates Say

OTTAWA, Nov. 9.—The American tariff commissioners who are here trying to negotiate a reciprocity convention with Canada say that the result of yesterday's elections will have a great effect, in so far as they are concerned.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 7.—His pockets filled with the alleged proceeds of a mail pouch robbery at Burley, Idaho, David D. Kidd, was captured by Post-Office Inspector Clement and Detective Maloney, tonight. Kidd was returned to Idaho for trial.

SMITH'S FALLS MAYOR UNSEATED
PEPPER, Ont., Nov. 9.—Dr. J. S. McCallum, mayor of Smith's Falls, has been declared disqualified and unseated by a decision of the county judge.

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CAN NOW PURCHASE MIDWAY AND VERNON

Board of Valuers Decide
Kettle River Valley Railroad
Must Pay \$62,000 for
Right of Way

The Board of Valuers appointed to decide upon an equitable sum for which the Kettle River Valley Railroad company should purchase the old Midway and Vernon right-of-way has decided upon a figure in the neighborhood of \$62,000.

The Board of Valuers hope to be in a position to make payments in the matter of various claims to be made in the matter of the defunct railway company assumed by the Kettle River Valley Railroad company.

POISONED BY PORT
One Vancouver Man Dead and Three
in Danger as Result of Drink-
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