

The Times

LAST EDITION

THE WEATHER. Fresh northwest winds, fine and cold. Saturday, fresh southwest winds with light snowfalls.

CANADA'S RAILROAD RECORD IN FIGURES

Great Gain in Mileage and in Traffic Last Year. But the Loss of Life Was Appalling and the Deadly Level Crossing Cost Many Lives—An Interesting Statement.

OTTAWA, Jan. 17 (Special)—The annual report of the Canadian railway commission for the year ending June 30, 1907, was tabled in the commons today. It gives some valuable and illuminating information with respect to the operation of railways in Canada, including the questions of car shortage, amount of traffic handled, earnings and operating expenses, accidents, etc.

WITNESSES FOR DEFENCE Sawyer Says He Never Saw a Poorer Lot of Logs—Survivors Testify.

HAMPTON, Jan. 17 (Special)—The morning of the fourth day of the McLeod-White Lumber suit was occupied with the evidence of witnesses for the defence. John A. Johnson, surveyor of the Ham mill at Penebiquet, where the logs were sawed, testified that the McLeod logs turned out about a thousand feet to fifty logs. They were small, crooked, of various lengths, and many rotten ones among them. A good many were under four inches, some down to two inches.

SEEDS HIGHER THAN LAST YEAR

Farmers will probably have to pay high this year for seeds, as a shortage in the crop has caused a considerable advance in the price of some lines. The export market advanced in the price of clover, which is quoted at 4 to 5 cents a pound higher than last year. Timothy is about the same price as last year. A number of the wholesalers have already made purchases and the travellers now show the same as last year. It has been the custom in years past for Canadian seed to be exported to France, but this year some French seed is being imported to Canada. Business generally with the wholesale grocers has been rather quiet since the first of the year.

BASKET BALL MATCH

The basketball match on Tuesday night between the Eastern team, champions of Maine and the Algonquins, city champions, should be one of the best seen here. Both teams play a fast game and each have but one defeat recorded against them and by the same team, namely, the Shamrocks of St. Andrews and the score in each case was close. The Indians' line-up will be the same as usual but the visitors' team has not yet been learned. The contest takes place in the Algonquin rooms, Montreal street.

THE EVERY DAY CLUB

The Empire Dramatic Club, the Every Day Club orchestra, and a fine array of other talent will take part in the dime entertainment in the Every Day Club hall this evening.

William J. Doherty

The death of William J. Doherty occurred today at his residence, 61 Mill street, of paralysis of the brain. Deceased, who was a well known citizen, is survived by his wife, three sons and one daughter. The sons are William and Thomas at home, and John, who is at present in Fredericton, and one daughter, Mrs. T. F. Fleming of this city, and Misses Maggie, May and Kathleen at home. The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon.

Charles H. McDonald returned to the city on today's Boston train.

McILHENNY AND RITCHIE PLEAD GUILTY THIS MORNING

The criminal docket was taken up in the circuit court before Judge Landry this morning when Charles Ritchie and James McIlhenney were arraigned on charges of attempting to enter the office of A. A. Likely, Main street on Saturday, December 21st, by forcing the window.

Both prisoners pleaded guilty and Daniel Mullin, K. O., recommended that the court deal with them as leniently as possible on account of their families. His honor said that he would consider the matter and the prisoners were remanded.

The case against Allan O. Appleby charged with theft goes over till tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The cases of the Essex Company National Bank of Newark, N. J., vs. the Maritime Dairy Company, and Evans vs. Dunin were next on the docket but these will be taken up later.

Court adjourned at 10:45 and the session will be resumed at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. It was seven minutes past ten when Ritchie and McIlhenney were brought in to court and when they had pleaded guilty, Mr. Mullin, who appeared for them, addressed his honor, stating that he spoke especially in behalf of the families of the prisoners, both of whom are married men. Ritchie has one child, which

NORRIS BE THREATENS BEING FEEN JAPAN AND CHINA

British Interests Are Also Involved—"We Will Stop It," Declares Japanese Minister, Regarding Proposed Railroad To Be Built By An English Syndicate.

TOKIO, Jan. 17.—The diplomatic relations between China and Japan over the proposed Siamiatun-Akumun railway has assumed a most firm attitude and has assured China that a railroad paralleling the south Manchurian line will not be built because it violates both the spirit and the letter of the Peking treaty. A British syndicate has proposed to build the railroad. The correspondent of the Associated Press has been informed by the authorities in Tokio that under no circumstances will Japan permit construction to commence. In reply to the question, "what will you do about it?" a member of the cabinet replied, "we will stop it."

That Japan would not permit the construction of the proposed Siamiatun-Akumun railway was intimated to China more or less forcibly nearly three weeks ago. The reason given for this refusal, according to dispatches from Peking, was that a parallel line would injuriously affect the Japanese railroad and China's rejoinder that the line would not be built nearer the thousand miles to account of the foreign countries is declared by the Japanese government to be untenable. This step by Japan, according to Peking advices, causes Englishmen, who had capital invested in the line, and it is characteristic of the Japanese attitude of the monopolistic attitude of Japan in Manchuria. Shortly after the first announcement

ing of these concessions to foreigners that a rebellion was nearly precipitated last year. It is expected that the recovery of the line will have a beneficial effect on the conditions in China. Russia Wakes Up ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 17.—The Japanese occupation of the Chen Tao district in Manchuria and the annexation thereof by Korea is attracting attention in St. Petersburg on account of the proximity of the district to Russian territory and its strategic importance in a possible campaign against Vladivostok. The Novoye Vremya today published a long dispatch from the Korea correspondent on an endeavor to reach a compromise, were closed yesterday by the syndicate agreeing and accepting 7,000,000 roubles payable in four years and quit the province. The matter of "Rights of Recovery" recently has brought about a revival of the demonstrations against the syndicate, which hold the title rights over the immense mineral fields in Shansi. So incensed were the inhabitants against the grant-

DISCUSSION IN HOUSE ON THE FRENCH TREATY

MURDER ENDS A CAROUSAL Italian Said To Be of Noble Family the Victim.

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 16.—A young Italian, known among his acquaintances as Ernest Douglas, and who is said to have claimed membership in a noble and wealthy Italian family, was today found in his room in the house of his employer, dealt with a bullet in the head. Tonight police headquarters was communicated with by a woman, Carrie Snyder, who said that Douglas had been murdered. On her information John J. Gaultier, son of a saloon keeper, by whom Douglas had been employed, and William H. Kabernagle, who lives in the same house, were arrested, as was also the Snyder woman. All were charged with complicity in the murder of Douglas. On being "arrested" by the police, Kabernagle said that murder had been committed and said that Gaultier had fired the shot. According to his story, they had all been of a party on a carousal.

Mr. Ames Declares It Will Not Benefit Canadian Trade

Mr. Brodeur Contends That Sir Charles Tupper Did Not Negotiate Treaty of 1893—Mr. Fielding Makes An Observation

OTTAWA, Jan. 16.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur in the house this evening resumed the discussion of the French treaty. He said that if Canada had denounced the old treaty it might have disturbed the good relations which existed between Britain and France. The present Franco-Canadian treaty was the first that was entirely negotiated by Canadian representatives. The lessons of history showed him that it was important that treaties affecting Canada should be negotiated by Canada. The negotiations of the treaties of 1871, the Behring Sea treaty and the Alaska treaty showed the necessity of this. Taking up the statement of Mr. Foster that Sir Charles Tupper conducted the entire negotiations of the treaty with France in 1893, Mr. Brodeur quoted from a letter of Sir Charles stating that this was the case, but said Mr. Brodeur's statement of Sir Charles was not borne out by the facts. To establish this the minister informed revenue quoted from a report of Lord Dufferin, who was then ambassador to France, that "Sir Charles Tupper and Sir Joseph Crowe" negotiated the treaty. The same statements were made in letters written to Sir Edward Grey, then secretary of the colonies and Lord Ripon, foreign secretary. In previous letters written by Sir Charles Tupper, he also referred to Sir Joseph Crowe having assisted him in the negotiations of the treaty. Mr. Brodeur next pointed out the defects of the 1893 treaty. Mr. Ames replied to Mr. Brodeur, pointing out that Canada could not be expected to export horses at \$30 per head. Take codfish, which at \$4.25 per hundred, was about the price of the price of the codfish. Canada could not send steel rails, etc. He said that Canada could not be expected to do business in iron rails. He said that Canada could not be expected to do business in agricultural implements. He could not see where Canada's trade would be greater than that of the United States. The list of articles on which Canada gave France an advantage had been carefully selected by Sir Charles Tupper and his business and should lead to the increase of sales to Canada. Some of the reductions given would affect Canadian manufactures. In the case of glass leather the reduction of the duty to 15 per cent for France would give another nation of competitors to Canadian manufacturers, who are now struggling with the American manufacturers. The reduction of the duty would mean a loss of five Canadian ribbon manufacturers, by giving them competition with not only France but the Austro-Hungary, Switzerland and Japan. The provision for direct shipment would not be advantageous. It might be of some advantage to Canadian ports, but importers who had been accustomed to get French goods through New York, would find themselves embarrassed. This would be particularly true of interior ports. Importers to whom he had written had expressed themselves against the duty provision with pressure, as Canada had only one line to France, and in winter, certainly this line would have a monopoly and steamship companies would put on all the freight traffic would bear. In the case of gloves and delicate dress goods, the merchants often used express shipments for expedition. If such a shipment missed the boat at Havre, it would have to wait three weeks for another boat, or lose the advantage of the tariff. Mr. Brodeur—"There are the Liverpool steamers."

HAVE ENOUGH SKILLED LABOR

HAMILTON, Ont., Jan. 17 (Special)—At a meeting of representatives of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association to organize a tariff department, and to engage an expert on tariff matters to take charge, it was decided to discontinue the London, England, employment bureau, which was opened for the purpose of engaging skilled labor, it being felt, as times were rather quiet, and because shops were well supplied with skilled workmen, the bureau was of no further use at present. The Dominion government will be asked to appoint a trade commission to New Zealand.

THREE DEATHS BY ACCIDENT

FORT WILLIAM, Ont., Jan. 17 (Special)—The men injured in Wednesday's dynamite explosion at Buda Tunnel, were brought to McKellar Hospital here on a special train. Their names are: Harry Johnston and Collins. The men were thawing dynamite in a tin when it exploded. Barry died last night, but the other two probably will recover. Conductor Harrison, injured by falling from a street car the other day, died yesterday as a result of his injuries.

THESE GUESTS NOT INVITED

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The arrival of the ministry in Downing street today to attend the first meeting of the cabinet before the assembling of parliament was made the occasion of a public demonstration by the women suffrage party. The women, who were a large force, were present, but the women succeeded in making their way inside the residence of Premier Campbell-Bannerman, and five arrests were made before order was restored. Some of the demonstrators adopted a novel manner to prevent being carried off by the police. They attached to their belts stout chains, which when they saw the police about to lay hands on them, they quickly threw around the iron railing in front of the building. The police had to break these chains by force before they could get the women away.

KILLED HIS WIFE THEN HIMSELF

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 17.—A special from Bradford, Pa., to the News says that A. Chamberlain, an electrician, shot his wife and ended his own life last night. The only boy, seven years of age, was in an adjoining room when the tragedy occurred. No cause is given for the deed. Chamberlain was about 30 years old and his wife was somewhat younger. Chamberlain came home to supper and found his wife absent and the meal unprepared. The woman had visited a skating rink in the afternoon and had afterwards lunched with a young man and woman at a local restaurant. She returned home after 8 o'clock. While she was standing at a sink Chamberlain shot her in the back of the head and again through the heart. He then fired a bullet into his brain.

MONTREAL STOCKS SHOW DECLINE

MONTREAL, Jan. 17 (Special)—Stock prices declined further today. Rio broke to 30, having sold yesterday at 31 1/4. Dominion Steel declined to 15 1/2. Iron Pauls to 115. Mackay preferred to 62 3/4. Montreal Power was unchanged at 80. Twin City at 86 1/2 and Dominion Steel bonds at 71.

RESUMING WORK

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 16.—The Pittsburg Steel Company and the Seamless Tube Company of America, resumed operations today, after a long employment to thousands of workmen.

THRILLING RESCUE OF CREW BY ROPE FROM 500 FOOT CLIFF

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Jan. 17.—The wreck of the British steamer Toleby, bound from Galveston, Tex., for Havre, which struck at Freshwater Point, near Cape Race, Monday night, began to go to pieces today, and much of her cargo of cotton was discovered by persons living near by and by lowering lines from the top of the cliff to the steamer's masts succeeded in rescuing Captain Payne and all his men.

FORESTERS WILL RESIST

The I. O. F. Sends a Strong Deputation to Ottawa, Re Insurance Law.

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 17 (Special)—Opposition to the provisions of the new insurance law to protect interests of members was decided upon at a meeting of the most prominent in the Independent Order of Foresters, held in the Temple building yesterday. Plans were worked out in detail for pointing out to the Dominion Government where the new law would be in the best interests of Canadians. A deputation composed of a representative from each part of Canada was appointed to see the government and left for Ottawa last night. The executive council of the order is well represented in Ottawa. Jan. 17 (Special)—E. G. Stevenson, supreme chief ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters, C. D. Clarke, superintendent of the province, R. Matheson, superintendent secretary; W. H. Hunter, superintendent, councillor; S. H. Pipe, secretary; Y. J. Forester, secretary, and a number of other representatives of the order are here today interviewing the financial minister and the superintendent of the insurance department in connection with the insurance bill. The objections of the order to the new law is that it would deprive the order of the right to create tables of mortality and that all new business must be conducted separately from the old. The great objection is to a division of the business. The representatives to see the government and to create two organizations and deprive the old members from any benefits of the money paid to obtain new business. It is contended that the bill as it now stands would mean practically that the society would have to go out of business.

WELL KNOWN RIVER PILOT VERY ILL

Alexander McAlroy, one of the oldest and best known St. John river pilots is critically ill at his home 133 Victoria St. north end. Though 81 years of age Mr. McAlroy has been remarkably active for a man of his years. He was about the river the past summer and in good health, up to within a few days ago. He has been confined to his bed. His condition today is reported as slightly improved.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. George W. Fleming was held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon from her late residence 137 Paradise Row. Services were conducted by Rev. R. P. McKim, rector of St. Luke's, and Rev. A. Gordon Dickie, pastor of St. Stephen's church. Interment was made in Fernhill cemetery. There were no pallbearers.

FIRE IN MONTREAL DOES DAMAGE

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THEY WANT \$200,000,000

NEW YORK, N. Y., Jan. 17.—Descendants of General James Eastman, of revolutionary fame, will, within a few days, hold a family council, at which time plans will be made to prove the right of the heirs to a fortune of \$200,000,000, which is said to be lying in the vaults of the Bank of England. The move is the result of the receipt of a letter from the trustees at London asking if the family intended making any further attempt to prove its right to the money. The last attempt to secure the fortune was made by Miss Clara Putnam, a descendant of General Eastman. She spent much time in securing the receipt of a letter from the trustees of the estate and when she had practically completed her work, all her papers were destroyed by fire. So great was the shock to her, that she died. Since then, nothing has been done by other members of the family.

THE DAMAGE IS \$250,000

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 17.—The Masonic Temple on North Charles street, between Lexington and Saratoga streets, was badly damaged by fire early today. The damage is estimated at \$250,000. The first floor of the structure was occupied by several stores, all of which were damaged by water. The upper floors were devoted to lodges, rooms, finished in marble and hardwoods, and the walls were decorated in oil colors. There were also in the building many rare and fine oil paintings. The loss on building and personal equipment was placed at \$250,000.

Mrs. A. P. Belyea

Word was received this morning by Theodore H. Belyea, of the inland revenue department at the customs house, of the death at McDonald's Point, Queen's Co. of his mother, Mrs. A. P. Belyea. Mrs. Belyea who was about 85 years of age had been ill for some time, and during the past three months was confined to her bed. Her death occurred at one o'clock this morning.

SAYS THAW WAS IRRATIONAL

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Miss Albee C. Fletcher of Washington, D. C., who said she had been a frequent visitor at the Thaw household in Pittsburgh, and had known Harry K. Thaw for 20 years, was the first witness at the latter's trial today. She declared that Thaw was an unusual child, nervous and moody, with wild and staring eyes. He seldom talked coherently and was unable to carry on a sustained conversation. Throughout the period you knew Harry Thaw did his acts and appearance impress you as rational or irrational?" asked Mr. Wadsworth.

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