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HON. H. R. EMMERSON IS TO BE HERE TOMORROW ANOTHER AWFUL MARINE DISASTER; STEAMER BERLIN SINKS WITH 141 SOULS

He Wires the Acting Mayor and President McRobbie of the Board of Trade That He Will Meet Them to Discuss Harbor Matters --- Meeting Called for 10 O'clock Tomorrow Morning.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 21. J. H. MCROBBIE, President Board of Trade.

I shall be glad to meet members of your board jointly with Mayor and council tomorrow Friday morning at ten o'clock on arrival train from Fredericton.

H. R. EMMERSON. The above telegram was received by Mr. McRobbie this morning and a like message was received by the acting mayor.

Members of the delegation which returned from Ottawa yesterday had a conference with Hon. Mr. Emmerson on the train, while he was coming to Fredericton and arranged for his visit here.

It is expected that tomorrow's meeting will have a very important bearing on the future of the port.

OH JOY! OH BLISS OH JOY! OH FUDGE Set Up a Loud and Joyous Shout, the Ludlow is Ready For the Route.

The ferry steamer Ludlow is ready to go on the route again and will probably take up her duties tomorrow afternoon. The inspectors went over the \$80,000 beauty at her berth in Rodney hospital and pronounced her cured. It was intended to start her at work today, but owing to the fog it was decided to take no chances, and she will probably make her appearance in public tomorrow for the first time in some months.

Many changes and numerous repairs have been made and it is now hoped she will be able to run for at least a week without trouble.

The old standby, the Western Extension, met with her last luck this morning as she was entering the west side flots jammed across the slip and it was about fifteen minutes before she could be extricated and get into her landing.

FISH MARKET IS BARE Great Scarcity Reported of Haddock and Finnan Haddies.

"The local market is practically bare of haddock, and finnan haddies, and I don't know that there has been such a scarcity during the twenty-seven years that I've been in the business," said a prominent fish dealer to a Times man this morning. The gentleman referred to also produced a telegram which read as follows: Westport, N. S., Feb. 21, 07. "No lobsters or haddies shipped this week. Bad weather."

Some lobsters may possibly arrive by the N. B. Southern from Chatham Harbor, but this is very uncertain. There are no harbor gaspans at present, and what are being sold are caught in the Kennebecasis.

Referring again to haddock, the dealer already quoted said he had received one thousand from Boston and these were the only fish of the kind on the market.

Prices are as follows: Cod, 5c; halibut, 15c; haddock, 6c; cod steak, 10c; mackerel, 15c; flounders, 8c; herring, 18 to 30c; a dozen; smelt, 15c; a pound; salmon (pickled), 12c; a pound; salmon (fresh) 15 to 20c; pickled trout, 12c; haddies, 9c; kippers, 30c; clams, 15c; bladders, 2c; and gaspans 7 cents.

LAURIER COMING HERE Premier Will Sail From St. John for England on April 5th.

Alderman Bullock, who returned from Ottawa yesterday, said he had been informed that Sir Wilfrid Laurier would sail from St. John on Friday, April 5, on one of the Engineers steamers for England, where he will attend the colonial conference in London.

While in Ottawa, Alderman Bullock, the mayor and others attended a meeting of the city council and were greatly interested in the proceedings. Many ladies were present, and standing room was at a premium.

No. 3 steam drum was ordered down at a 3 o'clock on Feb. 21, 1907.

LOOKING FOR LOST MONEY Canadian Express Company Officials Hunting for Missing Money Package --- A Bad Gang.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 21 (Special)—H. C. Creighton, district superintendent of the Canadian Express Company, and Mr. Paterson, of St. John, have been in Moncton and along the northern division of the I. C. R. the past few days investigating the mysterious disappearance of a money package, which has been missing for the past week.

The package which contained in the vicinity of \$100, was lost between Moncton and Campbellton. It is claimed it was put on No. 25 train at the station between here and Campbellton, and never reached its destination.

George Asprey, express agent, who it is alleged received the package has been suspended pending the investigation being made by the officials of the company. Albert McDermott, of Moncton, was arrested at Amherst by Inspector Jones on the charge of furnishing a revolver to the I. C. R. depot. After his arrest McDermott tried to break jail. When he appeared before Justice C. E. Casey he was sent up for trial on both charges.

McDermott is wanted by the police here on several petty charges. Other members of a local gang of shady ruffians who are wanted on the charge of swindling a boy and stealing a quantity of champagne are said to be in Amherst.

THE WINSLOW-RICHARDS CASE The Winslow-Richards case was continued in the equity court yesterday afternoon, when Arthur S. Potter, of Pittsburg, was examined. At 3 o'clock adjournment was made until Saturday morning, when Mr. Potter's testimony will be resumed.

Mr. Potter said the sale of the Richards property was effected through him, he having negotiated the transfer with Hugh J. Chisholm, who represented the International Paper Company, that when he went to Chatham the option of Mr. Winslow, in which Messrs. Winslow and W. A. Atken were interested, had five years to run, and he would have nothing to do with the sale of the property till the option was exercised. He also produced the written options given him. He swore that Mr. Winslow was not known at all in the transaction beyond being employed by him to act as attorney and draw up certain documents for which he agreed to pay Mr. Winslow \$250, that sum he was ready and willing to pay at any time.

Mr. Potter said that as his remuneration he had received \$25,000 in cash and \$75,000 in bonds.

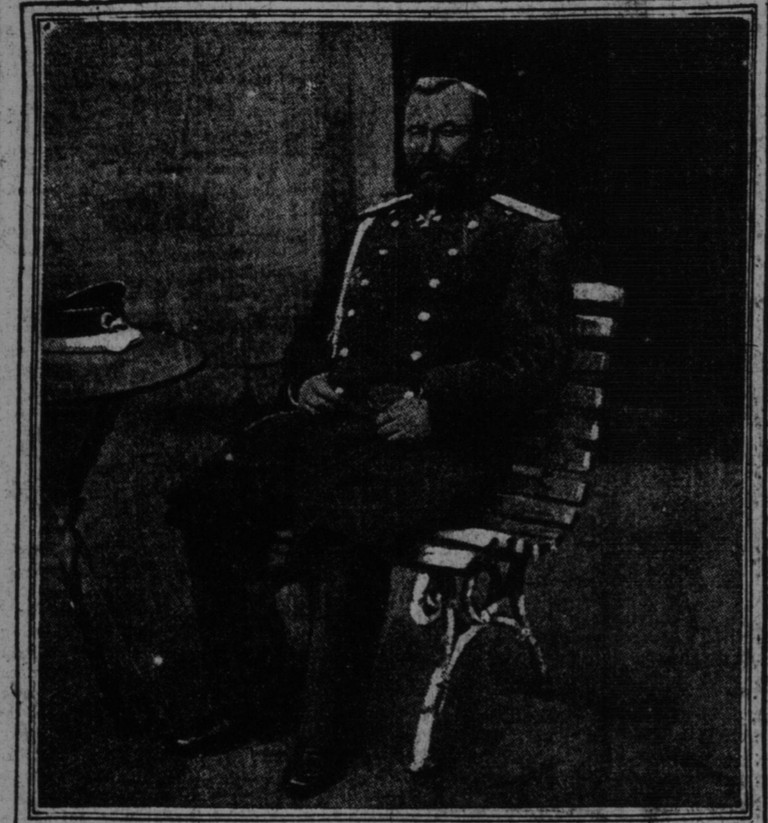
BANK OF ENGLAND LONDON, Feb. 21.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve increased, £1,372,000; circulation, £1,293,000; other securities increased, £2,307,000; other deposits increased, £2,820,000; public deposits increased, £1,824,000; reserve increased, £1,181,000; government securities unchanged.

MONTREAL STOCKS MONTREAL, Feb. 21.—(Special)—Dealing in stocks today was in small volume with only price change of note an easier feeling in Rio Bonds, which sold at 77 1/2 to 78, while Scotia Steel was quiet but firm at 79, while Dominion Iron at 72 and preferred at 56 were steady. Twin City was strong at 104 and Mackay at 74.

A rather mysterious individual arrived here on the C. P. R. Tuesday night and, although he desired to proceed to the States, he was stopped here by U. S. Immigration Inspector Miller, who claims it is impossible to get any information as to the history of the stranger. The new arrival speaks very poor English, and he asked Officer Collins of the I. C. R., to purchase a ticket for him. He had over \$400 in his possession, and as he would give no account of himself and had been drinking, the officer refused to purchase the ticket, and Inspector Miller refused to pass him. The rather singular individual has not been seen about the depot since, and it is presumed that he worked his way through in some manner.

There is a man in this city who wishes that he had taken better care of his "veal" than he did, while traveling from Saskatoon to Winnipeg. Charles Simpson notified the conductor of his loss and on arriving here informed Policeman Smith of the I. C. R. Simpson will sail for Liverpool tomorrow.

Russia's Late Commander, Who Assails Subordinates.



GENERAL KURAPATKIN.

General Kurapatkin's history, the Japanese, and to the courage of the men of his own army, but of many of his subordinates, to the defeat of his country. He gives high praise to his late enemies, the Japanese, and to the courage of the men of his own army, but of many of his subordinates, to the defeat of his country.

NEW BRUNSWICK TO HAVE A FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

This Was the Purport of a Recommendation Submitted at This Morning's Session of the Forestry Convention-- Interesting Paper Read.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 21.—(Special)—At this morning's session of the Forestry convention, Hon. J. P. Burchell, from the Canadian Forestry Association in affiliation with the Canadian Forestry Association on terms to be hereafter agreed upon and having for its object the obtaining and disseminating of information with the view of protecting the lumber lands of the province from undue and unnecessary exhaustion in the process of lumbering therein, from destruction from fires, but the planting of shade trees, the growth of trees on the banks of rivers and along the sides of highways and also to influence the department of education to introduce lessons whereby the scholars may be taught the need of forest protection, reforestation and things necessary to be done in preserving the trees of the country for economic and picturesque purposes." (Sgd.) A. P. Burchell, chairman.

Speaker Robinson made a short address and also read an interesting communication from Prof. Andrews of Mt. Allison University, approving of forestry convention. Mr. Robinson expressed the opinion that the province of New Brunswick did not derive sufficient revenue from its crown lands.

James Beveridge read an able paper on "the dependence of business interests on forests," making a strong plea on behalf of the pulp industry.

W. B. Snowball, who also read a paper, quoted figures to show that the lumbering industry was worth directly ten millions a year to this province.

H. M. Price, of Quebec, spoke enthusiastically on the lumbermen's interests in the preservation of the forests. He felt sure that the convention would awaken great interest in forest preservation.

William Power, M. P. for Quebec West, delivered an impromptu address and was given a hearty welcome.

The forenoon session closed with a paper on the protection and preservation of forests, by A. E. Hanson.

RYAN, will accompany him. Evangelistic services are in progress at Middle Sackville with very encouraging results. The pastor, Rev. E. L. Steeves, is assisted by Revs. Nobles, Bool and Colpits.

WEDDINGS Lemont—Pinder FREDERICTON, Feb. 21.—(Special)—W. Brunswick Lemont, son of William Lemont, and Miss Ida Pinder, a third daughter of Jas. K. Pinder, ex-M.P.P. of Temperance Vale, were quietly married this afternoon at the home of the bride's brother-in-law, Dr. H. McNally, of this city.

The policemen's sports will positively be held tonight.

Richard Cooper, the aged and afflicted colored man who has been in jail charged with vagrancy, has been taken out by relatives who will care for him.

Keneth Townshend, clerk in the Bank of Montreal, has been transferred to Newfoundland. Mr. Townshend received word of his promotion yesterday and after visiting his people at Amherst for a day, will leave for his new field of labor. He went to Amherst today.

Admiral Glasgow is all smiles today. He says the Ludlow is quite chippy, and likely to run until she breaks down again. This definite announcement will afford great pleasure to all patrons of the route.

Hook of Holland the Scene of Terrible Accident

---Steamer Berlin Struck Jetty, Broke in Two and Went Down --- One Saved Out of 141 People on Board--Heavy Wind Drove Steamer Ashore and Mountainous Seas Made Aid Impossible.

ROTTERDAM, Feb. 21.—A disastrous steamship wreck attended with great loss of life, occurred today off the north pier of the Hook of Holland, when the Great Eastern Railway Company's steamer, Berlin, bound from Harwich to the Hook of Holland, was lost. All on board, 141 persons, of whom 91 were passengers, were drowned.

The wreck occurred at 5 o'clock this morning during a terrific south-westerly gale. The steamer struck the north jetty while trying to enter the narrow waterway at the Hook of Holland. She broke in two forward and sank while the passengers and crew gathered at and vainly attempted to use the life-boats. One person was saved and 25 bodies have been washed ashore. The Berlin was a British steamer, 322 feet long, and of 1776 tons. The ship was commanded by Capt. Precious and was built in 1884.

Opera Singers Drowned LONDON, Feb. 21.—The Great Eastern Railway Company officials confirm the loss of the steamer Berlin with all on board, including the opera company. The Berlin carried passengers and crew to the number of 141. Among those drowned are nineteen members of the German Opera Company, who had just concluded their season at Covent Garden; Arthur Herbert, one of the king's messengers, who was journeying to the continent, was also lost.

The manager of the Covent Garden Theatre confirmed the statement that 19 members of the German Opera Company left last night on the steamer Berlin. "So far as we know," he said, "these did not include any of the star artists, as the party was made up of members of the chorus returning to their homes. They made arrangements directly with the railway company, so that we are not just able to give an exact list of their names."

The disaster has aroused the most intense alarm among the other members of the company owing to the friendships and relationships existing.

Story of Disaster The Berlin left Harwich at 10 o'clock last night upon the arrival there of the London train, with the greater number of passengers, who subsequently lost their lives.

While trying to make the Hook of Holland, a great gale was blowing in the North Sea, but the weather was no worse than on the previous night, when other vessels made the trip without mishap. The Berlin was entering the waterway. However, she apparently became unmanageable on account of the force of the wind and was driven ashore. The alarm was given and lifeboats from the shore proceeded to the assistance of the stricken steamer, but the seas were so high that the boats were unable to approach the vessel close enough to take off any passengers or crew, and the life-boat men had to stay helpless while the steamer pounded until she broke in two.

Every Soul Carried Down Every soul on board was carried down. She apparently struck amidships, as her forepart broke off and sank immediately, while her afterpart could be seen for a considerable time afterwards. The waterway in which the disaster occurred is a new one on the north side of the pier and railroad station.

The vessel must have been within a few minutes of tying up after her rough passage across the North Sea when she was overtaken by the disaster. Land was but a few yards away and except in the roughest weather, those on board the Berlin could have been rescued without difficulty especially as the waterway is navigable at all tides.

The Berlin was a steel steamer, only 12 years old, and popular with travellers to the north of Europe. In summer she usually was crowded with passengers, but at this time of the year her average was about as it was last night, the number being about equally divided between first and second class.

Names of Lost Unknown An employee of the railroad who saw the steamer train off at the Liverpool street station last night, said he thought there were more first than second class passengers, most of them commercial men or persons having professional engagements on the continent, or inhabitants of Northern Europe returning from business trips to Great Britain.

Much difficulty is met with in obtaining the names of passengers, the tickets having been obtained from many different agents, while some of the travellers may have had return tickets. The only names the company are sure of are those who secured reserve berths, and the company's agents are being asked to send in immediately to headquarters the names of all such persons. The crew, who total 60, are mostly Englishmen from Liverpool.

Another Estimate ROTTERDAM, Feb. 21.—The agents of the company say, that while not positive, they think the steamer carried about 120 passengers and crew.

A BIG FIRE IN PICTOU PICTOU, Feb. 21.—(Special)—Henderson's block, Water street, was destroyed by fire this morning. Among the places burned were Henderson's shoe store, Skinner & Higginson's hardware, L.O.P. hall, Masonic hall, Cameron's tin shop, R. Perrin, tailor; Wm. McDonald's law office, central office of the N. S. Tel. Co., J. B. Harty's office. Most of the places were covered by insurance.

A SMASH UP ON WABASH ROAD WINDSOR, Feb. 21.—(Special)—In a blinding snow storm the Wabash passenger train, No. 15, from Buffalo to Chicago, crashed into another passenger train one and one half miles west of Belle river, about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Upwards of a dozen passengers on both trains were more or less injured, but none fatally. Some sustained broken ribs and dislocated shoulders.

G. T. P. MAY GET IT ALL OTTAWA, Feb. 21.—(Special)—It looks as if the G. T. P. was going to get the most, if not all, of the contract, for which tenders were recently called, on the Trans-Continental Railway.

The case of Daly vs Brown in re the goods of Paul Daly, a St. John case, was argued in the supreme court today.

FUNERALS The funeral of the late Miss Edith Thompson will take place this afternoon at Chatham Harbor at 3 o'clock. Rev. Mr. McIntyre will read the burial service and interment will be made in the family lot.

The funeral of the late J. M. Wright will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence at Pleasant Point. Rev. F. S. Bishop will conduct the burial service and interment will be made at Cedar Hill.

Rev. D. Hutchinson will give a lecture, "From Ocean to Ocean," under the auspices of La Tour Section, T. of L., in Ludlow street Baptist church this evening.

A Briar Island despatch states that a C. P. R. steamer passed inward at one o'clock. Probably the Montfort from Bristol.

The death occurred this morning at 3 o'clock, of Mrs. Elizabeth McKee, aged 33 years at her residence 30 Cedar road. The late George McKee, who was employed with the I. C. R., was the husband of Mrs. McKee.

E. L. Rising arrived today on the Atlantic express.

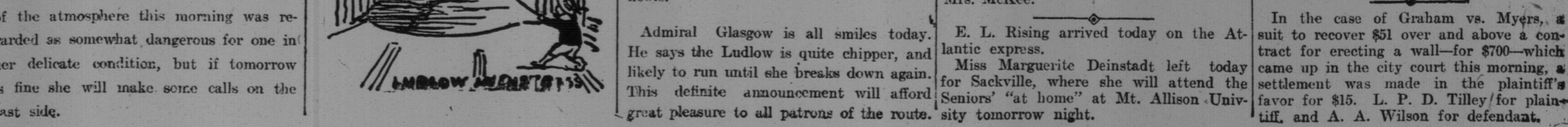
Miss Marguerite Deinstadt left today for Sackville, where she will attend the Seniors' "at home" at Mt. Allison University tomorrow night.

In the case of Graham vs Myers, a suit to recover \$51 over and above a contract for erecting a wall for \$700—which came up in the city court this morning, a settlement was made in the plaintiff's favor for \$15. L. P. D. Tilly for plaintiff and A. A. Wilson for defendant.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

GO NOT, HAPPY DAY.

Oh, joy, joy! The Ludlow is at last able to be out again. A consultation was held yesterday, and it was decided by seven physicians and eleven nurses that she might go out for a spell today if the weather was fine. The murky condition of the atmosphere this morning was regarded as somewhat dangerous for one in her delicate condition, but if tomorrow fine she will make some calls on the east side.



Wm Lung will now go into hospital for a few weeks--or perhaps only for a few days. She needs a rest. Crossing the harbor this morning she had a faint spell just as she reached the west side flots, and it took many men with jacks-poles fifteen minutes to get her in to the flots.

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