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RAIN FALL IS WORTH MILLIONS

at Crop of the West Saved and Wheat is Improved

GIVEN A NEW START

Cats Were in Poor Shape to Weather the Recent Drouth, But Rain, Which Has Fallen Copiously in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, Will Do Much.

(Special to The Telegraph.)

Winnipeg, Aug. 12.—Steady rains, worth millions of dollars to the western farmers, all during the last twenty-four hours through the greater part of Southern and Central Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and should prove a potent factor in saving the oat crop, which has been seriously affected by continuous drouth.

Probably the rain added two or three bushels an acre to much of the spring wheat crop which was not too far advanced to benefit. It is only on the light lands where cultivation is poor that spring wheat showed the full effects of the drouth by ripening in the straw before the ear was matured.

The heavy precipitation will fatten out the berries in the wheat not due for cutting for a week or more, but its most salutary effect will be on the oat crop, which in many parts looked like being the biggest failure in several years. Oats had not sufficient start to weather successfully the four weeks' drouth and blistering heat, and, consequently, headed out with the straw so short as to make it difficult to cut, while the grain was undeveloped and starved.

The plentiful rainfall will give the crop another start, and should bring the general oat average up to a respectable figure, if not up to the average of the past decade. Without rain the oat crop must have been a sad failure.

Frost is reported today from a number of districts though no reports of damage have been received. At Selkirk the temperature was 27, at Quappelle 30, at Assiniboia 31, at Saskatoon and Hamilton at Humboldt, Regina, Indian Head, and Pierson 33 and at Brandon

POISONED BY CANNED FOOD IN QUEBEC CAMP

Colonel Henderson, of the 48th Highlanders, Dies in Toronto—Was Inland Revenue Deputy Collector.

Toronto, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Lieut. Colonel Wilbur Henderson died at his residence here today. Colonel Henderson, who was second in command of the 48th Highlanders, accompanied his regiment to the tercentenary celebration at Quebec, and his death is attributed to poisoning contracted from canned food eaten in camp.

His condition became much worse yesterday and death resulted this morning. He was fifty-two years of age, and leaves his wife, a son, and daughter. Lieut. Colonel A. G. Henderson, of Sussex avenue, is a brother. Colonel Henderson was a school teacher in Ontario, and came to Toronto about twenty years ago. He was deputy collector in the inland revenue department. His interests were always most keen in military matters.

Hon. G. E. Foster at Windsor.

Windsor, N. S., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Hon. G. E. Foster addressed a large meeting here tonight and was given a good reception. He was accompanied on the platform by F. W. Henright, Conservative candidate for Hants. Mr. Foster dwelt on the tremendous importance of the maintenance of political honor. He assailed the government in a long speech. He will speak in Westville tomorrow.

PASSENGERS DON LIFE BELTS WHEN THE HENRY F. EATON STARTS TO FILL

Steamer, With St. John People Among Those on Board, Strikes on Deer Island—Run Ashore Above Eastport and Loss of Life Averted—Damage Not Serious.

(Special to The Telegraph.)

St. Stephen, N. B., Aug. 13.—The steamer Henry F. Eaton, owned by the Frontier Steamboat Company, and for several years on the route between Calais and Eastport, ran on Clam Cove Head, Deer Island, this morning in a thick fog. She came off in a few minutes and began to fill.

Captain White hoped he might reach Eastport, about three miles distant, but the water rose so rapidly that the seventy-five passengers, some of them St. John people, put on life preservers and the captain headed the boat for the United States shore and ran her on the beach in Johnston's Cove, about two miles above Eastport, when all the passengers were safely landed.

The "Eaton" is a comparatively new boat, having been built in Portland (Me.) about five years ago. When the tide went out, examination showed two planks broken. Temporary repairs were made and the steamer is expected to return to Calais tonight under

HARVESTERS FROM HERE RAISE RIOT IN ONTARIO

Loot Hotel of \$1,000 Worth of Liquors and Cigars, Steal Carload of Beer, Take Charge of Train and Wreck Station Agent's House—Arrests Made.

(Special to The Telegraph.)

North Bay (Ont.), Aug. 13.—Two excursion trains with harvesters from the maritime provinces were stalled at Chalk river for some hours today in consequence of a slight freight wreck ahead. During their stay in Chalk river the hotel was looted, the proprietor carried outside and more than \$1,000 worth of liquors and cigars carried off on the excursion train. Even the cellar was ransacked and a carload of beer in kegs stolen.

On the train riotous scenes ensued, the water tanks being emptied and filled with beer. Fighting became general and one man had his nose split and sustained other injuries. One policeman was with each train, but no attention was paid to him.

At MacKie's station the excursionists amused themselves by wrecking the furniture in the station agent's house and otherwise misbehaving. At North Bay the police force and citizens were ready for any trouble that might arise and the first sign of disorder resulted in arrests which put a damper on the hooliganism.

STRIKERS IN MONTREAL ARRESTED

Two Taken in Charge, One for Intimidation and Obstruction, the Other for Trespass—More Men in West Toronto Yards—The Settlement Talk.

(Special to The Telegraph.)

Montreal, Aug. 13.—The first arrests in the C. P. R. strike were made this afternoon, when two of the strikers were taken into custody for interfering with work returning from work at the Angus shops.

Since the strike started the men who stayed at work have been brought back to the city on a special train, which left them off at various points, stopping at the Place Viger Station. In this way the returning workers avoid the pickets around the works.

The strikers, however, have tried to meet the men as they get off the train, and this afternoon several of them gathered at Hochelaga and started to argue with the returning mechanics. They were ordered by special constables to move on, and all did so except a striking machinist named Max Giroux, who became rather violent in his language and was promptly arrested charged with intimidation and obstructing the street. He was later freed on \$50 bail.

Another striker, Max Bourneky, invaded the Place Viger station for the same purpose, and was promptly arrested under a charge of trespassing on C. P. R. property. He was later let out on \$100 bail. The strikers are indignant over the arrests, claiming that there was no justification for them. The men will come up for preliminary hearing tomorrow.

C. P. R. Gets More Men

Toronto, Aug. 13 (Special).—Fifty more men were run into the West Toronto yards today by the C. P. R. This morning there are now 200 men in the yards. The company officials say they have nearly ordered by special constables to move on, and all did so except a striking machinist named Max Giroux, who became rather violent in his language and was promptly arrested charged with intimidation and obstructing the street. He was later freed on \$50 bail.

Killed by Eating Toadstools.

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 13.—Henry Jarrell, 35 years old, of Baltimore (Md.), his wife, Mrs. Lillian Jarrell, also about 35 years old, wife of J. Oscar Jarrell, of this city, are dead, and Mrs. Jarrell's husband and her mother, Mrs. Margaret M. Scheib, are critically ill from the effects of ptomaine poisoning, resulting from eating toadstools picked by mistake for mushrooms last Sunday.

DIVORCE IS MADE ABSOLUTE

Marriage of Alice Thaw and Earl of Yarmouth Nullified

RESUME HER OWN NAME

Action Taken by British Divorce Court, Six Months Having Elapsed After Granting of Decree—Harry Thaw Formally Adjudged a Bankrupt.

(Special to The Telegraph.)

London, Aug. 13.—The decree granted on Feb. 5, by Sir Gorell Barnes, president of the divorce court, to the Countess of Yarmouth, who was Miss Alice Thaw, of Pittsburgh, nullifying her marriage to the Earl of Yarmouth, has been made an absolute divorce by the court, the necessary six months having elapsed.

The case is described on the records as "Yarmouth, otherwise Thaw, vs. Yarmouth." This leads to the presumption that the countess contemplated resuming her maiden name.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 12.—Harry K. Thaw was formally adjudged a bankrupt today by referee in bankruptcy, W. R. Blair. This action was a surprise, as United States Commissioner William T. Lindsay had set Aug. 21 as the date for the adjudication. No explanation of the change of plans has been made. The referee has not announced the date of the first meeting of Thaw's creditors. Under the law this must be held not sooner than ten days and within ten days. An effort will be made to bring Thaw to Pittsburg for the first meeting of creditors and unless District Attorney James W. Elmer is able to prevent his coming, it is believed Thaw will be in Pittsburg within thirty days.

With regard to the trouble between the C.N.R. and its employees, it is learned that prior to the present schedule coming into effect on May 1, the men in the habit of getting an extra hour's pay a week as they left work at 4 o'clock on Saturday, but were paid until 5 p.m. There were a number of important concessions like this, such as free transportation, which were not specifically mentioned in the new schedule and the men say a letter was written by the company in which they agreed that all the conditions not mentioned in the schedule were to obtain as previously. The extra hour has been cut out by the company and some trouble has resulted. It is not expected that any serious results will follow although the men consider the present time a favorable one to press for settlement.

The conclusion of a modus vivendi between Great Britain and the United States governing the Newfoundland fisheries and the rights of American fishermen means that friction in Newfoundland waters will be avoided until a settlement of the entire question, which is of long standing, is had before the Hague tribunal. The dispute arises over the contention of the Americans who claim the same rights to fish in Newfoundland that are possessed by British subjects, basing their claim on the fisheries treaty of 1818. The Americans claim also that the same rights apply to Canadian waters.

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Major A. H. Belyea and master electrician, Sergeant C. H. Jones, attached to the Presidio military forces were killed today when they were thrown from a runabout automobile which was crushed between cars running in opposite directions at Market street and Van Ness avenue.

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GOVERNMENT TO BUILD CHUTES TO NEW WHARVES

Grain Conveyors for C. P. R. Elevator to New Berths to Be Constructed for Next Winter's Business—Estimate Places Cost at \$90,000, But the Matter is Now Being Worked Out.

(Special to The Telegraph.)

Ottawa, Aug. 12.—Hon. Mr. Pugsley, minister of public works, is arranging to have grain conveyors built from the C. P. R. elevator at Sand Point to the new wharves. An estimate places the cost at about \$90,000. Representatives of the Allan Line this evening had an interview with the minister on the matter. After the interview Mr. Pugsley gave out the following statement:— "The city corporation at St. John has recently built two fine wharves on the north side of Sand Point suitable for the accommodation of the turbines of the Allan Line and other large ocean steamers, but they are not provided with grain conveyors and unless these are furnished the steamers would be obliged to do without grain cargoes or move across the slip to the wharves allotted to the C. P. R. steamers.

"As a new conveyor will have to be built all the way from the C. P. R. elevator to the new wharves the job will be an expensive one, the cost as estimated by Mr. McNicol, vice president of the C. P. R., being about \$90,000. The C. P. R. are not willing to incur the expense as they did not own the wharves; the Allan Company could not be expected to do so and as the city had already expended so large a sum in equipping the port it had not felt justified in making the expenditure.

"In view of the possible large movement of grain through the port of St. John during the coming winter consequent on the splendid crop likely to be harvested in the west I have felt that it would be a serious detriment not only to the port of St. John but to the Canadian grain trade if adequate facilities were not provided. I have therefore, taken the matter up with Mr. McNicol, of the C. P. R., who is having plans and specifications prepared and will give me a close estimate of the cost in a day or two and in a very short time expect to be in a position to complete arrangements for the commencement of work so as to provide those necessary facilities for next winter's business."

Comparatively few people witnessed it. The following officers were elected:— Supreme grand master, A. A. Campbell, of London, re-elected; deputy grand master, L. B. Archibald, of Truro (N. S.), re-elected; grand chancellor, W. H. White, of Montreal, re-elected; grand chaplain, Rev. James Irving, of Vancouver; grand constable, Charles H. Collins, of Toronto; grand marshal, T. Harriman, of Niagara Falls; grand treasurer, C. F. Mansel, of Toronto; grand registrar, C. K. Vanlan of Sarnia.

Grand Council elected, W. P. Brice, Toronto; P. D. Gordon, Montreal; D. A. Young, Montreal; H. E. Chanek, Stanstead (Que.); O. S. Hillman, Hamilton; appointed by grand master, E. Van B. Binsy, Yarmouth (N. S.); A. MacComb, Toronto; W. H. G. Garrioch, Ottawa; Charles McFarlane, London; All Savage, Niagara Falls.

Provincial priors were elected as follows:—London, Dr. Leitch, St. Thomas; Hamilton, W. J. Stevenson, Guelph; Toronto, J. C. Irvine, Barrie; Kingston and Ottawa, Abram Shaw, Kingston; Quebec, Charles R. Cornell, Montreal; New Brunswick, A. R. Campbell, St. John; Nova Scotia, A. G. McLean, Sydney; Manitoba, S. T. Hanscomb, Winnipeg; British Columbia, A. P. Grace, Cranbrook; Prince Edward Island, George J. Lane, Charlottetown; Alberta, J. W. Morgan, Port Arthur; Alberta, A. R. Duncan, Edmonton.

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KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CHOOSE TRURO

Meeting of 1909 to Be Held in the Nova Scotia Town

OFFICERS ELECTED

Grand Master Chosen for Another Term—A. R. Campbell Prior for New Brunswick—Wet Weather Spoils Programme in Toronto, But Parade Takes Place.

(Special to The Telegraph.)

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 13.—Truro (N. S.) was chosen today by the Dominion Priory Knights Templar for the next meeting place of the priory. Owing to wet weather today the templars' manoeuvres were gone through in the armories building which was placed at their disposal by General Cotton. The parade was at first called off on account of the rain but took place later in the day. Comparatively few people witnessed it.

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HEAVY ELECTRICAL STORM IN MAINE

One Man Killed; Cattle, Horses and Buildings Burned; Trolley Service, Telephone and Telegraph Work Seriously Hampered—Heavy Rainfall, Also.

FIXED UP TO AWAIT DECISION AT HAGUE

Modus Vivendi Regarding Newfoundland Fisheries Concluded.

McGUIGAN GETS IT

Will Build Line for Transmission of Electric Power from Niagara Falls for \$1,270,000.

Toronto, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—The Hydro-Electric Power Commission today awarded the contract for construction of a transmission line for electric power to A. H. McGuigan, formerly of the Grand Trunk. The price is \$1,270,000. The line is to be 293 miles in length and is to extend from Niagara Falls to Toronto and thence to St. Thomas.

To cover the distance, 3,176 steel towers sixty-six feet high will be necessary. These will cost \$621,000. The wire to carry the power will be aluminum and will be manufactured by the Northern Aluminum Company at Shawinigan Falls (Que.) Five hundred and seven tons of it will be required.

The work must be completed within fifteen months. It will begin as soon as details of arrangements can be completed. Altogether twenty-seven tenders were entered, fifteen for towers, five for cables, five for the transmission line and two bulk tenders. When everything was estimated it was considered that the tender accepted was fully half a million dollars lower than the next one.

Springfield, Mass., Aug. 13.—Nearly 200 brassy oarsmen, representing thirty clubs in this country and Canada, will match their aquatic skill on the Connecticut during the next two days in the national regatta.

There will be fourteen events. The championship race overhauleds the other events. Champion Harry Bennett, of the Springfield Boat Club, who won at Philadelphia last year, will defend his title on his own water this year, against Frank B. Greer, of Boston, the 1906 champion. Fred Shephard, of Brooklyn, and Duranda Miller, of New York, former titleholders.

All the races, with the exception of the eight-oared events, will be a mile and a half with a turn.

Word was received tonight that, owing to poor railroad arrangements, the two Toronto oarsmen would be unable to attend. Among the clubs which will be represented is the St. Mary's Athletic Association of Halifax.

THREE WORLD'S RECORDS BROKEN

Queenstown, Aug. 13.—Prior to sailing for New York several of the athletes who recently competed in the Olympic games at London, gave an exhibition on the promenade quay here tonight and in each of the event established new records. Ralph Rose, of San Francisco, put the 16-pound shot 31 feet, 14 inches; Walsh, of Canada, threw the 56-pound weight for height, 16 feet 33 inches, and John Flanagan, Irish-American A. C., threw the 56-pound weight 33 feet 3 inches.

NASTY WORK GOING ON AT SUSSEX

Sussex, Aug. 13.—Early this morning there was another false alarm and the firemen were given a run for nothing. It has also been discovered that unknown persons have been tampering with the fire apparatus and some of the nuts on the wagons have been interfered with. An investigation will be commenced.

Papke Defeats Two.

Boston, Aug. 13.—"Bill" Papke, of Illinois, made short work of two bouts at the Army Athletic Club's meet tonight. John Carroll, of Brooklyn, was so severely punished in the second round that the referee stopped the fight. In the second bout Frank Mantelle, of Pawtucket, went down and out in the first.

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WOMAN TO PRISON FOR SIX MONTHS

FOR LIQUOR SELLING ON THE G. T. P.

Commissioner Farris Deals With Several Cases at Edmundston and Perth—Two Offences in Some Cases—One Man Charged Has Left the Country.

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