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REST MAN WHO HAD MONA LISA

Merly Was An Employee In The Louvre

ORY OF THE RECOVERY

From Him Believed at First Iven by Madam, But Facts Show That He Had, the Stolen

(Canadian Press) Florence, Italy, Dec. 13.—"Mona Lisa," the world's most famous painting, which was stolen from the Louvre, in Paris, more than two years ago, has been found. It is now in the hands of an Italian, and will be returned to France.

It is the most celebrated portrait of a woman ever painted. The mystery of its disappearance from the Louvre, its subsequent recovery, and the strange situation of the smile of the woman portrayed have combined to keep it in the public eye.

The picture was recovered under circumstances which are being investigated by the Italian authorities. An Italian, who is believed to be the man who stole the picture, was arrested in Florence.

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NORTH END MAN IS KILLED IN THE STATES

Arthur Leach Was Coming Home To Brother For Xmas

Was Structural Ironworker and Left Here in May—Three Weeks Ago Went to Ohio, Where He Met Death

Word has been received here telling of the death of Arthur E. Leach, a former resident of the North End. He was killed in Lorainville, Ohio, on last Thursday.

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CONDENSED DESPATCHES

The by-election in Macdonald constituency, Manitoba, is taking place today. Mr. Manic O'Connor, rector of the Catholic church in Harrison, N. J., who has been a benevolent dictator of the community for thirty years, died yesterday.

After disregarding two "black-chand" demands for money, Giuseppe Cuccia, a wealthy retired contractor of New York, was shot and killed last evening by an assassin who escaped.

A lone bandit held up the messenger in the express car of a Southern Pacific train near a station in California, secured \$4,000 and escaped. He missed a shipment of \$100,000, which had been changed to another train.

Six teams were tied in the six-day bicycle race in New York at the close of the first day. They were twelve miles ahead of the record.

PERSONALS

Mrs. H. W. Reed, of Stonehaven, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Willard Smith, King street east.

Miss Ella Crandall, of Wolfville, who has been visiting Mrs. T. J. Gunn, left last night for Boston en route to Honolulu, where she is engaged in teaching at Oahu College.

G. F. McLean of the staff of Macdougall Brothers Co. is reported to be in his home in Wentworth street but is reported today to be doing as well as could be expected.

THE STEAMERS

The South African steamer Kwana, Captain Davies, arrived this morning from Shields in ballast and will leave for South Africa.

R. M. S. Victoria, of the Allan Line is expected off Partridge Island about eight o'clock this evening.

NEW CHINESE CONSUL IN OTTAWA

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Yang Seven, who will succeed Du Hing Tien as Chinese Consul general to Canada, arrived in Ottawa yesterday. He is about forty years of age and was formerly consul general to the Philippine Islands.

Commissioner McLellan Reports On Police Department Inquiry

Analysis of the Evidence and Comments on Testimony of Policemen, Citizens and Chief—A Drastic Presentation of Case From Mr. McLellan's Viewpoint

At a special meeting of the common council this morning, Commissioner McLellan presented his report on his inquiry into the police department, as follows:

The Mayor and Commissioners of the City of St. John, N. B., Sirs:—In compliance with the resolution passed by this board on the seventh day of April last, in which I was authorized to hold an investigation under the provisions of Section 3 of the Act of Assembly 88 Victoria, Chapter 46, into the management of the police department of the City of Saint John, the enforcement of the rules and regulations governing same, and the enforcement of law so far as the same relates to the present chief of police of the City of Saint John, I have held an investigation and herewith beg leave to submit my report for your consideration.

Believing that the public was entitled to hear the evidence as adduced at the previous investigation, by which it might determine whether the deductions made by me at the close of that investigation were correct, I have attempted to follow as closely as possible the line of question which I had previously pursued.

PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT SET UP

Mayor Opposes—Police Inquiry Report Brings Some Pointed Remarks at Council Meeting

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Commissioner McLellan announced in favor of the purchase of both, and Commissioner Wigmore agreed also. Mayor Frink said that the first steam pump for the city fire department was bought in 1864, by joint vote of the then aldermen. Another was bought in 1865, and all three are still in use.

On account of the absence of Mayor Frink, Commissioner Agar amended his motion, and moved that the report should be laid over until the meeting of December 18, when all the commissioners could be present.

Commissioner Schofield said that they should give the government another opportunity to act, in order that there might be no question where the responsibility lay.

Commissioner McLellan—The impression has gone abroad that the mayor, in offering to take over the police department, was causing me. Anything I did I did for the best interests of the city and the department.

ANOTHER FARM HERE SOLD TO WESTERNERS

Alfred Burley and Company announce the sale of another New Brunswick farm to a westerner. The purchaser is J. W. Shaw, of Lethbridge, Alberta. He has bought the H. C. Mott farm of 100 acres, with house and barns, at Young's Cove, on Grand Lake. He will take possession in March and begin general farming.

Cut Down More Than Half

Toronto, Dec. 13.—Net returns of the Ontario government from the Terminating and Northern Ontario Railway for the year ended October 31 last show a serious falling off in revenue. The amount paid to the provincial treasurer on the year's operations is \$200,000. For 1912 it was \$510,000, preceding year, \$310,000, the highest on record.

STRICKEN WITH DEATH HERE ON WAY HOME

Bogdan Was On Way to Old Land For Christmas

Seized With Hemorrhage on Train Here and Expired in a Few Minutes—Had Come Here From Indiana

Lighthearted and gay as any amongst the large number of passengers on a special train from the west for Halifax, Tuon Bogdan, aged forty-eight, a forger on his way to his native place in the old country to spend Christmas at home, was suddenly seized with hemorrhage here today, and died in a few moments.

He reached the city on a special train early this morning. He had intended going through to Halifax on one to take passage on the steamer Empress of Ireland going to Liverpool, thence via Hamburg to Kolosvar. Upon his passing away this morning, Conover Roberts was summoned and gave permission for removal of the body. It was taken to Chamberlain's undertaking rooms. The C. P. R. passenger department has wired to Indiana in the hope of notifying relatives there about the man's death.

BRITISH POLITICS

London, Dec. 13.—The South Lanchester election caused by the death of Sir Walter Mendel, resulted as follows: Hon. W. Watson, Unionist 4387; G. Morrison, Lib. 4061; T. C. G. Lasky, 1674. Unionist plurality, 261. The seat had been Liberal since 1906, but there have been three candidates in the last four elections.

The Liberals say the result is an endorsement of the government's Irish policy, as both Liberal and Labor candidates were home rulers.

DENY THAT HOME RULE CONFERENCES ARE ON

London, Dec. 13.—Regarding the announcement by the Times yesterday that conferences between party leaders are proceeding on the Ulster question, the London correspondents of the Liberal and Conservative newspapers and the Manchester Guardian and Conservative Yorkshire Post, who are invariably well informed, both give denial to the story.

The Post goes further and says there is no prospect of any immediate negotiations.

NEW APPLIANCES AT THE SYDNEY STEEL WORKS

Sydney, Dec. 13.—The Dominion Iron and Steel Company are preparing to install a new heating furnace in their rolling mill department, with a view of increasing the output of soft steel, also new tables are soon to be put in the rolling mill to replace those in use for a long period. These and other preparations are to be undertaken in the near future.

HALF-MILLION BABES FEWER THAN SHOULD BE

London, Dec. 13.—An announcement which struck "cold to the heart," said R. P. & W. Starr, 4000 tons of coal on Thursday night, was that there was a shortage of 500,000 babies. This was one of the worst symptoms of modern civilization.

THE CRIBS

Men are at work on Nos. 9 and 10 cribs taking soundings to ascertain to what extent they were damaged, but a complete survey has not yet been made. It has been found that No. 10 was torn away about thirty-five feet from the top, which would leave only the ballast floor on the site of the wharves. The portion of No. 9 that is now in the harbor is between eighteen and twenty feet deep, due to the fact that more ballast had been placed in it than in No. 10.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The Times has received a very neat souvenir of the holiday season from the members of the sergeant's mess of No. 7 Army Service Corps. It is a booklet in the colors of the mess, bearing great and conveying the best wishes of the members of the mess to their friends. The sergeants are sending the souvenirs to sister corps throughout Canada.

THE LATE MR. PICKETT

At a meeting of the Saint John Law Society this morning, called on account of the death of Henry H. Pickett, a resolution of appreciation and sympathy was moved by James A. Belyea, K. C., and seconded by A. A. Wilson, K. C., and adopted.

SEVEN DEATHS

At the health offices this week seven deaths were recorded from the following causes: senility, pneumonia, heart failure, acute peritonitis, morbus cordis, myocarditis, and acute pneumonic phthisis, one each.

Charles Gamble and Ernest Mallin returned today from Boston.

SURVEY CHURCH FIELD IN CANADA

Action Decided on By Joint Union Committee

TORONTO MEETING

Will Be Comprehensive—Presbyterian Meeting Concluded and Then Joint Conference Held With Methodists and Congregationalists

(Canadian Press) Toronto, Ont., Dec. 13.—After three days discussion the Presbyterian committee on church union finished deliberations yesterday morning and in the afternoon a joint conference of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational church union sub-committees was held.

The cardinal feature of the whole proceedings was the adoption of a motion of Principal Gaudier of Knox College. It was carried by the Presbyterian committee and later carried by the joint sub-committee on the motion of Rev. Frank J. Day. The motion of Principal Gaudier asked the Presbyterian sub-committee to confer with representatives of the other negotiating churches with a view to common agreement on an amended basis.

The sub-committee was further instructed to bring before the joint committee the desirability of a complete survey of church conditions throughout the dominion, that before any vote is taken our people may know the facts. J. W. Flavell proposed that Principal Gaudier, convener, representing the Methodists, and Rev. Frank J. Day, representing the Congregationalists, be a committee to consider the details of the proposed survey and report to the proper authorities of the various churches.

Very Comprehensive The proposed survey will be very comprehensive and will deal with the question of the whole religious outlook in Canada, point out three distinct and satisfactorily agreed and where there is overlapping.

The meeting of the joint committee was of the most hopeful character, and there was an excellent spirit evident throughout the whole of the proceedings, all being anxious to push forward the work.

At the Presbyterian committee meeting the general question of church union was long and carefully considered, and a much proposed by Dr. Scott and seconded by W. G. Brown, was to the effect that the committee reaffirmed the great truth of the essential unity of all true Christians and asked that the present negotiations for organic union be in the meantime continued, leaving the church free to pursue without distracting the great work that lies before them.

Dr. Herridge moved an amendment, seconded by Principal Gaudier: "That while we do not regard the voice of the church as sufficiently pronounced as yet to warrant immediate action towards the consummation of organic union, we shall welcome this issue as soon as the way seems prepared for it."

Further stated that the result of the deliberations of the committee should be sent to the other churches, and recommend that in order to ascertain the actual necessities for the first in view of the common work a joint committee be appointed to visit as far as possible all the parts of the country and to report the result of their investigation, through the union committees, to the governing court of the respective churches.

Dr. Herridge's amendment was carried over the motion by a vote of 81 to 2. Withdrawn. Principal Gaudier then moved his amendment to Dr. Herridge's motion, seconded by Dr. Ramsay. He said he had submitted his motion in the hope of securing unanimity and that since his object had not been attained he would, with the consent of the committee, withdraw it. Permission being granted, a vote was taken on Dr. Gaudier's motion, which was carried by 29 to 7.

Rev. R. M. Macbeth of Paris, in behalf of those who agreed with him, then put in a minority report. It was agreed to recommend to the joint committee that the basis of union contain the following statement of the attitude of the united church towards a wider union. "It shall be the policy of the united church to foster the spirit of unity everywhere, both in its own midst and so far as it can, in other Christian churches in the hope that this sentiment of unity may in due time, so far as Canada is concerned, take shape in a church which may fittingly be described as national."

The following subcommittee was appointed to confer with similar committees representing the Methodist and Congregational churches—Dr. W. J. Clarke, President Murray, Dr. Ramsey, Dr. A. S. Grant, Dr. Drummond, Principal Springer, J. K. Macdonald, Principal Falconer, Principal Gaudier and Dr. Herridge.

The representatives of the Methodist church present included Dr. A. C. Moore, who presided, Dr. T. Albert Moore, Dr. W. N. Hicks, N. Burwash, N. W. Rowell, K. C. M. P. J. W. Flavell, Hon. Justice Maclearen, Hon. Thos. Crawford, and the Congregational—Dr. Hugh Hickey, of Montreal, Rev. F. J. Day, Rev. Dr. Warren, Rev. W. H. Hedley and Henry O'Hara.

WHICH SHOWS NEED OF TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

The great need of having in this city a tuberculosis hospital, where advanced patients could be cared for, was brought to light this week, when a young man was brought to the city to be cared for in the public hospital. He was suffering from tuberculosis, and was too far advanced to be sent to a sanitarium. The officials of the hospital, however, informed the father of the young man that they could not allow anyone suffering with tuberculosis in the hospital, especially when the disease had reached such an advanced stage. The hospital staff provided the sick man with a room for the night, after he had secured the guarantee of the commissioners of the Municipal Home that they would take him in that institution. This was done, and the man died in the Municipal home.

GERMAN PARLIAMENT ADJOURNS FOR MONTH

Berlin, Dec. 13.—Recess was taken in the German Imperial parliament yesterday until January 13. The bill asking for an appropriation of \$50,000 in arranging for German representation at the Panama Pacific Exposition will then come up for discussion again.

PEEL MAN IS DEPUTY SHERIFF IN CARLETON

Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 13.—Weldon Melville, of Peel, has been appointed acting deputy sheriff of Carleton county. Sheriff Tompkins is still incapacitated.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director, meteorological service.

ORONOTO MAN DEAD

John J. Hubble died in Oronoto on Thursday evening. His wife and four sons survive.

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