

Will Protect Tree By Using Firearms

Radical Notice Posted on Rockland Avenue City to Destroy no More Oaks on That Street.

"NOTICE—This tree belongs to and adds value to the adjoining property. The owner will protect it with firearms, if necessary."

This is the notice that passersby may to-day read on a tree which stands in the street, just outside the curb, opposite "Edge Hill," the residence of Fred W. Jones, Rockland avenue, and formerly the home of Hon. Edgar Dewdney. The notice was posted this morning by Mr. Jones in his effort to prevent the destruction of the tree in question by the city in the making of the new roadway on Rockland avenue. The city engineer's department, however, will not in any case destroy any more trees on Rockland avenue. This is the announcement made to-day by City Engineer Topp, who says that everything is now ready for the making of the roadway and that it will not be necessary to remove any more trees. So far as further loss is concerned the property owners along the street, therefore, need have no fear. Mr. Jones had posted his notice before this was known. The other property owners are also talking of attempting to mulct the city for the loss of the trees already destroyed. The proposition is to sue the city for the value of the trees destroyed and donate whatever sum may be secured to the city hospitals or other charitable institutions.

Mr. Jones discussing the matter to-day, before learning of the city engineer's announcement, said: "That tree belongs to me and I intend to protect it. If, however, the council does destroy it I will collect the value of it from them in the courts. The tree is left where it is will not interfere with traffic, so that there is not the slightest reason for its removal. I was told by the foreman in charge of the large tree, a photograph of which you published, would not be disturbed. You can imagine, therefore, how greatly surprised I was when I went out one morning to see the tree cut down by its branches, as you pictured it. There was then nothing left for it but to continue the work of destruction. I must say I cannot understand the overwhelming desire of the city engineer's department to destroy every tree possible and in this case I am going to prevent any interference with a tree that I firmly believe is my property."

The decision not to remove any other trees, however, does not reduce

FOOTBALLERS ARE WELCOMED HOME

Nanaimo Champions March in Triumph Through Coal City.

Nanaimo, April 16.—Nanaimo United Association team on its return from Victoria yesterday, where it won the Island championship by defeating Ladysmith, was tendered a magnificent reception. Thousands met the players at the depot, the band was up, a procession was formed, and unprecedented enthusiasm prevailed.

A monster gathering was addressed by the mayor and prominent citizens, and subscription lists were opened to collect \$1,000 to defray the expenses of the team which will be sent to compete for the People's Shield in Vancouver. The team is composed of a bunch of cripples, and all the doctors in the town are working on the players to get them in shape for the coming competition. Citizens are paying their expenses while they are resting.

IRISH ANTI-PATHY TO NEW PREMIER

John Redmond Warns Mr. Asquith to Remember Fate of Lord Rosebery.

Dublin, April 16.—Speaking at a meeting of the United Irish League, John Redmond, the Irish parliamentary leader, said the changes in the ministry resulting from the assumption of the premiership by Mr. Asquith had involved an alteration of the attitude of Ireland toward the Liberal party, and he did not think that it is in criticism of the Premier, Mr. Asquith, in the approaching by-election at Manchester. Continuing, Mr. Redmond declared that the attitude of Premier Asquith and the secretary for Ireland, Mr. Birrell, toward Home Rule was a direct challenge to the people of Ireland, and he warned Mr. Asquith to remember the fate of Lord Rosebery.

Ireland herself would have to force the Home Rule question to the front at the next general election, and there was nothing to be gained by withdrawing the Nationalists from Westminster.

TRAINING FOR INSPECTION. New Westminster, April 15.—The local militia companies are training hard for the annual inspection which will take place on Monday, April 27th. Three more drills will be held.

ON THRESHOLDS OF CHURCHES. Vancouver, April 15.—The license commission will make a rearrangement of shop license provisions to provide for the sale of liquors in apartment-house dining rooms, no matter how near to churches or public buildings.

RECALLS RECORD OF MAUD S.

Death of W. Blair Who Developed Famous Trotting Mare.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 16.—Wm. W. Blair, who trained and developed the famous trotting mare Maud S., and drove her to the record of 2:08 1/2, died yesterday aged 69 years. Mr. Blair was one of the best known horsemen in the country. He purchased Maud S. in Ohio as a two-year-old mare for \$300. Her record of 2:08 1/2 to a high wheeled sulley, has, it is said, never been beaten. After the mare made the record she was purchased by Wm. H. Vanderbilt for \$21,000, and was later sold to Robert Bonner for \$40,000, and retired from the track.

Mr. Blair was the owner of the lease of the Belmont track in this city, and of similar tracks in other cities.

WILD-EYED SPORTS. Stray Shots Fired by Both Sexes Alarm Inhabitants of Grand Forks.

Grand Forks, April 14.—Yesterday several citizens narrowly escaped being shot in the matter of a fair sex. Stray shots were fired in all directions across the wagon roads, and a most careless hunter of firearms was witnessed. It is reported to-day that the authorities will be appealed to try and prevent, if possible, a repetition of yesterday's work.

SIR W. MULLOCK'S ESCAPE. Woodstock, April 16.—A stray bullet struck and passed through a street car in which Sir Wm. Mullock was riding to-day. No one was hurt.

Many Drown When Steamer Capsizes. Gothenburg, Sweden, April 16.—The small steamer Goethalff capsized yesterday afternoon while 40 or 50 persons were aboard.

Some of these were rescued, but so far only eight bodies have been recovered. It is believed that others are still under the decks.

FIND BONANZA IN SURFACE SCRATCHINGS

Two Men Pan Out \$30,000 From Top of Koyukusk Gravel.

Seattle, Wn., April 16.—A dispatch from Fairbanks, Alaska, to the Post-Intelligencer, says that word has been received there that the two men who made the recent strike on Nolan creek on Koyukusk have already panned out \$30,000, and that they only took the pans from the top of the gravel, pilled up to be washed in the spring. On Wiseman creek a similar wash had been found, and if the men pan at work strike as rich pay as is found on Nolan creek another stampede will begin in Alaska.

AGED ORIENTAL PUPILS. Vancouver Council is Unwilling to Pass Estimates for Classroom.

Vancouver, April 16.—The city council has refused to pass the school board estimates because they include expenditures for a classroom for Orientals over twenty years of age. The tax rate for the city is fixed at 20 mills for the year.

ROLLER STILL WINNING. Portland, April 16.—In a wrestling match here Dr. Roller threw Vic. McCaggen in seven minutes and three minutes respectively, to straight falls, last night. The doctor could have kept on throwing his opponent all night. The receipts were only \$900.

\$40,000 THEFT. Dawson, Y. T., April 15.—Richard Hall has been acquitted of the charge of stealing \$40,000 from the Yukon river steamer last summer, which was consigned to Seattle by persons in Fairbanks, Alaska. The jury which deliberated on what has been pronounced the most famous criminal case in the Yukon Territory, reached its conclusion after two hours.

MISSOURI FLOOD WREAKS DAMAGE

Buildings at Craig Torn Up and Wrecked by Torrential Stream.

Butte, Mont., April 16.—Late estimates of the loss occasioned by the bursting of the Hauser lake dam, north of Helena, based upon reports received by the Miner from various points in the flood district, places the amount of loss at \$500,000. This may be exceeded by about \$100,000 when a more detailed report is issued from the remote sections.

Early to-day the Missouri river at Great Falls was between three and four feet higher, rising at the rate of an inch an hour. The slow rise of the river would indicate that the flood had practically spent its force, and the copper smelters of the Amalgamated at this point are not considered in any danger.

The greatest damage outside of the destruction of the dam was done at Craig, forty miles north of Helena, where the school house, the railroad station, general stores, two saloons and several residences were torn up and wrecked. The losses of herds of cattle are also reported by stock men.

EARLY IN SEASON BUT MANY DEAD

FISHERMEN PAY TRIBUTE TO THE SEA

Five Nova Scotians Lose Lives—Hope for Schooner Abandoned.

Lunenburg, N. S., April 16.—Five men of the fishing fleet of this place have lost their lives this season, which is only three weeks old. In addition, all hope is abandoned of the safety of the schooner Mary A. Duff, which left here fifty days ago for the West Indies with a cargo of fish. The crew numbered six.

The L. A. Have, from St. Thomas for New York, with a crew of seven, is eighty days out, and is thought to have foundered.

INJURED IN COLLISION. Leamington, Ont., April 16.—Pere Marquette express No. 2 crashed into a freight train here yesterday. The caboose of the freight was wrecked and a number of cars derailed. Engineer Grubb, of the express, was slightly injured. None of the passengers were injured, though all were more or less shaken up.

Mine Explosion Kills Three Men

Canmore, Alb., April 16.—An explosion occurred here in an old mine and resulted in the death of three men and the injury of two others. The dead are: Gus Capelson, single, a Finlander; Matt Parri, married, a Finlander, and W. Wilmot, married, an Englishman. The injured are both Finlanders.

DEAD BODIES TO LOOK LIKE SOLID GOLD

Astounding Metallisation Secret is Perfected by Chicagoan.

Chicago, April 16.—The Inter-Ocean today says that Frank C. Fuchs, an X-ray expert of Chicago, who died a year ago with X-ray cancer, a martyr to science, discovered a marvelous secret by which he was able to work certain changes in living organisms that transform them into metal.

For two years before his death he conducted a series of experiments which reached their climax in the metallization of a rose. Reinhardt D. Fuchs, his brother, took up the work where he left off and brought the secret process to practical perfection. Mr. Fuchs is planning to metallize a Jacob Marley, who lives in South Dakota, interpreted dreams and ordered his followers to burn and slay heretics.

While Lehr, his wife and six children were asleep in their barn last Friday at midnight, they were awakened by fire and just escaped with their lives, losing everything.

LABOR SUNDAY. Wide Movement for Observance of Holiday in United States.

New York, April 16.—The ministers of the eleven thousand Presbyterian churches throughout the United States to-day requested by the department of church and labor to observe Labor Sunday on Sunday, May 10th. The twenty-three thousand local labor unions throughout the United States, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, have been requested to cooperate in the observance of Labor Sunday.

AMBASSADOR AS LECTURER. San Francisco, April 16.—James Bryce, the British ambassador to the United States, will deliver the next series of E. T. Earl lectures at Berkeley, according to an announcement in the Pacific Theological Seminary, under whose auspices annually the series is held. The lecture will be delivered alternately by James Bryce and Prof. Geo. Adam Smith, of the United Free Churches College, Glasgow.

NEW COMMANDER OF CANADIAN NAVY. Capt. Kingsmill of H. M. S. Dominion Likely to Be Appointed.

Ottawa, April 16.—It is understood that Capt. Kingsmill, commander of His Majesty's battleship Dominion, is to be appointed commander of the Canadian navy, otherwise the Canadian fishery protective fleet, and Capt. Spain will be transferred to another post in the service.

Capt. Kingsmill was born in Guelph in 1855, and entered the royal navy in 1868. He was in Canada a few years ago with his battleship. He is a son of the late Judge Kingsmill, and was educated at the Upper Canada college.

BANDITS KILL KOREANS. Insurgents Carry Out Depredations in Small Bands.

Tokyo, April 16.—Advice have been received here that four Koreans were killed recently near Seoul, when 200 bandits attacked the village. The bandits, however, were driven off. The insurgents are working in bands of a few hundred, and the active number of revolutionists does not exceed 4,000, according to reports.

DIPLOMATIC RUMORS. Italian Ambassador at Washington May Be Transferred to Paris.

Rome, April 16.—The possibility of the transfer of Baron Mayer Planches, the Italian ambassador to the United States, is being considered in connection with the appointment of a successor to the late ambassador. The name of Baron Mayer Planches is open to consideration as a successor to the late ambassador. The name of Baron Mayer Planches is open to consideration as a successor to the late ambassador.

AMERICAN DEMONSTRATIVENESS PROVES TOO MUCH FOR GERMAN SCIENTIST.

Chicago, April 16.—"I am literally driven from Chicago, where I came on Monday for a week's rest, by over-solicitous friends and citizens and newspaper reporters, and I am obliged to leave at once," declared Dr. Robert Koch, the German scientist, last night. He packed his five large trunks and had them shipped to St. Louis by express, labeled, "Hold until called for within two or three weeks," paid his bill, bunched his wife and his brother from St. Louis into a carriage and was driven to the Union station, where he boarded a train for Milwaukee.

The interruptions which so disturbed the scientist reached a climax yesterday when a party of local scientists and several citizens stormed his apartments with pressing invitations for banquets and social gatherings.

FOR PEACE RIVER. Many Settlers Pass Through Fort Saskatchewan Bound to the North.

Fort Saskatchewan, April 16.—Numerous settlers are passing through here daily, bound for the Peace River country. Many of them possess nearly complete outfits and are the right type of people for a new country. The majority of them are from the United States and Western Canada. They all express satisfaction with the country.

STRIKING EMPLOYEES ENGAGE IN RIOT

Chester, Pa., April 16.—The most serious disturbance which has marked the strike of motormen and conductors of the Chester Traction Company occurred early to-day when two employees of the company were shot, but not seriously injured. The company attempted to operate a car, and Wm. Bergmann, the motorman, was shot in the foot during an attack on the trolley by a large crowd of strike sympathizers.

A short time before, Wm. Griesmeira, a claim agent of the company, was shot in the leg while leading a squad of 40 men who had been imported to take the place of the strikers to the car barns. In the haste to load the strikers which followed, the imported workmen were routed and driven to shelter in the barn. A strong detachment of police rushed up, and after considerable effort succeeded in driving the crowd back. The police roped off the streets adjacent to the barns, and are now on guard about the building.

FLUCTUATIONS SHOWN IN BANK STATEMENT

Decrease in Total Reserve of English Institution—Discount Rate Unchanged.

London, April 16.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged to-day at 3 per cent. The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve decreased, £1,102,000; circulation increased, £22,000; bullion decreased, £1,979,700; other securities decreased, £7,477,000; other deposits decreased, £2,320,000; public deposits decreased, £529,200; notes ready decreased, £2,153,000; government securities unchanged.

The proportion of the bank's reserve to its liability is 50.06 per cent. Last week it was 51.05.

DISPUTE BETWEEN COMPANIES. Toronto, April 16.—Jas. Ross, president of the Dominion Coal Company, who is in the city in consultation with President Plummer, of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company, regarding a settlement of a dispute between the companies, issued a statement last night to the effect that a start had been made toward a settlement of the difficulties, and that he had good reason to believe there would be a satisfactory conclusion.

UNDERMINING "FORT LIQUOR" IN QUEBEC

Government Measure Provides for Slow Reduction of Licenses.

Quebec, April 16.—No immediate or general reduction of liquor licenses in the province is provided for in the new government measure to be introduced in the legislature. On the other hand, the bill establishes a gradual scale of reduction owing to a provision that in future when once a liquor license is withdrawn for infringement of the law it shall not be renewed again until a certain limit is reached. In Montreal this limit is to be placed at 400 licenses, instead of the present minimum of 475. In Quebec and other cities and towns reduction is to be proportionate to the number of one license per thousand inhabitants is reached.

Restaurant proprietors are not allowed to cash pay cheques presented at the counter for drinks. On any 11th of the month cashes employees certificates of wages or pay cheques, for each offence a fine of \$20 will be imposed.

EASTER TRAGEDY. Lunenburg, N. S., April 16.—The 3-year-old daughter of Henry Eisenhauer is dead, after eleven days' terrible suffering. The child had eaten a Colored Easter egg and was poisoned by the dye. Her little brother also ate one of the eggs, but escaped with a slight indisposition.

IS DRIVEN OUT OF CHICAGO

DR. KOCH WORRIED, COULD GET NO REST

American Demonstrativeness Proves Too Much for German Scientist.

Chicago, April 16.—"I am literally driven from Chicago, where I came on Monday for a week's rest, by over-solicitous friends and citizens and newspaper reporters, and I am obliged to leave at once," declared Dr. Robert Koch, the German scientist, last night. He packed his five large trunks and had them shipped to St. Louis by express, labeled, "Hold until called for within two or three weeks," paid his bill, bunched his wife and his brother from St. Louis into a carriage and was driven to the Union station, where he boarded a train for Milwaukee.

The interruptions which so disturbed the scientist reached a climax yesterday when a party of local scientists and several citizens stormed his apartments with pressing invitations for banquets and social gatherings.

BELGIUM AND CONGO STATE ANNEXATION QUESTION NOT YET SETTLED

Government Will Take Steps to Carry Out Berlin Treaty.

Brussels, April 16.—The discussion on the question of the annexation of the Congo independent state began in the Chamber of Deputies, which was called yesterday. Very little progress was made beyond the clearing up of preliminary matters.

The debate opened with a sharp attack on the president of the Socialists, who accused the government of the Congo independent state of the Chamber of Deputies, which was called yesterday. Very little progress was made beyond the clearing up of preliminary matters.

The premier then summed up the benefits which Belgium would derive from the annexation of the Congo independent state, and M. Davignon, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, followed with an explanation of the international situation, and M. Vanoverbeke, the Socialist leader, declared that the Socialists would abstain from obstruction in any way.

The premier then summed up the benefits which Belgium would derive from the annexation of the Congo independent state, and M. Davignon, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, followed with an explanation of the international situation, and M. Vanoverbeke, the Socialist leader, declared that the Socialists would abstain from obstruction in any way.

ALARM FOR BANK. Fire of Little Danger in Commerce Institution at Vancouver.

Vancouver, April 15.—Shortly after 8 o'clock this morning the caretaker of the Canadian Bank of Commerce discovered an outbreak of fire in the basement. Volumes of smoke rolled up and filled the bank, and the sight of it pouring through the windows attracted a large crowd.

The department made a quick run to the scene and it was found that the trouble was in the basement where a large quantity of waste paper was smouldering. The blaze was quickly put out and no damage was done. The origin of the fire is a mystery as the paper was not near the furnace.

TO HIS WIFE'S E. C. Sir—It has occurred that a public meeting was held on Tuesday evening, and was a success, among other things, in that it resulted in the installation of a protection system, a source of water take this opportunity to express my approval of the improvements contained in the proposal, and would nevertheless prove the protection city. If by the high pressure and reasonable present rates made by the inefficiency of the definitely determined and for possible to indicate a reduction in rates but the company a reduction from mensurate with proposed system.

QUEENSLAND. Queensland, April 16.—More men in Queensland for some years past have been in the habit of meeting this run forward his new of the steel shill a large number of men and furnishing him with the necessary ready for occupation.

TEN THOUSAND WA. Those Going a

Seattle, April 16.—The Post-Intelligencer reported that the Post-Intelligencer's Association had decided to elect John Ronan, a native, as their representative, with an additional 10,000 terms of \$5 an hour to come opening of November.

DEATH OF A. London, April 16.—The English actor, falling from a height of 100 feet, died in America. He was 184.

GIVE PROOF OF R. UNDERWRITERS SALT WATER

Insurance Men selves to Cut Insta

(From The Institute) That the installation of a pressure system for providing for which was being asked to be voted, means a reduction in rates in Victoria, given the city in the Vancouver Island Association's plan, this plan will depend on extra protection going into effect as a result of the installation. The whole question being discussed by the city and one of its has been heard by the insurance underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.

Another question is why the rate of underwriters to rates. An assurance now been given.