

Loggieville, Mrs. Edward Lawton, Kichibucto, and Miss Ames, at home.

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Mrs. Allan, of Amherst, accompanied by her brother, Sheriff McQueen and his family, left Wednesday for Boston and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Silliker and family left yesterday for their new home in Halifax. They will be greatly missed by their large circle of friends here.

The Merry-makers Club was entertained on Wednesday evening by Miss Mary Black, Rupert street.

Mrs. Richard Nelson, of Chignecto Mines, has returned home after a visit to Mrs. S. P. Purdy.

Miss Mayme Pheasant, of Halifax, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Mildred Milner, Victoria street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Pipes are moving into their handsome new residence, Rupert street.

Mr. Ralph W. Gates, of Westville, spent a few days the first of the week with his mother, Mrs. Gusie Gates.

Czar Sanctions Marriage of Cousin With Divorced Princess



Grand Duke Nicholas Nicolaievich, second cousin of the Emperor of Russia, is president of the council of national defence, commander of the military district of St. Petersburg, and inspector-general of cavalry, besides holding a number of other military offices.

He is said to have declined last year to accept the post of commander-in-chief of all the troops of the empire "where martial law existed," and, according to reports, will be made minister of war on the retirement of the present minister, General Rudiger.

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NEW PITCH IN MONTREAL STRIKE

Shipping Federation Will Not Recognize 'Longshoremen's Union'

ALL NEGOTIATIONS OFF

Steamship Agents Offer Raise in Wages But Will Deal With Men Individually--Strikers Now Willing to Accede to Employers' Proposals as an Association.

Montreal, May 19--The 'longshoremen's strike has taken a new phase. Saturday, when the time expired for the acceptance or rejection of the shipping agents' proposals, the strikers, the federation broke off all negotiations and issued circulars and posters to the effect that the men would report for work this morning would get twenty-seven and a half cents an hour by day and thirty-two and a half at night.

Today, after the men had heard an address from acting deputy Minister Acland on the subject of arbitration, the union addressed the following letter to the Shipping Federation of Canada and the Canadian Pacific railway that the said 'longshoremen, having had time to fully consider the offer of May 17 of the shipping federation of an increase of two and a half cents per working hour, day and night, and the submission of the further claim of two and a half cents at arbitration, on the lines proposed, the men will accept to accept the same, if the shipping federation and the C. P. R. are still disposed to concede those terms.

The 'longshoremen' agents, on the other hand, on International 'Longshoremen' and Transportation Workers' Association, we, the undersigned, authorize you to inform the Shipping Federation of Canada and the Canadian Pacific railway that the said 'longshoremen, having had time to fully consider the offer of May 17 of the shipping federation of an increase of two and a half cents per working hour, day and night, and the submission of the further claim of two and a half cents at arbitration, on the lines proposed, the men will accept to accept the same, if the shipping federation and the C. P. R. are still disposed to concede those terms.

But the shipping federation says they refuse to recognize the 'longshoremen's union, a principle involved in the letter from the president. They will deal with the men only.

Amherst, N. S., May 19--(Special)--One of the most serious accidents that has occurred on the Intercolonial Railway in this section for some time happened here at 7:30 this morning, when a special freight train in charge of Conductor Bert Smith, owing to the points being turned to the wrong line, took the siding at the west side of the station, and crashed into the roundhouse near the Robb Engineering Company's works.

Two new cars, numbers 52342 and 52343, just from the Canadian Northern were partially derailed, but were not much damaged, one of them was partially separated from the trucks and was lying on its side.

The engine was turned over and was lying on its side, and the boiler was cracked through the building, and some of them had a close call from flying timbers.

The track is badly torn up and the loss to building and rolling stock will be considerable. The engine was in charge of Engineer Wm. Furze and Fireman Thos. Clark, both of whom had a miraculous escape.

FOUND A FORTUNE IN RUINS OF BUILDING

Owner Disappeared and Human Bones Were Found Alongside of Treasure Box

Contents Were Railroad Bonds and Gold Coins--Face Value of Securities Was \$40,000, But Are Now Worth \$116,740--May All Go to Finder.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 17--Erie railroad bonds worth \$116,740, and \$75 in black and gold coins were found yesterday when the rusted tin box which Contractor B. W. Hollingsworth recently unearthed in the ruins of a century old Ohio city inn, at 2811 Detroit avenue, was forced open.

The original owner of the treasure was George C. Moran, who mysteriously disappeared in 1874. A heap of charred bones found several days before the box was dug up by Hollingsworth in a brick-lined fireplace, now seems to substantiate the theory that Moran was murdered.

The Erie Railroad Company made a systematic effort to locate the bonds between 1876 and 1879. Practically every newspaper in the country carried advertisements of the lost bonds, which were of the issue of 1850.

Originally they had a par value of \$40,000. Accumulating interest, dividends, and market raises have brought their value up to \$116,740. Because he was to have all the material in the building as compensation for tearing it down, Hollingsworth claimed the entire contents of the box.

He finally compromised with the present owner of the property and divided the gold with him.

The bonds have been placed in the custody of United States Judge Taylor. The latter will hold them for five years. During that time a search will be made for Moran's heirs, if any are living. If none are found, the bonds will return to Hollingsworth. If a claimant turns up the contractor will get one-fourth of their value.

The claim for damages is enhanced by the fact that the rail there is in an insanitary condition and has been condemned by Dr. Sinclair, the provincial inspector of prisons.

Halifax, N. S., May 19--W. H. Townsend, proprietor of the Porter House, in Kentville, caught a notice to be served today on Sheriff Rockwell and Jailer Coleman, claiming \$8,118.30 damages for false imprisonment and for the return of a fine recently paid to secure his liberty after fifteen days' imprisonment in jail here.

Mr. Townsend claims that he was arrested on a Scott Act warrant for a second offence made by E. M. Beckwith, a county stipendiary there.

MRS. EDDY DENIES CURRENT RUMORS

In a Letter to Judge Trying Her Case She Says She is Her Own Mistress

NO ONE CONTROLS HER

Trusted Her Property in Order to Be Rid of Business Cares and Give Her More Time for Christian Science--Her Secretary Corroborates Her.

Concord, N. H., May 18--A letter from Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy to Judge Robert N. Chamberlain, who is to preside at the trial of the court at which the suit of Eddy vs. Frye is entered, was filed in the superior court this afternoon, together with affidavits from Calvin A. Frye and the board of trustees, Henry M. Baker, Archibald McLellan and Josiah E. Fernald.

The letter from Mrs. Eddy is written and signed in what is apparently the same handwriting, and is on paper bearing Eddy's coat of arms, and is sworn to by Attorney Hollis. The letter is as follows: "Pleasant Valley, Concord (N. H.), May 18, 1897.

"Respected Sir--It is over forty years that I have attended personally to my secular affairs, to my income, investments, deposits, expenditures and, to my employees. I have personally selected all my investments except in one or two instances, and have paid for the same.

"The increasing demand upon my time, labor and thought, and a yearning for more peace, and to have my property and affairs carefully taken care of for the persons and purposes I have designated, has led me to select a trustee to take charge of my property--namely Hon. Henry Baker, Archibald McLellan and Josiah Fernald.

"I have entrusted them with the management of my property, and I consider this agreement a great benefit to me already.

"This suit was brought without my knowledge and is being carried on in my name, and I feel that it is not for my benefit in any way, but for my injury, and I know it is not needed to protect my property or property.

"I have given my property to take care of because I wanted it protected and myself relieved of the burden of doing this.

"I have agreed with the trustee to take care of my property, and I consider this agreement a great benefit to me already.

"I have never converted to my own use nor, to my knowledge, has any one converted to his own use any money or other property of Mrs. Eddy. Neither Alfred Fernald, Irving C. Tomlinson, Ira O. Knapp, William B. Johnson, Stephen H. Chase, Joseph Armstrong, Edward A. Kimball, Herman S. Herin, Louis G. Strang, nor anybody else aside from Mrs. Eddy and myself acting as her servant and under her direction, have had anything whatever to do with the management, control or disposition of any of the funds or property of Mrs. Eddy at any time, except as hereinafter stated.

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On Sunday next the Sunday school in the Baptist church will be reorganized, with James Hayward as superintendent.

Cropping has been extremely late this season, owing to continued cold weather. Some field crops have been sown, but as yet there has been little germinating.

Friends of Peleg Smith, of Central Blissville, will be pleased to hear that he is slightly improved in health.

Miss Jennie K. Smith has returned to her school at Magalloway.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph York will leave shortly for Fort William (Ont.), to visit their son, Henry York.

St. STEPHEN. St. Stephen, May 17--A meeting of the St. Stephen Parish Sunday School Association was held in the Methodist vestry on Thursday evening. C. A. Leithman, vice-president, occupied the chair. The devotional exercises were led by Rev. George J. Young. A most interesting and useful address was delivered by Rev. Mr. Hamme, of Milltown.

TEN YEARS AND TEN LASHES FOR HALIFAX OFFENDERS

Swift Justice for Two Men Who Waylaid and Robbed an Old Man.

Halifax, May 17--It is doubtful whether ever before in Halifax has justice been meted out so promptly as in the case of the two arrested for assaulting Gregory Verdi, a Gortingen street merchant.

On April 6 Mr. Verdi, a feeble old man, was waylaid by two men, who, after a struggle, took him to a house in the next morning. A systematic watch was kept at the place the police received information and ordered the two men to be taken into custody.

The new wheelhouse on steamboat St. Nicholas has been completed and she is now ready for the season's work.

The gas bus purchased last year were found to be too small and three new ones, a cost of \$2,400, have been purchased and are being placed today.

The funeral of Miss Margaret Johnson took place from the home of her brother-in-law, Andrew Johnson, on Friday afternoon and was largely attended.

Rev. D. Henderson and Rev. J. Morris MacLeod conducted the service and burial in the cemetery at Milltown.

WANTED SKILLED ALIEN MECHANICS

Toronto, May 17--The Canadian Manufacturers' Association is again after skilled mechanics. At a meeting of the executive here today it was resolved to urge the dominion government to encourage immigration of the skilled artisans from England, as the alien labor law did not allow of their importation from the states, and several lines of industry were suffering from the lack of labor.

A letter was received from Earl Gray, calling attention to the opportunities for trade with Japan.

The annual convention of the association will be held in Toronto beginning Sept. 24.

Charlottetown, May 17--An affair that was feared will have a serious ending occurred at Wellington, a young man, Alister Perry, while under the influence of liquor, entered a house and created a disturbance. The owner of the house struck him on the head with a stick and follow up the punishment with kicks and blows. The victim was terribly injured and at latest accounts it was feared he would not recover.

A Digby Accident. Digby, May 20--Prescott Dunn fell from a staging Saturday noon, breaking several ribs and receiving internal injuries.

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Who Men Can Beat This? William Graham, of Keswick, brought to the city this morning a monster egg laid by one of his hens. It was a single yolk, weighing six and a half ounces, and was eight and a half and six and a quarter inches in circumference--Frederick Herold.

Madrid, May 17--King Edward's representative at the christening of the heir to the throne, which will take place tomorrow, will be Prince Arthur of Connaught; Emperor William's representative will be Prince Frederick Leopold of Hohenzollern.

Active preparations are under way to make the ceremony of christening equal in pomp and splendor the wedding of King Alfred and Queen Victoria. Forty-one prelates will take part in the baptism ceremony.

French is the psychic tongue, the language of emotion, passion, and sympathy. More than any other modern tongue it can express fine gradations of meaning and colour, those minute of differentiation which are almost spiritual in their attenuated subtlety.--Academy.

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AGRICULTURAL CENSUS OF EASTERN CANADA TAKEN THIS SPRING

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Ottawa, May 17--The census department will take the agricultural condition of the five eastern provinces of Canada this spring. This will be done by mail forms. They will be sent to each farmer in Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario, who do not now furnish information annually to the provincial department of agriculture.

The farmers will fill out the card and mail it to the census bureau, where the information will be treated as confidential and not disclosed for assessment or any other purpose.

Each farmer will be required to state the acreage of his farm, area cleared, in crop and in orchard, number of domestic animals and the area placed to each sort of crop.

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Forty-one Prelates to Help Christen Prince Alfonso Ceremony Will Take Place Today With Much Pomp--Royalty Will Be Well Represented.

Cow Gave Eight and a Half Tons of Milk. New York, May 15--The world's record milk production for a year by a single cow, has been broken by the Guernsey, Dolly Bloom, according to the report of Secretary William H. Caldwell, submitted at the annual meeting of the Guernsey Cattle Club here yesterday.

VERY, VERY RICH. He--It is rich! She--Very, very rich, in fact, that I can wear her last year's hat without remark.