

PROBS—Fresh winds, mostly cloudy and mild, with some local falls of snow or rain.

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Sensations Expected in Connection With Charges Against Quebec Legislators

HOLD MOTORMAN RESPONSIBLE FOR DEATH

Coroner's Jury Declare W. W. Henry Was Negligent in Reversing His Car, Tho He Had Signal From Shedman Gilbert to Do So.

"We find that Alexander MacPherson came to his death at St. Michael's Hospital as the result of injuries sustained at the Toronto Railway Company's barns on St. Lawrence street on Jan. 24, caused by the negligence of the motorman, Henry, in backing his car on a signal from the shedman, Gilbert." The above verdict was returned last night by Coroner Singer's jury, which enquired into the circumstances surrounding the death of MacPherson, who was squeezed between two cars, which were being placed in the barns. According to the evidence submitted, the accident occurred in the following manner: There were three cars standing in line, waiting to be placed in the barns, when the first was obliged to back up in order to get clear of the switch. Before doing this it was necessary for the second car to reverse, and upon a signal from the shedman the motorman of the second car, W. W. Henry, did so, without a further signal from his conductor, with the result that MacPherson and his conductor, Johnston, who were in the act of putting up the fender of their car, were squeezed between the two cars. MacPherson died of his injuries, and Johnston was so severely injured that he had to be brought to the hospital on a stretcher. Henry, the motorman on the second car, is now under arrest on a charge of manslaughter. It being claimed that Henry should have waited for a signal from his conductor before backing up, and that Gilbert was responsible for the proper placing of cars in the yards, Gilbert is held for criminal negligence.

FOUR DEAD, MANY HURT IN STEAMER EXPLOSION

Bottle of Condensed Gas Caused Havoc in Mauretania's Engine Room.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 26.—(Can. Press.)—An explosion occurred today on the Cunard liner Mauretania, which is in dock undergoing repairs. Four men were killed and many injured. A bottle of condensed gas which was being used in a brazing process in the engine room blew up from some unknown cause, resulting in tremendous havoc among the engine fitters. Several of the injured are in a serious condition.

LIBERAL PARTY SEARCHING FOR "HARD TIMES"

Broder Made Caustic Comment on Blue Ruin Speeches of Opposition Members Lemieux Trembled on Verge of Delivering Straight Free Food Pronouncement.

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—In the house today, Mr. Andrew Broder, the veteran Conservative member for Dundas, and ex-Postmaster-General Lemieux contributed entertaining speeches to the debate upon addresses. The former was inclined to doubt the existence of hard times in Canada. He said the Liberal politicians resembled the man who lost an eye and had a cat's eye substituted for it. Asked how he was getting along, the man responded that "The blamed thing was always looking for rats and mice." The member for Dundas suggested that the Liberals are busy looking for any sign of distress in the hope of finding some party capital. Mr. Lemieux said the speech from the throne was "As meagre as our dinner last Christmas, as empty as the poor man's dinner pail, and unsatisfactory as a church collection in hard times." Mr. Lemieux favored free wheat and all but committed his party to free food. He declared that the Liberal party stood for a Canadian navy and would stand loyally by the government should it declare for a Canadian navy as its permanent naval policy. Hon. George E. Foster, who was in his seat for the first time this session, was welcomed by a great round of applause from the government benches when he rose before the orders of the day to read a cable from Mr. Griffith announcing the funeral of Lord Strathcona.

FARMERS THRIVING

The debate was resumed by Mr. LaPorte, the Liberal member for Montclair, Que., who spoke in French. He was followed by Mr. Broder, the Conservative member for Dundas, who interestingly discussed the reports of financial stringency and unemployment throughout the country. Mr. Broder said that while there might be some distress in the cities, farmers were never more prosperous than at present. They were getting high prices and enjoyed the experience, but Sir Wilfrid Laurier was anxious to deprive them of the good market and the good prices they now enjoyed. It was much to be doubted whether 100,000 people were out of employment in Canada, but if they were it should be remembered that Canada was receiving immigrants at the rate of 100,000 a year.

BOY WITH CLOTHING ON FIRE COST LIVES OF FIVE PERSONS

Another is Dying Following Coal Oil Explosion in Farm-house in Montmorency County, Quebec—Others, Tho Badly Burned, Will Recover.

QUEBEC, Jan. 26.—(Can. Press.)—By attempting to fight a stove today with coal oil, Wilfrid Robin, a boy aged 13 years, at Notre Dame de Rosaire, Montmorency County, caused an explosion which set fire to his clothes. Terrified, he rushed upstairs and threw himself on his relations. In the panic which ensued, and in the efforts to save him, the flames communicated to nine others, of whom five are dead and another dying. The dead are: Madame Joseph Robin and baby, three weeks old; Wilfrid Robin, 13 years old; Alma Labrecque, 5 years old; Joseph Labrecque, 6 years old. Joseph Robin was so badly burned that he may die. The three who survived are: Edmond Labrecque, father of Madame Robin, and two of her children.

CARSON READY TO OFFER TERMS

Would Join Redmond in Solving Irish Question, But Admits Outlook is Dark.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—(Can. Press.)—Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Ulsterites, in a speech at Lincoln tonight, said that he was ready to join John Redmond, the Irish nationalist leader, in an attempt to extend local government to Ireland, or to remove any abuses or injustices, social or religious. Referring to Mr. Redmond's speech at Waterford on Sunday, he declared: "If this is the last word from his side we are in a lamentable and critical state of affairs. I am a man of peace, but not of peace at any price." In his speech Mr. Redmond said that if any change was made in the home rule bill it would be to buy the good will of the opponents of the bill, and he added that he saw no prospects of their good will being purchased at any price whatever.

SIR JAMES' CONDITION

9 p.m.—Sir James Whitney is doing as well as possible under the circumstances. Has taken plenty of nourishment today. Dr. McPhedran, Dr. Clarke.

BROODED OVER SON'S DEATH

COURTIGHT, Ont., Jan. 26.—(Can. Press.)—Brooding over the death of her son, Conductor Patrick Morris, who was killed in the Michigan Central yards at Windsor about a year ago, Mrs. Patrick Morris of Courtright died on Saturday morning and was buried here today.

C. P. R. STEAMER STRUCK A ROCK

Princess Sophia's Passengers Were All Transferred Before Vessel Floated Off Reef.

VANCOUVER, B.C., Jan. 26.—(Can. Press.)—While making her way thru a blinding snowstorm late Sunday night off the northern coast of Vancouver Island, the C.P.R. steamer Princess Sophia struck a rock off Port Hardy, about 200 miles off Vancouver. She floated off a few hours later. In the meantime all the passengers were without difficulty transferred to the steamer Alki, which had answered the calls of the Sophia. The Alki is coming on to Vancouver and is due late tonight. The Sophia is at anchor awaiting the assistance of a salvage steamer from Victoria.

PUBLIC MARKET FOR WINNIPEG

Government Will Control Stock Yards by Commission and Regulate All Charges.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 26.—(Can. Press.)—In the legislature today, Premier Roblin introduced two bills regarding the new Union Stock Yards erected in St. Boniface. The first bill enables the government to guarantee the bonds of the stock of the Public Markets, Limited, the company controlling the new stock yards, and to appoint a commission for their management, and to regulate the rates to be charged for slaughtering and for the cold storage plant. The second bill stipulates that all public slaughtering in the cities of Winnipeg and St. Boniface must be done at the government subsidised plant beginning two months after the act comes into effect.

SENATOR ROSS SERIOUSLY ILL

Condition Last Night Showed No Improvement and Anxiety is Felt.

(Special to The Toronto World) OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—Sir George Ross, leader of the opposition in the senate and former premier of Ontario, was taken suddenly ill Saturday and was worse yesterday. At his apartments at the Chateau Hotel tonight, his son Mr. George Ross, M.P., and several Ontario senators were sitting up and reported that his condition was unchanged, but the physicians were anxious on account of his frail constitution and advanced years. Clearing Sale of Marmot Coats at Dineen's. Without a doubt the biggest genuine bargain of the season is offered tomorrow at Dineen's, 140 Yonge street. Thirty-seven marmot fur coats, formerly priced from \$175 to \$200, will be sold at the enormously reduced figure, \$125. They are from 48 inches to 52 inches long, designed in the latest style and most appropriate for driving, motoring or wear in the evening. With most of the real cold weather still to come, and the price of this fur rising, the investment should prove highly profitable and entirely safe. Don't fail to inspect.

BRIBERY CHARGES BEFORE HOUSE AT QUEBEC

Owners of Montreal Mail, Who Will Today Make Formal Allegations, Express Confidence in Outcome—Lawyer Labelle Said to Have Been Effective "Go-Between."

MONTREAL, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Messrs. Macnab and Nichols, proprietors of The Daily Mail, left the city on the 11.30 train tonight to appear at the bar of the legislative assembly in Quebec tomorrow afternoon, whether they have been summoned by resolution of the house, to explain their charges of graft against J. Octave Mousseau, member of the assembly, and Hon. Messrs. Berard and Bergevin, members of the legislative council, in relation to the passing of an alleged iniquitous bill promoted by the Burns Detective Agency, as a company known by the name of the Montreal Fair Association.

The Mail proprietors will reiterate their charges before the house, and in a written statement express their ability and willingness to prove each and every allegation made in the case. The procedure thenceforward will be in the hands of the committee of the legislature, whose appointment was reported in The World on Friday last. A Cut-Rate Expert. In the meantime The Daily Mail continues to recount the circumstances and incidents in regard to the payment of money to the legislators to rush the legislation thru. Tomorrow's (Continued on Page 7, Col. 5)

MORE SENSATIONS EXPECTED AMONG QUEBEC LEGISLATORS AS REVELATIONS PROCEED

Newspaper and Municipal Situation in Montreal is Full of Dynamite and People Are Rushing for Cover. Most Highly Seasoned Stew That Has Ever Been Uncovered in Canada Beats All Other Scandals Put Together.

WEEK OF OPERA IS INAUGURATED

La Gioconda Sung by Renowned Artists Who Were Given Enthusiastic Reception.

The National Opera Company of Canada opened their week's engagement last evening at the Royal with the promise of genuinely pleasurable presentations of grand opera favorites. The first night might be taken to illustrate the general impression which it is hoped to gain in the series of programs. There were no brilliant starting effects; no attempts at bizarre or unusual features. In fact the whole tone of "La Gioconda" was one of consistency. The text was not pleaded up and sung as if a handful of rather good artists with individual ambitions had been turned loose upon it. There was a pleasing co-operation and spontaneity throughout which contributed greatly in some of the more critical periods of action. While it is said there was no dis-

OFFICIALS OF UNION LIFE HELD ON BENCH WARRANTS

Conspiracy to Defraud is the Charge Upon Which True Bills Were Found Against Pollman Evans, Harry Symons, Geo. Millichamp and F. G. Hughes. True bills were brought in by the grand jury at the civil assize court before Justice Latchford against H. Pollman Evans, Harry Symons, Geo. E. Millichamp and F. G. Hughes, who were charged with conspiracy to defraud in connection with the Union Life Assurance Co. A second true bill was found against H. Pollman Evans and Harry Symons under a similar charge. The indictments stated that between 1902 and 1909 those whose names were mentioned conspired to defraud, by reason of misrepresenting to the public the value of shares in the National Agency and misrepresenting the connection of this concern with the Union Life. Bench warrants were immediately issued for the four men and late yesterday afternoon Harry Symons, K.C., formerly a director of the Union Life Assurance Co. was arrested by Detective Montgomery. It is understood that George E. Millichamp, who is also named in the indictment, is at present confined in the Homewood Sanitarium at Guelph, and while it could not be definitely ascertained, it is understood that the Toronto police asked for his arrest by the Guelph authorities. Mr. Evans is out of town and so far his whereabouts is uncertain.

GIRL DIED OF HYDROPHOBIA

Bitten by Dog Seven Weeks Ago and Taken to Hospital Saturday, Death Came Soon.

Frances Stewart, 155 Roslin avenue, Bedford Park, the four-year-old girl supposed to have been suffering from hydrophobia, died in the Sick Children's Hospital, at 12.30 yesterday morning. Over seven weeks ago the child was bitten by a dog, but a week afterwards, thru the agency of carbolic acid, she was out playing. Saturday she became feverish and seemed to fear that the dog was chasing her. She was conveyed to the hospital, where she died yesterday. A post-mortem is being held on the child to determine what caused her death.

LONDON CENTRE OF BIG STRIKE

Building Industry Will Probably Be Paralyzed—General Strike in England Predicted. LONDON, Jan. 26.—(Can. Press.)—The United Kingdom is again threatened with serious labor unrest. The Building Trades Federation in addition to calling upon the plumbers, painters and allied trades to strike has also decided in favor of bringing about a national building strike. Should the recommendation of the executive council be ratified, London's building industry will be brought to a standstill. Work has already ceased on a dozen big buildings in the course of construction involving the expenditure of \$5,000,000. These include London's new county hall and several government buildings. There is no sign of a settlement of the coal carriers' strike, and the employees of several big street transport companies threaten to support the coal men. Trouble is also brewing in the shipping world on the eight-hour question and higher wages. Tom Mann, formerly president of the International Transport Workers Federation, in a speech at Dublin tonight, predicted a general strike in England in March, involving engineers, boilermakers and shipwrights.

"I GOT TO GET THEM OR HE'LL GET ME."



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