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PRIDE AND GRIEF INTERMINGLED

Quick Action to Carry Out Request of Scott

FUND TO BE RAISED

Pension From Nation for Explorer's Widow—Interest in His Men Shown by Surprise He Had in Store For Them on His Return

(Canadian Press)

London, Feb. 11.—Grief and pride in the simple narrative of high courage, endurance and sacrifice given in Captain Robert N. Scott's farewell message to the world, written while he was doomed to death with his companions in the Antarctic ice, have had an electric effect.

"It is a white and not a black mourning we wear for these gallant souls, who have done and died so greatly," is the prevailing note in the comment.

The closing words of Captain Scott's epic: "Had we lived, I should have been a tale to tell of the hardihood, the endurance and the courage of my companions which would have stirred the heart of every Englishman. These rough notes and our dead bodies must tell the tale, but surely, surely, a great and noble country like ours, will see that those who are dependent upon us are properly provided for." have had an electric effect.

Steps are on foot already to respond to his appeal to the nation by assuring a comfortable future for those dependent on the men who, while awaiting certain death, could still write that they did not regret their journey.

ALL PROFITS OF STORY WERE TO BE FOR MEN

Captain Scott's interest in the welfare of his men was emphasized by practically the last business he transacted before he left to join the expedition in New Zealand. This was the sale of his story.

He declined to make any private profits from the transactions and desired that the total receipts should go to increase the financial regard of the men who had undertaken to share with him the story of the Antarctic region. It was, therefore, that all sums paid by newspapers throughout the world for the story of the adventure should be distributed among the members of the crew as a surprise bonus on their return to England.

Mrs. Scott is assured of a good pension from the British government. A memorial service for Captain Scott and his companions is to be held in St. Paul's Cathedral on Friday. Many flags in all parts of London are flying at half mast.

Telegrams from all parts record the profound regret, mingled with pride, felt throughout the British Empire, while messages of sympathy have reached the government in considerable numbers from foreign states.

STARTED OUT ALONE IN FACE OF DEATH

London, Feb. 11.—Details of the disaster in which Captain Scott and four of his men perished in the Antarctic, are brought in the special despatches of the Central News Service. Captain Oates evidently set out from the tent in which the four men had all but succumbed to starvation and exhaustion, to brave death alone in the blizzard which had overwhelmed them.

After a brave struggle for weeks, with his hands frost bitten, Oates declared to his comrades that he was going to set out in the storm and did not know when he would come back. He left the tent and he never seen again. He evidently knew as he was setting out to meet his death alone.

The others later tried to push on, but were forced into camp again on March 21, after nine days struggle in the blizzard. Food and fuel were both exhausted.

Probably realizing that his party was doomed, Captain Scott entered in his diary four days later, on March 25—"A Message to the Public." In this he declared that the disaster was not due to faulty organization, but to misfortune. He said nobody in the world could expect to successfully encounter such temperatures and storms as they had met on the barrier, which so retarded their progress. When they arrived within seven miles of One Ton Depot, they had fuel for only one hot meal, and food for two days.

The doomed explorer wrote apologetically of his "rough notes." He said these and the bodies must tell the tale. He appended:

"GOOD WARRIORS MUST GET SOME DEEDS TO DO."

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Murphy, director of meteorological services.

The area of high pressure which was centered in northern Ontario yesterday has passed to the Atlantic and the low which was then in Manitoba is now moving across the Great Lakes. The temperature has risen very considerably in Ontario and Quebec but continues low in the western provinces.

Milder; Then Cold Again. Maritime—Winds increasing to gales tonight from south and south-west with snow or sleet. Wednesday strong west to north-west winds and becoming colder again.

LATE SPORT NEWS

New York, Feb. 11.—A London cable says—"Fredie" Walsh, lightweight champion of the world, defeated Paul Breveres, lightweight champion of France in the third round of a twenty round contest in Aberdeen, last night. The Frenchman retired with a broken thumb.

New York, Feb. 11.—With no important decisions to hand down, the national commission, the supreme court of baseball has in view a pleated session this forenoon. Sedon in the history of baseball has the commission had less important business before it.

National League club owners, meeting this afternoon, had before them in addition to the business of ratifying the 1913 schedule, some proposed changes in the constitution and the settlement of the league's claim to a quarter of the New York club's profits in the last world's series. It is probable that no further action will be taken at this meeting.

The annual meeting of the baseball writers was set for this afternoon.

FUNERAL OF NOVA SCOTIA WOMAN WHOM SON KILLED

Windsor, N. S., Feb. 11.—The preliminary trial of William Sanford, charged with the murder of his mother, Mrs. Ezra Sanford at Belmont on Friday last, will be held before Justice Curry on Thursday morning. Police Constable Wright, who shot the woman yesterday evening, was in the court.

The prisoner is quietly resting in the Windsor jail, closely guarded. F. M. Christie, K. C., will conduct the case for the crown. The funeral of the murdered woman is being held today in Wolfville.

CHANGE THE COMMANDERS OF C. N. R. STEAMSHIPS

Montreal, Feb. 11.—When the Royal Liners start on their Montreal trip next spring, they will be re-organized. Captain Roberts of the Royal Edward has been appointed dock superintendent at Avonmouth, while Captain Harrison of the Royal George will be ready for assignment in a few weeks, has been suspended. The latter's position will likely be taken by Captain Thompson, who took the Royal George to Halifax after she was going off to the late "Oleander" route, where she stranded in late November. It is said that the Royal Edward's captain has not yet been selected.

CITY BILLS

Various bills, including those dealing with the new building law, the city court act and the extension of the limits of the city, which may create its water system were submitted to the city commissioners today by the recorder. The bills were approved and will be forwarded to the legislature.

BERWICK BUSINESS MAN BURNED OUT

Berwick, N. S., Feb. 11.—The most disastrous fire that has visited Berwick for some years entirely destroyed the shop and contents of H. D. Rodd, the only remaining business of the north end of the town. The loss will be a heavy one as the stock was only partially covered by insurance.

By heroic efforts the residence of Wm. Wollard was saved. Mr. Wollard came here from Halifax and has been in business here only about three years.

STREET WORK

Matters relating to the street department, including proposals for permanent work during the coming summer, will be discussed by the city commissioners at a special meeting at four o'clock this afternoon.

Terrible Shock to Peary

Washington, Feb. 11.—Rear-Admiral Robert E. Peary, U.S.N., retired, said when he received the news of the death of Capt. Scott and his companions: "The news comes to me as a terrible shock. Mrs. Scott and the wives and relatives of the brave men who perished with Capt. Scott and the whole British nation have my deepest, sincerest and most heartfelt sympathy and condolences."

Admiral Peary at present is recovering from a surgical operation.

Capt. Ronald Amundsen, who led in the race to the pole as against Capt. Scott and other competitors, paid a glowing tribute to Scott in the address he recently made before the National Geographic Society, on receiving the society's gold medal commemorating his achievements.

Amundsen then said that a friendly rivalry had existed between Scott and himself, but that they always had in mind the best interests of scientific research, in which both were engaged.

He felt that the two British explorers, Shackleton and Scott, had done much to assist him by preliminary research in the Antarctic region.

London, Feb. 11.—The tragedy of Captain Robert F. Scott's Antarctic expedition was referred to today in the House of Commons by Premier Asquith. Speaking with evident emotion, he is as follows:

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FIGHTING TODAY IN MEXICO CITY

Rebels and Federal Troops Ready This Morning

MADERO IS CONFIDENT

Smiles in Face of His New Troubles and Says Matters Will Soon be Quieted Down—Has 1,500 Loyal Troops

(Canadian Press)

Mexico City, Feb. 11.—The rebels and the federal troops in the Mexican capital have taken up positions and fighting is expected to begin at any moment (this morning). The government troops are slowly closing in on the rebels.

Mexico City, Feb. 11.—President Madero is back in the National Palace, and Senor Madero is in Chapultepec Castle. The president has been spending his time in conferring with General Huerta, Ernesto Madero, the minister of finance, and other ministers. Madero is confident that the government will triumph, and his conversation is characterized by a happy smile and optimistic allusions. He considers that the public is with the administration, and looks forward to development, today as the final act in what he regards as another foolhardy attempt of General Huerta to take the head of Mexico's official hat.

It is improbable that the remarkable situation can be much longer maintained. In addition to a small number of troops from Huerta's command already in the capital, there is reported to be a force of 1,500 men under General Alvarez in the mountains some fifteen miles out, and twenty-five columns more from the Guaymas Cudas district. With whom the sympathies of these troops are, it is difficult to tell, as they are in an open country. Madero says he has 1,500 men on whom he can depend.

BRING MEN FROM OLD COUNTRY TO MINTO

Rethwell Company Had No Response to Local Call For Work

While complaints are being made that men are stranded in the city without work, the Rethwell Coal Company, which is the largest employer of men in the city, is reported to be giving steady employment at good wages to men willing to work. It is announced that the company has been directed to send labor elsewhere, and is bringing a couple of parties of men, of twenty each, out from the old country. Owing to difficulty of securing men the company is making things attractive for good workers and has been erecting cottages for the miners and assisting them to bring out their families.

The population of Minto has been steadily increasing lately and with the new mines which are being opened and the extension of the railway to Fredrickton it is expected that the growth will be permanent. One of the latest signs of progress is the establishment of a branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

AMERICAN FALLS ALMOST RUNNING DRY

Great Ice Jam Checked the Flood For Some Time Yesterday

Niagara Falls, Feb. 11.—After running almost dry for several hours yesterday, the volume of water passing over the American falls began to increase toward dusk and then ran again at almost the normal flow. The diminution was caused by an ice jam almost completely checking the flow of water on the American side for several hours.

In fact, those who saw it, declare that the volume of water passing over about ten o'clock on Monday was even less than that which passed over the falls for several days in February, 1909.

While none of the power companies on the American side of the river were embarrassed, the Canadian companies did not fare so well. The plant of the International Railway Company was running at a considerably reduced capacity.

POPE IS BEREAVED

Sister of Pontiff Died in Rome Today at Age of 77

Rome, Feb. 11.—The Pope's sister, Rosa Sarto, died today in Rome, of paralysis. She had been ill for some days and the physicians in attendance had expected a fatal outcome owing to her age, seventy-seven years.

MARTIAL LAW IN VIRGINIA; 10 DEAD IN STRIKE BATTLE

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 11.—Seven strikers and three guards were killed and many wounded in a battle yesterday between strikers in the coal region and the authorities. Eight strikers were captured.

Seven companies of state militia have been ordered to the strike district by Governor Glasscock. The strike district is isolated in the mountains and travel to points having communication with Charleston is difficult. Martial law is in effect. The territory covers fifteen miles.

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TURKS SUFFER HEAVY LOSSES IN GALIOPOLI AND AT TCHATAJIA THEIR MEN MOWED DOWN BY THE BULGARIANS

(Osmanian Press)

Sofia, Feb. 11.—The Turkish army in the peninsula of Gallipoli lost between 5,000 and 6,000 men and fifty officers during the fighting at Bulair, according to a semi-official report issued today. Several thousands of Turkish soldiers fell in a last battle before the Tchatajia line on February 9, and thousands more at Charkai to the southeast of Rodosto.

The report says that the Bulgarian army, having repulsed several Turkish attacks upon Charkai, near the port of Rodosto, on Saturday and Sunday, were almost surrounded by the Bulgarian army and were compelled to retire hastily under the protection of the Turkish warships to their transports of the coast.

The Bulgarian infantry on shore kept up a deadly fire on the small boats filled with Turkish troops, inflicting losses amounting to several thousand men. The Bulgarian losses in the whole affair did not exceed 100 killed and wounded.

Constantinople, Feb. 11.—A Turkish warship went ashore this morning at Karaburnu on the Black Sea coast. Her forecastle full of water.

LIKELY LET KATSURA RESIGN

Tokio Comparatively Quiet Today, But Rioting Starts in Osaka

Tokio, Japan, Feb. 11.—The rioting and disorder which broke out in the Japanese capital yesterday in connection with the cabinet crisis continued until the early hours of this morning, when the mobs dispersed owing to the intense cold and the lack of further objectives on which to vent their fury. Up to noon today there were no further disturbances in the city and the streets were quiet.

Prince Taro Katsura, the premier and the leader of the cabinet, who had a meeting at ten o'clock last evening in the official residence of the premier, remained in the city today. The office of the premier was strongly guarded by police and soldiers. The speech of elder statesmen was taken over with the rest of the imperial palace this afternoon.

After these meetings statements made in well-informed circles lead to the belief that the resignation of Prince Katsura and his colleagues will be accepted by the emperor.

Count Gombel Yamamoto, formerly minister of marine, has signified his willingness to accept the premiership together with the leadership of the old constitutional party of which the Marquis Saionji is now chief.

Prince Katsura, will in the meantime, proceed with the organization of his new party.

The official announcement of the change of administration probably will be made before the diet meets again on Thursday. The new cabinet is likely to include Baron Takaaki Kato, formerly ambassador to Great Britain; Kei Hara, formerly minister of justice; and Masahito Mikoyama, former minister of justice.

Violent political riots broke out in the city of Osaka today. The rioting was reported by newspapers which support Prince Katsura, the premier, were attacked by great mobs.

FINDS CITY OWNS 1000 TO 1100 ACRES AT MISPEC

The city commissioners have awakened to the fact that the city is the owner of a tract of from 1,000 to 1,100 acres of land, the possession of which has been overlooked. The land is part of the property of the Mispec Pulp Company, and was taken over with the rest of the property when the city found it necessary to buy the pulp mill. Since then the land has been lying idle.

WIDOW OF PRESIDENT CLEVELAND WEDS

Married Yesterday by Head of Princeton University

Princeton, N. J., Feb. 11.—Mrs. Grover Cleveland and Thomas J. Preston, Jr., of Princeton, were married yesterday by the Rev. Grier Hibben of Princeton University in Prospect, the executive residence of the university.

No preliminary announcement had been made and the utmost secrecy was observed in the ceremony.

GERMAN DISCOVERER OF TUBERCULOSIS CURE TO VISIT THE STATES

Berlin, Feb. 11.—Dr. Friedrich F. Fricdman, who is said to have discovered a remedy for tuberculosis, has decided to sail for New York from Bremen on the S.S. Kron Prinzess Cecilie on February 18.

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE ENGAGEMENT OF KAISER'S DAUGHTER

Berlin, Feb. 10.—The official Reichsanzeiger, in an extra edition this morning, announces the engagement of Princess Victoria Luise, daughter of the German Emperor, and Prince Ernst August, son of the Duke of Cumberland.

GAS EXPLOSION WRECKED PLANT

Three Men Have a Close Call in Moncton

ABRAMS MACHINE SHOP

Pipe Was Being Blown Out When Building Collapsed Upon Men Under Force of Explosion—Two Severely Burned—Windows Broken Half Mile Away

(Special to Times)

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 11.—The destruction of J. Abrams & Sons' machine shop and plant about 12:30 o'clock this morning was at first attributed to the boiler blowing up but later investigation proved the cause to be an explosion of gas.

With a roar and a shock which shook the lower part of the city and smashed windows in an office building nearly half a mile away, the explosion completely wrecked the plant and machine shop and almost caused the death of three men who were working in the building at the time.

The force of the explosion blew off the roof and blew out the front of the building and also caused a portion of the front wall of one of the building's rear buildings across the street to buckle and lean over the street. Practically every pane of glass in the windows of the Record Foundry buildings was broken. A window was broken in A. H. Jones' office in the Bank of Nova Scotia building near the corner of Main and Adams streets nearly one mile away.

The explosion was caused by the ignition, in some manner at present unknown, of a large quantity of natural gas which had escaped into the interior of the building while two employees of the gas company were draining water from the main shaft in the building. These two, Farmer and Hinchey, together with the watchman, Robert Glover, were in the building when the explosion occurred and they had a miraculous escape from instant death. As it was Hinchey and Farmer who were badly burned and are in the city hospital undergoing treatment.

Escape Underfoot. The gas men were blowing the water out of the pipes. They first put out the fire and cautioned the watchman not to light a match or a lantern. Then they uncoupled the supply pipe at a valve near the front of the building and set to work to blow out the pipe. While they were working the explosion occurred and they escaped at all in a matter of wonder to those who have seen the debris littered about the spot where they were working.

Huge pieces of wood and metal and iron and steel shavings fell all about them and the floor fell in on the very spot upon which they had stood as they worked.

Hinchey said in the hospital that he could not remember how they escaped. He said, however, they made a dash for the open street, who was quite a distance from the others escaped with his hand singed.

An alarm of fire was rung in and the firemen found the ruins ablaze in one or two places. What slight fire there was, was quickly extinguished.

Hinchey says he cannot understand how he escaped instant death. He was situated for a moment and, looking up, saw the upper floor coming down upon him and made a dash for the gas pipe which was in the front of the building had been blown out. Three times he was struck and knocked down by pieces of wood and metal but got up again and struggled on, finding himself at last in the open air. His companion Farmer climbed out through a window.

Enquiry at the hospital elicited the information that both the injured men are badly burned, principally about the face and arms. Their condition it is thought is not serious.

The building is all blown to pieces and some of the machinery was badly damaged. The explosion produced a blinding flash which for a moment shrouded the sky all around. So bright was the flash that the glare of a special freight passing forces' siding, six or seven miles away, saw the crew and heard the explosion.

Abrams' machine shop has been burned out several times, once in St. John, once in Hampton and twice in Moncton. There was \$7,000 insurance on the building and plant. The industry however could not be replaced for \$15,000.

A meeting of the board of management of the I. C. R. is being held here. General routine matters are being discussed. Moses Campbell, Pottinger, and Tiffin are present. Mr. Campbell arrived on Sunday.

Several railroad men and station masters arrived last night from Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and will, it is understood, attend a meeting of the board today.

Dr. Mary Walker Very Ill

Chicago, Feb. 11.—Dr. Mary Walker, a noted woman entrist, is critically ill here with nervous shock, caused by a fall a week ago. She is eighty-one years old. The aged woman says that her arrest, a short time ago for wearing male attire, was indirectly responsible for her fall on the street, as she says she strained herself in climbing into a patrol wagon.

TUBERCULAR PEOPLE WILL BE BARRED

Toronto, Feb. 11.—In the revised factory act now before the legislature a clause has been inserted to prohibit the employment of any person afflicted with tuberculosis or scrofula in any place where food products are manufactured, stored or sold.

JAMES KENNEDY'S WILL

Property Divided Among His Children—Other Estates in Probate

In the probate court today the will of James Kennedy was proved. He gives his dwelling house, a leasehold in Summer street to his daughter, Mrs. Mary G. MacNeill and his son George K. Kennedy, in equal shares. He directs that the mortgage upon his property in Prince William street, amounting to \$10,000, be paid off with the proceeds of two life insurance policies for \$5,000 each, and he nominates his daughter, Mrs. MacNeill and his son, George K. executors. They were accordingly sworn in as such.