

## HIS WORSHIP MAY VETO RESOLUTION

ENGINEERSHIP IS NOT SETTLED YET

It is rumored that Mayor Morley will exercise his prerogative, and appoint Astley.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) In the excitement of the moment occasioned by Mayor Morley's failure to carry his point in regard to the appointment of J. W. Astley to the position of engineer in the city of Victoria, and also by the scathing indictment charging intrigue and other underhand practices leveled at his worship's head by Angus Smith, the present city engineer, the four quarters of the earth were lost sight of and no one seemed able to realize what had happened or how the essential sameness of things had been affected.

It is now stated, and in regard to which reliable information is wanted to be known, that the mayor will veto the resolution of the council and follow his own view of what is best, which would mean the appointment of Mr. Astley and the exit of Mr. Smith.

This rumor takes aldermen back to last Friday evening, when the council was in session discussing the question of the engineer, or, to be strictly correct, disposing of it. At that time the mayor, recognizing that the aldermen were not of his opinion, took occasion to declare that if they had not the courage to carry out what he termed their convictions and appoint a man qualified to take up the construction work in the city and place it on a proper footing he would be compelled to resort to the next best thing, which was to appoint a man of his own mind to let things continue in their present condition.

Alderman Humber suggestively inquired if his worship would resign, a query which went unanswered. The question now agitates the aldermen, and does the present rumor in regard to the mayor's vetoing intentions sufficiently answer Ald. Humber and all the others whose voiceless curiosity was none the less keen and real?

In the event of the mayor exercising his veto more trouble in the council chamber seems inevitable. By eight o'clock the council had voted, the mayor down, and it is not likely that the aldermen will sit calmly by and see their resolutions ignored. It may be recalled that when the mayor last exercised his veto was in regard to the appointment of Mr. Topp to carry out the preliminary survey work on the Sooke Lake water proposition. At that time, however, it is fairly certain, and as it is tolerably certain that he has a majority of the council at present behind him his dismissal from office some members of the council said this morning, may be accomplished as easily as a superficial acquaintance with the word "veto" might warrant one in assuming.

## WOMAN POLICEMAN

Portland Officer Has to Appeal to Passer-by for Aid.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 4.—Traffic policeman Richards of the Portland police force had to secure the aid of a "nose comitatus" in the form of a well-dressed woman, in dealing with an exceedingly diminutive pair of prisoners yesterday. The well-dressed woman was full of compassion for the captured Israel Bader and Rebecca Halper, each aged three years, in the midst of traffic-congested Washington street. With a squirming youngster on each side, he made his way to the sidewalk, and the woman, being his nearest refuge, the officer addressed her.

"Madam, I am sorry to bother you, but in the name of the city of Portland, I command you, services as a peace officer and direct you to take the prisoners to the city jail."

The woman, without a murmur of protest, took a youngster with each hand and escorted the pair to the jail.

## COURT MARTIAL

Valdez, Alaska, Oct. 3.—The trial by court martial of Lieut. Samuel C. Orin, until last week the commander of the Alaska road commission, will probably end on Thursday, all the witnesses having been examined except one for the defence, who will be put on the stand on that day. Orin had been accused of being short in his accounts to the extent of \$12,508. He was on the stand in his own behalf yesterday and today, and endeavored to explain the apparent shortages as due partly to errors in bookkeeping and partly to over-payment to the Northern Commercial Co. He admitted that three cheques for the road fund had been drawn against the company, but said that these amounts had been restored to the fund.

## CHURCH PIONEER OF NORTH

Toronto, Oct. 4.—Rev. A. J. Vale, of Bay River, in the Great Slave Lake region, is here on furlough. He will speak at a number of places in the interest of the work of the missionary society of the Church of England in Canada.

## BANK ISSUES WRIT

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 4.—The Molson's Bank to-day issued a writ against J. R. Millidge, of Vancouver, to recover \$1,983.04 on a judgment rendered in Vancouver.

## BUT IT REMAINS LIBERAL

Waterloo, Que., Oct. 4.—The judicial power in the province has been reduced to a minimum by the Liberal candidate, G. H. Bolivar, from 30 to 14.

## PRAIRIES FACING A FUEL FAMINE

FAMILIES WILL HAVE TO LIVE IN GROUPS

Saskatchewan Executive is Trying to Deal With Problem in That Province.

Regina, Oct. 4.—Families in remote portions of Saskatchewan may not be able to maintain their identity in their separate homes during the coming winter, according to a statement made at the legislative offices to-day.

The supplies of fuel will be so short that small groups of neighbors may be compelled to bunch up. In parts of the country it will be clearly impossible to maintain fires in every house, and the only resource will be to assemble two or more families in one residence.

The local government has been dealing actively with the situation for the past three months and during the last thirty days a still more strenuous campaign of publicity has been carried on, the object being to persuade the individual consumer to bring pressure to bear on the local dealers and induce the latter to buy coal now.

The trouble in the province is due to the closing up of the mines in Alberta and British Columbia in the spring of the present year, when the trouble between the miners and operators began.

## FINEST TERMINALS

C. P. R. Completing Remodelling of Place Viger Station, Montreal.

Montreal, Oct. 4.—The Canadian Pacific railway is hurrying operations with its Place Viger station in this city. The operations, which include the building of a new station, the enlarging of the terminal yards, the construction of a big steel viaduct and the remodelling of the Place Viger hotel, have made necessary an expenditure of over a million dollars. With the operations at this point completed, the C. P. R. will have one of the finest terminals in America. The yards cover forty freight tracks and ten passenger tracks and an area of over seven hundred acres.

## CRIME WAVE IN ALASKA

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 4.—News of a wave of violent crime in the wilds of Alaska has been received from the north. A deputy marshal has left for Georgetown, on the Kuskokwim river, where three murderers have been reported by Indians. In a row between three intoxicated men, two were killed, the assassin escaping. A third murder was brought to light by the discovery of charred human bones, which are believed to be those of a Japanese who disappeared a few months ago. It is believed the Japanese was murdered by a white man who accompanied him.

## EXPENSIVE NEW YORK

New York, N. Y., Oct. 4.—The cost of running the municipal government of New York City in 1910 was more than the combined expenditures of the fifteen next largest cities in the United States, according to the annual report of the controller. The year's cash payments reached a total of \$451,900,000. Of this sum \$31,500,000 went for improvements, \$29,500,000 for interest and \$208,000,000 for redemption of the city's debt. The year's cash payments were \$44,000,000 and for charitable purposes \$8,700,000.

## WILL RESIGN SHORTLY

Ottawa, Oct. 4.—Hon. S. N. Parent has not resigned the chairmanship of the National Transcontinental Railway Commission yet, but says that he proposes to resign shortly. It is rumored here that the position may go to Sir Thomas, but some months ago returned to Canada after government continental railways in Victoria, Australia.

## PANAMA'S ENVOY TO STATES IS RECALLED

He Makes Serious Allegations Against His Government as to Reason

Panama, Oct. 4.—President Arosemena states that a cabinet meeting yesterday it was decided to recall the Panama minister to the United States, Dr. Belisario Porras, as the government was not satisfied with his services. The foreign secretary, Dr. Federico Boyd, voted against the recall.

## ALLIED SPYING AND TRICKERY

Washington, D. C., Oct. 4.—Political trickery, spying of the Panama government on its own legation here and chicanery designed to cripple his candidacy for the presidency were alleged by Dr. Belisario Porras to-day to be the reasons underlying his recall from Washington. Dr. Porras attributed the whole affair to a political intrigue of President Arosemena.

## COMPETE WITH STATE

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 4.—Twenty thousand bankers of the United States who are members of the American Bankers' Association, will go into the money order business in the near future and will bid for the \$750,000,000 of business that the government now handles annually.



WILL TAKE NO CHANCES  
MR. BOWSER—Better grab it, Dick. I know I would. It's the chance of a lifetime.  
MR. McBRIDE—Nay, not so, Billy, my boy, not so. By grabbing it I might afford you the chance of a lifetime. Buy you know my motto: "The thing is to get in, and after you are in to stay in." R. L. is an amiable fellow, but he does not look to me like a stayer.

## NEW EMPRESSES FOR THE PACIFIC

"ASIA" AND "RUSSIA" ARE THE NAMES CHOSEN

It is Announced That Nothing Will Approach Them in Point of Efficiency

Montreal, Oct. 4.—It was officially announced at the Canadian Pacific railway headquarters here to-day that the company's two new steamships, which it is building on the Clyde for its Pacific service, will be named the "Asia" and the "Russia". The new Empresses are now in the process of construction at the yards of the Fairfield Shipbuilding Company at Glasgow, and will be ready for delivery in a few months. The "Asia" will be a white ship, and the "Russia" a dark ship. They will be the fastest and most powerful ships in the Pacific, and will be able to carry a large number of passengers and cargo.

## ASYLUM STRIKE

Attendants in Ontario Threaten General Walk-out.

Toronto, Oct. 4.—The attendants of the insane asylums throughout Ontario threaten to go on strike. In a memorial to the government they protest bitterly against the small salaries they receive, not at all commensurate with the duties they are called on to perform. Nurses, they claim, only receive \$12 per month at the start, gradually increasing to \$20 after years of honorable service. Moreover, they have to work long hours in many institutions, begin at 6 a. m. and finish at 9 p. m. As evidence of dissatisfaction they point out that seventy-two attendants have left the hospitals on Queen street here since January. The government has taken their request under serious consideration.

## ROOSEVELT'S LAMENT

St. Joseph, La., Oct. 4.—Theodore Roosevelt, in cancelling an engagement to hunt big game in this vicinity this fall, writes that he would rather kill black bear in Louisiana than go away to Africa, but that he cannot do so without being followed by the newspapers, so the pleasure of the hunt is spoiled. As president, he said, he could protect himself, but as a private citizen he is helpless.

## CALGARY THE SITE FOR WESTERN SHOPS

C. P. R. Directors Reach Decision at Meeting To-day—Steamship Services

Montreal, Que., Oct. 4.—At the annual meeting of the C. P. R. board of directors this morning it was decided to place the new western shops at Calgary, Alta. This marks the end of a long fight by a number of western cities. It was also decided to place \$800,000 to the steamship account, to be used in bettering existing services. The four retiring directors were re-elected. No other announcements were made.

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## MASKED MEN HOLD UP PASSENGER TRAIN

Robbers Went Through Baggage and Express Cars and Escaped With Loot

Bartlesville, Okla., Oct. 4.—M. K. & T. passenger train No. 27 from Kansas City to Oklahoma City was held up by three masked men at 10:15 o'clock near Okesa, ten miles south of here. They did not enter the passenger cars. Two trunks full of valuable jewelry, samples belonging to a salesman for an eastern firm, were put on the train but it has not been learned whether they were stolen.

The holdup occurred in a new cut. Workmen had recently laid the track and the train was passing slowly. Suddenly four shots were fired in rapid succession and the engineers and fireman saw the masked men climbing over the tender platform revolvers at them. James Myers, engineer, was ordered to stop the train, which came to a standstill at the edge of a trestle. Several occupants of the two passenger coaches had awakened and were looking out of the windows. After firing several shots in the air the bandits compelled the fireman to uncouple the baggage and express cars and run them down the track several yards.

The robbers fled after spending fifteen minutes going through the baggage and express cars. The train continued on its way before the amount of loot obtained by the robbers had been ascertained.

## SPLENDID SERVICE TO IMPERIAL CAUSE

High Praise for Sir Wilfrid Laurier From British Minister

London, Oct. 4.—Advocating self-government for Ireland, Winston Churchill, speaking at Dundee, amplified his arguments by pointing to South Africa and Canada, where autonomy had bred loyalty. Canada, he said, upon the slightest apprehension that it would impair the empire, had rejected a measure which many judges believed it would have been to their material advantage to accept. He expressed gratitude for the splendid service which had been rendered the Imperial cause by Wilfrid Laurier.

## JUDGE ASSASSINATED

Political Crime in Finland—Murderer Kills Himself.

Helsingfors, Finland, Oct. 4.—The assassin of M. Von Hellen, president of the high court of justice at Abo, was identified as a shopkeeper named Lofday, 24 years old. The authorities state that the motive for the crime was undoubtedly political. The victim for a short time in 1906 was procurator-general. He was leaving his home late Monday night when Lofday, who had hidden behind the outer door, fired two shots, one of which reached the heart. The assassin fired a third bullet into his own forehead and died a few minutes later.

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## EXTEND E. & N. TO CAMPBELL RIVER

TENDERS TO BE CALLED FOR GRADING SHORTLY

Survey Parties Seeking a Route of Continuation to Quatsino Sound

Vancouver, Oct. 4.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., has authorized the construction of an extension of the E. & N. Railway from Vancouver Island northward from McBride Junction to the coast at Campbell River, a distance of 60 miles. Tenders for clearing the route will be called shortly. The proposed line will parallel the coast on the east side of the island, and traverse a valuable portion of the E. & N. land grant as well as the timber limits of various individuals and private corporations. The surveys have already been completed for the entire distance. An exploratory survey party has been in the field all summer seeking a feasible route north of Campbell River in the direction of Quatsino Sound.

## PROF. TAYLOR WEDDED

Toronto, Oct. 4.—Miss H. Fern Mackay, niece of Rev. R. E. Mackay, of the moral and social reform branch of the Presbyterian church, was married this afternoon to Prof. W. F. Taylor, of Westminster college, Vancouver. The marriage took place at Hicks, Ont. Dr. Mackay will take up their residence for this winter in Toronto, where the professor will lecture at the University. Next spring they will go to Vancouver, where Prof. Taylor will take up his work in the summer school.

## SCOTT DENIES RUMOR

Regina, Oct. 4.—Premier Scott denies the rumor circulated to the effect that his government will go to the country in the immediate future.

## MONTREAL BANQUETS GOVERNOR-GENERAL

This Afternoon He Unveiled Statute to John Young, Father of the Port

Montreal, Oct. 4.—Their Excellencies Earl Grey and Countess Grey, and the Ladies Sybil and Evelyn Grey, arrived in Montreal last evening, and after attending a reception at the Mount Royal Club.

His Excellency to-day officially unveiled the statue to the memory of the late Sir John Young, who did so much for the development of the port, and then took a trip around the harbor.

This evening a banquet will be tendered His Excellency at the Windsor hotel.

## METHODISTS FROM ENDS OF THE EARTH

ECUMENICAL GATHERING CONVENES IN TORONTO

Distinguished Men of the Denomination Are Taking Counsel Together

Toronto, Oct. 4.—Commencing to-day and continuing until October 17, the "ends of the earth" will be gathered together in the Metropolitan Methodist church here. The occasion is the fourth ecumenical conference of that denomination; fourth, it may be said, in order of succession, but most likely first in potential power. The conference meets every ten years. As "ecumenical" means "world-wide," Methodists from all parts of the globe are present.

England, Germany, France, Russia and Italy are in the forefront, while China, Japan, Korea, Hawaii and the islands of the Pacific have their voice. The West Indies, Sierra Leone, the home of the black man; India, Ceylon and far-off Australia are not found wanting. Friends from the neighboring republics will practice spiritual reciprocity, and upon the kindness and generosity of the Canadian church, especially the organization in Toronto, falls the pleasant task of host.

Of the delegates there are 500, and about 1,200 accompanying visitors swell the numbers of the out-of-town contingent to twelve hundred, which represent in all a denominational following of 30,000,000 of people.

The purpose of the conference is neither legislative nor administrative. It will not interfere with matters of church policy. It is federal in fraternal and advisory in function. The great principles under which Methodism will be discussed, along with their adoption to world requirements of the present day. As the various subjects are dealt with in committees and sections, the sense of the conference will be embodied in resolutions, which in turn will come back to the full conference for final disposition. There were only two sessions of the conference to-day. At 10 o'clock this morning the conference began with a devotional service. Rev. Dr. Carman, general superintendent of the Methodist church in Canada, presiding. The conference sermon was preached by Rev. Henry Hatch, president of the Wesleyan Methodist conference in England, who is not unfamiliar to Canadian Methodists, having been at the general conference sessions in Victoria's year ago. The sermon was on "The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper" was observed, in which the following took part: Bishop J. M. Walden, D. D.; Bishop A. Wilson, D. D.; Bishop R. P. Ladd, D. D.; Rev. Henry Hatch, Rev. Edwin Dallas, and Rev. Geo. Packer.

The business of the afternoon session, after the election of officers and nomination of a business committee, was devoted to a general reception of the delegates. The evening session will be abandoned in order that the delegates who have journeyed from distant points may rest.

Hon. Walter Runciman, minister of education in the British cabinet, who was expected to be present and take part in the discussion of "International Relations and Responsibilities," will not be able to come, as he finds himself too much pressed with business to spare the time for the trip.

## FIREMAN KILLED

Quebec, Oct. 4.—Buried in the debris of the body of Fireman Labarre, of Number 4 station, taken out by his comrades last night at 10:30 from the ruins of No. 5 fire station, which was utterly wrecked by fire. Two women who jumped in an endeavor to catch a ladder which was story below them were badly injured. One woman was caught in the ribs of the ladder, and remained suspended head downward struggling for some time in the midst of flames which were bursting out of the windows. Both will die. While the firemen were at work the floors suddenly collapsed and several were hurled into the cellar. All managed to escape excepting Labarre, who was pinned under heavy beams and covered with falling debris.

## STAVE RIVER POWER EARLY IN DECEMBER

Vancouver Looking Forward to Energy From Fifty Thousand Horse Power Plant

Vancouver, Oct. 4.—By the early part of December the Western Canada Power Company will be delivering power in Vancouver from its hydro-electric plant at Stave river falls, 45 miles from this city. Announcement to this effect was made this morning. The installation of the generating machinery in the company's power house is now proceeding. The intake dam is practically completed.

The ultimate capacity of this plant will be 50,000 horse-power, and this result can be duplicated by the erection of another plant a few miles nearer the mouth of the Stave river than the present one.

## INNOVATION FROM ITALY

New York, N. Y., Oct. 4.—Judges, lawyers and attorneys at the court of special sessions here were surprised when the court convened to-day to find that during the night three steel cages for prisoners had been placed in the courtroom. It is said that the Camorra trial in Italy was responsible for the innovation.

## AIM OF ITALIANS TO SILENCE GUNS

CARE BEING TAKEN NOT TO DAMAGE TRIPOLI CITY

Bombardment Was to Be Continued To-day—Reported Firing on Prevesa

Rome, Oct. 4 (via frontier).—It is officially announced to-day that Vice-Admiral Faravelli has sent a message to the government stating that the bombardment of the main batteries at Tripoli commenced at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon and continued until sunset.

The batteries replied to the Italian fire, but without effect. The admiral intimates that the bombardment will be resumed to-day in order to completely destroy the batteries. The greatest care was taken by the Italian gunners to avoid damaging the buildings of the town. Only a lighthouse and one of the batteries were destroyed. The dispatch to the government was timed at Tripoli at 1:45 o'clock last night, and is as follows:

"On board the battleship Berardiotti, Brin, Tuesday. A bombardment was commenced at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon on the principal batteries of Tripoli and was continued until sunset. The batteries responded to the Italian fire, but without effect. The bombardment will be continued to-morrow until the destruction of the batteries has been completed. Great care was taken during the bombardment not to damage the city. Only a lighthouse and one of the batteries were destroyed."

Official circles "ridicule" the reports which are described as being circulated with the intention of misleading public opinion concerning incidents between Italy and Austria and of dissension among the powers regarding British attitude toward Italy. As a matter of fact, it is said, what is transpiring was arranged among the states in the Triple Alliance with the adhesion of France and Great Britain, who are bound by the agreement of 1901 to support Italy, or at least to be neutral whenever she decides to occupy Tripoli. It is even hinted that negotiations with Austria and Germany which preceded the present action of Italy led to a basis for the renewal of the Triple Alliance which will expire in 1914, when to the already existing clauses another will be added regarding the protection of Italy in her position in North Africa.

The military attaches at the embassies here are following with interest the preparations of the Italian expedition to Tripoli.

The first contingent of about 20,000 men, ready to start yesterday, was delayed because the officials were afraid to be assailed against surprise attacks. Italian ships are patrolling between Sicily and Malta and between Malta and the "heel" of Italy. These vessels signalled the presence of Turkish torpedo boats up to last night, when they were chased out of the patrol area and vanished. The weather was dark and aided by stormy weather.

Italy proposes to land nearly 40,000 men within a week and to begin operations immediately. The military experts consider the arrangements made and equipment of the troops perfect. This equipment includes provisions of all kinds, landing-boats, movable camp and field hospitals with accommodations for thirty thousand patients beside hospital corps. The report that Montenegro is mobilizing her forces is officially denied.

## Bombarding Prevesa

Berlin, Oct. 4.—The Lokal-Anzeiger publishes a report that the "Italians" have bombarded Prevesa, a small town near Caserta.

## AK UNCERTAIN ELECTION

Mexico City, Oct. 4.—Worried by inability to ascertain who was elected vice-president last Sunday, members of the central committees of the various parties have started a new campaign for votes in the electoral college on October 15. Hundreds of telegrams were sent to-day to party chiefs urging them to send in results of the election to give a working basis for this brief and somewhat irregular campaign.

Though satisfied at the peaceful manner in which the election was held, party leaders reluctantly admitted that the failure to receive returns shows lack of organization.

At the headquarters of the progressive party it was admitted that no more than 25 per cent of the returns, and these lacking in detail, had been received. Similar conditions prevailed at the headquarters of the Catholic party, and of the Vasquistas. No one admits defeat, and the contention is growing that no one will receive a majority in the electoral college, and that the choice for vice-president will involve upon the Chamber of Deputies. In a last effort to forestall this, however, leaders are flooding the twenty thousand odd electors with arguments in favor of their respective candidates, notwithstanding that the electors are presumed to vote in accordance with the wishes of those who named them.

## AVIATOR'S LUCKY ESCAPE

Danbury, Conn., Oct. 4.—George Schmutz, an aviator, fell 400 feet with his biplane here to-day and landing in a swamp escaped without injury. The machine was wrecked.

An ostrich will never go straight to its nest, but always approaches it with many windings and detours. In order, it is possible to conceal a locality for observation.