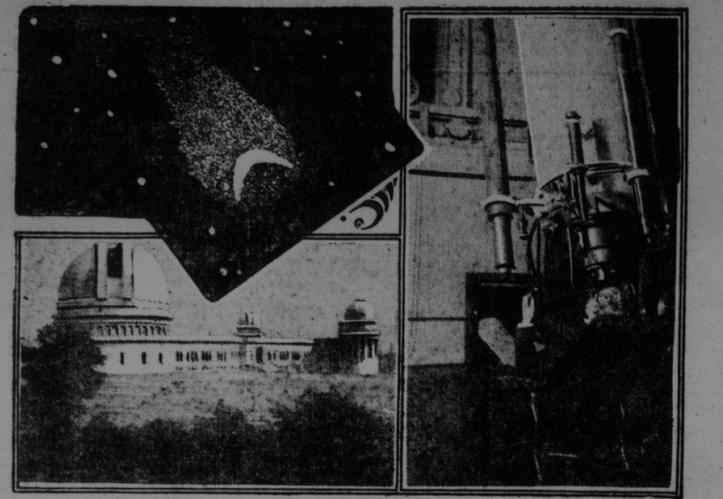


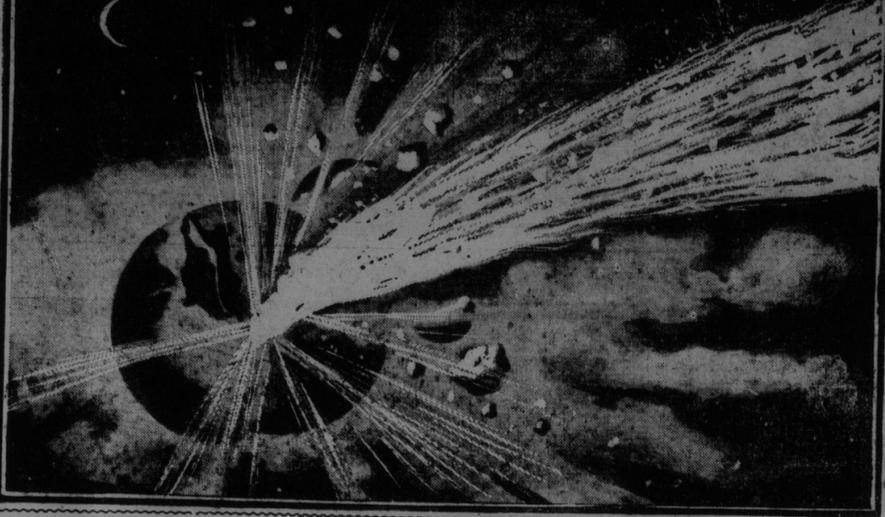
# SAFE FOR ANOTHER 75 YEARS

## SUN LURES COMET BACK TO MEET REVOLVING EARTH

### WHAT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED



AT RIGHT, ASTRONOMER IN UNITED STATES NAVAL OBSERVATORY WATCHING COMET — AT LEFT, TOP, LATEST PHOTOGRAPH OF HALLEY'S COMET—BOTTOM, YERKES OBSERVATORY, WHERE PHOTOGRAPH WAS MADE.



# Old Sol Marked by Comet's Passing.

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Why does Halley's comet come back to the sun every 75 or 77 years? Why is it that when it passes Neptune, 2,791,000,000 miles from the sun, it wanders on a few hundred million miles farther and then turns around and starts back to visit us once more? During the middle of April the comet was swinging about the sun at a distance of less than 50,000,000 miles. After getting away from the center of the solar system safely it started up on its long journey through space, during which it passes Venus, the earth, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and finally Neptune, plowing along still farther until it gets at least 3,000,000 miles from the sun.

In a straight line from one dark side of the rim to the other dark side. Probably Halley's comet had in mind a trip of this kind when it started out. It was just like as if you wanted to take a short cut straight across your neighbor's lot from your own to the second lot beyond.

But suppose your neighbor objected and standing somewhere in his lot lassoed you and held fast. But you kept on running and running and running. The result would be that you would keep going around your neighbor in a circle inside his lot.

Assuming the molecules to be the deadly poison cyanogen gas, which has been found in the spectrum of the tail, these figures look alarming, until it is recalled that the physicists estimate that it would require ten thousand sextillions of cyanogen molecules to weigh one pound. It therefore appears that the forty-eight trillion cubic miles of the tail which we encountered weighed almost exactly one-half of one ounce.

The sun spot, observed by Father Brennan at St. Louis, is unusually large but not the largest recorded. It is impossible to say that the proximity to the sun is what we call a sun spot. On the other hand such spots have appeared in the past when they could not possibly be attributed to a comet.

hundreds of Porto Ricans last night paraded the streets of San Juan and other towns in Porto Rico, carrying candles and chanting prayers. Many of them also spent a considerable time in the confessionals. A large number of workmen failed to report to day at the tobacco factories and plantations, and the pineapple shipments have been curtailed because the laborers have refused to work.

New York, N. Y., May 18.—Wm. H. Winter writing to the Times says: The first authentic notice of what is now known as Halley's comet appears in Senonius Caesar's. Where he mentions that just after the assassinations of Julius Caesar in B. C. 44, a comet blazed for seven days together and it was supposed to be the soul of Caesar now received into heaven for which reason Caesar was represented on a statue with a star on his brow. Its historical reappearance as follows are carefully verified:

## THOUSANDS WAIT IN LINE

Doors of Westminster Hall Where King's Body Lies In State Closed Upon Miles Of People.

London, May 18.—Thousands of people, marching in double file on either side of the catafalque on which rests the coffin of Edward VII, passed through Westminster Hall today, and when the doors were closed at ten o'clock tonight there were seemingly miles of people still in line.

## PARR ON STAND IN HEIKE TRIAL

Government Employee Tells In Court Of His Discovery Of Steel Springs In Scales Of The Sugar Trust.

New York, May 18.—Richard Parr, the government employee whose famous raids on the scale houses of the American Sugar Refining Company in Williamsburg (Brooklyn) in November 1907, first uncovered the gigantic sugar under-weighing frauds whereby the government was cheated out of thousands of dollars, in duty, took the witness stand today at the trial of Charles R. Heike, in the criminal branch of the United States Circuit Court. Heike is secretary of the sugar trust and with five former employees of the government stands charged with conspiring to defraud the government.

## MONCTON MAN SAW COMET

Rev. S. T. Teed, Retired Methodist Minister, Has Distinct Recollection Of Seeing Visitor 75 Years Ago.

Moncton, N. B., May 18.—Among the few people who remember seeing Halley's comet 75 years ago is Rev. S. T. Teed, retired Methodist minister, now living in Moncton. Mr. Teed was then ten years of age and was living at his native home, Wallace, N. S., and he has a distinct recollection of seeing the strange object in the sky and of hearing his father say it was the comet. Mr. Teed is still bright and active notwithstanding his 85 years and is looking forward with considerable interest to the appearance of the strange visitor in the evening sky.

## LAURIER PARTY FACES DEFEAT

Continued From Page One. The upshot of these considerations is that from now on the administration of the public business is to take second place and the primary energies of the Government are to be devoted to the task of surviving. Almost the entire Government is going electioneering.

As is well known, Sir Wilfrid Laurier is to tour the west, accompanied by Mr. Graham, Mr. E. M. Macdonald, the principal blocker, and Mr. Pardee, chief whip and champion of the St. Lawrence Power Transmission Company. Simultaneously Mr. Oliver is to go west and devote attention to the wilder and less accessible constituencies in the north. Reports from the Yukon are so disturbing that he will visit Dawson though Mr. Templeman was there last year. It is also expected that next summer a third minister will make his appearance in that corner of the country so carefully single constituencies being looked after.

## TREMBLE IN SAN JUAN

San Juan, May 18.—Fearing disastrous consequences from the comet,

## C.P.R. PLANS BIG THINGS

Transferring Freight to Digby Regarded as Feasible in Montreal—Expansion Along Other Lines Contemplated.

These are interesting days at Canadian Pacific headquarters, for never before in the history of the company have so many vast schemes of expansion and improvement been entered upon. It may be said, too, that never has rumor been so busy with regard to the company's plans. Today rumor connects two very separate enterprises with the company. It is said that when the tunnels of the Michigan Central Railway under the Detroit river at Detroit are finished on July 1, the Canadian Pacific will get joint use of them. The two car ferries by which the company's trains are at present taken across the river will, it is further said, be transferred to St. John, N. B., for use in a car ferry service between that place and Digby, N. S., giving the company a through service under the C. P. R. control. Dispatches from Digby say that such a service is feasible and even profitable. Officials at headquarters smile at these rumors, and for the present they "know nothing" for publication.

## G.P.R. HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH SCHEME

Orders Being Solicited For Advertisements in Kenora Y. M. C. A. Booklet Under False Pretences.

Montreal, May 18.—The attention of the C. P. R. authorities has been drawn to the fact that certain persons have been soliciting orders for advertisements to be inserted in a booklet to be published in connection with the Y. M. C. A. at Kenora, stating that they represent the C. P. R. and giving the impression that the booklet will be published by or for the C. P. R., who have nothing to do with the book, and it is not a C. P. R. advertising medium.

## STREETS THROGGED

Continued from page 1. seemed to be doing very well. At any rate it was bustling across the firmament as fast as the comet might be expected to travel.

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## DEERO AGAIN CHAMPION

New York, May 18.—Alfred Deero is again the world's three cushion billiard champion and the holder of the Jordan Lambert trophy. In the final block of points in his challenge match with the holding champion, Thomas A. Hueston tonight, Deero defeated the younger player 50 points to 38, snaking the total score for the match 150 points to 114.

## Supreme Court

Ottawa, Ont., May 18.—In the supreme court today MacLean vs. Dean was heard. The action was on a promissory note and the defence that the consideration was illegal as it was to secure money supplied for a gambling transaction. MacLean having made a little money in stocks bought Dominion Steel at 109 on 5 point margin. The stock went down, and he borrowed

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