

MINISTER MEETS FRUIT GROWERS

Hon. Martin Burrell Gives Men of Niagara District Outline of Government's Plans to Aid Agriculture

ST. CATHERINE'S, Ont., March 5.—Nearly thirty years ago Hon. Martin Burrell was a "green hand" on a fruit farm in the Niagara peninsula.

It was a triumphant return of a statesman to a place which held for him many happy recollections. He dropped the minister and became once more an enthusiastic fruit grower.

Mr. Burrell's speech was full of encouragement. He urged the fruit growers to continue setting the pace they had made.

DEATH ROLL OF TUBERCULOSIS

Mortality Among Poorer Classes in Paris Due to Unsanitary Conditions of Workmen's Dwellings

PARIS, March 6.—The heavy death-rate from consumption among the poorer classes in Paris has long been attributed to the overcrowded and consequently insanitary condition of the average workman's dwelling.

In the chamber of deputies M. Charles Dumont, ex-minister of public works, submitted a resolution claiming urgency for a measure to empower local authorities to raise and advance money for model dwellings.

At the present moment 15,000 persons, M. Dumont asserted, lived in apartments which were little better than dog kennels.

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SEVERELY INJURED

Passenger in Car That Dropped Through Saskatoon Bridge Badly Crushed Under Debris

SASKATOON, Sask., March 5.—What was thought last evening to be one of the worst accidents yet recorded on the Canadian Northern railway turns out this morning after a general survey of the situation, to have been a first and much less serious than was at first anticipated.

NEW CATHEDRAL SITE BOUGHT

Bishop McDonald Personally Negotiates Purchase of the Old Dennis Harris Property—Plans for New Edifice

The site for Victoria's new Roman Catholic cathedral has been chosen and purchased. Bishop Alexander McDonald personally negotiated the transaction last week.

Building operations on the new cathedral will not be begun at once as the present fine structure at View and Blanchard street has not yet been sold.

London, March 4.—The war office has decided to allow the territorialists to pursue rifle practice on Sundays, provided the shooting so far as possible is confined to compulsory work to attain proficiency.

OTTAWA, March 5.—The Dominion Rifle association secretary expects in a few days to receive a new rifle sight for attachment to the Ross rifle which will overcome the N. R. A. objections to Canadians at Bisleigh. They are made by the Birmingham Small Arms company.

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MAN AMERICANS LEAVE MEXICO

Hastening Across Border by Any Possible Means of Transportation—President Taft's Warning Heeded

DOUGLAS, Arizona, March 5.—Trains, motor cars and vehicles, of all kinds poured into Douglas today, loaded with virtually the entire American population of El Tigre, Macosari and Cananea.

EL PASO, Tex., March 5.—A train with a large number of Americans aboard left Chihuahua this morning, according to Mexican Central officials. They are due here tonight.

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YAGUIS large sums of money and the Yaquis large sums of money and the exclusive possession of the entire Yaqui river valley, if they will murder settlers, both Mexicans and Americans, in isolated places was the word brought today by the peace commissioner, General B. J. Viljoen, who returned from an extended trip to the northern part of the state.

EL PASO, March 6.—At 8 o'clock tonight the refugees from Chihuahua arrived at Juarez and swarmed by carriages, automobiles and street cars to the American side.

VESTED RIGHTS NOT AT ISSUE

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The house adjourned at 11:30, without voting on the amendment. Mr. Mondou gave notice he will move an amendment guaranteeing the rights already existing in the added territory.

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LONDON, March 5.—Railroad workers throughout the United Kingdom continue to be discharged from their employment owing to the shortage of coal necessitating the restriction of train service.

MAJORITY FOR MR. COTERILL

Count of Votes in Seattle Mayor-City Contest Indicates that Mr. H. C. Gill is Again Defeated

SEATTLE, March 5.—With George F. Coterill 1,710 votes ahead in the 57,322 ballots counted, there seems no doubt that H. C. Gill, the mayor who was recalled last year for alleged misconduct in office, has again been rejected.

FAMILY'S SLUMBERS RUDELY DISTURBED

Strange Visitor Sends Stream of Bullets From Window Into House—No Clue to Outrage

A cowardly attempt to murder some or all of the members of the William Barr family at Fernie was perpetrated early on Sunday morning last. The Barrs live in a cottage on McPherson avenue, and the would-be assassin stood on the sidewalk and fired five shots from a Winchester 30.30 rifle into the house.

GIRL'S HEROISM

Plunges Into River and Saves Eight-year-old Brother From Drowning

But for the courage and the presence of mind of his 12-year-old sister, Agnes, little Fred Service, of Merritt, aged little, would have been drowned last Friday afternoon. The near tragedy occurred on the Coldwater river, just below the bridge on the Middleboro road.

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FIERCE WOLVES DEVOUR TWO MEN

Mail Carriers on Trail From Lake Nepigon to Northern Camps Fall Prey to Pack of Ravenous Beasts

WINNIPEG, March 4.—News of one of the worst tragedies of the wilds came to the authorities of Allenton from Nepigon. It tells of the terrible ending of two mail carriers whose duty it was to traverse the lonely trails to outlying posts and camps.

In the middle of last week two mail carriers were reported missing at Port Arthur. Several parties started north, and after travelling some distance, noticed the snow broken up, and every indication of a struggle having taken place.

CONDOLENCES SENT

Their Royal Highnesses and Colonial Secretary Harcourt Send Messages to Mrs. Edward Blake

TORONTO, March 4.—Mrs. Edward Blake was the recipient today of the following message from Ottawa: "The governor general has been requested by the secretary of state for the colonies to convey to you Mr. Harcourt's sincere condolences on the death of your distinguished husband.

MONS AT FONTAINEBLEAU

Paris, March 5.—The inhabitants of Fontainebleau are protesting against some of the uses to which the picturesque forest, with its huge volcanic boulders, is being put by some of the cinematographic companies.

Paris, March 6.—A private soldier in a Cambrai regiment has invented an ingenious apparatus for private help to a submarine when an accident occurs. Armand Daudu's invention consists of a telephone, a ventilator, a safety bell, all of them small and all of them quite portable.

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