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GREAT COAL FIELDS ON CANADIAN SOIL

Two Largest Fields In World is The Belief IN BAFFIN'S LAND

Member of Bernier's Exploration Party Says They Are Workable All Year and Coal is Very Easily Reached—Vast Underground Forest

(Canadian Press) Montreal, May 4.—That the two largest coal fields in the world have been discovered on Canadian soil is the belief of Captain James, a member of the Canadian exploration party, aboard Captain Bernier's Arctic.

UNDERTAKERS HOME FROM HALIFAX

Two local undertakers, Patrick J. Fitzpatrick and George Chamberlain, returned to this city this morning from Halifax, where they rendered assistance in the work of embalming and otherwise in preparation of the bodies recovered from the Titanic wreck.

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Forenoon Bulletin from Toronto. Forecasts—Moderate to fresh northerly winds; fair today and on Sunday with much the same temperature.

Local Weather Report at Noon. Highest temperature during last 24 hrs 56 Lowest temperature during last 24 hrs 28 Humidity at noon, (sea level and 22 deg. Fahr.) 20/8 inches.

THE REFINERY. There is some doubt as to whether the committee appointed to consider the application of the Atlantic Sugar Refinery Company for an extension of the time allowed to build their plant on the Ballast wharf will submit anything of a definite nature to the common council.

WATCH STOLEN. Daniel Doherty of Main street lost a watch from his store last night. He valued it at about \$10. Mr. Doherty keeps a second-hand store. He had the watch for a looked glass case. This was opened by the thief and the watch taken. He has reported the matter to the police.

W. B. Howard and N. R. Debraisy left for Halifax last evening to look after the last sailing of the S. S. Empress of Brit.

DOCTORS ARE LINING UP FOR STIFF FIGHT

English Medical Men Opposing The Insurance Act Strongly

Winston Churchill Forging Ahead And May Have Premier's Chair as Goal—New Legislation Gives Breathing Spells to London's Hundreds of Thousands of Shop Clerks

(Times' Special Saturday Cable). London, May 4.—The amazing apathy which still prevails in political circles is likely to be broken soon by further active fighting over the insurance act. The doctors' opposition is now taking more definite shape. Official circles are almost overwhelmed by the terrific amount of detail work necessary before the complicated new machinery necessary for the working of the act can be completed.

Despite the government assurance to the contrary, many believe that it will be necessary to postpone the date of commencement of the new law. Latest reports declare that the doctors are preparing a pledge, which all doctors will be invited to sign, binding every practitioner to resign all contract medical practice, not to accept any office under the act, to refuse all medical benefits, except in urgent cases, to any insured person through any voluntary medical charity, and to boycott any blackleg doctor.

The British Medical Association, the recognized official administrative body which is vested by parliament with disciplinary powers over all doctors, is reported to be behind this movement. The doctors remain unrecanted, and the outlook for immediate success is not very promising.

NEW LEASE OF LIFE FOR LONDON CLERKS The most important event in England this week has been the commencement, on Wednesday, of the shop hours' act. This act provides that every shop assistant must have a weekly half holiday and must be given daily three quarters of an hour for dinner, and a half hour for tea.

Hundreds of thousands of young assistants, crushed by long hours and harsh conditions of shop life, have been given a new outlook on life. There is much grumbling among the big owners about inconvenience and extra expense, but the vast majority of the small shopkeepers and assistants enthusiastically welcome this act and the public are suffering no real inconvenience.

CHURCHILL IS FORGING AHEAD This act was the work of Hon. Mr. Churchill when he was secretary. He undoubtedly is steadily growing in power. His home rule bill speech this week, while somewhat lacking in magnetism and brilliance, revealed his really statesmanlike qualities. His generosity to Ulster and his realization of the truth that statesmanship is greater than partisan triumphs were his real triumphs over opponents of a year ago. A large section of the more progressive classes still regarded

Mr. Churchill as a reckless, political adventurer, but today even the Unionists are enabling them originally to dispraise his associates. His administration of the home office proved him to be a man of heart sympathy and good judgment. His conduct as first lord of the admiralty has shown him possessed of a remarkable degree of courage and resolution; he has already revolutionized naval administration, rallying around him the most progressive naval officers as expert advisers and getting rid of the administrative barmecides. He is bidding boldly for the Asquith succession. His old friendship for Lloyd George has apparently weakened, and they are no longer inseparable companions, and it is notable that Lloyd George was not among Mr. Churchill's auditors on Tuesday.

THE MORE EXTREME section of the labor party, led by a new labor newspaper, the Daily Herald, are making great efforts to use the Titanic disaster for class purposes. They are organizing the constitution of the board of inquiry, declaring that it is made up of officials and special experts. They denounce Lord Mersey, saying his association with the notorious Penndock case when a wealthy woman was let off with fine for sustained cruelty to a child and his work on the South African commission prove him to have clear prejudices. They are using as a text on a hundred platforms the fact that while ninety-seven per cent. of the women in the asylum were saved, seventy per cent. of the steeple children and forty per cent. of the women perished.

The Daily Herald says:—"We can do nothing to help those children, but we can avenge them. We solemnly declare that we will not be stayed from our endeavor until the authors of those crimes, whoever they may be, have been brought to justice."

LONGSHOREMAN IS STRUCK IN FACE BY PLANK THROWN FROM WHARF

Leverett Knodell, a longshoreman, who resides in Main street, was injured about the face while working on the Spanish steamer Euxine Mendis this morning about half-past nine o'clock. The steamer is at the wharf where Knodell was working. A plank was thrown from the wharf and struck him on the forehead. He did not see it coming. It struck him on the nose, and never struck the nose was frightfully torn.

There was a fall in the end of the plank, and it badly lacerated the nostril. Doctors T. H. Lunney and C. M. Pratt were summoned. It required eight stitches to close the wound, which bled profusely. The injured man was driven to his home in Main street. He is about sixty years of age.

AMHERST RECTOR TO MONTREAL CHURCH

Rev. Mr. Warner to Succeed Rev. R. W. Norwood

Montreal, May 4.—The Rev. G. Quinton Warner, rector of Christ Church, Amherst, N. S., is to succeed the Rev. R. W. Norwood, who will leave at the end of this month for his new parish in London, Ontario. Mr. Warner is expected to arrive here by July 1.

Rev. Mr. Warner is said to be a man of striking and attractive personality, as well as a gifted organizer. He was a graduate from King's College in Windsor, N. S., and of the General Theological Seminary, New York.

WANT WARM WEATHER AND RAIN

BE KILLED

Toronto Building Collapses -- Large Loss of Life is Feared

Toronto, May 4.—Two are dead, five more seriously injured, and from twenty to thirty others buried and probably dead in the ruins of the new five-story building of the William Nelson Company, Ltd., at 307 Gladstone avenue. The south wall collapsed about eleven o'clock this morning while 200 employees engaged in the manufacture of ice cream and chocolate, were at work on the first and second floors.

The entire Toronto fire brigade is in the scene, trying to extricate those buried under the debris.

The majority of the employees are women and girls. Of the known dead, one is a woman and the other a man, while 20 of the injured so far removed are girls. The building had been occupied for only the last two weeks.

SENTENCES ARE LIGHT

End of Trial for Responsibility in Many Cases of Death by Wood Alcohol

Bethel, May 4.—The trial of the men accused of being responsible for the wood alcohol poisonings, which occurred at Christmas among the inmates of the municipal night shelter for the homeless, ended today.

A druggist, named Sharnack, who secured and prepared the deadly spirits, was sentenced to five years imprisonment. Two salaried men, Zastrow and Meyer, were each given two months in jail.

The indictment against the accused, which specified eighteen cases of death and five of total blindness from the effects of wood alcohol poisoning, alleged the sale of the poison, and the sale of the deleterious liquor is known to have been going on for years.

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HALF MILLION FOR TWO DREDDGES

Ottawa, May 4.—Tenders are being considered by the minister of marine for the construction of two new dredges, each to cost a quarter of a million dollars. None has yet been accepted, but the probability is that the contract will go to a Canadian firm.

BURIED TODAY.

The body of Homer D. Forbes was laid to rest in Fernhill this afternoon. Funeral services were conducted in St. Andrew's church by Rev. Dr. McVicar and Rev. James Ross. The service was very impressive. Several hymns were sung by members of the church choir. The pall bearers were C. F. Inchee, B. R. Armstrong, G. McA. Blizard, G. Earle Logan, Charles Thomson and K. J. MacRae. The funeral cortege was a lengthy one. Members of the St. John Law Society attended a body. Many handsome floral tributes were received from friends and relatives.

The funeral of Mrs. Jane Thompson took place this afternoon from her late home in St. Paul street. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. L. A. McLean in Calvin church, after which the body was taken to Cedar Hill for interment.

SIR GILBERT GETS INTO DELIGHT

More Efforts to Give Importance to Taft's Letter

OTHERS INTERVIEWED

Joseph Martin, M. P., Says Hon. Mr. Foster Has Not a Clear Vision of the Situation -- Hon. Mr. Fielding, Sailing for Home, Declines Interview

(Canadian Press) New York, May 4.—The World this evening published a London cable quoting a statement by Sir Gilbert Parker, as follows:—"I am not going to engage in a discussion of American politics, but since the President of the United States, in a letter, declared his policy toward Canada, in whose destiny I am deeply concerned, I feel myself at liberty to say as far as all imperialists are concerned, we detect his secret policy of commercial reciprocity. We who know the United States, and we who know the time of Mr. Taft, that commercial annexation, leading to political annexation, was the policy which was greatly desired in certain official as well as unofficial quarters in America. I do not quarrel with their desire or intention, but it is our business to see the desire or intention actually fulfilled."

"Champlain Clark let the cat out of the bag and the bitter and painted part of the whole business is that you have a democratic candidate and two republican candidates for the presidency, who have declared for the absorption of Canada. We are never likely to be deluded again."

"Now I want to say I don't believe the mass of the American people would, as they say, stand for the kind of policy recently exploited and fairly stated by the head of the American republic. To Colonel Roosevelt Mr. Taft said he meant the absorption of Canada. To the people of the United States and the people of Canada, he said he meant only mutual commercial advantages."

"We British people want a square deal, and if you caught us trying to steal Alaska from you, by such a game as that, we would say I fancy the president would go to congress and ask for an appropriation, and you know what that means."

"Alaska is needed to complete Canada's territorial position, but no one in the British empire has ever thought of trying to invade the United States to part with the possession of Alaska, either commercially or territorially. Let us have fair play. We want no more than we are entitled to, and no less."

"I say the letter written by President Taft to Colonel Roosevelt, to the policy of which both agreed, is a blot on the high and honorable traditions of American foreign policy. I believe the vast majority of the American people are, today, ashamed of what the president did."

Joseph Martin Says Both

New York, May 4.—The New York American has the following in a London cable this morning:—"Joseph Martin, a member of parliament and a former prime minister of British Columbia, does not agree with Mr. Foster, acting premier of Canada, that as the result of the statement of President Taft, in his letter to Colonel Roosevelt, last year, that reciprocity is buried forever."

"I don't think," said Martin, "that President Taft's letter adds anything to the situation. What President Taft said was not political union or anything of that kind. He meant that the reciprocity treaty would result in a largely increased trade between Canada and the United States, which, of course, was evident to everybody."

"I think it is absurd for Mr. Foster to say the result would have been the loss of the dominion. President Taft did say Canada would become a political adjunct of the United States, but an adjunct in the way of trade."

"President Taft's remarks will not have the slightest effect. I think reciprocity feeling in Canada today is stronger than it has ever been. The government were defeated because of their political aims, and therefore reciprocity was defeated too. A large section of the Liberal party were determined to put the government out. I was over there at the time, and although I was strongly in favor of reciprocity, I voted against the government and a great many others did the same."

Hon. Mr. Fielding on Way Home

Hon. W. S. Fielding, who sailed for Canada on Friday, refused to be drawn out regarding the Roosevelt-Taft reciprocity disclosures, and would not discuss the subject from any viewpoint."

Sir Frederick Borden said:—"Anything I could say, would not alter the situation or alter the argument of Canadians. It is obvious that Taft was trying to persuade Roosevelt to his view. Taft is a politician, and a very deep one. I think he was doing his utmost to carry his point."

BRIDE AND GROOM ARE FOUND DEAD

Chicago, May 4.—Chas. J. Renshaw and his bride of ten weeks last night were found dead in their cottage in Wilcox avenue, into which they had just moved. Investigation has so far failed to reveal the cause of the deaths. According to friends they had carefully selected their furniture, and had arranged it in the manner planned since the day of their marriage. It was first thought they had been