

DEATH OF ALEXANDER BEGG.

Editor of the British Columbia Mining Journal Passes Away.

Alexander Begg, editor of the British Columbia Mining Journal, died yesterday at his residence on Jessie street in this city. Mr. Begg has for a long time been a very sick man and his friends recognized the fact that he could not long survive. The deceased had led a very busy life, having at various times been connected with many newspapers and other enterprises. A native of Quebec, where he was born in 1832, he spent the greater part of his life in the West, first in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, and later on the Pacific Coast. He travelled over the plains of the Prairie Province long before the C.P.R. was dreamed of, and the accounts of these trips, which he published in the Times some years ago, gave an idea of what the life of the pioneers of the plains was like.

Mr. Begg was a member of the Winnipeg firm of Remondet & Begg, traders, who did an immense business with the Indians and trappers. This was before the first Riel rebellion, and both members of the firm took a stand in opposition to the rebels. When the C.P.R. was extended west, and the company were making efforts to place settlers on the lands of the Northwest, the company appointed Mr. Begg their London agent, recognizing that there was no one better qualified to give the intending immigrants the information they desired. But the best use of the information which he gathered while living on the plains was when he put it in book form in the "History of the Northwest." This is conceded to be the best written and most accurate and complete of Canadian histories. It was dedicated to Lord Mount Royal and Stadacona, then Sir Donald A. Smith, governor of the Hudson Bay Company. This was not the only book written by Mr. Begg. He was the author of "The Creation of Manitoba," and "The Great Canadian Northwest," both historical, and "Dot It Down," and "Works in the Sea of Life," works of fiction, besides other books and pamphlets.

After the Winnipeg boom the deceased moved further west and started several papers in California, then coming north, he established the Seattle Telegraph, which, until swallowed up by the P.-L., was one of the best papers on the North Pacific Coast. His next venture was the News of this city, which was started by the wing of the government party which had become dissatisfied with the Colonist. When the differences of the politicians were settled the News stopped publication. Before this, however, Mr. Begg had for the time forsaken journalism to engage in other work. He, however, soon came back to his chosen profession and established the British Columbia Mining Record, which has flourished under his management.

A widow and one daughter survive him. Mrs. Begg is a sister of Mr. Scarth, formerly member of the house of commons for Winnipeg, and now deputy minister of the interior.

The funeral will take place Thursday, at 2:45, from the residence, Jessie street, Victoria West, and later from St. Saviour's church.

Funeral services will be held at St. Andrew's R. C. Cathedral on the 16th inst. for the late Bishop Lemmens. Archbishop Gross, of Portland, and the Bishop O'Dea, of Vancouver, Wash., will preach the sermon. Catholic prelates from the Mainland, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana will be present.

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NOW ANOTHER RAILWAY HORROR

Rio Grande Passenger Train in Collision With a Freight With Awful Results.

Thirty Dead and a Score Injured as a Result of the Terrible Crash.

Mistake in Train Orders the Cause of the Accident—Heart-rending Scenes.

Denver, Col., Sept. 10.—A head-on collision occurred at 1 o'clock this morning a mile west of Newcastle, Col., between a Denver & Rio Grande passenger train and a freight of the Colorado & Midland. Details of the wreck are very hard to obtain.

It is known that A. Hartman, wife and two children, of Harsher, Ill., are among the dead. Engineer Gordon, of the passenger train; R. H. Beckley, postal clerk; and Robt. Howlett, the passenger fireman, are fatally injured. Engineer Ostrander and Fireman Sutcliffe of the freight train, are missing, and are believed to be buried in the wreck. The following are injured: Pearl Corness, leg broken; John H. Standard, Clackfoot, Idaho, badly cut and bruised; J. H. Sheek, badly cut; Chas. Lepper, badly burned.

A Rio Grande special has arrived from Glenwood, bringing doctors and comfort for the wounded. The wreck occurred on what is called the Rio Grande Junction road. This runs from Newcastle to Grand Junction, and belongs jointly to the Denver & Rio Grande and Colorado & Midland, being used by both roads. Ten cars loaded with stock were completely demolished, and the right-of-way is strewn with dead stock and debris.

The latest information from the wreck makes it almost certain that twenty-five persons are dead and a dozen so badly injured that fully half of them will die.

The scene of the collision was a sharp turn in the road, and where two previous wrecks had occurred. The freight engine went through the passenger engine up to the top of the train. The train were about 200 people, about evenly divided between the coaches. In the smoker next the express car were about 20. The wreck was followed by an explosion. Flames shot up from the ruins and in a short time the wreckage was a burning mass. The cries of the imprisoned passengers were heart-rending. Those who were so fortunate as to escape injury set to the work of rescuing.

Newcastle, Sept. 10.—The Santa Fe collision had an awful counterpart in a head-on collision on the Rio Grande just after midnight this morning. The passenger train, consisting of an express car, smoker, day coach, chair car and two sleepers, was manned by Conductor Hawthorne; F. Daniels, brakeman; Billy Gordon, engineer; Bob Holland, fireman; Engineer Ostrander and Fireman Hines; and the Midland freight engine. The name of the conductor of the cattle train, who is blamed for the catastrophe, can't be learned, nor can either he or Ostrander be located. It is thought that both were killed, though an official gave his opinion that they had made for the hills. Train Dispatcher Arch claims to have given his orders correctly, but the freight conductor is presumed to have looked at the wrong column.

AND STILL ANOTHER.

Cologne, Sept. 10.—A collision occurred this morning at Urbach, between a freight train and a passenger train. Two railroad employees were killed and several passengers injured, and much damage done.

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE

Causes Terrible Havoc and Loss of Life at Johannesburg.

Johannesburg, Sept. 10.—An explosion of dynamite has taken place at the magazine at George Goch, Dopl Level mine, causing terrible havoc. Five white men and twenty-five Kafirs are known to have been killed.

THE FEVER SPREADING.

Refugee From Ocean Springs Carries Disease to New Orleans.

New Orleans, Sept. 10.—The board of health reported twelve suspected cases in one block down town. Under ordinary circumstances these cases would not have even been deemed suspicious, but two weeks ago refugees from Ocean Springs died in that vicinity, and since then the fever has spread there.

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TORONTO TOPICS.

School Children Not to Sing for the W.C.T.U.—Street Railway Earnings.

Toronto, Sept. 10.—The school management committee of the public school board yesterday decided not to allow children to give a concert on the occasion of the World's W.C.T.U. convention. J. P. Whitney, leader of the provincial Conservatives, addressed a meeting of the directors at Clinton last night. Premier Laurier will visit Toronto on October 5th and 6th.

The reports of the street railway company for the year ending August 31st went over the million mark for the first time. This was largely due to the increased traffic caused in July by the great Epworth League convention held here, but the traffic may be expected again to pass that figure now. The city's share of the revenue is \$22,921.54.

Wm. Maclean, for thirty years manager of the Union Loan & Savings Co., has retired, being succeeded by J. G. McGee.

The total of the dutiable goods received at the port of Toronto for the month of August was \$1,285,375, and of free goods \$908,227. In August, 1896, the total dutiable goods amounted to \$1,208,944, and free goods to \$981,801.

OLD WORLD AFFAIRS

Emperor William of Germany Engaged in Mimic Warfare—Trades Union Congress.

The Duke and Duchess of York at Glasgow—German Nationalist Under Arrest.

Hamburg, Sept. 10.—Emperor William today personally commanded the attacking force in the manoeuvres, all the troops being engaged against an imaginary army.

Birmingham, Eng., Sept. 10.—The Trades Union Congress today passed a resolution instructing the parliamentary committee to collect and distribute a special fund to assist the striking engineers.

The congress suspended the standing orders in order to discuss a resolution on national federation, introduced by the National Plate Glass Bevelers' Trade Union. It reads: "This congress is of the opinion that national federation of all trades and industries will relieve workers of their present unsatisfactory condition, and instructs the parliamentary committee to issue a circular based on this national system of federation, with a view to enlist the co-operation of all the organizations of workers throughout Great Britain." The resolution eventually passed with enthusiasm on the urging of the speaker, who claimed that a single union was not strong enough to defeat capital, and that the time has come to form such a union.

Glasgow, Sept. 10.—The Duke and Duchess of York this morning were received by the civil authorities and opened the new Prince's dock. The city was profusely decorated in honor of the visit of their Royal Highnesses.

London, Sept. 10.—The text of the treaty concluded between Great Britain and Mexico regarding the boundary of Mexico and British Honduras was issued this morning.

Vienna, Sept. 10.—Proceedings have been commenced against Herr Troz, a German Nationalist deputy, on a charge of high treason, said to have been contained in speeches which he delivered protesting against the ordinances ordaining the use of the Czech language side by side with German.

Brussels, Sept. 10.—Later mail advised from the Congo show that the revolt in Buddu territory is connected with mutinous Congolese troops in the Terro district, who are said to have killed 59 Belgian officers and men, destroyed all the forts and committed depredations right and left. The army is commanded by Muvugwa, a Roman Catholic premier of Buddu, and one of the few loyal Buddus. He was despatched to Turro district in June in order to fight the mutinous Congolese troops on the frontier and dislodge Buddu's, availing themselves of the opportunity thus afforded by the absence of Muvugwa, attacked the British. The Congolese mutineers in Turro district have eight Maxim guns and a large supply of breech-loading rifles.

Brussels, Sept. 10.—A foreigner, who is said to be Baron Von Schuebler, a lieutenant in the German army, who has been at Ostend during the entire season, committed suicide yesterday. Deceased is said to have lost £80,000 at gambling.

Birmingham, Eng., Sept. 9.—At a meeting held last evening of over 250 delegates to the trades union congress now in session, a resolution was adopted declaring "that the best interests of labor and productive industry imperatively press for an international settlement of the monetary question by means of the restoration to par of exchange between gold and silver money so as to provide a common standard of values throughout the world. This meeting of representative trades unionists earnestly urges the government to carry out its pledges to parliament on the subject in a hearty, liberal spirit, in the present negotiations for an international agreement.

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LIEUT.-GOVERNOR OF ONTARIO

Sir Oliver Mowat Has Intimated His Willingness to Accept the Position Conditionally.

Plates of Jubilee Stamps Destroyed This Morning in Presence of Interested Spectators.

British Yukon Chartered Company Getting Ready to Build Their Railway.

Ottawa, Sept. 10.—(Special)—Sir Oliver Mowat has intimated to Sir Wilfrid Laurier his willingness to accept the Lieut.-Governorship of Ontario, if Hon. David Mills is appointed minister of justice, so that Ontario would not lose the portfolio.

The Canadian Gazette to-morrow will contain the following: Fifth British Columbia Regiment, Second Battalion—Provisional Second Lieut. H. F. Clinton is permitted to retire.

The plates of the jubilee stamps were destroyed this morning at the American Bank Note Co.'s building on Wellington street in the presence of the postmaster-general, the deputy postmaster, secretary of the department and chief of the stamps branch. There were thirty-two million stamps and seven millions of cards worked from these plates. This puts an end to any more being worked off and consequently they will increase in value. Mr. Sladen, of the government general's office, an Ottawa philatelist, was present by invitation to see the ceremony.

Joseph Washington Johnston, first-class clerk in the postoffice department, has been promoted to the position of accountant in the place of W. J. Barrett, deceased. Johnston was appointed in 1876.

The British Yukon Chartered Company are now arranging for their necessary plant to build a line of railway over White Pass, thirty-eight miles from Skagway. Everything will be brought out from England and shipped by Cape Horn.

DISABLED IN MID-OCEAN.

Anchor Line Steamship Circeisa Helpless Off the Irish Coast.

London, Sept. 10.—The steamer Island, from New York August 28th to Copenhagen, passed the Bufo of Lewis Hebrides to-day. She reported that on September 3d, at latitude 52°36 north, longitude 33°54 west, she met the Anchor Line steamship Circeisa, Captain Booth, from New York August 28th for Glasgow, disabled, and in tow for ten miles eastward, when, owing to a heavy sea on the following morning (last Friday), the tow line broke and could not be replaced. The Circeisa made no communication, but it is presumed the shaft is broken. Tugs have been sent to her assistance. The distance from the Irish coast to the point where the Island left the Circeisa is about 750 miles.

A TORY LIE NAILED.

Statement That Peterson Had Surrendered Fast Line Contract Untrue.

Toronto, Sept. 10.—The following is the Toronto Evening Telegram's special cable dated Newcastle-on-Tyne, September 10th: "Enquiry at the office of the principals here elicits from the principals a point-blank denial that their contract with Canada for the construction of the fast Atlantic line of steamers was or is to be transferred to another firm. The rumor, they say, is false throughout, and could only have been circulated through ulterior motives. The firm has undertaken the contract and will carry it through with satisfaction to all concerned."

SPAIN IS ALARMED.

Excitement at the News of an Important Insurgent Victory.

Madrid, Sept. 10.—The news received here of the capture by Cuban insurgents of Victoria de Las Tunas, in the province of Santiago de Cuba, has caused great excitement here. Cabinet ministers have been summoned to meet this evening, in order to consider the situation. The Imperial says that General Jovellar was removed from command because of a similar disaster in 1896. It is pointed out that the strategic position of Victoria de Las Tunas is important, and the government has decided to act vigorously and immediately send further reinforcements to Cuba if necessary.

THE CAR RAN AWAY.

Several Persons Injured in an Accident in Frisco.

San Francisco, Sept. 10.—Seven persons were injured in a collision of electric cars last night on Mission street. A car of the Bryant street line, returning from Ingleside, had reached the top of College Hill, when the fuse or connection which carries the electricity to the motors from the overhead wires suddenly burned out, leaving nothing with which to control the car but the brakes, and they were of little use. The lights went out and the passengers were panic-stricken.

The car continued its flight until at Mission and Seventeenth streets it ran into a car ahead of it. The passengers in the car that was run into escaped with a rough shaking up and a bad scare. Both cars were damaged. The conductor of the runaway jumped off before the collision occurred and escaped with a few bruises. The motorist remained at his post and was not hurt. The following persons were injured: Mrs. McNitt, severe cut on right side of head. Mrs. Josie Tresch, 15 Benicia street, cut on right temple and bruises on arms and side. M. Tresch, 4 years old, cut and bruised on right side of face. Mrs. Theresa Carroll, 229 Seventh street, cut on right temple. Mr. William Manning, 1228 Market street, cut on left arm and bruised on right side. Henry Peters, San Francisco Stock Brewery, hips bruised. Fred O'Neill, 148 Jessie street, severe cut on right temple.

STRIKERS KILLED

Nineteen Dead, Forty-Two Wounded in a Conflict With Deputies Yesterday Afternoon.

Hazleton, Pa., the Scene of the Battle—State Troops Ordered Under Arms.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 11.—A special to the Press from Hazleton states that early in the day a number of miners marched to the Hazel mines, owned by Calvia Pardee, and two of their number were arrested. The crowd then turned towards the Latimer mines. When they reached Edgetown, marching ten in line, they were met by Sheriff Martin and about twenty deputies. Martin halted them, read the riot act, and brandishing a revolver above his head, ordered them to go back. The strikers answered that they were not doing any harm and began to brush by Martin. The deputies immediately fired a volley. When the smoke cleared away eleven dead and thirty-eight wounded were stretched on the ground.

FROM THE CAPITAL

The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company Wants Incorporation—Asks All Kinds of Privileges.

An Order-in-Council Gazetted Regarding Placer Mining in the Yukon District.

Ottawa, Sept. 11.—(Special)—The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. is applying for incorporation. In addition to applying to hold mining rights, they ask for all kinds of privileges.

The chief place of business is Toronto, and the capital stock placed at \$100,000. The applicants are Clarkson Jones, barrister, Frederick Wylde, merchant, Toronto; Geo. Gillies, Gananoque, manufacturer; Wm. T. Jennings, civil engineer; Bernard Jennings, banker; George Elliott Case, financial adviser; Philip McKinnon, Toronto, secretary; William Mackenzie, president Toronto Street Railway Co.; John Fleet, Toronto, merchant; James Gordon Jones, Toronto, merchant; Wm. Rees Brock, Toronto, merchant; Charles J. Miles, Hamilton, coal merchant; John Duchereau Kingsmill, Toronto, barrister; Donald D. Mann, Montreal, contractor; James Sutherland, Woodstock, gentleman; of whom the said Clarkson Jones, Frederick Wylde, Wm. T. Jennings, Charles J. Miles, Wm. Mackenzie, John Duchereau Kingsmill and John Fleet are to be first or provisional directors of the company.

An order-in-council has been gazetted in regard to placer mining in the Yukon, which provides as follows: "A bench claim shall be 100 feet square, and shall have placed at each of its four corners a legal post, upon which shall be legibly marked the name of the miner and the date upon which the claim is staked." Another order provides for the reduction of the size of claims from 500 to 100 feet, and discoverer's claims from 700 to 200 feet.

The following appointments are gazetted: Harry Gaylor, of Hamilton, Ont., appraiser of customs; James Morrow Walsh, commissioner of police within the Northwest Territories of Canada; James Henderson, assistant post office inspector at Barrie, inspector for Toronto division, vice R. W. Barker, superannuated.

J. C. Shea, Joseph Troy and Frank Bissonette were committed for trial to-day by Police Magistrate O'Gara for conspiracy in the Capital lacrosse case. They were granted bail of \$2,000 each, \$1,000 personal and two securities of \$500 each.

Hon. Mr. Sifton returned at noon to-day and will leave for the west next Thursday.

HAS CONTRACTED CLONDYKITS.

The Queen Much Interested in the All-Absorbing Topic.

London, Sept. 11.—Vanity Fair says the Queen is quite interested in the rush to the Clondyke gold mining region, and has asked many questions regarding the protection afforded there for her subjects. Her Majesty knows a great deal about British Columbia, where a vast estate was purchased for the crown a few years back.

POPULAR HOTEL MAN.

"I was troubled with pimples on my face and head which caused me much annoyance. After trying many remedies without benefit I was advised to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. The first bottle helped me and I took four bottles. I am now completely cured." James Rellie, proprietor Chapman House, Sarnia, Ont.

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The consideration was the cause of the advancing of several million dollars, whether five millions or fifteen cannot be ascertained, to the Honduras government, whereby it may keep above bankruptcy.

OUTLOOK IN IRELAND

Earl Cadogan Says It Is Not So Very Bad—Others Declare It Alarming.

London, Sept. 10.—A correspondent has obtained important opinions from eminent Irish ecclesiastics and Irish statesmen on the winter outlook in Ireland.

Earl Cadogan, the viceroy of Ireland, directs that the following message be sent: "In reply to your telegram the lord lieutenant directs me to say that the reports which you characterize as most alarming and the prediction of a famine in Ireland you mention are, in his excellency's opinion, unjustified."

"Dublin, Ireland." Sir William Harcourt, the Liberal leader, sends the following: "I have read with deep concern the disastrous accounts of the condition of crops in Ireland. The short supply of wheat in Europe has already raised the price of bread. I have never been able to comprehend the point of view of those who regard high prices and dear food as a blessing to mankind. If, as you inform me, the enhanced price of corn is attended by failure of the potato crop in Ireland, a situation will arise which will demand the anxious attention of the Government."

Archbishop Crocket says: "From all parts of the archdiocese of Cashel and Emly the news is most disquieting. The crops had been abundant and our hopes were high, but the terrible rains of the last month have dashed those hopes."

The Bishop of Galway says: "The harvest prospects are really disheartening. On the whole I regard the outlook very gloomy and apprehend the advent of a famine in the diocese during the winter approaching."

The Daily Nation, after getting a letter from every pastor in the parish in rural Ireland, says: "Since black '27 Irish labor never faced a winter more full of privations." The harvest is as bad as it can be in the west of Ireland and it is pretty sure that there will be not only a food but a fuel famine. Not only are potatoes rotting in the ground with the grain crops beaten down by the rain and not worth reaping, but turf cut will not dry. Unless there is exceptional weather within the next few days famine is a certainty."

AN ALASKAN VOLCANO

Reported In Eruption By a Steamer From Cook Inlet.

San Francisco, Sept. 10.—The steamer President has arrived from Cook Inlet, Alaska. She brought no bullion. Wm. P. Lindlay, chief engineer of the steamer President, said that Mount Shishaldin, a volcano on the Alaskan peninsula, near Aunimak Pass, was blazing fiercely on the night of August 28th.

TWENTY-SEVEN DROWNED.

Disastrous Result of a Collision in the Red Sea.

Port Said, Sept. 11.—The British steamer Polyphemus, from Yokohama to London, was damaged in a collision near Jebel Tar, an island in the Red Sea, according to a dispatch just received from the island of Perim, and 27 of the crew were drowned.

CONTROLLED BY AMERICANS.

Government of Honduras Feels the Hands of American Financiers.

New York, Sept. 10.—The World prints the following: "Control the government of Honduras by Americans, are the words the American consul at Honduras used in his report to the state department concerning the effect of concessions recently made by the government of Honduras to an organization of wealthy New Yorkers.