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CAN FIGHT FOR YEARS

Turks Will Not Run Short of Arms or Food

WELL ORGANIZED

Supplies Secured Through Tunis in Spite of Italians—War Has Created New Lines of Profitable Trade

Berlin, July 25.—The "Vossische Zeitung" publishes a despatch from a Tunisian resident who states he has been studying the spot the organization for supplying the Turks with food and war material. He says that the organization is working so successfully that the war may continue for years, even if Turkey formally signs a peace.

The French government declared that it could not prevent the supplying of the hinterland of Tripoli with food from the hinterland of Tunis, as the Tripolitanian tribes were always fed in that way. The trade since the war has increased largely, and the surplus is going to the Turks and Arab combatants. The trade is not concealed. The trade in arms and ammunition is an open secret. Everyone knows the dealers, their business, and when they start. Sometimes arms are despatched in automobiles from the town of Tunis to the coast. Small Tunisian coast towns, where it was formerly not worth while for steamers to call, have now constant traffic. One line of steamers running from Tunis to El Bah, near the frontier, has begun to make a profit for the first time.

In addition, the Turks are beginning to get supplies direct from the Tripoli coast. Since the operations in the Aegean, the coast has been heavily watched. A fortnight ago several guns were landed, thus meeting one of the greatest needs of the Turks, who are saving their artillery for the decisive battle they expect when the Italians are weakened.

The smuggling from Tunis is due to the multifariousness of the Tunisian population and officials to Italians, who are regarded as cheap competitors. The Italian government is well aware of the smuggling and accepts it as a painful fact, knowing that no institutions from Paris would put an end to it.

FREDERICKTOWN MAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Little Hope For His Recovery—Judgment in Divorce Court—Supt. Down in Consultation With Sir Thos. Tait

(Special to Times)

Fredricktown, N. B., July 25.—Fred Bess, a well known truckman cut his throat with a pocket knife at the home of his sister, Mrs. H. L. Goodland, this morning and is not expected to recover. It seems that he was kicked on the head by a horse last night and is supposed to have been mentally deranged at the time he committed the rash deed. He completely severed his windpipe but did not touch the jugular vein. Doctor Vanwart was called, found the man in a critical condition and holds out little hope for his recovery.

In the divorce court this morning Judge McKewen delivered judgment in the case of Minnie Bishop vs. Walter S. Bishop, granting a divorce to the plaintiff on statutory grounds. The parties to the suit belong to Albert county and were married by Rev. J. S. Allen and have eight children. The husband deserted his wife and eight children several years ago.

The case of Stratton vs. Stratton has been postponed until August twentieth.

A young man named Walter Ryan, while raising a delivery team at Regent street this morning was struck by the incoming St. John train and severely injured about the hips.

Superintendent Downie of the C. P. R. is here today in consultation with Sir Thomas Tait.

The Woodstock baseball team arrived here at noon to play Fredricktown. Callahan will play second base for Fredricktown and Macgregor will pitch.

THE WEATHER

Maritime—Fresh winds, cool and unsettled with local showers.

STILL MISSING.

L. C. Bridges of Somerville, Mass., who has spent the past week in the city looking for Sinclair Croser, has been compelled to leave the city and give up the search. Croser was last seen on Monday, two weeks ago, when he paid his bill at the Dufrin. The missing man is but fifteen years old but looks twenty-three or twenty-four. He was slight of build and was inclined to stammer. Croser was resident of Somerville, Pa., and left, supposedly, on his vacation. After he had gone away his friends learned that he had thrown up his job. They are much worried about what has happened to him.

GRAND LODGE K. OF P.

The local Knights of Pythias are making great preparations for the Grand Lodge Convention which will be held in Moncton on August 30. A large delegation will attend from this city, and they will take the Artillery Band along with them. The members of the Dramatic Order of the Knights of Klaronas, or as they are more commonly called the "dokeys," are also making extensive plans, and will have a concert on the night following the big convention.

TO CONVERT MERCHANTMEN INTO CRUISERS

Subject of Deliberation at Naval Conference in London

CANADA'S CONTRIBUTION

Will Not Lessen Britain's Present Burden—Sir William Mackenzie Would Give Three Dreadnoughts

(Canadian Press)

London, July 25.—Hon. Mr. Haizen, the Canadian minister of Marine and Fisheries, who accompanied Premier Borden to England, replying yesterday to a deputation from the Imperial Marine League, declared that he was violating no confidence when he said that the question of converting merchant ships into armed cruisers in time of war was discussed in the last few days between the members of the Canadian government, who are now here, and the admiralty authorities.

"It has been suggested," Mr. Haizen said, "that in the event of Canada contributing to the British navy, that contribution should not consist of a reduction of what Great Britain should do, but should be a contribution to supplement what the British navy does. That is the view which we have taken here during the deliberations, and which we have tried to put before the authorities."

Sir William Mackenzie, who called for Canada yesterday, declared strongly in favor of three Dreadnoughts from Canada to be donated immediately for use in the North Sea.

DEATH AND DESOLATION IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Latest Reports Give Sixty-One Dead and Many Injured

Thrilling Scenes in Threatened Districts When Floods Broke Loose—Telephone Warnings Saved Hundreds of Lives

(Canadian Press)

Pittsburg, Pa., July 25.—Death and desolation spread broadcast over the southwest counties yesterday and last night through cloudburst and overflowing streams. There were no more forest fires, while the damage to homes and industries cannot be estimated. Fifteen lives were snuffed out in Superior Mine No. 2, near Uniontown, 75 miners narrowly escaped death, while from many other sections come reports of lives lost by the mountain torrents rushing into homes in a mad rush for safety on the mountain sides, sought shelter beneath improvised sheds and tents to ward the construction of which every available piece of debris was turned to account. At daybreak shivering women and children gazed upon a scene of desolation in the upper Youghiogheny Valley, and as the waters needed, unroofed dwellings, shattered buildings and crumpled piles of mortar were held in a conglomerate mass by a railroad bridge or trestle, of the progress of debris had been impeded by some larger and stancher building. It was long after midnight before the waters began to recede. Rain had ceased to fall some hours earlier, but the heavy precipitation soon made the usually dry beds of mountain streams veritable cataracts. Floods in the region are of the usual character, for which preparation has been made and comparatively little damage is done. Freshets caused by heavy summer rains occur several times a season, but the heavy waterfalls are carried away with but little damage. The amount of water that has been poured into the district had recovered from more than a month's drought, and with every stream bank full all were out of their banks.

Pittsburg, July 25.—Early morning hours brought at least one joy to thousands of flood sufferers in Western Pennsylvania. Yesterday and West Virginia and West Virginia was daylight. Camp fires, candles and oil lamps had shown the signs of dereliction and all were thankful that darkness had passed. Everywhere there was a picture of desolation, a vivid reminder of the swiftness, raging waters had taken many human lives and caused many deaths.

During the night meager reports filtered in that in the vicinity of Uniontown, West Virginia, at least six fatalities had been reported to have been drowned at each of the following places: Smoketown, Pa., twelve miners missing and reported drowned; at Lynn, Pa., two miners reported drowned; at Wheeling, Pa., three miners reported drowned; at Elkhorn, Pa., H. I. King, his wife and child drowned; at Monongahela, Pa., six reported drowned; Monongahela, Va., one drowned; Fairmont, W. Va., two drowned.

Of this list of sixty-one fatalities, it has been possible to account definitely for twenty-three. Those who are known to have met death are at Uniontown, Wheeling, Elkhorn, Fairmont and Monongahela. Admittedly the death list will not be known for many days to come. A large number of mines were flooded in a short space of time. Working men were compelled to flee for their lives. Whether some of all of the miners reported missing escaped a watery grave can only be ascertained by time. It will take months to clear some of the mines of water.

Many sections have not been heard from for many days, and that has taken place at these places is not known. When the disastrous storms, cloudbursts and floods swept over the large area yesterday scores of the towns afflicted were just recovering from a similar deluge which occurred on the morning of July 24. The houses had been freed of flood water, streets cleared of debris and communication by wire and rail had been adjusted. Then came yesterday's storm and the towns were again plunged into chaos. Hundreds of families were driven from their homes and suffered greatly, residences and buildings were damaged or completely demolished. Streets were torn up by the water, while others were piled high with tons of debris carried by the flood waters. Poles were uprooted and wires dropped to the streets, effectively blocking communication from many points and causing confusion at many others. Railroad and street-car facilities were practically suspended until after midnight when water was not so deep. The debris moved along some of the routes.

DuBois, Pa., nine miles west of Uniontown, the center of the region of desolation in Pennsylvania. The flood waters swept away houses and business concerns, caused serious damage to mines, furnace and coke plants and spread terror into the hearts of thousands.

The flood came about 2:15 p. m. It had a dramatic announcement in the business section, where a man arrived with a terrifying message. J. W. Frazier was at his desk when the telephone rang. On the other end of the line was Albert Dunn, the bookkeeper of the Parrott Bluebonnet Quarries, two miles above the town.

"The dam above here has burst," Dunn shouted. "The water is rushing down the hillside. Get your family and get out of the house. The dam above here has burst. Dunn shouted. The water is rushing down the hillside. Get your family and get out of the house. The dam above here has burst. Dunn shouted. The water is rushing down the hillside. Get your family and get out of the house."

The alarm spread like wildfire and in an instant buildings and shops were evacuated by droves of people who rushed pell mell for safety on the high ground.

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CITY WILL TAKE OVER PLAYGROUND

Arrangements Completed at Meeting This Morning—Title Remains With Horticultural Association—Road for Automobiles

There was a meeting this morning in the Board of Trade rooms when members of the Horticultural Association met. His Honor Mayor Frazier and Commissioner Schofield and arranged for the city to take over the site in Rockwood Park for the proposed public playground. In the absence of Hon. J. D. Hazen, the president of the association, Senator Ellis, one of the vice-presidents, occupied the chair. Among those present, besides the mayor and Commissioner Schofield, were the following: Joseph Allison, A. H. Hanington, K. C. Judge, William Hawker, Judge Armstrong, T. H. Estabrook, C. E. Scamwell, H. N. Stetson. Mr. Scamwell acted as secretary.

It was stated to the meeting that the land belonging to the association on the Marsh to the right or east of Tilly Avenue, which was acquired by the association, comprising about seventeen acres, had been paid for by Joseph Allison with the intention that it should be used as a playground; that the city had expressed a willingness to make a considerable expenditure on the grounds for this purpose; that the minutes of the association contain mention of the fact that the money had been so provided by Mr. Allison, but there is no mention made of the object he had in mind at the time.

Mr. Allison corroborated the above statement and stated that it had always been his wish that these grounds should be so used.

Some discussion took place as to whether the property should be deeded to the city, but the mayor thought that the city would not make this a condition and that it would be as well to leave the fee in the association. A resolution was then adopted authorizing the city to enter upon the premises and to make a start on the work of getting the property in condition for a playground. It was mentioned that H. R. McLellan had a lease of the property, but it was felt that he would be glad to cooperate with the views of the association so that the ceremony of opening the playground in connection with the visit of H. R. the Governor General might be proceeded with. It was pointed out that no more cars are prohibited in the park at the Mount Pleasant and Seely street entrance and a plan was proposed showing a small piece of road about 150 feet in length which might be utilized for the purpose of going through from the one entrance to the other. It was felt that the jail prisoners might be secured to complete this work on this short piece of road for the use of motor cars. It was also suggested that a small piece of land on the upper side of the public gardens might be used for the purpose of extending the gardens, but it was decided that for the present the funds would not warrant it.

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FEARS DEATH OF MIKADO ANY MOMENT

Serious Relapse of Royal Patient—Heart Weaker and Fatigue Increasing—Physician's Bulletin

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Tokyo, Japan, July 25.—In a bulletin issued at half-past twelve this afternoon by the physicians in attendance on the Mikado, Emperor of Japan, it was announced: "As a result of an examination of His Majesty at ten o'clock this morning his condition is as follows: The Emperor's temperature was found to be 98.7 degrees, and his pulse 105 to 110. He showed continual restlessness and his fatigue is increasing. Great fear is expressed in many quarters that the Emperor is suffering fatally. At eight o'clock this evening a further official bulletin said: "The Emperor's condition is unchanged except that his pulse has been reduced to 100."

Dr. Miura, physician to the Emperor, in an interview this morning admitted that the Imperial patient had suffered a serious relapse. Dr. Miura says his patient's heart is weaker and he fears for its failure at any moment.

FOUND AFTER FIVE DAYS IN THE WOODS

Terrible Experience of Wm. May of Chatham—Upset by Discovery of Body—He Followed Phantom Voices

Chatham, N. B., July 25.—Lost in the woods of the Miramichi about thirty-five miles above Redbank and without any sustenance except half a dozen berries, the body of John Cable who was drowned May 16th while on a drive for the D. & J. Ritchie concern of Newcastle. The discovery of the corpse seemed to excite some of the party so that at night Mr. May was unable to sleep and seemed to hear knocking and see a hand beckoning him. About midnight while the other members of the party were asleep, he got up and started following this voice and from then till Monday was lost in the woods. The rest of the party left next morning with Cable's body and brought it to Chatham. A party was sent up Saturday night to look for May. They arrived Monday morning and spent the day searching but without success. That night about dusk they were in their camp when May was seen approaching. They started home with him next morning and finally arrived in Chatham on the six o'clock boat yesterday. Though he suffered a great deal owing to the cold weather and the fact that he was scantily clad, having had neither boots nor coat during water wandering, May appears remarkably well considering his experiences.

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DISPUTE OVER A REAL ESTATE DEAL

An interesting case came up for hearing in the city court this morning in which several prominent citizens were involved. The matter at stake was a check for \$80 which one of the parties concerned gave as a payment for a half interest in an option which had been secured on a property at the corner of Horsfield and Germain streets, belonging to the Queen Square Methodist church. The purchase price of the land was to have been \$2,000, and each of the two men gave his check for \$80. Payment on one of the checks was stopped, as the giver claimed that the option was not secured to his satisfaction. The other party had previously paid over the \$100, and he now suing for the \$80 which his partner refused to pay.

The defendant is a well known real estate dealer and the complainant a prominent fruit dealer.

C. F. Inches and K. J. Macrae are appearing for the defence and R. M. Rive and J. Starr Tait for the complainant. The defence moved for a non-suit, but His Honor declined to adjourn the case until Thursday morning next week.

SCHOONER HAD NARROW ESCAPE FROM THE FALLS

People in Inlandton yesterday afternoon watched, with interest, the movements of a tugboat and a three-masted schooner, the "Sallie E. Landman," which the tugboat was taking up river. It was late in the afternoon and the wind was blowing from the east with the tugboat down as well, so with these elements and the tide setting dead against her, the tugboat with its heavily loaded tow, was proceeding under difficulties up the stream. The hawser snapped and the vessel started to drift, but the tug went near and a connection was made. Those watching from the shore saw the tow begin again and after a few minutes, there was another break in the hawser and the schooner surged along with the tide near the falls and being gradually borne toward them. The eager anxiety was relieved again in a few minutes when the tugboat secured the line and, renewing her efforts, went on up the river. She was backed with coal and was on her way to Fredericton.

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An interesting case came up for hearing in the city court this morning in which several prominent citizens were involved. The matter at stake was a check for \$80 which one of the parties concerned gave as a payment for a half interest in an option which had been secured on a property at the corner of Horsfield and Germain streets, belonging to the Queen Square Methodist church. The purchase price of the land was to have been \$2,000, and each of the two men gave his check for \$80. Payment on one of the checks was stopped, as the giver claimed that the option was not secured to his satisfaction. The other party had previously paid over the \$100, and he now suing for the \$80 which his partner refused to pay.

The defendant is a well known real estate dealer and the complainant a prominent fruit dealer.

C. F. Inches and K. J. Macrae are appearing for the defence and R. M. Rive and J. Starr Tait for the complainant. The defence moved for a non-suit, but His Honor declined to adjourn the case until Thursday morning next week.

SCHOONER HAD NARROW ESCAPE FROM THE FALLS

People in Inlandton yesterday afternoon watched, with interest, the movements of a tugboat and a three-masted schooner, the "Sallie E. Landman," which the tugboat was taking up river. It was late in the afternoon and the wind was blowing from the east with the tugboat down as well, so with these elements and the tide setting dead against her, the tugboat with its heavily loaded tow, was proceeding under difficulties up the stream. The hawser snapped and the vessel started to drift, but the tug went near and a connection was made. Those watching from the shore saw the tow begin again and after a few minutes, there was another break in the hawser and the schooner surged along with the tide near the falls and being gradually borne toward them. The eager anxiety was relieved again in a few minutes when the tugboat secured the line and, renewing her efforts, went on up the river. She was backed with coal and was on her way to Fredericton.

FRÖHMAN GLAD OF MUSICIANS' STRIKE

New York, July 25.—Charles Fröhman is of the opinion that the strike of the New York theatres has proved a blessing in disguise. "Now, that I have heard a play performed without an orchestra," he said, "I am obliged to ask myself if I have not been doing a great injustice to authors by permitting the lines of their plays to be made inaudible by players and singers."

The 62nd Regiment Band will give a band concert in the King Square tonight beginning at 8 o'clock.

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ST. JOHN RIVER COMMISSION AT AUGUSTA

Telos Canal One of Important Subjects of Investigation

OLD DOCUMENTS ENTERED

To Become Part of Evidence—Engineer's Report Will Be Submitted on August Fifth

Bangor, July 25.—Hon. O. F. Fellows of this city, has returned from Augusta, where he attended a session of the international St. John River commission before which he is counsel for the United States. The session was devoted to taking out day-neatly evidence largely in relation to the famous Telos canal, which is one of the important features that figures in the investigation, and the commission met in the judicial room at the State House. The Telos canal matter the commission also considered evidence bearing upon the third article of the Webster-Ashburton treaty, the treaty under which the St. John river, where it forms the boundary between this country and Canada, is controlled.

Those present at the meeting were the American commissioners, Hon. Prior Charles Keegan of Van Buren and Hon. George A. Murchie of Calais; the Canadian commissioners, M. G. Tread, K. C., and John Keefe of St. John; the American counsel, Hon. Oscar R. Fellows of Bangor; K. C. of Fredericton, and W. P. Jones, K. C. of Woodstock, N. B.; the secretary of the commission, Harold H. Murchie of Calais, and the two official stenographers, Cecil Clay of Portland, and Dan Simmons of Fredericton, N. B. (Continued on page 7, fifth column).

PERUVIAN TOWN DESTROYED BY EARTHQUAKE

Shock Lasted Only 40 Seconds, But Ruins in Ruins—Reports of Killed and Injured

Lima, Peru, July 24.—A destructive earthquake occurred yesterday at Duraz, capital of the department of Piura, most northerly of the Pacific departments. The shock lasted forty seconds and the city is said to be almost in ruins. While advice from that district are meagre it is reported that a number of children were killed and many persons injured. The latter was Mr. Blacker, agent of the South American Insurance Company. The dry bed of a river was torn open and jets of water were thrown out.

Piura or San Miguel de Piura lies 120 miles north, northwest of Lambayeque. It has a population of 12,000.

BRILLIANT PROFESSOR FOR DALHOUSIE COLLEGE

John Laird of Edinburgh Appointed to Chair of Philosophy in Place of Dr. Magill

Halifax, July 25.—The government of Dalhousie University have just appointed John Laird to be Professor of Philosophy in the place of Dr. Magill, who has lately been appointed chief of the government of Edinburgh University. The latter was Mr. Laird graduated from Edinburgh in 1907 with first-class honors in mental philosophy and in 1908 received the degree of D. Phil. from Edinburgh University. He was awarded first-class in part one of the Moral Sciences Tripos in 1910, and first with special distinction in part two in 1