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The Strike Of Miners

Men Employed By Great Western Mines, in Rossland Camp, Are Idle.

Crews of War Eagle and Centre Star Will Stop Work To-Day.

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Copper Furnaces Closed. Trail, July 11.—The Trail smelter closed down its large copper furnaces as a result of the Rossland strike, and will close down the other copper furnaces in the next few days. The lead furnace will, however, be kept in operation so long as sufficient ore can keep the business supplied.

There was considerable disappointment felt at Trail when it was learned that the Leger election trial has closed at Manitowish and the judge has reserved decision. The addition contest. Kingston, July 11.—It is likely Howard Reynolds, of Portland township, will be selected to contest Addington in the Liberal interest in the coming by-election.

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Going Back To Work

C. P. R. Official Says Men Are Returning to Their Places Every Day.

Strikers Claim Company Cannot Hold Out Much Longer—Dominion Notes.

Winnipeg, July 11.—Though there is nothing startling or new in the C. P. R. strike situation, the men here are becoming more confident every day that they will succeed in defeating the company. They say that the company cannot hold out very much longer with the track in the alleged bad state that it is in at present. The statement that a number of strikers are returning to work in the East, the men maintain, goes for nothing, as it is in the West where the train service is suffering most for want of more men to look after the line. Trains both east and west are late every day, and instead of making up time they are, according to the men's statements, getting later.

The company, on the other hand, treats the strike as practically over and says that it has collapsed both in the East and West. The company's officials laugh at the men's statement that the road is being crippled for want of men, and say that it is simply the heavy rains of the last few weeks that have prevented them from running on fast time. They also state that every day more men are returning to work on every branch.

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Collapsing of a Bridge

Gave Way While Laborers Were at Work Unloading Material for Builders.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 11.—A special to the Plain Dealer from Conneaut, Ohio, says: "Just after 10 o'clock to-day, three cars of the east end local freight went through the Nickel bridge at Springfield, Pa. The train left Conneaut only a few minutes before the accident in charge of Engineer Wm. Griffith, of Buffalo, and Conductor Phil A. Moore, of Buffalo. The latter was killed outright.

"The affair occurred just after passenger train No. 3 pulled through. The local, after the passenger train had passed, pushed three cars heavily laden out on the structure to unload stone for the masons working beneath in the large stone foundations. The work of unloading had hardly begun when without any warning the whole structure bearing the three laden cars filled with laborers fell with an awful crash into the valley. So sudden was the affair that only one man, a mason named Geo. Smith, had a chance to jump in time to save himself from injury. Five Italians are included in the dead. These men, as the train fell, had all leaped as far as possible, and only two or three were buried under the mass of debris at the bottom of the ravine. These were easily pulled one and carried to the top of the hill and placed on the lawn awaiting medical assistance, which came promptly.

"The place where the accident occurred was a crooked creek directly north of East Springfield. Down in the ravine, 55 feet below, the masons were at work building a large stone abutment. The scene presented a horrible appearance. The steel work was crumpled and twisted in one huge mass. The three cars containing stone were broken into bits and the railway tracks obliterated in the pile.

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Insane Farmer's Act

Stabbed His Wife to Death and Committed Suicide.

Brookport, N. Y., July 11.—Thomas McGrath, an Irish farmer, aged 50, while insane, murdered his wife, aged 40, last night and then committed suicide a short distance from their home, two miles south of this place. McGrath came to town last evening to do some trading, and about 10 o'clock left for home. At 3 o'clock this morning a son was awakened by a horse which the couple had been driving coming into the yard without harness. Thinking something was wrong a search was instituted which resulted, at 4 o'clock this morning, in finding the bodies a few miles from their farmhouse. An examination of the woman's body revealed a terrible wound over the left eye, supposed to have been given when McGrath dealt the woman the first blow, rendering her unconscious. He then probably drove through an opening into a lot, took the woman out of the buggy, and stabbed her in the back of the neck. He then made a gash, three inches in length, across her throat, severing an artery. Carefully covering her body with a blanket, he unfastened his horse and started it towards home, after which he cut his own throat from ear to ear. A common two-bladed jackknife was used. A family of five children, all under 16 years, survive.

ALL RECORDS BROKEN. Missouri and Southern Illinois Now Feel Effects of the Heat Wave.

Kansas City, Mo., July 12.—At 9 a.m. the mercury reached 91, with the prospect that all previous heat records will be eclipsed before noon. Last night was the most oppressive experienced here in years. Hardly a breath of air stirred. Among the poor residents of the bottoms there was great suffering. One prostration has been reported up to 9 o'clock.

Crops Being Destroyed. St. Louis, Mo., July 12.—At 9 a.m. the government thermometers showed 95 in parts of Missouri and Southern Illinois, where the crops are being literally burnt up by temperatures after which records for thirty years have been broken. Cooler Than Yesterday.

Louisville, Ky., July 12.—During the night the temperature fell rapidly from yesterday's records of 103, and at 9 a.m. to-day stood at 80, with a pleasant breeze prevailing.

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Commissioners' Recommendations

Ottawa, July 12.—The Commissioners who conducted an inquiry into the question of Chinese and Japanese immigration will, it is understood, report in favor of keeping the former out and imposing restrictions on the latter.

Boers Shot The Wounded

Charge Against Burglers of Murdering British Soldiers Has Been Corroborated.

The Reports of Outrages Were at First Said to Be Unfounded.

New York, July 12.—The London correspondent of the Tribune says: "Referring to the Salisbury government's admission that they had information respecting the shooting of British wounded at Vinkfontein so long back as June 11th, the Daily Mail, whose correspondent was the first to make the news public, states that this is only a small portion of the policy of concealment now being carried on."

"It professes to have abundant evidence that almost the whole theatre of war is in a much worse condition than the public is allowed to know. The state of affairs in Cape Colony in particular is said to be of a most serious nature, due almost entirely to the belief among the Dutch that the constant efforts of the British to improve the conditions of the Boers."

Official Statement. London, July 11.—Official corroboration of the charges that the Boers murdered the British wounded at Vinkfontein promises soon to be forthcoming.

In the House of Commons to-day, replying to a question by Henry Norman, Liberal, the war secretary, Mr. Brodric, read the telegraphic correspondence with Lord Kitchener on the subject.

The latter at first declared that the reports were unfounded, but he subsequently telegraphed the statement of a wounded Yeomanry officer, corroborating the reports, and finally Lord Kitchener on July 9th informed Mr. Brodric that he had the testimony of seven men of 12,200,000.

The Canal Question

Reports of Consultations Between Lord Lansdowne and Mr. Choate Denied.

Foreign Minister Conferring With Lord Pauncefote—Senator Lodge's Pleasure Trip.

London, July 13.—The Associated Press is officially informed that the special cable dispatches announcing that the Nicaragua negotiations had reached a definite phase and that United States Ambassador Choate was conferring with Lord Lansdowne are utterly without foundation. According to this official information the only stage reached is that of consultation between the Marquis of Lansdowne and Lord Pauncefote, Ambassador Choate will see the foreign minister a good many times before the affair is ready to pass before the cabinet. It is also said that Mr. Choate has not been and is not likely to be consulted at all. United States Senator Lodge has arrived in London, but will stay here only a few days, then proceeding to Bayreuth and returning here in September. In the course of a conversation, the senator said: "This is purely a holiday trip. I do not intend to meet any English statesmen or to discuss any matters connected with foreign affairs. As regards the Nicaragua canal, I suppose there will be a lot more talking before anything is done."

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Escaped in Night Clothes

Panic Among the Guests During Fire in Butte, Montana, Hotel.

It Is Believed That They Were All Taken From the Building.

Butte, Mont., July 13.—A still alarm was turned in from the Butte hotel, a four-story structure of Broadway, at 2.40 o'clock this morning. When the firemen reached the scene the building was enveloped in smoke, which appeared to pour from every open window.

The firemen were unable to locate the blaze for thirty minutes, and the greatest confusion prevailed. A number of guests on the lower floors succeeded in groping their way down stairs in the smoke and escaped with nothing but their night clothes. Scores of others were rescued from the upper windows, where the panic-stricken guests shrieked for succor, and threatened to jump to the sidewalk below.

At 4 o'clock the fire was completely under control, and the manager states that to the best of his knowledge all of the guests and help have been accounted for.

The interior of the hotel, which for many years has been the leading hostelry of Butte, is completely gutted. The loss is estimated at \$80,000.

SHAMROCKS AGAIN OUT. Challenger and Ex-Challenger Try Contests on Firth of Clyde.

Rothsay, July 12.—The two Sham rocks started on a trial race at 11:15 a.m. to-day off Bogay Point. The yachts were under jib headed topsails, and a 13-knot breeze was blowing. The Shamrock I, then held the lead by half a dozen lengths. She was served with a better wind as the boats reached down the channel, but outside the wind steadied and Shamrock II began to overtake the older boat.