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News Summary.

Sir Wilfred Laurier is arranging to leave London for Paris and Rome on Aug. 13.

The town council of Sydney has voted \$200 for the entertainment of the Maritime Board of Trade, which meets there Aug. 21st.

Rev. Samuel Pearson, who was elected sheriff at Portland, Me., in order to enforce the prohibition law, and who acquired considerable notoriety thereby, died on Tuesday, aged 61.

The strikes in Galicia have led to 23 encounters between strikers and troops in the last two days. In one case, 13 persons were killed and 118 wounded; in another, 200 persons were killed or wounded.

Final steps in the equipping of the Marconi wireless station at Table Head are now in progress. The wires connecting the transmitters in the operating room with receivers at the top of the towers will be strung immediately.

The conference of the colonial premiers with Colonial Secretary Chambers on Tuesday, discussed army and navy supply contracts, the reduction of imperial postage rates and the exclusion of Canadian live cattle from Great Britain.

Several small thefts have been reported from Digby Neck. The latest occurred Thursday, when the house of Rev. W. Hutchins, of Upper Rossway, was entered and searched for cash. A \$1 bill and a quantity of small change is missing.

Geo. Ford, a former alderman of Ottawa, Ont., Walter Dashan, chief train-despatcher of the Grand Trunk railroad and Miss Florence J. Thomas, of Montreal, were drowned while bathing at Old Orchard, Me., on Thursday. Dashan's body has been recovered.

Because colonials gazetted into British regiments on account of distinguished service in the field are looked upon as outsiders, even in the corps where officers are drawn from the ranks and are of the middle classes and lower, Earl Roberts has issued a special memorandum pleading for better treatment of colonials.

The Eastern Steamship Co. has surrendered the Steamer Cumberland, which was recently badly damaged by collision in Boston harbor with the steamer Admiral Farragut, to the companies which insured her, and she is to be sold. The steamship company will build a new steamer for the Maine and St. John, N. B., service, at Bath, Maine.

What was expected to be the final conference of the colonial premiers was held on Friday, but imperial defence, preferential tariffs and other features of general fiscal policy were discussed at such length that no final understanding was reached and the conference adjourned till Monday. A resolution was adopted in favor of holding colonial conference every four years.

It is stated Mr. Chamberlain has agreed to urge upon the British cabinet the importance of contributing one-half of whatever Canada contributes to the new fast mail service. If he succeeds it will mean that in the event of the acceptance of the Canadian Pacific railway, the British subsidy would amount to \$88,000, and the Canadian to \$177,000 per annum. If the tender of the Elder-Deimpster-Allan combination is accepted the proportion will be: Great Britain, \$100,000; Canada \$200,000.

The Earl of Onslow, parliamentary secretary to the colonial office, replying in the house of lords to a question, said the government had no official communication regarding the reported negotiations between the Canadian Pacific railway and Canada with reference to the fast line Atlantic steamers. He believed, however, such negotiations were in progress. The government would look with favor on the establishment of a service between Great Britain and any port in the dominion. Asked as to an Irish port being selected as a British terminus he said there were many ports which would doubtless ask for consideration.

Hon. Mr. Tarte returned to Ottawa on Friday from Parry Sound after a month's inspection of the towns and harbors of the great lakes and investigation of the Georgian Bay canal route. The minister was greatly impressed with the possibilities of Canadian waterways with reference to the transportation of Canadian trade by those means. He thinks that the St. Lawrence and other Canadian routes should be better lighted and equipped and greatly admired the United States Waterways for this reason. Mr. Tarte is of opinion that the people of Canada will have to hustle and spend money if they want to be in a position to compete with the United States routes for the trade of the American continent. He is in favor

of the general deepening of the harbors of the great lakes and the St. Lawrence route, as well as seaport towns.

One of the biggest actions ever taken out in Ottawa has been entered by Taylor McVety in the high court of Justice on behalf of the Sapphire Corundum Company, Ltd., against B. A. C. Craig, of Toronto, for slander and libel. Damages of \$2,000,000 are asked. The Sapphire Corundum Company is a concern organized within the year in London (England.) It has an authorized capital of £1,000,000 and some of the best financiers in England are said to be interested. The mines to be worked are in Hastings county, Ontario. B. A. C. Craig, against whom the suit is directed, is manager for the Canadian Corundum Company, J. Carling Kelly, formerly of Chatham, N. B., is manager for the plaintiff company.

THE DOHERTY MURDER.

Early last week it became known that a horrible murder had been committed just beyond the limits of Rockwood Park, St. John. The victim of the foul deed was a young man of about 19 years, named William Doherty, who lived with his parents on Brussels street. The autopsy revealed that young Doherty had received four revolver shots in the back, each of which, except one would have proved fatal, and that after death he had been beaten about the face and head with a stone, crushing the skull and greatly disfiguring the features. As young Doherty had no money, was not of a quarrelsome disposition and was not supposed to have had enemies, it was not easy to understand what the motive for his murder could have been. Certain circumstances, however, caused suspicion to fall on some of young Doherty's companions, and the fact that on Friday evening two of them left the city, with the intention of going to the United States, deepened the suspicions and led to their arrest at Vanceboro on Saturday morning. The names of the lads thus arrested are Frank Higgins and Frederick Goodspeed, aged 15 and 14 respectively. They are held in confinement awaiting the finding of the coroner's jury. It is said that the police are in possession of evidence which strongly tends to fasten suspicion upon these boys, especially the Higgins boy, apart from their attempted escape from the country. The reputation of the prisoners may well be given the benefit of all doubts until the investigation shall be had. It must be felt however that the circumstances strongly point to the conclusion that this fearful tragedy was the result of idleness, lack of wholesome education and bad literature.

Later—Evidence given at the inquest Monday evening by the lad Goodspeed makes Higgins the murderer of Doherty.

QUEER RAPID TRANSIT.

When your mother wishes to carry you she clasps both arms around you and lifts you up. Then she holds you firmly, and away you go, whither she will.

But some mothers can not do that. When the little bird falls from the nest the mother has no way of carrying it back. When bossie wants her baby to walk she gives a coaxing "Mo-o-o," and the calf wobbles along on its weak little legs. So it is with most animals; there is no way by which the mother can carry the baby; but an exchange tells us the plans for "rapid transit" that some animal mothers have devised.

Pussy is one of these. If you peep at her too often as she nestles her little ones in her bed in the manger, you will find that she has moved them. She is not happy unless her kittens are hidden away from prying hands and eyes. She has no arms to hold them in, and so she lifts them up by the back of the neck with her teeth. Sometimes she will carry them in this way for a long distance. Although it does not hurt the kittens, they do not seem to enjoy it; but that makes no difference to the mother cat.

Another animal that has its own way of carrying its young is the elephant. The mother elephant packs her baby in her trunk. The baby takes hold of her tusks with its trunk and seems to be much happier in its journey than the kitten.

But the queerest of all ways of carrying babies is that of the mother kangaroo. She puts her baby in her pocket. Baby kangaroo may be quietly feeding, or playing in the grass while the mother is watching to see that no harm comes to it. If an enemy appears the mother gives the warning call, baby jumps into her pocket, and away they gallop, six feet at a jump; indeed, when the mother is very much frightened, she has been known to leap twenty feet at one bound. What would you think if your mother could jump clear

across your dining-room. When they are in a safe place, baby climbs out again. After all, baby folks have the very best way of being carried.

The House of Lords adjourned on Friday to Oct. 16. In response to enquiries just prior to the adjournment as to whether the government was taking steps looking to the establishment of a British Atlantic steamship service, after the absorption of British lines by the American combination, Lord Onslow said the question of a new Canadian service had nothing to do with the American combine. Certain proposals had been submitted to the Canadian government, but the latter had not informed the government of their import or asked assistance. The question of the establishment of a British service was receiving the earnest attention of the government.

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