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Thousands Cry Farewell to Big Miner

Mauretania Now on Maiden Voyage to America With Record Cargo of Gold on Board.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 17.—The departure yesterday of the Cunard steamship Mauretania, on her first transatlantic voyage, inspired the mighty crowd that had assembled to a degree of enthusiasm equal to that shown when her sister ship, the Lusitania, sailed away from Liverpool on her first voyage a few months ago.

The assignment of gold carried by the Mauretania is believed to be the largest ever transported on one vessel. It was conveyed to the steamer on six cars, which were specially guarded, and amounts to \$2,500,000.

QUEENSTOWN, N. J.—The Mauretania, on her maiden voyage to the United States, was 207 miles west of Fastnet at 10 o'clock last night. As she left Queenstown at 11 o'clock this morning, her position shows that she made 265 miles in 11 hours.

Laymen's Organization Plan Extensive Educational Campaign.

The gathering of Hon. S. H. Blake, at the residence of Hon. S. H. Blake, in Rosedale, on Saturday evening, afforded ample evidence that the impression made at the meeting addressed one week ago by Campbell White on the "Laymen's Missionary Movement," was not of a temporary character.

Professional and business men from different walks of life spent between three and four hours considering how best to meet and discharge their responsibilities, not only as to the raising of the \$500,000 to which the men of the city had committed themselves, but how best to awaken the vast number of people, both inside and outside of our churches, who at present are asleep to their opportunities and responsibilities towards their fellowmen at home and abroad.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, Hon. S. H. Blake, Vice-chairman, S. J. Moore, Secretary, M. Parkinson, Assistant secretary, E. A. Armstrong, Treasurer, C. M. Hay, Committee on speakers, Hon. Mr. Justice MacLaren, with Messrs. Thos. Findlay, R. C. Steele, John MacKay, Dr. Hoyle, N. F. Davidson, Joseph Shennstone, R. Verity, William Craig, J. R. Starr, N. W. Rowell, Committee on literature and publicity, James Tyrie (chairman), with Messrs. M. Parkinson, T. W. Gibson, Herbert Langlois, S. Casey Wood, J. D. Falch, White, J. R. Mott, Robert Speer, J. H. Denton, Committee on relations with other organizations, Frank E. Hodgins (chairman), with Messrs. John A. Patterson, Hon. John Dryden, Harry Stark, H. H. Fudger, M. Ashdown, Committee on finance, Thomas Kinkaid (chairman), with Messrs. Joseph Henderson, E. R. Wood, C. McD. Hay.

Why You Should Vote for the Bylaw

A Point for Toronto Electric Light Co. Shareholders to Ponder Over.

Preparations are being made by the engineers working for the city to present a \$2,000,000 estimate for power distribution on Tuesday next. This sum is considerably in excess of the amount then prices for material have been reduced, copper for example, having fallen from 28c to 18c a pound. What such a plant in Toronto and power supplied from Niagara over the government transmission line the city will be in a position to have the taxpayers thousands of dollars in pumping water and lighting the streets and public buildings, and at the same time to supply power to those who want it at cost price.

The bare contemplation of such an event excites the wrath of J. Wright, manager of the Electric Light Company, the declaration that the company can lay matter of competition. The city is being laid out cold and stiff by the present policy of the company, and has nothing to show for it. But it is no news to Toronto citizens that in doing business with the electric corporations they must fight for every farthing.

The Light Company at first argued that the hydro-electric power commission's figures were absurdly and impossibly low. Now it is declared that the company can beat the city out of the field when it comes to a show-down.

The Toronto Electric Light Company is capitalized for \$5,000,000, of which the public are charitably expected to believe is invested in plant. Some of the directors of the company, who figure in the stock, own perhaps \$20,000 worth of the stock. Their holdings at issue bear but a minute proportion to the influence they wield in the affairs of the company.

But the shareholders are beginning to sit up and take notice, too. Mr. Wright declares that there is no room for the Electric Light Company and the city in Toronto in the distribution of power. Neglecting the fact that the Electric Light Company has a franchise of twenty years only to run, at the end of which time the citizens will be quite certain that its occupation is gone, are the shareholders of the Toronto Electric Light Company anxious to engage in a ruinous struggle with the citizens to obtain exorbitant prices for what the company's officers now declare can be sold on much lower terms?

Mr. Wright can only contemplate the use of electric light by the favored few, and he invokes the citizens generally to rise against such luxury.

In other cities where cheap electric power is to be had there is no limit to the use of electric light. All the citizens can have it and have it cheaply. A small and select business conducted with a limited constituency of the "favored few" is all that the Toronto Electric Light Company cares about. Wealthy people can pay high prices, while the masses are left to suffer from the dimming of official salaries suffer no diminution. But it is not a "favored few" business that Toronto wants for the citizens. The system proposed in connection with the hydro-electric power scheme is one which will give every citizen an opportunity to have cheap light and power if he desires it, and will benefit him indirectly in the reduction of his lighting taxes and water rate.

All that the citizens have to do is to use of electric light by the favored few, and he invokes the citizens generally to rise against such luxury.

TRAIN SPEED VERDICT

After Two Hours Jury Declare For Acquittal --Had Been Eight to Four Other Way.

BRAMPTON, Nov. 16.—(Special).—After being out two hours, the jury in the criminal assizes, which closed here to-night, brought in a verdict of not guilty in the case of Engineer George Hodge and Conductor Matthew Grimes, charged with criminal negligence, which caused the wreck on the C.P.R. at Caledon horsehoe curve on Sept. 3, when seven lives were lost.

The courtroom was packed, the gallery being filled with women, who sat for over an hour awaiting the result. At exactly 8.50 the jury came into the room, two hours after Justice Magee had given his charge, explaining the legal points.

There was complete silence, and Clerk Dickson asked the foreman if a verdict had been reached. The foreman rose slowly, and in a quiet voice said: "Not guilty."

There was great applause, despite the protestations of the court officials. Should Be a Warning. When order had been restored, Justice Magee said to the prisoners: "I am glad for your sake that this verdict has been reached. I trust it will be a warning to both of you thru your whole lives. I release you from attendance at the court."

Conductor Grimes will go back to work. Hodge was not decided yet what he will do. Both were heartily congratulated on the result of the trial. Grimes expected no other verdict. Hodge was glad the strain was over.

Five minutes after the verdict was reached a ballot taken stood eight to four for conviction. The four jury members who were in favor of the accused commenced to whisper to explain and argue every point. It took over an hour, when one by one the others fell into line, until the twelve were convinced that the accident was not caused thru any negligence of Hodge and Grimes.

T. C. Robbette, counsel for the accused, expressed his surprise and was naturally pleased. Crown Prosecutor Davidson thought the charge of Justice Magee had largely to do with the verdict.

Addresses of Counsel. Mr. Robbette, in his address to the jury, held that the train had been proved that the train had been deliberately run at excessive speed. Hodge had applied the air brake sufficient for eight engines, but not for a passenger train. His fault was one of omission, due to ignorance, and for this the system was at fault. He also urged the possibility of a broken brake shoe on the engine.

N. F. Davidson, K.C., for the crown, held the train had been going at least 30 miles an hour. It was going to make up the schedule time at Mono Road. The evidence proved criminal negligence. None of the crown witnesses had wanted to say anything to injure the two accused. Justice Magee reviewed the evidence. He said that the train had been deliberately run at excessive speed. Hodge had applied the air brake sufficient for eight engines, but not for a passenger train. His fault was one of omission, due to ignorance, and for this the system was at fault. He also urged the possibility of a broken brake shoe on the engine.

AS THEY DO IT IS QUEBEC.



CHAMPION LAURIER: These here fad walking matches are all right, but the real strength of a strong man is best shown in the load he can carry.

JAPAN MAY STOP EMIGRATION TO CANADA

Lemieux Has Opened His Office in British Embassy--Opportunity Now to End the Trouble.

TOKIO, Japan, Nov. 17.—Rodolphe Lemieux, Canadian postmaster-general and minister of labor, who is here to consult with the Japanese authorities regarding emigration from this country, has established an office at the British Embassy and is in frequent conference with officials of the foreign office. He expects a favorable outcome of his mission. He made this statement yesterday:

"I am not proposing any change in the existing treaty, but desire to reach an agreement with a friendly nation looking to the adoption of a program for the future which will be beneficial to both countries."

The minister will be entertained by the Municipality of Tokio next Tuesday, and the government is preparing an elaborate program for his entertainment during his stay in Japan.

The foreign office has notified the emigration companies that 400 Japanese will be allowed to enter Hawaii during this month and December. It is understood that the government tends to exercise a close supervision over those going as students to San Francisco. There is reason to believe that considerable fraud has been practised by registering laborers as students, and that this has caused the scrutiny of the emigration inspectors.

Further Restrictions Proposed. American Ambassador O'Brien has had a conference on this subject with Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hayashi, who has issued most stringent instructions to the inspectors, and it is understood that further restrictions are under advisement. The Japanese government is said to be considering the advisability of shutting off all emigration to the United States and Canada for the present on the ground that economic conditions render it inadvisable for citizens of Japan to visit foreign countries, unless they are able to show that they are amply self-supporting.

Among the leading statesmen and business men the importance of the near approach of the American congress and the possibility of the introduction of special measures to restrict immigration is fully realized. The opinion here is that such legislation is not likely to be enacted, but the fact of its introduction, with the inevitable debates on the subject, it is thought, is liable to increase the difficulties of the government in adjusting the situation by arousing the Chinese and account of discrimination against Japan, which is affording ammunition for the opposition, which is becoming active, in view of the general election in 1908.

Paper Condemns Government. An instance of the methods employed to raise the issue in behalf of the opposition, The Hochi, organ of that party and supposed to represent the views of Count Okuma, will tomorrow contain an editorial entitled "The Deception Practised by Diplomats," which gives an explanation of the speech of Secretary Taft at the recent municipal dinner in Tokio. The paper says that this was nothing but a piece of deception, and that the secretary sought to place himself in the most favorable light.

The Hochi appeals to the Japanese government to deal frankly with the people. It insists that the administration is tamely yielding to foreign powers, while at the same time it is hiding the facts from the public of Japan. The editorial concludes by saying that the visit of Minister Lemieux affords the best opportunity of solving the immigration question once for all if it is frankly handled.

GET BUSY, CENTRAL. Commissioner Harris is Making Enquiries About Your Work. Property Commissioner Harris is sending out the following circular letter to telephone subscribers: "A statement has been made to the civic authorities that the present telephone service is very unsatisfactory, and the board of control has instructed me to make enquiry relative thereto. Will you kindly answer the questionnaire attached below, and dispatch communication in enclosed stamped and addressed envelope by return of mail."

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PIANO A MUTE WITNESS IN HUSBAND'S DEFENCE

Alfred Breakstone Files Unique Plea in Resisting His Wife's Claim For Alimony--"Deliberately Denies" Ever Assaulting Her.

The Dove of Peace has been a non-resident at the home of Hannah Theakstone and her husband, Alfred R. 42 Wood-street. For the second time since their marriage eight years ago the lady is seeking \$12 per week alimony, alleging cruel and inhuman treatment of herself and the family piano as her ground of complaint.

Theakstone, thru his solicitor, A. R. Hassard, has filed a defence at Osgoode Hall, in which he sets out that the plumbing business, to which he devotes his talents, has been unprofitable of late. From that basis he alleges that the plaintiff is an unfaithful and dishonest woman, and that she has been guilty of a series of wrongs which have caused her to leave the home.

With All Her Faults. "The defendant has a feeling of affection for his wife, notwithstanding her conduct. And the her faults be not few he has offered and now offers her and their child a comfortable home. The plaintiff's notions of many things are exaggerated, and she has a very fanciful notion of his income."

Hates to Talk. "The defendant feels it to be most unpleasant and embarrassing for him to be required to speak ill of his wife. But, after a judge has read the plaintiff's statement of claim from beginning to conclusion, he cannot but form an impression decidedly against the defendant, which a mere denial of negligence, unqualified and all embracing tho it be, cannot in any way serve to overcome."

The defendant laments the necessity of detailing his answer to his wife's allegations, which he says in no way represent the true condition of affairs.

The plaintiff is a woman of high and imperious ways, and is most determined in her bearing and her manner. The charges of brutality, cruelty and harshness which she makes are all founded on facts in which some little difference has arisen between the two and in which the best of temper has prevailed on either side, but the plaintiff gives in her narration the benefit of one side only of each occurrence. That side she magnifies, exaggerates and distorts in an unfair and untruthful manner, and in a way which indicates that she alone is the sufferer and meekly passive, while he is the cruel and daring aggressor.

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WANTS WITNESS IN IOWA. She May Have Evidence to Help Mrs. Minnie Turner.

A. A. Bond, counsel for Mrs. Minnie Turner, who is to be tried at the assizes, which open to-day, is seeking a commission to take evidence at Linn County, Iowa. This evidence is that of Mrs. Evans, who was confined in Toronto jail at the time that Bertha Pearson, the crown's star witness in the Turner case, was in custody there.

Mrs. Evans is believed by Mr. Bond to be prepared to swear that during the time the Pearson girl was in jail with her she told Mrs. Evans that Minnie Turner did not perform the operation which resulted in the death of Rose Winters, but that an effort was being made to put the crime upon her to shield the real culprit.

Mrs. Evans is the woman whose affidavit is the basis of the investigation into charges that a police officer of the court-street station was instrumental in securing Mrs. Evans as a client for J. W. Curry, K.C.

ILLEGAL LOANS. Three New York State Banks Have Violated the Law.

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—In obtaining the appointment of three receivers for three banks and three trust companies in New York and Brooklyn, which recently suspended payment, State Attorney-General Jackson declared that in the Borough Bank of Brooklyn and in the Jenkins Trust Company evidence has been found of illegal overloans and of both civil and criminal liability.

JAMES SIMPSON FOR MAYORALTY

Receives the Socialist Nomination--Lindala For Controller--Others Soon.

James Simpson will be the Socialist candidate for mayor of Toronto at the January elections. He was nominated yesterday at a meeting of the Toronto branch of the Ontario Socialist party, at their headquarters, 214 West Adelaide-street.

James Lindala, who was the party's candidate last year, will be entered for the board of control.

It was also decided to have an aldermanic candidate in each ward, and to have candidates—perhaps six—for the board of education, but as qualifications are not yet fixed, the names of these representatives will not be announced until later in the week.

Mr. Simpson, altho a young man, has for several years been on the board of education, and he will have to abandon the bone to grasp at the shadow. He is just now attending the convention of the American Federation of Labor at Norfolk, Va., representing the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, but he left his acceptance of the nomination before his departure. He is the municipal reporter for the Evening Star, and has for years been prominent in labor and socialist circles, his adhesion to the principles of the latter body have not always assisted his ambitions in the other. He is a forcible speaker.

As Socialist candidate, he was the third to finish in the North Toronto by-election for the legislature. The Socialist party in Toronto has four branches—English-speaking, Italian, Finnish and Jewish—with a membership of about 1000. Next Sunday afternoon the various local nominations will be ratified at a public meeting in the Labor Temple, and Organizer Mannes will give an address. A unique feature will be a musical program by an Italian choir in Chicago, the Italian Socialist choir always attracts large crowds, and the local organization hopes to equal it.

A platform and an assortment of literature will be issued without delay.

Bribery Cases To-Day

Tom Lewis Will Be a Witness--Mayor Judd is Associate Crown Counsel.

This morning at 11 o'clock Judge Winchester will begin the trial of the four London men—Reid, O'Gorman, Wiley and Mulroy—charged with conspiracy growing out of the bribing of London electors.

Among the witnesses summoned is Tom Lewis of London, indicted for perjury in connection with the police court hearing of the case, who arrived last night.

PAWNBROKER'S SUICIDE.

MONTREAL, Nov. 17.—While in a fit of despondency, resulting from a recent failure of his son in business, Hiram Rubenborg, a well-known Jewish pawnbroker, committed suicide by taking poison this afternoon. Rubenborg had contracted heavy liabilities on account of his son.

JUDGE WINCHESTER.