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CAUGHT BULLET IN TEETH.

REMARKABLE ESCAPE OF MAINE GIRL FROM DEATH.

Revolver Accidentally Discharged Near Her Face, Bullet Passes Between Her Lips, and is Flattened Against Her Teeth—She is Uninjured.

Bath, Me., June 9.—Thirteen year old Rosie Starratt had a remarkably narrow escape from death this afternoon, literally catching between her teeth a 32-calibre bullet fired from a revolver only a few feet away. The only injury the girl suffered was a slight cut on the back jaw and powder burns on her face.

NINE LIVES LOST IN LONDON FIRE.

Extension Ladders Too Short for Their Work in Busiest Section.

London, June 9.—The inadequacy of the fire equipment of London has again been demonstrated by the fatalities which attended a comparatively small blaze in the centre of the city at a late hour this morning. The fire occurred in the upper portion of a five story building adjoining the Mansion House station, in the busiest section of London. The first extension ladders to arrive at the scene could not be elevated to the height of the fourth story and inmates of the upper floors were compelled to jump down into a tarpaulin which had been hastily commandeered by the firemen from a man's fruit van.

PRISON GUARDS KILLED. Prisoners Gain Liberty at Price of Three Lives.

Salem, Ore., June 9.—Two desperate prisoners, Harry Tracy, sentenced to 20 years, and David Merrill, a 13 year man, serving sentences for assault and robbery, committed in Multnomah county, escaped from the penitentiary this morning after killing three guards, Frank Ferrell, shop guard; S. R. Jones and Ben Tiffany, fence men.

CAMPBELLTON FIRE. Fenderon's Shingle and Rotary Mill Destroyed—Loss \$5,000.

Campbellton, June 9.—(Special)—Fenderon's shingle and rotary mill destroyed by fire early this morning. The destroyed by fire early this morning. The loss is about \$5,000 and it is said there is no insurance.

Reported Sale by James Ross for \$60,000.

Montreal, June 9.—(Special)—It is reported that James Ross, of Montreal, has sold out his interests in the Birmingham Street Railway system to a strong English syndicate for \$60,000.

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.

MANY NOMINATIONS FOR PLACE OF MODERATOR.

Delegates Beginning to Arrive at Toronto for Meeting Which Will Open Tomorrow—Very Satisfactory Condition of the Twentieth Century Fund.

Toronto, June 9.—(Special)—Commissioners to the Presbyterian general assembly, which will open Wednesday, are beginning to arrive. There is a good deal of discussion as to the moderatorship, nominations for which include: Rev. Doctors Byre, Winnipeg; Herdman, Regina; Pihlblad, Winnipeg; Armstrong, Ottawa; Thompson, Sarnia; Fleischer, Hamilton; Milligan, Toronto; and others.

RECEPTION TO BISHOP CASEY AT MONCTON.

His Lordship Heartily Welcomed by Congregation of St. Bernard's Church.

Moncton, June 9.—(Special)—Bishop Casey was tendered a very warm and hearty reception by the congregation of St. Bernard's church today on his first official visit to this part of his diocese. The church grounds were prettily decorated with flags and bunting and were in holiday attire in honor of his lordship's visit.

WONDERFUL VITALITY OF KING ALBERT.

Prepared for Death He Sits Up for Breakfast and a Smoke.

Berlin, June 9.—King Albert of Saxony was unconscious part of last night. He was surrounded by his family, who mortally expected the end and he had received the last sacraments. This morning, however, he sat up and had breakfast, smoked a light cigar and insisted upon discussing some state affairs.

SARDINE COMPANY SUES. Injunction Asked Against Former Owners of Packing Concern.

Eastport, Me., June 9.—The sardine factory combine, known as the Seacoast Packing Company, has filed an application in the supreme court, for an injunction against the former owners of the plant, known as the Continental Packing Company, which corporation subsequently changed its name to the Seacoast Packing Company. Other allegations are that the former owners have been in various ways interested in the sardine business.

Conference of Naval and Military Surgeons.

Ottawa, June 9.—(Special)—Director General Nelson has returned from the conference of naval and military surgeons of the United States at Washington. He says that all European countries were represented there and many important matters were discussed.

PATIENTS IN STRAIT JACKET AND MANACLES, VICTIMS OF FIRE.

A Holocaust in Chicago Institution for Treatment of Those Addicted to Liquor and Drugs—At Least Nine Lives Lost—One Man Burned as He Lay Strapped to Bed.

Chicago, June 9.—Nine men and one woman were killed and about 30 persons injured in a fire which this afternoon destroyed the sanitarium conducted by the Saint Luke's Society, at the corner of Wabash avenue and Twenty-first street. The society occupied the building which was long known as the Hotel Woodruff and for a brief period as the Hotel Lancaster. By far the greater portion of the patients were those seeking care from the drunk habit and those who were addicted to drugs. When the fire broke out there were on the fifth floor a number of patients suffering from delirium tremens and some deranged by drugs. Several of these were strapped to their beds and it was found impossible to save them, so rapidly did the fire spread.

When the alarm was sounded Wattle's ran to investigate. He found the elevator shaft a mass of flames and ran back to help the alderman, who was shouting like an insane person. He had groped his way to the door and by the time his attendant had reached him, had fallen, overcome with smoke. Wattle's tried to drag him down the hall to a place of safety, but he was almost impossible to do anything with him. Wattle's was finally compelled to run for his life, as the flames were already scorching his clothing. He ran to a window, across which were iron bars, managed to tear two of these from their fastenings, and two other men who had followed him, climbed out on the sill. They were taken down by firemen. Wattle's became crazed with excitement and sprang for a net which some men were holding on the sidewalk and sustained injuries which probably will cause his death.

Kent evidently died of suffocation. Three hours after the outbreak his body was found, one leg burned to a crisp and the head burned off. Five persons received burns and injuries that are likely to cause death while at least 10 others received minor injuries. A scene that brought to the pitch of madness the great crowd that had gathered around the building was enacted at a fourth story window. Across this was a heavy wire screen and on the outside iron bars. Behind them were between 25 and 30 men. Escape in other directions was impossible and the one chance for life lay through that window. So fiercely did the prisoners pull at the screen that tiny streams of blood trickled from lacerated fingers and hands and flowed over the window sill. A number of the men were in straight jackets and manacles and were the wildest of all in their frantic efforts to break through the bars.

NO CHANGE IN COAL STRIKE SITUATION.

Quiet Prevails—Twenty-five Thousand Men Out in West Virginia.

New York, June 9.—President Mitchell arrived here this afternoon, being met by Commissioner Carroll D. Wright, who is investigating the anthracite coal strike. They had a conference. Commissioner Wright said tonight: "President Mitchell has given me all the information I wanted and it will be presented to President Roosevelt. I can say that I am now in possession of the facts on the miners' side of the issue and tomorrow will see the operators."

DOMINION CABINET MEETING.

Ottawa, June 9.—(Special)—The cabinet met in session today considering subjects which will come up at the approaching imperial conference in London.

Italy's King to Propose Disarmament.

Paris, June 9.—The Figaro today prints a despatch from Rome, Italy, which says that King Victor Emmanuel intends to issue a proposal for disarmament in conjunction with the Car.

Barker-Keller Shooting Case Again.

Trenton, N. J., June 9.—The supreme court today affirmed the conviction of Thomas G. Barker, who was tried for the shooting of Rev. John Keller, of Arlington (N. J.). Barker was sentenced to five years in state prison and is now serving his term.

Tolstoi's Health Much Better.

Yalta, Crimea, June 9.—Count Leo Tolstoi has greatly improved in health and today he spent a few hours out of doors.

PROTEST AGAINST SMALLPOX REPORTS.

Public Meeting at Campbellton Shows There is No Apprehension.

Campbellton, N.B., June 7.—(Special)—Actuated by rumor of the streets and the publication of erroneous statements in outside papers the citizens held a public meeting this afternoon to inquire of the board of health how it was coping with the present smallpox epidemic, and what preparations were being made for its subjection. The meeting was a representative one and was attended by Hon. C. H. LaBillicois, commissioner of public works, and acting provincial secretary. It was presided over by Mayor Alexander, County Warden A. G. Adams occupied the chair. The chairman of the local board of health, Dr. W. A. Mott, M. P. P., moved the adoption of a resolution, which was seconded by W. F. McLauchlan, that, in the opinion of this meeting, the public have full confidence in the board of health and their work. This was unanimously carried.

METHODIST WOMEN PART OF CHURCH COURTS.

Toronto and Hamilton Conferences Pass Resolutions to This End.

CORONATION PROCESSION.

Its Formation Arranged Rehearsal Yesterday.

Reports from Canadians in Africa.

Ottawa, June 9.—(Special)—Lord Minto has been advised by the consular department at Cape Town, Trooper J. R. Woolmore died of enteric fever on board the Cestrian with the 3rd C. M. R.

Italian Grant to Marconi.

Rome, June 9.—The Academia dei Lincei, the chief scientific body in Italy, has decided to award Signor Marconi \$2,000 for his discovery of the wireless telegraph.

ST. JOHN SCHOONER ASHORE.

THE ANNIE LAURA IN BAD POSITION ON SHOVELFUL.

Leaking Badly, and It Was Feared Vessel Would Go Ashore Last Night—Captain Palmer and His Crew Driven Into Rigging, Then Rescued.

Chatham, Mass., June 9.—The British schooner Annie Laura, bound from St. John (N. B.) for Providence (R. I.) struck on Shovelful Shoal during a heavy blow last night and is lying in a bad position. She is leaking badly and it is likely she will break up during the night. Captain Palmer and his crew of three men were taken off late today in response to distress signals sent in the rigging of the schooner. The rescues were made by two wrecking boats of 10 men. The schooner was boarded early in the day by the wreckers but Captain Palmer decided to stay on board. The wind rose and the sea became rough. The crew finally were driven into the schooner's rigging and then they set signals for help. The wrecking boats, captained by Anson Bloomer and G. W. Bloomer, could not go then but at the turn of the tide from flood they made the successful attempt. The Annie Laura's crew are now at Moncton station.

SECOND ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING FATAL.

Boy Who Wounded Another Two Years Ago is Cause of Death This Time.

Union Lake, N.W.T., June 9.—(Special)—Yesterday afternoon, while James Dufresne and Benjamin Patenaude, both aged 15, were out duck shooting, Dufresne accidentally shot and killed Patenaude. Two years ago Dufresne shot Patenaude's brother in a similar manner but he recovered.

ALL BUT WASHINGTON.

Bill Before U. S. Congress for Transfer of Bodies of Presidents to National Cemetery.

Washington, June 9.—Representative Thompson (Ala.), today introduced a bill appropriating \$10,000 for the removal of all the deceased presidents of the United States, except George Washington, to the National cemetery at Arlington. The president and the governors of the states are designated as a commission to make all the necessary arrangements for the removal.

To Fight Druggists' Rate Cutting.

Norhampton, June 9.—A vigorous war against cut-price druggists in Massachusetts is practically assured as a result of the action of the State Pharmaceutical Convention in this city in deciding to continue its membership in the National Association of Druggists. There was strong objection to the retention of membership.

Special Sitting of Supreme Court.

Ottawa, June 9.—(Special)—The Supreme court held a short sitting today and gave judgment in three Quebec cases and one Ontario case. As a term for May had closed, the session was called by advertisement in the Canadian Gazette, which has not been done before, since 1880.

Race Riot Excitement Abates.

Meridian, Miss., June 9.—Telephone reports from Marion and points in the north of Lauderdale county say the race riot excitement of Saturday night had somewhat abated. Green Johnson and Nate Moore, the negroes arrested Saturday afternoon as leaders in the movement to murder the whites, were released today owing to a failure to identify them as rioters and writers of the letters appointing the rendezvous for the negroes who had been arrested.

Through Canada to the Coronation.

Winnipeg, June 9.—(Special)—Contingents for the coronation from the far east passed through here last night. Among them were Sikhs, Chinese and white troops from Hong Kong. Major-General Fukusima, commander of the Japanese army, is also on the train.

CANADIAN FIELD HOSPITAL.

EXCELLENT WORK DONE AT KLEIN, HART'S RIVER.

Glowing Account Given in Letter from Major Carleton Jones of Halifax—A Charlotte-town Member of Hospital Was Wounded—Canadian Equipment Good.

Ottawa, June 9.—(Special)—A letter had been received from Major Carleton Jones, of Halifax, second in command of the 10th Canadian Field Hospital in South Africa. The letter was written April 27 from Middleburg. In it, Major Jones gives a glowing account of the work done by the hospital at Klein, Hart's River, under Doctor Roberts and the corps. Major Jones says that before the fight they had been working at the rate of 45 miles per day on the drives around Middleport. At the time of the engagement he was in charge of the hospital while Doctor Roberts was up with the troops and did excellent work. He had with him Privates Green, of Charlottetown; Henderson, of Toronto; Eby, of Kingston; Springfield, of Toronto, and Barrett, of Montreal. All did excellent work in caring for the wounded. Only one man died after they got to the headquarters of the hospital, although many of them were dangerously wounded. Major Jones says he worked through the whole night attending to these men at the Nio hospital headquarters, where the engagement took place. Only one of the hospital men was injured, Green, who was shot through the back. Two days after they were sent to Klerksdorp and all got there safely. A few days afterwards they went on another drive but did not get much work. On a trip they gathered in 14 wounded Boers. After this trek, the regiment went back to Klerksdorp for a week pending the peace negotiations.

MONT PEELE SURVIVOR VISITS QUEBEC HOME.

One of the Roraima's Engineers—Brunet to Be Sentenced Today—In Connection With St. James' Election.

Montreal, June 9.—(Special)—Second Engineer Evans, the only Canadian survivor of the Mont Pelerin disaster, arrived in Montreal today to visit his mother. He was aboard the Quebec steamer Roraima, which was destroyed. He assures his relatives of his rapid retreat to the engine room, his post of duty.

UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

Bill for Protection of the President Passes the House.

Washington, June 9.—The house today passed the bill to protect the president, vice-president, members of the cabinet and foreign ministers and ambassadors and to suppress the teaching of anarchy by a vote of 175 to 18. A motion to reconsider the measure with instructions to strike out certain sections, was defeated 71 to 123.

An Interesting Contribution to the Discussion of the Silliman Canal Project.

An interesting contribution to the discussion of the silliman canal project was made in the senate today by Mr. Harris, of Kansas, who is an engineer of recognized ability. He strongly advocated the Niagara route. He maintained that it was entirely feasible and practicable from an engineering standpoint, and said that some of the difficulties presented by the Panama route were insuperable—namely, the construction of the Bohio dam.