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FRUITLESS SEARCH FOR A CONTINENT.

Return of Capt. Miklesen From Voyage. Vessel Lost In Ice Pack Near Island. What Lies Beyond the Beaufort Sea.

Seattle, Wash., April 3.—Capt. Egnar Miklesen, who jointly commanded the Anglo-polar expedition which sought an undiscovered continent in the Beaufort Sea, arrived from the north yesterday on the Yucatan.

Ernest de Koven Leffingwell, who, with Capt. Miklesen, commanded the expedition, remained at Flaxman Island to continue his scientific work. Capt. Miklesen started on Oct. 16 from Flaxman Island, and made the journey along the northern shores of Alaska to Nome, arriving at the latter place on Jan. 3.

Captain Miklesen's expedition traced the continental shelf in the Beaufort Sea and ascertained that if land does lie beyond the sea it is an independent continent.

Captain Miklesen made use of a new idea in polar travel, by which he will be able to save ninety pounds weight on his sledges.

The expedition was directed by the Royal Geographical Society of London, and the American Geographical Society, of New York.

OAKVILLE DAY.

Nine Hundred Come In On Mills' Excursion.

The Stanley Mills Co. excursion from Oakville to-day was the most successful ever run by the firm from the town. Seven special cars were filled on the morning trip, and as many more came this afternoon.

The Wine Clerks' Union has arranged for a benefit performance at the Savoy Theatre next Thursday afternoon.

STEWART AGAINST BIGGAR FOR LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

That Is the Latest Rumor From the Camp of the Dissatisfied Tories.

Mayor Stewart as the candidate for East Hamilton in the Provincial Legislature is the latest election rumor in political circles to-day.

Although a temporary peace was patched up at the annual meeting of the Conservative Club, trouble is brewing again, and unless the Tory politicians get matters straightened away before the conventions to select candidates a lively time may be looked for.

There is a section of the party that believes that neither the ex-Mayor nor Dr. Carr are strong enough men to carry East Hamilton. Capital would be made out of the street car strike against the former, it is thought.

WITH THEIR LUNCHES

People In Line at 10.30 For "Madam Butterfly".

As early as 10.30 this morning persons who were unable or unwilling to pay the price for reserved seats for "Madam Butterfly" at the Grand began to line up on Gore street, at the gallery entrance.

ANNUAL MEETING

Of the Teachers of the Banner Sunday School.

The officers and teachers of First Methodist Church Sunday school met last evening for a banquet and business meeting. James Hamilton was elected superintendent of the school.

TRANSFERS MADE.

Arrangement of Changes Among Methodist Ministers.

Transfers of ministers of the Methodist Church, to take effect next June, were arranged at a meeting of the Transfer Committee held in Toronto, yesterday.

Among the supernumerated ministers, Dr. D. V. Lucas is transferred from Hamilton to Toronto; Rev. Moses Dinick, Manitoba to Hamilton; Rev. J. A. Chapman, Bay of Quinte to Hamilton.

BOARD OF TRADE.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, at 4 o'clock. The following subjects will come up for discussion: Uniform Bill of Lading; Duty on Coal used by Lake Steamers for Fuel; Exportation of Natural Gas; Interim Report from Committee on Fire Insurance.

A Great Combination

Of quality and low prices are things that help make this one of the busiest stores, together with our splendid service system. It's really a pleasure to shop here; always something new and appealing. An especially large assortment of specials for to-morrow's trade.

AUCTIONEER DEAD.

Kingston, April 3.—Joseph E. Santor, auctioneer, and a resident of Kingston for over fifty years, is dead, at the age of about 75 years.

BIG DEAL IN UPTOWN PROPERTY COMPANY PROMISES SURPRISE FOR CITY.

Grafton & Co., Limited, Have Bought the Pratt Building—Mr. Pratt Will Retire and Mr. Peebles Open Dry Goods Business.

One of the most important real estate deals of the year was completed yesterday when the documents were signed and registered by which the big clothing firm of Grafton & Co. become owners of the T. H. Pratt building on James street.

is his intention to give a good deal of time to travel after he retires. The present company will, as quickly as possible, wind up several of the departments of the store, and when Mr. Robert Peebles takes possession of the present Grafton building on January 1, it will be a dry goods store.

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WITHDREW CAVEAT.

Mr. Pitt Wants His Daughter, Not the Money.

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Receipts Will Show a Decrease. Must Have More Cars at Once. Old Glory Floats on City Hall To-day.

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Unless there is a reasonable prospect of a settlement before the end of the month, it is probable that the company will be obliged to order a number of second-hand cars. It was reported that an order was placed last fall for several new cars, but this was given an emphatic denial by General Manager Hawkins.

Thousands of Times readers will again be glad to know that in future Messrs. Finch Bros' advertisement will appear daily in this great home paper. Their new advertisement starts to-day, and is an economy treat for the ladies who will have the finest and freshest stocks to select from.

The Hamilton City Hall with the Stars and Stripes flying from the flag pole—wouldn't that jar you? It did the members of the Canadian Club when they discovered pictures post cards in one of the stationery store showing Old Glory fluttering in the breeze from the tower of the municipal stone pile.

—So violent was the west wind yesterday that one of the tents erected at the cemetery for a funeral to be held that afternoon was blown away.

FIRE VISITED CROWN POINT AND WIPED OUT THREE HOMES.

Two of Them a Total Loss, With Contents--Burke Brothers and Adjoining Stores Also Burned Out.

One of the worst conflagrations that ever occurred in the suburbs of this city took place at Crown Point last evening, when three houses were burned in an incredibly short time, two of them to their foundations and the third gutted.

Mr. Weir saw that the sparks which were very likely to catch his house, so, with the assistance of neighbors, he removed every stick of his furniture across the road. Some person remembered then that Hamilton had a fire department, and it was near 9 o'clock when Chief Tonzyk received notice of the fire.

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HONORS FOR POSTMASTER.

MR. ADAM BROWN CELEBRATES 82ND BIRTHDAY. Congratulations From All Over the Country and Beautiful Gift From His Staff.

Hamilton's genial postmaster, Mr. Adam Brown, passed another milestone of life this morning and entered upon his 83rd year. The telephone and telegraph wires have been busy all day carrying messages of congratulation from all over the Dominion to him.

THE MAN IN OVERALLS

After reading over that salary list, the question arises, are they worth it?

The Board of Control may control the city's affairs, but who will control the Board of Control?

I thought the Beach wouldn't go dry. Too much bilge water over there.

Fancy! The fancy bread should have a pink bow round its neck.

The Toronto Globe thinks that Whitney's Hydro-Electric power scheme is only an election dodge.

But then the Mayor's travelling expenses and board bills do not appear in the salary list.

Dan Reed is fighting the beasts at Ephesus in great style. You should have heard Whitney roar when Dan countered on him in the fifth round.

When I looked at Sam Garrity's wage bill on the salary list last night, I knew why he was buying so much real estate.

Did you notice how Dan Reed put Hanna to sleep with that left arm jolt?

The Times doesn't hesitate to ask you to read the advertisements in this evening paper. There's money in them for you, as well as for the advertiser.

The nomination of Ham. Regan was only an April joke after all. But there is such a thing as carrying it too far.

How many people are there in the city's employ anyway? That salary list looks like a copy of the city directory.

This dash of cold weather has postponed the appearance of the new style of spring whiskers, which I understand, are to be worn delectable style.

Prince Helle de Sagan wishes it to be understood that he is no relation to Prince Beezlebub.

That salary list wasn't complete. We want to know the hours put in.

A ride in the Black Maria for the Black Hand.

Not a Toronto paper fair enough to protest against the double representation.

I didn't notice Johnny Burke's salary in among the other City Hall employees. How was that?

Gentlemen, you all heard what Mayor Stewart said he was going to do to Aid.

POISONED CANDIES.

Woman on Trial For Causing the Death of a Young Girl.

Fans City, April 3.—Arguments in the case of Mrs. Sarah Morasch, charged with the murder of four-year-old Ruth Miller, were begun in the circuit court to-day at Kansas City, Kans. It is expected the case will go to the jury to-night.

WERE NOT ON FIRE.

Funny Scare Among Ladies on a Street Car.

A large load of people on an east-bound car, returning from the Opera House, last night, had a funny experience. The car fitted with an electric heater, was very warm, and when it was bowling along on King street a strong smell of burning cloth arose.

CANON WADE BETTER.

News of the improved condition of Rev. Canon Wade will be received with pleasure by his people of the Church of the Ascension, and by citizens generally.

Without Question.

Parke's Lithiated Fruit Granules is the most popular medicine sold in Hamilton. This remedy clears the system of all impurities, and in cases of headache, neuralgia and rheumatism it is invaluable.

GOOD NEWS.

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WILL GIVE EMPLOYMENT TO ABOUT FIFTY MORE MEN.

Tuckett Company Will Bring London Cigarettes to the Head Office Here to Work.

The London Free Press makes the announcement that the Tuckett Company of this city has decided to close its London factory "as a direct outcome of the revised tobacco duties."

AN IMMENSE NEW PLANT FOR ROYAL DISTILLERY CO.

Company Considering Erection of Fine Central Building on Present Site.

The directors of the Royal Distillery Company are said to be seriously considering erecting an immense modern plant on the site occupied at present by the old building at the corner of King William and Wellington streets.

The plan was laid before the directors before the President and General Manager, William Marshall went away, and an official of the company intimated this morning that the matter would likely be taken up at once.

The new building, according to the plans, will be a five story brick structure, covering nearly two acres of ground. It will extend from Wellington street to Jarvis on the west and from King William street to the alley just north of King street.

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