

### NEW PLANS FOR THE SAND POINT WHARF BEING MADE

#### Report of Department Engineer Changes Whole Aspect of Affairs With Regard to Construction of New Berth in Rodney Slip—What Changes Mean.

OTTAWA, March 24.—A St. Laurent, assistant chief engineer of the public works department, has returned from his visit of inspection to St. John with a report which changes the whole aspect of affairs with regard to the construction of the new berth in Rodney slip and necessitates radical alterations in the plans which have been made. He stated that the employees of the department are thoroughly convinced that Captain Walsh is perfectly right and that the St. John engineers are that instead of endeavoring to provide two berths on the southern side of the new Rodney wharf by extending it four hundred feet there should be only one berth furnished on that side and one on the northern side. The plans prepared in St. John upon which the public works department has heretofore been acting called for an extension of the new six hundred foot berth outward 400 feet to the harbor line. For some time Captain Walsh of the C. P. R. has protested against this, urging that the thousand foot berth would not be big enough for two large ships. The only way two could use this wharf would be by allowing the stern of one to project into the stream, which would be dangerous in view of the strong current. He also pointed out that the 400 foot extension would so narrow the harbor as to make maneuvering difficult, especially in the spring freshet. In this contention Captain Walsh was supported by all the C. P. R. and Allan captains, and recently Vice-President McNeil wrote to the Minister of Public Works stating that Capt. Walsh correctly presented the view of the Canadian Pacific Company. Consequently Mr. St. Laurent was sent to St. John to consult with the steamship captains and the local engineers and to investigate the matter himself. No better man for the purpose could be found than Mr. St. Laurent, who has had charge of such important works as the Montreal harbor plans, the survey of the Georgian Bay canal and other great enterprises. As a result of his visit he is thoroughly convinced that Captain Walsh is perfectly right and that the St. John engineers are that instead of endeavoring to provide two berths on the southern side of the new Rodney wharf by extending it four hundred feet there should be only one berth furnished on that side and one on the northern side. The plans prepared in St. John upon which the public works department has heretofore been acting called for an extension of the new six hundred foot berth outward 400 feet to the harbor line. For some time Captain Walsh of the C. P. R. has protested against this, urging that the thousand foot berth would not be big enough for two large ships. The only way two could use this wharf would be by allowing the stern of one to project into the stream, which would be dangerous in view of the strong current. He also pointed out that the 400 foot extension would so narrow the harbor as to make maneuvering difficult, especially in the spring freshet. In this contention Captain Walsh was supported by all the C. P. R. and Allan captains, and recently Vice-President McNeil wrote to the Minister of Public Works stating that Capt. Walsh correctly presented the view of the Canadian Pacific Company. Consequently Mr. St. Laurent was sent to St. John to consult with the steamship captains and the local engineers and to investigate the matter himself. No better man for the purpose could be found than Mr. St. Laurent, who has had charge of such important works as the Montreal harbor plans, the survey of the Georgian Bay canal and other great enterprises. As a result of his visit he is thoroughly convinced that Captain Walsh is perfectly right and that the St. John engineers are that instead of endeavoring to provide two berths on the southern side of the new Rodney wharf by extending it four hundred feet there should be only one berth furnished on that side and one on the northern side.

### NEW ADMINISTRATION TOOK OATH OF OFFICE YESTERDAY

#### By-Elections Will be Held April 14th—Nominations Week Earlier

#### Number of Appointments Made but Nothing Official Given Out—Names Mentioned

FREDERICTON, March 24.—The new local government was sworn in this afternoon at the council chamber. The ceremony was held in the presence of the secretary and the executive administrator. The council chamber was crowded with guests. The council members were sworn in by the executive administrator. The ceremony was held in the presence of the secretary and the executive administrator. The council chamber was crowded with guests. The council members were sworn in by the executive administrator. The ceremony was held in the presence of the secretary and the executive administrator. The council chamber was crowded with guests. The council members were sworn in by the executive administrator.

### THE PERPETUAL MASSACRE OF ALL KINDS OF ANIMALS

When in that benighted frame of mind which is superinduced by the immediate prospect of a good dinner, it may seem such a pity to open the proceedings by destroying the lives of half a dozen innocent creatures. If the particular half dozen under consideration were to be sacrificed, the tragedy would not seem so dark, perhaps. What are a mere half dozen?

Or, take the lion which marries young and is partial to large families. On an average the lion lives to be thirty-five years old. Tragic expiation in the wilds of Africa has taught that, once a lion gets a taste of human flesh, and that he requires a mass of steadily cunning, might well be. And you may be sure he will get more than a taste for man's vaunted superior intellect. Would it be a fearful world if all the lions born into it should live? Why in half a century there would be no one left to stir up what would happen after that.

TO ROOM TO LIVE. On the other hand, it would be pretty rough on the lions to say nothing of other creatures, if all the offspring of man should survive. Man increases more slowly than any of the other vertebrates, except the elephant. Yet populations have often doubled in twenty-five years. In a thousand years there would not be standing room on the earth.

FAMILY OF MILLIONS. The most conspicuous trait which has marked the history of the human race is its enormous increase. It is estimated that the human family now numbers 1,500,000,000. In a few years more it will be 2,000,000,000.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY. Parish court commissioner of the parish of Campbell, by resignation of G. M. Byron. Registrar of probates, by resignation of G. M. Byron.

SUMMARY COUNTY. Member of and chairman of the Local Board of Health, by resignation of Jas. P. Paske, M.D. Clerk of the peace, by the resignation of R. W. McLellan.

ST. JOHN CITY AND COUNTY. Judge of probates, by the death of A. I. Truman.

PROVINCIAL. Reporter of the Supreme Court, by the death of Geo. W. Allen. Registrar of the Court of Divorce and Matrimonial Causes, by resignation of R. W. McLellan.

OTHER VACANCIES. The following resignations have been accepted: Robert E. Armstrong, as member of and chairman of the St. Andrews Board of School Trustees. Jesse W. Baker, as a lumber scaler for Madawaska county.

WATER TRUENAMEN, of St. John, as reporter of the Supreme Court in Equity. C. J. Milligan as registrar of probates for St. John city and county.

EPIDEMIC OF DYSENTERY. It affects many people more in winter than in summer—in the one case it is due to improper eating—in the other to congestion excited by cold. A very small dose of Nervine repeated every hour or two removes the trouble thoroughly. If there is pain, relief is immediate. If merely relaxation, the result is just as certain. You can't find a treatment for bowel troubles, indigestion and stomach disorders half so good as Nervine; thousands say so.

OH, HORROR, JUST SUPPOSE. One of the Infusoria—stylonchis pustulata, for instance—has been ascertained, with favorable nutrition, to undergo at a temperature of fifty degrees, self-division once in twenty-four hours. But raise the temperature to eighty degrees, and the self division is lessened five times. By working under another little simple sun in geometrical progression, you will find that, in an astonishingly short time, the oceans would become a solid mass of fish, to wit: eight billion progeny, weighing one hundred and thirty pounds.

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### MALEVOLENT PLOT OF BLACK HAND TO RUIN BANKER

#### Had Sent Him Letters Threatening to Kill His Whole Family Unless He Paid Large Sums—Started Run on His Bank—Police Are Baffled.

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 24.—A malevolent plot, relentlessly worked out by members of the Black Hand in defiance of the authorities pressing hard upon their trail, the police declare, ended dramatically today in a run of depositors on and the suspension of the Bank of Pasquale Pati, an Italian banker on Hill Street and his flight from the city in fear of death by the Black Hand because he recently shot and killed Francesco Pelletro, one of their alleged members, who had demanded money under the pain of killing the banker and family. Three thousand depositors clamored loudly at the Pati Bank today for their savings, and the excitement a run was started on the bank of P. Acirilli and Sons, across the street from the suspended institution, and caused it to shut its doors. The two banks were small private institutions. The run on the Pati Bank, the police charge, was engineered by the Black Hand as a revenge on Pati, who was yesterday acquitted by the coroner of having killed Pelletro. When the run was at its height police reserves were rushed to the district to quell the fast rising disorder.

"Plastered on the window of Pati's Bank the most remarkable notice of a suspension probably ever posted was read by the public today after the bank closed its doors. It read: "I will suspend payment for two weeks. I am compelled to leave town, as I have received threatening letters and people have agreed to take my life. There are no fears of your losing your deposits. Besides cash I own 65 houses in New York and have them insured for \$100,000 and can pay everybody. I will resume in two weeks." (Signed) "PASQUALE PATI & SON, 'Salvatore'."

The closing of Pati's bank and his sudden departure from the city is the sequel to a scheme, so say the police, of extortion and blackmail of the Black Hand that had its inception several years ago. Pasquale Pati was said to be the richest banker in the densely populated Italian quarter on the East Side, where the banker believed he had no enemies. Letters came demanding money. How much money Pati parted with to stay the threats the police have been unable to learn.

It was Pati's custom to keep large piles of Italian and American money in the front window of his bank and six weeks ago one blundering day a dynamite bomb exploded near the tempting window. The window was shattered and thousands of dollars in paper money was scattered about the street. Pati succeeded in recovering all of it.

Three weeks ago, Francesco Pelletro entered Pati's bank with drawn revolver and demanded money after threatening to kill the banker, his wife and their son, Salvatore, who were in the bank. Pati and his son drew their revolvers and in the fusillade of bullets,

Pelletro fell, dying. The flood of Black Hand letters did not cease and yesterday three strange men entered the bank and threatened not only to kill Pati and his family, but to burn his home and destroy his business. The men darted out of the bank before Pati could summon the police. Late last night a servant at the Pati home in Brooklyn discovered several men prowling around the house and a quantity of oil-soaked rags placed against the building in several places. A small run on the Pati bank was started yesterday when rumsors began to circulate about Pati. This was two hundred depositors in line when the bank opened today, and within an hour the line of depositors grew to three thousand.

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 24.—Capt. E. G. Mayne, formerly of the British Royal Engineers and a nephew of Admiral Richard Mayne, died of heart disease here yesterday. He was on his way from Morganston, N. C., where he was interested in a mining property, to England and was to have sailed from New York on the Cedric on Thursday. As a mining engineer he was identified with Alfred Beit and others, in the interests of Cecil Rhodes in South Africa.

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### WHOLESALE LIQUORS

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### GERMANY REFUSES TO HAVE HILL AS AMBASSADOR

WASHINGTON, Mar. 25.—The German Government has declined to receive Dr. David Jayne Hill in the capacity of United States Ambassador to succeed Charlemagne Tower, whose resignation has been accepted, to take effect upon the qualification of his successor. Dr. Hill is at present U. S. Minister to the Hague and was formerly first assistant secretary of state under the administration of Secretary Hay.

OXFORD, Mar. 24.—Ralph C. Mayne, a Rhodes scholar from New Orleans, La., at Oxford, was washed off the rocks and drowned at Port Isaac, Cornwall, today.

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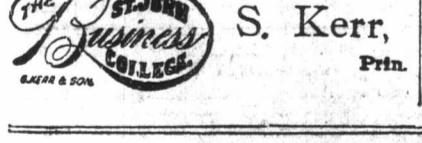
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FUTURE COMMANDERS OF THE GREAT AMERICAN FLEET. Admiral Thomas will succeed Admiral Evans, when the battleships arrive at San Francisco in May. When the fleet is ready to start on its return trip to the Atlantic coast Admiral Sperry will take command.

### INSULTED A WOMAN AND WAS FATALLY SHOT

#### Peter Wilson Killed Last Night in Somerville by an Indignant Woman.

SOMERVILLE, Mass., Mar. 25.—Peter Wilson, aged 29 years, died at the Somerville hospital early today as the result of a shooting last night for which Mrs. Mary Stroze and her husband are under arrest charged with assault with a dangerous weapon. The shooting was incited according to the story of Mrs. Stroze by an insulting remark to her from Wilson. It is alleged that his wife snatched the revolver from him upon his refusal to average the insult and fired one shot into the brain, the bullet passing through the brain.

Wilson leaves a widow and two children. Stroze and his wife were brought into the police court today as charged with murder. Stroze pleaded not guilty, waived examination and was held for the grand jury without bail. Mrs. Stroze also pleaded not guilty and will have a hearing in the police court Friday.

### DIED STRAPPED IN BED.

#### Woman Patient's Struggles Resulted in Breaking Her Neck.

NEW YORK, Mar. 24.—Mrs. Mary McCue, a patient in the observation ward in King's County Hospital, Brooklyn, met her death in an unusual way today. She had been in the ward two days. Last night, according to a story told by a nurse who was on duty in the ward, she became violent, and it was found necessary to strap her to her cot. For this purpose two sheets were used, and after she had been apparently securely bound the attendant left the ward and did not return for an hour. When she came back Mrs. McCue's body was lying partly on the cot and partly on the floor, suspended by one of the twisted sheets. She was dead, and an investigation disclosed that her neck had been broken.

### BOOKING PASSAGES FOR RACING AUTOMOBILES

SEATTLE, Wn., March 25.—L. F. Gray, manager of the steamship Cornwin, which sails from Nome May 10, and which enjoys the distinction of being the first boat into the northern port yearly for the last six years, has received a telegram from the representatives of three leading automobiles in the New York to Paris to race, asking for reservations for the men and machines on the vessel. The automobilists wish to charter the vessel from Nome in the Siberian Coast, and this Mr. Gray has agreed to do. He expects to land automobilists in Siberia in June.

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