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Narrow Escape From Bigamy

Railway Employee About to Marry Although He Had Wife In East.

Deserted His Waltham Family Two Years Ago and They Are In Want.

Intervention on the part of the police saved a young woman from endless trouble and a man from committing bigamy. In March Chief Langley received a letter from Mrs. W. F. Dunphy, of Waltham, Mass., asking him to locate her husband, whom she had last heard from in this city. The detective department took up the case and located Dunphy, who was employed on the E. & N. railway. In reply to questions, Dunphy said that he had just sent $30 to his wife, who in her letter said she and her three little children were in want, and that he would continue to send her money. The police wrote Mrs. Dunphy, telling her of her husband's promise and what he had said of having sent her money. In reply, she wrote that he had last sent her money in October, and, in fact, had sent her money but once since he left home two years before for Cape Nome. It was always the same story, when he did write, which was seldom; he had just got work and would send her money shortly, but only once did money come, and she was forced to work in a factory and take in washing to do by night to keep herself and three children.

Dunphy was again looked up by the police, and was found at work on the Lenora railway, and, worse still, it was learned that he was about to be married to a young lady of Victoria. The young lady's family were advised of the facts, and they verified them by writing to Waltham. Of course the marriage, which was to have taken place this month, was broken off, and the railway officials learning of Dunphy's infamy, discharged him. Letters received from Mrs. Dunphy tell of the hard time she has had since her husband deserted her. She managed to keep things going all winter, but with spring came a lack time at the factory, and illness for the children, so that when she last wrote she was in dire straits. The police have tried their best to induce Dunphy to send money to his wife. Despite the exposure he has since tried to force himself on the young woman whom he deceived.

MUSSOLINO'S SENTENCE.

Celebrated Brigand Gets Life Imprisonment.

Luca, Italy, June 11.—Mussolino, the notorious brigand has been sentenced to imprisonment for life.

ANGLICAN SYNOD.

Mr. S. H. Blake Objects to Prayer Against Unhappy Divisions.

Toronto, June 11.—(Special)—Prayers were scarcely concluded at the Anglican synod this morning before S. H. Blake arose and protested against these clauses therein: "Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions; take away all hatred and prejudice and whatever else may hinder us from Godly union and concord."

Mr. Blake said the sentiments grated upon him, as there were no divisions or hatred and prejudice in the church in Canada. It was decided to omit the objectionable phrases from the reading of the prayer at this meeting and to refer the question of striking them out to the bishop.

In a Georgia justice court a colored witness was asked to name the time a difficulty occurred.

"Hit wuz in fodder pullin' time, suh," he replied.

"You don't understand me," said the judge. "I mean what time was it by the clock?"

"Dey warn't no clock dar, suh," said the witness.

"Well, by the sun, then?"

"Now," exclaimed the witness, triumphantly, "sence you hes come right down ter business I'll tell you plain: W de sun had been a-shinin' it would er been 'bout two hours en a half by sun; but ez de sun didn't show his face 'tall dat day I couldn't say fer sartin what time hit wuz!"—Atlanta Constitution.

MUSIC TUITION.

Miss Sill, certificated pupil of Herr Professor Krause, Leipzig, Germany, will receive pupils in Piano-playing (theory included) and harmony. Studio, 10 Harrison street, morning address 95 Mears street. Tel. 786.

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Colonies In London

Premier Seddon of New Zealand Advocates Preferential Trade in Empire.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach in Regard to the Colonial Conference.

Says Britain Will Not Imitate Tariff War With Other Countries.

Montreal, June 18.—The Star's London correspondent cables:

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's arrival is awaited here with the keenest interest. Meanwhile Premier Seddon of New Zealand holds the field with vigorous appeals for a preferential tariff within the Empire.

Liberal journals chaff him about his ignorance of the doctrines of Adam Smith and Ricardo, but his views are widely circulated.

Hon. Dr. Borden, Canadian minister of militia, interviewed today, said that Canada will not tax herself to establish any Imperial defence fund over the expenditure of which she has no control. The colonies should be prepared to defend themselves and do it quickly. It was on that principle the Canadian government acted in increasing the militia from 38,000 to 100,000 men.

The publishers of Good Words announce the result of their Imperial competition for the best ode upon the coming coronation of the King. The competition was open to the whole British Empire, and several hundred poems were received from all parts of the King's dominions. The first prize is awarded to Rev. Lachlan Watt, minister of Alloa, Scotland. There were 91 competitors from Canada, but no Canadian is included in the list of prize winners.

London, June 18.—When the House of Commons took up the consideration of the amended finance bill this afternoon, John Morley (Liberal) precipitated a long debate by moving to omit the clause imposing a duty on grain. Sir Charles Dilke (Advanced Radical) and others of the opposition demanded a specific statement from the Chancellor of the Exchequer in regard to the government's attitude at the coming conference of the colonial premiers. It was obvious, it was asserted, that the conference might change the whole fiscal policy of the country, and before committing itself, the government ought to give the House an opportunity for full discussion of the matter.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer emphatically repudiated the suggestion that the government was contemplating a revolution in its fiscal policy, and said, in behalf of himself and his colleagues, that he wholly disavowed such an idea. It was not the policy of the government to endeavor to encourage trade with the colonies by initiating a tariff war with other countries. The motion to omit the clause imposing a duty on grain was defeated by 251 to 175 votes.

FINNISH SETTLERS FOR SOINTULA

Party Leaves Nanaimo For Graham Island— A Masonic Presentation.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, B. C., June 18.—This morning about 40 persons, including women and children, left here on the Coquitlam for Sointula, Malcolm Island. Most of those leaving wish to take up their residence there. Perhaps one-third will come back, merely taking the excursion trip. A saw mill plant was taken on at Vancouver for the Kalevan Kansa company. The Coquitlam had also a large number of Indians and Chinamen leaving for Northern canneries. She made a special trip here to take on the Finnish party for Malcolm Island.

The corner stone of the new Anglican church at Ladysmith was laid this afternoon by Rev. C. E. Cooper, of this city. Premier Dunsmuir presented the site for the church.

Fred. McB. Young, M. W. G. M., of Grand Court of B. C. Masonic order, was before leaving for Grand Lodge at Victoria, presented with a very valuable jewel by local lodges in consideration of services rendered to Masonry by him.

COLORADO FIRE.

Two Missing and Many Injured in Creede.

Creede, Colo., June 18.—A serious fire occurred here today and fully $100,000 worth of property was burned. Two persons are missing and many persons were injured. The fire occurred in what is known as Upper Creede, and 60 families are homeless there.

CRUSHED IN MINE.

Greenwood, June 18.—B. H. Beach, a carpenter employed at the B. C. Copper company's Mother Lode mines here, was seriously, perhaps fatally, injured today. He had entered an ore chute to make some repairs, and was crushed by a carload of ore being dumped upon him from the tram above. It is said that Beach did not notify anyone of his intention of entering the chute.

HANGMAN ARRIVES.

Winnipeg, June 18.—(Special)—Radcliff, the official hangman, has arrived in Brandon to fulfil his mission on June 20. He is now engaged superintending the erection of the scaffold upon which Walter Gordon will pay the extreme penalty of the law. Gordon retains his characteristic calmness and self-control, and attended divine service held in the jail on Sunday, but did not take any active part.

KING EDWARD.

London, June 18.—It was officially announced today that in view of the strain of the approaching coronation, King Edward's physicians have recommended that His Majesty forego all public engagements for the next few days.

VANCOUVER CHOSEN.

Presbyterian General Assembly Meets There Next Year.

Toronto, June 18.—(Special)—At the morning session of the Presbyterian general assembly held today, it was decided to hold next year's meeting of the general asembly at Vancouver, B.C.

NEW SHERIFF.

James Duncan Appointed in West Assiniboia.

Winnipeg, June 18.—(Special)—James Duncan has been appointed sheriff for West Assiniboia in place of the late Sheriff Denson. The new sheriff is a native of Almonte, Ont., and a pioneer merchant of Regina.

GRANT TO KITCHENER.

Passes Imperial House of Commons After Irish Opposition.

London, June 18.—After considerable opposition from the Nationalist and Radical members of the House of Commons and the application of the closure, the grant of £50,000 to Lord Kitchener in consideration of his important service in South Africa was adopted in the House today by 227 votes to 48.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer explained that the cutting of the duty on maize involved a loss of £300,000 in revenue. The effect of the duty on Ireland, however, and other considerations justified the acceptance of the amendment moved from the Irish benches. The duty on maize is now 1½d. (3 cents) per hundredweight.

No Strike Of Fishermen

But Different Unions Will Be Guided By Temporary Arrangements.

Passion Play to Be Presented at North Vancouver by Indians.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, June 18.—The Fishermen's union have declined the sliding scale of prices offered for salmon by the Fraser River Canners' association for the coming season. The offer was from 10 to 20 cents each, according to the season pack. Thus if the pack exceeded half a million cases, 10 cents would be paid, and should it run short of 200,000, they would pay 20 cents.

The fishermen struck the average and decided that it was too small, and as the canners' offer is final the Grand lodge of the union, rather than waste any more time, informed the different unions to be guided by temporary arrangements and on their own judgment.

It is claimed by leading fishermen that there will be no strike, but that the majority of those engaged will not do any fishing at the price offered by the canners, but hang up their nets for the season.

Bishop Dontenwell, who superintended the Passion play by Indians at Penticton, at which there were 1,000 Indians present, is now on his way to Vancouver to make arrangements to present the Stations of the Cross at North Vancouver, where the Indians of the Coast will gather for the event.

AT ASCOT.

Sceptre Beaten in the Coronation Stakes.

London, June 18.—At Ascot today The Solicitor won the Royal Hunt cup (value 500 sovereigns with 1,500 sovereigns in specie added to a sweepstake of 20 sovereigns); distance, seven furlongs and 166 yards. Osardas was second. Twenty-three horses ran.

R. S. Sievers' famous bay filly Sceptre suffered an unexpected defeat in the Coronation stakes of 100 sovereigns each with 300 sovereigns added for 3-year-olds. The race resulted as follows: Sir E. Cassels' Decline, 1; Sir J. Blundell Maple's Simouy, 2; W. Raphael's Stuncomber, 3.

TO BLOW UP TRACK.

Dynamite Found on a Virginia Railroad by Trainman.

Roanoke, Va., June 18.—A Norfolk & Western trainman named Bowen reported today to the officials that he found six sticks of dynamite on the Norfolk & Western tracks near Graham, Va., this morning, and that while removing the explosives he was fired upon several times from ambush.

The large bands of marching miners reached Pocahontas last night, and were met there by the sheriff, who, with a force of deputies, compelled them to leave that part of the county. They went back to the West Virginia side. More coal was loaded yesterday than on any day since the strike began, and all the operators report gains in the number of returning miners.

OPENING MINES.

Work of Development on the Great Britain and the True Blue.

Kaslo, June 18.—(Special)—Mr. Greenough, of Montana, together with D. D. Birks and Robert Angus, of Spokane, have been in Kaslo on a business trip connected with the Great Britain mine, which Mr. Greenough lately purchased. It is understood that Mr. Greenough intends to put on a force of men under the management of Mr. Angus, and to thoroughly prove the capabilities of the Great Britain. He has some fair amount of practical experience in mining, and is part owner of the Morning, the biggest mine in the Coeur d'Alenes, which is turning out something like 700 tons of high-class ore daily, and netting its owners the handsome amount of about $60,000 each month.

J. C. Mitchell, grand organizer of the Order of Eagles, was in town last week, and has formed an aerie of the association.

Messrs. R. & R. Wilson, of the Edinburgh Evening News, who are touring the world, paid Kaslo a visit last week. They are relatives of Mrs. W. J. H. Holmes, of this city.

The management of the True Blue Mining company have decided to have the workings thoroughly examined by an expert in copper mining and to reopen the mine as soon as his report is received.

The opening of the Arrowhead & Kootenay railway has already proved of much commercial value to Kaslo, several cars of general merchandise having been sent up from this city, and orders are still coming in.

Murderer Reprieved

Indian Now Under Sentence at Regina Will Not Be Hung.

But Walter Gordon Will Suffer Death at Regina On Friday.

Sir Alfred Milner Asks Information About Canada's Experimental Farms.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, June 17.—Tom Lemac, the Indian now under sentence of death at Regina, has been granted a commutation to imprisonment for life. The murder, if such it could be called, took place eight years ago. The order rescinding the death sentence was passed today.

An order in council was passed today allowing the law to take its course in the case of Walter Gordon, who will be hanged for murder at Brandon on Friday next.

The Militia department has received from Col. Evans his diary up to May 15, which contains a statement made by Pte. Brace regarding deaths of Messrs. Day and Kinsley, and relates movements of the corps and work accomplished.

A cable from the Casualty Department announces the dangerous illness of Wm. Bell, Hamilton, of enteric fever; W. H. Hunter, Winnipeg, of gunshot wounds, and William Hales, Winnipeg, of enteric. All belong to the Second C. M. R.

Sir Alfred Milner has written asking for information regarding the experimental farm system of Canada.

An order-in-council was passed today appointing Sir William Hingston, Senator J. H. Casgrain, Montreal; Mr. Frost, ex-M. P., and Police Magistrate O'Keefe members of the Ottawa improvement commission under the act of the last session.

The marriage of Miss Ethel Davies, daughter of Sir Louis Davies, to J. D. Hyndman, of Portage La Prairie, took place today at Christ Church cathedral. There was a large attendance.

THE SELECTION OF OFFICIALS

General Assembly of Presbyterian Church Elects the Superintendents.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Toronto, Ont., June 17.—This was an important day in the General Assembly. Attention for a quarter of an hour was given to a report from committee on retiring allowances to professors. Following this the assembly dealt with the matter of the general secretary and missionary superintendency which the Presbyterian church considered necessary owing to the death of the late Dr. Robertson.

Dr. Gordon was convener of the assembly's special committee appointed last week to examine the situation and make nominations to the assembly. For general secretary the name proposed was Rev. E. D. McLaren, D. D., of Vancouver, at a salary of $2,400, with traveling expenses. For missionary superintendent to the district covered by the synod of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories the name proposed was Rev. J. A. Carmichael, of Regina, and for the district covered by the synod of British Columbia the name proposed by the committee was Rev. J. C. Herman, of Calgary. The salaries of superintendents were suggested at $2,000 a year with traveling expenses. These nominations were cordial and unanimously approved by the Assembly, and these three gentlemen were called to work then and there.

The newly appointed officials were called to the platform and addressed in congratulatory terms by the Moderator, and were asked to say a word on their new circumstances.

Dr. McLaren on accepting the position thanked the assembly for the honor conferred, and the confidence expressed, and remarked in closing that the most important influence for the past in his judgment in the Western part of the Dominion was the Presbyterian church and his aim and hope would be to make the church influentially important and formative in coming times. Dr. McLaren's headquarters will likely be in Toronto, Mr. Carmichae.'s in Winnipeg, and Mr. Herman's in Calgary.

In assembly this afternoon the question of a place of meeting next year came up. Dr. Warden gave the result of the negotiations with the C. P. R. From Toronto, Hamilton and all points in Western Ontario, as far as Detroit river, for instance, the rate offered was $67.75. Rev. Dr. Caven took the ground that these rates were prohibitive and they would not be justified in accepting the invitation to Vancouver. No other invitation was before the assembly, which thus found itself in a rather peculiar position. Dr. Caven suggested leaving the matter in the hands of a small committee. Further discussion followed. John Charlton, M. P., suggested dealing with, for instance, the Great Northern railway. Finally Dr. Warden's motion of a committee to consider the matter further, to report Wednesday, was carried.

PLUMBERS STRIKE.

Practically All Shops of the Trade in Toronto Closed.

Toronto, June 17.—(Special)—About 250 plumbers, gas and steam fitters, employed by city firms, went out on strike this morning, and practically all the shops in Toronto are tied up. The men are asking higher wages, but the employers claim the men are bound by a three-year agreement which went into force in January, 1901. About three months ago the Plumbers' union sent word to the master plumbers, demanding that a new wage scale be arranged, with a flat rate of 37½ cents per hour, an advance of 5 to 10 cents. The employers were prepared to stand by the agreement, and they took no action. Three months' notice was given by the men, and the union last night unanimously resolved to strike.

DOYEN OF PEKIN.

Pekin, June 17.—As a result of the departure from Pekin of the Austrian minister to China, Baron Czikann von Wahlborn, Edwin H. Conger, the United States minister today became doyen of the diplomatic corps here. Mr. Conger's popularity with his fellows makes his succession to the post generally acceptable.

THEIR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

King and Queen of Saxony Have Been Married a Long Time.

Berlin, June 17.—King Albert of Saxony, who has been critically ill for some time past, and Queen Karola, will observe the 49th anniversary of their wedding tomorrow, June 18, under the certainty that the end of the King is near at hand. The married life of King Albert and Queen Karola has been noted for the especial devotion of the royal pair.

WANT SUIT DISMISSED.

St. Paul, June 17.—Attorneys for the Northern Securities company and for J. J. Hill, president of that corporation, served notice on the Attorney-General today that on June 24 they would move to vacate service in the suit brought by the State of Minnesota against the Northern Securities company, and President Hill. It is claimed that the Northern Securities company is not a resident of Minnesota, and that it has no business in this state, and that it owns no property in this state, and for J. J. Hill it is claimed that as president of the Northern Securities company he is not a resident of Minnesota.

Despatches of Lord Roberts

Official Publication Mentions With Approval Bravery of Canadians

Kitchener Sends a Friendly Telegram to Botha, Delarey and Dewet.

London, June 17.—The Official Gazette tonight publishes a long despatch from Lord Roberts, being a continuation of the field despatches written when he was in command in South Africa. The communication throws no new light on the operations in the field.

Appended thereto is a long list of those signalled for distinguished mention. Lord Roberts speaks highly of the Canadian mounted rifles, especially in connection with the unsuccessful attack on Cookson's camp, March 31, in which he says the Canadian Mounted Rifles sustained the heaviest loss of the day. He particularly comments on the gallantry of Lieut. Bruce Carruthers.

In conclusion Lord Roberts says he wishes to record the fact that in April, 1900, Queen Victoria entrusted him with four wool scarfs, worked by herself, which she desired to be distributed to four distinguished private soldiers of the Colonial contingents of Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. The selection of the recipients in each case was left to the colonial officer commanding the contingent. The Canadian scarf goes to private, now Lieut. Richard Rowland Thompson, of the Royal Canadian Regiment for personal gallantry in the field.

The Gazette has published despatches received from Lord Kitchener dated April, 1902, which refer to the defeat and capture of General Methuen.

In these messages Lord Kitchener expresses the opinion that General Methuen's reverse was due to the behaviour of the bulk of the mounted troops of his command, who offered a feeble and inefficient resistance, and then left the infantry and the guns to struggle against superior numbers.

In another despatch dated March 31, he refers to the action at Braksprui. Lord Kitchener praises highly the gallant stand made in this engagement by a handful of Canadians in an isolated position. In referring to this matter, Lord Kitchener remarks:

"There have been few finer instances of heroism in the whole course of the campaign."

Pretoria, June 17.—Lord Kitchener has sent the following identical telegram to Generals Botha, Delarey and Dewet:

"Now that the surrender of the burghers is completed, I desire to place on record my high appreciation of the unflagging energy and unfailing tact with which you have facilitated the work of my commissioners. I recognize how much is due to your exertions that the burghers have everywhere displayed such a loyal spirit in accepting the change of government, and I can inform you that the manner in which the Burghers surrendered has greatly pleased His Majesty, the King, and deeply impressed the British people, who are heartily anxious to welcome them as fellow citizens. I feel confident that a new era of complete reconciliation between all races has now dawned in South Africa."

C. P. R. TRAFFIC.

For the Week an Increase Shown Over Last Year.

Montreal, June 17.—(Special)—C.P.R. traffic for the week ending June 14 was $699,000, and for the same week last year, $597,000.

WILL NOT TALK.

President of Toronto Street Railway in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, June 17.—(Special)—Wm. Mackenzie, president of the Toronto Street Railway company, is here, but declines to be interviewed on the street railway troubles.

SAILS FOR EUROPE.

Teutonic Starts Day Ahead on Account of Coronation.

New York, June 17.—The steamer Teutonic, of the White Star line sailed today for Liverpool a day earlier than usual in order to make sure of landing her passengers in London in ample time for the coronation ceremonies of June 26.

MEXICAN EARTHQUAKE.

Earth Shook and Frightened People, But No Damage Done.

Mexico City, June 17.—An earthquake shock was felt yesterday at Chilpancingo at three minutes past 12 noon. The shock lasted 20 seconds. No damage was done, but great terror prevailed.

Never is time more precious than when some member of the family is attacked by cholic, dysentery or any bowel trouble. The doctor is distant but if Perry Davis' Painkiller is near all danger is soon ended.

To Murder The King

Extraordinary Story in London of Plot Against His Majesty's Life.

But It Lacks Official Confirmation and Apparently Is a Canard.

Scotland Yard Officials Said to Be Reticent Regarding the Rumor.

London, June 17.—A sensational story is current in London tonight of the discovery of a plot to assassinate King Edward. It has created considerable discussion in newspapers, and other circles, but is lacking in anything like official confirmation.

According to the current report, King Edward's sudden illness at Aldershot was not due to a cold, but was merely an excuse for withdrawing His Majesty from public functions owing to the discovery by Scotland Yard of a plot against his life. The principals in this plot have not yet been arrested. It is cited in confirmation of this story that King Edward's recovery, when he was ensconced at Windsor Castle, was as complete and speedy as his attacks had been sudden.

On the other hand it must be pointed out that if His Majesty's illness was merely diplomatic, the officials certainly took a great deal of trouble in keeping up the fiction. Sir Francis Laking, physician in ordinary to the King, was summoned by telegram to Aldershot. His prescriptions were hurriedly filled, and everything about the King's apartments indicated the genuine nature of his illness. Furthermore, King Edward's journey from Aldershot to Windsor in his motor car and his subsequent drive today in Windsor Park do not seem to indicate any fear of a violent attack upon his person.

At Scotland Yard tonight the utmost reticence was maintained concerning these rumors. It was noticeable, however, that the chief inspectors who usually return home at night were all on duty there, and while they refused to see newspaper reporters until tomorrow morning, they declined either to deny or confirm the rumor.

CONTINGENT IN ENGLAND

Canadians Welcomed at Liverpool and Admired By People of London.

Toronto, June 17.—The Evening Telegram's London cable says: It was intended that immediately upon their arrival the Canadian coronation contingent should proceed at once by special train to London. Rain fell heavily and the contingent remained in the steamer Parisian over night. The Lord Mayor of Liverpool boarded the steamer and cordially welcomed the Earl of Minto. He then addressed the Canadian troops from the bridge. Regret was expressed that the original programme for the reception of the Canadians had to be abandoned on account of rain. The Lord Mayor said he was gratified to have the contingent in Liverpool. Britain was deeply grateful to the Dominion of Canada for services rendered in South Africa. The colonies, he declared, had stood by the Mother Country and every one rejoiced at the return of peace. The war had cemented the colonies to Britain more closely than before.

Lt.-Col. Pelatt returned thanks and the troops cheered lustily.

The contingent arrived at Alexandra Palace this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The men are quartered in nine large marquees, with board floorings, six men in each. The incessant rain of the past few weeks has made the ground soggy and unpleasant. The men are in splendid health and presented a soldierly appearance. They were greatly admired by the throng of people awaiting their arrival at the palace.

The suggestion is made that every town in Canada plant an oak tree on the day of the coronation, to be called King Edward's Oak.

COAL STRIKE.

General Situation in Pennsylvania Unchanged.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 17.—Because the general manager would not discharge five girls whose relatives are still at work in the mines, the Wilkesbarre Lace Manufacturing company, the largest in the United States, was compelled to shut down today. Between 800 and 1,000 persons are affected.

The general strike situation remains unchanged. The miners report that more men came out today, and the coal companies officials on the contrary claimed they are increasing their forces around the collieries. Some of these men are used in the fire rooms, and at the pumps, and others were engaged to guard duty. There is a persistent rumor that nonunion men will be brought into the coal fields to mine coal. This cannot be done, because practically all the anthracite miners in the country are located in this region, and all are on strike. New men cannot take their places, because under the laws of Pennsylvania no man can be employed as a miner without first having obtained a certificate showing that he had two years experience at anthracite mining. The only way the companies can start their collieries is by a break in the ranks of the strikers. At present there is no indication of a break. There was a mysterious air about strike headquarters all day. President Mitchell was unusually reticent, he having not a word to say regarding either the anthracite or the West Virginia strike.

ELECTION DIFFICULTY.

Toronto, June 17.—It is reported that the election of W. R. Smyth for Algoma to the Ontario legislature is voided by the fact that at the time of the election he was postmaster of Rydal Bank, in Algoma, which office he had not resigned.

The Conservatives point out, however, that the disqualifying clause in the Election Act only includes postmasters of cities, towns and incorporated villages. Smyth's office is situated in an unincorporated village.

LICENSE BILL DEBATE.

Government Narrowly Escape Defeat in the House.

London, June 17.—In the House of Commons today the government narrowly escaped defeat in the course of the discussion of the license bill. Henry Broadhurst (Advanced Liberal) proposed a new clause to the bill, which was drafted with the view of compelling publicans to supply the reasonable demands of travelers for refreshments, other than intoxicating liquors. The government opposed the clause, but several members supported it, with the result that it was reported down by a vote of 174 to 154.

DISORDERLY DEPUTIES.

French Members Call Each Other Hard Names.

Paris, June 17.—Disorderly scenes occurred in the Chamber of Deputies today during the discussion of the verification of the election of M. Syventon, Nationalist, who defeated M. Meseureur, Radical Socialist. M. Bertueux (Radical Socialist), opposed the validation, accusing the Nationalists of engaging in a violent campaign of insult and calumny against the Republicans. The speech led to interruptions, followed by uproarious altercations between the Nationalist and Radical Socialists. Count De Dion threatened M. Berteaux with his fist, and M. Coutant (Revolutionary Socialist) insulted Count De Dion, calling him an imbecile, and when M. Syventon rose to reply his voice was drowned by the noises caused by the banging of desk lids.

M. Syventon replied, amid frequent interruptions from M. Raymond Leygue (Radical Socialist), who at one point called him a liar.

Champions Off For Montreal

Westminster Lacrosse Team Start on Their Hunt For the Minto Cup.

Fishermen Decline Canners Offer of a Sliding Scale For Salmon.

New Westminster, June 17.—The Westminster lacrosse team left for Montreal today to play the Shamrocks for the Minto cup. Hundreds of citizens were at the depot and gave the champions a royal send-off. The party, which includes the twelve, two spare men, the manager, Miss Peele and Mesdames Cheyne and Gray, have one of the finest Pullmans on the C. P. R. They will reach Montreal on Sunday night, giving five clear days before the first brush for the cup. Toronto will be visited and possibly an exhibition match played with the Tecumsehs. Certainly one will be played at Winnipeg. Mayor Keary, who goes as manager, will, while in Montreal, arrange for the consolidation of the city's debenture debt, and calculates to make a saving of over half a million dollars. Ald. Shiles has been chosen as acting mayor.

Local delegates from the Fishermen's union report having declined the canners' offer of a sliding scale price for sockeye salmon. Only 10 cents per fish was offered for the pack exceeding 600,000 cases. The fishermen are sure they can do better without an agreement, and by declining the offer and not making any counter proposal, they hope to avoid a strike. They anticipate a poor season and prefer having individually a free hand.

Later particulars show the Langley shooting case may prove serious. An old bachelor named Martin Monahan, discharged the contents of a shotgun at Arthur Goldsmith as the latter was driving past his farm. Goldsmith, aged 20, active and gritty, sprang on his assailant and, despite his wounds, held him till help arrived. Monahan was arrested and remanded eight days. He was up last year for threatening a school mistress. Goldsmith is in the hospital, his hand and head peppered with buckshot, one pellet having perforated his tongue.

RUSH FOR LANDS.

Excitement Over Reserve Opened in Idaho.

Pocatello, Idaho, June 17.—Exactly at 12 o'clock today, 1,300 men and boys rushed across the line of the ceded Fort Hall reservation in a mad rush for homestead and mineral lands. Most of them were mounted, and the majority heavily armed. Probably a thousand persons departed later with pack animals. Before 2 o'clock Pocatello was practically deserted. Many signs of trouble over claims were apparent before the starting signal was given.

TRYING TO SETTLE.

Street Car Strike Averted Temporarily at Least.

Toronto, June 17.—(Special)—The street cars were running today as usual. The meeting of street car men did not close until 4 o'clock. President Ames, of the Board of Trade, stayed until the last and used his utmost influence to avert a strike. This was finally done for 24 hours at least. In the meantime the company has agreed to take off, during negotiations, all spare men they have put on the cars during the last week.

ICE HOUSE FIRE.

Cool Drinks Are Melted in a Montreal Blaze.

Montreal, Que., June 17.—Fire, which started at 3:45 o'clock this afternoon in an ice house of the City Ice company, on the canal bank, wrecked the house, burned nearly a million feet of lumber belonging to G. A. Grier, and badly damaged the pattern and storage warehouse of the Singer Sewing Machine Manufacturing company. The losses are: City Ice Co., $20,000, insurance $2,500; Singer Co., $25,000, fully insured; Grier, $15,000, fully insured.

A despatch from Toronto says Rev. Dr. Barclay, pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian church of this city, is the possible successor to the late Dr. Grant as principal of Queen's University, Kingston. Dr. Barclay is one of the best known divines in Canada, and the church is the wealthiest in Montreal.

The American Medico-Psychological association opened its annual convention in this city this morning. Lieutenant-Governor Jette welcomed the visitors in a graceful speech, which was acknowledged by Dr. R. J. Preston, president. The delegates were entertained at noon to lunch by the City on the Mountain, and went sight-seeing this afternoon.

Trade In Australia

Mr. Larke Reports Canadian Goods Have Given Satisfaction In Antipodes.

And There Are Excellent Openings There For Products of Dominion.

Report Revived That Sir Wilfrid Will Be Raised to Peerage.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Ont., June 18.—Mr. J. S. Larke, Canadian trade commisioner in Australia, reports to the Department of Trade and Commerce that the prices for wool and produce are good in Australia, the output of gold is increasing, and the coal trade of New South Wales is brisk owing to cheap freight rates. There has been no over production and a prosperous year is expected. The effect of the present lack of grain will not be felt for some time, but foreign orders for wool goods will be somewhat lessened. There is an immediate opening for Canadian trade. He regards as specially favorable the general satisfaction expressed with products already sent.

At the annual convocation of Ottawa university today, the honorary degree of doctor of laws was conferred upon Hon. E. T. Morris, of St. Johns, Nfld.

Now that coronation day is near, all sorts of reports are current regarding the honors that will likely fall to Canadians. The story is again revived that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will be raised to the peerage and that Dr. Borden will receive a K. C. M. G. for his services in connection with the raising of the various Canadian contingents for South Africa.

Some of the employees of the electric railway, state that they were approached today by agents of the Toronto company to accept employment there in anticipation of a strike amongst Toronto employees. None will go.

PROPOSED STRIKE.

All Coal Miners in United States May Be Involved.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 18.—The long-expected call for a special national convention of United Mine Workers of America was issued today by National President Mitchell, to be held at Indianapolis at the earliest possible date. The day will be fixed by W. B. Wilson, national secretary at Indianapolis. The convention will be held to discuss the advisability of involving all the soft coal miners in the United States in the present Anthracite coal strike.

President Mitchell was extremely uncommunicative as to what the probable action of the convention might be.

There are approximately about 450,000 coal miners in the United States. Of these about 350,000, Mr. Mitchell says, are affiliated with the union, and an additional 50,000 comply with the rules of the miners' organization.

INSULTS THE MAGISTRATES

Mr. McHugh, M. P., Gets Three Months For Contempt of Court.

Sligo, Ireland, June 18.—Patrick A. McHugh, Nationalist member of parliament for the North division of Leitrim, and proprietor of the Sligo Champion, who owing to failure to appear in answer to a summons was arrested June 15 on a bench warrant issued by the special court, which assembled here June 16 under the Crimes Act, was committed to jail for three months today for contempt of court.

Mr. McHugh, among a number of members of the United Irish League, is charged with conspiracy and intimidation in connection with the complaint of a tenant of a farm from which a member of the league had been evicted. During the course of the trial of Mr. McHugh for alleged conspiracy, the defendant asked the magistrates for their names, and the chairman remarked that Mr. McHugh was only asking the question in order to cause obstruction. Thereupon Mr. McHugh called the chairman a "D—d liar," and refused to apologize, telling the magistrates that he never "expressed regrets to sweeps of their kind."

THE AGE OF BRAIN WORK.

"In these days, half our disease come from the neglect of the body in the overwork of the brain. In this railway age the wear and tear of labor and intellect go on without pause or self-pity. We live longer than our forefathers, but we suffer more. They fatigued only the muscles, we exhaust the finer strength of the nerves." Dr. Chase's Nerve Food is the greatest medicine of this age because it is best suited to the needs of the present day. It restores and revitalizes waste nerve cells and makes the pale, weak and exhausted strong and healthy and vigorous.

CORONATION REVIEW.

Seven Thousand Troops Will Parade in Montreal.

Montreal, June 17.—(Special.)—The coronation day review will be the largest held in Montreal since the days of the Imperial troops. Outside regiments numbering 3,446 officers and men have accepted the invitation of local regiments numbering 2,949 officers and men. The Quebec and Belleville regiments will bring the total up to about 7,000.

Don't think that eruption of yours can't be cured. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla—its virtue is its power to cure.

A QUEBEC LANDSLIDE.

A River Buried, Two People Killed and Property Destroyed.

Montreal, June 17.—(Special.)—A serious landslide occurred in the parish of St. Valier, Bellechasse county today. It was near the railway station on the second range and close to the River Blanche. The flour mill, Raymond Bilodeaux's residence, the bridge, a part of highway, half a farm and the bed of the river were all buried. Mr. Bilodeaux and a five-year-old girl are dead. The cause was the high spring tide. No sign is left of the river.