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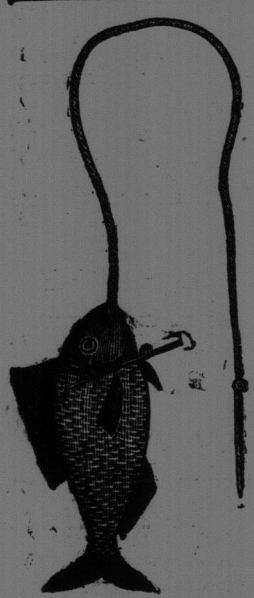
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MONTEAL EXPRESS DITCHED TWICE ON THE ONE TRIP

Serious Accident Near Millstream This Morning—
Whole Train Derailed—
Golden Wedding at Moncton

MONCTON, N. B., May 14.—For the second time since leaving Montreal yesterday, the Maritime Express was derailed this morning, the second accident which has occurred to the express taking place near Millstream, when the whole train was derailed, three cars and the locomotive being laid on their side in the ditch and the fireman being badly hurt. The first accident took place at Bagot, when at a switch the locomotive of the train was derailed and several hours' delay occasioned. Five miles west of Millstream, shortly after eight o'clock this morning, as the train was running along at about thirty miles an hour, the locomotive left the rails and was followed by the entire train. Pullman cars, Belknap and Gloucester, dining car, Yarmouth and the locomotive careened over into the ditch and lay on their side, and the other cars left the rails but remained standing. Despite the fact that there were a number of passengers in the derailed cars none were hurt, the only one to be injured being Fireman Coulombe, Camure was the conductor. The passengers and the mails are being transferred.

Mrs. John Pollock, of St. John, has telegraphed the Moncton police asking them to locate her husband who, she claims, is working on the Intercolonial double tracking near the city. She says her husband left her on May second, and she is now in destitute circumstances.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Harvey Sears, of this city, last night celebrated their golden wedding anniversary marking the completion of fifty years of wedded life. The doted couple are active and enjoying excellent health and participated with twelve sons and daughters as a number of grand children in the festivities marking the occasion. They were presented by the children with a purse of gold and an address. Mr. and Mrs. Sears were married in Sackville in 1858 and of their thirteen children, twelve are living. The son who was drowned in the Chatham disaster. All the living children gathered at the family home on distant points to be present at the happy anniversary.

MONCTON DISCOVERS THAT SMALLPOX IS EXPENSIVE

Recent Epidemic Cost Nearly Twelve Thousand Dollars—Tobacco For the Patients

MONCTON, May 14.—Smallpox has been under discussion at the meeting of the finance committee of the city council last night and some of the articles supplied to patients came in for considerable discussion. The committee raised the strongest objection to the city paying for the cost of the tobacco for the patients. After a heated discussion the board decided to take a breathing spell and call another meeting at a later date.

A number of things of interest to taxpayers were made clear, not the least of which was the fact that the total amount expended by the board of health during the recent smallpox epidemic was \$12,000. So called luxuries as tobacco, etc., supplied patients were mere bagatelle, amounting to only a few dollars, but the board created considerable criticism of expenditures by the mayor and aldermen the cost of public vaccination just concluded was \$239.46. Seventy patients were treated in the isolation hospital from which the last case was discharged yesterday. The largest bill from a single individual was from Dr. Botsford, who received ten dollars per day for 139 days, which with additional charges made a total of \$140.

WIFE OF CAPITALIST CHEATED BY BOOK AGENT

She Signed Notes for \$30,000 Thinking They Were Orders for Books

CHICAGO, May 14.—The Tribune today says residents of Evanston were startled today when it became known that Mrs. James A. Patten, wife of the grain magnate and herself a leader in club and society life, in the suburb, had been swindled out of \$30,000 by a book canvasser who is alleged to have been presented for payment. Some of the notes, it is said, were taken up by Mrs. Patten before her husband started an investigation, which revealed that she had been swindled. Yesterday a warrant was sworn out for the arrest of the man whose name Major Paden, of Evanston and the others interested refused to disclose.

LONDON, May 14.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged today at three per cent.

TAXES WILL BE GREATLY INCREASED BY DEMANDS OF THE NEW HIGHWAY ACT

HIGH COURT I. O. F. OPENED ITS ANNUAL SESSION TODAY

High Chief Ranger and Other Officers Report a Prosperous Year—The Question of Higher Assessment

The High Court of Independent Order of Foresters opened its annual session this afternoon at three o'clock and was very largely attended. The delegates, numbering about 300, met at two o'clock for registration. The meeting is being held in the Keith Assembly Rooms. Supreme Chief Ranger Elliott G. Stevenson, of Toronto, will address the meeting this evening and will explain fully the causes which, in his opinion, render it necessary to equalize the rates of those who joined the order before 1889, with the rates paid by those who joined since. He will fully explain the proposed plans, especially plan B which provides that members shall pay a certain fixed amount in future, but shall not be called upon to have their policy reduced or to pay up any back deficiencies. It is understood that this plan is the most advantageous for the great majority of the members in this province. Circulars explaining the plan by High Secretary Emmerson will be distributed at the door of the church.

The High Court will decide what stand it will take in the matter of increase in the rates and instruct their delegates to the Supreme Court accordingly. About 4,000 in New Brunswick will be affected by the proposed new rates.

The Supreme Court meets on June

15. Five delegates will be sent from New Brunswick. They will be chosen today. Owing to the fact that the High Court meets earlier this year than usual, no social programme has been prepared. Immediately after the opening of the session the following committees were appointed: Credentials—Judge F. W. Emmerson, A. P. Sherwood, W. A. Erb, Charles E. McCann, C. B. Keith. Distribution—J. S. Flagg, W. F. Pepper, George F. Banks, W. A. Machum, Companion Fryers. Finance—R. B. Hanson, E. H. Hoyt, Wm. McKay, MacMillan, J. P. Stevens, Colonel M. Campbell. Constitutions and Laws—A. A. Wilson, K. C. Geo. A. Hutchinson, J. W. Deah, G. R. Murray, E. McMinnam. Appeals and Petitions—E. A. McKay, R. A. Irvine, W. B. Jones, James Good, Henry Milage and per diem—W. F. Sears, E. Todd, A. W. Jackson. Reception—Dr. C. T. Purdy, John White, M. E. Gras, Companion Sears, Sadie Dakin, Myrtle Richardson, Helen J. Goggin, D. T. Starkey.

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DOHERTY HAD PREVIOUSLY THREATENED TO SHOOT

Further Particulars of the Murder of Joseph McMillan
The Girl Was Afraid That She Might Also Be Killed

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., May 14.—The murder at Misquiche is still the talk of the province, especially in Prince County, and interest in the case will receive a stimulus by the preliminary examination of the prisoner at Summerside today before Stipendiary Magistrate Doherty. Although Doherty declares that he can give no reason for his deed, the general opinion is that jealousy was at the bottom of it. Whilst Stella MacDonald and McMillan were walking along the track on Sunday night on their way toward them, his head bent down. "Look there is Alonso," said Stella. "Do you think the girl will shoot?" he replied. His conversation was so full of threats that Doherty had previously threatened McMillan. Boys of the village would tease the latter about the girl and he would be jealous of anyone paying attention to her. Stella, since the shooting, has been in a half hysterical condition, and is constantly weeping, maintaining she was not to blame. "What could I do, alone with him there after he had shot Joe. I was afraid he would shoot me if I started to run away."

When Doherty returned to Stella's

house, after the tragedy, he threatened to kill him. The girl coaxed the revolver from him. It was she and her aunt who induced him to go to the priest's house before daybreak and tell him the story.

The purity and decency of the girl are beyond question, precluding as far as is known at present the theory of provocation on Doherty's part arising from any action of McMillan. Part of all the parties concerned are highly respectable. Neither victim nor slayer were quarrelsome nor addicted to drink. What the line of defence will be is uncertain. The prisoner does not desire a lawyer, claiming he cannot afford one. McMillan's funeral took place today, an immense throng of people being present.

The Anglo-American cable is still out of business. The company is negotiating for a steamer to repair it, as the Minia is now out at sea. There are wireless stations at Cape Bear and Picout, but for the Dominion Government marine business only.

S. P. Tardus, of Charlottetown, was assaulted and robbed of an \$80 watch and chain near Murray Harbour last night. When driving he overtook two men who got in his wagon. They dragged him out, went through his pockets and rolled him in the mud.

MEETING OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS' COMMITTEE

FREDERICTON, N. B., May 14.—The public accounts committee meeting this morning was of a quiet and uninteresting nature. Education and executive government expenses were passed upon, and as the payments in most instances are those prescribed, there was little or no criticism.

CAPE BRETON WANTS BETTER RAILROAD FACILITIES

SYDNEY, N. S., May 14.—The towns of Cape Breton, including the City of Sydney, Glace Bay, North Sydney and Louisburg have appointed delegations to go to Ottawa to impress the government with the necessity of better railway facilities in the county. The scheme proposed is for an extension of the I. C. R. to Louisburg or the completion of the St. Peters, Louisburg Sydney route. The delegates expect to leave for Ottawa on Monday morning next. Dr. A. S. Kendall, M. P. of this city, will accompany the delegates.

Government Members Admit That Good Roads Were Impossible Last Year---Mr. Robinson Not to Retire from Opposition Leadership

---Dissensions in Government Ranks

FREDERICTON, N. B., May 13.—An absurd statement appears in the Fredericton Gleaner and also in the St. John Times and Globe that Mr. Robinson is to resign the leadership of the opposition in favor of Mr. McKeown. This, it is alleged by the correspondent, was discussed at the opposition caucus held Tuesday evening. Nothing of the kind occurred. Mr. Robinson has no intention of resigning the leadership of his party, which is quite satisfactory to the party and to himself. The report is the production of the government news bureau which exists here and which finds that it is extremely troublesome to deal with facts alone.

The debate on the Highway Act, which took place yesterday afternoon and evening was the liveliest of the session. Every member of the opposition who was in the house and two of the independent members spoke on the question, which also called out speeches from all the members of the government excepting Mr. Maxwell. Three votes were taken. The first on the clause constituting the highway boards found twenty-eight supporters on the government side. When the divisions on the two sections referring to the taxation clause were called the government could only drum up twenty-three votes while the opposition had twelve votes on each occasion.

The principal theme of the opposition speeches was the complete change of front of the government on the highway question. Mr. Lowell produced the platform announced by Mr. Hazen during the campaign containing the plank placing the entire management of the highways and the appointment of all officials thereunder in the municipal councils. Mr. Hazen and Mr. Fleming tried several times to make it appear that the municipal councils did control the expenditures because two councillors were on each highway board. In answer to this it was shown that the councillors were not required to make any report whatever of the transaction of the highway boards to the council as a body. Mr. Robinson, speaking of the working of the old Highway Act, pointed out that while the act was defective in many ways, the real reason which made it so unpopular last year was the wet season. Good roads could not have been made nor maintained under any act in such a season as last year. Later when the taxation clauses of the act were under consideration Mr. Fleming admitted that good roads could not be expected without a largely increased expenditure. This was said in justification of the increase in the poll tax from one to two dollars and of the property rate from 12 to 20 cents on the \$100.

The debate which lasted five hours, brought out two very interesting facts, first that the management of the roads instead of being under the complete control of the municipal councils will be largely under the control of the government. And that the cost of administering the highway boards will be a considerable percentage of the government grant. It was further made clear that the act will double the taxes at present paid by the people for the

maintenance of the roads. The debate on the government side was largely carried on by members of the government, few private members having anything to say in its defence. There has been an opinion quite freely expressed that the government supporters are divided on several sections of the bill and the fact that five members shirked the two votes on the taxation clause would indicate that there is ground for the rumors that have been circulating through the lobbies of the house during the present week.

Although not connected with the coming of the debate that the government had ignored another of its election pledges which formed part of the platform which Mr. Hazen announced at his Union Club banquet—that with reference to the letting of all public works by tender, Mr. Lowell called attention to the re-planning of the suspension bridge at St. John, which is now being done without tender. Mr. Morley tried to make it appear that the work was urgent but Mr. Lowell who uses the bridge daily, while at home, convinced everybody in the House that the planning on the bridge was good for another season, and that certainly no such urgency existed. Neither Mr. Hazen or Mr. Morley were happy under the criticism of their pledges. They apparently thought that the opposition were going to give them full swing in carrying out their measures and were unprepared for the vigorous opposition the highway act met with.

They are also agitated over the Workmen's Compensation Act. This is one of Mr. Hatheway's acts which has been adopted by the government and is not at all pleasing to employers of labor. It was hurried through the committee stage last week and is now introduced for reconsideration. What will happen at the act when it comes before the House again cannot be foretold, but that it will be strenuously opposed by the employing interests of the Province is without question. Another question which will give the government some trouble is woman's suffrage. Mr. Hatheway is again at the root of this trouble and while the marks of Mr. Hazen show that the government has had quite enough of Mr. Hatheway's advanced legislation and have declined to adopt any more of his fads, it is not unlikely that Mr. Hatheway will take the bull by the horns and bring in a bill on his own account.

The budget speech will be delivered today—that is Mr. Fleming will start his speech but as the governor has invited a large number of the members to an official dinner for the evening there will be no evening session of the House and Mr. Fleming will adjourn the debate and conclude on the following day.

Governor and Mrs. Tweedie gave a reception yesterday afternoon. About 275 ladies and gentlemen attended. It was the first event of the kind since the opening of the House.

THE LOVE STORY OF GAMBETTA

Romance of French Soldier Revived by Question of Honoring Memory

PARIS, May 13.—The question of removing the body of Gambetta to the Pantheon is again being agitated. The memory of the man who was the soul of the French defense in the war with Germany is very dear to the French people and annual pilgrimages are made to the little house in Ville d'Avray where he died.

Renewed interest in Gambetta has recently been revived by the publication of the story of his mysterious affairs with Leonie Leon. Throughout his life the strange figure of this woman was always in the background, but her identity was first revealed by this volume written by Gambetta's confidential secretary. It is a remarkable story of the pure attachment, outside the bonds of wedlock, of a great man for a noble woman. The letters to her which are published show that she was his greatest inspiration and that to her act and intuitive judgment he gave much of the credit for his political success.

She first attracted his attention in the gallery of the chamber of deputies, where for months she was never absent when Gambetta spoke. But his first effort to form her acquaintance was vain. At his first approach she fled and he did not see her again for four years. At last they met and fell in love with each other. He proposed marriage but she refused, telling him that there was a stain upon her name and under the circumstances she felt that an alliance might interfere with his career. She, however, consented to become his mistress and although Gambetta always regarded her as his wife they were never legally married. But a marriage was about to occur which he sustained the fatal accident.

SEVEN WERE KILLED IN TORNADO LAST NIGHT

Southern Towns Swept—Only Two Houses Left Standing in One Place

SHREVEPORT, LA., May 13.—Seven people are known to be dead and many others are injured as the result of a tornado which swept across northwest Louisiana late last night. The little town of Gilliam, 15 miles north of Shreveport was destroyed and the town of Bolin on the east side of the river in Bossier Parish was badly wrecked. Communication with the greater portion of the storm swept area is interrupted and it is believed that later reports will increase the number of dead and injured.

It is said that the work of destruction at Gilliam was complete, only two houses remaining intact. The town had a population of about 200. The dead at Gilliam are said to be Mrs. J. T. Gardner and three negroes. Arthur Vaughn is said to be badly injured. At Bolin the dead are Mrs. Mitchell Davis and two negroes. Mrs. Davis' mother is reported to be dying from injuries received. Charles Leon and family of six are reported among the injured. It was reported that Old City, in this parish, was wiped out by the tornado, but this rumor is probably untrue although great damage is thought to have occurred in view of the wrecking of a great many oil well derricks.

"I will back your will."
"Maybe, but I would like to see you break my word."

LATEST WEATHER REPORT

FINE