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FRENCH SHORE FISHERMEN RAID SHIPS OF COLONIALS

Armed With Knives They Board Vessels of Newfoundlanders and Carry Off Bait.

BRITISH WARSHIPS LIKELY TO PUNISH OFFENDERS

St. Johns, Nfld., Sept. 13. — The difficulties between French and colonial fishermen on the French shore are daily growing more acute. On Saturday a British warship, on the demand of the French commodore, stopped a party of colonial lobster catchers there. On Friday, on the fishing banks, fourteen men armed with knives from a French fishing vessel which had previously disguised her name with a piece of sailcloth boarded a colonial vessel and carried off her whole stock of bait. A few days previous another French crew did the same thing the French captain being armed with a revolver. In another section a French vessel deliberately ran down and nearly sank a colonial fishing smack.

Grave apprehension is felt respecting these outrages. British warships will be asked to punish the offenders.

NEW COMPLICATION IN FAR EAST

Russia Worried Over Gathering of Chinese Troops

ALL REPORTED QUIET AT FRONT

Dispatch Telling of Disaster to Zassalitch's Division Proves To Be False.

London, Sept. 13. — The sensational report circulated by the London Morning Post to the effect that Gen. Zassalitch's corps had been captured and Zassalitch wounded proves to be false. Authoritative denial is given that report, as well as various others originating in the British and European press, particularly the London Daily Mail's statement that Gen. Linevitch had marched into Eastern Korea and cut Kuroki's communications with Feng Wang Cheng, and the Paris report that Rear-Admiral Prince Ouktomsky had been tried by court martial, sentenced to death and shot for disobedience of orders in returning to Port Arthur after the sortie.

Kuroki Not Menaced.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 13. — The general staff denies that Gen. Linevitch has marched into Northeastern Korea from Vladivostock, and cut Gen. Kuroki's communications with Feng Wang Cheng, as reported in a dispatch from Tien Tsin to the London Daily Mail.

No Change.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 13. — 1:15 p.m. —No chaneg is reported in the situation at the front and no confirmation is obtainable here of the reports that Gen. Kuroki is moving northeast of Mukden, but the authorities are noticeably more reticent than usual.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 13. — The Emperor has received a dispatch from Gen. Kuropatkin, announcing that a considerable force of Japanese has been seen about 25 miles southwest of Mukden. No further engagements are reported.

A New Complication.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 13. — 1:10 p.m. —The reports that Chinese troops are concentrating in the valley of the Liao River are causing considerable concern here. The Bourse Gazette thinks it is probable that the Chinese Government will propose to guard and administer the territory actually occupied by the Japanese, adding: "To this Japan doubtless will readily acquiesce, as it will relieve Japan of guarding her lines of communication. In other words regular Chinese troops will become auxiliaries of the Japanese, and the Japanese army, thus relieved of the necessity of protecting its lines, stores and land transport, will set free all the strength of the Japanese forces to operate against Russia."

China would thus become actually the ally of Japan. If the reports are confirmed, not only Russia, but other powers must intervene to show China what the limit of strict neutrality means.

ONLY RECALLED

The Reported Execution of Russian Admiral Denied.

St. Petersburg Sept. 13, 3:31 p.m.— The report published in Paris to-day that Rear Admiral Prince Ouktomsky had been tried by court martial, sentenced to death and shot for disobeying the order not to return to Port Arthur after the sortie of the Russian squadron Aug. 10, is untrue. He has not been tried by court martial, but will be recalled.

REPUBLICANS CARRY MAINE

Vote Shows a Reduced Plurality of Thirty Thousand.

Portland, Me., Sept. 13.—The Republicans yesterday carried the state for William T. Cobb, of Rockland, the candidate for governor, by a plurality of about 30,000 over Cyrus W. Davis, of Waterville, his Democratic opponent.

The complete returns will not be received for several days, but 300 out of 522 cities, towns and plantations give Cobb, 59,705; Davis, 38,399. The same places in 1900 gave Hill (Rep.) 51,797, Lord (Dem.) 29,302. These returns show a Republican gain of about 15 per cent, and a Democratic gain of about 31 per cent over 1900. The vote for governor will probably be the largest since 1888.

NOVEMBER MAY SEE ELECTION

Prospects for Liberal Success Are of the Brightest.

THE SITUATION IN QUEBEC

Recent Legislation of Government Popular in French Province—Manitoba and West.

Ottawa, Sept. 13.—Most of the ministers are back once more in the capital, including Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir William Mulock, Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. Wm. Paterson, Hon. Clifford Sifton, Hon. Chas. Fitzpatrick, Hon. R. W. Scott, and Hon. Chas. Hyman, Sir Frederick Borden and Messrs. Fielding and Emmerson are expected here tomorrow. There has been no call issued for a cabinet meeting as yet, and perhaps none will be held until Wednesday. Public curiosity as to whether there will or will not be a general election this fall is very keen. Little doubt exists in the minds of those who carefully watch the trend of events that an early dissolution is impending, and that an appeal to the country will not be delayed beyond November.

Conditions in Quebec.

Montreal, Sept. 12.—Just now it looks as if a general election this fall would cause very little change in the standing of the two parties in the Province of Quebec. Of course, the percentage of chance is largely in favor of the Conservatives. All they could possibly lose out of the 65 seats is eight, the number they now hold, counting the vacancy at Sherbrooke. The Liberals, on the other hand, have 57 counties to defend, and all they could possibly gain is eight. Therefore, they are liable to attack in seven times as many places as their opponents. However, those who will take a large hand in the fighting are convinced that the risk now is less than it was in 1900.

Even the Conservatives are far from confident, for one of the most prominent among them told your correspondent today that, while there might be a few gains and a few losses on both sides, he expected to see the net result stand about as it now stands, provided that the elections be held this fall. The campaign on both sides is likely to be waged on the same general lines as it was four years ago, but there is an impression that the Conservatives will concentrate their forces more. In keeping with that, the Liberals calculate that the area to which the main struggle shall be confined will not be so extensive as it was during the last general election. In 1900 the Conservatives, holding fourteen seats, assailed with all their might sixteen counties. The Liberals assailed only nine of the fourteen, and gained five. Of the nine they were successful in all but two, which left the Conservatives with a total of seven, to which they have since added Laval. It will be seen, therefore, that the Government party, having granted the Opposition five, feared a fighting chance in 25 others. At present, however, the maximum of chance for the Conservatives is placed at 26, which includes the eight seats in Opposition the Liberals are counting on four—Montmorency, Laval, Sherbrooke (which was Conservative before becoming vacant), and Nicolet. Even some of Mr. Casgrain's own friends fear that he cannot longer hold Montmorency, and he has been advised to seek a safer constituency. Laval was lost in the bye-election through a three-cornered fight, but the Liberals are united there now, and it is expected that Mr. Leonard will not go up to Ottawa next year. Mr. Ball is not regarded as a strong opponent in Nicolet, and there is every hope of that seat being redeemed. Sherbrooke became vacant through the death of the representative, and the outlook is that a Liberal will replace the former Conservative.

The Government party admit weakness in three seats, but they believe that when the record of the Laurier administration is expounded the result will be no longer in doubt.

Since 1900 five things have occurred that appeal strongly to the people of the Province of Quebec, namely, the launching of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway scheme, the appointment of Hon. Raymond Prefontaine to be minister of Marine and Fisheries, the appointment of Hon. L. P. Brodeur to be minister of inland revenue (both of whom are regarded as active, aggressive men), Mr. Brodeur's tobacco legislation, and the Dundonald incident. The residents of the Province of Quebec, especially in the country districts, are above all things a peace-loving,

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WATCHING THE LENA

U. S. Taking Precautions to Prevent Another "Maine" Incident.

San Francisco, Sept. 13. — Early today the destroyer Paul Jones, Lieut. G. C. Davidson, commanding, was sent to an anchorage off the Union iron works, close to the Lena. Later, the Paul Jones was reinforced by a steam launch from the Marblehead, in charge of Midshipman Davis, with an armed crew. Assisted by the launch as a picket and patrol boat, the Paul Jones will keep close watch over the Lena as long as she remains in port, to see that the neutrality laws are strictly enforced, both for and against her. Vigilance is being exercised that no fanatic, Japanese or other, attacks the Lena and repeats the Maine incident in this port, and equal vigilance is being exerted to see that she herself receives no military help in the shape of arms, ammunition, men or equipment, or any coal, beyond the quantity to which she is entitled, namely, enough to carry her to the nearest home port. Every boat that approaches the Lena is arrested by the alert launch, until the officers in charge are satisfied that the boat's errand is legitimate.

HON. JAS. LOWTHER DEAD

Deceased Statesman Was Formerly Chief Secretary for Ireland.

London, Sept. 13. — James Lowther, Conservative member of Parliament for the Thanet division of Kent, and formerly chief secretary for Ireland, is dead.

The Right Honorable James Lowther, P. C., M. P. born in 1840, was the younger son of the late Sir C. H. Lowther. He was educated at Westminster and Trinity College, Cambridge, and called to the bar at the Inner Temple in 1864. His first public service was as justice of the peace and county alderman for the north riding of Yorkshire. He was elected member of Parliament for York in 1865, for North Lincolnshire in 1881, became parliamentary secretary to the poor law board in 1883, under secretary for the colonies in 1874, and was appointed chief secretary for Ireland in 1878, which post he held until the resignation of the Beaconsfield Government in 1880. He was elected member of Parliament for Thanet division of Kent in 1888.

MUST NOT VISIT ITALY

The Vatican Sends a Nuncio to the King of Spain.

Rome, Sept. 13.—The Vatican, fearing that the King of Spain intends to visit European sovereigns, including the King of Italy, convoked a meeting of the cardinals, at which it was decided to ask him, through the papal nunico at Madrid, to reassure the Pope to the contrary, because, should he visit the Quirinal, thus slighting the papal ruler as to royal visits to Rome, the Pope would regretfully be obliged to decline to receive him, and to take measures to uphold the prestige of the papacy in Spain.

LORD AYLMER CHOSEN

Reported That He Will Be Inspector-General of Militia.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 13.—The report is revived that Lord Aylmer is slated for the position of inspector-general of militia under the new militia act. Lord Aylmer his been acting G. O. C. since June last. The new militia bill does not come into force without a proclamation by the Governor-General-in-Council, and the order-in-council will not be passed until the rules and regulations under the new act have been prepared. These are now being drafted by officials of the department.

THEIR BACKS BROKEN

Two Women and Boy Fall to Death From Balcony.

Montreal, Sept. 13.—A peculiar fatal accident, in which all three victims were injured in identically the same way, occurred at 160 Princess street yesterday. Mrs. Powell, who occupied the house, was sitting on a little front balcony in company with her young son and a Mrs. Deslaurier, when the balcony collapsed and all three fell three storeys to the ground. The doctors, on examination, found that in the fall all three had had their backs broken. Mrs. Powell died a short time after the accident, and little hope is entertained for the two others.

A MARVELOUS ESCAPE

Grandson of Secretary of State Falls From Speeding Train.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 13. — Master Adrian Fletcher, the 12-year-old son of Everard Fletcher, Victoria, B. C., and a grandson of Hon. R. W. Scott, secretary of state, had an almost miraculous escape from death last week on board the Imperial Limited while en route from his home in Vancouver to Montreal. While on board the train Master Fletcher was playing tag with some other children, and, mistaking the rear door of the Pullman car for the entrance to the smoker, plunged out, and was thrown off the train while it was going at full speed. The boy was only stunned for a few minutes, and escaped with a few bruises. He walked to a flag station and boarded the next train for Montreal, very little the worse.

TRIED TO BURN BUILDING.

Insane Man Sets Fire to His Homestead and Barns.

Perce, Quebec, Sept. 13. — John Rail, a carpenter, living at the corner of the beach, Perce, was suddenly seized with insanity and set fire to his house while his wife, grown-up son and daughter were sleeping. They barely escaped with their lives, but the house and contents were completely destroyed.

The man also attempted to burn his barn and outbuildings, but was overpowered, after a desperate struggle, and conveyed to the jail at Perce, pending his removal to an asylum at Quebec.

A Cool Pair.

Utica, N. Y., Sept. 13. — Two tramps, Patrick Sheridan and Patrick Rogers, both New Yorkers, and fresh from the hop fields, broke into the house occupied by Frank Enos at Yorkville, a suburb of this city, early Sunday, forced Enos and wife from their bed, and after driving them from the place, calmly disrobed and rolled into the bed, from which they had compelled the rightful occupants to flee.

The tramps would not permit Enos and wife to take their babe with them, the distracted parents being compelled to vacate the premises at the point of a pistol. They summoned help and the police found the two tramps sound asleep in bed. The baby lay slumbering in its crib.

FATAL NEW YORK TENEMENT FIRE

Six Persons in One Family Meet Death in Flames.

BRAVE ACTS OF FIRE LADDIES

Twenty Families in Deadly Peril Rescued by Heroic Men of Police and Fire Departments.

New York, Sept. 13. — Six persons in one family were burned to death and six others were injured seriously in a fire which partially destroyed a tenement building at Nos. 68-70 First street early today. More than twenty families were asleep in the building and thrilling acts of bravery accompanied their rescue, which was accomplished by firemen and the police.

It was shortly after 2 o'clock a. m., when the alarm was given. Owing to the danger of the fire in such a crowded section, police reserves from three precincts were hurried to the scene. Within the few moments that had elapsed, the flames were found to have gained great headway from the first floor, and the neighborhod was in a panic of terror. Women and children were being dropped from the windows of the lower floors, and dozens of grown persons were fighting in the hallways to reach the open air.

A policeman clambered to the roof of an adjoining building, and by clinging to the cornice, with the smoke pouring into his face, reached down to the windows of the fifth floor and raised seven children who were handed out by their parents. Another officer, winding a coat around his head, entered from above and rolled down the stairs the body of a half-suffocated man. Three times the officer came back from within, carrying two persons in his arms. Then he fell, exhausted.

Meantime ladders had been run to the top of the building, and firemen, clambering up, rescued at least twenty tenement dwellers who were about to jump. Men sought to reach the ladders first, but were thrust back, while the women and children were taken out. One fireman, although badly burned, took seven persons from a single window on the fourth floor. When the work of rescue had been completed, and the flames broke under control, the firemen hurriedly searched the crowded flats and on the fourth floor they found six dead. They were: Onda Konovitsch, Anna Konovitsch, his wife; —, Konovitsch, grown son; —, Konovitsch, second son, and twin babies of the Konovitsch family, 3 months old.

Those injured sustained their hurts chiefly by jumping from the lower floors, but many received severe burns.

Try This for Mortgages.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Sept. 13.—No meat, butter, pastries, candies, delicacies or other foodstuffs which they may dispense with will be eaten by the congregation of the Sherman Street Methodist Church this week. The members will keep account of the amount saved in this novel manner, and have agreed to turn over the money to the pastor to lift a $1,500 mortgage on the church.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Tomorrow—Cool and Showery.

London, Tuesday, Sept. 13.

Sun rises..5:54 a.m. Moon rises..10:19 a.m.
Sun sets...6:33 p.m. Moon sets....9:08 p.m.

Toronto, Sept. 12—8 p.m.

Frost was again recorded in many portions of the Northwest Territories and Manitoba, followed today by a general rain in Manitoba, and showers in many portions of the Territories. Light showers have occurred locally in the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Valleys, and rain has fallen over the Maritime Provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Edmonton, 30—40; Calgary, 32—54; Qu'Appelle, 40—50; Minnedosa, 30—44; Winnipeg, 30—48; Port Arthur, 32—54; Parry Sound, 46—62; Toronto, 52—66; Ottawa, 50—70; Quebec, 50—64; Halifax, 60—70.

FORECASTS.

Tuesday, Sept. 13—8 a.m.

Today—East to south winds, becoming fresh and strong; fine today; showers during the night.

Wednesday—Fresh to strong southwest to northwest winds; occasional showers, and cool.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	22	20	Clear
Winnipeg	46	44	Rain
Parry Sound	46	38	Clear
Toronto	50	44	Fair
Ottawa	46	40	Clear
Montreal	50	46	Clear
Quebec	44	38	Clear
Father Point	44	42	Fair

WEATHER NOTES.

Heavy rains have been falling over Manitoba since yesterday afternoon, and snow is reported this morning in the Qu'Appelle Valley. Severe frosts occurred over the Territories last night, and heavy frosts are indicated for the Territories and Manitoba.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday were: Highest, 65°; lowest, 50°.

CITIZENS' AND CHILDREN'S DAY AS GOOD AS A YEAR AGO—DIRECTORS SATISFIED

Contrary to the Expectations in Some Quarters the Attendance Did Not Fall Off—Sun Shone the Day Long on the Boys and Girls.

EVERY DEPARTMENT COMPLETED AND IN READINESS FOR THE THRONGS

Bill of Attractions Provided Before the Grand Stands Contains a Number of Thrilling Acts—The Double Leap of the Gap—Splendid Display of Fireworks by Hand & Company—The Main Building—Exhibits of Merit.

"IT can be stated that we are perfectly satisfied. Citizens' and Children's Day this year is fully as good as a year ago."

This was what Secretary Nelles, of the Western Fair board, stated to The Advertiser last night, and the assertion was backed up by several of the directors who were in the offices at the time.

By very many Londoners it was expected that the attendance on Monday this year would be materially decreased, because of the action of the school board in changing Children's Day from Monday to Wednesday. In the morning, a canvass of the schools showed that nearly all the public school children were in attendance, and it looked as though Children's Day as designated by the fair board, was destined to be a frost. But when the afternoon came around, the little ones began to pour in steady streams through the turnstiles, and within a short time several thousand children were on the grounds. These, with their parents and elders, made quite a large crowd, and pretty well filled the very large covered stand. Though the children were at school in the morning they certainly were not there in the afternoon. They were at the fair. And this in spite of the fact that Truant Officer Weir is said to have been sent around to notify the children to stay away from school on Monday on no account. On the grounds the crowd was very small, but all the buildings had a comfortable number of visitors the entire afternoon and evening.

Owing to the fact that many of the exhibitors were not allowed to remove their goods from the Toronto exhibition until late Saturday night, they were very slow in arriving here, and many of these, as well as those who have purchased certain privileges on the grounds, were busy all day getting their exhibits or their booths into shape. By 5 o'clock, however, the sound of hammers ceased, and the big fair of 1904 was in full swing.

As compared with other years, the 1904 exhibition stands out well. In the main building an improvement is noticeable in the class and make-up of the exhibits and there is a greater variety and a greater interest for all. In this department, Chairman George M. Reid has performed his work well, and the entire building is a credit to the fair. Outside of the main building, the new dairy hall mustered the greatest number of visitors yesterday. The building is certainly a magnificent one, modern in construction and extremely well appointed in all particulars. Then comes the horticultural hall, where the exhibits this year are very fine, and the exhibitors have been afforded greater room by the fact that the portion once given over to the dairy department, is now thrown in with the rest of the building for horticultural and agricultural purposes. In machinery hall and the carriage buildings, the exhibitors are up to the mark, and proved a great attraction to the visitors to the fair.

The shows on the "Pike" this year were not open for business yesterday, but they will be doing a land office trade the remainder of the week. The exhibition was practically commenced yesterday, when the Seventh Regiment Band, which has been engaged for the entire week, paraded the down-town streets, and marched to the grounds, where is entered the ring, and marching past, serenaded the stands. The band was led by Drum-Major Cockburn, and the musicians did themselves proud. Then the excellent programme of the afternoon was carried out, and many of the spectators declared that having seen Toronto's special attractions, it was their opinion that of the two programmes, London's was the better. The horseracing was also spirited and took well with the crowd, and when the band closed the afternoon performance with the rendition of "The Maple Leaf Forever," a well satisfied crowd took its leave from the stands.

During the day the judges were busy picking out the best exhibits in natural history, dairy products, fine arts, china, sheep, swine, poultry, Clydesdales and English Shires. The horse exhibits this year are exceptionally good, many splendid animals being shown. In fact, it is doubtful if a better lot of horses was ever under one roof than those now in Queen's Park. In the poultry building there are over one thousand birds, and these form one of the greatest attractions on the grounds.

The number of booths, games, sideshows, and other privileges appears to be about the same as in former years.

In the evening the attraction before the stands were witnessed by many thousands of visitors, all of whom were tremendously pleased. The buildings at night were also crowded, and as a whole everything agreed with Secretary Nelles' statement that the day was fully the equal of a year ago.

A STRONG BILL.

Programme of Attractions Delights the Fair Visitors.

THE directors of the fair, without exception, are of the opinion that probably never before has the bill of special attractions been as well balanced as is the card provided this year, and they give the entire credit to Mr. W. J. Reid, the chairman of the attractions committee. This is a pretty broad statement, but it is not in the least exaggerated. Excellent judgment has brought everything their way, and the show is one that could not be excelled. There are a number of things to consider in choosing the various acts for a performance at the Western. In the first place it must be remembered that ordinary vaudeville will not fill the bill. Talking, singing or dancing acts are not the variety called for. There is no chance of an open air audience of many thousands being pleased with any mild type of performance. The demand is for the spectacular and the ludicrous—and this is what will be largely served up in the best quality all this week. There is not a weak feature on the bill, and when it is remembered that there are a dozen acts, this is a matter of gratification. There is little of the clap-trap style of entertainment, and yet there is not too much of the stereotyped acrobatic class. The attractions are almost entirely new, and they were appreciated by the crowds of the afternoon and evening.

There was only one horse race during the afternoon. It was an interesting event, however, and was appreciated by many of those in the stand.

The demand for attractions of the thrilling variety is what the committee has largely to meet. This led to the engagement of the two Bretons, man and wife who do the "leap-the-gap" together. Londoners know this act pretty well by this time, but these daring people have added another danger by doing the act together. They ride down an incline of about 45 degrees on bicycles. The chute is six feet in width and about 80 in length. Mrs. Breton starts from the top first, and is closely followed by her husband. This process makes the act all the more dangerous, as if one should lose complete control

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Hold-Up on Rock Island; Thieves Clean Up $20,000

Davenport, Iowa, Sept. 13. — A Rock Island train, which left Chicago at 6:05 o'clock last evening was held up near Letts, Iowa, shortly after midnight. The safe in the baggage car was blown open and its contents taken. The messenger says there was no money in the safe. There were five men engaged in the hold-up, according to the conductor. No one was hurt and the passengers were not molested.

A special train with 24 men on board left Muscatine at 2:30 a.m. Another special with eight men left West Liberty, and a third special is to leave from Davenport, Iowa, and Rock Island, Ill., for the scene of the hold-up.

The robbers took the engine, but left the engineer and fireman with the passengers. They started westward in the direction of Letts.

Muscatine, Ia., Sept. 13. — It is reported here that the robbers secured $10,000 to $20,000. A posse, numbering 100 men, has left here in pursuit of the hold-up men.

BARTLETT READY TO STAND TRIAL

Alleged Canadian Embezzler to Give Up Fight for Extradition.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 13. — With all his funds gone and friends refusing to supply him with more with which to fight extradition, Melvin Bartlett, the Manitoba Government employe, arrested in Detroit three weeks ago, is about ready to return for trial. George Patterson, deputy attorney-general of the Province of Manitoba, is here and has sworn out an extradition warrant, charging Bartlett with embezzlement, forgery and theft. After a private conference with Bartlett, Mr. Patterson stated that the young man was about ready to return, but wished to wait until he received a letter from his wife today, before consenting to do so. The full shortage will never be known — one of the books of the office having disappeared.

Burglars at Marmora.

Marmora, Ont., Sept. 13. — Burglars entered the office of Mr. A. W. Carscallen last night, blew open the door of the vault and carried away over one hundred dollars in cash, a gold nugget worth $100 and a number of stock papers. So far no clue has been secured.

Fell Into Cylinder.

Delhi, Sept. 13.—Yesterday morning at a threshing on the farm of Rufus Roach, Reggie Williams, a young man about 21 years of age, was up in the loft helping to throw down the sheaves, when he slipped and fell headlong into the cylinder of the threshing machine and was instantly killed.

GAMEY ASKS FOR CHANGE OF VENUE

Wants It Shifted From London to Bracebridge Because of Witnesses.

Toronto, Sept. 13. — R. R. Gamey's solicitor made an application at Osgoode Hall today to change the venue from London to Bracebridge, in the action for slander brought against him by J. M. McEvoy, K. C. The action arises out of statements made by Gamey in the Muskoka bye-election campaign, and he claims to have thirty witnesses at Bracebridge whom he wishes to call at the trial.

NORTH NORFOLK PARTICULARS

685 Charges Made, Amongst Them One of Intimidation of Workmen.

Toronto, Sept. 13.—Six hundred and eighty-five charges are made in the particulars filed at Osgoode Hall today on the election protest against the return of H. M. Little for North Norfolk. The Ontario Reform Association is charged with sending money into the riding. Wm. Sutton, G. S. R. official at St. Thomas, and Mr. Grott, superintendent of the Massey-Harris works at Stratford, are charged with intimidation. That men were made drunk and locked up in hotels is also charged. George A. Werrett, license inspector, is mentioned as handling money.

North Renfrew's Case

Toronto, Sept. 13. — An order was made by Mr. Justice Garrow today, by consent of parties, to extend the time for filing particulars of the protest in the North Renfrew case. No mention was made of postponing the trial.

Borden at Toronto

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 13. — Mr. R. L. Borden, Opposition leader, arrived in the city this morning, and will stay until Wednesday morning, when he proceeds to Aylmer to open his Ontario campaign. E. F. Clarke, M. P., and W. R. Brock, M. P., are among those whom he consulted today. E. B. Osler, M. P., is in the west.

Wheat Prices Go Soaring At Report of Light Frost

Wildest Excitement in Chicago Pit and Figures Make New Record.

Chicago, Sept. 13. — Blighting frosts over the Canadian Northwest today added fresh zest to the bull campaign in wheat, forcing prices up to a new high record mark. The announcement that untold damage had been inflicted during the night upon the Canadian wheat fields necessarily awakened the gravest fears among traders. The weather bureau forecasted frosts tonight throught Minnesota and the Dakotas.

The wildest excitement prevailed on the board from the moment trading began. Shorts were urgent bidders for wheat, but offerings were hard to find. As evidence of the scarcity, initial quotation on all deliveries were up two cents, compared with yesterday's closing price, May opening at $1 15¾ to $1 16¾. December opened at $1 14 to $1 14¾. As trading progressed today, May soared to $1 18 a bushel, which is one cent higher than the record price made on Aug. 20. In the meantime, December had advanced to $1 16 a bushel.

Winnipeg, Sept. 12—There was heavy rain in Manitoba today, delaying threshing and harvesting. There was light frost on Saturday and Sunday nights.