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Berlin Stock Exchange Organ Favors Renewal of Efforts to Secure Commercial

Treaty.

(Canadian Associated Press. Cable.)
BERLIN, Dec. 10.—The Horsen Courier, the leading stock exchange organ, considers it the duty of the German press to draw the attention of the public from time to the feet. lic from time to time to the fact that a tariff war between Germany and Canada is still proceeding and that the war, far from benefiting either party, is doing serious damage to Ger-man trade.

It welcomes the recent formation of the German Economic Association for the furtherance of commercial re-ations between the countries as an excellent basis for a renewal of ef-forts to secure a satisfactory commer-

cial treaty.
This association, it continues, could This association, it continues, could not have been established at a more favorable moment, for the elections have just given the Liberals a considerable parliamentary majority, which will keep Laurier's government firmly in the saddle for the next five years. If efforts to renew the negotiations for the conclusion of a cemmercial treaty are not pushed forward energetically now all hope may be buried. The Courier points out the value of Germany's exuorts to Canada decreased from 35,000,000 marks in 1903 to 21,800,000 marks in 1905, and in the following years to 24,500,000 marks and 29,600,000 marks respectively. The value of Germany's imports from Canada has averaged during the five years ending 1907, a little more than £450,000. Were German goods not taxed twice as heavily as English goods and about a third higher than produce countries, Germany would now occupy a very different position in the Canadian market. In consequence of the rapid develonment of the country Canada. ferent position in the Canadian market. In consequence of the rapid development of the country, Canada, The Courier adds, required an enormous amount of industrial products which cannot be supplied at home. As matters stand Germany can hope to participate to only a very modest extent in supplying these growing needs. "It is a matter of urgent necessity that every obstacle in the way of a conclusion of the German-Canadian commercial treaty should be overcome as soon as possible."

NAVAL RESTRICTION NOT FEASIBLE IDEA

Germany Will Not Exceed Requirements of Her Own Protection.

subject of international restriction of naval armaments, Chancellor Von Euclow said in the Reichstag to-day that Germany always had regarded such restriction as extremely desir-

tions of the empire would become grave and peace would be seriously

Speaking on the same general subject Foreign Secretary Von Schoen said that Germany had been making preparations to reduce her military off in the direction of Rathers of the Chinese government had made it in expedient to carry out these proposals at once, because in the opinion of experts the withdrawal of German experts the withdrawal of German of this manner might occasion troops at this moment might occasion disquiet among the Chinese people and lead to disorders. The government intended, however, to either withdraw it's Chinese troops entirely or make a big reduction in their numbers.

RILEY AND FARTZ

Arrested at Fort Erie, Will Fight Ex-tradition.

William Riley and Edward Bartz of Buffalo were arrested in Fort Erie to-day, and the police believe these are men over the river to Buffalo on the morning of Nov. 12, when four of the party of 11 were drowned and three others were dashed to pieces on the

Appearing before Magistrate Burgar, a remand was made until Dec. 17, tho it is probable a hearing will be given to-morrow. The charge against them is manslaughter, and they announced that they will fight extradition. Both men are married. Riley is 26 years of age and Bartz is 40

Rush Nearly Over.

PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 10.—(Special.)

To-night saw the end of the big
rush season at the elevators, tho a
few cargoes will likely be loaded tomorrow and Saturday. The Wells is
expected in for 200,000 bushels of Altogether to-day about three-quarter of a million bushels were loaded.

Thomas Dion, 63 years, was found by his son lying unconscious in his shoenight. He had suffered a stroke and was removed to his home, 91 Gould-treet, in the police ambulance.

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The One Thing to Do-Recover the Franchise.

The Railway Board has brought the city and the street railway company to a deadlock. Lawyers on both sides may be eager to make the rounds again, including a visit to the Privy Council, but meanwhile the City of Toronto proper is suffering for service, the proper growth and development of Greater Toronto is interfered with, the radials are kept out. and conditions grow intolerable.

Something must be done. The city is tied by a Gordian knot which only grows harder and tighter as she struggles in vain to untie it. The knot must be cut; the problem must be solved once and for all. The one remedy, the one way out, is for the City of Toronto to immediately re-. cover the property and franchise of the Toronto Railway Company. This can be done without injustice to anyone. Whether the city pays the company a price to be fixed by arbitration, or buys the stock itself from the stockholders, no unfair bargain will be made. The stockholders will be glad to accept city bonds in exchange for their shares of capital stock. Or the city can sell its own bonds, secured by the railway property, and with the proceeds pay off the shareholders.

What has the city to finance if it buys the stock, instead of getting it in exchange for bonds? Seven million dollars. There is stock outstanding to that amount, of which \$6,000,000 is water. But this watered stock is kept at par by the tremendous earning energy of the traffic, which pays a 6 per cent. dividend upon this \$7,000,000 issue of stock. The earning capacity of the traffic will be no less under municipal management and the fixed charges will be less, because the city bonds which are issued to acquire this stock will bear not more than 4 per cent. interest, Io a word, the city could, by means of a sinking fund, ultimately pay all the interest and also the principal of this \$7,000,000 out of the earnings of the

It may seem to some a hardship or a mistake to pay par for this watered stock, altho that is to-day its market value, and it could thus be acquired by the city so easily. The World would be glad to receive any suggestion upon this subject and to advocate it, if feasible.

With the city in possession of its streets, it will be in a position to redress its own grievances. It will no longer burden the government and legislature every year with applications for relief. It will control its own traction situation and work out questions of policy without interference from the courts. The city, thus enfranchised, can regulate fares, overcrowding, new routes and all intra-urban service. It can bring in the radials, by tube, third rail, change of gauge, belt line, or any other method which commends itself to the people. It can give to Greater Toronto and the neighboring districts a service both economical and efficient.

That the operating expenses will be reduced, is evident, for, as we have already seen, the city can take up the stock now earning, or at any rate receiving, 6 per cent., with bonds or the proceeds of bonds, bearing

But the great thing is this: Toronto must be mistress of her own house; she must control her own streets; she must find freedom, immedi-

the government and legislature of Ontario authority to carry out this plan, including the power to purchase the stock or expropriate the franchise and tangible property of the Toronto Railway Company.

HAD DUEL WITH INDIAN OVER CARCASE OF DEER

Thru Thrilling Experience on Hunting Trip.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 10. - A serious chle, but the government doubted the practical feasibility of the idea, and shooting affray occurred at Rose Isle, It did not believe the present was an epportune time to carry on a fruitless discussion of Germany's naval armaments which was a deer and was bleeding it when ments which were designed merely to protect the coast of the fatherland and the trade of the country.

Germany, in her shipbuilding plans, cocked his rifle. Both promptly took would not exceed the requirements of cover, Demill behind a tree and the In-lier own protection, the chancellor dian behind the deer's carcase. said, and he expressed the opinion that from the very moment Germany decided to reduce her military equipposition in Europe, the foreign rela-tions of the empire would become Demill warned them they must take the consequences if they approached him, and finally the Indians, thinking discretion the better part of valor, loaded the venison in a sleigh, with the carcases of seven other deer, and drove off in the direction of Rathwell.

WELLAND, Dec. 10,-(Special.)-The ratepayers of Humberstone Township to-day carried by a Vote of 576 to 3 a by'aw fixing the assessment on the plant of the Dain Manufacturing Co.

for ten years at \$10,000.

The Dain Co. of Ottumwa, Iowa, will CHINESE SMUGGLERS establish a Canadian plant welland, for the manufacture of farm establish a Canadian plant adjoining implements. One hundred and thirty acres have been acquired and a plant costing \$250,000 will be erected, as well WELLAND, Dec. 10.—(Special.)— as 100 houses for workmen.

> Dies of Smallpox. BROCKVILLE, Dec. 10.—(Special).— Isaac C., son of Charles Hawkins of Athens, died of smallpox at the home

THE BAIRNS' BANQUET Christmas Tree Entertainment MASSEY HALL, DEC. 25.
All Creeds, All Colors, All

Nationalities. Poverty and Hunger the Only Conditions.

In addition to the children, 100 tired mothers will be enter-

Donations of clothing thankfully received. If you intend to contribute,

DO IT NOW.

Send your donations to The World, or to 288 Yonge Street.

J. M. WILKINSON. "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

POLITICAL BOSS GUILTY OF BRIBING ALDERMAN

BERLIN, Dec. 10.-Referring to the Nephew of Premier Roblin Went Jury After 24 Hours Convicts Abraham Ruef-Heney in Court For First Time.

ging abruptness. The day had almost passed without sign from the chamber on the upper floor of Carpenter's Hall, the hopes of Ruef and his attorneys had risen with every hour of delay and the adherents of the prosecution were proportionately discouraged.

When the verdlet was returned, Francis J. Heney, who appeared in the court room to-day for the first time since he was shot, sat at the counsel table.

The charge against Ruef was having bribed Supervisor Forey to ald the United Railroads in securing the overhead trolley franchise,

To Human Life

Verdict of Jury Investigating Death of Engineer Noble.

killed in the C. P. yards here, returned a verdict declaring: "We are of opinion that engine No. 2166, of which the deceased was in charge, was in a defective condition and unfit for ser-

A number of reports were put in, one signed by the dead engineer in which he said:
"Dec. 6.—"See report of Dec. 5, 'engine is menace to life and property in present condition,'"

22 BELOW ZERO.

Rev. Mr. Rice No Better. Rev. J. J. Rice, who was struck by a street car at the gates of the General

Joker Still at Work. "Madam, I demand \$40,000 from you before Dec. 25. If I do not get it your

life is in danger. "P.S.—Put it in the milk bottle," This is the latest fool way of reaching out for a Christmas box. The letter has been turned over to the police by a woman living at 169 Margueretta-

JUSTICE WITH MERCY



JUSTICE AYLESWORTH: The decision of this court is that, as you are both guilty of stealing fowl, you now swap chickens with each other, leaving the turkey with me as a guarantee of good faith.

BRITISH FINANCIERS

Excursion Covering All the Prov-Ince May Result in Influx of Capital.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—(Special).-The bankers here expect that a great deal will come out of a financial excursion from London next spring to Western Canada. It is announce

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—Abraham Ruef. former political "boss" of San Francisco, was convicted to-day of by the first time.

Western Canada in the sambunced, in fact, that several British bank men will visit Canada in the early summer of 1909 for the first time.

This news is brought over by Tancred Bienvenue, general manager of the Provincial Bank, and G. M. Bosworth, when the considers of the Canada. bribery, after the deliberations of the fourth vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, who went to England jury had been prolonged 24 hours.

The trial, which has been in progress for 106 days, ended with surprising abruptness. The day had almost passed without sign from the chamber passed without sign from the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private in the control of the chamber passed without sign from the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private in the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private in the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private in the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private in the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private in the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private in the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private in the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private in the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to the chamber that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private that they state it is the intention of the financial contingent to take a private that the financial contingent to take a private that the financial contingent to take a priva

To Help Salaries But Lord Carrington Says It's Not

Robert Reford Donates Securities of Value of \$50,000.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—In The jury empanelled to enquire into the death of E. R. Noble, engineer, who with his fireman, R. Horsley, was killed in the C. P. yards here. the from which is to be used towards the increase of salaries of the professors in the various faculties.

In making the donation Mr. Reford stated he was well aware of the necessity of an increase in the salaries of professors of McGill if first-class men are to be retained and the standing of the university maintained.

McGill needs call for \$2,000,000.

HURT IN MASSEY HALL

Mrs. George Eakina Fell on Stairs and Was Painfully Injured.

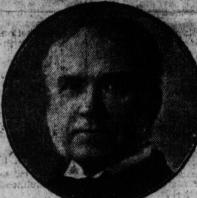
KINGSTON, Dec. 10.—(Special).—At Sharbot Lake to-day the thermometer registered 22 degrees below zero. In Kingston 5 degrees below were related to be the street, was removed to her home in the police ambulance from Massey Hall last night, instead of making the trip the police ambulance from Massey Hall last night, instead of making the trip in the cab which awaited her at the

"Tolanthe" and was leaving the build-ing when, in descending the stairs, she Hospital Tuesday noon, still lies un-conscious in that place and no hope is entertained of his recovery. ing when, in descending the stairs, she tripped and fell four or five steps. Her nose was broken and she was picked nose was broken and she was picked Island by sectionmen, who had been up unconscious. She was accompanied in the Buffalo stock yard.

by her son and daughter. Mrs. Eakins is 55 years of age.

RECEIVED NOBEL PRIZE.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 10. Prof. Rutherford of Manchester University, for-merly of McGill University, Montreal, person _____



Scotch Don't Want Our Live Cattle

Wholesome to Have Only Dead Meat Trade.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.) Lord Carrington, president of the answer to the urgent appeal for finan- board of agriculture, has refused the cial assistance made by McGill Univer- request made on behalf of the Scotch sity, Principal Peterson announced to- Chambers of Agriculture to close the day that Robert Reford, one of the ports against the importation of live cattle from the United States and Can-

Bridge Passengers Must Disinfect Boots

Foot and Mouth Disease Carried To Cattle by Railway Section-

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.-(Special),-To guard against the introduction of foot and mouth disease into Canada the government officials at Niagara Falls have made regulations requiring foot passengers crossing the international bridges to have their boots disinfect-ed before entering Canada. It developed that the disease was carried to a herd of cattie on Grand

It is definitely announced that ex-Ald O. B. Sheppard will be an alder-manic candidate in the Third Ward. Mr. Sheppard entered civic life as a representative of the ward in 1894 and held his seat until 1907, when he retired. His prospects for re-election are

very bright.

O. B. SHEPPARD OUT.

EUGENE O'KEEFE HUNDRED MILLION CO.

Missouri Capitalists and Dawsonites Will Rival Guggenheim

DAWSON, Y. T., Dec. 10 .- Announcement was made this week that Missouri capitalists, chiefly of Kansas City, together with Dawsonites, had organiza companywith \$100,000,000 capital, to dredge the Stewart and McQueen Rivers, beginning operations next year with

Eugene O'Keefe, president of the O'Keefe
Brewery Company, and also of the
Home Bank, celebrated his 81st birthday yesterday.

Mr. O'Keefe in many respects is a remarkable speciman of physical manhood. He seldom misses a day at business, where he personally supervises
the brewing operations, and it was in
this way that he put in his flist anniversary. He has never been striously iii.
The singing section of the Liederkranz
Society waited on him yesterday, presented him with a handsome stein, and
wished him many more years of health.

At least one dredge.

This company and the Yukon Gold
Basin Co., headed by former Gov.
Og'lvie, will install a joint power plant
to drive 20 dredges. The scheme to use
Fraser Falls power is likely to be
abandoned tecause of heavy rock work
and large runs of ice, damaging plant
in the spring and fall. Mayorister
Rapids will likely be used. D. A. Matherefore in many deals has been
followed by an influx of surveyors, and
they were encountered by they were encountered by they were encountered by The World's
representative at remote places thruout the district.

In a new country the surveyors work
in the face of tremendous difficulties.
Of necessity they must leave the
blazed trails and plunge into the forest fastnesses with their instruments.
Their battles with nature are sometimes appalling and their field of operations covers the whole north country.
One party of surveyors encountered panies, will leave in a few days for the outside to arrange for joint installation of plant. These two companies promise to rival Guggenheim's on the Yukon in number of dredges. Already they have a far larged dredging area.

JOHN LAXTON FOR MAYOR.

A large deputation waited on John Laxton, the well-known ex-president of the Sixth Ward Conservative Asso-ciation last night and asked him to be a mayoralty candidate. A petition, signed by 4000 ratepayers was presented. Mr. Laxton said he would consider

The Sunday World.

The special features appearing in the magazine section of The Sunday World, Dec. 13, will be:

A page of views typical of "shacktown."

Typical prospector's cabin located in the new northern silver region gion.

Passenger train consisting of twelve coaches, on the T. & N.O. Rallway, about to cross the Meadow Creek trestle, conveying prospectors to the silver camps of the north.

north.

The Clement-Bayard airship, after making a successful flight near Paris, France.

Members of the Trinity Methodist Church track team, Toronto.

Paporamic view of Cobalt, Ont.
Six scenes along the Montreal River, where silver seekers are now going.

River, where silver seekers are now going.

View of mining camp of Messrs.
McNeil and Todd, located in James'
Township, New Ontario.

The Ramblers'Bicycle Club members enjoying themselves at their last outing during the past summer. Hamilton, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos, Gracey and family, Etobicoke Township,
Sunset on Lake Erie, off Victoria
Beach, Port Colborne, in late November.

Beach, Port Colborne, in late November.

J. D. Kelly, ex-president of the Graphic Arts Club, Toronto.

The Hamonic, the largest and finest passenger steamer on the upper lakes. A recent addition to the fleet of steamers of the Northern Navigation Company.

Views of the recent All Saints-Varsity Association football championship game on Varsity campus.

On sale at all news stands and on railway trains—five cents the copy.

Nearly Million Dollars Already Invested in Gow Ganda on Advice of Competent Mining Engi-

Fairly accurate statistics available at the Elk City recorder's office show that deals in Gowganda properties aggregating \$835,000 have been closed, or will be consummated this month, as the engineers' reports verify the representations of the claim holders.

Of these the three most notable are the sales of the Armstrong fraction for \$100,000, a group of the McIntosh claims for \$300,000 and of the Mann north claim for \$250,000. A dozen other sales have been made, the prices ranging all the way from \$3000 to \$35,000, the latter price having been paid by Buffalo investors to Messrs, D. Fairburn, Nelson Hull and A. Kipper of Halleybury a

few days ago.

The cash payments made to close these deals average about one-fourth of the sale price, so that over \$200,000 has already been paid over in marked cheques and the balance is payable in periods ranging from three months to one year.

periods ranging from three months to one year.

At the recorder's office The World representative held in his hands for a moment a marked cheque for \$50,000 issued for clients by the Bank of Ottawa. It was the first payment of the purchase price of the Mann claim.

This little blue sup of paper, which means so much, has already relieved Charles Mann and Wilfrid Ryan from financial worries probably for many years. In this is the element of fascination which lures a man on, perhaps thru years of fruitless hardships. On the morning of Aug. 4 last both were prospectors who possessed little and had only the light of hope to illumine the future. On the same to illumine the future. On the afternoon they had robbed the fortune for both.

came out of the Royal Bank at Elk City.

I looked in the direction of the bank and saw an Indian youth of perhaps 24 years.

"Well," said my informant, "his name is Taylor. He and his partner cashed a cheque this morning for \$10,000 for their claim in Gowganda. They drew the money, divided it between them and each redeposited \$5000 to his private account."

Taylor looked like a man who was walking on air. I saw him an hour later skating like a man in a race. His aboriginal nature seemed to demand

aboriginal nature seemed to demand some dashing exercise in harmony with the exuberance of his spirit. Taylor and his partner had paid the penalty of hardship in their search for hidden wealth, but all this was forgot-

ten when hands clasped the reward.

Tribute to the Surveyor.

The closing of many deals has been followed by an influx of surveyors, and they were encountered by The World's representative at remote places thruster the distribution of the surveyors.

tions covers the whole north country.

One party of surveyors encountered was working on ten claims at Gowgan-da, after which they had to proceed on a heart-breaking journey to Night Hawk Lake. This trip is so difficult, even in summer, that Indian guides can scarcely be induced to, go to Night Hawk, regardless of how large the re-muneration which may be offered. One night as we camped just east of

along the trail, tired and nungry, just at dusk, and joined our party for the night. They were Robert Smith and William Cameron of the staff of Sin-clair, Sutcliffe and Neelands, New Lis-keard. Each man took an 'ax and half a dozen trees were dropped, with that remarkable precision of the ex-perienced bushman, within six or ten feet of the camp fire. Brush was stripped from the trees to serve as a mattress and to cover the lean-to. The mattress and to cover the lean-to. The trunks were chopped into sections about eight feet long and thrown upon the fire as required. The blankets were taken from the packsack and spread over the evergreen boughs. The smell of pine filled the nostrils when the smoke and cinders did not. The tridelit days of the provincial to the control of the contro daily dose of previously boiled beans was warmed in the tin pan and par-

was warmed in the tin pan and partaken of by The World representative in homoepathic doses. I was so generous with those beans that the surveyors feared I would run out of grub and starve on the trail.

Never in my life did I give away anything so cordially as I did those boiled beans.

John Debeau, my guide and philosopher, "viewed with alarm" the vanishing of the beans. Guide or no guide, he had a "grub stake" on our bean supply.

"Have some more of our beans," I urged our guests, the surveyors.

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NEXT!

Editor World: I hearfily endorse the Editor World: I hearftly endorse the suggestion by another of your readers that passengers demand a transfer slip, as a receipt for fares paid. Three or four times within the past month I have been "traced" a second time. The conductors have been so scared by the manager's schemes of spying that they would rather insult a passenger than take a remote chance of heing black-marked. At the same time, to-night I gave up my seat in a car to a lady who promptly proceeded to successfully evade paying her fare. Another thing—why, in being forced to leave by the front door, are we compelled to slight in deep slush? Yonge-street