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Tenders For Grand Trunk Special of Canada Gazette Calls for Bids for Construction of Stations.

Canadian Pacific Railway Announces Increase of Capital to \$140,000,000.

U.S. Steel Combine Said to Have Acquired Control of Wire Company.

OTTAWA, Feb. 8.—(Special)—An extra of the Canada Gazette issued today at last announces the call for tenders for the construction of stations of the transcontinental railway from Winnipeg to Lake Superior Junction and from Quebec city to La Tuque.

C. P. R. to Increase Capital Montreal, Feb. 8.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy made the following statement to the press: "The Official Gazette of Saturday will contain a notice of a special meeting of the shareholders of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to be held at the office of the company in Montreal on March 19, for the purpose of considering and acting upon the recommendation of the directors that the ordinary share capital of the company be increased from the present authorized amount of \$100,000,000, of which the amount of \$100,000,000 has already been issued, to \$140,000,000. In view of the great increase in the company's business and its continued expansion it is desirable that immediate provision be made for the necessary increase of the facilities of the company in every section of its system."

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U. S. Steel Invades Canada It is reported that the United States Steel Company has been negotiating to obtain a controlling interest in the Dominion Wire Company, the largest concern of the kind in Canada.

The Elmhurst Murder Halifax, Feb. 8.—The coroner's jury today, in the case of the murder of the old man, Freeman Harvie, rendered a verdict of guilty of murder against George Stanley, David Fisher and his son James, who were treated as accessories to a statement made by Stanley. The murder took place Monday last at Elmhurst, near Halifax, at the home of Harvie. Stanley had been working for him and there had been some negotiations as to the purchase of the farm by Stanley. Suddenly Harvie disappeared and Stanley continued to sell the furniture. The body of the man was found, with the head cut off, and Stanley was arrested.

Underground River Discovered St. Catharines, Feb. 8.—News of the discovery of a big underground river at Nelles' Corner, Haldimand county, has been received here. Men were drilling for natural gas when the discovery was made when the drill suddenly dropped down 30 feet. When drawn out it was found that the rush of water could be heard away down in the bowels of the earth when the men put their ears to the hole drilled in the ground. Some water was pumped out, and with it came the water. The water tasted like lake water. Residents in a vicinity believed it is a great channel connecting lakes Erie and Ontario. Considerable excitement prevailed in Haldimand county as a result of the discovery.

Fire at Smith's Falls Smith's Falls, Feb. 8.—One of the worst fires ever experienced in the town occurred here about 3 o'clock this morning, when the machine shop of the Front & Wood Co., Limited, was completely wiped out, with the exception of the molding shop and storehouse. The loss sustained, although partially covered by insurance, is heavy, as only part of the season's machines had been completed and transferred to the storehouse. Machine shop, carpenter shop, paint shop, plow shop and blacksmith shop were completely ruined. The loss sustained by the fire is as yet unknown. The firm will take steps immediately to have the ruined shops rebuilt in a larger and more up-to-date manner than ever.

Fatal Dynamite Explosion Keswath, Ont., Feb. 8.—John LeG, a Swedish laborer, was instantly killed by the premature explosion of dynamite at the site of a new dam.

Winnipeg, Feb. 8.—The great event of the bachelors' today was Winnipeg vs. Alcomers, for the blue ribbon trophy, seven men's rink, in the competing, it was won by the city curriers, with 30 points to spare.

St. S. Anderson was killed in a gravel pit at Birch Hill, 13 miles east of here, this afternoon. His skull was fractured by a lump of frozen earth falling on his head.

FRAUDS ON CANADIANS Steamship Officials at Portland Maine Unearth a Swindle.

Portland, Me., Feb. 7.—Officials of steamship lines, here have unearthed what appears to be a widespread swindle upon a large mass of poor Canadians who have been brought from all parts of the Dominion, paying various sums for contracts as cabinmen on English steamships, being entirely deceived as to the pay and nature of work they were expected to perform. Developments are expected shortly and will end the practice at once.

MOROCCAN CONTROL France Determined Not to Relax Her Present Position.

Paris, Feb. 7.—The tone of the German comments relative to the question of the control of the police of Morocco has been brought from all parts of the Dominion, paying various sums for contracts as cabinmen on English steamships, being entirely deceived as to the pay and nature of work they were expected to perform. Developments are expected shortly and will end the practice at once.

Twenty Men Probably Killed Explosion in Virginia Coal Mine Brings Death to Many Workers.

Montreal, Feb. 7.—A cablegram from London says that the explosion which this morning dismissed the cases of the Montreal Heat, Light & Power Co. vs. A. Robertson, and vice versa, the company purchased from Robert Smith property at the Cascade rapids near Montreal known as Le Buisson Point.

BRITISH FARMER'S CRIME Buckingham, Que., Feb. 7.—James Kelly, a prosperous farmer, who lives about five miles from town, is charged with a charge of manslaughter hanging over him, as a result of an inquest held at Buckingham Junction yesterday afternoon on the body of Arnold Walsh, an orphan boy. Kelly got Walsh from the Catholic Immigration Association in July last. Since then Kelly, it is alleged, treated the boy with great cruelty. The boy died January 22 and was buried the next day. It is alleged that Kelly did not see the body, and this aroused suspicion. An inquest was ordered and the body was exhumed. It was found that the body had been crushed into a coffin 10 inches too short for it, and tied with ropes to hold the lid on. Doctors Vias of Masson and Bellise of Angers made a post mortem examination. They found the boy had been killed by a blow on the head with a brick. The body was found in a ditch, and the result was that both his hands and feet were frozen for some time before he died. The fingers of the left hand were rotted off and his heels were nearly eaten away. The coroner believes that a boy in such an emaciated condition could not work.

GRANTS REVIEVED Trenton, Feb. 7.—Governor Stokes today granted Mrs. Antonette Toole, the Hackensack murders, a further reprieve for sixty days in order to allow her counsel to present further evidence for a new trial.

MANY KILLED IN RIOTS Valparaiso, Chile, Feb. 7.—A telegram from Antofagasta Bay of Morera, Chile, says that the railroad laborers at Cruz Bolivia, are on strike and that fifty men are said to have been killed during rioting there. The authorities are attempting to pacify the strikers. Cruisers have been ordered to Antofagasta with troops.

Riley Resigns From House Member for Victoria Hands in His Resignation to the Speaker.

The Vacant Seat Will Be Contested by the Hon. Mr. Templeman.

Mr. Borden Addresses Conservative Club and Points to Needed Reforms.

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—It was definitely settled at today's meeting of the cabinet that Senator Templeman's resignation of his seat in the House of Commons, in order to further this arrangement, will be accepted by the House.

Mr. Borden Addresses Club Mr. Borden delivered a spirited address before the conservative club tonight against electoral fraud and corruption. He knew the rank and file of the Liberal party were weary of the methods which had been practiced. Otherwise there would be small hope for the future.

Another Industry For Nanaimo Western Fuel Company Reopen Their Extensive Stone Quarries.

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Retaliation Necessitates Protection Second, the more advanced are of the opinion that it is impossible to have a practical and effective scheme of retaliation against the excessive duties imposed by foreign countries on British products without a general tariff. Mr. Balfour would never have attempted to put forward an alternative scheme, although urged to do so by the free-traders.

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Chamberlain's Programme Apostle of Fiscal Reformers Addresses a Letter to Former Colleague.

Repudiates His Alleged Attempt to Supplant Ex-Premier Balfour.

Has Asked for Caucus of the Party to Discuss All Questions.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—In a letter to Lord Ridley, Conservative, and formerly home secretary, published today, Jos. Chamberlain repudiates the notion that he is a candidate for the leadership of the Unionist party. He says: "All that there is in the mind of the party is that I am absolutely untrue that any ultimatum has been presented to me by Balfour on this subject, either by me or by anyone else. I have asked for a meeting of the party in order that there may be a friendly discussion of the question as to whether it always seemed essential to successful leadership that the leader should be thoroughly and personally acquainted from time to time with the views and wishes of his followers."

Fire in Prince Albert Orphanage Prince Albert, Feb. 7.—Patrick's boys' orphanage was badly damaged by fire this morning, the new wing being destroyed. The loss will total about \$5,000. It will be covered by insurance. The fire was caused by an overheated furnace pipe, and about thirty orphans are deprived of their homes temporarily. The orphanage was the property of the Roman Catholic church.

Commercial Union With the Colonies was the most urgent branch of tariff reform. Second, the suggestion that while not pressing the tariff reform should be put on the programme known as "half a sheet of note paper." Behind this programme, and that of the more advanced tariff reformers there are two differences.

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NEWS OF NANAIMO. Grand Function Under Auspices of the Eagles' Order.

Nanaimo, B. C., Feb. 7.—Never in the history of Nanaimo has a social event been marked with such dazzling brilliancy, unprecedented for its lavishly and gorgeous decorations and magnificent costuming as was the grand ball given by the local order of the Fraternal Order of Eagles in the Assembly Hall last night. There were some sixty invitations issued, and out of that number all were present save one or two. The music was furnished by Harpur's orchestra of Vancouver, composed of seven pieces, and was of a high order.

To describe the beautiful decorations, the harmonious scheme of chasteness, beauty, and refinement, is well nigh impossible. Leading up to the entrance a heavy carpet was stretched. The hall looked simply a dream of loveliness. The ceiling was a mass of yellow, pale blue, crimson, white and green. Immense streamers of China silks stretched from the centre of the hall to every corner and angle. Dropping from the dome was a hanging basket of pansy flowers. At the north wall the letters F. O. E., representing Fraternal Order of Eagles, appeared at the top of the frame in a blaze of light from the frame in an outline of hundreds of electric lights. Stretching all around the end wall were the many windows of the hall were covered with Irish point and Swiss lace curtains, carrying out the idea of the most.

Expensive and Lavish Decorations being used. The walls were a mass of huge mirrors, reflecting the splendor of the scene, supported on rests covered with white and red bunting, with ropes of palms and ferns in front. Above the mirrors and along either side of the walls were drooping folds of red and white material, and there were columns of arches puffed with cheesecloth trimmed with artificial flowers of softened shades, studded with brilliant electric lights. Green vine now and then adding to the effect. Heavy chenille curtains covered the doors, with loops for hangers.

To further heighten the scheme, the stage was not forgotten. Four huge Union Jacks guarded the background, offset by dark shades of plush on the sides, the floor of the stage being covered with brilliant electric lights, harmonizing. The gas sun burner in the middle of the stage was trimmed with fancy festoons and garlands of deep shades. Even to other parts of the building did the decorating committee extend its hand, a great eagle being in the ladies' dressing room, and velvet pile rugs again covering the floors.

Pacific Coast Happenings Rapidly Moving Street Cars Crash on Seattle Suburban Line.

Seattle, Feb. 7.—Running at an estimated speed of twenty miles an hour through a dense fog, a Ballard car and a Fort Lawton car of the Seattle Electric Company collided head on at 8:28 this morning on a trestle between Interbay and Smith street sidings on the Ballard line. Five street riders on the motorcar were badly hurt. Two more may die. John Heron, motorman of the Ballard car, and one passenger, name unknown, riding on the Ballard car. Both had their legs crushed and suffered severe internal injuries. The failure of the motorcar on the Ballard car to observe the block signals is given as the cause of the accident. The cars were almost completely telescoped and the marvelous thing was that both remained on the track which is on a trestle twelve feet high. Henry Simonson, married, an employee of the Seattle Electric Company, who was a passenger on the Fort Lawton car, died this afternoon as a result of his injuries.

Tramp Steamer Ashore The German tramp steamer Mariechen is lying on her beam ends and listed heavily to port on the beach at False Bay in southwestern Alaska. The captain has abandoned his vessel as a total wreck, but the underwriters may make an effort to save her. The Chinese crew reached the city today and will be sent to their homes in a twelve foot high, heavy motor launch, and boxes of merchandise and sacks of flour are being carried away by Indians.

Another Victim of Wreck Portland, Feb. 7.—Mrs. Nellie Riley, Walla Walla, Wash., died today from injuries received in the train wreck at Bridalveil, Ore., yesterday. Mrs. Riley's death makes five as a result of the collision. It develops that George W. Buchanan who was also killed in the wreck yesterday was an expert and safety witness in the trial of C. P. Davis, the former deputy sheriff of Yamhill county who was convicted last week of a \$4,400 of the county money to his own use.

North Coast Limited Derailed Spokane, Feb. 7.—The North Coast Limited eastbound on the Northern Pacific was wrecked at Byron near Prosser, Wash., about 5 this morning. The liner, two Pullmans and observation car were derailed. The porter and cook are reported injured by bruises but no passengers were hurt.

Attempted Hold-up Three young men attempted to hold up James Anderson at the new Grand Court building last night. He succeeded in beating them off. Later, William Neil and Charles Jones, holding in Collins street, were charged with the crime. The third man escaped.

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Insurance Investigation Inspecting Committee Makes Initial Report to the Directors.

Demand to Be Made on McCall for Refund of a Large Amount.

J. P. Morgan's Partner Held to Be Liable for Fifty Odd Thousands.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—The special committee appointed by the directors of the New York Life Insurance company to investigate the affairs of the company, today made a partial report of its labors to the directors. This report deals only with the relations of Andrew Hamilton, the legislative agent with the company, and a severe arraignment of his methods. John A. McCall, late president of the company, also comes in for a share of criticism. He is blamed for his methods in connection with "the bureau of investigation" instituted during the last ten years, and for allowing Hamilton to pay out vast sums of money without proper accounting.

Special attention is called to remittances of \$10,000 to Mr. McCall. In London and \$125,000 to Hamilton in London. The committee also holds McCall responsible for \$75,000 advanced to Hamilton to pay the state tax and other bills. The committee is advised that both are liable for this sum.

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EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS. Calicut, Mich., Feb. 8.—Three earthquake shocks were felt throughout the lake cooper district today. One of them shook buildings considerably.

NO RAILROAD PASSES. Washington, Feb. 8.—Senator La Follette today introduced a bill prohibiting federal officials from asking or accepting railroad or other passes and prohibiting railroads from granting them. It imposes penalties for violations of the law.

PLENARY COUNCIL. Assemblage of Roman Catholic Church Dignitaries Next Month.

Byracuse, N. Y., Feb. 8.—The Post-Standard quotes "a reliable ecclesiastical authority" as saying that a plenary or national council of the Roman Catholic church in the United States will be held next month at Baltimore. Every bishop in the United States must attend and be accompanied by his secretary and a theologian from his diocese. Cardinal James Gibbons will preside over the plenary council which was held at Baltimore in 1884, and its deliberations and decrees are now the law of the church in this country.

ITALIAN CABINET. Personnel of the New Ministry Announced Yesterday.

Rome, Feb. 8.—The personnel of the Italian cabinet in succession to the Fortis ministry, which resigned yesterday, includes the following: Premier and minister of the interior, Baron Soderini; minister of foreign affairs, Count Guicciardini; minister of justice, Signor Sacchi; minister of war, Signor Maltoni; minister of the navy, Admiral Mirabelli. Although the majority of the ministers are conservatives, the new minister of agriculture, Signor Francesco Guicciardini, and formerly a minister of agriculture.

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