

FISHERMEN RUINED BY TOO MANY FISH

More Caught Than Can be
Handled—Catchers are Idle
All Along Coast.

Paris, Aug. 12.—In the sea round the coast of Brittany there are just now so many fish anemones to be caught that they have ruined the fishermen.

Along the whole coast line in every port both the little and big boats are idle and thousands of fishermen stand round smoking and swearing that never were there such bad times, because there never were so many fish. Another miraculous season like this, they declare, and they will be out of business.

If they go out one day a week they catch as many sardines and mackerel and other fish as they used to catch in seven days, and the price they get for them is comparatively less than half the price of money, less than half the price of money. Especially the sardine trade has suffered. There are so many sardines that the canning factories cannot cope with the supply, even when the fishermen work a short week, and almost every day millions of the little fish are thrown out to make fertilizer for the fields. Canners, too, have now exhausted the supply of tin and have begun closing down their factories in the very middle of what used to be the season.

The disparity between the cheapness of their fish and the dearth of rent, vegetables and food generally, is what has principally caused the stoppage of work among the fishermen. They are trying desperately to withhold supplies to support their market, and as if to spite them, the sea continues to yield a harvest such as it has never done before.

Along the coast and among wholesale buyers the price of all kinds of fish has fallen to a mere fraction of what it was last year. But, in spite of the fall in price at the coast it is a remarkable fact that, in Paris and especially in Paris restaurants, the price of sole is five times what it was before the war. Evidently the cost lies in the cooking.

CLERICAL ERROR FREES PRISONER

Montreal Man, Sentenced to
Three Months, Let Go, as
Mistake Appeared on Commitment.

Montreal, Aug. 12.—A clerical error on the commitment, which has freed Joseph Desrochers from serving three months in jail here. It was discovered that a mistake had been made in the commitment, according to the commitment warrant on "June 23." Today he was liberated from all liability under the sentence by judgment of Mr. Justice Cousineau in the Superior Court.

It was held that the error was more than a clerical error—it was an error of substance which rendered conviction and sentence null and void.

The charge against Desrochers was that he had sold intoxicating liquor without permission of the liquor commission. It was shown that the actual date of the offence charged was "May 23," not "June 23."

Bankrupt Stock Sale At ARNOLD'S NEW STORE

157-159 BRUSSELS STREET

We have purchased a large bankrupt stock and have decided to sell our entire stock at less than wholesale prices. 600 pairs boots, shoes and sneakers for men, women, boys and girls, at half regular prices.

Children's dresses, 35c, 50c, 75c.
Girls' plaid dresses, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.95.
Black ribbed cotton stockings, all sizes.
Men's cotton socks, 15c pair.
Men's heavy socks, 25c pair.
Men's overalls, \$1.45 pair.
Men's pants, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75.
Boys' overalls, 50c pair.
Pickled blouses, 65c, 75c, \$1.00.
Big lot white, nightgowns, skirts, etc., at half price. Sale of corsets.
Ladies' cloth skirts, \$1.75.
Blankets, \$1.50 pair.
Print cottons, 15c and 20c yd.
40 in. grey cotton, 15c yd.
White cotton, 15c yd.
White shaker, 14c yd.
Colored shaker, 17c yd.
Linen toweling, 12c and 14c yd.
Fancy soap, 7c.
Surprise soap powder, 5c.
Gold Dust Soap powder, 5c.
Infant's Delight soap, 5c.
Armour's Cleaner, large, 8c.
Large bar castle soap, 5c.
Ginger, quarter lb., 7c.
Black pepper, quarter lb., 6c.
Pickling spice, quarter lb., 6c.
Bee starch, pkg., 12c.
Celluloid starch, pkg., 9c.
Acorn mustard, 7c.
Lime juice, bottle, 19c.
Vegetable soup, 12c.
Vaseline, 7c.
Salts of lemon, 7c.
Poison fly pads, 7c.

A large stock of patent medicines, emulsions, liniments, pills, etc., at less than wholesale prices.

Sunset dyes, all colors, 10c.
Diamond dyes, 7c.
5 lb. package Murex, 50c.
Hat Brille, all colors, 12c.
Chloride of lime, large, 12c.

Large stock of men's soft collars, half price.

Come for best bargains in town. Store open Friday night and all day Saturday. Remember the place—ARNOLD'S, 157-159 Brussels St.



GOMPERTS ON UNEMPLOYMENT

Advocates the Construction of
Public Works by Govern-
ment—The 44-Hour Week.

Montreal, Aug. 11.—Samuel Gomper, president of the American Federation of Labor, met local labor leaders in private conference here yesterday, and later addressed local typographical union men, who are at present on strike over the forty-four-hour week question. Mr. Gomper vigorously denounced the employers who had refused to grant their employees this concession.

Construction by the government of public works was advocated by the veteran labor leader as a relief for unemployment. The principle cause of the general unemployment throughout the country he considered lay in the shutting down by employers of their manufacturing establishments.

NEW RECORD AT SYDNEY SHAFT

945 Tons of Coal Raised in
Eight Hour Day—Another
New Shaft Opened.

Gloucester, N. S., Aug. 12.—Increased production from No. 1 colliery is expected by the Dominion Coal Company as a result of the opening of a new shaft, which will tap the famous Phalen seam nearer to its working level.

During the haul to the surface, the new mine will be in operation early this fall. Number 22 colliery on Wednesday broke all its previous records by hoisting 945 tons of coal to the surface in one eight hour shift. The best previous mark was in pre-war days on a ten hour shift when 930 tons were brought up.

JEST HAS AWFUL CONSEQUENCES

Saskatchewan Man Fatally
Shot by a Friend While
Hunting—Accidental.

Saskatoon, Aug. 12.—John Leader, thirty-four, a well-known man of the Qu'Appelle district, was accidentally shot at Lake Bend, Wednesday, by a friend while hunting.

Leader was in conversation with another when the party approached. One of them playfully said, "Look out, Bob. I am going to shoot you." Leader called back, "Go ahead." He received the contents of the shotgun in the left breast, and died almost immediately.

TEACHERS VISIT SCENE OF GREAT AMIENS BATTLE

London, Aug. 12.—(Canadian Press Cable)—On August 8th a day of thrilling memories, a hundred and fifty Canadian school teachers now in Paris visited Amiens and in the great gothic cathedral there, which came almost unscathed through four years of war, they saw the fine and simple memorial raised to the Canadian dead who fell in the battle of Amiens just three years ago. They were received by the Prefect of the Somme, who, in his address, dwelt on Canadian sacrifice for France. Accompanied by local school teachers and a number of French school children, in their black blouses, the visitors saw the notable sights of the ancient city. They were much impressed by the numerous notices in English still on the streets, and with the English-speaking ability of most of the people of Amiens, picked up in the hard years of war.

TIED OF PAVING THE WAY CANNOT BLAME IT ON PROHIBITION

Sale of Drugs in Montreal
Has Now Broken All Re-
cords, Says the Herald.

It has been asserted over and over again that prohibition of liquor leads to the use of drugs. They have a liquor law in Quebec which does not prevent anyone who wants it from obtaining liquor. It is therefore interesting to note what the Montreal Herald says about the alarming increase in the use of drugs.

The Herald says:—
"The illegal sale and use of drugs in Montreal during the last few months seems to have broken all past records, and shows no signs of abatement, despite the strong efforts of the police, according to the statements of officials who are fighting the traffic. Frequently not less than nine or ten charges of drug carrying appear in the Recorder's Court list in one day, and the average for the month was very high, while in the Coroner's Court, one murder and two cases of manslaughter were traced to the use of cocaine or morphine by the victims. The fine for anyone charged with the possession of drugs has been raised to a maximum of \$1,000, with a minimum of \$200, or the alternative of a long jail sentence."

"The seriousness of the situation has been realized by the authorities, as this drastic change in the amount of the fines and sentences will show. In the past a judge was allowed to use his own discretion in the matter, and could allow an offender to get off with either suspended sentence or a light fine."

"In respect to the Coroner's Court, the law states that any person who sells drugs, which cause the death of any person, is criminally responsible for the victim's death, and Coroner McMahon, during one week alone, returned two such verdicts. The Coroner stated, when holding two men who were alleged to have procured the drugs from a third party, from the effects of which one of their companions died, that it was necessary to hold the small fry, in order to catch the men higher up. The police are searching the city for the men who sold the drugs."

Great Number of Addicts.

"It is the duty of the federal police to run down the persons who are actually selling the narcotics and to stop the importation of them into the dominion, but the local police are working very hard to stop the use and carrying of it by the great number of addicts in the city. According to one officer, who is in a district where most of the sale and use of the drug is carried out, the traffic has been systematized, on a regular basis. There is one centre where the morphine, heroin, opium and cocaine are concealed, and this is used as a sort of clearing house for the traffic. A great number of agents, all users of the drug, good agents for selling and distributing the 'dope' to the outer circle of users. These agents, with their wares concealed in some of the most ingenious ways, travel about the city, and when they receive the 'high sign' from a customer, retire into some inconspicuous corner and give the buyer a 'shot' concealed in Cigarette Packet."

"For some time, that is until the police discovered it, the drug was concealed in a common cigarette packet, with a small hole in the top, to allow a portion to be poured out. The package looked innocent enough when it was taken out, ostensibly to give a friend a cigarette, but a sharp-eyed officer saw through the trick, and now that the traffic agent is spending a few months in Borden."

"In the case of opium it is necessary to raid suspected places, as this particular drug cannot be used in the same manner as the others. There is a certain amount of paraphernalia necessary to enjoy the effects of 'sailing through the clouds,' and it is generally used in a house which is very appropriately called 'a den.' Notwithstanding the general idea that the majority of these 'joints' are owned by Chinese, it is a fact that a great number of them are actually owned by white men, and the police are working to bring them down."

The use of drugs, furthermore, is by no means confined to certain districts in Montreal, but appears to be spreading, until at present it has reached many of the popular summer resorts about the city. Here, away from the close vigilance of the law, the 'dope fiends' enjoy their pastime to the fullest extent."

UNDER ARREST ON SUSPICION OF ASSAULTING MAN

North Sydney, N. S., Aug. 12.—Henry Boucher, a Scotch locomotive engineer, is suffering from severe cuts on the head and Ambrose Young, a resident of North Sydney, is in jail as a result of a fight which occurred on Wednesday. Boucher was working on a Scotia locomotive. While shunting at the piers after dark he got down from the cab to get a drink of water and was assaulted by three men, one of whom was armed with a piece of iron pipe.

Boucher escaped to his engine and Young, who is not a striker, was later arrested on suspicion of his complicity in the affair.

THE CANADIAN SHIPS AT SYDNEY

Sydney, N. S., Aug. 12.—A salute of eleven guns from the French warship Antares this morning announced to the citizens the arrival in port of the Canadian naval squadron and welcomed the Aurora and Patricia on their first visit to Cape Breton waters. The French warship Antares, which was accompanied by the Aurora and Captain Adams later paid a visit to Commander De Pointillieres on board the Antares. Mayor Fitzgerald exchanged visits of courtesy with the officers of the Allied war vessels. The Cape Breton yacht squadron tonight entertained the visiting officers. The Ligen Country Club will be their hosts on Friday.

LADY OF GASPE INQUIRY STARTED

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 12.—Inquiry into the sinking of the steamer Lady of Gaspe on Thursday Cap Shoals, at the entrance of Halifax harbor, on August 8, was held here yesterday by Dominion Wreck Commissioner L. A. Demers.

Captain Neil Nicolson gave evidence that the vessel was going faster when the breakers were sighted ahead. On the lookout about the ship, the helm shifted, thinking there was a boat water and the breakers could be cleared. The ship, however, struck.

RESERVE IN OIL SHALES May Be Made to Yield Large Supply— Much Capital Needed.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Recent investigations by the United States Geological Survey are held by its experts to indicate that in the Rocky Mountain States there are enormous quantities of oil shales which can be mined and yielded by distillation into a much greater extent than we can hope to obtain from our oil wells. The shales are located in the state of Colorado and the oil reserve constitute a tremendous potential oil reserve.

"The oil shales of this country," says the report, "contain enormous quantities of oil, but large amounts of money will have to be invested in the oil shale industry because of commercial importance. Estimates by various engineers looking at the cost of a complete retorting plant, handling 1,000 tons daily, are between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000. The report also states that the shale industry is a large one in the world, and that a large number of the many companies organized to deal with oil shale are devoting their entire capital to the industry."

Indications are that the United States cannot continue long to depend on domestic petroleum production to supply completely the demand for petroleum products, the report says, and that sooner or later our oil shales will have to be used to help supply the deficit. The oil shale industry cannot hope to supplant the petroleum industry in a large way from local industries in favorable places.

A \$9,000 FIRE IN COVERDALE

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Moncton, Aug. 11.—J. Riley Stiles, a farmer of Upper Coverdale, Albert county, sustained a serious loss this morning when his barn, with its contents, including thirty tons of hay and valuable farm machinery, a garage and other buildings were destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at between \$8,000 and \$9,000. The loss on the buildings being partly covered by insurance.

TWO ARE KILLED BY DYNAMITE

Montreal, Aug. 12.—A coroner's jury brought in a verdict of accidental death in the case of Barthelemy Piquin and Joseph Bouchard, who were killed in a dynamite explosion at Rosemount quarry, Wednesday. It was stated at the inquest that two sticks of dynamite and nitro-glycerine striking together probably caused the explosion. Arthur Longtin, who was seriously injured, is reported to be progressing favorably.

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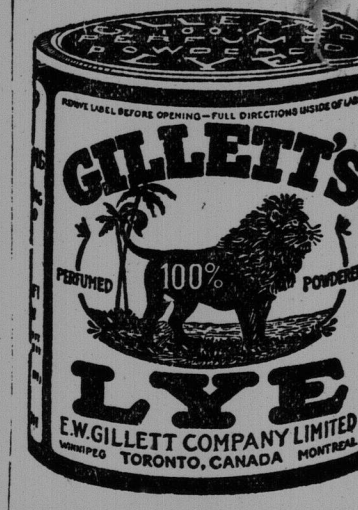
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MICHAEL CONNOLLY NOTED CONTRACTOR DEAD IN HIS BED

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Montreal, Aug. 11.—Michael Connolly, noted contractor, was found dead in his bed this morning at his home in Crescent street. The late Mr. Connolly retired in the best of health night.

Mr. Connolly has been considered in the public eye of late in connection with the charges he had brought against Arthur Eccremont, ex-M. P., of late approximately \$125,000 from him. Mr. Connolly was 76 years old.

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To serve, pour into glasses partly filled with cracked ice. Add lemon and sugar to suit the taste.

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