

DR. LEFEVRE DIED YESTERDAY

A Figure Prominently Identified With His City's Progress Is No More

VANCOUVER ISLAND TIMBER

Large Deal Just Closed--Centre Star Mine Shows Up Splendidly

VANCOUVER, Sept. 15.—After an illness of only eight days, Dr. J. M. Lefevre died at his residence here this morning. Dr. Lefevre came here in 1886 and was elected alderman in that year. He became afterwards interested in the telephone service, and it was largely due to his efforts that the smaller telephone companies of the province became merged in the British Columbia Telephone Company, of which he was managing director. He invested in real estate in the early days, and with the increase in values became wealthy, being rated as worth \$500,000. Of late he has been a sufferer from Bright's disease, which was the cause of his death. He was 53 years of age and leaves a wife, but no children. Dr. Lefevre was always kindly and courteous and had a host of friends throughout the province. The funeral will be held on Monday morning.

Fisheries Commission Sittings

The Canadian fisheries commission held an executive session here this afternoon, for the purpose partly of arranging for the international conference with the commissioners of the state of Washington, which it is understood will be held here on Wednesday next.

Fell Off the Wharf

The body of Malcolm Martin, who disappeared from the wharf two weeks ago, was found floating on the inlet this morning. It is thought he must have fallen off the wharf in the darkness.

Discovery on the Britannia

The massive copper vein of the Britannia mine in Howe Sound has been again traced in crosscutting, and has been traced a distance of almost two miles. It is said that the discovery of this vein will result in the Britannia mine out of the low-grade list.

Socksiey Season Re-Opens

The season for socksiey salmon on the Fraser River and in the Gulf will be re-opened tomorrow night. The Fraser River catches are about 20 cents would be the price paid for both socksiey and cohoes. About ten canneries will operate.

Vancouver Island Lumber

J. D. Robertson and J. B. Robertson, of Kansas, are here for the purpose of arranging for the development of logging property near Alert Bay, which was purchased by an American syndicate in which they are interested. They say it is their intention to spend half a million dollars in the construction of a logging railway and several camps, and to perhaps a larger sawmill. The timber lands were brought from McLean Bros. for \$225,000.

Fight With a Shark

Nanaimo, Sept. 15.—A local fisherman had tonight a desperate encounter with a shark which he caught in his net at Toba Inlet. The shark at once showed fight, and in the melee the fisherman's boat was overturned. The man finally managed to reach the boat and clambered on top of it, from where he was rescued with great difficulty by his companions. The fish was captured and towed ashore, where on being measured it was found to be 13 feet long. That it meant business in its attack on the fisherman, the latter's long rubber boots bear testimony, one boot being ripped to shreds and the other one badly torn.

Centre Star Shows Up Well

Roseland, Sept. 15.—The Centre Star has found the one thing so good on the twelfth level, and the thirteenth level, when it is reached, will be 150 feet below the twelfth, or 1300 feet below the shaft's collar. At the Centre Star for the installation of the new hoist, which will be the largest in Canada. The 750 horse-power motor which is to furnish a portion of the power for the enlarged compressor plant came to hand today from Peterboro, Ont. The machinery for the hoist is expected early during the coming month.

Following are the shipments for the week: Centre Star, 2616; Le Roi, 2700; Le Roi No. 2, 660; total for the week, 5976, and for the year, 224,073 tons. At the Trail smelter a total of 6844 tons of ore were received for the week ending last evening. Besides that shipped from Roseland, the following mines sent ore to Trail: Snowflake, Phoenix, 418 tons; St. Eugene, Moyie, 167 tons; Ymir, 89 tons; Parmigan, 27 tons.

The six additional Huntington-Hebbron converters are under way for enlarging the other furnaces, so that the capacity of the plant will be approximately 2000 tons a day.

INSANE MOTHER KILLS CHILD

New York, Sept. 14.—Mrs. Victor Anthony, 35 years old, cut the throat of her three-year-old daughter today in her home in Jersey City. Then going to the roof she jumped to the street three storeys below. The child and mother are dying. Mrs. Anthony had recently exhibited signs of derangement, and there is no doubt that she suddenly became violent.

HARVARD MEN GO HOME.

London, Sept. 15.—With the exception of stroke O. D. Filley and D. L. Nevall, all the members of the Harvard rowing crew which was defeated by the Cambridge crew on the Thames a week ago, sailed on the steamer St. Louis for New York today. Friends of the oarsmen gathered at the Waterloo station to bid them farewell. At Southampton they were met by Col. Williams, who expressed his great pleasure at the visit to England and said he hoped that a return contest would be arranged.

ORDERED TO HEADQUARTERS.

Tacoma, Sept. 15.—General Funston has been ordered to proceed to Washington without delay. It is presumed he will be sent to Cuba. Capt. Haan chief of staff at Camp Tacoma, said this afternoon that the supposed General Funston was called to Washington to consult with the secretary of war because he knew more about fighting in Cuba than any other man in the army. He saw service there for two years with the Cuban army in the fight for Cuban independence.

DR. TURNER'S VICTIM LOCATED.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 15.—Georgia L. Knight, of Philadelphia, the young woman wanted in connection with the case against Dr. W. Turner, has been located in the state of Colorado. She was taken suddenly ill in the matron's apartments this morning, having undergone a severe mental and physical strain during the trial. The Supt. of Police Regan visited her this morning and questioned her concerning the case and stated that she had admitted to him that an operation had been performed on her, and that she was willing to testify in the case. Miss Knight's brother arrived here this morning.

A RUSSIAN OFFICIAL MEETS NATURAL DEATH

Accelerated, However, By Revolutionary Terrorism--A Notable Career

LONDON, Sept. 15.—A despatch received here from the Russian official news agency at St. Petersburg says that General Dimitri Fedorovich Treptoff, commandant of the imperial palace, died this evening. General Treptoff would have been 51 years old December 15. For several months he had been suffering from a heart affection and asthmatic troubles, and some time ago was forced to abandon a large amount of the routine work included in his duties as commandant of the imperial palace, but remained in office, and was still in touch with the Emperor.

General Treptoff's death was due to natural causes, but the revolutionists can at least claim partial responsibility for his end, as his illness was caused by the constant strain due to perpetual fear of death, which, with lack of exercise and recreation during the last two years, wore down his originally superb constitution. He had become so nervous of late that recently, when a military attaché of a continental power was unexpectedly ushered into his room, General Treptoff sprang to his feet in an attitude of defence, but when he recognized his visitor he sank into his chair all abashed.

The activity of his malady was aggravated, but his death came as a great surprise.

General Treptoff was in many respects a remarkable man. He was a natural despot, a tyrant by inclination, education and conviction. He was one of those men who have constantly turned from liberalism back into paths of reaction. Treptoff was a police master. The elder Treptoff was found as a baby on the back doorstep of a German family, by whom he was taken and brought up as a member of the place (German for doorman). For Treptoff he was found. Later, when he grew up and entered into the service of the Emperor, he followed his father's footsteps in the police department. He rose quickly, and after acting as police master at various points in the empire, he attracted the attention of the Emperor, who appointed him to the post of police master of Moscow, and by him was named police master of Moscow. Treptoff soon became Sergius' right arm in fighting the revolutionists, and he was given beyond all question. He had almost a contempt for death.

The strain told upon him, and during these memorable six weeks the lines of his face, his eyes, and his hair, all heard became streaked with gray. He continued at his post throughout the summer, and not a single riot occurred. Treptoff made a pretence of acquiescing in the manifesto of October of last year, and in Witte's elevation to the premiership; but in reality he was only awaiting a favorable opportunity to give battle to the forces of the new in the name of the old regime. And when the order of liberty which followed the manifesto was in full blast, he was ready.

A Terrorist Rumor

Warsaw, Sept. 15.—A rumor is in circulation here, which has already had menaced all the foreign consuls with threats of murder in the event of a general massacre.

The Emperor Out Hunting

Helmsingfors, Sept. 15.—Emperor Nicholas and Empress Alexandra, and the Emperor's suite hunted today on Kholm. Their Majesties hitherto had never landed on the mainland. It is said that preparations are under way for enlarging the other furnaces, so that the capacity of the plant will be approximately 2000 tons a day.

EARL GREY VISITS SALOON TRAPS

Brilliant Illumination of the Different Triumphant Arches in the City

AN IMPOSING PAGEANT

Official Reception at the Parliament Buildings on Monday Evening

AFTER arrival at Government House on Friday afternoon, a quiet evening was passed by the vice-regal visitors and the Governor-General Earl Grey, refreshed with rest after a somewhat fatiguing day, lost no time yesterday in commencing to cultivate acquaintance with the environment of Victoria.

At ten o'clock His Excellency, who is now in the enjoyment of perfect health, left Government House for the outer wharf and with his party embarked on board the C. S. S. Quadra, an expedition to the Cooke fish traps having been arranged in order to enable His Excellency to witness the operation of lifting the traps, which was to be performed by prearrangement between Mayor Morley and the manager of the Capital Canning Co. at the company's fishing limits on the coast.

At an early hour of the morning the tug Ranger had been despatched to the traps for the purpose of getting everything in readiness.

The Government House party on board the Quadra consisted of His Excellency and his daughters, Lady Sibyl and Lady Evelyn Grey, Miss Dunsmuir, Miss Eleanor Dunsmuir, Miss M. Dunsmuir, Captain Trotter, A. D. C., and Major Anduin.

On arrival of the distinguished visitors at the fishing grounds, the life was promptly proceeded with, and although the catch was unfortunately by no means a good one His Excellency was nevertheless greatly interested in the operation, which he witnessed for the first time. The regrettable indisposition of the Countess and also of the Lieut.-Governor unfortunately prevented them taking part in the excursion, which, however, was much enjoyed by the rest of the party.

After lunch at Government House the vice-regal visitors proceeded by motor cars, to Esquimalt and reaching the ordnance wharf embarked to make a tour of the adjacent waters for the purpose of viewing the forts and harbor.

At five o'clock a landing was made at Rod Hill where the hospitality of the officers of the Victoria was tendered to His Excellency and the party in the form of an al fresco afternoon tea.

The return journey to Government House was shortly made, where, after dinner an impromptu dance had been arranged as entertainment for the evening.

In the city meanwhile a brilliantly magnificent pageant, replete with busy life and animation was being enacted. All the wherewithal for electric lighting was in long drawn out lines, installed at the stroke of seven the current was switched on and instantly

A Flood of Light transformed the prosaic streets and buildings into a scene from fairyland. The centre of chief attraction was the Chinese arch, the gorgeous coloring of which seemed to glow with life. The detail constituted a spectacle of Oriental color and magnificence which it is rarely given to European eyes to rest upon—festoons of fairy lights—wreaths of flowers—banners of various colors—perspective terminating with what has been previously described as the Civic arch but was in reality the handsome and elaborate rest of the Victoria Horticultural society and which with innumerable lights glowing amidst a wealth of greenery and flowers created a very imposing and beautiful effect.

Turning from the electric lighting, the attention was attracted to the magnificent scene on Yates street a similarly brilliant spectacle met the view. Strings of lights from top to side, row beneath row, in long drawn out lines, terminating at last in the beautiful Japanese arch itself with marked effect to the illusive influence of the illuminating lights.

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CONNECTION IS NOTICED FOR THE INFORMATION

connection is noticed for the information of the ladies attending the reception, that the ladies' cloakroom has been removed from the former quarters to the maple and oak room, and the caucus or ministers' room will be placed at the disposal of the ladies. The day following (Tuesday) His Excellency will be at the Hotel Vancouver to be present at the Canadian Forestry association meeting. On Wednesday, 20th, he will proceed to Nanaimo and, arriving the next day, will visit Ladysmith and Duncan; on the day following, the 23rd, he will visit Cowichan lake for a day's fishing, returning to Victoria for Sunday.

The next expedition will be a trip to Moresby island, and on Tuesday, October 2nd, a trip up the Fraser river to New Westminster where he will open the agricultural exposition. On the following day, October, His Excellency will bid farewell to the Pacific Coast and proceed eastward by the C. P. R. lines to Slocan Junction from where he will make a short detour for the purpose of visiting Lord Aberdeen's ranch near Vernon.

ICEBERGS OF CAPE HORN.

San Francisco, Sept. 14.—Officers of the British ship Walden Abbey deny the recent report that the icebergs on the coast of Cape Horn are of the size of the Titanic. The ship passed two immense icebergs, one being two miles long and 400 feet high.

EASTERN LACROSSE MATCHES.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 15.—The victory of the Capitals over the Shamrocks by 5 to 1, and of the Nationals over Montreal by 3 to 2, leaves the lacrosse championship between the Capitals and the Shamrocks. The Shamrocks will take place in Toronto next Saturday.

CANADIAN-ASIATIC TRADE.

Alberta Merchant Foresees a Grand Prospect for Commerce.

Edmonton, Alb., Sept. 14.—John MacDougal, a leading merchant here, is back from a tour around the world, and this morning gave quite an interesting little story of his travels. Like every other Canadian who has traveled in the Orient, Mr. MacDougal is enthusiastic about the possibilities of a Canadian-Asiatic trade.

"Edmonton and Calgary," he said, "are going to get the flour trade of China. I am thoroughly convinced that the Japanese are going to do it. If I were in the flour milling business I would pay all attention to China, would send a man there with four or five hundred kegs of stock on hand and prepare to do business on as large a scale as the prospects of the trade warranted."

Mr. MacDougal explained his preference for China over Japan as a possible field for the flour trade by pointing out that the Japanese government is intensely protectionist, and that Japan is collecting duties on wheat. The Japanese government is meeting with great success in the colonization, and in a very few years there will be no market for foreign grain in that country.

Mr. MacDougal said that he had been in the city last night, bringing 26 passengers and mail from the fur trading posts as far north as Mackenzie.

Those taken to the Protestant hospital were: H. T. Walker, of Mullinville, Gloucester county, N. J., with both legs broken; Walker jumped from the third story; Mrs. Robt. Pentroth, of 407 Huron street, Toronto, also jumped from the third story; Mrs. E. Butterworth, of Ottawa, who was married on her father's death; Mrs. Macdonald, formerly of Regina, who jumped from the second story; and George Montgomery jumped from second story.

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Once the injured and other guests had been removed, the firemen devoted their attention to the extinguishing of the fire. They could do nothing with the building itself; it was one mass of roaring flames. The efforts of the brigade were, therefore, concentrated upon saving the surrounding property, and in this they were quite successful.

All the 250 guests lost their belongings. The hotel building is valued at \$75,000 and is covered by insurance. The first appeal will make the total fully \$150,000. The extent to which the Royal Bank has suffered will not be known until the vault is opened. Mr. Bain, lessee of the Gilmore left for the East this afternoon.

It will be some days before the authorities can search the ruins. There was loss of life seen undoubtedly. Miss Lizzie O'Neill, head waitress, is missing. Last night was the first night this week that remained at the hotel; other nights she went home giving her own room in the hotel to visitors. Exhausted by the strenuous work of the night, she decided to utilize her own room last evening, and from appearances, this decision cost her her life. Mrs. Agnes Beckett, boarder at the hotel, is also missing. She ran a millinery business on Sparks street, and it has been closed all day. It is feared that she has perished.

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WHEEL GUESSES LEAP FOR LIFE

From a Flaming Building in Ottawa--Several Severely Injured

MANY CASES OF HEROISM

A Number of Missing Persons Are Supposed to Have Perished

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 15.—The Gilmore hotel, on Bank street, was gutted in less than an hour tonight. The fire was of the ferocious and spread with lightning-like rapidity. Being fair week, the hotel was crowded to excess.

A few minutes after eleven, guests who were in the rotunda suddenly noticed smoke emerging from the elevator shaft, and then there came a rush of flame up the shaft and also into the office. At once the alarm was given and the employees ran through the house to awaken those of the guests who had retired. The difficulty was to reach those on the upper floor, as the main stairway was jammed with people.

The fire department was speedily on the spot, but it was at once apparent that the hotel was doomed. The firemen had for the moment to abandon their work, and the saving of life was the first consideration. At many of the upper windows persons in scanty attire were screaming for help. A score of heroes rushed to rescue, but notwithstanding many were killed and injured in endeavoring to escape from the burning building.

Arch Blue, census commissioner and family had a narrow escape. They had to be rescued by the fire department, but fortunately he and his family were not seriously injured. Col. D. A. Macdonald, quartermaster-general, unfortunately had not retired and quickly got out of the building. Mr. Macdonald, formerly of Regina, and of the building. A Torontonian named George Montgomery jumped from second story.

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Church has Intimated his Intention of Retiring.

Importing Ministers. Montreal, Sept. 15.—A party of some thirty Methodist ministers and laymen, who have been invited to visit the Mother Country of Rev. Dr. Woodworth, who is now ill in London. Dr. Woodworth, who is corresponding secretary for missions, with authority over Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, went over to England recently with a view to securing means to meet the great demands of the West. These thirty are some of those he has secured, and they are visiting a similar conference on their way out to their fields of labor.

Methodist Conference

Montreal, Sept. 15.—The afternoon session of the Methodist conference was devoted to receiving deputations, those heard being fraternal delegates from Japan, Rev. Mr. Harris and Rev. Dr. Honda, and representatives of the Dominion Alliance, W. C. T. U. and Canadian Bible Society. At the time of the greater portion of the members of the conference is being taken up in committee work and it is expected that when the conference reassembles on Saturday everything will be in such shape that rapid progress will be made.

Suicides While Insane

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Sept. 15.—W. J. Davidson, storekeeper, of the Lake Superior Hotel, committed suicide while a patient at the general hospital yesterday and was found dead in his bed by the nurses. He had been receiving treatment for nervous trouble and being better, intended leaving shortly. He is supposed to have been insane when he committed the deed.

Block Signals on Canadian Pacific

Montreal, Quebec, Sept. 15.—The C. P. R. has let a contract to the Hill Signal company for blocks with which they will equip their line between Montreal and Vaudeville. Block signals will be put on and a half mile apart.

Unionists Dissent From Socialism

St. John, N. B., Sept. 15.—The National Trades and Labor congress today adopted a resolution endorsing its support to John Meekis president as labor candidate in St. Mary's division of Montreal for the House of Commons.

The nomination of John Meekis, who is the candidate of the Dominion Trades and Labor council, was objected to and his platform was assailed. The municipal ownership plank was denounced as a Socialistic fad.

COAL MERGER, ALIAS COMBINE.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 15.—The Herald today says: "A coal merger is contemplated whose scope is said to be the largest in the history of Cape Breton. The men behind the movement are Henry M. Watson, of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. When the merger is effected, which will be in the near future, it will be said to be the largest in commercial importance the Dominion Commercial company which has hitherto dominated the Cape Breton coalfield."

A factor of the first importance in the new enterprise will be the opening of a new shipping port, Port Morien, from which the combined product will be shipped. The coal will all the year round and it is regarded as an ideal port for shipping purposes. It is understood that the proposed amalgamation will embrace all the coal properties still independent of the Dominion Coal Co.

THE COAST LIAR.

Kasio Kootenay. The Coast liar is again in evidence. This time he has been hitting an optimist pipe, and while talking of the gold fields connected a yarn about Chinese securing control of the Victoria Colist. The story is about as follows: "The gold fields as the recent reported 'startling' disclosures of the Peary deal, in fact, bears the name of the Coast Liar. The truth in it. Of course the yarn was eagerly seized up by various agitators in the province, and we have seen how they give prominence to the emphatic denial. The scoundrel of scandal, the Vancouver Herald, has been busy in the same old story. They also sprung the Peary deal, which investigation only ended in a complete exposure of the old events, the Chinky affair was not taken seriously except by those of his political opponents. It simply shows the dire straits into which the liberal press of the province has drifted to try to bring down the Conservative party. Anything at all is seized upon to attack the end desired. The unreliable journals as the World and the Times, and which are handled by the prototype, the Nelson Daily News. But the latest sensation shows the shifting upon a new basis. It is being considered by a few, but is looked upon with disgust by the many. It makes many a God send that the Coast Liar is where it is, and where it is, it is where it is."

GOOD PLACE FOR AN INFIDEL.

There is a rough humor in the remark of Mr. George H. Earle, Jr., the receiver for the wrecked trust company in Philadelphia, that in view of the fact that the corporation having directors all of one religious denomination, he would have all faiths represented, and that "a conservative infidel of business reputation might be considered for the position of board." Mr. Earle derives from his Quaker ancestry the breadth of view that recognizes no monopoly of integrity or weakness in any denomination, and that business ability and character are more valuable, because less easily pretended, than piety. Certainly in his case, they are qualities of incalculable worth to the much-misguided creditors of the Estate Trust company.—New York Times.