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## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO DECIDE GRANT NO FURTHER PRIVILEGES

### Water Way Commission Say Jurisdiction to Deal With Falls, Vested in Dominion Government

The report of the Canadian section of the international waterway commission was issued yesterday. It covers a good deal of ground—rather water-buff, but contains very few specific recommendations, such as gave to the reports of the Ontario municipal power commission and the hydro-electric commission; their distinction among the literature of royal commission, as the international commission grew out of the River and Harbor Act passed by congress in 1902, which requested the President of the United States to have Great Britain to join in the formation of an international commission.

The Canadian section did not get to work until March 1905. The secretary, E. A. S. directed the commission to consider the exploitation of water powers in the Rainy River and Lake Superior. The commission was directed to consider the exploitation of water powers in the Rainy River and Lake Superior. The commission was directed to consider the exploitation of water powers in the Rainy River and Lake Superior.

What's Doing at the Soo. The most pressing matter brought before the commission was that relating to the uses of water at Sault Ste. Marie. The volume of water flowing out of Lake Superior at normal low water is 64,000 cubic feet per second. The traffic on the Canadian and American canals last year exceeded forty million tons. The capacity of the Soo locks is 1200 cubic feet of water per second. About 4000 cubic feet per second should be unconditionally reserved for canal use.

On the Canadian side the Lake Superior Power Company is using about 2500 cubic feet per second, the capacity of its canals being about 9000. The company has designed an additional canal which will have a capacity of about 2500 cubic feet per second. On the American side the Michigan Lake Superior Power Company are operating a canal with a capacity of 1400 cubic feet per second, of which 2000 are being used. On the American side also the Chandler-Dunbar Company's power works are using about 1400 cubic feet per second. The commission passed a resolution asking that no further rights or privileges be granted regarding the water flowing out of Lake Superior.

The United States secretary of war has enforced rules regarding the water of the American companies which the commission will probably use as a foundation for regulations to be ultimately recommended to the governments. The fundamental principles on which these rules and regulations are based, are: first, navigation must be protected; second, navigation must be protected; third, the public must be served the right to use any portion or all of the natural flow of the river.

**Niagara Subtraction.** Here is the substance of the commission's report on Niagara Falls: The following quantities of water are required for chartered developments in operation or in course of construction on both sides of the river: Cubic ft. per sec.

On the Canadian side:	
The Ontario Power Co.	12,000
The Electrical Development Co.	10,000
The Canadian Niagara Power Co.	9,500
Total	32,500
On the American side:	
The American Niagara Falls Power Co.	17,500
The Niagara Falls Hydraulic Power and Manufacturing Co.	9,200
Total	26,700

Total on both sides 59,200 cubic feet per second. The total flow over the two falls is 222,400 cubic feet per second. A competent hydraulic engineer, calculating that the subtraction of 59,200 cubic feet per second from the Niagara River above Goat Island will draw the water down to the rock bottom edge of the American fall, leaving a miserable little film dribbling over the sill; and that the subtraction of 40,000 cubic feet more, or 30,000 cubic feet per second in all, above Goat Island, will deprive the American channel completely. Whether the water taken below the crest of the rapids on the Canadian side will not affect the American Falls is a point to be determined.

**Slope is Ours.** The slope of the Niagara River towards the Horseshoe Falls is such that the level of the intakes of the American power plants is considerably higher than the level of the Horseshoe Falls. The American side must have a greater effect upon the lower end of the American fall than drawing it on the Canadian side. Two of the Canadian intakes are below the crest of the rapids. It is not yet possible to estimate the relative amounts of water which can be drawn from the two sides of the river without affecting the American Fall.

Besides the chartered developments referred to, there are two charters granted by the New York legislature to corporations to take unlimited water from Niagara River.

The Dominion parliament has also granted charters to three corporations

## WILL ANNEX TO HAMILTON BEACH RESIDENTS ACCEPT

Same Terms That Were Suggested Years Ago—No Civic Reception for Prince Arthur.

Hamilton, April 19.—(Special.)—About twenty-five beach residents attended the meeting of the beach and harbor committee this evening, and almost unanimously agreed in favor of annexation with the city along the line laid down some years ago. It provides that the beach shall be governed by a board of commissioners, two of whom will be appointed by the city council, two elected by the summer residents. This board will have the whole and the by permanent residents say as to taxation and subject to city taxes, but all taxes levied by the commissioners will be paid on the basis of the permanent population. A deputation will likely wait upon the Hon. Frank Cochrane when he visits the city.

The firemen had eight calls this afternoon to fires started in grass by boys. This evening a big frame barn at the corner of Main and Lock-streets was burned down.

**A Property Purchase.** G. W. Robinson and John Lennox have bought the store on South James-street now occupied by the G. W. Robinson Company, for \$75,000.

The agreement under which the bricklayers' strike has been settled provides that the men are to continue to work this year at 45c an hour, with a nine-hour day, and that they are to get an eight-hour day next year, with 47.50c an hour, and in 1908 they will get 50c an hour.

The Baptists are building a church at Crown Point.

Dr. Parfitt of the Gravenhurst sanitarium has been asked if he will consider an offer to take charge of the consumption sanitarium here. Mrs. Wanzel has been appointed matron. No inebriates will be admitted.

When the bill now before the legislature, appointing a railway commission, is passed, the council will seek its aid to repair the street railway to repair its roadbed, and put its cars in good shape.

The license commissioners this morning were asked for a reduction in the license. Leander Silvestre asked for a license for an hotel for colored people. No action was taken.

Will Sit with the Prince. The official in charge of Prince Arthur's trip has telegraphed that the time that the prince will stay in Hamilton has been extended from 15 to 45 minutes, and that he will be in the city at an address and take the train for a drive. Mayor Biggar, however, has telegraphed that all arrangements for the reception have been canceled, and that the city, in an official way, will not recognize the prince's stay here.

**WORK OF TRACT SOCIETY.** Extension to Cobalt District intended for the summer.

The seventy-third annual meeting of the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society was held in Collegiate Baptist Church last night. The Rev. Dr. K. J. Macdonald, president, presided over the annual report and the election of officers was followed by addresses by Rev. Dr. K. J. Macdonald and Rev. Dr. Bole. A new office was created by the appointment of James Judson to the position of secretary.

**Will Reduce Grant.** The board of education last night decided to meet the request of the mayor and board of control in considering a reduction in the maintenance account grant of \$15,000, namely \$12,000 for public schools and \$3000 for collegiate institutions.

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**IF WOMEN ONLY KNEW.** Thousands of women suffer untold miseries every day with aching backs that really have no business to ache. A woman's back wasn't made to ache. Under ordinary conditions it ought to be strong and ready to help her bear the burdens of life.

It is hard to do housework with an aching back. Hours of misery at leisure or at work. If women only knew the cause, Backache comes from sick kidneys, and a lot of trouble sick kidneys cause in the world.

But they can't help it. If more work is put on them than they can stand it's not to be wondered that they get out of order. Backache is simply their cry for help.

**DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS** will help you. They're helping sick, overworked kidneys—all aches and pains, making them strong, healthy and vigorous. Mrs. P. Ryan, Douglas, Ont., writes: "For over five months I was troubled with lame back and was unable to move without help. I tried all kinds of remedies, but nothing helped me. At last I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills and after I had used three-quarters of the box my back was as strong and well as ever."

Price 50 cents per box or three boxes for \$1.25, all dealers or The Doan Kidney Pill Co., Toronto, Ont.

## THE INSURANCE ASPECT FOREIGN COMPANIES INTERESTED

London Corporations Have Been Carrying the Largest Risks—At Least 136 Companies Are Involved in the Losses.

According to the thirty-seventh annual report of the state insurance commissioner of California for the year ended Dec. 31, 1904, there were 136 London and marine insurance companies doing business in the state. Of these 87 confine themselves entirely to fire insurance business. Only two are organized under the laws of California. The Home and the Continental. The Home's risks foot up \$20,765,304, while the risks carried by the Continental amount to \$23,235,948. Of the American companies on Jan. 1, 1905, British America, Toronto, \$4,220,545; Caledonian, Edinburgh, \$10,305,390; Commercial Union, London, \$15,104,587; Hamburg-Bremen Fire, Hamburg, \$12,470,720; Law Union and Crown, London, \$45,400,142; Liverpool & London & Globe, Liverpool, \$17,215,566; London & Lancashire, Liverpool, \$11,640,392; Manchester, Manchester, \$6,553,420; Netherlands Fire and Life, The Hague, \$595,802; New Zealand, Auckland, \$8,970,070; North British and Mercantile, London, \$13,123,741; Northern, London, \$14,493,724; North German Fire, Hamburg, \$10,025,700; Norwich Union Fire, Norwich, \$10,025,700; Phoenix, London, \$11,310,034; Prussian National, Stettin, \$8,715,396; Rhine and Moselle Fire, Strasbourg, \$8,956,490; Royal Liverpool, \$23,351,467; Royal Exchange,

London, \$17,501,410; Scottish Union and National, Edinburgh, \$9,901,576; State Fire, Liverpool, \$3,168,497; Sun Fire, London, \$10,869,759; Svea Fire and Life, Gothenburg, \$17,589,729; Transatlantic Fire, Hamburg, \$15,764,632; Union, London, \$5,754,625; Western, Toronto, \$11,213,071.

The heaviest insurance in the whole State of California is carried by the Firemen's Fund of San Francisco, with a total of \$27,542,577. The Liverpool and London and Globe Company of Liverpool is second in total amount of insurance carried in California, with \$18,518,106. The London Assurance Company, which leads in San Francisco, has carried a total of \$12,212,792 in the whole State of California.

The Pacific Coast Insurance Review recently published a list of the companies holding risks in San Francisco, with the amount of the premiums collected from the policies. An idea of the amount of the holdings of the different companies may be gathered by considering that 4 per cent is a fair average at which to place premiums in relation to the value of the risks.

The list of insurance companies doing business in Toronto, and which have risks in San Francisco, with the amount of premiums they received for the year 1905, is: British and Foreign, \$48,942,749; Alliance, \$47,325; Commercial Union, \$46,902; London Assurance, \$37,719; Law Union and Crown, \$28,030; London & Lancashire, \$28,030; North British and Mercantile, \$24,560; Northern, \$23,850; Norwich Union, \$23,356; Phoenix, \$23,850; Royal, \$23,850; Scottish Union, \$23,850; State, \$23,850; Transatlantic, \$23,850; Union, \$23,850; Western, \$23,850.

**THREE FIRES ARE BURNING** Continued From Page 1.

needed to carry out the plans of the rescue they have been pressed into the service. In a few instances it was necessary to resort to the revolver and drawn swords, after which there was no hesitancy. Orders have been issued to kill any malefactors without warning.

**SUFFERING FROM THIRST.** To-day was bright and warm. The wind blew down on the tired workers and rescuers. There is scarcely any water to relieve the thirst of the suffering. The dead, in many instances, are lying in the streets among the ruins.

The authorities are doing all in their power to remove the bodies in order that an epidemic may be prevented. It has been necessary to repeatedly move the bodies to the city hall, where they are kept in a cold storage, where the fire kept increasing with alarming rapidity. "Water!" is the incessant cry of the firemen and the people—one wants it to fight, the others to drink, but there is only a scant drinking supply.

**NATION IS APPEALING** Continued From Page 1.

A park awaiting soldiers to distribute water." Canned Goods by Carload. Los Angeles, April 19.—E. E. Calvin, general manager of the Southern Pacific, has arranged to get a special train, buy five carloads of canned goods and rush them to San Francisco. California is in the grip of the fire, and the city is so appalling as to be beyond belief or comprehension.

**Communication Restored.** Washington, April 19.—The war department late to-night received the following from General Funston at San Francisco: "Latest reports regarding railway communications are as follows: Ferry from San Francisco to Oakland, and with our ferry apparatus and help from the department we successfully fought the fire away, although the windows on Market-street and the side of the third story were burned out. Fire coming in drove us back for a time. Adjusting rooms and refinery were damaged some, but the heavy machinery and the side of the building corner on that side of the building was not damaged. The roof was burned a little."

**Injured by Dynamite.** San Francisco, April 19.—Lieut. Chas. C. Pulis, commanding the 8th Company of Light Artillery, was blown up by a charge of dynamite at Sixth and Jessie-streets, and was probably fatally injured.

**Real Sympathy.** Portland, Ore., April 19.—In addition to the relief fund of \$10,000, raised yesterday morning, Portland business men up to 2 p.m. had contributed \$10,000, making a total of \$20,000 for the relief of the San Francisco earthquake sufferers.

**Government is Prompt.** Washington, April 19.—Prompt action has been taken by the war department in extending to the earthquake sufferers of San Francisco all the available resources of its command to relieve the wants of the distressed and to provide shelter for the homeless.

Two hundred thousand rations have been directed to be sent from Vancouver Barracks to San Francisco, and a large number of tents from Vancouver and other military posts. The supplies will be forwarded with all the expedition possible.

General Funston has been asked whether he needs additional supplies to assist him in his work, and if so Secretary Taft will give orders that they be sent to him. General Bell, the chief of staff, remained on duty all night, sending orders in various directions for despatch of supplies to San Francisco. For the present it is the hope of the military here that the relief to be sent to General Funston will relieve all immediate necessities. They will be followed by more if the emergency demands it.

**Train Service Cut Off.** Chicago, April 19.—The Southern Pacific has been cut off by the largest transportation interests in San Francisco, has been endeavoring to establish both rail and wire communication with the north and west. The railroad is cut off, and the wire communication is cut off. The railroad is cut off, and the wire communication is cut off.

**In Direct Peril.** Oakland, April 19.—(9 a.m.)—The fire is still raging furiously in San Francisco and there is no possibility of stopping it until it exhausts itself for want of fuel. The city is doomed. The authorities are still doing everything in the vain hope of checking the progress of the flames, but a new misfortune has befallen the place. The explosive force of blowing up buildings is becoming exhausted, even the powder of the government arsenal is all gone. Every business building and half of the residential portion of the city is destroyed.

**Obituary.** Quebec, April 19.—The death occurred this morning of Edson Fitch, one of Quebec's best known citizens, and proprietor of the largest match and splint factory in Canada, if not in the world.

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## MORE SHOCKS EXPERIENCED IS NO RACIAL PREJUDICE ONE FAT AT NEW ORLEANS LEMIEUX'S FERVENT WORDS

Miners Suffer in Earth's Tremor—Los Angeles is Also Shaken Again. Solicitor-General's Address to Manufacturers a Patriotic Effort.

Calumet, Mich., April 19.—An earthquake shock, which was felt distinctly in Calumet, Mich., was most pronounced in the Quincy mine, killed Timothy Leary and injured 400 others while working one mile below the earth's surface in that property to-day.

In numerous instances buildings rocked, chimneys fell and dispatches failed, terrifying the citizens and causing scores of men, women and children to rush from their homes. Many miners on the day shift refused to go below again.

**LOS ANGELES FRIGHTENED.** Los Angeles, April 19.—At 12:33 o'clock this afternoon, Los Angeles experienced a distinct earthquake shock of short duration. The shock was done, but thousands of people were frightened. Occupants of office buildings, especially of tall structures, ran into the streets hastily. Many stores were closed. The shock was passed and most of those who had fled returned to the buildings.

**IN EUROPE, TOO.** Sarajevo, Bosnia, April 19.—At 11 o'clock this morning, a short sharp earthquake was felt in Sarajevo. The shock was done, but thousands of people were frightened. Occupants of office buildings, especially of tall structures, ran into the streets hastily. Many stores were closed. The shock was passed and most of those who had fled returned to the buildings.

**WIPED OUT.** Los Angeles, Calif., April 19.—Reports from Brawley, a small town on the Southern Pacific, 120 miles south of Los Angeles, state that the town was practically wiped out by the earthquake of yesterday. This is the only town in Southern California known to have suffered from the shock.

**Portents More Disaster.** Rome, April 19.—The observatory in the observatory through Italy yesterday recorded distant earth shocks. Those of the observatory at Florence, which has the most complete instruments, indicated that an earthquake had been felt at a distance of over 7000 miles. The shocks were so severe that they caused great alarm.

**Scientists Expected It.** Madison, Wis., April 19.—President Charles R. Van Hise of the University of Wisconsin, one of the best known geologists in the world, said that the United States Geological Survey, says a disaster at San Francisco has long been expected by scientists. In a signed statement he said: "The earthquake at San Francisco is dangerous, located, and would probably sooner or later be subject to severe shocks."

**BRANTFORD MAN DEAD.** Ontario People at Frisco Not Heard From—Friends Anxious.

Dr. J. S. Stinson, who is one of the best known physicians in Ontario, was a native of Brantford, Ont., where his parents, R. C. and Mrs. S. Stinson, lived. He was a well-known horseman. Dr. Stinson was thirty-five years of age when he was killed by the earthquake at San Francisco. He was a member of the Masonic order, and the fraternity there has been directed to forward the remains to Brantford.

Mrs. Kenny, wife of James Kenny, managing director of the Western Fire Insurance Co., was also killed. She was a native of Brantford, Ont., and was a well-known social worker. She was a member of the Masonic order, and the fraternity there has been directed to forward the remains to Brantford.

Three of the theatrical men now in the city claim San Francisco as their home. Walter Messinger, ahead of the "Theatrical Times," has two sons, a brother and several nieces and nephews. George Boyler, agent for Nance O'Neill, also lives at Frisco. Howard, one of the "Checkers" Company, is anxious about relatives in Oakland.

T. C. West, a Toronto lawyer, is one of the losers by the earthquake. His mother lives at 205 Lansdowne-avenue, Toronto.

Rev. J. J. Sinclair, a cousin of D. L. Sinclair of this city was in San Francisco. He was in charge of an insurance office in San Francisco.

J. Lugand, west coast manager of the Mercantile Bank of India, who lives with his wife and family in Frisco, is a brother of W. J. Lugand, the furrier, and a relative of W. K. McNaught, M.P.

Mrs. M. D. Spencer, of San Francisco, is visiting relatives at 55 Grenville-street. She is very anxious about her husband, who is a Canadian.

The daughter and son-in-law of Rev. John Solman of Brantford, are residents of San Francisco.

James Stevenson, ex-M.P. for Peterborough, has a sister, Mrs. Swagoe and family, living in San Francisco. Considerable anxiety is felt by Mr. and Mrs. James Rowland of Brockville for the safety of their son, Albert Rowland, of Brockville, and a sister, who reside in San Francisco.

**PREDICTED REVOLUTION.** (Canadian Associated Press Cable.) London, April 19.—The Freeman's Journal, referring to the great tide of immigration, says Canada some day will be an inferno of fire and blood. The American revolution will be duplicated unless Downing-street statesmen are wise.

**Jarvis St. Young Men.** The Young Men's Club of the Jarvis-street Baptist Church had their sixth annual banquet last night. L. T. Lugand was toastmaster. The address of the evening was "An Old Lesson From the Greeks," delivered by D. E. Thompson, K.C.

The musical end of the evening, and J. C. Williams assisted. Among the speakers on a lengthy toast list were: W. C. McDermid, W. C. McNaught, R. S. Stockwell, D. O. McKinnon, Percy Johnston, G. French and A. E. Lyon.

**Long Terms.** Eight and Ten Year Sentences for Safe Blowers.

The safe-blowers, who, for upwards of two years, have menaced Toronto and its suburbs with their dynamite, were sentenced yesterday.

The magistrate considered that Bell was the leader of the gang and sent him down for ten years.

James Hunter and John Crosby were sent down for eight years each.

**Canada's Destiny.** After patriotic and personal references, Mr. Lemieux declared himself a believer in Divine Providence. "I would pray rather than curse the unbeliever," he said, "and gazing at the annals of my country under the old regime, and looking at what has been accomplished under the new, I say that it was a decree of God Himself which caused the history that we repeat once more. Remember, the men who conquered at Hastings were Canadians. They gave England a constitution and a nation."

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