

FISCHER BROS' CASE

Two of the Crew of the Seized Schooner Signed on the Enterprise.

Supposition That the Mary Ellen Has the General Sign in Tow.

The incident of the seizure of the Neah bay schooner Fischer Brothers is bringing forth other developments which may prove interesting to the schooner Enterprise and her master, Captain Todd.

Although the schooner Mary Ellen left the sealing grounds about the same time as the schooner Enterprise she has as yet not put in an appearance.

The steamer Maule returned from New Westminster yesterday evening, and this morning she went out to the quarantine station to bring in the cables for the city who have been held at the station since the arrival of the Empress of China three weeks ago.

RATHER LATE IN THE DAY.

An Effort to Connect the Rev. Dr. Gibson With the Murder of Minnie Williams.

San Francisco, May 19.—A very important witness in the Minnie Williams case was discovered yesterday in Mrs. Schwartz.

Mrs. Schwartz is about 30 years old, she says her attention was attracted to the person whom she identified as the Rev. Mr. Gibson because of his clerical appearance and the further fact that he carried the bag and seemed very solicitous for her welfare.

The Rev. Mr. Gibson's neck is somewhat disfigured by old scars, and Mrs. Schwartz says she observed such scars on Miss Williams' companion, and they served to impress the features of the man upon her memory.

Although Mrs. Schwartz is a resident of the city, and for the past two years has been aware of the fact that Theodore Durrant is accused of the murder, her reluctance to have her name involved in the notorious case in any manner has prevented her from assisting in the case.

She explains that she thought her testimony would not be necessary, but after Durrant had been sentenced to death and removed to San Quentin to await the execution of the judgment against him, she considered the matter carefully and decided it was time to reveal what she knew.

One Hundred Dollars One Dollar is Peculiar to and Truly Hood's Sarsaparilla. It is Economy to Buy Hood's.

CANADIAN NEWS.

C.P.R. Appointments—Early Dissolution of Ontario Legislature.

Winnipeg, May 20.—In recording appointments announced on the Pacific division of the C.P.R. an error was made as to the location of Mr. Beasley, who was mentioned as superintendent of the Vancouver subdivision.

Excavation district known as Nelson division, and Mr. Beasley has been appointed to this division, with headquarters at Nelson. Wm. Downey, the present divisional superintendent at Vancouver, is reported in that position.

Toronto, May 20.—The Telegram tonight says all signs point strongly to an early dissolution of the Ontario legislature.

M. Sweet, chief postoffice inspector, left here yesterday on an official visit to Manitoba and British Columbia.

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REV. J. C. SPEER.

The Clergyman Who is Coming to the Metropolitan Church.

The Toronto Globe of last Saturday has a portrait of the Rev. J. C. Speer, accompanied by the following sketch:

In the removal to the Metropolitan Methodist church, at Victoria, B. C., of the Rev. J. C. Speer, whose portrait appears in this issue, Methodism in Toronto is about to lose one of its most prominent preachers.

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O'FARRELL KNOCKED DOWN.

A Stranger in Spokane Went Up and Hit Him on the Eye.

About 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, while P. A. O'Farrell, the mining man, was standing at the end of the bar in the Spokane Hotel, just entering into a conversation with R. L. Brown, a stranger walked deliberately up to Mr. O'Farrell and without saying a word struck him two terrific blows over the left eye.

Mr. O'Farrell, bleeding profusely from a cut over his eye, was assisted to his feet. As he arose, he stepped forward, his hands on his hips. By this time Mr. Brown, seeing the crowd closing in, and thinking the trouble was at an end, allowed the man to rise. The stranger, seeing the position of O'Farrell's hands, fiercely inquired: "Have you got a gun?"

"No," he replied, "I have no gun." A few words passed between the two men. The language is reported differently by the different spectators, but several agree that the man said: "That will teach you not to blick my friend."

"I never saw him," he said, "I have never seen a man, formerly a gambler in Butte, who is now here. He is an ex-gambler. I have had occasion to expose a bill in newspaper articles. I have written, and achieved the man to assault me. I have had a warrant issued for the arrest of Larson. After the occurrence the ex-gambler followed Larson down the street to the Bookery and put him in a buggy there. Then Larson was driven out of the city. Before that was done the ex-gambler had engaged an attorney to defend Larson in case he was caught, and had given the lawyer money to bail out Larson when arrested."

Richard Nuzum was the lawyer engaged, and \$50 was given him to bail out Larson. Mr. Nuzum said yesterday: "All I know about the case is that a man who I have known several times, a Scandianavian accent, came to me and gave me \$50, saying that Larson, a friend of his, had hit O'Farrell, and he wanted me to go down and bail him out. I did not know Larson, but from a description the man gave me, I remembered having seen him. I supposed that Larson was arrested at the time. The man who gave me the \$50 is not an ex-gambler, and is not well known here. I have not known him long, but all I know of him goes to show that he is a square man. I do not think he is the man Mr. O'Farrell takes him to be."

THE SMELTER PROJECT.

To the Editor: At the request of the board of trade, Mr. Carlyle, provincial mineralogist, wrote to Mr. Mathewson, giving an outline of the smelter plant proposed to be erected in this city, provided the city would give \$150,000 to the same. The promoters claiming that the proposed plant, according to the plans submitted, would cost over \$400,000.

Mr. Carlyle in reply received the following letter, which I will ask you to publish as it is in the interests of every citizen that all possible information on the subject should be laid before them.

I myself add that the Philadelphia Smelting & Refining Company, in Pueblo, Colorado, is one of the largest in the United States.

CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor.

Copy of letter received by Mr. W. A. Carlyle, from Mr. E. P. Mathewson, superintendent of the Philadelphia Smelting & Refining Company: "Pueblo, Col., April 2, 1897. W. A. Carlyle, Esq., Bureau of Mines, Victoria, B.C.

Dear Carlyle: I wired you yesterday on receipt of your letter of the 27th ult. as follows: "One hundred thousand will build plants. Capacity is only two hundred and fifty."

Three such furnaces as these described as 42X140 could not be counted on to smelt over 250 tons of ore per day, unless blowing engines were put in, for high blast and a large house to catch the fumes. I would like to get a chance to build the plant you outlined at \$150,000. I think I could make a good year's salary on the job.

If you want a smelter and refinery in Victoria, why not communicate with some of the big plants here with a view of having them start a branch? I have no doubt that a bonus of \$25,000 would tempt one of them to build, if, after investigation, the town proved to be a good location. Please note that I have changed smelters. Yours truly, E. P. MATHEWSON.

The Westfield, Ind. News prints the following in regard to an old resident of that place: "Frank McAtroy, for many years in the employ of the L.N.A. & C. Ry. here, says: 'I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for many years of ages—never without it in my family. I can never after the best remedy of the kind manufactured. I take pleasure in recommending it. It is a specific for all bowel disorders. For sale by all druggists, Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.'

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

A FAST FOUR MILES.

Oakland, Cal., May 21.—Lucretia Borgia, a brown colt, four years old, by Imp Brutus, out of Lisette, bred and owned by Wm. Booth & Son, of San Jose, Cal., now hold the world's record for four miles. Splendidly ridden by Jockey Clauson, a clever light-weight pilot, and paced by Peter H. over the third mile and by installer over the fourth, Lucretia Borgia yesterday did the distance in the wonderful time of 7 minutes, 11 seconds, and that too, in the face of a strong wind blowing down the back stretch. The record for four miles against time stood for 21 years, having been made by Ten Brock, the celebrated distance horse, on September 27, 1876, at Louisville, Ky.

THE CUBAN QUESTION.

Washington, May 20.—Interest in the Cuban question was focused upon the house today and the galleries were filled. On the republican side more than half the chairs were occupied, many members having returned to the city in response to a message from the chairmen of the caucus.

Simpson, of Kansas, demanded the reading in full of the journal, after it had been read in the usual skeletonized form. Under the rules the speaker was compelled to grant the request. Then Simpson made the point that it was stated by the journal that certain bills were referred to committees, whereas no committees had been appointed.

Simpson was silenced by the previous question being demanded and sustained by the republicans.

The desks having been cleared, Dalzell, from the committee on rules, reported a rule for the consideration of the senate Cuban relief resolution, providing for a vote after two hours' debate.

The speaker recognized Dalzell to demand the previous question.

There was a sharp skirmish between Reed and Dalzell on one side and Bailey on the other, in the course of which Bailey remarked that he knew that the republicans did not intend to give the minority any opportunity to be heard, but advised them to carry out their programme with some degree of decency, whereupon he was applauded by the galleries.

Simpson shouted: "Don't ask for decency from that side."

The proposition Bailey was attempting to present was a substitute rule for the consideration of Morgan's resolution for the recognition of belligerency of the insurgents which is now before the senate after appropriation for relief had been disposed of.

Senator Thurston finished his Cuban resolution by declaring that the United States should send her strongest battleship to Cuba and station her at the harbor of Havana, where her frowning guns might awe the spirit of tyranny and revive hope in those struggling to be free. Elkins followed in opposition to the resolution.

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The motion to refer the Morgan resolution to the foreign relations committee was lost. Vote: Yeas, 19; nays, 54.

Fairbanks, republican, of Indiana, then took the floor to deliver a set speech on the Morgan resolution.

Senator Fairbanks closed by offering an amendment for intervention by this government for Cuban independence.

Caffery, of Louisiana, followed in a set speech.

Fairbanks' amendment for intervention for Cuban independence and tendering the good office of this government to that end, was tabled; 35 to 15.

The house unanimously passed the Cuban relief resolution appropriating \$50,000 for food supplies.

FLYNN'S RESIGNATION

Said to Have Been Handled to Chapleau To-Day.

Quebec, May 22.—The Flynn cabinet will resign at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Lieutenant-Governor Chapleau will drive down to the parliament house, Quebec, to receive the resignation of the government. Hon. Mr. Flynn will leave immediately for Banks county to watch the re-count for the last election.

Archbishop Beigo, co-adjutor to His Eminence Cardinal Taschereau, has received orders that a solemn Te Deum will be held at High Mass in all the churches of this diocese on Sunday, June 30, in thanksgiving for Her Majesty's glorious reign.

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GENERAL MILES

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Washington, D.C., May 22.—By direction of the president, Secretary of War General Miles, commanding the army, has arranged his affairs so as to be in London on June 15 to represent the United States as master of ceremonies in honor of the sixtieth anniversary of Queen Victoria's accession to the British throne.

TROUBLE AT HOMESTEAD.

A Mob Attacks a Band of Italian Laborers—More Trouble Expected.

Pittsburg, May 22.—Half a hundred little men at Homestead last night attacked two shanties in which were an equal number of Italians, imported from Virginia to work on the extension of the Homestead and Highland street railway. The attacking party was armed with sticks and stones. In the scrimmage several of the Italians were seriously injured. The attacking party then withdrew, but later the Italians returned.

A second attack was made and an attempt made to burn them. This time the foreigners drove their assailants off. The Italians went to work under the protection of officers. More trouble is expected. They imported men are working under contract for 75 cents a day.

IN THE LAW'S CLUTCHES.

Albert M. King, the Boston Bank Messenger, Arrested at Farmington.

Farmington, Maine, May 22.—Albert M. King, the Boston bank messenger, who disappeared on Tuesday with \$1,000 of the bank's money, was arrested here to-day. King arrived on the train from the Rangely lake region at 11:15 a.m. When searched at the jail all the money taken from the bank was found in King's pockets.

Monthly Competition for B.C. for the Year 1897

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