

and in this way John A. Johnson became familiar with the best books of the ages. There was also a debating society in the town and to this the country editor belonged. He and later that whatever talent he possessed as a public speaker he had acquired it in the debating societies at St. Peter. During all this time John A. Johnson was preparing.

Heads State Editors. His election to the presidency of the State Editorial Association first gave him state-wide notice and won for him the support of the country editors.

In the fall of 1904 Minnesota politics were in a peculiar condition. The Republicans had been at war with each other, a warfare that became war to the knife in the fight between Robert C. Dunn, of Princeton, and Judge L. W. Collins, of Minneapolis, for the nomination. Dunn's opponent and the Collins delegates from Minneapolis were thrown out of the convention. Then started one of the bitterest fights on record within the Republican party. Dunn was vilified and abused and the Democrats saw a chance in the situation to repeat the victory they had won with John Lind.

After searching about they hit upon John A. Johnson. Frank A. Day had spent the Sunday before with John, urging him to be a candidate, and his acceptance was the commencement of the unique political warfare between Johnson and Day, which lasted up to the time of the governor's death.

The governor was elected by a majority of 7,882 and the St. Peter editor had become one of the state's rulers.

Re-Elected Governor. In 1906 Johnson frankly sought a renomination and was elected without difficulty. The Republicans nominated C. L. Cole, of Fergus Falls, but the voters of the state had acquired the Johnson habit and Cole was defeated by over 27,318 majority. Two years went by and Governor Johnson was mentioned as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the presidency. He hesitated too long, but finally permitted the use of his name and was elected by a majority of 10,000 of his state delegation. This was followed by his third nomination for governor in Minnesota when the nomination was secured upon him by a convention that went wild with enthusiasm. In this election Governor Johnson was opposed to F. Jacobson, long known as the "commoner" of the Republican party. Although this was a presidential year Governor Johnson again won by a margin of 27,139.

During the last session of the legislature his most notable act was the veto of the proposed tonnage tax on iron ore.

LITTLE PROGRESS ON THE C. P. R. BRIDGE.

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trict being Republican. During his term in the senate Governor Johnson did not attract much attention. He voted on all questions with his party and retired to his home in September, without having made much of a stir. He made few speeches and was known as a pleasant, genial individual, ready as a talker but possessing no particular qualities that would mark him from the general average. But during the lean years of St. Peter, John A. Johnson had been preparing himself. He and his wife as one time decided they would give up social parties for winter and read. They did. Alderman Manson enquired if Alderman Bush did not think that the bridge was the cheapest of the kind that could be built.

Strathcona's Limit \$60,000.

Alderman Bush replied that it was perfectly useless to submit a by-law for \$100,000 to the people by a by-law. They might go as high as \$50,000, or even \$60,000, but that was the limit.

Mayor Lee expressed himself in favor of finding out exactly how much could be got from the government and then apportioning the remainder between the cities.

The Mayor called for a show of hands as to whether all were in favor of the plans. There was a unanimous expression of endorsement.

On motion of Alderman Bush and Fraser, the mayors and two aldermen from each city were appointed to ascertain how much could be secured from each government.

Mr. Peters Again Urges Haste. Before the meeting broke up Mr. Peters again urged that no further delay than was absolutely necessary take place. He would like the matter settled up at once. The company wished to get into Edmonton and the delay was preventing the carrying out of the plans, which were now ready to be proceeded with.

On his own suggestion, he will assist from the company's head engineers at Montreal what saving can be effected by the elimination of parts of the bridge, such as a second line of street car rails and one of the pedestrian walks.

When the grants from the governments are definitely ascertained another meeting will be held to arrange what portions Edmonton and Strathcona shall pay. By-laws for these amounts will then be submitted.

G. T. P. FACES LAW SUIT.

Representative of English Capital Demands 1,000 Prince Rupert Lots.

Vancouver, Sept. 15.—Boretton-Freen, the distinguished bimetalist, has commenced suit against C. Hays and the Grand Trunk Pacific Development company, alleging failure to deliver to the plaintiff the thousand lots in the Prince Rupert townsite which Freen says he contracted for several weeks before the Vancouver sale. A million and a half dollars is involved in the suit, which is likely to be finally taken to the privy council. Freen is represented by English capital and says he was supposed to be able to pick and choose from the entire townsite for his lots. He asks for the delivery of the property or heavy damages.

GILLIES LIMIT LANDS SOLD FOR \$229,054.50

The Ontario Government Realizes a Large Sum From the Sale of Property in Northern Ontario—Telegraphic News in Brief.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 15.—Details of the sale of the recently advertised portions of the Gillies' land, made public by Hon. Frank Cochrane minister of lands, forests and mines. The total proceeds were \$229,054.50. The amount includes \$113,111 for the much-talked-of provincial mine located on the limit which goes to L. M. Connell, Halesbury. In the statements by Hon. Frank Cochrane the total receipts, including former sales and returns from ore from the Gillies' limit up to the present time, have been \$229,456.40. The outlay for prospecting, mine No. 3 and other purposes has been \$94,092.68 so the return to the province is \$233,543.72.

Brockville's Oldest Resident Dead.

Brockville, Ont., Sept. 15.—Mrs. Fannie Hickey, Brockville, senior resident and the oldest in the section, died, aged 93. Her faculties were good to the last and she could see and read and sew without spectacles. She buried two husbands and leaves no children. A monument of herself is awaiting to be placed in position when her body is interred in the local cemetery.

Lethbridge Has \$9,000 Fire.

Lethbridge, Sept. 15.—Fire here last night destroyed the Windsor hotel stable and of fifteen horses only two were saved.

Fred Andrews was knocked off a car by a truck laying machine near the Monarch on the Lethbridge-Macleod cut off and killed. He was a Welchman, twenty-eight and leaves no children. Henderson's directory published the population of Lethbridge, exclusive of the villages at No. 3 and No. 4 streets at nine thousand. With these, which are just outside the corporation, it is over ten thousand.

St. John's, Sept. 15.—The steamer Viking, freight laden, sunk at the wharf at Stephen. The cause is unknown. She is a coastal vessel.

Montreal, Sept. 14.—There were sales of two hundred shares of Canada cement common at 30.50 and at 30.12. These are the first transactions in new cement merger. The interested parties believe the preferred will be twice over subscribed.

Vancouver, Sept. 15.—Some vandals last night broke into the new post office building and with a sledge mallet smashed the delicate works of the new clock. The damage totals a thousand dollars.

Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 15.—Chas. Lavardie, a fortune teller, was fined \$25 in the police court today. He was arrested yesterday by Mrs. Belle Clark, employed by the police department to secure evidence against fortune tellers.

Secretary Birch Resigns.

Winnipeg, Sept. 15.—W. J. Birch, secretary of the Manitoba and Northwest Underwriters' association for some years, has resigned, in order to assume the superintendency of the Phoenix Insurance Co.

Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 15.—John Ledgerwood, grain buyer at Cranston, Minn., charged with assaulting Mary Christenson, a Swede girl, was discharged after conflicting statements heard.

THE CEMENT MERGER.

We have already published the full announcement made by the Royal Securities Corporation concerning its invitation of subscribers to \$5,000,000 of seven per cent. cumulative preference stock of the Canada Cement Company Limited.

Subscription lists will be opened by the Royal Trust Company at all its offices on Wednesday, September 15th and closed on or before the following Wednesday.

The new company will control plants extending from the St. Lawrence to the Rocky Mountains and the consequent saving in freight alone will be enormous.

The Company's bankers are the Bank of Montreal.

BROKEN RAIL DITCHES TRAIN.

Combination Car Plunged Down an Embankment Injuring Twelve.

Faulton, S.D., Sept. 15.—The regular mixed train on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway going north, struck a broken rail eight miles north of town. The combination car which was full of passengers left the track and turned over on its side in the ditch.

The dead and injured are:

Dead—Clem Daly, proprietor of hotel, Aberdeen.

Injured—John Russell, Redfield, right shoulder dislocated, both legs bruised; W. A. Burton, Sioux Falls, head and knee bruised; Myron Fain, left leg dislocated; O. G. Stevens, bruised back and hip; O. P. Backster, express messenger, both knees bruised; C. J. McLaughlin, Iowa, back and hip bruised; G. F. Stevens, Clanton, Iowa, sprained across the abdomen and back and hips bruised; M. D. Sheldon, Walden, Iowa, back bruised; H. E. Stevens, Walden, Iowa, and says he was supposed to be able to pick and choose from the entire townsite for his lots. He asks for the delivery of the property or heavy damages.

WITH THE FARMERS

FARMERS' MARKETS.

Grain and Feed. Oats to dealers... 35c to 40c. Oats to dealers... 32c to 35c. Feed wheat... 70c per bushel. Barley... 38c per bushel. Dairy chop... \$1.25 per cwt. Out chop... \$1.45 per cwt. Bran, per cwt... \$1.30. New Timothy hay... \$8 to \$12.

Dairy Products. Dairy butter... 20c per lb. Dairy butter to dealers... 13c to 14c. Creamery butter... 20 to 25c per lb. Eggs... 20 to 25c per doz. Cheese, local... 12 to 15c per lb.

Live Stock. Grass-fed Steers 1,200... 3 3/4c per lb. Steers 1,000 to 1,200 lbs... 2 1/2 to 3 1/2c. Fat Hogs 1,000 and up 2 to 3 per lb. Medium cows and heifers... 2 1/2 to 3 1/2c. Fat cows... 2 to 2 1/2c. Choice Calves... 4c to 5c. Medium Calves... 3 to 4c. Hogs... 8c to 8 1/2c.

Vegetables. Carrots, onions, radishes, etc. 30c per dozen bunches; dry onions, 3 lbs. for 25c; cabbage, 50c per dozen new potatoes, 40c to 50c per bushel.

AGRICULTURAL FAIRS.

The following are the dates of the fall fairs to be held in the province: Sept. 16-17—Raymond. Sept. 20-21—Nanton. Sept. 21—Leduc. Sept. 22—Pincher Creek. Sept. 22-23—Daysland. Sept. 23-24—Magrath. Sept. 24—Sedgewick. Sept. 25—Wabamun. Sept. 27—Lloydminster. Sept. 27-28—Immiree. Sept. 28-29—Cardston. Sept. 29—Alix. Sept. 30, Oct. 1—Red Deer. Sept. 29—Vegreville. Sept. 29, Oct. 1—Vermilion. Sept. 30, Oct. 1—Wetaskiwin. Sept. 30—Taber. Oct. 1—Irwin. Oct. 1-2—Viking. Oct. 1-2—Stettler. Oct. 6-7—Canrose. Oct. 6-7—Didsbury. Oct. 6—Minerton. Oct. 6-7—Ponoka. Oct. 8—Mannville. Oct. 7-8—Lacombe. Oct. 12-13—Three Hills. Oct. 14—Pridde. Oct. 15—Crossfield. Oct. 13—Bowden. Oct. 19-20—High River.

FRIDAY'S GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, Sept. 17.—In spite of higher cables, due to a number of causes, chief among which were small Argentine shipments, improved demand, poor weather in Great Britain and bullish Italian reports, wheat sagged in all American markets and Winnipeg followed suit. So that a general decline in prices resulted. September lost a cent in all markets, while district options lost 1/2 to 3/4. Cash demand was

only fair, with offerings plentiful, and there was a further dropping off in the premium, which is now about 2 cents over October for No. 1 Northern and 1/2 over for No. 2 Northern; weather throughout the west dry and fine, no frost being reported except from Selkirk. Receipts continue moderate and rather indifferently; many farmers are holding their crop in granaries rather than pay storage while waiting for higher prices.

Winnipeg cash wheat—No. 1 Northern, 98; No. 2 Northern, 95 1/2; No. 3 Northern, 92 1/2; rejected 1 1/2 Northern, 90 1/2; rejected 2 1/2 Northern, 88; rejected 3 Northern for seeds, 85; rejected 2 Northern for seeds, 80. Oats—No. 2 white, 35; No. 3 white, 34. Barley—No. 3, 47 1/2; No. 4, 45 1/2. Winnipeg options: Wheat—September 98 1/2, 98; October 96 1/2, 96 1/2; December 95 1/2, 95 1/2; May 93 1/2, 93 1/2. Oats—September 36 1/2, 36; December 32 1/2, 32 1/2; May 30 1/2, 30 1/2. Fix—September closed 1.30, October 1.30, 1.29 1/2. American options: Chicago—September 1.03 1/2, 1.02 1/2; December 99, 98 1/2; May 1.01 1/2, 1.02 1/2.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKETS.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 17.—When the closing bell rang out today, announcing the day's business at an end, the wheat market was on the bobbing and it closed with net losses of 1/2 to 1c, with the September future the weakest spot in the list. The large number of visitors on 'change curtailed the volume of trade no little, yet some of the selling toward the close was by the St. Louis and New York as well as the Northwestern and Kansas City delegation. Wheat in the Northwest is moving more freely. Minneapolis and Duluth got 1,230 and Winnipeg 662 cars today. Stocks at all three places are being up. That at Minneapolis was under pressure from 'hedging' sales and it declined to a discount under the December. Duluth cash wheat was lower and there was more of it worked to come here at 4c over the Chicago December price. The hand of Armour and the presence of Patten were not visible in the pit. President George E. Marney and his lieutenants on the floor gave the visitors more attention than they did the market and Chief Patten showed no disposition to take a prominent part in the market's action. Generally speaking, the trader in wheat fears the Armour Grain Company and its position in the trade for its health alone, and having conditions well in hand, the shorts in September are likely to suffer unless they run to cover. The Armour people are doubtless expecting some unfavorable weather this month, and in case there is a change from present favorable conditions and receipts are reduced the bulls will again be in full control.

The present weather is against the corn price. The farmer is more willing to sell at least a part of the old grain now held in the

interior, and he is also a seller of the new crop. That market was a quiet affair today along with the other cereals. Receipts were 294 cars and 227 were estimated. Primary receipts were 489,000 bushels and the shipments were 231,000 bushels, compared with 566,000 bushels and 410,000 bushels respectively a year ago. Argentine shipments this week were 1,657,000 bushels, compared with 2,457,000 bushels the week before and 2,527,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply in chief ports is 2,460,000 bushels, compared with 3,735,000 bushels a week ago and 1,942,000 bushels a year ago. There was an easier feeling in oats at the close along with the other grains, following some strength at the start. The cash market was a shade easier with the demand only moderate. There were 169 cars here and the estimate as sent out by the railways was for 184 cars.

The weakness in hogs caused the entire provision list to sell off at one time, but just before the close there was a reaction from the lowest price reached and the feeling was firmer. Some of the larger houses in the trade are advising the purchase of January products.

MOVE TO GAIN CONTROL OF AMERICA'S FINANCES

This is How Country Bankers See Up Proposition of a Central National Bank—They Fear Big Bankers in Wall Street.

Chicago, Sept. 15.—The proposition of a central national bank is not received kindly by the country bankers who are congregated in Chicago in attendance upon the annual convention of the American Bankers Association. The country bankers say they see a move on the part of the bankers in Wall street to gain control of the finances of America and to throttle the little banks at will. As a body they say that they are not in favor of a national central bank as outlined by George M. Reynolds, president of American Bankers Association.

Successively they state that they are not in favor of any plan which will give into the hands of one set of men the conduct of the finances of the Nation. Particularly they say that they are not looking forward to any Morgan-Schiff syndicate which will give Wall street the controlling power in national finance.

On the other hand the big figures in national banking finance say that the little bankers are beset by a bugaboo which does not exist. They say that the national bank scheme is the very best which can be presented.

Cardinal Satolli III.

Milan, Sept. 15.—Cardinal Satolli, at one time apostolic delegate at Washington, is seriously ill.

TWO WOMEN ENGAGE IN A TERRIBLE DUEL

Tragic Shooting Affair in Fashionable Chicago Apartment House. Mrs. Tripp Attacked by Her Sister-in-law—Both Are Dead—Mystery Surrounds Cause.

Chicago, Sept. 15.—Behind the closed doors of a south side apartment house, a tragedy occurred as savage a duel as ever was described by writers of fiction, a fight in which one woman was shot to death with 11 bullet wounds in her body, and her sister-in-law suffered injuries which later resulted in her death.

Mrs. Julius Tripp, wife of an official of the firm of Morris, Mann and Reilly, was killed in the struggle and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Jacob Silvers, died shortly before midnight at the Garfield park sanitarium, to which she was taken.

The wrecked flat, containing bed and stained furniture in every room indicate that the two women fought over every inch of the apartment.

Fought on Defensive.

With Mrs. Tripp it was a losing fight on the defensive. With Mrs. Silvers, apparently, it was an insane desire to take the life of the woman who is supposed to have endeavored to injure her.

A quarrel between the two women over the proper distribution of the household work, say members of the family, was the cause of the differences between the two women which gradually led to the fight.

Attempt to Keep the Affair Quiet.

There is a mystery in the case which was enhanced by the friendly efforts of Tripp, husband of the dead woman, and H. Morris, her brother, to prevent any of the details of the affair from becoming public. Morris engaged a detective in a fight before he would permit him to enter the house. The police did not get into the flat until Morris had been overpowered. The disappearance of a suit supposed to have been wielded by Mrs. Tripp also added to the mystery.

Coroner's physician, Joseph Springer, arrived at the flat within half an hour and made an examination of Mrs. Tripp's body. His statement as to her injuries testified to the terrible struggle. He found 11 bullet wounds and one knife wound. Mrs. Silvers was taken to the Washington Park hospital, where her injuries were described as one bullet wound and two knife wounds. The knife wounds are supposed to have been inflicted by Mrs. Tripp.

Attempt to Succeed.

The bullet wound in Mrs. Silvers' abdomen is supposed to have been the result of an attempt to commit suicide after she realized of the extent of the damage she had done. The only plausible explanation of the slight knife wound found on Mrs. Tripp's arm is that she may have cut herself accidentally in the struggle. But where the revolver came from or where the knife went after the fight nobody seems able or willing to say. Morris declared this evening that there never had been a revolver in the house. He also says no blood-stained knife had been found.

STROME.

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NEWS

CLYDE.

Bulletin News Service. Threshing is in full swing. Rick's new "Case" is working.

Messrs. Myers, Nelson and Co. are contracting them their crop of pump grass class seed. The stocks are about the threshed crop. The people would do well to see a raise.

Mr. Tupper, C.N.R. engineer here last weekend trying help. He secured a few of the harvest needs all hand Gordon MacDonald, inspector, visited here.

doing routine business waiting the right of way section No. 11 for the C.M. McCormick leaves Winnipeg tomorrow to try to secure the remainder of the contract.