

GASOLINE SCHOONER ARGUS ON FIRE

WAS SIGHTED OFF DESTRUCTION ISLAND

Captain of Steamer Ascension Thinks
the Crew Was Blown up by
an Explosion.

Seattle, Wn., June 15.—The gasoline schooner Argus is burning 35 miles off Destruction Island, and, according to Capt. G. E. Bridgett, of the steamer Ascension, a Pacific Oil Company line steamer, it is unlikely the crew will ever be heard from.

Capt. Bridgett thinks the crew was blown up in an explosion which caused the fire. He says he went alongside the Argus, and at that time the vessel's hull and bow were burned away. The Argus was bound from Puget Sound to San Francisco with a cargo of lumber. She was built in 1902, and had a register of 567 tons. She was owned by the Pacific Ship Company of San Francisco.

Another point mentioned by Captain Bridgett, which seems to indicate that the crew perished in an explosion, is that the lashings on the boat were not touched.

FASHIONABLE WEDDING.

Marriage of Marquis of Graham and
Lady Mary Hamilton.

London, June 14.—Lady Mary Hamilton, only daughter of the late 12th Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, and the richest woman in Great Britain, was married to-day at St. George's church, Hanover square, to the Marquis of Graham, eldest son of the Duke of Montrose. King Edward was among those present at the ceremony. The church was filled with members of the peerage.

The scene outside the church was quite exciting. The enormous crowd desiring a closer inspection of the bride, broke through the police cordon and crowded around her carriage when it arrived in front of the church portico, almost completely blocking its passage. Heavy reinforcements of police were necessary to clear the way for the carriages and to open a passage for the bride to enter.

DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

Synod Completes Labors—Bishop Will
Seek Power to Appoint Assistant.

Regina, June 14.—After two days' continuous session the Anglican synod for the diocese of Qu'Appelle completed its labors to-day. Accounts presented show a satisfactory state of affairs, though more funds are urgently needed to carry on the work. The bishop gave notice that he would apply to the provincial synod next year for power to appoint an assistant to the bishop, and the synod passed unanimously a resolution in support. The assistant bishop would be elected by the diocesan synod and would be the successor to the bishop on his vacancy occurring. The synod decided to continue its support to the Qu'Appelle Church Review and instructed the committee to bring out a monthly issue after September 1st, instead of quarterly as at present.

TWENTY-SIX STOWAWAYS.

Found on Steamer Athena Soon After
She Sailed From Glasgow.

Montreal, June 14.—The Donaldson line steamer Athena arrived here to-day from Glasgow. Soon after leaving Glasgow Captain McNeill made the discovery that he had no less than 26 stowaways on board, the record number for the port of Montreal. The captain says that they were of much higher grade than the usual run of stowaways, several of them being young professional men who had been unable to find an opening in Scotland, and had taken this means of reaching Canada.

FIGHT WITH NATIVES.

Lagos, June 14.—The Southern Nigerian regiment sent to the Arabian hinterland to suppress the political uprising there, an incident of which was the murder of the British commissioner, Oswald Crewe Read, had a fight lasting twelve hours, resulting in the rebels being driven off with some loss. The British casualties were 2 killed, 7 seriously wounded and 20 slightly injured.

ENJOYABLE HOLIDAY.

Members of Women's Press Club Visited
Park in Rockies.

Banff, Alta., June 14.—The Canadian Women's Press Club left Banff for Calgary to-night after spending a very delightful holiday in exploring the beauties of the Rocky Mountain park. One section, comprising American members, travelled over the C. N. R. to Edmonton and spent two days in Banff under the charge of Mr. Krappene, of the Western Immigration Association. The Canadian section, which arrived this morning, were taken in charge by H. Douglas, superintendent of the park, and visited the hot springs, where the sulphur water was given a test as a rejuvenator. The cave and basin and buffalo enclosure were also visited. A party also made an ascent of Sulphur mountain to the observatory, obtaining a good view of the many ranges of this district. Before leaving, the ladies spoke in glowing terms of the magnificent scenery of the park, and were most enthusiastic over their trip and could hardly find words to express their appreciation of the lavish hospitality they have met with everywhere. The party, consisting of thirty members, will be entertained at Calgary before visiting Southern Alberta.

ALARMING FIRE.

Nakusp Mill and Stock of Lumber Destroyed—Damage \$25,000.

Nakusp, June 14.—A most disastrous fire raged here last night, starting at 5 o'clock from a spark from the sawmill of the Yale-Columbia Lumber Company, totally destroying their plant and the entire stock of lumber in the yards. For several hours the entire water front was in danger of being gutted, many families moving all their household goods to places of safety, expecting the flames to extend to their dwellings. The C. P. R. shipyard, which joined the fire, was also almost in the grasp of the dread flames. Fortunately at about 7 o'clock the wind changed its course and with the help of the pumps of the C. P. R. steamer Minto, which was got under steam as quickly as possible, the fire was confined within a small area. The tug Columbia later arrived and is throwing a stream of water on the fiercely raging fire. The steamer Rosalia was also being hurriedly sent for to protect the company's property. The C. P. R. has lost three box cars and one flat car, but saved several others. The entire population of Nakusp is now homeless, the flames having destroyed the mill and its machinery, and has made many fruitless efforts to save some of the lumber piles. The mill had a capacity of about 50,000 feet per day and the loss is about \$25,000. The yard contained nearly 2,000,000 feet. The whole is covered by insurance, but the amount is unknown.

Unless the wind changes its course during the night all outside property is saved. The company's offices, store and cookhouse are intact. Between 50 and 60 men were employed at the mill.

MEAT INSPECTION.

President Roosevelt Disapproves Agricultural Committee's Substitute
For Beveridge Amendment.

Washington, D. C., June 15.—Secretary Loeb to-day gave out the following summary of the letter which President Roosevelt wrote Chairman Wadsworth of the house committee on agriculture, disapproving of that committee's substitute for the Beveridge amendment to the agricultural bill regarding the inspection of meat products.

"In the letter to Mr. Wadsworth the president stated that almost every change in the proposed house amendment was a change for the worse, as compared with the Senate amendment, and no matter how unintentionally, it was in the president's judgment so framed as to minimize the chance of rooting out the evils in the packing business that the president felt it would doubtless suit those packers who objected to thorough going inspection, and that he also felt it would in the long run be a heavy blow to the honest stock raiser and the honest packers, that the proposed amendment would gravely hamper the secretary of agriculture in doing the work appointed him to do, and would simply defer the day when we could restore the foreign and interstate trade in meat to a state of anarchy. The president has explained verbally that he is far less concerned with the question as to whether the packers or the government should pay for the inspection than with certain other features in the bill."

TORONTO METHODISTS.

Annual Conference in Progress—Dr.
Carmen on Church Union.

Toronto, June 15.—At the annual meeting of the Toronto Methodist conference yesterday, Rev. Dr. Carmen, general superintendent of the Methodist church of Canada, speaking of the union of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches, said: "I am a statesmanlike course of our Presbyterian brethren. They have sent out to their people a simple statement of the facts of the case, to let the people make their judgment in the matter. The speaker deprecated anything like rush or hurry in the matter, and said he would be very sorry to see Methodists slacken their diligence or efforts in anticipation of what might be."

RAILWAY WRECK.

Three Men Instantly Killed and
Twelve Injured.

Point Richmond, Cal., June 14.—In a wreck of a passenger and work train on the belt line between here and Point San Pablo, at about 7.30 a. m., presumably caused by a defective switch, three men were killed outright and a dozen men were slightly injured. The dead are Charles Allison, machinist; Dennis Griffin, bricklayer; Ray Timberman, bricklayer. That no more were killed seems remarkable. There were 250 men aboard the train, which was made up of two passenger coaches and two box cars, conveying the workmen to the brickyard, where they are railway employees.

THE DREYFUS CASE.

Question of Granting New Trial Is
Under Consideration.

Paris, June 15.—The Supreme court to-day began consideration of the results of the inquiry, which has been going on for the past 25 months relative to granting Alfred Dreyfus another trial. The private sessions will last four days, after which the public arguments will be made. A decision is expected at the end of the month. The present hearing follows the decision of the court of cassation, March 5th, 1904, to hold an investigation, which has been going on.

OTTAWA NOTES.

Ottawa, June 15.—The bills of the British-American Assurance Company and the Western Assurance Company, to authorize an increase of capital because of losses in the San Francisco fire, have been reported by a committee of the House. The Citizen's Bank gets six months longer to begin business. The Colonial Bank of Winnipeg, with an authorized capital of \$3,000,000, has been reported.

THE NAVAL MANOEUVRES.

London, June 14.—The naval manoeuvres are in full swing. War was declared to-day and a battle is proceeding off Plymouth. The trans-American liners Arabic and Teutonic have been captured and the Nordland has been overhauled.

NEW C. P. R. LINER.

The Empress of Ireland Has Arrived at
Liverpool From the Clyde.

Liverpool, June 14.—Amid much manifestation of enthusiasm the new Canadian Pacific Railway steamship Empress of Ireland arrived at Liverpool this morning. Both on Clyde and Mersey the greatest interest was taken in the new ship, and the welcome to English waters was as hearty as her departure from Scotland. A distinguished party came round to Liverpool from Glasgow, a special compliment being paid the Empress of Ireland in making a tour round Ireland before setting out for Canada. The C. P. R. Co. was represented by Messrs. Piers, Cameron, Flanagan, Annable and Gilbertson, and there was also representatives of prominent British railway companies, traders and shippers from all parts of Great Britain and the continent.

During the trial run congratulatory speeches were made. Mr. Bruce Walker, Canadian government representative in Scotland, spoke of the removal of the cause of Canada having to take a back place in direct transportation from the Old Country. Only those who could not help it went to Canada direct a few years ago, but all that had changed, and in the C. P. R. new boats, magnificent connection between kindred nationalities had been established. The C. P. R. has been a mighty factor in the unity of the Empire, and was steadily and surely binding the distant East with the immediate West. On her trials the Empress of Ireland attained an average speed of twenty knots per hour, and on the 77 mile run from the Clyde to Mersey she steamed on an average eighteen knots an hour.

BISHOP OF OREGON.

Rev. C. Scadding Has Not Decided
Whether He Will Accept Position.

Chicago, June 15.—Rev. Chas. Scadding, of Le Grange, Ill., who was elected bishop of Oregon last night, seen at his residence in La Grange early to-day. He said: "I don't say positively whether I will accept the position, I have been here for 10 years and I have become greatly attached to Chicago and to my church in La Grange. However, the election is a great honor from my point of view."

Rev. Mr. Scadding was born in Toronto in 1862. His first charge was St. George's, New York.

ONE MILLION IMMIGRANTS.

The Record at the Port of New York for
the Year.

New York, June 14.—According to the World, Commissioner Watson said yesterday that the immigration through this port for the year ending June 1st would reach the enormous total of 1,000,000 souls. This will be a record for the port of New York. The year closing June 1st, 1905, saw 1,024,499 immigrants enter the United States, but this year promises for the port of New York to equal the total last year for the whole United States. Up to June of this year a total of 870,000 aliens had been received since the last of the year, and the month ending June 1st, 1906, promises to bring the total to 1,000,000, perhaps even to 1,200,000. The immigrants are from every country in Europe, the Austro-Hungarians predominating, next come the Italians, of whom 25,000, or 2.5 per cent, of the total, are expected to equal the total last year for the whole United States. Up to June of this year a total of 870,000 aliens had been received since the last of the year, and the month ending June 1st, 1906, promises to bring the total to 1,000,000, perhaps even to 1,200,000. The immigrants are from every country in Europe, the Austro-Hungarians predominating, next come the Italians, of whom 25,000, or 2.5 per cent, of the total, are expected to equal the total last year for the whole United States.

TWO BOYS DROWNED.

Lost Their Lives While Bathing Near
Barrie.

Barrie, June 14.—John and George Benham, aged 8 and 10 years respectively, sons of Arthur Benham, were drowned in a creek here yesterday. They went in bathing in their way home from school, got beyond their depth and sank. The sister and a number of little children were present, but apparently did not know enough to give an alarm. The bodies were in the water for over an hour.

THE STRAWBERRY SITUATION.

Large Demand for Vancouver Island
Fruit on Mainland—Local Market
Unaffected.

Owing to the bad weather recently experienced, strawberries are not coming in as rapidly as in previous seasons. They are ripening slowly, but, once the weather settles, may be expected to reach their way to the market in large quantities. The Vancouver Island fruit is of an exceptionally fine quality this season. They excel anything produced on the Pacific Coast, according to horticultural reports, and may enter into competition with those of the Mainland without fear of loss of popularity. In fact, as has already been stated by the Times, the farmers of Southeast have decided to ship practically all their crops to Vancouver, New Westminster and interior points, where the demand is so large as to consume all that can be sent away at prices much above those obtained in Victoria.

At a recent meeting of the Victoria Fruit Growers' Association the question was discussed in all its phases. The possibilities of the market from Vancouver as far east as Winnipeg, providing the berries could be landed at their destination in a comparatively fresh condition, were pointed out. It was then decided that a very large portion of the Vancouver Island produce should be shipped to these points, and already action in that direction has been taken. For a week or more a daily shipment of about a ton per day has been made, but this amount will be largely increased as the season advances.

Although the policy of the Fruit Growers' Association is one of enterprise, recommending the branching out for markets some distance from home, the strawberry crop of Vancouver Island has been so extensively increased during the past few years that there will be plenty left for local consumption. The fruit will not be permitted to drop below the regulation price of 10 cents per box as has been the custom sometimes in the past. At the figures mentioned, however, Vancouverians will be able to obtain all they want, not only for table use, but for preserves. The fear expressed in some quarters that the shipments abroad would be so great as to injure the local market of the Victoria market, therefore, is groundless.

BIALYSTOK IS NOW IN FLAMES

MOBS CONTINUE TO PLUNDER AND KILL

Authorities of City Are Unable to Prevent
Slaughter of Jews—Revolutionists Slain.

Bialystok, Russia, June 14.—A Jewish pogrom, the most serious since the Corpus Christi procession which was in progress here and killed or wounded many persons. In consequence the Christians attacked and massacred the Jews and demolished their shops. Hundreds of persons were killed or wounded.

The bomb was thrown from the balcony of a house in Alexandrov street. A clergyman named Remonoff was among the killed, and the explosion was in progress here and killed or wounded many persons. In consequence the Christians attacked and massacred the Jews and demolished their shops. Hundreds of persons were killed or wounded.

The rioting proceeded throughout the day with unabated fury and is still continuing with no signs of cessation. "It is impossible to send particulars of the horrors of the day." Death Roll Increasing. Warsaw, June 16.—The latest messages received here from Bialystok say that the sacking of Jewish houses and shops accompanied by conflicts in the streets between the mob and the troops continued until last night. Many Jews, Poles and Russians, civilians and soldiers were killed and wounded.

The suburb of Bakary was totally burned and the streets at Bialystok were completely sacked.

The rioting is said to have extended to Lapy station on the St. Petersburg railroad, and to Staretsk station on the Southwestern railroad. At both places the Jewish shops were looted, and Jews were murdered or beaten.

A mob devastated the Jewish shops in the town of Ghermedawiez, the first station outside of Bialystok on the line to Grodno.

Policemen Killed.

Warsaw, June 16.—Two police sergeants were shot and killed here yesterday, and another policeman was wounded by terrorists. A policeman charged with the assassins was shot and killed by a passing woman.

Beaten by Peasants.

Novgorod, Russia, June 15.—Several proprietors of estates in this vicinity have been beaten and driven off by the peasants.

Landowner Murdered.

Mohilev, Russia, June 15.—The proprietor of an estate in this vicinity who refused to distribute his land to the peasants has been killed.

Troops Dispatched.

Tyber, Russia, June 15.—The Cossacks and dragoons have been dispatched to two districts near here where the peasants, losing patience at the inaction of parliament, are taking possession of lands.

Strike in Progress.

Moscow, June 13.—The agitation among the workmen here is general and the strike is making progress. Largely attended meetings of revolutionary character are held nightly in the industrial sections and big demonstrations are made in front of the prisons. In the resolutions adopted support is pledged to the strikers and it is insisted that the fight against the bureaucracy.

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Tula, European Russia, June 15.—The flour mills and grain warehouses are burning here.

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The Bourse Gazette prints a special dispatch from Grodno declaring that the governor of that city has expressed himself to the effect that there is no hope of stopping the butchery of Jews at Bialystok for two or three days. He is quoted as adding that mobs are invading the trains passing through Bialystok and are dragging out and killing passengers. The Jews who escaped from Bialystok are wandering starving in the fields or woods.

Jews Barricaded Houses.

Odessa, June 16.—The Jews at Kishineff are in a state of panic in view of a report that a Jewish massacre is being perpetrated. They have hastily closed their shops and have barricaded all their houses and stores at noon, and the town is patrolled by cavalry, while pickets of infantry are stationed at strategic points.

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On War Footing.

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Official Statement.

St. Petersburg, June 15.—M. Sheftel, a member of the lower house from the Jewish pale, called on M. Stolynin, the minister of the interior, to-day regarding the anti-Jewish outbreak at Bialystok. He was informed by his aide-de-camp that order had been restored and that about ten persons had been killed but that the ministry had no information as to the number of wounded. Subsequently M. Sheftel and his colleagues drafted interpellations for presentation in the lower house calling attention to the affairs, expressing fear

that it is a beginning of a widespread attack on the Jews and demanding to know what action the government had taken in the matter and what measures were being taken to prevent the destruction of the lives and property of Jews throughout the empire.

Fighting Renewed.

St. Petersburg, June 16.—Disorders appear to have broken out at Bialystok this afternoon with even greater fury than characterized last Thursday's riots. No dispatches have been received to-night from Bialystok, where the telegraph office is closed, but semi-official messages from Grodno report that the excesses were started again to-day by the throwing of several bombs. The crowds, according to these dispatches, then opened fire on the police, which the troops replied to and there was a constant interchange of shots between Jews from their houses and the soldiers from the streets. A mob of peasants, armed with clubs, etc., found their way into the city and are now among the rioters.

St. Petersburg, June 16, 2.35 p. m.—M. Vinaver, a constitutional democratic member of the lower house, has received the following dispatch from Bialystok dated 2.45 this morning: "The rioting proceeded throughout the day with unabated fury and is still continuing with no signs of cessation."

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MURDER MYSTERY.

Girl's Former Sweetheart Declares She
Confessed to Having Killed
Her Father.

Minneapolis, La., June 15.—Gertrude O'Hara, the 18-year-old girl who has been the principal accused at the trial of her former sweetheart, Grover Cleveland Poole, charged with the murder of her father, to-day was accused of having threatened to kill her father long before the crime for which Poole has been called to answer for was committed.

Yesterday Poole declared on the stand that the girl had confessed to him that it was she herself who had killed her father.

When the trial was resumed to-day Frederick C. Green, of Port Washington, for the defence, said that during the fall of 1905 while Gertrude was employed as a domestic at his house, her sister came to visit her and told her that their father had been beating their mother. "Gertrude became excited over the story told by her sister," said the witness, "and declared that she would go home and kill her father."

Mrs. Green corroborated her husband's testimony on this point. The defence then rested and the prosecution called Mrs. O'Hara, the widow of the murdered man, to testify in rebuttal.

Mrs. O'Hara declared that on the day following the murder Gertrude had told her that Poole had confessed that he killed O'Hara and later that day Poole admitted the murder to her. Immediately afterwards, however, said the witness, Poole withdrew the statement and denied that he murdered O'Hara.

MANY DESERTERS.

Montreal, June 15.—So short is the local market of ordinary laboring men that manufacturers and employment agencies are now accused of inducing French sailors and others under contract with vessels plying between Montreal and foreign ports to desert. This form of inducement comes under the head of "crimping" and those concerned in such cases are able to both fine and imprison, for it is no light matter under British law to induce a sailor to quit his job. It appears that almost from the opening of the season steamships in port have had difficulty in keeping their crews, and freemen, and on at least half a dozen ships desertions have been so frequent that vessels are seriously handicapped in putting to sea.

FOR HILL'S ROAD.

Six Thousand Tons of Steel Rails Shipped
From Sydney.

Sydney, N. S., June 15.—The steamer Boverick left port Sunday for Seattle, Wash., via Cape Horn, with 6,000 tons of Sydney rails, which will be transhipped to British Columbia for use on J. J. Hill's railway. This is the ship's first cargo and the first cargo of Sydney rails ever shipped by water.

PANAMA CANAL.

Lock Type Has Been Adopted by
United States House.

Washington, June 15.—The House has adopted the lock type for the Panama canal by a vote of 110 to 36. The provision was made a part of the sundry civil appropriation bill, which appropriated \$25,000,000 to continue work on the canal.

BRITISH FLEETS ENGAGED.

Manoeuvres in Full Swing—Attacks on
Portsmouth and Sheerness
Repulsed.

London, June 15.—Following the declaration of "war" yesterday, the two fleets, the "Red" (British), "Blues" (the enemy), have been actively engaged. The enemy lost 9 torpedo boat destroyers and a gunboat in the course of an hour's attack on Portsmouth this morning, according to the ruling of the umpires. The "Blues" fleet's flotilla attempted to rush the boom and blew up the mine in the fairway leading to the warships in anchorage, but the tremendous fire of the defenders, it was estimated, utterly annihilated the flotilla of the "Blue" fleet. An attack on Sheerness was similarly repulsed and subsequently the "Red" battleships and cruisers attempted to try and capture the raiders or drive them back to their base at Beresford, Ireland.

RETURNED UNOPOSED.

Liberals Did Not Run Candidates
Against Former Colonial Secretary and Sir F. Banbury.

London, June 15.—Former Colonial Secretary Lytton and Sir Frederick Banbury have been elected to the House of Commons unopposed for the vacancy caused by the resignation of Heneage Legge and Sir Edward Clarke.