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GREEKS AND TURKS IN A NAVAL BATTLE WHILE DELEGATES TALK PEACE

Engagement Outside The Entrance to The Dardanelles

HEAVY FIRING REPORTED

Delegates All Dined Together Yesterday But After Today's Session Turks Left Palace and Went to Hotel for Lunch—A Hitch—Military Activity in Austria Continues

(Canadian Press) Soudi Bahr, Dardanelles, Dec. 17—Another naval battle was begun between the Turkish and Greek fleets this morning outside the entrance to the Dardanelles straits. The firing was very heavy. How many vessels are engaged is not known.

London, Dec. 17—The credentials of the peace delegates of the Balkan allies and the delegates of the Ottoman Empire were presented this morning at the commencement of the serious business of the meeting. The session lasted less than two hours. The plenipotentiaries of the allies met at 10 o'clock. It was not until 12 o'clock that the delegates of the Ottoman Empire were present.

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It was decided that each delegation should appoint a secretary to act as secretary of the conference on the day when the plenipotentiaries of the allies meet. The plenipotentiaries of the Ottoman Empire were present at 12 o'clock.

A hitch in the plenipotentiaries. The absence of Greece's plenipotentiary to the armistice protocol was the cause of a hitch in the proceedings and the delegates found it necessary to adjourn without effecting any business. They will not meet again until late on Thursday afternoon, and in the meantime will communicate with their home governments.

After their adjournment Dr. S. Danoff, the leader of the Bulgarian delegation and the president of today's meeting of the conference, confirmed the report that the question of the protocol had been under discussion without a decision being reached.

It is understood that the power of the Turkish plenipotentiaries does not authorize them to recognize the Hellenic plenipotentiaries (those signs the armistice and therefore they were obliged to refer the matter to Constantinople before proceeding with the conference. The Greek plenipotentiaries refused to sign the protocol when invited to do so this morning, saying that it would make no practical difference as the allies were united and the decisions reached by them as the Balkan league would be binding on Greece equally with the other members of the federation.

The terms formulated by Turkey have been kept secret, but it may be asserted on good authority that they include the recognition by both sides of any indemnity transaction under the form of money for otherwise except the taking over by the Balkan States of a portion of the Ottoman public debt proportionately to the territories they acquire.

They provide also that the Sultan shall have a representative in the territories passing to the allies where Ottoman control shall be instituted for Musselman subjects. Adrianople, the first Turkish capital in Europe, and surrounding territory west of Maritza as far as the Struma river, goes to Bulgaria, which thus would have the port of Kavala, to which she has long aspired.

Furthermore, Turkey will demand that should, over the possession of which it is pointed out serious Greek-Bulgarian antagonism has arisen, shall remain to Turkey, and together with Monastir and Scutari and their respective districts shall form Ottoman territory surrounding Albania.

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Probabilities Here. Maritime—Northwest gales becoming older, with snow flurries; Wednesday, moderate to fresh winds, fair and cold.

THE MARK OF THE VICTOR



A Bulgarian and a Greek chalking a cross on the top of a Turk in Salonica. The incident shown took place on November 13.

CHAIN OF MOVING PICTURE HOUSES; COAST TO COAST

Plan to Have One in Every Canadian Town of 1500 Population or More

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 17—Highly spoken, a well-known official of the Vancouver Moving Picture Association, declared today on his return from New York, where he attended meetings of the directors of the American Kinemacolor, Ltd., that this concern is to build a chain of Kinemacolor moving picture theatres throughout Canada, having one in every town and city with a population of 1,500 or more.

For the purpose of carrying out the scheme a separate company has been organized called the Canadian Kinemacolor, with headquarters in Montreal, and with Sir Henry Pellatt as one of the directors. The company has a capital of \$1,000,000, and will devote itself to the presentation of Canadian pictures and the exploitation of Canadian subjects for patrons in this country.

FINDS ROCKY RIDGE IN MID-OCEAN

Hobart, Tasmania, Dec. 17—Captain Davis of the Dr. Mawson Antarctic ship Aurora reports the discovery of a rocky ridge in mid-ocean 200 miles southeast of Hobart. Ten soundings varied from 543 to 915 fathoms. The main direction of the most shallow water was northwest and southeast.

Fifty-six deep sea soundings and also deep sea dredgings were accomplished by the Aurora. The results strongly tend to show that Australia formerly was connected with the Antarctic continent by means of a ridge of land now submerged.

DULUTH IN BLIZZARD GRIP

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 17—Duluth and vicinity today are blanketed under one to five feet of snow, the worst blizzard in ten years. The temperature is not low, however. This morning snow and wind show no sign of abatement.

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TALK WOMEN'S VOTE IN LEGISLATURE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Time Not Ripe, Says Hon. Mr. Motherwell in Answer to Bradshaw

Regina, Sask., Dec. 17—In the legislature last night, J. E. Bradshaw of Prince Albert spoke in support of his resolution asking for the women of Saskatchewan. This government, he said, never lagged behind in initiating legislation in principle or calculated to be in the interest of the people. Therefore he thought women's suffrage a matter the public might well seriously consider.

He believed the possession of the franchise by women would go far towards correcting election scandals. Consideration should not be too hasty in condemning the methods followed by the English suffragettes. The window breakers were not women of the ordinary classes, but cultured ladies of refinement. The present time declared Bradshaw, denies women the right to vote, though according to freely on the immigrants who do not understand the language of the country and who are herded blindly to the polls.

Hon. Mr. Motherwell said he did not think the time ripe for such a movement in Saskatchewan where the rights of women were well protected. The debate was adjourned.

BOY HELD IN VANCOUVER AS A HIGHWAY ROBBER

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 17—The youngest holdup man ever arrested here is in the police court yesterday. He is a thirteen-year-old school boy, charged with highway robbery, and his victim is a Chinese, who says he lost \$150 at the point of a gun.

RECEIVED IN VANCOUVER Receipts of grain during the last few days at the I. C. R. elevator have fallen about 200 cars filled with grain in the yard here and much greater quantities are arriving than can be conveniently and readily handled. The elevator is being worked to its capacity.

Stakes to prevent the impending war. The suggestions, it is said, were not favorably received in Washington because they lack the one element necessary to set in motion the machinery of mediation—an assurance that both parties to the controversy were willing to seek for it.

With the beginning of the war, according to reports in state department circles, all ideas of mediation on the part of the plenipotentiaries now in London have been abandoned.

Activity in Austria London, Dec. 17—Telegraphing from Vienna, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says that the extensive military movements on the southern frontier have increased in intensity since the recent changes in the leadership of the Austrian military staff.

A despatch to the same newspaper, from Trieste, says that 20,000 troops are expected to arrive there immediately from Hungary to be transported to Dalmatia and Bosnia by sea.

Pre-arrangements in Switzerland Bern, Switzerland, Dec. 17—The Swiss government, in view of the possibilities of war, is augmenting the amount of ready cash at its disposal. A consignment of \$5,000,000 in gold and silver arrived here by special train from Paris today and is lodged in the Swiss National Bank. The government also continues to order quantities of grain from America.

POLICE WILL HELP TO GET DELOREY FREE

Pardon Asked for Antigonish Man and One Convicted With Him

Antigonish, N. S., Dec. 17—The petition now on file with the governor and council that will raise reasonable doubt as to the guilt of the two young men but it is also alleged that the police officials who investigated the crime and heard Delorey's "confession" are firm in the conviction that the two boys are innocent and are anxious to do their share to ward off prosecution for the robbery.

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(Canadian Press) Boston, Dec. 17—Governor Bow was petitioned today for a pardon for Peter Delorey and James Master, young men convicted three years ago of murdering Annie Mallin, of Newfoundland, a housemaid in Cambridge.

Delorey is a native of Antigonish, N. S. The petition not only asserts that testimony can be given the governor and council that will raise reasonable doubt as to the guilt of the two young men but it is also alleged that the police officials who investigated the crime and heard Delorey's "confession" are firm in the conviction that the two boys are innocent and are anxious to do their share to ward off prosecution for the robbery.

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THAW NO. 3 TO GET ANOTHER REWARD FOR SETTLING DOWN

Mother's Christmas Present Residence and Estate Worth Nearly Quarter Million

Pittsburgh, Dec. 17—William Thaw, 3rd, ought to be the happiest man on earth. He has won another reward for being good. His first reward came to him as a charming, youthful bride who was Miss Gladys Virginia Bradley, of Bridgeport, Ct., and she has helped him to be good ever since their marriage in December, 1909.

Now comes young Thaw's second reward to glorify his romance, to reward his young wife, too, as she deserves. Mrs. William Thaw, Jr., will give her son a fine residence and estate in the exclusive Berkeley Heights that will cost nearly a quarter of a million dollars.

She has bought thirty acres of the finest land in that section and on it she will build a house that, with its furnishings, will be worth \$100,000 at least. This splendid gift will make to her son as a Christmas present and to strengthen his determination and the self-control he has been displaying.

Surely December is his lucky month. William Thaw, Jr., had a second reward himself to the top of his list. He is as joyous as any of Pittsburgh's golden youth. Then he met Miss Bradley and fell in love with her, which was entirely natural.

He has asked her to marry him, she has said, in effect: "I love you, but really my husband must not be quite the piece that you have been going. You have a good mind and a most amiable disposition, you are generous to a fault. Settle down, come to the city, and I'll marry you."

"I'll go you—that is to say, I'll deserve you," explained Thaw.

THE BABES HAD LIVED

Toronto, Dec. 17—Fool play is evidenced in the case of the dead twin babies found by Father Maloney in a confessional box in St. Patrick's church last Wednesday night. The post mortem examination showed that both babies had lived and were perfectly sound when born, but they had been neglected.

Coroner Young told his jury that he was going to make a lengthy adjournment so that the city detectives might make a thorough investigation.

PLEDGES AGAINST TREATING

Calgary, Alb., Dec. 17—For the purpose of eradicating the "treating evil" a strong movement has been inaugurated in Calgary and an attempt is being made to secure pledges from as many men as possible to the effect that they will neither treat nor be treated.

DROP HALIFAX FROM HOCKEY AS DECISION

Moncton Says That is Intention Because of Recent Events

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 17—A sensational item has taken place in the hockey situation. Just when it was thought here that Halifax had agreed to the proposal of the visiting teams getting fifteen per cent of the gate receipts, word comes from Halifax that the Halifax clubs will not agree to such terms according to the proposals published this morning in Halifax.

The Times says:—"Last evening the Victoria's executive were in receipt of a telegram from Chester Gregory stating that Halifax parties offered him first \$200 and then \$300 a game for every game played in Halifax if he would persuade New Glasgow to desert Moncton and play with Halifax. Instead of complying, Gregory at once wired to Moncton the story of Halifax' treachery. Truly things have moved with a vengeance in the M. P. H. A. since that meeting in Toronto."

The telegram passing between Moncton and Halifax, and in a half of other members of the prisoner's family.

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 16—To J. C. Little, president M. P. H. A., Halifax, N. S., at a meeting of the executive of the Moncton Victoria Hockey Club tonight, we have decided not to accept the terms offered to call off all negotiations with Halifax and to proceed to carry out our agreement with Sydney and New Glasgow.

It is said that Moncton has a complete team signed and that it has been in the ice practicing for the last week. Not only has the local management secured a full team, but it has also secured a team from the ice in the maritime provinces. It would be a distinct shock to the fans if they knew just where this team is practicing and of what players it is composed. The fact is that the Vics have shown a march not only on the other teams of the maritime circuit, but also on some of the N. H. A. aggregations. More than one big team manager would find himself minus a star upon whom he had counted, so the Moncton management states.

PLEADS GUILTY TO \$85,000 LARCENY

Treasurer of Boston Company Says it Was All For Firm's Benefit

Boston, Dec. 17—Edward H. Howard, treasurer of the Donovan Slipper Company, and superintendent of a Sunday school in Malden, pleaded guilty before Judge Brown in the superior criminal court to an indictment accusing him of larceny.

The amount he is alleged to have stolen from Frank E. Peap of Brookline is about \$85,000. He obtained the money as loans on bills of lading that turned out to be fictitious. He is charged with forging express receipts and acknowledgments of indebtedness by customers in an effort to cover up his fraud.

He will be sentenced in a week or ten days. Meantime, a further investigation will be made with a view to find out whether or not the money was put into the business of the Donovan Slipper Company. Howard said that he did not benefit a dollar by the fraud, but that he turned over every dollar to the company.

Assistant District Attorney Webster later charged in open court that Howard was secreting part of the money, for the reason that he did not believe the company could have lost that \$85,000, together with \$40,000 additional, that the company admits having sunk in merchandise in two years.

If the defendant did not benefit by his dealings, but paid over all the money to the company which he was the treasurer, his counsel, S. K. Hamilton, will urge the fact upon the court as a ground for leniency.

On the other hand, if he is secreting any of the money, or did not pay it all to the company, Assistant District Attorney Webster will suggest a heavy sentence.

The fate of the defendant now hinges on the results of the further examination to be made for the purpose of ascertaining what became of the \$85,000 obtained from Peap.

DECISION AFFECTS SALE OF PROPERTY

Verdict Given Today in The Matter of John E. McDonald

In the matter of John E. McDonald, hearing was continued before C. F. Sanford, master in chancery, this morning. J. B. M. Baxter, K. G., appearing for Wm. P. McDonald, broker of John E. McDonald, addressed the jury this morning. After the master's charge the jury retired and after being out two hours returned with a verdict to the effect that Mr. McDonald was insane at the time he made the transfer of his property to his brother William P., and is at the present time of unsound mind.

A petition will now be made for the appointment of a guardian of the estate, and to set aside the transfers made by McDonald.

J. A. Barry represented the petitioner, Mrs. George McSherry, W. B. Wallace, the master of Margaret Robinson vs. W. P. McDonald, a real estate firm and the defendant in the former case, and E. P. Raymond in the latter.

Two properties transferred to the latter were the slaughter house property and the Court Block. The former was sold by W. P. McDonald to a real estate firm and today, it is said, has its effect upon all these transfers.

The December sitting of the supreme court chancery division was held this morning. Chief Justice Barker presiding. The first case heard was the Robinson vs. J. G. Forbes adm., et al., W. A. Ewing, K.C., for the plaintiff, moved for leave to sell certain real estate of the deceased testator. The court considered.

The Attorney-General vs. The St. John Lumber Co. stands until the next sitting. Harding vs. Potts was set for trial on January 1. M. G. Teed, K.C., for the plaintiff, and O'Leary vs. Shannon, stand for the present.

County Court Chamber. In the case of George R. Craigie vs. Arthur B. Walker, an action under the Statute in Reversion Act, to recover \$184 for painting, on application of H. H. Pickett for the defendant, hearing was adjourned until January 8. T. P. Regan appeared for the plaintiff.

ASHES OF MONTREAL MERCHANT CAST INTO EAST RIVER?

May be Explanation of What Looked Like a New York Tragedy

New York, Dec. 17—Morse keeper, Thomas Connolly early today stood in the door way of the morgue which looks over East River and saw an automobile drive up. Two men got out and tossed a bundle into the water. Connolly notified the police, who traced the machine to an undertaking establishment in West Twenty-third street. According to the undertaking's story, Alexander McConnell, a wealthy dry goods merchant of Montreal, died a week ago in New York. Previously he had given instructions that his body was to be cremated and the ashes thrown into the river.

Connolly happened to be standing in the shadow when he saw the automobile. It stopped almost opposite where he stood and two men took a bundle from it and dropped it into the river. As the men turned to go to their automobile they saw Connolly and attempted to explain what they had been doing. Connolly suspected that things were not just right and notified the police.

Men from the morgue secured grapnels and searched the river, expecting to find a body, but found nothing.

TEN ATLANTIC FREIGHTERS ARE OVERDUE; INSURANCE GOES UP

New York, Dec. 17—There is grave uncertainty among shipping circles for the safety of ten large freight steamers now overdue in Atlantic passages. In each case the owners have been asked for re-insurance. The last of the overdue ships is the longest posted since 1899.

All ten vessels left port toward the end of last month and are known to have encountered violent weather. Each carries Barbara, 3,700 tons, which left Newport a crew of from thirty to forty men and crew of from thirty to forty men.

Among the overdue ships are the Wainham, 3,700 tons, which left Baltimore for Rotterdam on Nov. 20; the Director, 3,700 tons, which passed Newport News on Nov. 25, from Galveston for Dunkirk; the Snowdon Range, 3,000 tons, which left Philadelphia on Nov. 23, for Leith; and the Philadelphia on Nov. 23, for Leith; and the Snowdon Range, 3,000 tons, which left Newport a crew of from thirty to forty men.

KILLS ONE AND WOUNDS THREE BEFORE SHOT

Young Desperado Pursued To Hills by Hundred For Attack on Girl

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(Canadian Press) Santa Ana, Cal., Dec. 17—In a fight yesterday in the hills at Tomasa Springs, twelve miles northeast of Santa Ana, between a young desperado and more than 100 county officers, militiamen and citizens, the outlaw, who had attacked a young girl last night, was killed. United States Sheriff Robert Squires also was killed and three of his deputies were seriously wounded.

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GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC AND GRAIN TRAFFIC

Announcement of Rates via Chicago—Believe They Can Handle Balance of Crops

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 17—To prevent if possible any repetition of last year's conditions at the head of the lakes in connection with the movement of all rail grain to the millers in eastern Canada, and with a view to giving the farmers in western Canada every opportunity of marketing their grain to the greatest possible advantage, the Grand Trunk Pacific is establishing rates to the Atlantic seaboard for export and to eastern Canadian ports via Chicago.

These rates are in addition to rates on the Fort William basin to Duluth, Superior, St. Paul and Minneapolis, which have been in effect since last February. These rates carry with them milling privilege in transit privileges and are expected to be of great benefit to the millers in Ontario.

The rates to Eastern Canada will take effect on the 20th of this month, and those for export on January 20, 1913.

COAL TRAIN STRIKES A STREET CAR AND SEVEN ARE KILLED

Ashtabula, Ohio, Dec. 17—Seven dead and seven injured was the toll of a wreck here last night, when a Lake Shore and Michigan Southern coal train struck a street car. Complete investigation of the large pile of wreckage and coal that resulted from the collision revealed but one additional body. Investigation of the cause of the wreck will be made. Motorman McCutcheon is held by the police.

WEATHER BULLETIN Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. P. Biss, part, director of meteorological service.

Toronto, Dec. 17—Gales are now blowing in the maritime provinces and Newfoundland. The western disturbance is moving towards the Great Lakes. The winter continues moderately cold in the western provinces and has become much colder between eastern Ontario and New Brunswick.

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