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The Daily Mail says: "As Canada is the first colony to attempt to borrow at 2 1/2 per cent, the result will probably have a stimulating effect upon other colonies to do the same."

EDWARD LANGTRY DEAD.

Husband of the Beautiful Lily Passes Away in a Mad House.

London, Oct. 16.—Edward Langtry, husband of Lily Langtry, the actress, died last night in an asylum for the insane at Chester, to which he had recently been committed by a magistrate, after having wandered in a helpless condition in the vicinity.

A CONNECTICUT TRAGEDY.

Servant Seized with a Homocidal Mania Attacks Her Employer.

Stanford, Conn., Oct. 16.—Lizzie Fleming, a servant in the employ of Amon Dixon, a grocer, was seized with a homicidal mania shortly after midnight. She armed herself with an axe, entered her mistress's sleeping room and attacked her.

A NOTABLE BAPTISM.

Christening of the Infant Son of Duke of Marlborough at St. James Palace.

London, Oct. 16.—At Chapel Royal, St. James Palace, to-day, Sub-Dean Rev. Edgar Sheppard baptised the infant son and heir of the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough. The Prince of Wales, who was the sponsor at the Duke of Marlborough's christening, acted again to-day.

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

Mysterious Shooting—New System of Checking Baggage.

Winnipeg, Oct. 15.—A mysterious case of shooting occurred here this afternoon, Mrs. Ellis, visiting at the Queen's Hotel, receiving a bullet from a revolver in her temple. The woman still lives and may recover. She says the shooting was accidental. The pistol having discharged while she was putting it in her trunk. Her husband, who resides at Rochester, N.Y., has been telegraphed for.

There is little, if any, possibility of a Winnipeg Hockey team going to Montreal this coming winter to play for the Stanley Cup. The fact that Halifax has challenged the Victorias, of Montreal, for the coming winter, will probably prevent any other team from trying for the coveted trophy.

A new system of checking baggage will be inaugurated on the Western division of the C.P.R. on Monday, by which the brass checks now given to passengers as tokens of their luggage will be dispensed with.

Frank Laurendeau, engineer of a passenger train which collided with a freight near Ottawa, was a brother of S. D. Laurendeau, an engine driver of this city.

Premier Greenway, who has been ill at his home at Crystal City, is expected to return to Winnipeg to-morrow. The Liberals of South Brandon met at Nesbit last night to select a candidate for the legislature, but could not agree upon a man and adjourned for three weeks.

MR. RYERSON PROTESTS

Against U. S. Gunboat Yantic Passing Through Canadian Canals.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 16.—Chief Justice Ryerson, member of the Ontario legislative body for East Toronto and leading conservative member in the house, in a long letter to a local paper protests against permission being granted to the United States gunboat Yantic to pass through Canadian canals to Lake Erie.

LOSS OF S. S. TRITON

Terrible Marine Disaster Off the Havana Coast—A Spanish Steamship Founders.

One Hundred and Fifty Persons Drowned—Boats Swamped by Panic-Stricken Passengers.

Havana, Oct. 18.—The gunboat Maria Christina, which left this port on Saturday for the scene of the wreck of the coasting steamer Triton, found that vessel wrecked on the coast of Pinar del Rio, which sank on Saturday morning between Dominica and Marie, has returned, accompanied by the tugboat Nisio, which went with her.

The two vessels arrived here at one o'clock this afternoon, the gunboat having on board nineteen and the tugboat twenty-three members of the ship's company, of whom 15 are civilians and soldiers. The whereabouts of the others of the company is unknown.

FROM THE CAPITAL

Supreme Court Compelled to Postpone Consideration of School Fund Arbitration Case.

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Duke of Teck's Yukon Company Reported To Be About to Sell to a London Syndicate.

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SLAUGHTER OF THE SEALS.

Prof. Jordan Blames the United States and England For the Decrease.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 18.—Prof. David Starr Jordan, en route to the international seal conference, corrects an error into which Minister Phelps and others seem to have fallen when they considered the small amount of sealing around the islands belonging to the United States. He says a sixty-mile closed zone is already in effect, and adds:

"As a matter of fact, the strictest regulations governing the American herd have been of no avail. The natural increase of the breeding herd is about 7 per cent. Since 1885 the American herd has fallen from 600,000 to 225,000, and more than half the herd, from 300,000 to about 50,000, the Eskimo herd from about 40,000 to 12,000, and that part of it belonging to Japan numbering three females now, as against 25,000 in 1885."

The sole cause of decline has been in all cases the same—the indiscriminate killing of females. For this great international crime two nations are solely responsible. They are Great Britain and the United States. One great obstacle in the negotiations in the past that we have never come into a conference with clean hands. American hands have destroyed one-third of our own herd, which once had a cash value of \$25,000,000, and more than half the devastation to our own herd has been due to American enterprise. We have allowed our pirates to destroy the seal herd of ourselves and our neighbors, just as we allow squatters to burn off forests to improve the feed for their sheep.

"If nations were as honest and just in their dealings as private citizens are forced to be, the whole seal controversy could be settled in a day. And it may be settled."

DURRANT'S SPIRIT BREAKING.

The Great Murders Now Very Anxious and Irritable.

San Francisco, Oct. 16.—Theodore Durrant, the convicted murderer of the Minnie Williams and Blanche Lamont, whose fate depends upon the action of the United States supreme court, is reported to be breaking down. Yesterday, for the first time, he showed signs of silliness and refused to leave his cell for his customary exercise. Hitherto he has always been one of the most tractable prisoners in the penitentiary.

CHARLES A. DANA DEAD.

Editor of the New York Sun and a Famous Journalist.

New York, Oct. 18.—The Sun's announcement of the death of its great editor is almost pathetic in its simplicity. The news columns are dumb. At the top of the first column on the editorial page, in ordinary type, appears: "Charles Anderson Dana, editor of the Sun, died yesterday."

The late C. A. Dana was born in Hinsdale N. H., Aug. 28, 1819. The first number of the Sun issued by Mr. Dana appeared on January 27th, 1868, and since that date had been actively and continuously engaged in the management of that successful journal.

SIR EDWARD ARNOLD MARRIED.

London, Oct. 18.—Sir Edward Arnold, the well-known publisher, has been married to Miss M. A. Dana, a daughter of the late Charles A. Dana, editor of the New York Sun.

SPAIN'S TROUBLES.

Philippine Insurgents' Demands—Premier Sagasta's Position.

Madrid, Oct. 18.—The government has received information from Manila that the insurgents of the Philippine islands have replied to the overtures of Captain-General Primo de Rivera, who has been trying to induce them to submit, demanding a completely extended amnesty to begin with and full pardon eventually.

FIRE AT REVELSTOKE.

Two Large Buildings in the Upper Portion of the Town Destroyed.

Revelstoke, B. C., Oct. 18.—Fire this morning completely destroyed two large buildings in the upper portion of the town, owned by Mrs. Ross and J. P. Treth. The loss on the buildings is about \$1,000 and on the furniture \$800. A boy is supposed to have caused the explosion of a lamp in Abery's dispensary.

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BAILEY'S ESCAPE.

Cummings' Revolver Snapped When It Was Pointed at Bailey's Breast.

Evidence Adduced To-Day to Show That the Shooting Was Premeditated.

That Thomas Cummings premeditated his attempt to shoot Hallett Bailey was pretty clearly shown at the preliminary hearing of the case, which commenced in the city police court this morning. A witness was called to the stand by Bailey, whose life it is alleged Cummings attempted to take. According to his story, Cummings came to Erskine, Wall & Co's store, where Bailey works, between 12 and 1 o'clock on Friday that the shooting occurred. All the other clerks were out, Bailey being left in charge of the store. The two went towards the rear of the store, where they talked at intervals for a long while. Bailey frequently being called to the front to attend to customers. Cummings urged Bailey to accompany him to the back of the store to talk, but Bailey declined, as he said he could not leave the store. "But," said he, "I can go together."

Cummings replied, "I don't want to be seen walking through the streets with you." However, they went to lunch together and had been talking for nearly an hour. Bailey did not say what the conversation was about when Cummings pulled the revolver, and pointing it at Bailey's breast said, "You're a dead man!" He pulled the trigger, but the hammer did not go off. Bailey could not say whether the revolver snapped twice, but it is presumed that it did, as there were two loaded cartridges in it the caps of which had been snapped. This is accounted for by the fact that the revolver was a new and cheap one, Henry Shore, a hardware merchant, giving evidence that he had sold it to Cummings at 12 o'clock on the day of the shooting, which was just before Cummings went to the store and tried to get Bailey to go to the rear.

When the revolver snapped Bailey said he jumped up with the intention of knocking it out of his assailant's hands, but falling to the ground, he was shot in the room. He could not say how many shots were fired or when he was hit, he being too excited.

From other witnesses, however, it was learned that two shots were fired in the restaurant and that the revolver was shot fired in the street when Cummings was standing at the restaurant door and Bailey was running down Yates street. Cummings, he said, held the revolver in both hands, and when he fired the bullet struck Bailey in the chest, and he fell to the ground. He was then shot in the back of the head, and recovering himself, continued to run down the street.

Dr. Crompton told of the wounds. One bullet went through the fleshy part of the leg and the second striking the shoulder, glanced around the shoulder blade and lodged at the back of the neck.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at 2:30. Mr. Helmecken, who appears for the defence, wishing to have a copy of the evidence, which was taken in shorthand, before cross-examining Bailey.

The steamer Islander on Saturday evening, after touching at the outer wharf to unload her other passengers and mails, proceeded to Esquimaux with the new officers and crew of H.M.S. Phoenix, which, since the departure of her time expired crew has been tied up. The new crew left Plymouth on the 22nd and arrived at Montreal on October 10th, and coming thence by the Canadian Pacific Railway to Vancouver, arrived there on Saturday morning. The contingent, including the officers, is made up of 184 men. About 30 are for the Phoenix and the remainder will be drafted on to the Imberse and the Wild Swan. Lieutenant Granville Smith will command the Phoenix, with Lieutenant Sutherland as first lieutenant. The newly arrived officers were entertained by the officers of the Wild Swan, and the blue-jackets drank each other's beer. News has been received from Montreal that the men of the Phoenix who left here a little over a week ago, have sailed from that city for England on the steamer State of California, the same vessel that brought the new crew.

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diffs are J. W. Wright and M. A. Tulloch, of Tacoma, and J. C. Carson, of Snoqualmie. Each claims for \$300 paid for passage money and \$1,000 damages.

Yesterday was the big day at the annual exhibition of the North and South British Agricultural Society's show. Many Victorians went out during the afternoon to take in the exhibition and horse races, among those present being Sir Mackenzie Bowell, ex-premier of the Dominion, and Hon. J. E. Brown, attorney-general. In the evening there was a still larger attendance of Victorians for the annual ball, the train service on the Victoria & Sidney making it an easy matter to attend.

The Board of Trade issued their eighteenth annual report yesterday and in point of excellence it is an improvement on the excellent report of last year. The usual statistical and other information regarding the province is given and many good illustrations are scattered throughout the book. In the form of an appendix extracts are presented from Ogilvie's report on the gold fields of the Northwest Territories. Many illustrations of scenes incident to the rush for those mines are also to be seen. It is a most attractive book.

Mrs. Jessop, wife of John Jessop, provincial immigration agent, died some-what unexpectedly at an early hour this morning. The deceased had been a resident of the city for 35 years and was well known among a large circle of friends as a highly intelligent and well-informed lady, sympathetic and tender-hearted in an unusual degree. To her careful teaching many young Victorians owe the foundation to their education. Mrs. Jessop was a daughter of Dr. John Favcett and a sister of Dr. William Favcett, both eminent practitioners in Dublin, Ireland. The funeral will take place at 2 on Monday from her late residence, Yates street, and later from Christ Church Cathedral.

The decree nisi granting Frederick Warren a divorce from his wife was this morning made absolute. The custody of the children was granted to the father. The order was made by Mr. Justice Drake.

The reading schesmer Otto, Captain McLeod, for which vessel sealing men were just becoming anxious, arrived in port this morning. She was unable to port this morning, owing to light and variable winds in the Capet. The Otto has 828 skins for her Behring sea catch.

The Hock Taw forgery case has been adjourned until to-morrow. Frank Lynn and Charles McGraw, the two young vags arrested on Saturday, were allowed out on their own recognizance, with the understanding that they leave the city. Mackel, a Fort Rupert Indian, was fined \$25 for being in possession of an intoxicant.

J. A. McKenna, of the Interior department, who has been in the city for some time in connection with the Songhees reserve matter, left for Revelstoke on Saturday evening, where he and Hewitt Black, M.P., will hold a meeting with the settlers in the railway belt with a view to settling the old disputes regarding those lands.

The Canadian-Australian liner Mowers sailed this afternoon for Hawaii, Fiji, New Zealand and Australia. Sir Noel and Lady Salmon and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Nash were the only cabin passengers from Victoria. The Mowers took from Victoria 120 tons of pepper, 2,000 cases of salmon and 32 tons of hops, all for Australia. The hops came from Mr. Breech's hop fields at Saanich, and are the first to be shipped from Victoria to Australia, the hops being usually shipped to Great Britain.

The steamer Victoria sailed for the Orient at noon yesterday, full up with freight and crowded with passengers. She took a large quantity of lumber from this port, which was brought down on scoops from the Hastings mills. Among the passengers were Mr. George B. Dodwell, of the firm of Dodwell, Carrill & Co., who is returning to Hongkong after a year spent in Great Britain and on the Coast in the interests of his company. There were about 400 Japanese and Chinese in the steerage, 156 of whom embarked here. The steamer Tacoma, of this line, which sailed from here on Sept. 25, arrived at Yokohama on Friday last.

The steamer Tees, of the C.P.N. Co., left for Skidegate and way ports this morning in charge of Captain Meyers. She had many passengers and a much larger crew than the different northern way ports. Among the passengers who went north on her were P. and A. Woolcott, two provincial police officers who are returning to Art Bay; J. Clayton, the canneryman; Miss Hunt, W. Brodie, C. Hawkins, and Officers McKenna and Murray, of the provincial police, who go to Fort Rupert to try to unravel the Ne-Cay murder mystery.

John Burkholder and William Gerrie, two young men, were arrested this afternoon by Constable McKenna, of the provincial and Officers Percie and Claydars, of the city police, charged with entering the house of Mrs. McEae, at Gordon Head, and stealing several articles, amongst which was a wedding ring, a watch and a five dollar gold piece. They made several visits to the house during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. McEae. Mr. McEae is on his way to the Klondike gold fields, and it seems that the two young prisoners watched Mrs. McEae's movements and took the opportunity of entering the house during her absence. They will in all probability come to trial before Magistrate Macrae this afternoon at the close of the day. The case, which comes up for hearing at 4 o'clock.

Among the passengers on the steamer Islander to Vancouver were Mr. and Mrs. Guss. They had only been husband and wife for a short time, the ceremony having been performed on Saturday evening at St. James' Church by Rev. J. B. Bay, by the Rev. Archdeacon Scriver. The groom is Captain Tom Guss, captain of one of the C.P.R. Co's steamers, and the bride, who is following the example of her sister Mrs. Goss, in marrying a skipper of one of the C.P.N. Co's vessels, is Miss Minnie Sparks. Only the friends of both parties were present at the ceremony, and at its conclusion all went to the residence of Captain J. Goss, where they made merry until shortly before the Islander sailed. Mr. and Mrs. Guss will make their home in Vancouver.