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DECORATIONS OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS FOR ROYAL VISIT.

Comprehensive Scheme Under Consideration for Occasion in October.

GRANDEUR PROMISED.

Anxiety of the Ministers Relieved as to the Possibility of the Canadian Visit Being Cancelled--The Government Steamer Newfield Ashore.

Ottawa, Aug. 8--(Special)--The minister of public works, with his deputy and Lieut. Col. Gordon, were engaged today in looking into a system of decorations of public buildings at Ottawa and Quebec.

"We are engaged on a comprehensive scheme for the fitting decoration of all public buildings on the occasion of the royal party's visit," said Mr. Tarte. "It will be for the chief points to be included in the tour, and will be something that our people have not witnessed before. I cannot say more at present till we get things worked out a little. The announcement from London that the king has decided not to let the death of the Empress of Germany interfere with the completion of the Duke of Cornwall's tour of the colonies removes the anxiety of the ministers as to the possibility of the Canadian visit being cancelled. But no word has yet come as to whether the event will have any effect on the social and military entertainments prepared for the prince's coming. These will come through the government general.

The government steamer Newfoundland went ashore last night on the bank in Pictou harbor. There is no danger to the vessel as she is safe from wind and sea. A bulletin on the census returned issued in a few days, but nothing official will be known. However, it is hinted that the increase in the population will be in round figures about 5,400,000. This total population of about 5,400,000 is not so large as was expected. As a matter of fact it does not show the real increase, because evidence has been secured to establish that the census of 1891 was stuffed. In some localities the families and the dwellings have largely increased since 1891, yet the census of that year shows less than it was ten years ago.

ANGLERS WANT LEGISLATION.

Sir Louis Davies at a Meeting of the St. Lawrence River Association.

Waterloo, N. Y., Aug. 8--At the meeting of the Anglers' Association of the St. Lawrence River yesterday, steps were taken to secure a uniform bass season in Canada and the United States. Legislation is asked for to stop the netting of bass on Lake Ontario by which process each season tons of black bass are caught, thus depleting the supply in the St. Lawrence. Sir Louis Davies, minister of marine and fisheries of the dominion of Canada, was a speaker. William C. Brown, of New York, was elected president.

C. P. R. Strike Conference.

Montreal, Aug. 8--(Special)--C. Pope, chairman of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and A. Shaw, chairman of the Brotherhood of Trainmen, who are in Montreal to confer with the Canadian Pacific authorities in connection with the trackmen's strike, will await the arrival of General Manager McNichol, who is expected from the west by the end of the week. Efforts will then be made to bring about a settlement.

Millions from the Klondike.

Toronto, Aug. 8--So far this year the Canadian Bank of Commerce has received between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000 in gold from the Klondike. The Bank of British North America is thought to have received the same amount, and large amounts have also passed through the large trading companies.

MAIMED BY A SEA MONSTER.

Details of a Strange Accident to a Naval Officer --- Leg Bitten Off While Swimming.

Washington, Aug. 8--Admiral Kempf has forwarded to the navy department an official report, thrilling in its details, of the biting off of the leg of Quartermaster S. McKie, third class, of the gunboat Annapolis, by a shark or other mammoth sea monster.

The Annapolis had been stationed off late at Hilo, and on June 24 last, a party was sent out for rifle target practice. Commander Rohrer, in command of the Annapolis, states that permission was given to several of the men to go swimming. McKie joined them. He made a dive and was gone for several seconds. When he ap-

NEW FINDS OF IRON MADE AT THUNDER BAY.

U. S. Steel Trust and Clergue Company Make Applications.

TWO VEINS WERE FOUND.

Winnipeg Carpenters Have Gone Out on Strike -- Want Big Increase in Pay -- General Gascoigne, Who Commanded Canadians, Lands at Vancouver.

Toronto, Aug. 8--(Special)--New and important discoveries of iron have been reported to the department of crown lands as having been made in Thunder Bay district, to the east of Lake Nipigon. Two distinct veins have been found. The surface deposits show the ore to be of hematite variety of low grade, about 40 per cent. pure. The United States steel trust is already in the field and has taken and applied for about 8,000 acres in the district, while one of Clergue's enterprises, the Algoma Commercial Company, has obtained from prospectors the choice of between 4,000 and 5,000 acres.

Winnipeg, Aug. 8--(Special)--The carpenters of Winnipeg struck work this morning, between 400 and 500 going out. The men demand a nine-hour day and 40 cents an hour, which is a big increase on the present rate. The strike will be a bad blow to contractors, as a large number of new buildings are in course of erection.

MARSHAL WALTERS GREETED AT HAMBURG.

Tells the Populace That Operations in China Have Increased German Prestige.

Hamburg, Aug. 8--The steamer Gera, with Count Von Walderssee on board, arrived here today. The field marshal landed immediately, amidst cheering from the crowd assembled. General Von Wittke, representing Emperor William, welcomed Von Walderssee. After an inspection of the guard of honor, the field marshal, accompanied by Gen. Von Wittke, and escorted by a squadron of the King's Uhlans, proceeded to the town hall. He was warmly applauded as he passed through the thronged and decorated streets. At the town hall, replying to an address of the burgomaster, Von Walderssee gave credit for the German success in China to the officers and men of the expeditionary force. He said he hoped for the speedy advent of peace in order that German trade and enterprise might profit by the result of the year's operations, which had greatly increased German prestige in the far east.

Dr. Schenk's Methods.

Berlin, Aug. 8--The programme arranged for the forthcoming zoological congress in Berlin includes 139 addresses. Professor Samuel Schenk, of the University of Vienna, will discuss before the congress his method of predetermining sex.

BOTH SIDES MAKING A SHOW OF STRENGTH TO THE WORLD.

This the Policy as the Day of Final Action in Big Strike Draws Near--Talk of Intervention by Archbishop Ireland, Senator Hanna and Others.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 8--The contending sides in the steel strike are centering their energies for a show of strength on the day when the general strike order becomes effective. The United States steel corporation is reopening mills closed by the first strike call, to show its independence of unionism and gathering strength wherever it may to lighten the effect of the sympathetic assistance which the Amalgamated Association bends its energies to the extension of its membership and to obtain the support and co-operation of the American Federation of Labor.

The general strike order becomes effective on Saturday night. Officials of the steel companies admit that thousands of mills will go out, but they positively deny that the tie up will be general. They point to their success in reopening four mills that were closed and say that they have strongholds at points where the Amalgamated claims the greatest strength. The steel officials are inclined to minimize the sympathetic assistance which the Amalgamated Association will get. One official said:

"We have these people linked to a standard, and the machinists do? Ha? they're not just beaten? And the mine workers, did they aid the firmers?"

President Shaffer and his associates, on the other hand, insist that the strike order will be generally obeyed and that they will obtain more than enough support to cripple the steel corporation.

"We have these people linked to a standard," said Shaffer, "and the mine workers, did they aid the firmers?"

MANITOBA'S GREAT WHEAT CROP.

Estimated at 50,000,000 Bushels -- Railroads Prepared to Handle It.

Montreal, Aug. 6--Harvesting has begun in the Canadian West, and the indications are that the crop will be up to the extraordinary production made for it in most respects at least. The alarmist reports denied by those in a position to know--and the donkeys would seem to be substantiated by the threshing results so far. In short it is now conceded that 50,000,000 bushels is not an extravagant estimate for the Manitoba wheat crop, exclusive of that of the Territories. Even making all allowances, this should leave 30,000,000 bushels of wheat for export.

The Canadian Pacific Railway is making great preparations for the moving forward of the crop, and the Canadian Northern is in a position to enter into competition for the grain trade, as its new line to Port Arthur will be ready by October 1. Thomas Tait, transportation manager of the Canadian Pacific, said in an interview that the company was making arrangements whereby at Port William during the months of September, October, November and December, grain would be shipped in a train every hour, provided they could get the vessels to take the grain away from the elevators. The company has a storage capacity in its elevators here of 5,500,000 bushels, and it will be necessary to keep the grain moving forward by water so as not to clog up the elevators. Mr. Tait said that so soon as they knew the harvest was assured, they contacted outside their own shops for all the cars and engines that could be delivered within the time for the movement of the crop. At the same time they motioned Transcontinentals working full capacity.

AMERICANS MAKE TOO MUCH OF MINISTER WU

So Think the United States Missionaries in China--The Astute Chinese.

New York, Aug. 8--Rev. S. Miner, who for some time has been at the head of a private school system at Foo Chow, China, is in the city. He says missionaries in China do not approve of the honors paid to Minister Wu Ting Fang by the people of this country. Mr. Miner is quoted as saying of Minister Wu:

"How much he influenced the course of our government I do not know, but Americans in China think we made a mistake in withdrawing our troops so soon. The Chinese are at this moment buying war material in vast quantities. They are spending money in that way and pleading inability to pay indemnities because of poverty. The Mandarin class in China is untrustworthy. We ought not to take their word. Chinese diplomacy is not to be counted upon, and our government makes a mistake when it builds upon it."

STRATHCONA TO COME TO CANADA

To Help Receive the Duke and Duchess--Named for Honors.

Montreal, Aug. 8--(Special)--Lord Strathcona is expected to arrive here from London September 1st to take part in the reception to the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall.

It is said that George B. Reeve, vice-president and general manager of the Grand Trunk, and Robert MacKay, chairman of the harbor commissioners, will be among those to receive titles along with T. G. Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific, when the duke arrives. It is also stated that Mayor Prefontaine's name will appear.

TORONTO DOCTOR ENDS LIFE WITH SHOTGUN.

Victim Was Dr. O. F. Macdonald--Brain Was Affected by Illness.

Toronto, Aug. 8--(Special)--Dr. Overton F. Macdonald, a prominent physician of this city, committed suicide at his home this evening by shooting himself in the head with a shotgun. He had been in poor health for some time as the result of an attack of grippe and had acted peculiarly of late, apparently having a delirium. He was 36 years of age and leaves his wife and one daughter.

CUT OFF WITH \$40, COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Act of Banker's Nephew Who Expected \$40,000 and Received \$40.

Philadelphia, Aug. 8--Maximilian Manasse, nephew of a former wealthy banker of Berlin, Germany, committed suicide at his boarding house today by shooting himself because his uncle had cut him off in his will with \$40. Manasse, who was a clerk, had frequently spoken of his uncle and said he expected to receive \$100,000. When he received a letter last night telling him he was to receive but \$40, he went to his room and killed himself. His body was found today.

Turks and Bulgarians Fight

Vienna, Aug. 7--According to a despatch from Salonika to the Pester Lloyd of Budapest, eight Bulgarians who were raiding Turkish territory found themselves pursued by Turkish troops, and took refuge in the house of a peasant. The fired on the Turks, killing an officer. The Turks then set fire to the house, burning to death the Bulgarians and the peasant and his family.

TRIED TO BE PRETTY; \$22,000 FIRE FOLLOWS.

Servant Lighted Gas to Curl Her Hair, and the House Was Burned.

New York, Aug. 8--Because a young woman wished to make herself pretty, the handsome \$25,000 residence of L. C. Van Alper, Edorado place, Clinton Park, West, was nearly destroyed by fire yesterday. Going to her room in the afternoon to dress, a servant lighted a gas jet beside the window to heat her curling tongs. The window was open and the curtain was blown against the gas, becoming ignited.

Being the blaze, the young woman became excited, and, screaming for help, caught the burning curtain and, tearing it from its fastening, threw it from her. It landed on a bed in the room, setting it afire, and soon the entire house was ablaze. Firemen succeeded, after hard work, in preventing the flames from spreading.

EMPEROR'S BODY NOW REPOSES IN THE CASKET.

Service, Simple Yet Impressive, Was Held Over Remains Thursday.

THERE WAS NO MUSIC.

Emperor William, at Foot of Coffin, With Head Bowed--Castle Still Presents Appearance of State of Siege--Pickets and Detectives on Watch.

Cronberg, Aug. 8--The body of the deceased Emperor Frederick was placed in a coffin early this morning.

Cronberg, Aug. 8--The funeral service held at Friedrichshof late this afternoon was simple but highly impressive. It was performed at the request of the late dowager empress, by the Bishop of Ripon, her own chaplain, assisted by the Rev. Thomas Teignmouth Shore, canon of Worcester. The coffin stood in the death chamber covered with a long black pall and strewn with white roses. At the foot, with bowed head and slightly in advance of the other mourners stood Emperor William in the uniform of the Black Hussars, the regiment of the late dowager empress. Just behind him were all the other members of the royal family except Prince Henry of Prussia. The other mourners who formed two lines in the rear, included Prince and Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, Col. Pritzelwitz, Crown Prince Frederick William's aide, Count Von Zechendorf, who was the secretary of the emperor, and the Duke of Cambridge, the Grand Duke of Hesse and a few court officials.

THE MAN ARRESTED IN BIG THEFT CASE.

Winters, the Name--The Evidence Upon Which He is Held.

San Francisco, Aug. 8--Captain Seymour, of the local detectives has disclosed the identity of the man whom the police department has in custody, on suspicion of being implicated in the robbery of \$283,000 worth of gold bullion from the Selby smelter works at Vallejo Junction. The suspect is John Winters, 37 years old, a former employe of the smelting company. Captain Seymour also outlined the evidence on which Winters is being held, as follows:

"A man's cap, which was found in the railway tunnel last Tuesday morning, has been positively identified as a head covering worn by Winters, and to strengthen this fact there is a further one that the suspect has been wearing a new cap ever since the time of the robbery. He exchanged his old one for the new one by saying it blew away. The cover of the tunnel, excavated by the thieves was constructed of leather, upon which some cloth was fastened with tacks of a peculiar pattern, and tacks similar to these were found today in Winters's cabin. Portions of laths silver to those composing the framework of the cover, have been found at the same place.

A pistol owned by Winters and found in the tunnel were found several cubes of peculiar chalk, which had evidently been used to smother the grinding sound made by the drill by which the floor plate of the vault had been bored and pieces of chalk like them were discovered in Winters's residence.

"In the cabin was also found a new implement designed to cut gas pipe. A small electric battery and a tiny electric bulb, the latter being covered with dielectric material, were found in the tunnel, was found in the cabin.

"Winters had been seen late at night in the vicinity of the railroad tunnel several times by persons who had occasion to pass that way."

"Winters, however, stoutly maintains that he knows nothing whatever about the robbery."

OCEAN LINER CRASHES INTO SMALLER BOAT

The Big Oceanic Sank the Smaller Kincora in the Irish Channel.

SEVEN LIVES WERE LOST.

The White Star Liner Was But Little Damaged -- Fireman of Kincora Gave Up Chance of Safety to Look After Boilers--How 14 Men Were Saved.

Queenstown, Aug. 8--The White Star liner steamer Oceanic, Captain Cameron, which sailed from Liverpool yesterday for New York via Queenstown, arrived here this morning and reported having been in collision last night in the Irish channel with the steamer Kincora. The Kincora sank. Seven persons were drowned.

The Kincora was a steel screw steamer of 453 tons. She belonged to the Waterford Steamship Company. The collision occurred in a fog. The bow of the Oceanic was damaged. The Kincora was a coasting vessel trading between Waterford and Limerick. She had a crew of 21 men. The Oceanic brought the seven survivors to this port.

Later details of the collision show that the only damage sustained by the Oceanic consisted in a few dents to her port plates. She proceeded at 3.50 p. m.

The collision occurred this side of Tusk, at about 1.30 in the morning. The Kincora was very dense. The Oceanic was struck amidships. All the passengers of the Kincora were in bed at the time and there was some commotion until Captain Cameron was told that there was no other cause for alarm. Howarth was kept on the Oceanic after she struck the Kincora in order to give the crew of the latter a chance to climb on board the Oceanic. The boats were lowered to rescue every man possible. The Kincora sank very rapidly. The bodies of the seven who were missing were seen only at daylight, but nothing was then visible beyond some floating wreckage.

The damage sustained by the Oceanic will not prevent her proceeding on her journey. The Oceanic was going dead slow when the collision occurred. All the Kincora's boats were jammed and rendered useless by the impact. Fourteen men, including the captain, scrambled on board the Oceanic with aid of ropes lowered from the liner. Among the seven who were drowned was fireman George Collins, who might have saved himself but went below to endeavor to prevent the boilers bursting.

DAMAGE TO ST. PAUL'S.

Eight Arches Broken--Underground Railways and Sewers Ditto.

London, Aug. 8--Somers Clark, the architect in charge of St. Paul's cathedral, writes to the Times as follows: "The immense weight resting upon the eight piers upholding the dome has caused the foundations under the dome to settle more than elsewhere. The settlement has broken eight arches and the windows of the clerestory over them in the nave of the choir and in the north transept, almost instantaneously. Mr. Mealey and his two-year-old son escaped injury. The entire party was buried beneath the wreck. Joel Pearson, a stonemason, who had been struck by flying timbers, died soon after being taken to the hospital. None of the injuries sustained by the others is considered serious."

A VIOLENT ELECTRIC STORM.

Heavy Damage to Property and Loss of Life at Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 8--A violent electric storm accompanied by a wind of unusual velocity struck this city late this afternoon causing loss of life and a heavy damage to property. The roof of a large stone shed, at the navy yard in which 100 men were at work collapsed, burying half men under it. A woman who had sought shelter in the shed from the tempest was killed and many of the workmen maimed. It is feared other bodies are buried in the ruins. Property at the yard was badly damaged.

The injured, John Robinson, stonemason, right leg broken and contusions on the left leg.

John Karlstrom, stonemason, finger cut. Inspector of Granite Sullivan, of Concord, and Superintendent of Granite Webster, badly bruised.