

## WEEKLY REVIEW

Julius Cominsky committed suicide in a cell in the Tombs, New York, where he was being held on a charge of felonious assault in shooting Patrolman Zeeling. Cominsky made a rope of strips of his shirt and hanged himself to his cell door.

The Canadian Glass Works located on the outskirts of Montreal, and employing 150 hands, was burned to the ground recently. A number of young girls employed on the second story were obliged to jump for lives. The loss amounts to \$20,000 and is covered by insurance.

King Alfonso has issued a decree suspending the sessions of parliament. As it is evident that the new premier, Senor Maura, cannot command a majority in the chambers, an early adjournment to the people of the issue between church and state through a dissolution of the parliament and new elections is the only means of clearing the situation.

Last season's export business in the Grain trade at Montreal was greater than that of any year since 1900, according to a statement contained in the address of the retiring president of the Corn exchange, Mr. Thomas A. Crane, delivered before the annual meeting of that body.

A young homesteader named Stull living about fifteen miles south of Gull lake, became lost in a recent blizzard, and now lies at the home of a rancher in a badly frozen and precarious condition. Stull started to his shack from his stable a distance of about forty rods, but lost his way and wandered far over the prairies. His disappearance was not discovered till three days later.

The rumor that the C.P.R. has an option on the controlling stock in the Quebec Railway Light and Power Co., is thought that the C.P.R. is preparing to open up and develop the north-eastern Canada, tapping the Labrador oil fields, and making a new outlet on south-eastern Labrador for the export of grain and other products of the west.

A serious accident occurred at Indian Head on Friday last. Just as No. 1 was approaching the depot the crown plate of the locomotive blew out, and the fireman, Louis Desjardines, 49 years of age, was flung several yards by the force of the explosion and badly burned. He was taken to the hospital here and placed under the care of Dr. Connell.

Miss Mattie Cotter, not yet out of her teens, ran away from her father's house, Sheridan, Mont. It has come to light that she eloped to Butte with Abraham Seeley, more than 80 years of age, who had already three wives. Before she promised at the altar to obey her aged lover, Miss Cotter required him to sign an agreement that if she should die before he does he will not marry again. Seeley objected strenuously, but she insisted that if he did not sign the document she would not marry him, finally he attached his signature. Miss Cotter is well educated and popular, she had many youthful suitors but did not choose to marry any of them.

## McBRIDE'S VICTORY

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and cannot be made political; if either party attempted to appropriate it for partisan purposes they would find that the people of this province were too wide awake and too well acquainted with the interests involved to allow the prospect of ultimate success to be endangered by confusing it with party politics. When British Columbia voted for government on party lines, it did not decide to deliver to either party the settlement of such a momentous question as "Better Terms" except upon a basis far removed from the arena of political strife. It is strictly a business proposition; a case of demonstrating what is due to the province from the Dominion, and then of respectfully but firmly insisting on the debt being paid. The province has endorsed the premier in no uncertain manner, and everything that money will do was certainly done to defeat him. The West was informed a few days ago by a gentleman direct from the coast that after McBride's arrival the worst boodler campaign ever seen was inaugurated and he said: "If money will defeat McBride, he's a goner." The provincial rights campaign has however triumphed, and it is now up to Ottawa to settle.

## PRESS COMMENTS

(Butte News.)

Secretary Root's visit to Ottawa, while scarcely noticed in this country is an occasion of great moment to the people of the Dominion. Canada is enjoying the privileges of a sovereign power. She is making her first treaty direct with the nation involved with her in a controversy. England's experience with the United States in the northwest boundary dispute was an unsatisfactory one. It was decided in London to allow Canadian statesmen more room. Within the next few days President Roosevelt and Secretary Root will probably present to congress a number of treaties drawn up as a result

The American senate has agreed to vote on the resolution declaring Senator Smoot, of Utah, not entitled to his seat at four o'clock on Wednesday, Feb. 20.

The city treasurer's department at Winnipeg received from the Winnipeg Electric Ry. Co. A cheque covering the amount of car tax and 5 per cent. of the company's gross earnings for last year. The cheque amounted to \$36,776.30 of which \$2,180 is for car tax, and the remaining \$34,596.30 represents 5 per cent. of the gross earnings of the company in 1906.

A dispatch from Toledo, Ohio, says that charged with bigamy and credited with having thirteen wives, Rev. Holden, reported to have two sons also under indictment for bigamy, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six years in the penitentiary. Holden says he married whenever the spirit moved him. His courtships always took place during his revivals and his victims were always those who attended his church.

A sad case of destitution was discovered just outside Vancouver when the police were informed that a woman and seven children were starving in a shack. The police found the furniture in the house save one chair and there was practically no food. The woman said they were Germans recently from Manitoba. About two months ago her husband left her, saying he was broken in health and would be absent about two years.

Charles McGill late manager of the Ontario Bank was sentenced to five years imprisonment by Judge Chute at Toronto. He pleaded guilty to two accounts of making and signing false returns with intent to deceive and signing false statements with intent to deceive. On the theft charges McGill pleaded not guilty. His counsel in asking for mercy said that McGill was a poor man he had not profited personally. The penalty provided show that it was regarded as a most serious crime.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Shuttleworth of Howard were recently lost in a storm and spent the night on the prairie. They turned the team loose one of which died from exposure while the other wandered home and is badly frost bitten. Mr. and Mrs. Shuttleworth, however, did not fare so badly, she having been wrapped in the robes while he tramped about to keep warm. In the morning they were taken to the nearest neighbors and are but little the worse for their experience.

A conference has been arranged between the department of railways at Ottawa and the C.P.R. to consider the application of the company for running rights over the Intercolonial from St. John to Halifax. The railway department cannot refuse the principle of the application more than the G.T.R. and Canada Atlantic could when running rights were given to the I.C.R. as far as Georgian Bay. If the C.P.R. will pay the shot there is no doubt the application will be granted. However, before anything final is done the minister will lay the whole matter before the cabinet.

of the direct discussion with the Canadian statesmen.

The question involved are fishery rights off the Grand Banks and the diversion of water from the Niagara. As a result of the dispute over Niagara's water it was decided that a treaty should be made covering the diversion of water from all boundary streams between Canada and the United States.

No privilege can be of more vital importance to the Dominion than the right to deal direct with her neighbor, the United States. In granting this boon, England is only delegating a duty to the colony in which she has made a signal failure, according to the colonists.

It is with curious interest that the public is awaiting the treaties for many would like to know if Root, shrewd and experienced as he is, was able to take the blossoming statesman into camp.

At a recent meeting of the Grain Growers' association of Prosperity, Sask., the following resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas the Manitoba G. G. association has taken action against certain grain dealers in Winnipeg, therefore be it resolved that this association place itself on record as approving the central executive as well as the local branches in favor of the action taken by the Manitoba association."

"Whereas the car shortage is a great inconvenience to the community and a loss to the country at large and we are of the opinion that the unjust discrimination now shown by the railway companies in favoring competitive points is detrimental to our districts, that the warehouse commissioner be given power to compel the railway companies to supply cars in proportion to the grain shipped from each point, and in default of supplying cars to pay a demurrage after a reasonable period of time."

## SUNDAY MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Fuel Question so Urgent That Mayor and Aldermen Take Action on the Sabbath--Offers C. N. 100 Men

With the north line completely blocked from Friday to Monday the fuel situation became so serious along the branch that Mayor Smith decided to call the council together on Sunday and consider the matter so that if assistance was granted work could begin at this end of the line on Monday.

The question was thoroughly canvassed by the aldermen and it was finally decided to offer a gang of men as snow shovellers. The majority of the board seemed rather favorable to the proposal, but Ald. Peavert thought that some request or requisition should come from the railway company, or the council ought to know that the company had done all they could to relieve the situation. Such procedure could be well taken by the government, but he thought that as they had not profited this aid, the city might well pause before committing itself to this procedure. He had as a matter of fact stated some time ago that the government ought to take some steps to guard against the failure of railways to operate through winter storms or spring washouts.

Ald. Gillespie supported this contention but they voted for the assistance being granted. The following motion was adopted unanimously:

Moved by Ald. Cowan, seconded by Ald. Kusch, that the mayor be authorized to wire Supt. Abbott that it has been reported authentically to him that great distress exists between Regina and Saskatoon for the want of fuel owing to the trains being unable to get through on account of snow drifts and that the railway company having found themselves unable to cope with the situation, the city of Regina hereby offers to organize a gang of fifty men, and if necessary 100 men, to aid the railway company to clear the line, provided the railway company will undertake the supervision of the gang, and that a copy of this telegram be communicated to the general manager, Mr. James.

The mayor, Ald. Gillespie, Kusch and Kramer were appointed a committee to communicate with the C. N. R. officials and procure a gang should the city's offer be accepted.

MESSAGE TO C. N. R. The following telegram was sent to Manager James, Winnipeg, and Supt. Abbott, Saskatoon.

"Understand great distress exists on north line between Regina and Saskatoon for want of fuel, and as

it appears your company is unable to clear the line, the city of Regina offers to organize a gang of 50 or 100 men, to aid the railway company to clear the line, provided the company will undertake supervision of the gang. Wire your reply with instructions.

J. W. SMITH, Mayor.

Warman, Sask., Feb. 3, 1907. Referring to your wire of date, owing to the snow which has drifted very badly and packed hard it would be impossible for a gang of men to dig out entire line within a week. Amgoing south with a gang of men and snow plow from Saskatoon tonight and will reach Regina tomorrow. This is the only way we can possibly clear the road and get fuel to Davidson and other points which we will handle in preference to anything. If, however, we find that we can use the men you suggest, I will wire you at once, and will keep you advised as to the progress we are making with the plow. No expense will be spared to relieve the fuel situation.

J. ABBOTT, GOVERNMENT BUTTS-IN. Without offering to assist the city or the railway company, Mr. Motherwell sent this message to Mr. E. A. James:

Regina, Feb. 3, 1907. E. A. James, Mgr. C.N.E., Winnipeg. Regina is organizing relief party of 100 men to assist in opening communication with Davidson and Saskatoon. Strongly recommend that you accept the offer.

W. R. MOTHERWELL. His worship the mayor got in communication Sunday afternoon with Manager James and learned that he was deeply grateful for the city's offer, but they would not be able to say whether the men would be needed for a day or two. Gen. Supt. Brown was en route to Saskatoon with a load of coal.

POLICE PATROL. The police commissioner has organized a patrol of the country west of Saskatoon and south of the C.N. R. main line, the most of which territory is the Eagle lake country. Many settlers in there are a very long way from a railway at present and wood is scarce. The police have no apprehensions of suffering, at present, but this patrol is undertaken as a precaution and they will report regularly to headquarters.

## BURIED WHILE BUCKING SNOW

Plow Demolished in Drift--Women Frozen on Dakota Homesteads

Graton, N.D., Feb. 4.—A serious accident occurred on the Northern Pacific about four miles north of here this morning, resulting in the serious and probable fatal injury of three members of a snow-plow gang. The snow plough was proceeding to the north and was pushed by three heavy engines when, in bucking a deep drift one engine and the plow were completely demolished. The men were buried in the wreck, but were later extricated and were in a very serious condition. The engine and plow were reduced to scrap iron and much wood was crushed by the heavy engines.

HAZELCLIFFE ALSO. The following resolution was unanimously passed by the G. G. association of Hazelcliff:

"That whereas it is rather difficult to get to Saskatoon from this point, owing to the roundabout way that we will not send a delegate to the convention there, but instead will fight the Winnipeg Grain Exchange. Several members present offered to subscribe another five dollars toward this fund, and all officers were authorized to receive subscriptions which might be given for the above purpose."

## MR. HASLAM'S NEW VENTURE

Auto and Gasoline Engine Co. Organized for Saskatchewan With Headquarters Here

A company is being formed in Regina, the Saskatchewan Automobile and Gasoline Engine Co., for the purpose of dealing in automobiles and gasoline engines. Mr. J. H. Haslam is president and Mr. J. Norman Williams, manager of this company. Mr. Haslam, who is an automobile enthusiast, says he thinks there is a great future for automobiles and gasoline engines in this country. Owing to the absence of hills, it is particularly suitable here for automobiles, and with the continual decrease in the price, it will not long before anyone who can now afford a horse, will be able to maintain at least a runabout, for the

same expense as it now costs to keep a horse. Of course it is different with touring cars. Large expense is involved, but Mr. Haslam thinks that there is nothing which affords so much pleasure as a journey over country roads in a powerful touring car.

Mr. Haslam, who has a six cylinder Ford and a 60 h.p. Apperson, one of the best in the North-West, says he expects to bring them both into Saskatchewan next summer, touring the C.P.R. main line, north to Prince Albert with the members of his family.

This company is now handling the Fordcar, Model N, 4 cylinder machine, costing \$850. It is a 15 h.p. car, and has a steering wheel, and is much more comfortable than any other car in Europe or America. There is also a six cylinder machine which sells for \$3,500, with freight added, and Mr. Haslam thinks that it can do anything, pretty nearly, that his \$6000 Apperson will do.

This company intends to handle a touring car that will sell for \$1800, but have not yet decided which one will be the best adapted for conditions in Saskatchewan.

It is the intention of this company to open a large garage in Regina in charge of a competent mechanic, this season.

POSTAL RECEIPTS. Ottawa, Feb. 4.—The receipts of the post office department for the seven months ending with January show an increase of \$702,678 over the same time of the previous year. The total receipts for the past seven months were \$4,519,925.

## A. O. U. W. AT HOME

The Regina lodge, A.O.U.W. held a very enjoyable at home and dance in the city hall last Thursday evening. Notwithstanding the inclement weather there was a very large attendance. The patronesses who welcomed the guests were Mrs. Cowan, Mrs. (Dr.) Low, Mrs. E. O. Stewart, Mrs. (Dr.) Whitmore, Mrs. (Dr.) Thomson and Mrs. Alex. Ross. The addresses of welcome were delivered by Masters Workmen, E. C. Stewart and Grand Master Workman, Dr. Cowan.

After a short musical program, dancing became the order of the evening. Excellent music was provided and the dance kept up till about two o'clock.

Refreshments were served in the council chamber under the direction of Mr. Gardiner. The Workmen proved themselves splendid hosts and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

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