

## TRAGIC MESSAGE ON ISLAND COAST

Bottle Drifts Ashore Near Ucllet Purporting to be From Life Raft.

## SAYS J. MELDREN IS ALIVE

Dated on June 5th and Asks For Rescue—Life Buoy Also Drifts Ashore.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)  
"A life raft containing a bottle which drifted on Long Beach, Vancouver Island, yesterday morning. It was given into custody of Constable Kvarne of the provincial police who telegraphed to Superintendent Hussey of the provincial police regarding the find.

Who is John Meldren? Is he the survivor of those who have succumbed? Is he a survivor of a disaster? Is he still alive after the lapse of 15 days from the time the message was written? These are a few of the questions suggested by the purport of the message, which, for genuine, gives scanty news of a probable sea tragedy.

On the other hand the question also suggests itself, is the message a fabrication on the part of some person with a mischievous idea of humor? There is nothing but the brief telegram received by the superintendent of provincial police stating that a bottle had drifted ashore with the above message.

The message telegraphed by Constable Kvarne also gave news of the finding on Long Beach of a life buoy marked, "Louis, San Francisco."

In all probability this life buoy was washed ashore from the schooner "Louis" of San Francisco, which left Portland, Ore., on May 20th with a cargo of lumber for San Francisco, and was last reported on June 15th at the Golden Gate where she is probably anchored still.

Supt. F. S. Hussey of the provincial police is anxious to learn any further information concerning the message contained in the bottle.

## CONVICT COMMITS SUICIDE

New York, June 20.—His mind temporarily unbalanced, on account of the loss of his family, Terence Keenan, 37, was found in the King's county penitentiary, killed himself today by jumping from a high window, about 100 feet from the ground. Keenan was serving a two months' sentence for assault.

## FIRE AT GRAND FORKS

Grand Forks, N. D., June 20.—(Special.)—At 7:30 p.m. a fire broke out in the upper part of the Hotel Grand Forks. The fire department did good work, and the fire was extinguished. The damage done will probably be \$1,000 to the building and hotel furniture. The fire had its origin in a hallway where a fire had been burning for some time. The hotel was not injured.

## PACKERS RESPONSIBILITIES

Insensate Greed Does More to Advance Anarchy Than Socialists

Washington, D. C., June 20.—In discussing the agricultural appropriation in the senate today, Mr. Lodge referring to the group of men in control of the packing industries, said that they had been one of the worst of law and public opinion. He referred to the recent published interview with Nelson Morris, in which the great packer showed contempt for writers of books, and the Massachusetts senator said that the writing of a book had been the present situation, it may occur to the packers that the writing of books is not so contemptible. The men responsible for the meat packing and Standard Oil monopolies, said Mr. Lodge have done more to advance Socialism, anarchism, and other dangerous conditions in the United States than all the Socialists in the world. He said the people would resent their food being tampered with and made unsafe for mere insensate greed for money, and that they are rightly insisting that these packers be put on the same basis as other manufacturers.

## Torturing, Itching Piles

It is a great mistake to imagine that the effects of piles are local and that matter of fact, they sap the vitality of mind and body and slowly but surely lead to the ruin of the health. This is true of itching and protruding as well as of bleeding piles, which, because of the loss of blood, are more rapid in their effects.

Dr. Chase's Ointment brings almost instant relief from the itching, burning, stinging sensations of piles and is a positive and thorough cure for every form of the disease. Dr. Chase's Ointment has proven itself to be the most satisfactory treatment for piles that has ever been discovered.

Frequently when doctors have failed to cure piles and the surgeon's knife has proven futile, Dr. Chase's Ointment has effected thorough cures; 60 cents a box, at all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

## THE DREYFUS CASE.

Paris, June 20.—M. de Morès, in the supreme court, resumed his presentation of the Dreyfus case. He argued that many officials and subordinates of the military of war in the same access to the secret papers as Dreyfus, whereas the latter had no knowledge of the mobilization plans which had been communicated to foreign governments.

## CONTRACTORS CENSURED

New York, June 20.—A coroner's jury which has been investigating the deaths of numerous men in the city, where tunnels are being constructed for the Pennsylvania railroad, returned a verdict today, censuring the contractors for the deaths of the men, for their method of handling the workmen.

## CORNER PASTE SUPPLY

Tobacco Firms Held Not Guilty Combining to Restrain Trade.

New York, June 20.—Plea of not guilty of combination in restraint of trade was entered today by the tobacco firms of the city, in the case of the United States circuit court today, by Karl Jungbluth, president of the American Tobacco Company, and Howard T. Young, president of the J. S. Young company. It is charged that the defendants conspired to combine to restrain the sale of tobacco in the city.

## AN INHUMAN MISTRESS.

Wife of Wealthy Brewer Accused of Killing Her Maid.

St. Paul, Minn., June 20.—Mrs. Emma Kaufman, wife of a wealthy St. Paul brewer, was given a preliminary hearing today on a charge of having caused the death of her maid, Agnes Polke. She was held in lieu of \$10,000. The charge is that she caused the death of her maid by giving her a dose of poison. The maid was found dead in her room, and the police found a bottle of poison in the room.

## ROOSEVELT APPEALED TO

U. S. President Receives Protests Against Murder of Jews.

Washington, D. C., June 20.—Protests have reached President Roosevelt against the outrages against the Jews in Russia. The protests were received by the president today. The protests were from various sources, including the American Jewish community and various religious groups. The protests were against the recent murders of Jews in Russia, and the persecution of the Jewish people.

## LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

(Before Hunter, C. J.)

Hammond vs. Keep.—On the application of Mr. Lawson, leave was given to issue writ ex parte hereinafter.

## IN THE FULL COURT.

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## U. S. SENATE TALKS

OF MEAT INSPECTION

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## AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATION BILL

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## WASHINGTON, D. C., June 20.

Senator Proctor today called up in the senate the agricultural appropriation bill and made the usual motion for agreement to a request for a conference. He said there were two essential points of difference between the two house amendments. The first was the question of the inspection of the meat, and the second was the question of the inspection of the poultry.

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## TO ORGANIZE A CABINET.

London, June 20.—The Tribune's correspondent at St. Petersburg asserts that Emperor Nicholas is urging General Trepoff to organize a cabinet and that the Emperor has summoned M. Podonov, former Procurator of the Holy Synod, to an audience tonight. A despatch from Riazan to the same paper reports that the Bolshiev regiment has mutinied and fled several of its officers.

## MILLERS MASS MEETING

Milwaukee, June 20.—The fourth annual mass convention of the millers under the auspices of the millers' national federation, opened a three days' meeting to Milwaukee. Over a thousand millers are in attendance. President John A. Burke, in delivering the annual address, said most of the millers' organizations were against manipulation and was for high standard grades of wheat in the mill. He also spoke of the government crop reports and enlargement of export trade. He hoped for good results from state legislation. The previous rebate, he said, must be stopped.

## THE WORLD'S CHARGES.

Nelson Canadian.

The action of the executive council of the legislative assembly of British Columbia in deciding to order the fullest inquiry into the workings of the department of lands and works will compel the admiration of political friends and honorable opponents alike. That would seem to be the only way to silence the horde of slanderers who have been busy in the past few months in the legislature in respect to the administration of that department. Unfair a procedure as it is, they have forced the department to do what is never asked of an accused person in any court of law or public opinion—that is, convince the public of its innocence. From the riotous and unbecoming proceedings of the department, it is clear that the department might have been placed in the position of an ordinary defendant in a court of law. The chief commissioner, however, asks for an investigation, and thereby gives the public the right to know the truth. The chief commissioner, however, asks for an investigation, and thereby gives the public the right to know the truth.

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## COLONIAL SETTLEMENT SCHEME

Parliamentary papers were issued containing the report of the departmental committee appointed by Arthur Lytton, when he was secretary for the colonies to inquire into the possibilities of agricultural settlements in the dominions. The committee's report is favorable. It recommends that the government take no steps at present to encourage the settlement of the dominions. The committee also recommends that the government take no steps at present to encourage the settlement of the dominions.

## GUILT OF MANSLAUGHTER

Montreal, June 20.—Jas. Thos. Hackett, found guilty on Saturday of manslaughter in connection with the death of Edith May Ahern, five years old, on April 23rd, was, this morning, sentenced to twenty-five years imprisonment.

## GENERAL STRIKE ORDERED

Bellingham, Wash., June 20.—Tonight the time limit for the stalling of the difference between the mill owners and the shingle weavers of the coast and north was sent out from Ballard ordering all union men of the Sound to go out on a sympathetic strike. About 2,500 shingle weavers are affected directly by the order and it is possible that in the neighborhood of 5,000 men will be out on strike.

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## NOTICE

A meeting of the Board of License Commissioners will be held on the 15th day of July, 1906, at the Court House, Port Eslington, B. C.

## CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reservation established covering the split of land at the northwest end of Salles Island has been cancelled.

## NOTICE

The Taxpayers of the Municipality of Saanich are hereby notified that all taxes for 1906 are due, and payable at the Provincial Assessor's Office, Victoria, B. C., May 9, 1906.

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