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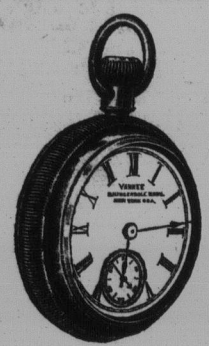


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LORD MINTO.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The Hon. Arthur Elliot, M. P., states, according to a London despatch to the Tribune, that, so far as he is aware, there is no foundation for the report that his brother, Lord Minto, is about to resign the governor-generalship of Canada.

Dr. A. A. Stockton was in the city last night, says yesterday's Gleaner, his first visit here since his recent severe illness. The few of his many friends who had the pleasure of meeting him last evening or this morning before his departure for his home at St. John, gave the doctor a very hearty greeting.

St. John, December 11, 1902.

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ACROSS THE BAY.

John Troop of Bear River Walked to His Death.

DIGBY, Dec. 10.—Digby has experienced one of the severest blizzards for years. When the thermometer drops to eight degrees below zero it means extremely cold weather. Our usual winter weather registers ten degrees above, and then we call it cold. Snow has been falling during the last three days, and travel is practically stopped owing to the drifts.

Sad news was received yesterday from Bear River. Sub-collector of customs John Troop was found drowned in the dock near his office. It seems he had an attack of grippe. He went to his office about six in the morning of the 8th inst., taking a lighted lantern with him. Not going home to dinner his wife sent out to see why. Friends went to the office and found the lantern there, also keys, and papers on which he had been at work. Going down stairs they saw his tracks and followed them to the dock. At half-past ten on the evening of the 8th they found his body, the tide having ebbed. The supposition is that Mr. Troop had an ill turn, went out for fresh air, and being confused, turned to the right instead of the left and walked off the wharf.

Mr. Troop was born in Annapolis County, April 3rd, 1826, was of German origin, married and belonged to the Wesleyan Methodist church. He was appointed to the customs 1st June, 1880, succeeding the late Dow Morse.

Mr. Troop was a good citizen, faithful officer and an enthusiastic temperance man. He leaves a widow. The funeral will take place at half past one on Thursday.

BELMONT DISASTER.

Gen. Man. Pottinger Says There Was no Apparent Cause.

OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—The railway department has received from General Manager Pottinger of the Intercolonial a report on the wreck at Belmont, N. S., on the 6th inst., which caused the death of seven persons, and the injury of many others. The report declares there was no apparent cause for the accident, and describes in detail the damage wrought. The engine went over an embankment, carrying postal and baggage car with it. The locomotive ran underneath the baggage car, the top of the former down to the window sills being cut off and left below the latter.

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

Raises Rate on Call Loans to 7 Per Cent. in Toronto.

TORONTO, Dec. 11.—The Bank of Nova Scotia raised its rate on call loans to 7 per cent. yesterday. There was a good deal of excitement among brokers on the bank's action and some of them after some hustling, paid off their obligations to the bank, rather than pay the increased rate asked. So far the Nova Scotia has been the only bank to raise loans to seven per cent.

THE MAD MULLAH.

ADEN, Arabia, Dec. 11.—A rumor has reached here of the assassination of the Mad Mullah in Somaliland. The report was brought to the coast by a native runner from Carror, via Berber. The Mullah is said to have been killed by a spear thrust in the stomach inflicted while he was praying.

Haji Muhammed Abdullah, the Mad Mullah, so called, belonged to the Habi Sulleman Ogaden tribe of Somaliland. He was in the prime of life and only recently became a dominant factor in the military and political situation of the protectorate of Somaliland by forcing the neighboring tribes into allegiance.

CORINTHIAN STILL OUT.

The Allan line steamer Corinthian, which sailed from Halifax Monday afternoon has not since been heard of and fears are beginning to be entertained for her safety. Capt. Hurling, of the Alcides, which arrived this morning, saw a steamer yesterday morning heading southward by Seal Island. He thinks it was the Corinthian, and is of the opinion that she put to sea to escape the thick weather around the coast. This explanation of her prolonged delay is not considered sufficient by the majority of the shipping men and the general opinion is that she has suffered some mishap to her machinery or has come ashore somewhere along the coast. Up to the time of going to press she has not been sighted off the island, though the agents of the line here expect her every hour.

A CHALLENGE.

Coke O'Brien wants exercise. If the challenge he now issues should be accepted there is a prospect of a high old time in store before Christmas. Coke is after the scalp of Officer Marshall, who, he says, has frequently advised him to stand up and take his medicine. Mr. O'Brien says that he is now prepared and is more than willing. The contest is to be of four three minute rounds, Marquis of Gooseberry rules, and not far to kick the shins, the contestants to weigh in on King Square at three p. m. any old day.

BRAKEMAN INJURED.

Between nine and ten o'clock this forenoon a man by the name of Lawrence Berryman, employed as a brakeman on the I. C. R. was painfully injured on the Ballast wharf. He was attending the flanger in clearing the tracks, when a lever flew up and struck him on the face, inflicting several severe cuts. The injured man was removed to his home on High street, where Dr. G. O. Baxter put ten stitches in his face.

VENEZUELA.

Troops Arrive at La Guayra—Prisoners Released.

Strong Feeling Against British and Germans—Cables From London and Berlin.

LA GUAYRA, Dec. 10.—The British cruiser Indefatigable arrived here at six o'clock this evening from Guayma, the port of Barcelona, where she is believed to have been in search of the Venezuelan gunboat Restaurador.

The German cruiser Vineta and the British cruiser Retribution left here at six o'clock this evening. It is supposed they have on board Venezuela's answer to the demand of the foreign powers, which arrived on a special train from Caracas, at two o'clock. The German charge d'affaires, Herr Von Pilgrim-Balzani, and British Minister Haggard, and the personnel of the British legation are still on board the warships.

What is termed an inopportune demonstration and the remittance to the Venezuelan foreign minister of the demands of Great Britain and Germany are freely criticized here. The government has sent 2,000 men and 18 guns from Caracas to reinforce the garrison at La Guayra. These troops are camping tonight at Cauracuti, distant one hour from La Guayra. All day and night ammunition has been carried to Fort La Vigia, which covers the harbor, where preparations are being made to resist the foreign forces. Volunteering to the number of 926 men, all from La Guayra have been armed today and more are receiving arms. It is asserted that the government can find sufficient men to resist the foreign forces, as the movement is popular. Everywhere one meets men of all classes and conditions carrying Mauser rifles.

The news of the capture at Port of Spain, Trinidad, of the Venezuelan gunboat Bolivar by the British cruiser Charybdis was communicated to President Castro by a report of the Associated Press. The event created intense excitement.

All the British and German subjects arrested here yesterday were released this afternoon.

THE NEWS IN LONDON.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The foreign office at one o'clock this afternoon was still without official news from Venezuela. The officials were glad to hear of the release of the British subjects, but were unable to express any opinions on the press despatches except to say, as under Foreign Secretary Cranborne did, that it is presumed they are correct.

In connection with the reported seizure of the Venezuelan customs the foreign office officials say arrangements for that stop have not been completed. Before any general seizure could occur Germany, Great Britain and other nations would have to come to an agreement for a pro-rata division and adjustment of their respective claims, similar to that arrived at by the allies in China, except that the La Guayra custom house possibly may have been seized as a purely military measure. Although the seizure of the custom houses will take place eventually, it is pointed out while hostilities are in progress the customs, as a fiscal institution, are practically valueless.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—In the house of commons today, under Foreign Secretary Cranborne confirmed the report of the capture of three Venezuelan vessels at La Guayra and the disablement of a fourth vessel without resistance, and also confirmed the capture of the Venezuelan gunboat Bolivar at Port of Spain, Trinidad. Two of the prizes, he added, were sunk. The under-secretary also said that the release of the British subjects arrested at Caracas had been demanded, but that up to that time the government had not been informed that the demand had been complied with. The government had official information of the reported arrest of the British consul at Caracas.

The latest information received was that he left La Guayra yesterday evening. The British subjects arrested had not been harmed.

VENEZUELAN TROOPS ARRIVE.

LA GUAYRA, Venezuela, Dec. 11. General Ferrer, the minister of war, has arrived here with 2,000 troops. Eight hundred men under President Castro's brother are expected here at ten o'clock. Only the British cruiser Indefatigable is now here, she is at anchor in the middle of the harbor. All the other warships have left La Guayra.

Minister Haggard and Herr Pilgrim-Balzani, it was learned today, left here last night. The former was on board the Retribution and the latter on the Vineta, which sailed for Trinidad.

GERMAN COMMENT.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—The German foreign office officials are much pleased at Minister Bowen's energetic action at Caracas, resulting in the release of most of the Germans imprisoned there, and by his efforts to obtain the liberation of the others. Full advice on the subject have been received from Washington. Despatches received directly from Venezuela by the foreign office say Venezuela's naval vessels have not yet been seized, that only her revenue cutters were captured, that the seizure of the former is expected immediately.

All the newspapers here with the exception of the Socialist Voerwaerts are in sympathy with the government's action towards Venezuela. The morning papers contain many humorous references to what they term President Castro's "Magnificent Manifest" cabled to the residents of Venezuela in Paris and made public last night. The Voerwaerts, which never loses an opportunity to assail what it considers to be "political shams," says it thinks the formidable ultimatum of the two powers and the naval demonstration are

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A BOSTON MURDER.

A Painter, Goaded by Jealousy, Kills a Butcher.

BOSTON, Dec. 10.—Maddened by jealousy Louis Lyman, a painter of No. 6 Cable street, Jamaica Plain, tonight killed Charles Brushner, a German butcher, in a quarrel in the street near the former's residence. Lyman then ran to his home, locking himself in, but upon the arrival of the police, surrendered himself without showing any sign of resistance, and is now locked up on a charge of murder. Lyman and his wife formerly lived at 16 Cable street, but two weeks ago they separated, owing to Lyman's objections to Brushner's alleged intimacy with Mrs. Lyman.

Lyman had a policeman's club, with which he attacked Brushner, and the latter, in self defence, had evidently drawn a knife or some sharp instrument from his pocket. During the fight their weapons were exchanged and his own weapon, he receiving a fatal stab wound in the right lung and a deep cut on the head.

Lyman is 45 years old and has a wife and six children, five of whom live with their mother. Brushner, who was 32 years old and single, lived at 86 West Cambridge street, city proper, but had a stable in Jamaica Plain, where he had a butcher's route among the German residents.

THE COAL STRIKE

Some Interesting Testimony Was Given Yesterday.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 10.—The most interesting, if not important testimony brought out at today's sessions of the coal strike commission was to the effect that an alleged attempt was made by a former mine foreman to bribe two presidents of local unions of the miners to have ten men in each local use their influence to have a resolution passed sending the men to work, thus making a serious break in the solid ranks of the strikers. Each of the presidents was to receive \$2,500 and a good position as mine foreman and each of the ten men were to get from \$100 to \$200 each. The name of no company was mentioned in connection with the bribery scheme, and none of the lawyers cross-examined the witness.

A large amount of technical testimony was heard on various phases of the question at issue. Two check weighmen produced figures which tended to show that at two Delaware and Hudson collieries the miners produced 118,839 tons of coal more than they were paid for. The miners must bring up 3,136 pounds of coal and dirt to make a ton of 2,240 pounds of pure coal, and the union claims that the company gets more than 2,240 pounds of coal out of each "miner's ton" of 3,139 and produced figures to show it.

The Delaware and Hudson Company presented its figures to the commission today. They show the average earnings of the miner in 1901 to have been \$622.68 and his laborer \$449.47. When Mr. Mitchell was on the stand he said that \$600 should be the minimum of American living wages.

UNION LABELS.

Wholesale Counterfeiting Establishment Raided in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—In a raid by constables and labor leaders early today it is believed the greatest plant in the country for counterfeiting union labels was discovered, says the Inter-Ocean. The printing establishment of H. L. Meites, 330 Halstead street, was entered and the ten counterfeit plates were captured from which it is believed all the counterfeit labels in the United States have been printed. One hundred thousand counterfeit stamps were also confiscated. Officers of the Cigar Makers' International Union assert that the plates are the only ones in existence. Meites shipped the counterfeit blue slips, in lots varying from 1,000 to 100,000, to all parts of the United States. The prisoner was taken to the county jail in default of \$1,500 bonds.

THE FERRY GATEMEN.

To the Editor of the Star:

Sir.—We often hear of the overworked and underpaid civic official. There is, however, one class of civic employees that are overworked, I refer to the gatemen employed at the ferry boats. These men have to perform all sorts of menial duties, such as saying out in a blinding storm, shovelling snow and cleaning out the waiting rooms, which at times are filthy. Then again they are called upon to stand in the most violent of storms without sentry box or other safeguard against cold weather.

The least that the city could do, in my opinion, Mr. Editor, is to shovel the snow away from the ferry approaches and not force the gateman to do work which is entirely outside of their province.

Thanking you for space, etc.,

St. John, N. B., Dec. 11.

TAXPAYER.

CATTLE COMING.

A cattle train of thirty-six cars delivered to the I. C. R. by the Grand Trunk is expected to arrive on Friday morning. They will be shipped to Liverpool by the steamer Corinthian. Like the other shipments the cattle for the Corinthian will be taken to Sand Point and examined there. It is also expected that 500 cattle will go by the Alcides and 500 by the Concordia, of the Donaldson Line. No word has yet been received as to the fitting up of accommodation at the Ballast wharf.

WEST INDIA LINE.

The "Ocamo" left St. Kitts on Monday, 8th inst., for Bermuda and will be due here on Wednesday, 17th inst.

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SISTER OF CHARITY DEAD.

The death took place rather suddenly at the Industrial Home at Silver Falls yesterday afternoon of Sister Mary Callista. The deceased lady was in middle life and was a niece of Mrs. Spillane, formerly of Dorchester street. She was a Miss Mahoney and had been a religious for quite a number of years. Death was due to paralysis. The funeral will be held from the Home at nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

A PRESENTATION.

W. B. Douse and D. A. Smith, horsemen, of Charlottetown, guests at the Hotel Edward, were last evening presented by their admirers with fur collars. Dr. Myhrall in a neat and complimentary speech made the presentation. The guests were afterwards entertained by Messrs. Douse and Smith. These gentlemen before returning home will visit Boston and New York.

THIS EVENING'S EVENTS.

Tea and sale, Carleton Presbyterian church.
New Brunswick Veterans meet in Foresters' Hall.
Tea and sale in St. Mary's church this afternoon and evening.
Concert, City Hall, Carleton.
Cello recital, York Theatre.
Chapman Festival Chorus practice.
Concert, Murray street Baptist Mission.