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WEATHER

Mild, with light local rain; winds shifting to westerly. Sunday, mostly fair and little colder.

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STARTLING STORY TOLD BY YOUNG NEW YORK GIRL

How Five Girls Who Went to New York from St. Paul a Year Ago Took Their Own Lives --- What One Year in the Worst City in America Did For Them.

NEW YORK, March 14.—A startling story of how five girls who came to New York from St. Paul a year ago took their own lives was told today by seventeen-year-old Helen Baxter, after she had made a vain effort to commit suicide. Helen said she was one of the party of five girls who came to New York to make their fortune after receiving a course of training in a business school in Minnesota (City). She turned on the gas in her furnished room in 43rd street last night but was resuscitated this morning.

She did not live happily with her husband, however, and killed herself a few months after she became a bride. In the meantime another girl had been seeking employment without success. She sought death and found it by the same means her friend had used. The next to go in the same way, according to Helen's story, was one of the girls who had fallen a victim to a man's false friendship. With three of their companions dead, the three that remained worried constantly, and when hard times came and employment was hard to find, two voluntarily followed their friends to the grave. That left Helen alone. Then a man came into her life. The man was represented to her as immensely wealthy, she said, and for a time she was happy. Then he suddenly started for Europe, she had nothing more to live for after that, she said, and decided to join her five friends in death. Helen said her father is dead, but that her mother still lives in St. Paul. She refused to give her mother's address. When she was taken to a police station and locked up, charged with attempted suicide, the names of any of her girl friends and postal cards from South Bend and one from Revere, Mass.

BOWLING ON NORTH SHORE

Chatham Defeats Newcastle in a Good Match.

CHATHAM, March 14 (Special).—The first bowling match ever held on the North Shore took place last night on the local alleys between teams representing Newcastle and Chatham, and was won by Chatham with a score of 329 to 269. The game took place in Balmain's new alleys here and a large crowd watched the contest. Chatham winning each of the three games. The players and scores were: Newcastle—J. Follanbee 113, 117, 132, total 362; J. Robinson, 91, 113, 103, total 307; J. D. McNutt, 111, 99, 119, total 329; J. R. Lawlor, 103, 110, 99—312; E. Dalton, 94, 115, 106—315; B. Miller, 84, 130, 93—307; J. Campbell, 113, 101, 103, total 317; H. Foley, 131, 124, 102—357, total 2619.

COUNT OF TILLY DIES IN QUEBEC

Young Godchild of Duke of Orleans Passed Away When Only Eight Years of Age -- Allied to Noted Families.

QUEBEC, March 14 (Special).—The Count of Tilly and his wife, who died recently in his hotel, in Windsor Mills, in this province. He is the second of his family to pass away since last August. Louis Philippe, Boissier-Gaste, Count of Tilly, Marquis of Blaru, was eight years old and the godchild of the Duke of Orleans, governor of the throne of France. He was allied to several of the distinguished families of Scotland and England.

SPLIT IN AUTO CLUBS

NEW YORK, March 14.—Following the split between the Automobile Club of America, the premier motor organization on the continent and the American Automobile Association, which occurred through the withdrawal of the Automobile Club from the New York State Automobile Association, affiliated with the A. A. A., at the state organization's meeting in Buffalo Thursday, formal announcement of the withdrawal was made from the Automobile Club's office here yesterday. Although W. H. Hotchkins, president of the A. A. A., gave out a statement yesterday in which he said the National organization welcomed the New York Club's withdrawal, automobile clubs are in touch with the automobile situation aspect the affair to be far reaching as far as legislative, touring and racing affairs are concerned. The immediate effect of the withdrawal will be the dissolution of the various boards of the A. A. A., particularly the racing board, which Jefferson Demont Thompson, the chairman, W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., David H. Morris and S. M. Butler, are members by virtue of membership in the automobile club. Should any of these men desire to be reappointed to the racing board, it will be necessary for them to enroll as individual members of the association. Effects more far reaching in their nature are expected by automobile clubs to be a fight for supremacy in legislative, racing and touring fields.

FOUND DEAD BETWEEN THE NEW TRESTLES

Donald McLeod, of Sydney, Found Lying in Mud Between West End Trestles This Morning.

A man believed to be Donald McLeod of Sydney, C. B., was found this morning shortly before seven o'clock lying between the two new trestles on Union St. He was evidently suffering from exposure as he was very weak. He was carried to a shed near by where he died shortly afterwards.

TRYING TO AVOID BIG COAL STRIKE

United Mine Workers of America Will Hold Another Conference With Operators.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 14.—The United Mine Workers of America, realizing the gravity of suspension of work on April 1, throwing thousands of men out of work, have decided to hold a conference with the operators to discuss the work scale in the hope of avoiding a strike. The operators of the central competitive district are willing to meet the miners of this district in another conference on March 24.

ARRESTED IN BOSTON

Daniel Patriquin who is the man referred to in a story in this paper some few days ago, as leaving the city with a young girl from the north, and going to Bangor, was yesterday located in Boston by the police of that city. Patriquin and the girl were located in a boarding house in the west end of Boston. The girl was later traced to a house in the south end of the city, a house that Patriquin is said to have purchased and was fitting up. It will be remembered that the man left a wife and six children here. Reports have been made for some time to ascertain the whereabouts of the two. It seems that they were found to be in Bangor, but evidently left there fearing that they would be overtaken by the girl's parents. It is understood that the girl's father is in Boston and that it is through his efforts that the pair have been located. It is likely now that both will be brought back here.

CAT BALKED BURGLARS

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 13.—If the two burglars who entered the residence of Dr. W. W. Myers, of Old Forge, at an early hour this morning had closed the dining room window after them or if Dr. Myers did not own a pet cat the house might have been successfully looted. As it was a both was made of the job.

\$100 A MONTH PENSION FROM MR. CARNEGIE

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y., March 13.—Through the generosity of Andrew Carnegie, Miss Helen E. Haines, of Brooklyn who is here for her health, is to receive a pension of \$100 a month. Miss Haines has been managing editor of the Library Journal of New York for the last fifteen years. Her health failed last July and she came to the Adirondacks. She is now at the Villa Dorey. Without Miss Haines' knowledge her case was brought to Mr. Carnegie's attention with the result that she was granted the pension in recognition of her services as editor of the Library Journal. Her resignation as editor will take effect on March 31.

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JAP SQUADRON SAILS TODAY ON SECRET QUEST

The Tatsu Maru Affair May Be at the Bottom of It, but Nothing is Given Out.

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RUSSIA CONSIDERS IT

Britain's Recommendation for Macedonian Governor Will Probably be Supported.

BASEBALL NEWS

Detroit Player Comes to Terms -- The Connecticut League.

DETROIT, Mich., March 14.—President Navin, of the Detroit American League Baseball Team, said last night that he had received a telegram from Player Tyrus Cobb, who has heretofore refused to sign a contract with the Detroit team, saying, "Proposition accepted. Shall I go to Hot Springs?"

President Navin said he advised Cobb to go to Hot Springs, but said he did not understand the first part of the telegram. Mr. Navin said he presumed Cobb referred to a published interview with Navin in which the latter said that the \$5,000 offered to Cobb was not by any means the last word from the club. Mr. Navin said he had not any communication with Cobb to explain the phrase "proposition accepted" that Cobb used in his telegram.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 14.—A meeting here of the directors of the Connecticut League of baseball clubs, the season will open on April 26th, and will close September 13th.

The directors also voted to have a post season series of games between the four teams which finish the first half and each team will contribute \$50 to make up a purse of \$200 for the winner.

WINTER PORT BUSINESS

Up to date 71 winter port steamers have filed their outward cargo reports at the custom house. The following is the valuation of the exports—

Canadian goods \$10,085,820 Foreign goods 4,862,305 Total value up to date . . . 14,978,125 Valuation for the first 71 steamers last year, \$12,982,630.

Increase for this season, \$2,995,495. The quantity of wheat goods forward in the above 71 steamers is about 4,700,000 bushels. The number of cattle gone forward up to date in the above steamers is about 13,000.

DINED THE KAISER

BERLIN, March 14.—Emperor William and Empress Alberta Victoria, dined last night with Charlemagne Tower, the American ambassador, and Mrs. Tower.

The condition of Miss Bessie Dick, daughter of George Dick, who has been very ill, was unchanged today.

THEY FOUGHT IT OUT

How Two English Sailors Settled Their Trouble in a Pitched Ring.

There was considerable excitement at Sand Point yesterday afternoon when two sailors belonging to a steamer fought seven rounds to a finish under No. 1 shed. The battle ended with one of the men being knocked out. The men quarreled at sea and, having no chance to settle with their own champion, who he will meet in Chicago on April 3.

"I would like to have it understood, however, he said, that whatever may be the outcome of the match between Gotch and myself, it will be an absolutely square contest in which best man will win."

While Hackenschmidt feels well, he is not quite ready to meet Gotch in a contest. "I have been working for the past year and have had little time in which to train, but I know that with two weeks' training I will be in perfect shape."

When he was told that Gotch was a great wrestler, he said: "I'm glad to hear it. If he's as good as rumors say, our bout should prove a good one."

FAVORS THE CULLOM BILL

WASHINGTON, March 14.—The house committee on foreign affairs today agreed to report favorably the Cullom Bill already passed by the senate, providing for the re-organization of the consular service of the United States. Twenty-eight consular offices will be closed, sixteen established, seven transferred, a number changed in grade and there will be several increases in salary. The changes will give a small net saving annually. The offices to be closed include: Belleville, Ont.; Cootook, Que.; Gaspe, Que.; Port Hope, Ont.; Port Rowan, Ont.; St. Hayacinthe, Que.; Three Rivers, Que.; Windsor, N. S. and Woodstock, N. B.

The offices at Winnipeg are changed from consular to general. The changes include the transfer of the office at Colingwood, Ont. to Owen Sound.