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Two Arnprior Boys Drowned--Government Buys Quebec Waterfront--Twenty Dead in Fire--Federal Officers Freed From Income Tax.

CITY COUNCIL DECIDES TO SUBMIT RAILWAY PURCHASE PROPOSAL TO THE PEOPLE.

CANNOT RECOVER TAX ON INCOME FROM JUDGES

Judge McGibbon of Brampton Gives Judgment for Judge Morson of Toronto, Who Sued to Ascertain if Federal Government Officials Were Exempt on Income.

Judge McGibbon of Brampton has rendered a decision in favor of the plaintiff in the action brought by Judge Morson against the City of Toronto, to recover taxes paid by him under protest on his income received by him from the Dominion Government as a judge of the County Court of York. The judgment is of considerable importance to Dominion Government officials in Ontario at least, and will likely be followed all over Canada. Lengthy written arguments on all aspects of the question were submitted by R. A. Reid, counsel for Judge Morson, and by William Johnston and B. W. Essery, counsel for the City of Toronto.

Finds No Authority.

Judge McGibbon holds that no authority can be found in the British North America act authorizing the imposition of an income tax on Dominion Government officials by, or thru municipalities under the authority of provincial legislation, and that under a federal system of government such as obtains in Canada, one government cannot tax another, nor tax the means and instrumentalities used by each, such as officials and employes engaged in maintaining and carrying on its powers and authority and the various departments of government, and executing and administering the law and other affairs of state.

Act Exempts Them.

He also holds that the Ontario Assessment Act does not authorize the imposition of any such tax on federal officers, but that, on the contrary, the act impliedly exempts them from such tax, and does not apply to Canadian Government officials at all. He says the weight of judicial decision and authority is all against the contentions of the defendant, and the privy council decision relied upon by the City of Toronto is not applicable to the Canadian constitution.

QUEBEC WATERFRONT BOUGHT BY GOVERNMENT TO ADVANCE HUGE PLANS OF IMPROVEMENT

Three Miles Acquired at Cost of Quarter of Million Dollars, Property Including Allan Company's Waterfront —Similar Action to Be Taken With Other Harbors.

(Special to The Toronto World).

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—A most important step in its public ownership policy has been taken by the government. Three miles of waterfront at Quebec has been purchased and will be held in the general interest of the people of Canada. The cost of the property was a quarter of a million dollars.

Included in the three miles of property acquired is the whole of the Allan Steamship Company's waterfront. The purchase of the waterfront is a part of the scheme to develop the harbor of Quebec towards accommodating the growing traffic of the port.

Best Yet to Come.

This spical purchase, it is stated, is only one of a number of similar purchases which will be made from time to time at harbors thruout the Dominion, the purpose of the government being to encourage and develop ocean and inland water navigation.

One of the ministers today, in discussing the policy of the government, said altho he did not care to have his name quoted, "Transportation of all kinds it is our purpose to encourage. Good roads, good railways, good vessels everywhere—these are the big things today."

METHODIST FINANCES WILL BE MODERNIZED

General Conference Commission Will Present Report on Budget and Assessment System.

Plans for modernizing Methodist finances were considered at a meeting of the general conference commission at the Wesley buildings yesterday afternoon.

A preliminary report on the advantages of a budget and assessment system similar to that of the Presbyterian church was discussed, and will be reported to the general conference special committee at its meeting next month.

ROOMMATE IS HELD ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Wililam Goodall Alleged to Have Attacked George Leslie, But Denies It.

With an ugly wound in the back of his head, which he claims he received from a weapon in the hands of William Goodall, a roommate at 94 Parliament street, George Leslie was conveyed to St. Michael's Hospital at 12.30 this morning, and is believed to be in a serious condition.

Goodall, when arrested at the above address this morning on an aggravated assault charge, denied having stabbed or struck the injured man. According to him, Leslie came into the room drunk and raised such a noise that he objected. A scuffle ensued, in which Leslie fell to the floor, striking his head on some furniture.

A Well Told Story.

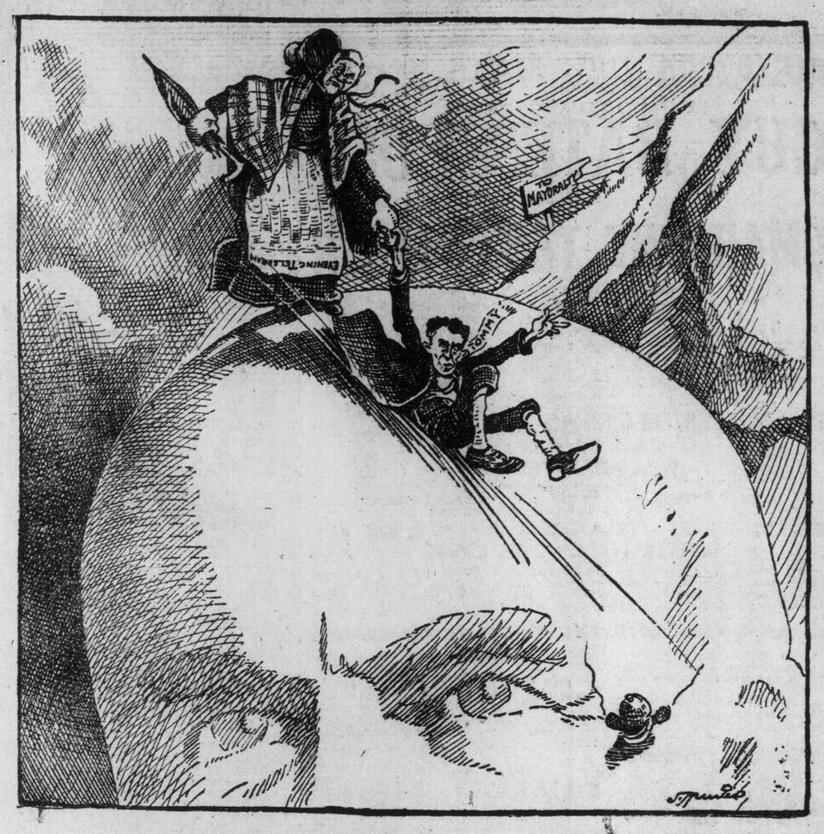
The story of the two families, the Rheads and Sibleys, as seen in 1860, 1885 and 1912, is delightfully told in Klaw and Erlanger's production of "Milestones," which opened a week's engagement at the Princess Theatre last night.

TWO ARNPRIOR BOYS DROWNED OTHERS SAVED BY COMPANIONS

Ice of Chats Lake Broke Under Skaters—John Barnes and "Dubbie" Kerr Lost Lives, But Several Other Boys Were Dragged to Safety.

ARNPRIOR, Ont., Dec. 22.—(Can. Press)—While skating on Chat's Lake, opposite the town this afternoon, John Barnes, aged 10, son of E. J. Barnes, liveryman, and Dubbie Kerr, aged 11, son of J. L. Kerr, broke thru the ice and were drowned. Several others broke thru as well, but were rescued by their companions. The bodies of the two who were drowned have not been recovered.

SHE CAN'T GET TOMMY TO "STAND"



INQUEST OPENED INTO JOKINEN MURDER

Close Friend Says Girl Was Happy and Liked Her Work —Last Known Movements of Annie Jokinen Related to The World—Police at Work.

Coroner Crawford opened an inquest last night into the death of Anna Jokinen, the Finnish girl, who was found after an absence of over two weeks, beside a stook of corn on Forest Hill road Sunday afternoon. After the jury had viewed the remains and the evidence of Evard Jokinen, the man who identified the body as that of the girl in question, had been taken, the inquest was adjourned until Monday, Dec. 29.

Evard Jokinen, who roomed at the same house as Anna Jokinen, whom he had known in Finland since she was about six years of age, stated that he had last seen the girl alive at the rooming house, 46 Widmer street, on the evening of Dec. 4. She had left there in company with two other Finnish girls, Martha Blumquist and Kertu Arppe, and had gone to the Finnish Hall on West Adelaide street. The next evening, when he returned from work, Mrs. Plink the landlady, notified him that Anna was lost and that thus far they had been unable to locate her. The witness knew of no reason why the girl should have run away, as she was quite happy, liked the place where she was working and seemed full of life. He had known the family of the girl for many years and knew of no eccentricities connected with it.

Where She Was Last Seen.

It was learned by The World after the adjournment that the report to the effect that the girl had been seen in a motion-picture theatre was incorrect. The informant stated that she and Martha Blumquist had been down town shopping in the afternoon, and that they had gone to a picture gallery, where they had their pictures taken, and thence to the Arlington Hotel to see another Finnish girl by the name of Edla Murtonen. Here they had left their Christmas presents and went to the boarding house at 46 Widmer street. Later in the evening they went to the Finnish Hall to spend a social evening. Anna is supposed to have left there about 9.45 p.m. Where she was between that time and last Saturday afternoon, when she was found in a dying condition on Forest Hill road, is unknown.

Will Get Abductors.

Altho there is nothing definite as yet for publication, detectives assigned to the Jokinen case intimated last evening that they were working along definite lines, and unhesitatingly state that the parties, if any, who are responsible for the death of the unfortunate girl will be rounded up before the resumption of the inquest.

"The public will readily understand that it would be, to say the least, foolish to disclose the results of today's investigations," stated Prinvicial Detective Willam Greer last evening. "We are working along very promising clues, and there is little doubt but that we will have matters cleared up before the next adjournmnt of the inquest."

Detective Greer is assigned on the case for the province, and Detective William Wallace of the local force, for the city.

Mr. Greer stated last evening that the theory that the girl had lived in the corn stooks for any length of time had been pretty well exploded. There is now little doubt in the minds of the police that the girl was murdered.

Buy Your Furs Tonight.

For the convenience of many who find it unsuitable to shop during the day, Dineen's, 140 Yonge street, will be open tonight and tomorrow night. This well-known firm has sold a solid quantity of gift furs, notwithstanding the mild season, and it is anticipated that today and tomorrow will be busy, forenoon and afternoon and evening, in all fur departments. No matter what trade conditions are like, this old established house always secures a full share of the fur business of Toronto and district, and this year is no exception. It would be well to make your visit early if at all convenient.

HOW TO CUT THE HIGH COST OF LIVING
SEE PAGE 13 THIS ISSUE ALSO DEC. 30TH.

VITAL REFORMS IN CURRENCY APPROVED

Sweeping Majority Given by U.S. Lower House to Measure of Far-Reaching Importance—Completed Bill Will Be in President's Hands Tonight.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(Canadian Press.)—The house passed the conference report on the administration currency bill at 10.46 o'clock tonight by a vote of 298 to 60, and sent the report to the senate, which had waited in session to receive it before the adjournment for the night.

Prolonged and uproarious cheers from the Democrats greeted the announcement of the vote by Speaker Clark and many members of the house hastened over to the senate to see the report received there. Earlier in the evening the senate had agreed to vote not later than 2.30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and the leaders regarded it as certain that the completed bill would be in the hands of President Wilson for his signature before tomorrow night.

Initial Steps.

Generally speaking the first steps to be taken to bring into operation the nation's new financial system will be thru an organization committee consisting of the secretary of the treasury, the secretary of agriculture and the comptroller of currency.

Banks have sixty days in which to file their applications for membership in the new system; and one year's time is allowed before the government will compel the dissolution of any national bank that refuses to join.

Loans on Farm Lands.

The new law will make little direct change in the operation of the present

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RECORD FLIGHT MADE BY GERMAN BALLOONIST

Kevlen Traveled More Than Seventeen Hundred Miles to Siberian Frontier.

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—(Can. Press.)—Herr Kevlen, a German balloonist, who, with two passengers ascended from Bitterfeld, Prussian Saxony, in the balloon Duisburg on Dec. 13, reported today that he had descended at Perm, a town in European Russia near the Siberian frontier, thus establishing a world's distance and duration record for spherical balloons. The Duisburg was in the air eighty-seven hours and traveled a distance of 1738.8 miles.

The world's previous distance record for spherical balloons was held by Rene Rumpelmayer, who in March last made a flight from Paris to a point near Kharkov, European Russia, a distance of 1492 miles.

WILL EXTEND TERM OF MAJOR-GENERAL COTTON

General Lessard to Succeed Him at the End of March Next.

(Special to The Toronto World).

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—The period of tenure of the appointment of Major-Gen. Cotton as inspector-general, is officially gazetted as extended to March 31 next. After that he will retire. It is understood that Brig.-Gen. Lessard now in command at Toronto, will be the next inspector-general.

Major F. D. Lafferty succeeds Col. F. M. Gaudet as superintendent of the Quebec Arsenal, who was retired as a result of the irregularities there. Major Lafferty has been made lieutenant-colonel.

Capt. Armand R. Lavergne, the well-known Quebec politician, has been appointed lieutenant-colonel and given the command of the 61st Regiment, De Montmagny. It is an infantry regiment. Col. Lavergne is an enthusiastic militia man.

TWENTY LOST LIVES IN FIRE IN BRITISH GUIANA'S CAPITAL

Many Persons Hurt and Scores Injured in Georgetown's Business Quarter Which Was Swept by Conflagration —Vast Amount of Sugar Was Destroyed.

GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, Dec. 22.—(Can. Press)—A large section of the business quarter of Georgetown, which is known also as Demerara, was destroyed by fire this morning. Twenty persons were killed and many injured. Scores were rendered homeless. A vast amount of sugar for exportation was burned, and a warehouse and many other buildings were destroyed.

Georgetown is the capital of British Guiana. Its population numbers 55,000, of whom 5000 are whites.

SOUND POTATOES NOT BARRED OUT

United States Considerably Modifies Strict Embargo on Products of Foreign Countries.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(Can. Press.)—Secretary Houston today issued an order continuing the quarantine put temporarily into effect September 20 last, forbidding potato importations from the British Isles, Canada, and all continental Europe. This action was modified, however, by a second order, under which the quarantine may be raised, under proper regulation and inspection, for foreign countries or districts which can show that they are free from potato wart and powdery scab, the two diseases which the department of agriculture aims to keep out of the country. The first order becomes effective Dec. 24, but will admit until Jan. 15 next potatoes covered by consular invoices issued on or before Wednesday next. The second becomes effective Jan 15 next.

Representatives of various countries affected appeared at hearings recently held at the department and protested against the quarantine.

In the case of certain provinces in Canada, and certain countries and districts of Europe, the officials here believe the absolute prohibition can be lifted in time to allow the movement of the present year's crop, under regulation and inspection, which, under the secretary's order, is similar to that for nursery stock.

MRS. HARGRAVE FILES DEFENCE

Wife of Toronto Doctor Claims That She and Her Children Were Ejected From Home.

(Special to The Toronto World).

RENO, Dec. 22.—Defence was filed today in the action for a divorce brought by Dr. Harry G. Hargrave of Toronto against Julieline Hargrave. Mrs. Hargrave claims that the allegations are absolutely untrue. That her husband has now and in the past has had many would-be affinities, and that after having lived with him for upwards of twenty years in domestic relations, and after having had five children he has ejected her from her home.

She declares that he has persistently refused to have her return to her wifely duties, and has left her and her children without proper support.

Mrs. Hargrave positively denies that she deserted him against his will and consent, but that it was her husband who deserted her for other women, and that if necessary the names of some of them will be brought out at the court proceedings.

PEOPLE TO VOTE ON PURCHASE PROPOSAL

By a Vote of Twelve to Ten the City Council Early This Morning Rescinded the Board of Control's Recommendation to End All Negotiations.

The last meeting of the 1913 city council was memorable for a debate on the clean-up of the franchises. The opponents did not give one argument that could justify breaking off negotiations for the purchase. Most of them spoke as tho they had been provided with a "lesson" to recite. Of course, the unanswerable arguments of the supporters of the purchase did not turn a vote. "It's only child's play to break off negotiations," Ald. May tersely put the matter. The vote was as follows:

To continue negotiations —McBride, May, Anderson, Wickett, Rawlinson, Robbins, Walton, Risk, McCarthy, Hocken, Dunn, Ryding—12.

To break off negotiations —Hubbard, Burgess, Maybee, Meredith, McBrien, Rowland, Foster, O'Neill, Church, Wanless—10.

Weston and Spence paired.

By continual reference to copies of The Telegram, Controller Church gathered the material in his appeal to the city council last night to support his motion made in the board of control to break off negotiations forthwith for the clean-up of the franchises.

"Electric railway companies want bylaws voted upon in by-elections, so that they can get in their slick work," he said. "The Trades and Labor Council have been misled by Controller McCarthy. I'm determined to have a division tonight to show how every member of this council stands on the railway purchase.

"I think Controller McCarthy has had too much rope," he declared. "Controller McCarthy has taken Mayor Hocken too far, and has got the mayor in a hole. I don't believe one pen has been put to the drawing up of the agreement of purchase. My motion is to kill the whole thing, but only so because I want to compel the members of this council to declare themselves for or against the railway purchase."

He wound up by advocating a plebiscite on Jan. 1.

Then Mayor Hocken had his say. "The burden of Controller Church's lament is that the bylaw is not going to the voters on Jan. 1," he said. "Controller O'Neill moved in the board of control on Oct. 13 last that the civic

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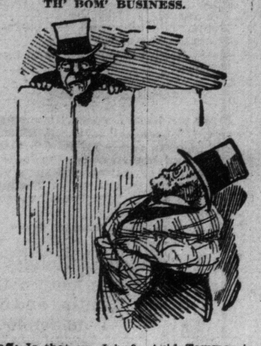
TH' BOM' BUSINESS.



Jaff: Is that ye, John? Auld Tammas is Fosterin' hame industries at the cosey hall, n'est ce pas, mon brav, Jean?

John: Don't get gay, Pop. He ain't as bad as yure fren', Sir Hank, ov the Hill! Th' only thing rong about it is that it cum off jus' when I was springin' a bom' on Billy fur havin' himself over-assess'd at Donlan's.

Jaff: Fa's makin' they infernal macheens fer ye, John?

John: They're all Homemaid, up to th' ole mill, by th' lite ov th' Humber moon, Pop.

Jaff: God save us frae sic fornications, John.

John: You bet, Pop. If you don't stick by me they'll be one under yure pillow sham sum dark nite.

Jaff: ——