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THE ROBBERY, SMASH GLASS EXCITING PURSUIT ENDS IN CAPTURE DRIVE OFF WITH JEWELRY

Daring Attempt to Rob Ward's Pawnshop on Adelaide-street Saturday Night Foiled by Customer's Quick Use of Passing Sleigh to Start in Pursuit of Thieves in Cutter.

SURROUNDED IN OUTHOUSE AFTER CHASE OF OVER MILE

A skilfully planned burglary, an exciting chase, and the final capture after a search in the dark of the principal "raffles" in an outhouse, all occurring within an hour, seems more like a fairy tale than a news item. About 9:45 Saturday night a cutter pulled up at David Ward's pawn shop, 104 East Adelaide-street, and two men alighted. Suddenly there was a crash of broken glass, and a man thrust a broken window and hastily withdrawn, and a scamp of the two men back to the rig which was immediately driven off at a furious pace along Adelaide-street and north into Jarvis-street. The occupants of the store had made a dash for the doors and found them fastened from the outside. By the time the cutter had turned the corner of Jarvis-street, James W. Hennessy of 228 Carlton-street, who was in the store, saw an express sleigh which he immediately hailed. Telling the driver as hastily as he could that there had been a robbery he jumped aboard. At Richmond-street Mr. Hennessy picked up P. C. Snipe and then a mounted policeman joined in the chase, he making for the cutter for further driving.

What the Announcement of a Higher Tariff Means to the Old-Style Liberals—Little Hope From the Opposition, Which is Protectionist From Principle.

MOOSEJAW TRAIN WRECKED NINE PERSONS KNOWN DEAD

Passenger Coaches Turned Bottom Side Up and Scores Were in Danger From Flames.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 23.—Nine persons are known to be dead, six others are fatally injured and at least 25 others were hurt in the wreck to-day of an east-bound accommodation train on the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Seattle Pacific Railroad, at Enderlin, N.D. The train from Moosejaw, Canada, is due at Enderlin at 11:45 p.m., but last night it was about two hours late. The engine was running at high speed in an endeavor to make up the lost time. As his train rounded a curve just before reaching the crossing, the passenger train collided head on with the switch engine.

BYSTANDER'S SIZE UP OF PRESENT SITUATION IN HOUSE AT OTTAWA

The Boston Transcript prints the following letter from E. W. Thomson, its special correspondent at Ottawa: The new tariff, in its operation, has as yet been but little discussed and the schedules may be somewhat altered before receiving parliament's approval. Publicists have been walking around the thing, as it were, starting at it, trying to make up their minds what it all means. This is difficult, because the thing one finds numerous uncorrected errors. Moreover, no collation of the old and new tariffs with itemized information in recent years has yet been supplied. The minister, who could have provided an expert staff, who could have afforded all manner of information promptly. It must therefore be assumed that the minister did not wish the people to learn soon what really is projected. The concealment may seem momentarily prudent. But it will enable interpreters and revealers to enhance the large interest of their disclosures by accompanying them with detailed statements possessing the engaging quality of novelty.

NO HELP FROM OPPOSITION

Meaning those who wish to set out for the public the essential meaning of the new tariff get no help from the protectionist opposition. This is highly significant. Why should protectionist Tories, the manufacturers' friends, aid in revealing the extent to which these gentlemen have utilized a Liberal ministry that went into office steeped to the lips in pledges to advance the principles of free trade and to ask the engineers what they had to say? Against making the tariff more protective than already proposed, more hostile to that interchange with the world which is the source of our comfort and prosperity of the Canadian west much depends. This piece of seeming hubbub was arranged apparently on page 6.

FALLS TO LIGHT WIRES FROM 4TH FLOOR WINDOW

Narrow Escape of Guest From Hotel Fire in Bay City.

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 23.—The Fraser House, the oldest and largest hotel here, was destroyed by fire early to-day. John O'Neil, the hotel freeman, was overcome by smoke and died in the hospital. Two Albert Brown, a guest on the fourth floor, narrowly escaped death. Escape by the stairway being cut off, he crawled out on a window ledge before he could be reached with ladders his strength failed and he fell to the electric light wires below. There he clung until rescued by firemen.

TO-DAY AND AFTERWARDS

Christmas Eve and the Christmas Holiday Week. There will be interest for all at G. W. Muller's cigar store to-day, and up to a late hour this evening. The extra large stock which Mr. Muller brought in anticipation of the opening of his new store is fast growing smaller as the gentlemen learn of the good values in fine imported cigars. But for the holiday week, when thousands of visitors are sojourning in town, Mr. Muller has still a voluminous stock of rare Havanas, exquisite humidor cigar cabinets, in plain and fancy designs, varying in price from \$7.00 to \$20.00.

RIVAL OF OCTOPUS

New York, Dec. 23.—A cable to the Sun says a gigantic oil trust has been organized in Europe, backed by the Rothschilds, to control fields in Russia, Austria and Roumania, producing more crude petroleum than the United States.

FEAR HOLIDAY RIOT

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 22.—Following the posting on the streets of notices printed in red ink early to-day, calling the "K. K. K." to meet at 9 o'clock this evening, with guns, etc. Mayor Woodard to-day offered a reward of \$200 for evidence to convict any persons of posting such notices or in any way inciting rioting during the holidays.

BRUCE DECLINES TITLE

London, Dec. 21.—James Bruce, it would appear, has declined a peerage; but, at any rate, according to The Daily Telegraph, he will go to the United States as British Ambassador without changing his name, and thus be the first United States person to present his country at Washington.

QUITS B. C. CABINET

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 22.—Hon. R. F. Green, chief commissioner of lands and works, has resigned his portfolio for private reasons.

SHAH SINKING

Teheran, Dec. 23.—(4 p.m.)—The shah is sinking rapidly.

ENGINEER KILLED IN HIS CAB Train Runs "Wild" For Miles

John Paul Met Instant Death Just After Leaving Union Depot, and Fatality Was Not Known Until Mimico Was Reached—Escape From Wreck Miraculous.

ACADIAN SENATOR

Montreal, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—La Presse makes the following announcement: "La Presse is able to announce to its readers, that of the four senators who will be shortly nominated to the senate for Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, one of them will be a French-Canadian."

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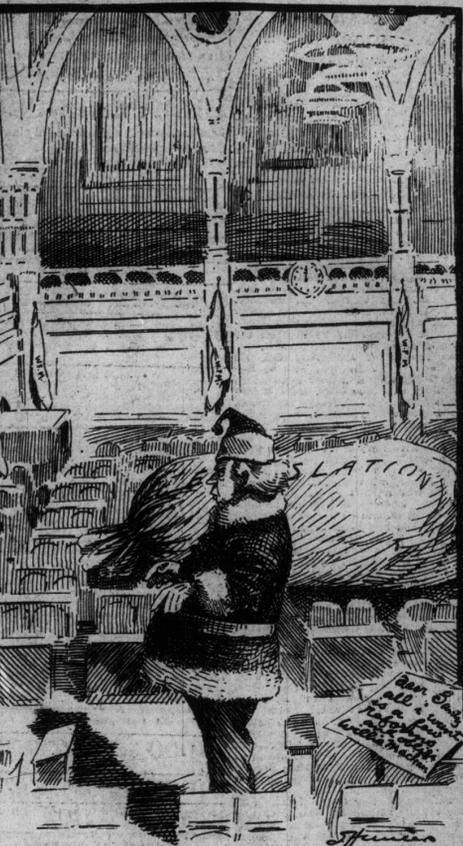
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NEW SOCIETY FORMING FOR ENGLISHMEN ONLY

Preliminary Arrangement Made at St. Catharines Meeting. St. Catharines, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Preliminary arrangements for founding a new society were made here Saturday by a representative gathering of Englishmen born in the British Isles, or in British colonies of British parents.

DEATHS

CROW—On Sunday, Dec. 23, 1906, at her late home, 68 Yorkville-avenue, Margaret Forteous Stirling, beloved wife of Robert Crow. Funeral will be private on Tuesday, the 25th inst., at Knox Church, Scarborough.

THE BAROMETER

Table with columns: Time, Ther., Bar., Wind. Rows for 8 a.m., Noon, 2 p.m., 8 p.m., 10 p.m.

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ONLY ONE-THIRD ADVERSE OF 123 MUNICIPALITIES TO PUBLIC OWNED PHONES

Winnipeg Editors Agree That Roblin Policy is Endorsed, That Not One Half the Localities Give the Necessary Two-Thirds Majority.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—With most of the municipalities heard from there is a popular majority of over 9000 in favor of a public-owned telephone system; at least 50 out of a total of 123 municipalities have given the 60 per cent. majority necessary to make them immediately entitled to municipal telephone systems which have given a third of the total number of municipalities give actual adverse majorities and these largely comprise rural municipalities where the case could not be thoroughly presented.

The net result is that in the early spring the government will proceed with the construction of the long-distance lines and 70 municipalities, including nearly all the large towns and villages, will have municipal systems tributary to the government long-distance lines.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—The vote on the telephone question was not particularly decisive. Fifty-eight municipalities have pronounced against and 47 in favor of a public-owned system.

The Roblin government regard the verdict under the circumstances as sufficiently decisive to warrant them in proceeding with the work, and they are making preliminary arrangements to that effect.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—I do not care to make any personal statement about the telephone vote. The returns to date indicate that 47 municipalities have rejected the telephone bylaw, 57 have adopted it and there are half a dozen municipalities still to be heard.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—The weather has prevailed in Ontario and Quebec to date in Canada it has been mild, and in southern portions of Alberta and Saskatchewan unusually so, with maximum temperatures exceeding 40.

Lakes, Georgian Bay, Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence, weather generally windy; fair and cold, Tuesday moderating.

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