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THE CAPE COD CANAL.

A charter has recently been granted to a New York company for the purpose of cutting a ship canal across Cape Cod. This project has been before the public at various times during the past half century, but in the present instance it is receiving stronger financial support than on any previous occasion. The construction of such a work would, indirectly, affect St. John in common with other points along the coast. As the greater part of the coastwise traffic now passing around Cape Cod consists of coal, the shortening of the voyage will reduce the cost of fuel. The Scientific American gives the following outline of the work:

It takes only a glance at the map of the New England coast to understand why the opening of this canal is desired both by maritime and naval interests, and particularly by the former. The passage from Long Island Sound to Boston and northern New England ports must now be made around Cape Cod, where navigation is rendered perilous by the stormy waters, the fogs and the swift tides off the cape. Moreover, the cutting of the canal would shorten the distance between New York and Boston by 140 miles, on the sea route and by 10 miles over the route through the sound. It is estimated that at present the annual tonnage of coastwise trade which passes around Cape Cod is about 22,000,000 tons.

Commencing at Buzzard's bay, the route of the canal extends across the narrowest part of Cape Cod bay. The entrance on Buzzard's bay will be about four and a half miles of dredging through the shoals, and the length at the canal proper from shore to shore will be about seven and a half miles, the total length of the canal from deep water to deep water being thus about 12 miles. The survey follows the valleys of two rivers, with a maximum deviation of not more than half a mile on each side of a tangent drawn from terminus to terminus.

The canal is to have a depth throughout, at low tide, of 25 feet. The minimum width at the bottom is to be 125 feet, and there will be four passing stations to accommodate vessels going in opposite directions, where there will be a maximum width of 350 feet on the surface. The borings, which have been of a very extensive character, indicate that the subsurface is composed entirely of gravel, sand and loam, free from quicksand, rock, ledges and boulders. The average height of the ground above tide level is nine feet, and it is the easy character of the excavation which accounts for the comparatively low estimated cost of the canal, which can be built in three years at an outlay of \$12,000,000.

An important point to be considered in connection with any canal in the northern states is that of the formation of ice during the coldest weather of the winter. Fortunately there is a variation of four feet in the respective rise and fall of the tides in Buzzard's bay and in Massachusetts bay, the range being about nine feet in the former and five feet in the latter waters. Moreover, the times of high tide are different. There will, therefore, be a constant current through the canal which, with the passage of the shipping, will serve to prevent the canal being closed by the ice.

CAPE COLONY REFORM.

Reports from South Africa would lead to the conclusion that Cape Colony is suffering from nationalization. All the railways belong to the government and the appointment of a commissioner to consider the advisability of effecting some change in the future management of railways and of providing some means of obtaining in the future the impartial consideration of and report upon any proposed scheme of railway construction, indicates that the colony has found some flaws in the system. Party expediency has often taken a guiding hand in railway administration. Local interests rather than financial considerations have often governed the laying of new tracks and it is asserted that there are a number of non-paying tracks which owe their origin entirely to political "deals." Some lines have never, even paid their working expenses and have cost the taxpayers several hundreds of thousands of dollars annually since their construction. At the present time it is extremely difficult to ensure the impartial consideration of any railway scheme or railway expenditure. All that was felt as long ago as 1893 when a select committee was formed to make inquiries on lines similar to those to which the new commission is to turn its attention. The premier sought at that time to secure the appointment of a permanent advisory board, but from one cause to another the proposal fell through. "It is understood" that the first duty of the commission which the government has now appointed will be to endeavor to formulate a scheme which will disassociate the railways from party politics.

THE SONG OF THE ENGLISHMAN.

(Rev. Professor W. W. Skeat.)  
Who cares for the croakers that cowardly prattle  
How England is ageing to abject debasement,  
No longer a leader, a law to the nations!

Though foul birds dwell on the nest that defends them,  
The hearts of our heroes are high in their yearning,  
Where dangers are densest, to dash to the onset!  
Sweet Peace let us prize, with her pleasures and treasures,  
Nor woe to wage wars of wanton aggression;  
Ever firm for defence, not defiant in folly.  
But, weighing with wisdom the words that we utter,  
As conscious, 'tis calm, that our counsels are heeded,  
We rest, but we rust not; once roused into action,  
The life of our land will leap up in earnest,  
With trust in the triumph of truth, 'till 't is tarry,  
And woe to the workers of wicked devices!  
The hate of all harm that is hostile to justice,  
Still steels us to sternness and steady endeavor,  
Unfolding the flag that is feared by oppressors,  
We dare to the death, never daunted by evil;  
We burst thro' the brunt of the battle in triumph,  
Our strength is the starkest when storms are around us;  
Still foremost in fighting, where Freedom leads onward!  
The keener the conflict, the sweeter the conquest.

HARD, VERY HARD.

First College Graduate—I hear you have a job. What doing?  
Second College Graduate—Oh, running errands and cleaning up for the rich.

"Like it?"  
"First rate; that is, until my employer had the nerve to ask me out to his house to dinner. It's pretty tough to have to associate with your social inferiors out of business hours."

DON'T HURRY.

To illustrate the vicissitudes of those who die rich, Andrew Carnegie, the famous philanthropist, told at a dinner in New York an amusing Scotch story. "George Gordon, a rich old Scot," he said, "was taken seriously ill, and decided that he had better draw up his will at once."

"Accordingly the testament was then and there written out at his dictation, read to him and placed in his lap for his signature."  
"The old man took the pen, wrote 'George Gordon,' and then sank back exhausted. The heir hastily raised him again."  
"D'uncle, d'he prompted."  
"Deed provided the old man; 'I'll see when I'm ready, ye avaricious wretch.'"

TIME TO CALL.

The train was crowded. In one compartment, a dignified, middle-aged gentleman was trying to read. Among the passengers was a lady with a very sprightly little girl who had blue eyes, a head of gleaming gold, and an inquisitorial tongue. She asked the dignified gentleman innumerable questions and played with his watch chain. The mother fairly beamed upon him. He was becoming nervous, and, turning to the lady, said:  
"Madame, what do you call this sweet child?"  
The mother smiled, and replied:  
"Ethel."  
"Please call her, then."

A POLITE GIRL.

Cholly (enthusiastically)—"She is forever smiling upon me!"  
She—"Awfully polite girl! Every one else laughs outright."

MONEY TO BURN.

"Ruggles, I congratulate you on that bequest from your deceased uncle. You'll be able now to buy an automobile." ("To buy an automobile, Ruggles? Great Scott! I'll be able to keep one!")

NOW OR LATER.

Jimmy—"Aw, no wonder yer kin lick me—yer two years' older'n me."  
Mickey—"Well, come round when yer as old as me an' I'll lick yer den, too."

A BOY'S VIEW.

Mother—"What's the last name of that little boy you play with?"  
Tommy—"His name's Willie. Boys don't have any 'last' names."

THOUGHTS CARNIVOROUS.

The lambs at gambol on the green are no doubt fine to see;  
How innocent and unconcerned must be their life of glee!  
But lead me to the roasted lamb, when spring's sweet glories glint,  
That sits upon the platter dressed in sauce they make of mint!

HONDURAN NAVY

HAULED DOWN HER FLAG

The Republics Solitary Gunboat Surrendered to Nicaraguan Vessel

PUERTO CORTES, April 11.—Honduras' only war vessel, the gunboat La Tumbia, steamed into this harbor today flying the American flag. The stars and stripes were quickly succeeded by a white flag which the La Tumbia ran up in token of surrender to the Nicaraguan gunboat San Jacinto, which had steamed out to meet the Honduran gunboat.

The La Tumbia's action in flying the American flag had not been explained when these despatches left. The American gunboat Marietta also lay in this harbor and captain Fullam announces that, although he was unaware why the American flag was used by the Hondurans, they had no right to use the flag as they did and that if they had not promptly hauled it down he would have ordered it down.

MAN AND WOMAN ARE ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

The Latter's Husband Was the Victim—District Attorney Made a Strong Speech

HOULTON, Me., April 15.—Juan Robens, alias Dick Roberts and Mrs. Annie Dickinson faced today the jury in the supreme court which will decide whether they are jointly guilty of the murder of Edgar Dickinson, the woman's husband, who was shot and killed on October 18th, as he was building a fire in his kitchen stove. The indictment charges Roberts, as he is more commonly known, with firing the shot, and Mrs. Dickinson with aiding and abetting the murder. Both pleaded not guilty at the opening of the trial this morning. Robinson was employed by the Dickinson family as a farm laborer and is a half-breed Mexican. He was arrested the day after the murder in a lumber camp, but Mrs. Dickinson was not taken into custody until the indictment against her was reported by the grand jury last week.

Both appeared cool and confident at the trial today until County Attorney Holmes described how young Percy Dickinson found the body of his father. The Mrs. Dickinson broke down and wept, and Roberts folded his arms and shut his teeth with a snap. Both his face twitched with emotion.

The opening by the county attorney was the most forcible presentation of a case that has been heard in Aroostook for some time.

HENRY G. BAILEY WAS HANGED YESTERDAY

For the Murder of George H. Goodale in Connecticut—Went Calmly to His Death

WETHERSFIELD, Conn., April 15.—Henry G. Bailey, murderer of Geo. H. Goodale was led to his execution in the prison at 12:05 this morning and nineteen seconds later his body lay on the gallows. Bailey showed no fear and walked with head erect and in a self-composed manner between the two prison attendants from his cell to the scaffold. Arriving in the death chamber the condemned man stepped on the spot indicated, the black cap and noose were quickly adjusted and in less than a minute after he had entered the room the signal was given and the drop fell. Bailey's life was forfeited for the killing in Middletown on July 6 last of his employer. It was remarked that Bailey had appeared in better health physically and mentally the morning than when he entered the prison. The hanging was witnessed by the prison directors, newspaper men and doctors, according to statute. The body will be buried in the prison. No one was with Bailey before his execution except the prison chaplain, to whom he expressed his repentance and stated that he was reconciled to his fate. During the day Bailey's wife visited him and bade him good-bye.

ONTARIO-TOWN WAS BADLY DAMAGED

Fire Yesterday Morning Destroyed a Number of Buildings at Hastings.

HASTINGS, Ont., April 15.—One of the most destructive fires that ever visited Hastings broke out shortly after one o'clock this morning destroying the main business portion of the town. The buildings burned were the Coughlan House, Hotel Buck, Buck's general store, Howard block, O'Reilly's grocery, H. A. Wilson's men's furnishing store, Tracey's bakery, P. M. Howard's grocery and liquor store and Weldman's machine shop. With a strong north wind blowing the fire soon got beyond control of the local fire brigade and a despatch was sent to Peterboro for aid. Within an hour the fire had spread to sent in all the places of business on Front street, west of Bridge street, were completely destroyed. The aggregate loss is estimated at nearly \$30,000. Most of the buildings were partly covered by insurance.

NEW YORK, April 15.—Despatches received from St. Petersburg, Tokio and Pekin show that the evacuation of Manchuria by the Russians and Japanese as agreed to under the Portsmouth treaty and the re-possession of that vast domain by China, has been accomplished under the terms of the agreement between Russia and Japan fixing today, April 15, as the limit of time for the actual transfer.

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WEST-BOUND EXPRESS WRECKED; FIVE KILLED

Whole Train Ditched; Cars Took Fire and Seven Coaches Were Destroyed

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 15.—Running at a speed of forty miles an hour on a straight-track, the Great Northern west-bound Oriental Limited, which left here for Pacific coast points Sunday morning, was derailed early today at Bartlett, N. D. Five persons were killed and a score or more injured, some of them seriously. After the wreck, the oil tank on the train took fire, seven passenger coaches being destroyed, the sleeper and observation coaches escaping the flames.

Officials of the road say that the track in this vicinity, has been in apparently first class condition and they are unable to account for the wreck on any other theory than that it was the deliberate attempt of miscreants to wreck the train.

The dead—W. B. Jones, mail clerk, Grand Forks.

Four unidentified foreigners. The wreck occurred on the line dividing Nelson and Ramsey counties, the mail car completely jumping over the engine, and landing in Ramsey county, while the remainder of the wrecked train burned in Nelson county.

BRIEF DESPATCHES

BERLIN, April 15.—The seismographs at Hamburg, Potsdam, Goettingen and Jena registered a severe earthquake shock this morning at a distance of 6,210 miles. The heaviest shock occurred at 8 a. m. The disturbance was somewhere in South or Central America.

BERKELEY, Cal., April 15.—Perhaps the most remarkable earthquake shock ever recorded at the student's observatory at the University of California was registered on the Omey seismograph early today. The shock lasted for more than half an hour and as a result of the greater duration it is believed that the local station is much nearer the centre of the shock than the eastern stations.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 15.—Giuseppe Galic was killed and ten other Italian laborers were injured in a collision between construction trains on the New Philadelphia and Western R. R. tonight just outside the city limits. The flat cars on both trains were filled with women.

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DEATHS.

TAPLEY—At his residence, 45 Holly street, on April 14th, Archibald C. L. Tapley, in the 73th year of his age. Funeral Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. SANBORN—In this city, after a lingering illness of many, widow of the late Mayes Sanborn, in the seventy-seventh year of her age. Funeral on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from her late residence, 234 Douglas avenue. GOLDING—At the residence of M. Cowan, 18 Cedar street, on April 15, Belle Golding, only daughter of Edith and the late Ruben Golding. Funeral on Thursday. Service at the house at 2:30 o'clock. SANBORN—In this city, after a lingering illness, Mary, widow of the late Mayes Sanborn, in the seventy-seventh year of her age. Funeral on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from her late residence, 234 Douglas avenue.

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LINCOLN'S MUCH QUOTED WORDS.

Perhaps the most famous address ever made my President Lincoln is the one that he delivered at the dedication of the soldiers' monument on the battlefield of Gettysburg, and the words most quoted from it are "the government of the people, by the people and for the people." This phrase was no doubt an unconscious quotation, for the same words were used by Theodore Parker in an address to the Anti-Slavery Society May 13, 1854. Nor was the phrase original with Parker. Daniel Webster in 1830 used the words "the people's government, made for the people, made by the people and answerable to the people." And even before Webster Chief Justice Marshall had expressed the same idea in similar phraseology.

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