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Fear For Family of Tonalá Smiths
American Family Now in Jail for the Killing of Mexicans
WERE STORMING HOME

White Repulsing Mob, Three Nations Were Killed—Fears Entertained For 10 Smiths Now Under Arrest in Mexican Jail.
 (By Leased Wire to The Journal of Commerce.)
 Washington, May 7.—Having killed three Mexicans in an attempt to repulse a mob that stormed their home, ten Americans named Smith, all of the same immediate family, are now under arrest at Tonalá, Mexico, and are in grave danger of execution. Practically every other American has left the district. The State department will make every effort to insure the release of the Smiths, but feeling against Americans in lower Mexico has risen to a point where the mobs are beyond control of the officials.

Campaign Begins.
 The beginning of a rebel campaign against Durango and Zacatecas was officially reported to the State department removing the last hope that Carranza would agree to a cessation of hostilities during the mediation negotiations. The advance guard of rebels have left Torreon and the main body will follow within a day or two.

Rebels Solve Problem.
 Reports of almost continuous Constitutional successes in northern Mexico cleared the atmosphere materially to-day so far as the United States is concerned.

The President and his advisors believe that before the A. B. C. mediators begin their work at Niagara Falls, Ontario, Carranza will hold the entire north. They are equally confident that so soon as this condition is brought about Huerta will either abdicate himself or be eliminated by the men who in the past have supported him.

If Huerta can be eliminated, there is not an official here familiar with the entire Mexican situation who doubts that a common ground could be quickly found on which all of the warring factions in Mexico would be brought together.

Thanks to Great Britain.
 London, May 7.—Ambassador Page to-day offered to Foreign Secretary Grey the thanks of the United States government for the assistance given by the British navy in getting American refugees out of Tampico.

Grateful to France, Too.
 Paris, May 7.—Ambassador Herrick on instructions from Secretary Bryan, to-day called upon Premier Doumergue and thanked the French government for the United States for the aid rendered by French ships at Vera Cruz.

Mediators' Complete Plans.
 The South American mediators completed their plans for beginning the conference at Niagara Falls. Headquarters will be established at a leading hotel there, which consented to advance the date of its opening in order to accommodate the conference. The mediators with their secretaries, stenographers, etc., will make a party of about fifteen. They will leave here on the 14th to prepare for the opening conference on the following day.

O'SHAUGHNESSY BACK
 Charge d'Affairs in Mexico City Reached Washington To-day.
 (By Leased Wire to The Journal of Commerce.)
 Washington, May 7.—Nelson O'Shaughnessy, Charge d'Affairs of the United States Embassy in Mexico City, arrived in Washington early to-day. His arrangements had been made for him to visit President Wilson, whose time is occupied to-day with the wedding of his daughter, Miss Eleanor Wilson, to Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo. Mr. O'Shaughnessy will confer with Secretary Bryan later in the day and may call upon the A. B. C. mediators.

3,000 NEW BOX CARS
 Illinois Central Will Expend \$6,000,000.
 (By Leased Wire to The Journal of Commerce.)
 Chicago, May 7.—The Examiner says: "An order for 3,000 new box cars and expenditure of \$6,000,000 will be given by the Illinois Central in a few days. All will be of the box pattern. This is the largest order for the equipment given by any Chicago road this year."
 "The Illinois Central is one of the few lines that is doing a good business. The company's gross earnings for the ten months ending April 30 are the largest in its history and the year's record, ending June 30, will place the road's receipts on a high basis."
 (By Leased Wire to The Journal of Commerce.)
 Philadelphia, May 7.—The Pennsylvania system lines both east and west have at the present time a total of approximately 60,000 freight cars idle. Something less than half of this number are undergoing repairs or are in storage awaiting repairs. Repair work is being delayed to an unusual extent because of the slackness of demand for equipment.

OIL MEN MEET TO DISCUSS THE SITUATION IN MEXICO

Representatives of Practically Every Petroleum Interest will Attend
U.S. Has Balance in Her Favour
\$4,800,000 Aggregate of Trade Balance for Month of April
 (Special to Journal of Commerce.)
 Washington, D.C., May 7.—Detailed figures of the foreign trade of the United States, showing imports and exports for March and the nine months ended with March, 1914, were published to-day by the Department of Commerce. Total imports in the month were somewhat in excess of \$182,700,000 and total exports in the same time ended with March, 1914, were \$187,500,000, showing a trade balance favoring the United States approximating \$4,800,000. Imports for the nine months' period ended with March, 1914, exceeded \$1,355,100,000, and exports in the same period were over \$1,883,200,000, making an aggregate trade of more than \$3,281,700,000, and showing a balance of trade in favor of the United States of about \$484,700,000.

By great groups, the figures for that class known as "Foodstuffs in crude condition and food animals" show increased imports and decreased exports; \$24,000,000, as compared with less than \$17,500,000 in March, 1913, and exports in March of this year being below \$7,200,000, as compared with more than \$13,900,000 in the corresponding month of last year. In the group "Crude materials for use in manufacturing," there is shown a balance of trade against the United States of about \$6,500,000. Nevertheless, this is a vast improvement over March of 1913, when imports in that class exceeded \$5,600,000 and exports were but little more than \$19,600,000, and the balance of trade against the United States more than \$19,600,000.

The following table shows the imports and exports in the three classes of manufactures for March and the nine months ended with March, 1914:

Groups	Month of March	Imports	Exports
Foodstuffs partly or wholly manufactured	\$24,289,776	\$22,989,066	
Manufactures for consumption	\$30,033,091	\$32,856,618	
Manufactures ready for consumption	\$39,836,077	\$63,739,633	
Total	\$94,158,944	\$119,585,317	

9 Months Ended March. Imports Exports
 Foodstuffs partly or wholly manufactured \$151,585,388 \$233,062,645
 Manufactures for other use in manufacturing \$242,503,584 \$280,656,211
 Manufactures ready for consumption \$346,677,925 \$545,746,785
 Total \$740,766,897 \$1,059,465,641

The first class, that of manufactured foodstuffs, shows a slight balance of the month of March, but the other two classes show substantial balances in our favor, and in the total, the balance in our favor for the month exceeds \$2,100,000. For the nine months' period the balance favoring the United States is approximately \$218,700,000.

The United Kingdom, Germany, Canada, and France maintain their relative positions in the order named as our best customers. Increased imports in March, 1914, are shown from each of these four countries. At the same time, in exports to the United Kingdom, there are shown greater increases than in imports from them. In the case of France, there appears for March, 1914, a balance of trade in our favor of about \$300,000, in a total trade of over \$26,100,000, while in March of last year, in a total trade of about \$19,900,000 there was a balance in favor of France in excess of \$2,200,000. Exports to Germany increased also, though not so much as imports therefrom; but, in a total trade aggregating \$45,000,000 during the month, the trade balance in favor of the United States approximated \$11,400,000. Exports to Canada decreased; but of a total trade in March, 1914, of about \$38,600, exports comprised almost \$26,200,000, or more than double the imports.

BURNED TO WATER.
 Erie, Pa., May 7.—The steamship City of Rome, bound from Buffalo to Toledo, was burned to the water's edge ten miles off shore at Northeast early to-day. The crew was forced to take to the boats and escaped. The City of Rome had gross tonnage of 1,908 tons, length 268.2 feet, depth 20.03 feet. She was built in 1881 at Cleveland, which is her home port.

FIRE WIPED OUT VILLAGE.
 Zurich, May 7.—The picturesque village of Seingge was practically destroyed by fire last night and the nearly 600 people have been rendered homeless. It is feared that several villagers perished in the flames.

Prudential Life Bill Has Passed

Long Fight for Dominion Incorporation Comes to Successful Issue
AMENDMENT WAS LOST
 Argument Precipitated Again When E. W. Nesbitt Proposed Amendment Which Was Defeated—Finance Minister Gives Assurance.
 (Special to Journal of Commerce.)
 Ottawa, May 7.—The bill of the Prudential Life of Canada, providing for the Dominion incorporation of the Manitoba Company, which has been in existence since 1907, passed the Banking and Commerce Committee, this morning, without amendment. The fight has been a long one, and it did not end to-day until the period of the sitting of the Committee, had almost expired. The fight against the name which was instigated by the American Prudential was completed yesterday, when the preamble passed, but discussion was precipitated again this morning when E. W. Nesbitt moved an amendment to clause ten that the committee should not receive a license until its assets exceeded its liabilities, excluding capital stock by at least \$100,000.

Averse to Amendment.
 General Manager Minto explained that he was averse to such an amendment, because it would mean that the bill would have to go back to the Senate again, and that the whole discussion on the name would be revived. He declared, however, that the company had a surplus of \$51,000 at present, and he declared that the company would undertake not to come for a license until it had complied with the insurance act in every particular.

Mr. White declared that it was extremely unfortunate that general assertions about the company's financial standing. The charges had not been specific in any case, and the company had been embarrassed by them. The bill passed by a vote of 26 to 10.

OUR NEW GOV. GENERAL

Prince Alexander of Teck to Succeed H. R. M. The Duke of Connaught.
 (By Leased Wire to The Journal of Commerce.)
 London, May 7.—It was officially announced to-day that Prince Alexander of Teck, Queen Mary's brother, has been appointed to succeed the Duke of Connaught as Governor-General of Canada. He will take up his duties in October.

BOTH SHOW A DECREASE

Great Britain's April Exports and Imports Both Less.
 (By Leased Wire to The Journal of Commerce.)
 London, May 7.—According to the monthly report of the British Board of Trade issued to-day, the imports of the United Kingdom in April decreased £1,312,474, and the exports decreased £3,106,589, compared with the corresponding month last year. The subjoined table shows the trade of the United Kingdom in April, compared with April, 1913.

	1914	1913
Imports	£61,624,000	£62,936,174
Exports	39,946,000	43,052,589
Imports	21,678,000	19,906,885
Imports from January to April 30	258,618,630	173,532,623
Imports	55,086,967	

ALREADY FOR WEDDING

Senate Sends Diamond Bracelet To Miss Wilson.
 (By Leased Wire to The Journal of Commerce.)
 Washington, May 7.—With guests arriving on every train, decorations in place and a bright May sunshine streaming over all, the preparations for the fourteenth wedding within its historic walls, finds the White House ready. Until a late hour last night the executive mansion was ablaze with light and the attendants on the wedding of Miss Eleanor Randolph Wilson to Secretary of the Treasury Wm. C. McAdoo busily rehearsed the ceremonial that will be followed at six o'clock this evening. The Senate sent its gift of a diamond bracelet, the value of which was placed at \$10,000.

PHILADELPHIA BROKER BECOMES INSOLVENT.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 7.—Albert R. Lee was suspended by the Philadelphia Stock Exchange to-day for insolvency. Mr. Lee was admitted to membership in the local Exchange on November 7th, 1894.
TO CULTIVATE OYSTERS.
 (Special Correspondence.)
 St. John, N.B., May 7.—The cultivation of oysters near the mouth of the Mirimichi is to be started by a new company now being organized. The oyster beds at this spot are mostly productive, while others are barren, and the fishermen of the district have been invited to join the new industry.

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Canada Ninth As a Shipowner

Increase in Tonnage in 1913 was 60,687

LOSES PROUD PLACE

St. John Formerly Fourth in Ports of World Now Ranks Only Sixth in Canada—An Old Record.

The list of vessels upon the registry books of the Dominion of Canada for 1913 has just been issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries...

Pilotage Bill Suits Council

Board of Trade Pleased With Proposed Change

ST. JOHN & HALIFAX

Rival Claims of Two Atlantic Winter Ports Neatly Disposed of by Local Board of Trade.

Considerable satisfaction was expressed at the weekly meeting of the Council of the Board of Trade yesterday afternoon that the Dominion Government had finally acceded...

SHIPPING NEWS

THURSDAY, May 7th, 1914.

Almanac. Sun rises, 4:26 a.m. Moon sets, 7:02 p.m. New Moon, April 25. First quarter, May 3rd. Full Moon, May 9th. Last quarter, May 16th.

TIDE TABLE. Quebec. High water, 3:40 a.m., 4:11 p.m. Low water, 10:49 a.m., 11:14 p.m. Rise—16 1/2 ft., a.m., 17 ft. p.m.

Weather Forecasts. Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay, Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Moderate to fresh winds; fair and comparatively warm.

PORT OF MONTREAL. Arrivals. Sicilian, 6,704 tons, Allin Line, from London and Plymouth, passengers and cargo, arrived 1 p.m. May 6th.

Departures. Tunisian, 10,375 tons, Hamilton, Allin Line, sailed for Liverpool, May 7th.

Vessels in Port. Sicilian, Allin, Plymouth and London, H. E. Blouin, Agents.

VESSLS BOUND FOR MONTREAL. Name, From, Left. Carrigan Head, Rotterdam, Apr. 17.

Vessels Reported En Route to Montreal. Carrigan Head and Sargasso at Quebec.

SIGNAL SERVICE BULLETIN

(Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine & Fisheries.) Montreal, May 7th, 1914, 9 a.m. L'Islet, 40—Clear, calm. Out 5:30 p.m., yesterday, Georgetown.

WEST INDIAN STEAMERS COMING. An unusual number of steamers from the West Indies and southern ports are on their way to Montreal.

NEW FABRE LINER ARRIVES NEW YORK. New York, May 7.—The new Fabre Line two-deck steamship Patrie, which was launched last November at Toulon, France, arrived this morning.

Curand Line Movements. Ascencia sailed from Southampton at 4 p.m. today.

Robert Reford Co. Reports. Saracen, sailed from Quebec for Montreal at noon today.

Movements of Allin Line Steamers. Sicilian, from London and Plymouth, for Quebec and Montreal, arrived at Montreal 1 p.m. May 6th.

DECREASE IN SHIPMENTS. Spruce Lumber 30 per cent. Less Than in April 1913.

St. John, May 7.—Shipments of spruce lumber from St. John to Atlantic ports during the month of April, 1914, were thirty per cent. less than the shipments sent forward during the corresponding month last year.

RUSH FOR MONTREAL. Kingston, Ont., May 7.—During the last two days there has been quite a rush of coal and grain boats to Montreal. It is stated that about thirty vessels have passed down the St. Lawrence.

SHIPPING IN 1913. The statistics of shipping which have been submitted to the House of Commons, show that during 1913 there were 3,545 vessels on the Canadian register, valued at \$23,908,950.

Bulk Freighters. Emperor—Arrived Astabula 5 a.m. today.

R. B. McDonald, local manager, Pacific Coast Steamship Co., Vancouver, is reported to have stated recently that the statement appearing in the press to the effect that the company proposed to abandon its summer tourist service will commence June 12 and continue until Aug. 18, the steamship City of Seattle and City of Spokane being utilized.

RAILWAYS

CANADIAN PACIFIC

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TO SAIL THROUGH CANAL

(Special Staff Correspondence.) Vancouver, May 7.—The Dollar Line steamer, "Robert Dollar," will shortly complete about the middle of June when she will sail for Toronto via the Panama Canal.

WORK ON THE WHARVES

But Not Enough to Satisfy the Number of Applicants.

TO ABOLISH TIPPING

Senator Davis' Bill Aimed at Time-Honoured Custom.

Since the ice went out of the river the Harbor Board has started active work carrying out the general plan of improvements along the harbor front including the construction of new piers, the dredging of the basins, and improvements to the wharves.

DECISION ON RATES IN SOUTH AND WEST.

Washington, May 7.—Announcing a decision under the long and short haul section of the Interstate Commerce Act, the Interstate Commerce Commission issued its opinion, covering 150 printed pages, relative to the rates in the south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, and east of the Mississippi.

PROGRESS IN VICTORIA

Shipping Trade Shows Increase in Western Port.

Victoria, B.C., May 7.—The returns for the month of March 31, 1914, show that the port has made very substantial progress as a shipping port in the last few months in spite of the fact that the country has been laboring somewhat heavily in the trough of a troubled financial sea.

Germany Gains On Great Britain

Margin of Superiority in Ship Building not so Marked

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This Company With 68 and 60 in Two Previous Years Shows Marked Increase in Germany's Proportion 14 p.c. Lloyd's Return, says Engineering, is the only source from which official figures in the statistics of ship building output in foreign countries.

Pres. Johnson, of Baldwin Locomotive

defendant in a suit for \$200,000 for commissions, brought by George H. Robinson, a broker, who claims he was authorized to sell the plant. Robinson says he had arranged to sell the plant for \$28,000,000 through Kuhn, Loeb & Co., but Johnson consummated the sale through other parties.

Suit by Robert I. Curran against the Boston & Maine Railroad et al.

to recover \$300,000 on notes has been entered in Superior Court. Company asks to have attachments on its accounts in banks dissolved, on ground that real estate attachment is sufficient.

Union Pacific preferred stockholders

filed an affidavit in New York Superior Court alleging that profits which company plans to distribute to common stockholders, in its \$22,000,000 melon cutting, should be reduced by almost 50 per cent.

Net estate of Charles T. Barney, former president of the Knickerbocker Trust Co., New York, amounts to \$1,105,069.

Estate of George F. Baer is estimated to be worth from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

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That even disinfecting can be carried too far was shown yesterday in the investigation carried on by Fire Commissioner La Tulippe into a fire which occurred on Monday last in a vacant house at 568 Henri Julien street belonging to Mr. Louis Riopel.

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City Agency of the Sun Life Assurance Co. Shows Increase in Business FIGURES ENCOURAGING

Agents Work Hard During Absence of Manager—Company Appreciates Their Efforts.

Life Insurance companies in Montreal have all been feeling the improvement in business during the last few weeks, but it has remained for the city agency of the Sun Life Assurance Company to prove this fact with figures.

Coal Mining is Still Dangerous Much Room for Improvement in Conditions in American Mines

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LLOYD-GEORGE'S LONG ARM.

When a Chancellor of the Exchequer—the Finance Minister of the United Kingdom—starts out to collect taxes he is pretty certain sooner or later to accomplish his purpose.

Some years ago, in the early days of death duties, a worthy Englishman indulgent at what he regarded as the rights of private property, resolved that the Government should not lay its vandal hand upon his estate.

Mr. Lloyd George's budget, which several years ago created so much alarm in the minds of many rich men, was found to have a loophole.

Another work even more important is that carried on by our great universities. Recently President Falconer of the University of Toronto, made a special plea for additional funds in connection with the institution of which he is head.

California has an income of \$3,165,000,000, Cornell has \$2,511,000, Minnesota \$2,238,000, and other universities in like proportion.

Reports from the Canadian West as well as from the United States all indicate that crop and weather conditions are most favorable.

Some interesting developments are expected from Great Britain, where there is keen rivalry among three of the leading banks as to which shall hold first place.

The recent amalgamation of Lloyds Bank and the Wills and Dorset Bank has made this the largest private bank in Great Britain.

The importance of these announcements can hardly be over-estimated. It is upon our crops that we depend for the largest proportion of our prosperity.

The man who dons the first straw hat of the season should get a gold headed cane just like the captain who brings the vessel to port. It takes considerable courage.

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CANADIAN WILD HORSES. In the first rush for the Yukon gold fields, every available form of transportation was engaged to hurry seekers after the precious yellow dust to their destination.

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THE PRUSSIAN CROP. Berlin, May 6.—The Royal Statistical Bureau estimates crop conditions in Prussia as follows: Winter wheat, 1913, 80; winter rye, May-Dec. 78; Dec. 1st, 1913, 84; July-Sept., 1913, 76.

BRITAIN'S \$500,000,000 INVESTED IN MEXICO. The London market estimates British investments in Mexico at \$500,000,000 as follows: Government stocks, \$40,000,000; Municipal stocks, \$8,000,000; Railways, \$282,000,000; Banks, \$8,000,000; Commercial, industrial, etc., \$13,000,000; Electric light and power, \$16,000,000; Financial, land, and investments, \$37,000,000; Oil, \$44,000,000; Rubber, \$8,000,000; Tramways, \$21,000,000; Total, \$495,000,000.

CYRUS A CANAL BUILDER. In speaking of the river regulations of the ancients at the recent National Drainage Congress, Sir William Willcocks, the noted English engineer, said: "Cyrus the Great controlled the Tigris, a tributary of the Tigris, in a truly original manner. Babylonians were already reaping the benefits of his Persian tomes, which were needed for his Persian tomes."

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TORONTO RAILS LOWER Shareholders Not Taking Kindly to Offering of New Stock—Old Lots of R. & O. Figure in Trading.

With London disposed to take a conservative view of the situation, despite the fact that the Bank of England made a better statement than last year, and with business, comparatively speaking, at a standstill in New York, the tone of the list on the Montreal Stock Exchange was dull, though values on the whole held fairly well.

Iron Preferred Down. The feature on the local Exchange centered around the action of Dominion Iron preferred. It was offered down five points to 83, when a single lot of forty-two shares changed hands at that figure.

Tobacco Company MAY ISSUE STOCK Proposal to Issue Over Seven Million Preferred Stock of the Shareholders.

Toronto Rails Weak. Toronto Railway opened unchanged at 135, and thereafter sold down gradually to 133 1/2, recovering at noon to 134. The Rights were as high as 3 and as low as 2 1/2.

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(Special Staff Correspondence.) Toronto, Ont., May 7.—The greatest amount of satisfaction to be derived from the outlook is the absence of the bear element which continues to exist in considerable proportions.

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SOUTHERN PACIFIC INCREASES CAPITAL

Frankfort, Ky., May 7.—The capital stock of the Southern Pacific Co. was increased yesterday by \$20,000,000, which, together with the stock previously authorized, but unissued, is to be set aside to provide for the issue of \$55,000,000 twenty-year convertible bonds, issued by the company a short time ago.

OUTLOOK FOR STEEL INDUSTRY BETTER

New York, May 7.—A cable from London quotes Jas. A. Farrell, President of the United States Steel Corporation, as saying that indications point toward the gradual emergence of the steel industry from a comparatively unsatisfactory condition to one where a moderate activity in the commercial world will be restored.

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MONTREAL SALES MORNING BOARD. Bell Telephone—15 at 146.

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Stocks at New York Lull

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FINAL TONE WAS STEADY Little Improvement Even After American Government Crop Report Made Its Appearance.

New York, May 7.—An absence of outside interest on both sides of the market made trading sluggish during the greater part of the day.

Pressure on Stocks. The only activity which developed took the shape of pressure against a number of issues, California Petroleum common and preferred declining sharply, and Missouri Pacific, which had been firmly held during the greater part of the day, suddenly yielded over two points.

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FIVE MILLION FOR FAMILY. The will of the late Geo. F. Baer filed to-day in Reading, leaves five million to his family.

ELEVATED ROADS SURFACE LINES

Edison Company May Not Have to Make Good Its Guarantee in This Connection.

Chicago, May 7.—The Commonwealth Edison Company has availed itself of the privilege of extending for one year its guarantee to pay \$6,000,000 to the New York banking syndicate which financed the Chicago Elevated Railway merger.

PETERSEN LAKE Annual Report Will Show Property to Be in Good Condition.

It is expected that the annual report of the Petersen Lake Co. to be issued in about ten days, will show the mine to be in very good condition, both as to the treasury, and as to sources of income.

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COPPER MINING. The Green-Copper Copper Co. mining properties in Mexico have resumed operations.

FIVE MILLION FOR FAMILY. The will of the late Geo. F. Baer filed to-day in Reading, leaves five million to his family.

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UNION BANK OF CANADA. Dividend No. 109. NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum on the paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current quarter, and that the same will be payable at its Banking Home in this City, and also at its Branches, on and after Monday, the 18th day of May next.

THE BANK OF OTTAWA. Dividend No. 91. NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of Three per cent. being at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum, upon the paid-up capital stock of this Bank has this day been declared for the current three months, and that the said dividend will be payable at the Bank and its branches on and after Monday, the 18th day of May next.

THE BANK OF TORONTO. Dividend No. 131. NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Two and Three-quarters Per Cent. for the current quarter, being at the rate of Eleven Per Cent. per annum, upon the paid-up capital stock of the Bank has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after the 15th day of May next.

BANK OF MONTREAL. Dividend No. 131. NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of two-and-one-half per cent. upon the paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the three months ending 30th April, 1914, also a Bonus of One per cent., and that the same will be payable at its Banking Home in this City, and at its Branches, on and after Monday, the 18th day of May next, to Shareholders of record of 30th April, 1914.

INCREASE OF INCOME. Attention is called to the fact that in spite of the decrease in operating revenue on the N. Y., N. H. and Hartford of \$189,692 there is an increase of \$125,827 in gross income. Also that the operating revenue of the N. Y., Westchester and Boston has increased in nine months \$100,000, and that there is an increase in the deficit of \$93,353.

BONDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS. New York, May 7.—Khun Loeb & Co. have purchased \$900,000 general mortgage 4 per cent. bonds of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Co. The proceeds are to be used in the main for improvements and betterments of the system.

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MAY CROP REPORT A Pure Food Man

Plains Conditions at High Average and Indications are for Bumper Crop.

Washing, May 7.—The Department of Agriculture places the condition of winter wheat on May 1 at 95.4, against 95.3 on April 1, 1913, and 95.3 the average for the past ten years on May 1. The area remaining to be harvested on May 1 was about 55,877 acres against 51,899,000 acres harvested last year.

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THE COTTON MARKET

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NEW YORK TEXTILES

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CHINA BUYS COTTON

Buyers Have Been on Market for Some Time - It is an Unknown Quantity.

(New York Commercial.) Nothing in the way of new business, or even inquiries, can be reported in the export market of the cotton goods trade.

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Grain Traders Were Not Active

News Developments Were of Little Importance in Chicago Grain Pit

Chicago, May 7.—Wheat was dull but firm today. Nevertheless there were resting orders in the pit to supply buyers at 94 cents for May, 85 cents for July and 85 cents for September throughout the session.

Milling Company Is now Absorbed

Lake of the Woods Company Has Taken Formal Possession of the Plant

PRETENTIOUS PLANS

The Production of the Mill Will be Doubled and the Lower Grade of Flour Shipped to China—New Mill of Concrete.

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THE MIDSUMMER ISSUE OF THE TELEPHONE DIRECTORY for Montreal is now being prepared and the copy will close on MAY 11th. Subscribers who require any change in their entries should place their orders at once. R. F. JONES, Manager. The Bell Telephone Co. of Canada.

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A GOOD THING AT ASCOT

Happenings in Canadian Milling Work

Royals Open Local International Season with 16 Inning Tie

Verboort Had Little Bitter of Argument But Royals Had Break in Their Favor—Toronto Won Openers.

The international season got away to a great start yesterday, a start that is likely to live in local baseball history for the Royals' slayers' battle for 16 innings to a tie. After three hours' play Umpire Rucker called the game when the shadows were growing long and the still air and expectant crowd went home almost satisfied. There were new faces on both teams, the first and second base for the Royals being covered by Flynn and Kuter, while in the field Kipper and Whitman were noted as newcomers. Flynn and Whitman showed up well with the still air, but neither of the two Ks made himself famous.

On the play Verboort should have won his game, but the Royals had the better of the inevitable break, with throws accounting for their two runs. Jersey City earned the run they got Monday by scoring on a wild throw in the 13th. A crowd of 4000 attended the game. The tie will be played off on Sunday.

When the Gibson House Burned in Cincinnati the flames swept through the fire-proof skyscraper of the Union Trust Company

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which stood next to the window received the brunt of the fire. This cabinet preserved its contents unharmed as shown by the oval illustration.

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BASEBALL RESULTS.

Montreal, 3; Jersey City, 2 (16 innings).
Toronto, 5; Providence, 4.
Rochester, 1; Newark, 6.
Baltimore at Buffalo, wet grounds.

National League.
Pittsburg, 10; Kansas City, 4.
Brooklyn, 5; New York, 3.
Cincinnati, 3; St. Louis, 0.
Philadelphia at Boston, wet grounds.

American League.
Philadelphia, 7; Boston, 3.
New York, 4; Washington, 4.
Detroit, 4; Chicago, 2.
St. Louis, 1; Cleveland, 1.

Federal League.
Pittsburg, 10; Kansas City, 4.
Baltimore, 5; St. Louis, 7.
Chicago, 12; Buffalo, 4.
Brooklyn at Indianapolis—Wet grounds.

International Standing.

Team	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Newark	7	4	.636
Rochester	7	4	.636
Baltimore	8	5	.615
Toronto	6	6	.500
Jersey City	5	6	.455
Buffalo	5	7	.417
Montreal	4	7	.364
Providence	4	7	.364

National League Standing.

Team	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Pittsburg	11	2	.846
Philadelphia	4	4	.500
Brooklyn	7	5	.583
New York	6	6	.500
Cincinnati	3	9	.250
Chicago	11	11	.500
St. Louis	6	13	.310
Boston	3	9	.250

American League Standing.

Team	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Detroit	11	6	.647
New York	8	6	.571
Philadelphia	8	6	.571
St. Louis	10	8	.556
Washington	8	8	.500
Chicago	3	11	.214
Boston	5	11	.310
Cleveland	5	13	.278

Federal League Standing.

Team	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Baltimore	11	4	.733
St. Louis	11	7	.611
Brooklyn	7	6	.538
Chicago	10	6	.625
Indianapolis	8	8	.500
Buffalo	6	8	.429
Kansas City	11	11	.500
Pittsburg	4	11	.267

WAS A PITCHING DUEL

THE ROLLER METHOD

New Method in Grinding

Canadian Millers Were Leaders in Introducing Modern Machinery and Methods—Some of Process Now Followed.

(Second of a series of Short Articles on the Flour Milling Industry.)
By PROF. W. W. SWANSON.

It would bring us outside the scope of our work to describe in any detail the technical or mechanical side of flour milling in Canada. We are concerned rather with the production, distribution and marketing of the product of Canadian mills. But a brief reference to the mechanical side of the industry will be made.

The primary object of old methods of milling had been to produce as much flour as possible by the first grinding. A great change, however, took place between the years 1875 and 1888, when the roller, or Hungarian system, was introduced. Prior to these years grinding had been done entirely on stones, and the process of middling reduction had not been highly developed.

With the advent of rolls the old system of grinding was completely reversed. The first set of rolls in Canada, if not in America, was imported from Austria in 1875, by Mr. C. Snider, who operated large mills in the villages of New Dundee and St. Jacobs in Waterloo county. The new system had been under successful operation among Hungarian millers for a short time. Mr. Snider and his partners found it satisfactory in every respect and proceeded at once to equip their plants with a full complement of rolls. In the following year, 1876, the first Canadian manufactured rolls were turned out by a factory in Waterloo for William Snider, of that town. In a very few years the great majority of the flour mills throughout the Dominion scrapped the obsolete stone system and replaced it by the modern Hungarian roller machines.

Under this process millers no longer attempt to secure much flour at the initial grinding. The object of the first or "break" roll being simply to crush the berry before passing it on to a series of rolls of which each is finer than its predecessor. Practically all of the four sets of rollers are furnished with perforated, reel and bolting machines, through which each successive product is passed for the separation of the flour from the coarse materials—the bran, shorts and middlings. Strangely enough the highest grade of flour is now that which is produced by the fourth set of rollers. This flour, known as a "high patent," was not obtainable at all under the old system of stone-grinding.

Only one or two other technical inventions need be mentioned inasmuch as it is impossible to deal at length with the mechanical side of the subject. About 1892, plan-sifters first came into use in Canada. The plan-sifter is an extremely complicated machine which does an immense amount of work in fact, it with the various sets of rolls constitutes the important part of a flour mill. This machine separates the wheat into the flour, bran, shorts and middlings, and has been so designed as to combine in one machine the duties of the numerous sieves and rollers which were used to occupy so much space on the floors of old-fashioned plants. They represent considerable economies of power as well as floor-space. They form an indispensable part of the equipment of the up-to-date mill in a day when the case time in warehouses, where it is necessary to secure the utmost degree of manufacturing efficiency. Many of the smaller country plants, however, still employ the old-fashioned rollers, especially where abundant water-power is available at a comparatively small figure for annual upkeep.

The market produced the declivity agent by means of chemical action, but this process was regarded unfavorably by the public; for the use of chemicals leaves the impression of adulteration. Moreover, patent arrangements secured compelled the disclosure of what was called "chemical bleaching." The Alsp Process Company of Canada, a contractor, manufactures and sells an electrical bleacher, the only one in the Canadian market. This process followed a simple plan. The flour is passed through a wheel which has been charged with sufficient electricity to uniformly age and whiten the flour. In this way, the actual bleaching process is accomplished and better results are secured than were possible under old conditions.

For several years there was a decided prejudice against flour bleaching by artificial means. This, however, is disappearing, and the use of the electrical bleacher is almost indispensable by those who have one. It is still one of our two best methods of securing the highest quality of flour. The other is the Washburn-Crosby people, who is advertising the virtues of their famous

TO SETTLE N. B. CLAIM

Federal Government Pays Province \$6,682 After a Long Controversy.

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