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OWNERSHIP OF TERMINAL ELEVATORS

The Grain Growers' Executive at Ottawa Issues an Official Statement

ONLY REMEDY FOR EVILS

Minnesota Regulations Would Be Directly at Variance With Suggested Plans

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The Grain Growers' Executive tonight issued the following statement: "With regard to the terminal elevators legislation to be introduced in the House of Commons after the Christmas recess will be along the lines of the Minnesota regulations, it is pointed out by those in close touch with the situation that this is directly at variance with the statement issued by the Grain Growers' executive at the conclusion of the conference with the Prime Minister this morning.

"It was here stated that the legislation to be introduced by the Government was upon the representations of the Grain Growers. Those representations were entirely for government ownership and operation through an independent commission and the Grain Growers have repeatedly expressed the opinion that no good purpose can be served by further attempts to regulate the operation of the terminals, being convinced that government ownership is the only remedy for the existing evils.

FRENCH SOCIALISTS

Government Successfully Maintains Its Position Against Attack

Paris, Dec. 20.—The government today successfully maintained its position against the attacks of the Socialists under the leadership of M. Jaures. M. Jaures demanded the reinstatement of all railway employees dismissed in connection with the recent strike. The government took the position that it was impossible to extend general reinstatement to men dismissed for violence, but was ready to consider the merits of individual cases. The Chamber of Deputies sustained the Government by a vote of 406 to 30.

British Mail Heavy

New York, Dec. 20.—Good times are in store this Christmas for persons who have relatives or friends in this country, judging from the presents and packages that have been sent across the seas. Figures by the postmaster since December 1, with the sailing of the Mauretania show 438,383 money orders representing a face value of \$7,025,548 were purchased in New York and sent to foreign countries. Of the money orders \$1,136,985 went to Great Britain and \$1,657,406 went to Italy. During the same period 27,419 sacks of mail, containing articles and 46,202 post packages have gone forward.

Naturalization Decision.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Even if a naturalized citizen has returned to his own country and remained for more than two years without Indian citizenship, he cannot be prevented from re-entering this country nor from bringing in with him a wife whom he has married while abroad. This is the gist of a decision rendered by the attorney general regarding the right of entry with his wife of J. Gossin, who was detained at Ellis Island. The attorney general holds that the expatriation act was not designed to prevent the re-entry of naturalized American citizens into this country.

Four Volumes of Clippings.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—Four volumes of press clippings, relating to the visit of the Queen's Own Rifles to England last summer, have been sent to Sir Henry M. Pellatt by Sir James P. Rockefeller. The clippings are nicely sorted, indexed and bound. They are the most comprehensive of the whole newspaper references of the whole country. The four volumes will be high prized by the officers and men of the regiment.

Rockefeller's Hobby.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—J. D. Rockefeller has completed the task he set for himself in the founding of a "single and final" gift of \$10,000,000, which includes all the contributions that Mr. Rockefeller had planned to make to the University. This sum, which is to be paid in ten annual payments, beginning January 1, will make a total of approximately \$35,000,000 that Mr. Rockefeller has donated to the University.

St. Paul Fire

Minneapolis, Dec. 20.—Five people, four men and one woman, were hurt, one seriously, as the traffic of several St. Paul street car lines were brought to a standstill for an hour or more during the early day rush, and the plant at Hardwood, St. Paul, was totally destroyed as the result of today's fire.

INVESTIGATING NEW YORK DISASTER

Ten Killed in Monday's Explosion—Property Damage of Two Millions

New York, Dec. 20.—Enquiry by the coroner, the district attorney's office, and the fire department failed to throw any new light as to the direct cause of the explosion yesterday in the power station of the Grand Central Station, which resulted in the death of ten persons, the injury of more than a hundred, and a property damage of \$2,000,000.

Dozens of witnesses were examined and every inch of ground about the scene was explored, but no headway was made toward fixing the blame of the disaster. District Attorney Whitman said tonight: "As yet there is no evidence in my possession which justifies the making of any arrest or the preferring of any criminal charges. I expect to engage experts on explosives to determine just how the explosion took place. If explosives were illegally placed, as the premises the facts will be brought out before the grand jury."

The body recovered from the ruins yesterday has been identified as that of Frank J. Nagel, a plumber's helper. This completes the list of dead at the station. No additional bodies were found today.

FEDERENKO'S CASE NOT YET ENDED

Russian Officials Will Likely Proceed With Further Charges

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The Ottawa Evening Citizen says: No advice has been received by the Department of Justice here that Savva Fedorenko, the Russian refugee, was freed at Winnipeg yesterday. An official, who is representing the Russian government in Montreal, says that he never gave any instructions that the charge of attempted murder be withdrawn, and fails to see how it could be done without his orders.

Mr. Nicholas De Struve, Russian consul general for Canada, is discussing the case with this official, and as a result of the conferences it is highly probable that the charge of attempted murder prove insufficient to extradite Fedorenko other charges of the same kind of a more serious nature will be laid. May be Precedent. The decision of Judge Robson is looked upon as creating a precedent in matters of extradition. Judges sitting as extradition commissioners are merely supposed to hear the case presented by their own government, and not to take into consideration the merits of the case. Further than this they have never gone until Judge Robson at Winnipeg asked for evidence to be put in. The custom has been to take the statement of the accused for the government.

PRINCE GEORGE FLOATED

Steamer Stranded in Vancouver Harbor Pulled Off Rocks. Vancouver, Dec. 20.—The steamer Prince George was floated this morning at 9 o'clock at the entrance to the harbor. She went ashore yesterday morning. The vessel was apparently not seriously damaged, but it will take a surveyor's bottom by a diver to determine the exact extent. Peerless and Kangaroo, hooked on to her at high tide and after hauling at her for ten minutes she commenced to move. She came into port under her own steam.

CHOKED TO DEATH

Dead and Dumb Woman Found Dead Under Suspicious Circumstances. Brighton, Ont., Dec. 20.—A woman by the name of Joey Brimicombe, who was deaf and dumb, was found dead in the Hotel Bristol, the hotel this morning under peculiar circumstances. To-day's developments seem to point to the fact that the woman was choked to death as finger prints have been found on her neck. The coroner has issued a warrant for an inquest.

Chimney Sweep Suicide in Cell

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 20.—Edward Morris, age 43, civic chimney sweep, was discovered to have strangled himself in a cell at the police station last night. Morris was suffering from the effects of heavy drinking. Although not under the influence last night, as a precaution against his coming violent, he was taken from his home and locked up, no charge against him being entered. He seemed all right when last noticed, but the officer on duty this morning discovered him hanging to the bars, having to bend his legs to do so.

AMBUSCADE TROOP TRAIN IN MOUNTAIN

Mexican Soldiers Shot Down By Well Protected Revolutionists

TWENTY-ONE WERE KILLED

Col. Guzman's Force Caught in Mountain Trap—Made Brave But Futile Defence

Chihuahua, Mexico, Dec. 20.—Forty-two wounded Mexican soldiers were brought in today, this confirming the reports that the troop train which left Saturday was shot to pieces in the mountain trap, known as Mal Paso, a few miles east of Padernales, and about 120 miles west of this place. The official report states that the revolutionists lost 21 killed and ten missing and 42 wounded. The latter include Col. Guzman, who was in command of the expedition. The insurgents' loss is not known here.

The train left here Saturday, travelling in two sections, and carrying three loaded pieces on a coal car, and 500 soldiers. Pancho Villa, the bandit, who while acting independently, still regards the government as his enemy, fired on the second section as it was passing through Aduana Canyon, but did no damage.

Attacked in Mountains. The mountains of Mal Paso, however, swarmed with revolutionists. They halted the first and second sections. Col. Guzman disembarked his troops and for five hours defied himself from the onrushing enemy. He was in a trap, however. His enemy was on the high banked shelter of boulders and other protection in the mountains and poured in a deadly fire. He was unable to use his big guns effectively owing to the nature of the precarious condition and the number of insurgents, held his ground for five hours. Colonel Wounded. Colonel Guzman was shot through the leg while the third section in command was also wounded. Although the command was at or near Padernales, Gen. Navarro was unable to lend assistance. Confirmed reports state that he has his hands full with the rebels he has been fighting off and on since last Thursday.

A Sad Retreat

Worn out with the battle, Colonel Guzman lost with the remainder of his force upon the troop train and ran back to Bustillos. Here the unharmed, disembarked, buried their dead and prepared to seek a new route other than the one by which the train was sent out. This freight train was sent out for the purpose to load cattle at Bustillos, but was countermanded and the wounded placed in it. This train arrived early today and the injured were taken to the hospital.

Men Troops Sent

The Tenth Battalion of Infantry, a battery of light artillery, and one company of light cavalry, are being sent to the front today in two special trains for the here-of insurgent activity in Chihuahua. Other troops, carrying two regiments of infantry, is said to have left Guadalupe last night for the same destination.

A LOOSE METHOD OF COLLECTING CUSTOMS

How Many Chinamen Reached Canada Without Paying Head Tax

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—Collector of Customs J. M. Boveil gave evidence today before the Royal Commission that is investigating Chinese immigration and opium smuggling at this port. He admitted that he and his officers were at the mercy of an interpreter in dealing with new arrivals. No attempt had been made to trace the number of Chinese who wished to enter as merchants. This practice had grown up since 1907.

Mr. Boveil admitted that he had heard that 23 Chinese had landed here from the liner Kumeric and 20 more from the Oceano. He admitted that watchmen set to prevent such escapes left their posts at midnight to go to lunch. He said he was helpless to prevent prostitutes landing if they came as the wives of Chinamen already in the country. Two Chinese actresses who came a year ago and paid head tax, proved to be prostitutes.

Premier Gouin to Stump

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Sir Lomer Gouin goes to St. John's for the nomination on Thursday and will probably address the electors. Hon. J. L. De Carle, provincial secretary, Hon. F. S. MacKenzie, provincial minister of education, and C. H. Doolin, Minister of Colonization, left this morning for St. John's, where they stump the country in favor of Marcellin Robert, the Liberal candidate.

DEADLOCK IN WINNIPEG STRIKE

Men Granted Until Thursday to Return to Work—Both Sides Determined

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—Matters in the street railway strike are at a deadlock. The civic committee, which is acting as mediator between the two parties, held another conference this evening, as a result of which the time limit for the men to return to work was extended until Thursday.

The company absolutely refuse to reinstate the four men whose discharge precipitated the strike, while the men hold that their must do so before the strike will be called off. Meanwhile the company appear to have a number of men, and new ones are being trained every day in the operation of the cars. Service Discontinued. The service was discontinued early this evening, but during the day most of the cars were in operation. There were several instances of trouble, but these were not of a serious nature. No cars are being run in the district where last night's riot took place. The company says it will give the strikers the preference up to Thursday.

Shackleton Will Try Again

London, Dec. 20.—It is stated that Sir Ernest H. Shackleton, who reached farthest south in his recent expedition, will sail for the Arctic region in June.

IRISHMAN BEAT UP THREE ITALIANS

All Four Were Badly Beaten Up But The Celt Kept His Feet

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Following a battle at the corner of St. David's Lane and St. James Street, between an Irishman and three Italians, all four needed medical attention. Two had to be sent to the general hospital for repairs. Lieut. Marwick of the Chaboulet St. station, receiving a message that a fight was in progress at the corner of St. James Street and St. David's Lane, sent out Constables Lida and Lane, who met Patrick Shields, 26 years of age, with a gash on the back of his head and his right ear split. Shields, who said he had no home in the city, told the constables that he was looking for the police station because the Italians who were being beaten in the lane should be removed to the morgue.

Judd and Filatrault hurried over to the corner of St. David's Lane and lying there a few yards from St. James Street, found a man with a gash on his head and a couple of men who witnessed the row, were almost as badly used up. They had to be taken away by police.

From what the police learn Shields was passing along alone. The Irishman resented the remark. The Italians then turned on him. One armed with a razor, slashed the Irishman across the right eye and on the back of the head. The other followed a row in which the Italians were beaten and battered into unconsciousness by Shields.

FATAL FALL FROM POLE

Claimed That Winnipeg Motorman Was Trying to Cut Power Cable

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—Joseph Gibson, union motorman, has been lying at the point of death in St. Boniface hospital since Friday night. It appears that night he went to St. Boniface and climbed a pole carrying the power cables for an unstated purpose, which there is no hope of his recovery. He has not recovered. It is asserted that he intended to cut the power with the intent to shock fell. No other reason is alleged for his climbing the pole.

Must Take His Chance

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—"A prize fighter takes the same chance of death as a football player when he enters a contest," said Coroner Ford today, when he discharged Joseph Kalme, a young pugilist, from custody, and exonerated him from all blame in the death of John Emboff, whose skull was fractured from a blow from a prize fighter, I see the coroner. The prize fighter, who is better known as Kid Emboff, who is better known as Kid Gardner, and Kalme, known as the ring as Joe Kalme.

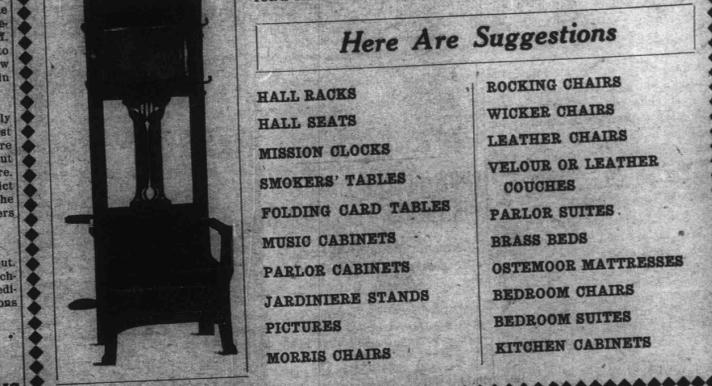
Life Savers Drowned

New York, Dec. 20.—Two members of a volunteer life saving crew, at Rockaway Beach are missing, and are believed to have perished today when the new boat they were trying out set in the surf. Three others of the crew of five. The three others of the crew were 200 yards off the beach when a heavy squall struck them and the men were unable to return. It is supposed the boat turned turtle. It is supposed the missing men went down at once.

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- BEDROOM CHAIRS
- BEDROOM SUITES
- KITCHEN CABINETS

LITTLE CHANGE IN WHEAT MARKETS

Cables Came Unchanged—Slight Increase Noted in The Winnipeg Markets

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—Cables came unchanged to a lower. Trading was light with a moderate demand for each of the same as Monday and some export trade chiefly to the continent. There was an advance in price of 1/4 to 1/2 in Winnipeg and about 1/2 advance in American markets. There was nothing new in the gossip.

Winnipeg Markets—	Open	Close
Wheat—	90 1/2	90 3/4
December	94	94 1/2
May	95 1/2	95
July	95 1/2	95 1/2
Oats—	32 1/2	32 1/2
December	35 1/2	35 1/2
May	35 1/2	35 1/2
Flax—	2.07	2.16
December	2.16	2.16
May	2.16	2.16
American Markets—		
Chicago—	91	91 1/2
December	95 1/2	96
May	95 1/2	95 1/2
July	93	93 1/2
Minneapolis—		
December	1.00 1/4	1.00 1/4
July	1.04	1.04 1/4
May	1.03 1/2	1.03 1/2

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Workmen in Belleville Foundry Partially Injured.

Belleville, Dec. 20.—J. Connel, B. J. Conway, A. Hraycott, H. Davidson, and R. Moore, employed in the moulding shop of March & Henthorn's foundry, were today all more or less burned by molten metal. The spout of the cupola where the metal is, blew out, scattering the molten metal about the shop and breaking some pans of glass in a skylight. Moore was more seriously injured than his fellow employees.

Winnipeg's Exposition

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—The second adjourned meeting of the Canadian international exposition committee was extended today until June 20, 1911, pending news from Ottawa in regard to the government's co-operation. The executive felt that the absence of the finance minister has delayed matters and that his return to Ottawa will mean the announcement of the government intentions early in January. Enquiries from proposed exhibitors in Canada and foreign countries are coming in daily.

Vice Regal Party in Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—His Excellency the governor general and party, including Lady Evelyn Grey and Lord Lascelles, arrived in Toronto this morning. They travelled in the private car York. At 9 a.m. they were met by his honor, Lieut.-Gov. Gibson, and will be guests of his honor during their visit.

Alabama Excitement

Luverne, Ala., Dec. 20.—Harrison Tucker, one of the negroes alleged to be implicated in the murder of Jack Suresly, Saturday, was captured this morning by the sheriff. Fourteen soldiers were sent to Brantley to accompany the sheriff and his prisoner to jail here. The jail now contains four members of the Salter gang charged with the crime and it is guarded by the local company of militia. Excitement is running high.

Canadian Schooner Abandoned.

Boston, Dec. 20.—The three-masted schooner Independence, of Windsor, N. S., bound from Elizabeth Port, N. J., for St. John, N. B., was abandoned in a sinking condition on Sunday off George's Banks. Captain Gale and crew were rescued by a fishing vessel and landed here today.

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WAR SCARES INSPIRED FOR BUSINESS REASONS

Opinion Expressed by London Editor Before Conference on International Disputes

Washington, Dec. 16.—That war scares are largely inspired by armament contractors who ultimately would drag the various countries into the bankruptcy court, was charged tonight by Francis W. Hirst, editor of the London Economist, in an address before the conference for judicial settlement of international disputes.

He declared that the rivalry between Japan and the United States was crushing the people of Japan and the United States under a load of taxes, while armament expenditures also were wrecking the finances of Great Britain and Germany.

FEDERAL CHARTER FOR WEYBURN SECURITY BANK

Formal Certificate Granted by Department of Finance at Ottawa

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—T. O. Powell, director and general manager of the Weyburn Security Bank, authorized by Act of Parliament in April last, was in Ottawa today securing a formal certificate from the department of finance. The bank, which has been doing business as a private institution for eight years, will henceforth operate under a federal charter, being the only bank with headquarters between Winnipeg and the coast.

The authorized capital of the bank is one million dollars, subscribed capital \$601,000, paid up capital \$300,860. The directors of the new financial institution are: Alex. Simpson, Winnipeg, Minn., president; S. E. Ocarson, White Rock, S. D.; Jos. Morgans, Weyburn, Minn.; Frank Moffett, H. S. Murphy, H. O. Powell (director and general manager); J. A. McBride. The head office of the bank will continue to be at Weyburn, with branches at Yellow Grass, McTaggart, Halbrite, Midale, Griffin, Colgate, Pagman, and Radville.

St. Catharines Burglary.

St. Catharines, Dec. 15.—J. S. Smith's jewelry store was broken into last night by thugs, who smashed a window with a stone and got away with a number of watches, brooches, etc., but failed to land a tray with \$1,500 worth of diamonds. Four years ago the same store was robbed and diamonds worth \$1,600 secured, none of which were recovered.

St. Catharines Election.

Port De'France Martinique, Dec. 19.—Charges of gross fraud in yesterday's elections are made. After the polls were closed the ballot boxes were brought into the city by government officials and were put away as though in safe keeping. During the night the office in which the boxes were locked was entered and the boxes rifled. There is great indignation. Deputy Lagroisse and his friends have issued a call to arms, and it is alleged that tampering with the ballots will result in a victory for the minority.

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LONDON PAPERS ON GRAIN GROWERS MEET MINISTERS

Comment on the Trip of Western Grain Growers to Seat of Government.

London, Dec. 18.—Referring to the farmers' delegation to Ottawa as an effective answer to the sham imperialist, the Morning Leader says that when the colonies grasp the weight of the burden, which fanatical and commercial imperialists are endeavoring in the name of Empire, to fasten upon the British poor, they will, in neither mild nor elegant language "split such a policy out of their mouths." The Morning Post, disregarding Balfour's pledge that colonial corn can be admitted free, argues that for a variety of reasons the Canadian grain growers now prefer free trade as a price of the English markets rather than a slightly lower price accompanied by a preference against the foreigner. "It is a pity they thought it worth while to base this renunciation on a profession of disinterested concern for the poor."

The Post continues that "the English consumer, who has a legislature of his own, is quite capable of protecting his own interests. It seems to be force of bad example at this end. The Lancashire cotton spinners have hardly yet abandoned their miserable preference that their resistance to India's claim for protection is inspired by anxiety lest the poor Indian peasant should have to pay more for his meagre garments. From Cobden onward, our free trade creed has been tainted with cant and transparent self-interest posing as imperial altruism."

The Post draws the conclusion from the episode at Ottawa that "national protection, as proposed by Chamberlain's tariff commission, is the strongest lever for ultimate removal of the tariff barriers within the Empire."

The Morning Standard says that only by maintaining her present system in bold outline can Canada ever aspire to become a great manufacturing as well as an agricultural nation. In the United States, the farmers, it states, are ignoring some leading facts in Canadian development.

AND THIS IN ST. ALD LONDON

Bullets Fly Around Like in a Dime Novel Western Town.

London, Dec. 18.—With the arrest late yesterday of four men and three women in Hauer Grove Street, Whitechapel, the London police believe they have the terminal members of an international gang of burglars of 200 miles in length. The gang was broken up on Friday night after five policemen, three of whom died of their wounds.

The dead policemen include two sergeants and one patrolman. In addition one of the burglars was slain, presumably by bullets fired by the police after they had completed a tunnel from a house in Cutler Street to the vaults of Henry Harris' jewelry shop in Doughty Street. More than £100,000 was in the vault and another night of uninterrupted work would have put the burglars in possession of it.

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Revolt of Bedouins.

Constantinople, Dec. 19.—The revolt of the Bedouins in the Karak district near the Dead Sea is becoming worse. The Bedouins have sacked the rail way stations in the north and have slaughtered every soldier and railway employe they could find. The government is sending more troops to put down the revolt.

Red Deer Suicide

Ded Deer, Alta., Dec. 16.—Chas. K. Wright, a second hand dealer, was found dead in his office this morning near the Dead Sea. He had been shot with a bullet through the roof of his head. It looks like a case of suicide, for which no cause can be assigned as he was apparently in good circumstances.

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LAY CARDS PLAINLY ON THE TABLE

Farm Delegates State Their Position Clearly to the Prime Minister

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—An event unique in the annals of Dominion parliamentary affairs occurred today when eight hundred sturdy representatives of Canadian agriculture scaled Parliament Hill and laid their demands for better consideration before the Prime Minister.

By 10 o'clock every seat in the chamber was occupied. The Speaker's and other galleries were crowded to their fullest capacity, while many had to stand in the aisles. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's seat was occupied by D. W. Warner, a delegate from Edmonton, while another filler of the seat sat in R. L. Borden's chair. When the ministers commenced to arrive chairs were at a premium, and several of the members of the cabinet in the city were present, including Sir Richard Cartwright, the old time apostle of free trade in Canada.

Many senators and M.P.'s on both sides of the House were interspersed with the delegates. Mr. McCuaig, opening with a short speech, dwelt upon the importance of the unique gathering. They had come to Ottawa at great expense and inconvenience, and they felt justified in feeling that they would be able to demonstrate that they were in earnest in what they asked. Mr. McCuaig after thanking the premier for the opportunity of meeting him under such favorable circumstances, presented a resolution in respect to terminal elevators, and called upon Peter Wright of Myrtle, Man., to read the memorial in regard thereto.

He did so in a refreshing lowland Scotch accent.

Saskatchewan Association F. W. Green, speaking for the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association said they had 100,000 members in good standing in that province. He read a memorial in respect to terminal elevators in which the sentiment expressed by Mr. Wright was substantiated from a Saskatchewan standpoint.

Alberta's Reasons W. T. Troggills of the Alberta Association, read a memorial on the terminal elevator question from the point of view of Alberta and further went on to state that the terminal elevators were too great for the farmers of that province and recommended that the government take immediate steps to erect adequate terminal accommodations on the Pacific coast.

E. B. Wood, secretary of the Dominion Millers' Association, O. E. Golden, of the Ontario Millers' Association and others presented memorials, while Captain H. W. Richardson speaking on behalf of the grain dealers and exporters of the east and west strongly advocated government ownership of terminal elevators. He believed the government would make a big profit on their operation. The purchase of terminal elevators was necessary in order to keep up the reputation of Canadian wheat in Europe.

Other Requests It was 11:40 before the presentation of the case in respect to terminal elevators was concluded. Mr. McCuaig then read the resolution recommending the establishment of a chilled meat industry and called upon Mr. Warner, representing the United Farmers of Alberta to read the memorial.

When Mr. McCuaig rose to read the resolution urging government construction, ownership and control of the Hudson Bay Railway he was greeted with loud and prolonged cheers which were repeated when he concluded. He called upon R. C. Henderson to read the memorial. The reading of the document was punctuated with applause.

James Powers, president of the United Farmers of Alberta, presented the memorial with amendments to the railway act. No formal resolution on this subject was adopted by the conference.

Cheers greeted the resolution in support of co-operation and E. J. Freeman, secretary of the United Farmers of Alberta, read a memorial in support of it, and calling for legislation this session to authorize organization.

Laurier Non-Committal Laurier, after listening for four hours to the resolutions, memorials and speeches, Sir Wilfrid Laurier at two o'clock rose to reply. He was greeted with cheers. He said he desired on behalf of the government to present a memorial to express gratification at being asked to receive such a delegation. They had no doubt profited by the facts and views expressed even if they did not share them all. He noted that while the delegation represented all of the Dominion, it seemed to be the western spirit that prevailed. "We are," he said, "prepared for the Dominion of the West at an early date. (Laughter). Of this we do not complain."

Proceeding Sir Wilfrid said that he did not believe that the farmers of the east of the West. He noted that the memorials favored government ownership of utilities. As to that he had nothing to say at the moment except that he had not always been an ardent supporter of the idea. Sir Wilfrid then quoted the statement of Mr. Green to the effect that the farmers of the west represented a wealth of \$300,000,000. If this was so it would not seem that the condition of affairs is very bad, but there was room for an improvement he would admit.

Wants Reciprocity The Premier noted the suggestion regarding the tariff that they should have a treaty of reciprocity with the United States. "As to this we are along with you," he said at present the government was in negotiation with the United States, but complete reciprocity was not easy to obtain. There was on the contrary today great

opposition to a change in the relations with our neighbors, but he would admit that if we had a free market for all our natural products the country would be immensely benefited. There would be no conditions, however, which no government could disregard. As to the request that the tariff should be amended this session, he would suggest that it was not advisable to amend it at this time. He would suggest that it was not advisable to amend it at this time. He would suggest that it was not advisable to amend it at this time.

nothing until they had discussed the matter with the Grain Growers Association. He declared that the problem could be solved if a ship loaded with grain at Fort William could go direct to Europe, the problem would look after itself. If they could see that the grain reached Montreal and left loaded on ships the same way it left Winnipeg there would be no difficulty. There were two ways of accomplishing this, one by improving the St. Lawrence route and the other by constructing the Georgian Bay Canal.

Hudson Bay Road The premier said that they would have to excuse him "referring to other matters at the present time, but he would say something, as to the Hudson Bay Railway. This was greeted with prolonged cheers. He said the government was working at the moment on the Hudson Bay Railway, and he thought it can go as far as government ownership. The premier then sat down and the thanks of the grain growers were conveyed to him by Mr. McCuaig.

Mr. Borden's Suggestions When the House met this afternoon R. L. Borden, who had been an interested spectator during the presentation of the Grain Growers' demands in the morning, asked Sir Wilfrid Laurier if the government would have printed the memorials and speeches delivered that it might prove better reading than some of the printing presented to parliament.

"I also have a personal reason," said the Opposition leader, referring to the crowd of agriculturists. "It is the first occasion since before 1896 that I have seen the treasury benches of this parliament occupied by gentlemen in whom I had the most perfect confidence."

Sir Wilfrid said the proposal was well worth consideration, and he would look into it.

Pacific Coast Poaching. H. Barnard, of Victoria, called the attention of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to what he described as the ineffective work of the fisheries protection fleet on the Pacific coast. Poachers were depleting the Canadian fisheries without apparent fear of hindrance.

After a long session with the farm delegates in the morning the members had no wish for parliamentary work. It was difficult to hold a quorum in the house, and several times when the committee of supply the chairman was called upon to take a count. Fair progress was made with the estimates. The House now stands adjourned till January 11th.

Farm Delegates Entertained. Ottawa, Dec. 16.—This afternoon the visiting Grain Growers took up the invitation of Earl Grey to visit Rideau Hall. They were received by His Excellency, who presented to each a booklet on co-operation, by Sir Horace Plunkett, also containing His Excellency's autograph.

This evening Hon. Frank Oliver gave a dinner to five hundred of the delegates in the Parliamentary restaurant. Speeches were made by Sir Frederick Borden, Hon. Frank Oliver, and Messrs. McCuaig, Drury, Hank Henderson, Bowers, and Green.

Saturday's programme includes a visit to the Central Experimental Farm and also the Eddy works at Hull. The delegates will then disperse.

Farm Delegates in Convention. Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Eight hundred delegates representing every province in Canada with the exception of Prince Edward Island, were present at the convention held at the Grand Opera House today to frame resolutions to be presented to the governor general by the minister of agriculture, which will wait upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier at the House of Commons tomorrow morning. D. W. McCuaig, of Winnipeg, president of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, presided and other members of the council all present upon the platform were: James Bower, of Red Deer, Alberta; W. J. Tregillus, Calgary, Alta.; E. J. Freeman, Innisfail, James Speakman, Penhold, and D. Warner, Edmonton, representing the United Farmers of Alberta; F. W. Green, Moose Jaw, E. A. Partridge, Sintaluta; J. A. McHarg, Moose Jaw, representing the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association; H. E. Burton, Port Stanley; E. C. Drury, Barrie, J. Morrison, Arthur; W. L. Smith, Toronto; James McEwing, Drayton; I. G. Lethbridge, Alliance; Thomas McLean, Seaford, representing Ontario; S. C. Parker, Berwick; M. E. Bliss, Kentville, representing the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association; S. B. Hathaway, Fredericton; W. H. Fawcett, Sackville, representing the New Brunswick Farmers' Association.

Ask For Reciprocity In reference to the tariff, resolutions were adopted calling for reciprocity with the United States in agricultural, horticultural and animal products, fuel, lumber, fish, etc., and in all agricultural machinery; for an immediate lowering of duties on British imports to one-half of the rates charged under the general tariff a gradual adoption of free trade with Great Britain within ten years and that the farmers are willing to face direct taxation in the event that the government was in receipt of revenue losses under tariff reductions.

Regarding the Hudson Bay, a resolution was passed that the railway and all terminal facilities should be constructed, owned and operated by the Dominion Government under an

independent commission. A resolution was also adopted that the incorporation of co-operative societies, be provided by the government. During the present session, also that the Government acquire and operate under separate commission the terminal elevators of Fort William and Port Arthur, and immediately establish similar elevators at the Pacific Coast and Hudson Bay when necessary. A resolution was also passed that the government be urged to request to erect necessary works and operate a modern and up-to-date method of exporting meat animals by establishing a system of handling chilled meats. Another final resolution pledges the farmers final resolution pledges the government to promote the consolidation and spreading of farmers organizations throughout Canada.

Tariff From Farmers' View. The resolution on the tariff was moved by E. C. Drury, of Barrie, Ontario, secretary of the Canadian Council of Agriculture and ex-Minister of the Dominion Grange. In speaking of the resolution he dealt at considerable length with the matter from the farmers' viewpoint. Today, he stated, the country instead of trying to develop the benefits of the tariff, does not ask that one cent be taken from any class and be given to the farmers, but it does ask that the system established for the benefit of an infant industry and which has now become a system of legalized robbery be kept a step.

Regarding reciprocity in agricultural implements he stated that the standing offer made by the United States in this respect should be at once accepted. The farmers, he stated, were asking that whatever advantage be granted to the United States be also granted Great Britain.

The resolutions were seconded by E. A. Partridge, of Sintaluta, Sask., and supported by representatives of all the provinces in response to an invitation that anyone opposed to the measure take the platform. There was no response, although the request was repeated several times. The resolution carried amid cheers.

Annual Report on Railway Statistics Development in Canada During Year Especially Marked in Western Provinces

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—The annual report of J. Lambert Payne, controller of railway statistics, tabled in the House today shows that in the year 1910 a significant market in railway development and operation in Canada. The railway mileage of the Dominion was increased from 24,104 in 1909 to 24,731 in 1910, a matter of 627 miles. Of this increase 519 miles were in the four western provinces. These figures do not include any mileage attaching to the Grand Trunk Pacific, which is officially recorded as "under construction," although 1,000 miles were in actual operation during 1910. It is estimated that during the year 1910, 10,000 miles were under construction on June 30 last. During the year 79 miles of second track and 344 miles of yard track and sidings were made available.

During the past four years there has been an increase of 2,279 miles of main line track, 476 miles of second track, and 1,063 miles of yard track, a total of 3,818 miles.

Increase in Liabilities. During the year \$101,816,271 was added to capital liabilities bringing the total up to \$1,410,297,837, of which \$287,357,237 was represented in stocks and \$722,740,300 in bonds. The actual outstanding liability of June 30 last, after eliminating duplicating, was equal to \$52,361 per mile of line. Cash subsidies during the year amounted to \$1,789,723, bringing the total up to \$146,332,130 by the Dominion, \$35,337,040 by the provinces, and \$17,983,823 by municipalities. In addition 55,292,325 acres of land have been alienated by the Dominion. Grants to June 30 amounted to \$127,336,257.

The public service of the Canadian Railways was represented in carrying 35,894,575 passengers and 74,482,865 tons of freight, an increase over 1909 of 3,211,267 passengers and 7,640,608 tons of freight. The average number of passengers per train was 59 and the average passenger journey was 104.1 miles. The average freight haul in Canada are the longest in the world.

ELEVATOR RAN AWAY. Twelve Girls Employed by Eaton Company Have Narrow Escape

Montreal, Dec. 15.—Twelve girls employed by the T. Eaton factory in the building on St. Catherine St., had a runaway experience in an elevator yesterday afternoon, which came near proving a fatal affair. A dozen girls were the last to leave the factory, which is on the fifth floor. As the elevator man released the mechanism the controller and brakes failed to work and the elevator shot down at a terrific speed. The girls became crazed with fear and made a dash for the doorway which was gratifying. The elevator man, however, kept cool and braced himself in the doorway so that none of the girls could jump to certain death. Within a second or two it was all over, the car struck the bottom of the shaft, bounced up and down a couple of times. The girls were unhurt, save one who suffered so much from fright that she had to be taken to the hospital. The elevator man's coolness undoubtedly saved many of their lives.

May Be Big Plot. San Francisco, Dec. 15.—That the investigation following the smuggling into San Francisco of fifteen Chinamen on the steamer Manchester may result in the uncovering of a gigantic traffic in Oriental opium which was in a critical condition.

The child of Charles Scott of Chatter died this morning of scarlet fever, which disease has made its appearance at many western Manitoba points.

DISASTROUS FLOODS IN ENGLAND

Vast Stretches of Country Are Many Feet Under Water

LONDON, Dec. 16.—It is thirty years since England has known such floods as are now devastating important stretches of the country. The menace of rain practically has been incessant since the first of December, only two days out of sixteen being without rain. Farmers have suffered heavy losses. Large areas of fertile ground are covered with water, which in some parts of the country is 12 feet deep.

Seaside Towns Suffer. Today a severe gale swept the coast and created havoc at seaside towns like Worthington, where sea walls were washed away and thousands of tons of sand deposited in the streets. In the neighborhood of the sea front houses have been flooded, yachts have been tossed ashore and several minor wrecks are reported. Off Shearns a British navy tender occupied by 100 sailors, who were gazing ashore on liberty time, was capsized and five of the men were drowned. The others were rescued. Heavy damage has been done by the sea at Portsmouth.

Hurricane in Channel. Tonight a gale increased to a hurricane in the English Channel. The wind reached a velocity of 70 miles an hour. Cross channel traffic between France and Dover was suspended. At Dover where the tidal force of the gale was felt, widespread damage was done among the shipping and property along the coast. No serious marine disaster or loss of life as yet has been reported. The Dover hotels are crowded with passengers delayed by the storm.

A large force of soldiers are engaged at Dover in protecting from the storm a number of aeroplanes waiting there for an opportunity to make the cross channel flight. Two of these were badly damaged, despite the soldiers' efforts.

Life Boat Rescue. Along the coast there have been numerous accidents due to the hurricane and there were many thrilling life boat rescues.

Among the seaside resorts, Ilfracombe, situated on the north coast of Devon, suffered severely. A tremendous wave swept over the parade gutting the shops along; the water front and flooding the lower portion of the town. Almost every seaport from Bristol Channel to the Thames has suffered more or less damage. Off the coast six fishermen were drowned and at Lelcester a man was blown from the roof of a building and killed.

WOULD ADMIT CANADIAN WHEAT FREE TO STATES

Minneapolis Grain Journal Says Consumer is Demanding Breaking Down of Barrier

Minneapolis, Dec. 15.—Arguing that the recent election results indicate a change in the people against the high cost of living, that the cost of bread is a factor of importance, that the American wheat producer has the best consumer at his mercy, the Northwest Miller, in its issue of today advocates free admission of Canadian wheat.

Under the heading "Open the States for Free Wheat," the miller says the consumer is demanding the artificial barrier be broken down, that the American farmer is not producing enough wheat because other crops pay better, but he does not want wheat that is produced elsewhere to come in.

The country is near the danger line of wheat shortage, the article says. The last great wheat fields of this continent lie across the line in Canada from which the import duty shuts out the product but the people must have bread and must have it cheap. The miller says that it would rather see both wheat and flour admitted free than to see wheat barred out.

Underpaid Montreal Officers. Montreal, Dec. 16.—Although the revenue of Montreal this year is about seven millions, the demands upon the civic treasury, owing to the annexation of the many recent town of St. Hubert, are so heavy that no increase will be given to the underpaid firemen and policemen. It was recognized that they ought to receive increased salaries. According to the conditions but when the controllers faced the budget it was found there was no money left.

Seaman Fatally Burned. Cherbourg, Dec. 14.—An explosion occurred today in the coal bunkers of the U. S. battleship North Dakota. A seaman named Evans was terribly burned and died from his injuries.

Lynch Re-Elected. New York, Dec. 14.—Thomas L. Lynch was today elected president of the National Baseball League for a term of one year.

EXPOSURE WAS FATAL. Victor Oliver Dies in Brandon Hospital From Frost Bites

Brandon, Dec. 16.—Victor Oliver, of Deleau, brought here last Friday with his hands and feet frozen, died this afternoon in the hospital. Oliver had been lying in a marshy district near Deleau and was far from any habitation when his team ran away. He became exhausted and fell in the snow, where he remained all night. When found next day he was in a critical condition.

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"THAT TALK IS ALL ROT"

Mrs. Eddy's Son Will Not Likely Try to Break Her Will.

Washington, Dec. 16.—George W. Glover, son of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, with his son and daughter, and Dr. Ebenezer J. Foster-Eddy, of Washington today arrived in Washington on ex-Senator Wm. Chandler, of New Hampshire, who was counsel for the "next friends" in their suit against Mrs. Eddy in 1907.

The Glovers and Dr. Foster-Eddy were in conference with ex-Senator Chandler for several hours today, but no statement as to the nature of the visit was given out.

Asked if the conference meant a change in Mrs. Eddy's will, as has been reported at the church home in Boston, ex-Senator Chandler's secretary said: "That talk is all rot. Mr. Glover is stopping here on his way to his home in South Dakota." Mr. Glover would not be seen.

HATTIE LEBLANC GOES FREE. Canadian Girl Found Not Guilty of Murder

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 14.—Hattie Leblanc, the girl who was charged with the murder of her mother in West Archat, Nova Scotia, with her father was granted today, when a jury, after deliberating an hour and a half, decided she was not guilty of the murder of Clarence Glover.

The verdict was a popular one. The demonstration continued for some time and the officials were powerless to stem the tide of popular approval.

No Money on Hold Backs. Minneapolis, Dec. 15.—Without concerted action of any kind, but moved individually by a desire to prevent a congestion and keep the money supply normal, 200 or more country banks in Minnesota have adopted the policy of refusing to make loans to farmers who are found to be holding back grain. The effect will be, it is believed, to increase the movement of grain from the farms, increase the demand for currency and forestall an unfavorable condition that it is believed would arise if the banks continued to loan upon the farmers' holdings of last season's crops.

Record Lobster Season. St. John, N. B., Dec. 16.—F. J. Calder, Dominion Inspector of Fisheries, who arrived in St. John after a trip down the Bay of Fundy coast, says he looks for a record season in lobsters. Since the season opened the catch has been very large, and the fishermen who had such poor results during the autumn are rejoicing.

WELSH MINERS BACK TO WORK. Agreement Sends 125,000 Men to Form-er Positions.

Aberdare, Wales, Dec. 16.—Representatives of the 125,000 striking Welsh coal miners have concurred to an agreement whereby the men will return to work pending a full settlement of the labor difficulties by a board of conciliation.

This was the second development today in the settlement of the two great labor crises which have threatened Great Britain. The other one was the ending of the boiler-makers' strike. Conditions in the mining district of Glamorgan are terrible. Sickness and starvation are rampant and floods from their homes. The weather is cold and scores of families are suffering from want of clothing and living on public charity.

Mrs. Eddy's Will. Concord, N. H., Dec. 14.—The will of Mrs. M. B. Eddy was filed here at 3:30 this afternoon. The will was filed by Henry M. Baker, second cousin of Mary Baker Glover Eddy, and executor of her estate. The will contains two codicils, one of which revokes a gift of Pleasant View Concord estate to Calvin A. Frye, and increases his bequest. Many personal bequests were made to her household and relatives. Frye receiving the largest. The residue of the estate, which was previously stated amounted to \$1,500,000, goes to the First Church of Christian Science in Boston.

Relations are Strained. After the elopement the relations between father and daughter were strained and have remained so.

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PRESIDENT TAFT'S REQUEST

Wanted Negotiators Given Full Power in Tariff Arbitration.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Correspondence in connection with trade negotiations between Canada and the United States was tabled in the Commons. The main feature in the exchange of letters between President Taft and Hon. Mr. Fielding is in connection with the former's request that negotiators be given plenipotentiary powers to complete an agreement.

The reply of Mr. Fielding on behalf of the Canadian government was that the first conference should be of more or less informal character, and that consequently there was no need for the granting of such powers at first. President Taft then again urged that negotiators should be clothed with full authority to complete an agreement.

Mr. Fielding thereupon pointed out that to secure plenipotentiary powers for Canada from the King would involve some delay and that it was better to have negotiations under way before the Canadian ministers were engaged in the duties of the parliamentary session. President Taft thereupon agreed to have the first conference an informal one on the understanding that it would take place not later than November 15th, and if thought expedient powers might be given after the first stage.

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MOUNTAIN OF ROCK CRUSHES OUT LIVES

Three Quarrymen Killed in New Brunswick—Due to Unknown Cause

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The crew were working at the face and at the bottom of the forty foot embankment. Two of the men were drilling into the face of the quarry with the view of blasting the top when suddenly the mountain of rock gave way and fell burying the three men. The bodies were terribly mangled and crushed almost out of human resemblance. The fall of rock was due to a crevice in the embankment which ran from top to bottom but was hidden from view about six or eight feet back from the surface.

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Local and General

The Dominion Express Company report a big Christmas traffic.

Clearing house returns for the week amounted to \$1,336,324.

The festival of St. Thomas will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church today.

The Shamrocks play their return game at Moose Jaw this evening. A special train is being run.

The Massey Harris Co. has donated \$250 towards the furnishing of a ward in the new hospital.

The Anglican Young People's Association held an enjoyable box social on Thursday evening.

Theodore Schmitz has bought out the interest of his partner, John W. Ehman, in the Victoria Hotel.

Harry Clark appeared before Magistrate Trant charged with safe-blowing, and was remanded for a few days.

Officers of the American Yeomen were installed at a meeting held in the I. O. O. F. Hall Wednesday night.

The finance committee has recommended that Mayor Williams be paid \$2,500 for excellent services rendered.

A. F. Mantle, deputy minister of agriculture, addressed the men's meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon.

William Mulligan has accepted \$400 from the city in settlement for the death of his horse through a street accident.

John C. Kress, formerly manager at the Hotel Grand, has returned from Winnipeg and taken over the Royal Hotel.

The Regina Law Students' annual banquet took place at the Wascana Thursday evening, and was a most enjoyable affair.

F. Lewin, manager of the Toronto General Trust Corporation at Saskatoon, spent Sunday in the city, a guest at the King's.

Favorable progress was reported by the different committees at a meeting of the executive of the Saskatchewan Branch, R. C. C. Monday.

E. Dochien, of Arcola, has been found guilty of the attempted murder of E. A. Gulleman. The case was tried before Judge Newlands.

The Collegiate hockey team completely outclassed the Capitals in a city league hockey match Monday night, the score being 19 to 4.

Mrs. R. G. Waddell and children left on Saturday for Ontario to spend the winter. Mr. Waddell accompanied them as far as Winnipeg.

W. J. Jolly, principal of the Albert school, who was confined to his room last week with an attack of pleurisy, has improved sufficiently to be about again.

Rev. S. J. Farmer performed the ceremony on Tuesday which made Miss Margaret Pass of Winnipeg and Arthur Bells of Prince Albert, man and wife.

"Billy" Laird returned Monday morning from Toronto where he had been attending the University, to spend the holiday season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Laird.

John Himbre, of Broder's Annex, with a mania for mutilating pictures, has been taken in charge by the R.N. W.M.P., and will be examined regarding his sanity.

While chipping a bar of cold steel in Pearl Bros. warehouse, Robert Gray received a fragment in the right eye with such force that the optic had to be removed.

W. C. Matheson, described as a young dry goods clerk from Regina, was arrested at Calgary charged with the forgery of a check for \$85, and was remanded a day for sentence.

Chief Zeats has presented his estimates for the coming year. He figures the receipts at \$14,000 and the expenditures at \$17,533, the latter estimate making provision for six additional constables.

Chief Zeats is preparing his annual statement. Arrests during the year will amount to about 1,200. April was the big month with 200 while January and February with 15 were the smallest.

The Regina Grey Nuns Hospital is placing bags in the different stores in the city asking for contributions for Christmas. Money, linen, fruit, etc., will be thankfully received and gratefully acknowledged.

Balgone was visited by a serious fire Thursday. Gentner's store and the adjoining buildings, in which were an implement warehouse and a pool room, being destroyed, at an estimated loss of \$25,000.

The report of the Northwest Commercial Travellers' Association, just issued, shows that 393 travellers make their headquarters in Regina, Saskatchewan, with 140, is the second Saskatchewan city in this regard.

Principal Walker, of the Earl Grey school, has been transferred to take charge of the Albert school; Mr. Stewart has been appointed as principal of the Earl Grey school, and W. J. Jolly to the Strathcona.

The works committee will probably recommend the purchase of the land necessary for the disposal works from the Taslam Land Co. The price asked is \$200 per acre, which is \$100 less than that previously demanded.

Keep Minard's Liniment in the house.

A daring thief walked off with the cash register from the Victoria Hotel on Sunday morning. It was later found at the rear of the McCarthy Block minus the contents, some seventeen dollars.

At a meeting of the Moose Jaw Board of Trade a resolution was passed congratulating the Regina board on its victory in the freight rates case, and expressing particular appreciation of H. W. Laird's able conduct of the case.

Ald. Sinton, City Commissioner McPherson and City Solicitor Grosch have been appointed a committee to deal with the claim of Wm. Mulligan for \$500 because of the death of a horse through falling into a street excavation.

A passenger in the C. P. R. station was taken ill and on medical aid being summoned a case of diphtheria was diagnosed. As a result the quarters of Constable Ed. Sample in the station have been quarantined and Ed's clothes were fumigated.

A quiet wedding took place on Wednesday afternoon at the home of T. H. Cooper, Oiler Street, when his sister Rose became the bride of G. W. Wagner. Rev. J. S. Farmer performed the ceremony. The young couple will spend their honeymoon in the United States.

Dr. Cowan, the defeated mayoralty candidate, claims there were irregularities in the recent election, and has asked for an investigation. His principal point is that confusion was created over the permission given to heads of firms to vote in the firm's name.

Frank Ford, deputy attorney general, on the occasion of his leaving the government service to enter private practice in Edmonton, was waited upon by the staff and presented with an address and a handsome case of eight pipes. Hon. Mr. Turgeon, the attorney general, made the presentation.

An inter-church debate took place last night between the Knox Church Brotherhood and the Columbus Club, the subject being the merits of the British and American constitutions. F. W. Turnbull and G. H. Brown championed the Brotherhood and were opposed by J. J. Smith and L. G. Dale.

An excited individual called up the fire department late yesterday afternoon and shouted an alarm but rang off before giving the location. Finally on Dewdney Street, acting on this rather hazy information the department turned out but failed to locate any conflagration.

In an exciting hockey match Regina won the opener from Moose Jaw at the rink here last night. At full time the score was ten-all and three extra periods of five minutes each were necessary before the home boys succeeded in placing the puck in the net, three times in quick succession. With the exception of Charley Haddock, who played a whirlwind game at rover, the local team was entirely composed of Collegiates.

At an emergent special meeting of Assinibois Lodge, No. 49, A.F. & A.M., held in the Masonic Temple on Friday evening the following officers were elected: W.M., Bro. R. J. Burdett; J.F.M., W. Bro. W. J. Jolly; Scribe-Warden, Bro. H. R. Boyler; Jan. Warden, Bro. C. H. M. Gordon; Treas., Bro. J. S. Donahue; secretary, R. W. Bro. Alex. Sheppard; Tyler, Bro. F. Dymott; Trustees, Bros. J. S. Donahue and Alex. Sheppard; representative on Masonic Temple Company, Bro. J. S. Donahue.

By a ruling of the Railway Commission at Ottawa in regard to the local switching rates the order made earlier in the year that the rate be 1/4 cent per 100 lbs., with a minimum rate of \$1.50 per car and a maximum rate of \$4.00 per car is brought into force. This order was made in June, in consequence of the complaint of shippers in regard to the rates, which were at that time 1/4 cent per 100 lbs. with a minimum of \$3 and a maximum of \$8 per car. The new rates were ordered to go into effect in June but the railways appealed. The appeal was dismissed by the board in an order dated December 12. This order applies to cars delivered by the C.P.R. to the C.N.R. and vice versa.

Investigate Teddy's Expenses. Washington, Dec. 19.—A Congressional investigation of Theo. Roosevelt's railway transportation expenses while he was president is directed in a resolution introduced today by Representative Inoué of Illinois, a Democrat. It was referred to the committee on rules.

Calgary College. Calgary, Dec. 19.—The new college of Calgary, of which Rev. G. W. Kerby, pastor of the Central Methodist church, has been made president, has been granted a charter under the name of Mount Royal College of Calgary. Mr. Kerby leaves in a couple of weeks to visit the leading colleges of Canada and the United States to gather the latest ideas on educational matters and college buildings.

Dr. A. Gregor Smith DENTIST

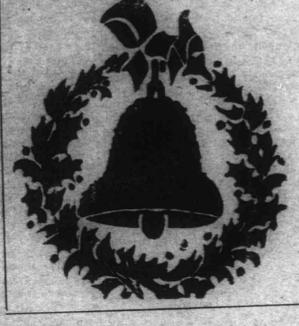
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The Store Will be Open THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY Until 10 O'clock in the Evenings

Handsome Evening Waists

A WOMAN WOULD WELCOME A GIFT OF ONE OF THESE.

Regularly we should charge \$4.50 to \$20.00 for these handsome evening blouses, but they are samples from one of the best makers, and he sold them cheap rather than pay baggage back to the east on them.

In as many different styles as there are waists, of Persian silks, of Taffetas, of Messaline, or Chiffon over silk and of Nets, plainly made or fancy trimmed, no matter what your taste you'll find it here. Monday special.... \$2.95 to \$12.50

The Final Word of Glove Daintiness—Perrin's Gloves

Whether it is a man choosing gloves for a girl, or a woman choosing them for another woman, when the selection is Perrin's guaranteed gloves the gift is absolutely sure and certain to give satisfaction. There is no other glove quite so beautiful and fine of quality and finish.

In Suede, \$1.25 and \$1.50; long Suede, \$2.50; kid gloves, \$1.25 and \$1.50; long kid, \$2.25 to \$3.50. Boxed on request.

Who Wants A Party Dress For The Holiday Season?

Women who saw them today were enthusiastic about them. "So pretty, I don't know which to choose," said one woman as she took two. The real reason for the excitement was the splendid style and perfect fit, although the price may have had something to do with it.

For they are samples made up in the best possible manner to pass inspection by the shrewdest buyers in Canada, and bought by us to offer them remarkably cheap.

Messaline, Taffetas, Corded Silks, Chiffons, Net and Lace Trimmed; some with jet and some with jewelled buttons; some with delicate gold tracery; every one different.

They should sell at \$25 to \$40. Come in and pick yours at..... \$12 to \$25

Christmas Nuts

New fresh nuts in the following kinds: Almonds, Peanuts, Filberts, Walnuts, Pecan and Brazils. They are excellent.

An assortment of Chivers' bottled English fruits has just arrived, and are marked at prices to surprise you.

Crosse and Blackwell's English plum pudding; the kind you eat all you can of. In two sizes.

Fresh cream daily. Have some for Christmas.

We Wish You All A Very, Very Merry Christmas

How About Some Cheese for Christmas Dinner?

The best domestic and imported cheeses are to be found here in large variety, and form a fitting ending for the eventful meal.

McLaren's Imperial cheese, small size 25c
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 Canada Cream Cheese, half pound square 15c

Also the following imported brands: Roquefort, Gorgonzola, Limburger, Trappist and Brie.

McLaren's Premium Butter in 2 sizes.
 Russian Caviar, a special treat imported direct by us.
 Fancy biscuits of all kinds.

A Man Likes the Sort of Things He Himself Would Buy

And if a man went forth to buy his own Christmas presents we believe he would turn to this list and want it all. Everything offered is so practical, so useful, and so economically priced that no matter which you choose on you'll find it within your reach.

For every man around the house a lounging robe would be as much appreciated as any thing you could give for home comfort. We have them in plain, striped, checked and fancy mixed patterns, to sell at \$18.00 down to.....\$5.00

Have him use a smoking jacket at home. The smoking jacket, or commonly called house jacket, is one of the most useful things a man can have around the house; checked, stripe and plain patterns in assorted colors, from \$10.00 down to.....\$3.50

Men's Fancy Coat Sweaters. Practically every style of sweater known is shown here, in the open neck, roll neck, and coat sweaters, in plain, striped and fancy mixtures, patterns in assorted colors. All prices from \$4.00 down to.....\$2.00

Combination Sets, containing a pair of silk Sox, silk necktie and silk handkerchief. Per box.....\$1.00 and \$1.50

Combination sets, containing pair of suspenders, garters and armbands, in neat Christmas gift boxes \$1 to \$2.50

Men's Silk Garters and armband set, in pretty Christmas box 25c to \$1.00

Men's fine silk Neckwear, in individual gift boxes 35c to \$2

Men's silk mufflers, boxed for gift..... 75c to \$2.20

Men's gold cuff links..... \$1.00 up

Men's Combination Set, cuff links and tie pin, with stones that match. Per set..... \$1.00

President Suspenders in Christmas box..... 60c

Fancy Knitted Vests..... \$2.50 to \$5.00

Fitter Bags, seal leather..... \$25.00

Leather Collar Boxes..... \$1.00 to \$1.25

Fur Lined Gloves..... \$3.50 to \$4.75

Full line of Fur Caps, Coats, Gauntlets.

Comfortable Christmas Gifts

Does a kimono or dressing gown commend itself to your for a big sister or a daughter away from home, or even for some member of the stay-at-home family?

At \$2.25—Kimono of Cashmere Flannel, in Persian effect with large shawl collar and silk tie. Full length, silk stitched edges. A very pretty gift.

At \$2.95—Kimono of Flowered Effect, in blue, mauve or pink; handsomely trimmed with silk-finish sateen bands on front and sleeves.

At \$5.50—Handsome Kimono of German flannel with semi-fitting back and belted effect; has large sailor collar and is trimmed with silk strappings and silk ties. In blue, grey and mauve.

Every Little Extra Touch That Improves Carpets and Rugs

Go into the making of the carpets and rugs of the Trading Co. store. The carpets and rugs of today are better than the carpets and rugs of yesterday, better in their making and better in their art and more reasonable in their prices. They are easier to give and more acceptable as Christmas gifts than they have been in other years.

Axminster Rugs—Just the thing for dens, halls, archways and bedsides. They come in pretty Oriental, Medallion and floral designs in browns, fawns, reds and greens, size 36x63 inches. Special at.....\$4.50

Axminster Rugs—Same as above, 27x54 at.....\$2.75

Symrna Rugs—The celebrated reversible rug, in pretty floral designs, 26x48 inches. Special at.....\$2.65

Mohair Mats—For doorways, etc., in plain green, reds, browns and rose. Special.....85c

Even the Children Haven't Been Forgotten

Here's pretty little grey lamb caps and gauntlets that make handsome Christmas gifts and which will be used and appreciated long after toys are forgotten.

Children's Grey Lamb Caps in wedge or Hussar shapes, regular \$2.75, for.....\$2.50

Grey Lamb Gauntlets, good full cuff, lined with quilted silk and hands lined with lambs' wool. Regular \$4.50 for.....\$3.95

Grey Lamb Gauntlets, lined with lambs' wool, muskrat trimmed, undressed kid facing. Regular \$6.00, for.....\$5.25

Dress Patterns Boxed for Xmas

You can solve the perplexing problem of what would please her most from this list of pretty, practical gifts and suit many different tastes.

IN BLACK

Dress length of Coronation Voile for.....\$10.00

Dress length of Silk Crepe Suprem for..... 5.50

Dress length of Silk Eolene for..... 5.95

Dress lengths of fancy silk stripe Voile for..... 16.50

Dress lengths of rich glossy Voile for..... 3.75

Dress lengths of Queen's cloth for..... 10.50

IN COLORS

Dress length of Venetian Broadcloth for.....\$2.75

Dress length of silk Eolene for..... 3.75

Dress length of Diagonal Serge for..... 6.00

Dress length of shadow stripe Poplin for..... 5.25

Dress length of Coronation Voile for..... 6.00

Dress length of Crepe de Chine for..... 5.25

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