BOY WARNED BY A DREAM

Saves C. P. R. Express From Plunging Through Burning Bridge.

A despatch from Montreal says: Passengers by the belated C. P. R. express, which reached here at noon on Thursday, brought a thrilling story of the destruction of a bridge by fire in the early morning hours, and the possible saving of the train itself from a grave disaster through the intervention of a boy, who was warned by a dream that the bridge which carried the track over the creek between Brandon and Winnipeg was on fire. The train crew were warned of the perilous condition of a bridge through a boy named Guthrie, the son of a trackman, who lives in a cottage on the line some distance from the bridge. He said he was awakened by a dream that something was burning that seemed like a bridge, and, seeing that everything was all right in the house, he went out and saw the bridge in flames. It was then something after 1 o'clock, and instantly remembering the express, he awoke his father, who arranged the plan for signalling the express before it reached the point of danger.

GREAT MICA DEPOSIT.

Prospector Traced Vein for Over Two Miles.

A despatch from Edmonton, Alberta, says: A prospector just in from the Peace River canyon, which lies beyond the great divide a short distance, brings in news of a remarkable discovery of mica in that distant and isolated country. He prospected a vein for over two miles, and found it to average about fifty feet in thickness and of unknown depth. The quality is remarkably fine and it can be lifted in great sheets of the purest material. The mica is worth from $25 to $100 per ton, a price which makes this mine richer and more important as a commercial commodity than any gold mine discovered. It lies just beyond the divide at the foot of Mount Selwin.

A CHEEKY THIEF.

Man Who Pretended to be Mr. Rea Gets $170 From Cashier.

A despatch from Montreal says: man walked into the store of A. E. Rea & Co., St. Catherine street, on Friday afternoon, and, representing himself to the lady cashier as being Mr. Rea, said he wanted $170 in a hurry. The young lady, it is said by the secret service men, handed over the money without any hesitation, as the man was well dressed and seemed to be well acquainted with the business.

MR. CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

One Hundred Thousand Dollars to McGill University.

A despatch from Montreal says: It is announced that Mr. Andrew Carnegie has made a donation of $100,000 to McGill, following a promise that if $500,000 were raised from other sources he would cap it by giving $100,000. The $500,000 came from Lord Strathcona in July, and now Mr. Carnegie fulfills his promise. The whole is part of the $2,000,000 fund for which McGill has made an appeal.

Abdul Hamid, the deposed Sultan of Turkey, made an attempt to escape from his captors at Salonika.

TRADE OF THE DOMINION

Revenue and Expenditure for the Last Six Months.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The financial statement of the Dominion for the first half of the present fiscal year shows an increase of $6,526,297 in revenue as compared with the first six months of 1908-09. On the other hand, the expenditure on consolidated fund account decreased by $1,098,335, and on capital account by $802,582. For September alone the increase in revenue was $1,570,709, while the total expenditure decreased, as compared with September of last year, by $2,584,275. Judging by the figures of revenue and the expenditure for the first half of the year, the surplus for receipts over ordinary expenditure at the close of the year should be the largest on record and Mr. Fielding's budget estimate of the probable increase in revenue is likely to prove to be several millions too small.

The main figures for the month and for the six months are as follows:—Revenue — September, $8,853,659; six months, $47,353,819. Expenditure on consolidated fund account—September, $5,210,213; six months, $31,563,393. Expenditure on capital account—September, $3,967,321; six months, $13,213,063.

The net debt of the Dominion on September 30th was $320,698,464.

GOLD FINDS IN THE NORTH.

Reports of Discoveries Received in Toronto.

A despatch from Toronto says: The Ontario Department of Mines has received reports of material gold discoveries in the district surrounding the township of Whitney. So great is the interest that already, according to the department's advices, there are 500 prospectors in the field. The route to the gold field is by the Driftwood River, a tributary of the Abitibi. The field lies west of Night Hawk Lake, near Porcupine Lake. Mr. Thos. W. Gibson, Deputy Minister of Mines, states that samples of the ore show visible gold, and some places in the district are said to be rich in the precious mineral. The department is making investigations.

ABOLISH SCHOOL SAVING.

Brantford Trustees Find System Causes Friction.

A despatch from Brantford says: After several years of experiment the Brantford Public School Board will do away with the school saving system. On the ground that too much teaching time is taken up and the pupils fail to show interest in the system.

SNOW GENERAL IN TEXAS.

Fall of Four Inches, the Earliest on Record.

A despatch from El Paso, Texas, says: Snow fell generally on Friday in the Texas Panhandle, the earliest fall in the history of that section. Four inches is reported from Dalhart.

VANCOUVER TIMBER DEAL

United States Company Pays $1,500,000 for the Property.

A despatch from Victoria, B. C., says: One of the largest individual timber deals in the history of Western Canada has just been closed whereby the American Finance and Securities Company, of New York, purchases from the Canadian Pacific Railway 54,000 acres of timber lands on Cowichan Lake, Vancouver, B. C., for approximately $1,500,000. This is said to be the finest tract of timber remaining in British Columbia. The timber, which consists largely of fir, is of an unusually dense growth. Experts who were employed by the New York company report that the timber averages more than 90,000 feet to the acre and that the tract contains approximately 5,000,000,000 feet of merchantable lumber.

Cowichan Lake is about 100 miles north of Seattle and 22 miles from the nearest point of the Nanaimo and Esquimalt Railway, a branch of the Canadian Pacific. It is stipulated in the contract that the purchasers are immediately to erect a mill with an annual capacity of at least 100,000,000 feet, and that the railroad is to build a branch line from Cowichan harbor into the timber. The Canadian Pacific timber holdings in Vancouver are all Crown grant lands, and it has always been the road's policy to sell its timber only where the purchaser will agree to operate the properties and guarantee a certain amount of traffic over the line.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

CANADA.

Brigadier-General Buchan died at Montreal on Thursday.

The C. P. R. is to issue thirty millions of new stock at 125.

Dr. Ernest Shipman urges Canadians to secure a share of the Panama trade.

The Ontario Government has taken measures to encourage sheep-raising.

William Hendrick, the Guelph burglar, was sentenced to ten years in penitentiary.

Mr. Louis Lavoie has been appointed purchasing agent for the Intercolonial Railway.

Quebec merchants have organized a company to build a graving dock and construct vessels.

The merchants of Montreal will appeal to the Privy Council to upset the early closing by-law.

Mr. John G. Rawlings of South London fell out of an apple tree and broke his back on Saturday.

New Westminster has been chosen as the Pacific terminus of the Canadian Northern Railway.

The Ontario Government has purchased the splendid library of the late Chief Justice Strong.

Mr. Bartholomew Presley of Kintore had his neck broken by being pulled over the plow-handles.

James F. Ruston was acquitted at Brampton of the charge of setting fire to his own house.

Mr. John Meadows fell forty feet while working in a silo near Woodstock and was killed, on Saturday.

The jury at London in the trial of Mrs. Wesley Scott for shooting her father-in-law disagreed on Wednesday.

Joseph Ward was sentenced at London on Friday to one year in jail for manslaughter in connection with the death of Warwick.

The Dominion Coal Company has won 115 of its eviction cases against striking miners, and judgment has been given in favor of the men in 35 cases.

GREAT BRITAIN.

T. P. O'Connor, the Irish leader, will shortly pay a visit to Canada and the United States.

A number of British officers will compete at the National Horse Show at New York next month.

The difficulty of avoiding a conflict between the Lords and Commons in Britain seems to be increasing.

Of the pork imported from China into Britain 9 per cent. of that so far examined was infected with tuberculosis.

The Freeman's Journal has an editorial article, the object of which seems to be to restrain Irish emigration to Canada.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in a speech on Friday night, declared that the Government would make no overtures to the Lords respecting the budget, and would accept no amendment.

UNITED STATES.

William R. Hearst was nominated for Mayor of New York on Wednesday night.

Robert Millington was fatally injured while playing football at Shamokin, Pa.

The Grand Trunk Railroad is said to be planning to enter Providence, R. I.

Hon. W. T. Pipes, Attorney-General of Nova Scotia, died suddenly at Boston, on Thursday.

The Brooklyn and Coney Island Jockey Clubs will contest the constitutionality of the anti-betting law.

Principal Peterson of McGill University was given the degree of Doctor of Laws by Harvard University.

Capt. Ralph Pringle, who killed a Canadian sailor at St. Clair, Mich., last winter, has been convicted of manslaughter.

Two hundred men are said to have deserted from the British cruiser squadron which left New York on Friday night.

The National Grain Dealers of the United States have passed a resolution favoring the admission, without duty, of Canadian wheat.

GENERAL.

King Manuel of Portugal will visit Madrid, London, and Paris in November.

Albert Pulitzer, a brother of the proprietor of The New York World, committed suicide in Vienna.

Between two and three thousand persons on the islands off Yucatan were drowned, it is reported, in the recent hurricane.

A Spanish force in Morocco was routed by the Riffs and seventy Spanish prisoners were slaughtered in cold blood.

The capture by the Spaniards of Zeluan, the sacred Riffian city, has caused the tribes of the hinterland to flock to the Moorish standard.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Oct. 12.—Flour — Ontario wheat 90 per cent. patents, $4 to $4.05 in buyers' sacks on track, Toronto, and $3.90 to $3.95 outside in buyers' sacks. Manitoba flour, first patents, $5.60 on track, Toronto; second patents, $5.10, and strong bakers', $4.90 to $5 on track, Toronto.

Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 Northern, $1.01½, Bay ports, and No. 2 Northern at $1, Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 mixed, 96 to 97c outside, and No. 2 white, 97 to 98c outside.

Barley—No. 2, 56 to 57c outside, and No. 3 extra, 54 to 55c outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario white, new, 37 to 37½c outside. New Canada West oats, 37½ to 38c spot, Bay ports.

Peas—82 to 85c outside.

Rye—No. 2, 69 to 70c outside.

Buckwheat—55 to 56c outside.

Corn—No. 2 American yellow, 68½ to 69c on track, Toronto.

Bran—$18 to $19 outside in bulk for Ontario bran, and $20.50 to $21 for shorts in bulk.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—$1 to $2.75 per barrel, according to quality.

Beans—Prime, $2.25, and handpicked, $2.40 to $2.45 per bushel.

Honey—Combs, dozen, $2.25 to $3; extracted, 10c per lb.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $15.50 to $16 a ton on track here, and No. 2 at $14 to $14.50.

Straw—$8.75 to $9.50.

Potatoes—55 to 60c per bag on track for Ontario, and at 75c for New Brunswick.

Poultry—Chickens, dressed, 12 to 13c per lb.; fowl, 10 to 11c; turkeys, 17 to 19c per lb.; ducks, 1b. 11 to 13c.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound prints, 21 to 22c; tubs and large rolls, 19 to 20c; inferior, 17 to 18c; creamery, 25 to 25½c, and solids, 21 to 22c per lb.

Eggs—Case lots, 24½ to 25c per dozen.

Cheese—12¼c per lb. for large, and at 12½c for twins.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 15 to 15¼c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, $26.50 to $27; short cut, $28 to $28.50.

Hams—Light to medium, 15½ to 16c; do., heavy, 14 to 14½c; rolls, 14½ to 15c; shoulders, 12½ to 13c; backs, 18½ to 20c; breakfast bacon, 17 to 18c.

Lard—Tierces, 15c; tubs, 15¼c; pails, 15½c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Oct. 12.—New crop oats, No. 2 Canadian Western, 41½ to 42c; old crop oats, No. 2 Canadian Western, 42 to 42½c; barley, No. 2, 66 to 67c; Manitoba feed barley, 64 to 65c; buckwheat, 55 to 55½c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.70; Manitoba Spring wheat patents, seconds, $5.20; Winter wheat patents, $5.50; Manitoba strong bakers', $5; straight rollers, $5 to $5.25, straight rollers, in bags, $2.35 to $2.50. Feed—Ontario bran, $21 to $22; Ontario middlings, $22.50 to $23.50; Manitoba bran, $21; Manitoba shorts, $23 to $24; pure grain mouille, $33 to $35; mixed mouille, $25 to $27. Cheese—Westerns, 11⅝ to 11¾c; easterns 11⅛ to 11¼c. Butter—Finest creamery, 24½c. Eggs—Selected stock 25½ to 26c; No. 1 candled, 22½ to 23c; No. 2, 16 to 19c per dozen.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Chicago, Oct. 12—Cash wheat — No. 2 red, $1.18; No. 3 red, $1.08 to $1.16; No. 2 hard, $1.06 to $1.12; No. 3 hard, $1.04 to $1.08; No. 1 Northern, $1.05 to $1.06; No. 2 Northern, $1.03 to $1.05; No. 3 Spring, $1 to $1.04. Corn—No. 2, 60¼ to 60½c; No. 2 white, 61½c; No. 2 yellow, 60½ to 60¾c; No. 3, 60¼ to 60½c; No. 3 yellow, 60½ to 60¾c; No. 4, 59½ to 59¾c. Oats—No. 3, 39c; No. 3 white, 38½ to 39¾c; No. 4 white, 38 to 39c; standard, 41½c.

Minneapolis, Oct. 12.—Wheat — December, 99¼ to 99⅜c; May, $1.02¾ to $1.02⅞; No. 1 cash, hard, $1.01½; No. 1 Northern, $1.01; No. 2 Northern, 99c; No. 3 Northern, 97 to 98c. Flour—First patents, $5.20 to $5.30; second patents, $5 to $5.10; first clears, $4.35 to $4.55; second clears, $3.10 to $3.30. Bran—In 100-lb. sacks, $19.50.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Oct. 12.—Prime beeves sold at 4¾ to 5c per lb.; pretty good animals, 3½ to 4½c; common stock, 2 to 3¼c per lb. About a dozen lean old cows were sold at $9.50 each, or 1¼c per lb. Calves 3 to 5½c per lb. Sheep, 3½ to 3¾c per lb.; lambs, 5¾ to 6c per lb. Good lots of fat hogs sold at 9¼ to 9½c per lb.

Toronto, Oct. 12.—Anything really good that could be picked out sold quickly from $4.85 to $5; fair to medium loads at $4.20 to $4.60; all other grades were easier, but everything on offer was sold. The demand for feeders was strong, with prices firm for good bulls, steers and heifers, but the light rough stock were a shade lower. Milkers and springers were in active demand for good quality. Calves steady. Sheep and lambs were steady to firm. Hogs weak, owing to the poor quality, but anything of good weight and quality sold at $8, fed and watered.

$20,000,000 FOR A NAVY

Canada's Naval Defence Act to be Passed in Early Part of Session.

A despatch from Ottawa says: It was semi-officially announced on Thursday afternoon that the bill to give effect to the decision of the defence conference will be introduced at an early stage of the session, and will be entitled the Naval Defence Act. It will be followed by proposals for the construction of twelve vessels of cruiser and destroyer class, nine of which will be placed on the Atlantic and three on the Pacific. This will involve a capital expenditure of twenty million dollars, as well as an annual outlay for maintenance and upkeep of over three million dollars.

While no decision has been reached as to where the new navy shall be built, strong pressure is being brought to bear upon the Government to ask Parliament to consider the desirability of expending the whole sum in Canada under the supervision of British experts loaned to Canada for that purpose.

The details as to the proposed training ship and enlarged dry docks have not yet been worked out. The Admiralty is said to take the view that bigger docks are more a necessity than the construction of a fleet, but it is hoped that some arrangement on this point will be reached before Parliament meets.

The other legislation will include bills to amend the bank act, to amend the insurance act, to ratify the French treaty, and it is hoped as a result of the coming conference between Mr. Lemieux and the British Postmaster-General in England next week to include a bill for the reduction of cable rates in the session's business. There will also be a bill to amend the militia act, to give effect to the military end of the defence conference.

IMMIGRATION RETURNS.

An Increase of Fifty-three Per Cent for August.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The total immigration into Canada for the month of August this year was 15,387, as compared with 10,082 for August last year, an increase of 53 per cent. The immigration from the United States was 8,024, as compared with 4,684 for August of last year, an increase of 71 per cent. The immigration by ocean ports was 7,363, as compared with 5,398 for August of last year, an increase of 36 per cent. The total immigration for the first five months of the present fiscal year was 105,636, as compared with 90,385 for the same period of last year, an increase of 17 per cent.

GIRL SHOT DEAD.

Deliberate Act of a Russian Boy of Fifteen.

A despatch from Canora, Sask., says: Georgina Downs, an English-speaking girl, thirteen years of age, was disembowelled by a shot fired from a gun in the hands of a Russian youth, fifteen years old, on Wednesday. He deliberately pointed the gun at the girl exclaiming, "Your money or your life," at the same time pulling the trigger. He claims he did not know the gun was loaded. Neighbors in the absence of the girl's father, who is away working in the Manitoba harvest fields, came to Canora for a doctor, who went out accompanied by Constable Wilson of the R. N. W. M. P. to investigate the matter, but the girl was dead.

WALTER M. BARRY KILLED.

Well-Known Ottawa Business Man Run Down on Railway.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Walter M. Barry of the firm of Harris & Barry, furniture dealers, and a well-known business man of Ottawa, was killed here on Saturday afternoon. He was crossing the Grand Trunk yard and was run down by a shunting engine. He died in the hospital a few hours later. Deceased was 44 years of age.

PRAIRIE FIRES.

Wide Extent of Country Has Been Devastated.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Prairie fires are raging in various parts of Alberta and Saskatchewan, but details are scarce. One-third of the Government Park near Wainwright, Alta., was burned, but the buffalo are safe. Another big fire is rushing towards the park at present. Many homesteaders in both Alberta and Saskatchewan have suffered loss.

A despatch from Oak Point, Man., says: Fire is raging 32 miles north of Oak Point. It was started over a week ago on Dog Creek Indian Reserve. Since then it has burned hundreds of square miles of prairie sod and timber. A large quantity of hay has already been destroyed. Several settlers have lost stock, houses and stables, and narrowly escaped fearful deaths. On three or four days of last week the sun was completely hidden by smoke. The whole population in that region is greatly alarmed, because nothing but heavy rain can extinguish the flames. If a high wind arises the whole country between Lake Manitoba and Lake Winnipeg may become the prey of the flames.

PLOWED UP A FORTUNE.

Farmer Discovered Treasure Valued at $50,000.

A despatch from Ogdensburg, N. Y., says: A farmer named Vostburg, living near Champlain, while plowing on Tuesday, turned up a quantity of gold coins, tarnished by the weather and dirt in which they reposed. Digging farther, he found more coins than he could carry home at one time. Their value is estimated at $50,000. It is believed the treasure was buried by persons who stole it from the British army which camped near Champlain during the Burgoyne campaign. The robbers probably lost their lives subsequently and no one knew what they had done with their booty.

TO COVER DEFICITS.

German Government to Ask for Loan of $125,000,000.

A despatch from Berlin says: The Imperial Government will ask for a loan of $125,000,000 in the beginning of 1910, the Tageblatt said on Thursday in its financial article, to cover deficits. This accounts, according to the newspaper, for the recent tendency to sell Imperial issues on the Boerse.

DATE DEFINITELY FIXED.

Cabinet Decides Parliament Shall Meet November 11.

A despatch from Ottawa says: At the Council meeting it was decided to summon Parliament for despatch of business on Thursday, Nov. 11th.

BLOWN UP BY DYNAMITE

Fifth Explosion Within a Year on Works Manned by Non-Union Men.

A despatch from Buffalo says: A steel viaduct over the New York Central tracks, near the Elk Street Market, was blown up by dynamite at 1 a.m. on Thursday morning. A heavy charge of the explosive was used and a large section of the structure was twisted and shattered. This is the fifth dynamite outrage that has occurred here within a year, all of them being on structures worked by other than union men.

The Elk Street viaduct was being built by the S. J. McCann Company, of Mercer, Pa., who do practically all their work on the open shop policy. The last outrage here was directed against the same firm. A large construction car and hoisting crane, owned by them and operated at the Elk Street viaduct, was wrecked by a charge of dynamite that had been placed under the boiler of the engine.

No arrests have been made in connection with any of the jobs pulled off here.