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LORD STRATHCONA'S ESTATE

The Late High Commissioner's Fortune Amounted to the Large Total of \$23,257,010

A despatch from London says: The personal property left by the late Baron Strathcona and Mount Royal, former High Commissioner for Canada, amounted to \$23,257,010. This was disclosed when probate was granted on Wednesday.

Comment on Events

A Heroine in Persia. In the long roll of heroic women an honorable place must be reserved for Mme. Chibson, the Persian heroine...

BREAK KING'S WINDOWS.

Latest Raid of Militants is at Buckingham Palace.

A despatch from London says: Buckingham Palace is to be no longer exempt from the windows smashed by the suffragettes.

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NEWS FROM SUNSET COAST

WHAT THE WESTERN PEOPLE ARE DOING.

Progress of the Great West Told in a Few Pointed Paragraphs.

A Vancouver hen hatched out a chick with four feet.

In three weeks, the police of Vancouver instituted 30 prosecutions under the Lord's Day Act.

In the Crexton District, near Nelson, it is expected that 20,000 crates of tomatoes will be raised for shipment this summer.

At Nanaimo a Chinese laundryman was cremated in a fire which destroyed his laundry.

Counterfeit Prince Edward Island \$10 and \$20 bills are in circulation in Vancouver, and two Chinese were arrested, charged with circulating the phoney money.

The number of Chinese entering B.C. decreased by 2,394 in one year. The figures were: From April, 1912, to March, 1913, 5,719; from April, 1913, to March, 1914, 3,425.

A spring training camp for B.C. horse and infantry will be held at Vernon. The city will give free light and water, and there will be accommodation for 2,000 men and 600 horses.

A permit has been issued for a new Hudson's Bay Company departmental store in Vancouver. The cost of the structure will be in the neighborhood of half a million dollars.

At Fernie, B.C., a coroner's jury found that Arthur Green came to his death through a knife wound in his arm, which severed an artery, the wound being inflicted by his wife in defence of her person.

The licenses of three Vancouver hotels were suspended by the License Board for mismanagement of their cafes, it being proved that they had allowed women to smoke and drink in them.

Members of the Vancouver Shipmaster's Association passed a resolution upholding the Government in demanding that masters of gasoline launches should be certificated, as well as masters of freight boats.

"If this prosecution had been laid under another section you might have been given two years in jail and 30 lashes," said Magistrate South of Vancouver, in sentencing George Bremer to 30 days in jail for beating his wife.

Chinese eggs are flooding the provincial and coast markets of B.C. A steamer which recently arrived from the Flowery Kingdom brought two millions, and they were sold, in many cases, as the product of Canadian hens.

The Oak Bay, B.C., Court of Revision has upheld the Assessors' claim to tax the street railway's right of way, which was denied by the B.C. Electric Railway. The judgment is subject to an appeal to a supreme court judge.

At Vancouver, a Chinese named Hong, was fined \$150 or three months for surreptitiously entering Canada from the U.S. Hong said he was on a holiday trip and had just wandered into the country.

He will wander back again when his fine is paid or sentence served.

There will be an old-timers' celebration in Nelson, B.C. next July, and an invitation to attend will be sent to ex-President Roosevelt, it being asserted that he qualifies owing to the fact that in 1888, while on a visit, he "packed ore" from the No. 1 mine at Ainsworth.

Victoria, B.C., shipping men are jubilant because that city will be the first port of call in the Panama service to be established by a large Japanese-New York service, which plans to operate at least 12 liners of the service. Several 12-thousand-ton steamers are at present under construction in Japan. The service will not be inaugurated till the early part of next year.

Four sailing vessels engaged in a race from the Pacific Coast to the United Kingdom, and left Puget Sound within a few days of each other. They were the German bark Frieda Mahn, the British ship, British Isles, the French ship, Hoche, and the British bark Holt Hill. The race was won by the Frieda Mahn, which was 127 days on the passage, the British Isles being second after a passage of 129 days.

Two Swedes Killed. A despatch from London says: The death occurred on Wednesday of Sir Joseph Wilson Swan, inventor (in 1879) of the first incandescent electric lamp. He was 96 years of age, and was born in Sunderland, Eng. He was the inventor of many other electrical devices, including a miner's safety lamp and an electric meter, and was probably also well known for his photographic appliances, as he perfected the carbon process and the dry plate.

Were Bravely Trying to Get Burning Powder Out of Box. A despatch from Cedar Rapids, Que., says: Two men, Olaf Singinsson and Wilde Larsen, Swedes, were killed by an explosion of dynamite here on Tuesday. They were employed on construction work for the Cedar Rapids Power Company. A spark from a steam shovel set fire to a newly-opened box of dynamite. Singinsson noticed the blaze and bravely attempted to get the dynamite out of the box. Larsen was going to Singinsson's assistance when the dynamite exploded, killing both of them. Twenty men working in the vicinity were knocked down by the force of the explosion, but were not injured.

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MERCHANTS BANK

Half a Century in Business

The Merchants Bank of Canada has just completed fifty years of business in Canada and has celebrated the half century mark by showing the best report in its history.

Net profits for the year amounted to \$1,218,694, which is equal to 17.8 per cent. on the average paid-up capital for the year.

Taking into account the average of both capital and the rest account, which amounted to \$13,348,100, the Bank earned 9.13 per cent., which is a little less than was earned during the previous year.

In view of the fact that the year, just closed, was a somewhat trying one for the banks, the showing made by the Merchants Bank is considered highly satisfactory.

For a considerable portion of the year, Canada, in common with other countries, encountered a period of depression which interfered with the earnings of the banks.

Exact comparisons for the previous years is difficult to make on account of the fact that the fiscal year of the bank was changed from November 30th to April 30th and the statement issued previous to the present one covered a period of but five months.

An examination of the report shows that gains were made in all departments of the bank's activities. For the first time in the history of the bank, the reserve fund equals the paid-up capital, each of these now standing at \$7,000,000, a considerable gain over the showing for the previous year.

The bank's cash holdings are \$1,500,000 greater than at the end of April, 1913, while savings deposits have increased by \$2,600,000. The bank's current loans increased during the year by over \$1,000,000, and now amount to \$84,700,000, indicating that the bank has been doing its full share by catering to the commercial needs of the communities in which its branches are located.

The total assets show a gain of almost \$2,500,000, and now amount to \$83,120,000. During the year the bank issued new stock, on which the premium amounted to \$180,000, which, with the net earnings of \$1,218,694, and balance brought forward amounting to \$401,000, made \$1,800,000 available for distribution.

Dividend requirements absorbed \$686,000, profit and loss \$580,000, bank premises account \$1,000,000, officers pensions fund \$50,000, written off for depreciation in bonds and investments \$135,000, leaving \$248,000 to be carried forward.

A feature of the bank's report is the large proportion of quickly available assets, which represent over 38 per cent. of its total liabilities to the public. This is a satisfactory showing, especially in view of the recent financial stringency. Altogether, the showing made by the bank is most encouraging, as it shows that good banking practice and careful conservative management characterized the year's operations.

At the annual meeting it was also decided to establish a Holding Company for the bank for the housing of the various offices. The old Board were re-elected, and at a subsequent meeting, Sir H. Montagu Allan was re-elected President and K. W. Blackwell, Vice-President.

LINEMAN ELECTROCUTED.

Cobalt Man Accidentally Touched a Wire Carrying 11,000 Volts.

A despatch from Cobalt says: Thomas Taylor, aged 19, an employee of the Timiskaming Telephone Company, was electrocuted here on Wednesday, while repairing a telephone line when he touched a wire carrying 11,000 volts. Despite his injuries, he lived for eight hours after the accident.

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THE NEWS IN A PARAGRAPH

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE IN A NUTSHELL.

Canada, the Empire and the World in General Before Your Eyes.

J. A. Shales, Kingston, has been appointed science master at Ingersoll, Ont.

The German flag which for eighteen years has flown at Berlin, Ont., Victoria Park, below the Union Jack, was cut down and mutilated.

Several Montreal policemen are under instructions to give would-be street "mashers" a sound trouncing instead of arresting them.

Antonio Russo, arrested in Montreal for murder a week ago on the strength of a telegram from New York, was not the man wanted.

James Ebert, farmer, near Campbell's Bay, Que., and his 21-year-old son are dead, after eating toadstools. The mother and three young children are critically ill.

A systematic exploration of Northern Alberta with a view to the location and development of oil deposits in the remote townships of the province is contemplated by English oil interests.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. has made a cut of \$2 in the west-bound immigrant rate of \$31.50, agreed to about a month ago by the steamship lines in the North Atlantic conference.

Premier McBride, of B.C., suggests that it is a curious coincidence that the Hindu question should be brought up as an added worry to the British Government, already perplexed by the Ulster issue.

Quebec Board of Trade urges the Dominion Government to insist that one of the conditions of the additional aid to the Grand Trunk Pacific be a freight rate of ten cents per bushel on wheat from Winnipeg to Quebec, and a proportionate rate to Halifax and St. John, N.B.

Great Britain.

Sir Charles Waldstein has presented the Victoria and Albert Museum with a velvet cope which tradition asserts was given by the Emperor Charles V. to the Cathedral of Burgos in Spain.

United States.

The estate of Lord Strathcona will pay nearly \$100,000 inheritance tax to the State of Wisconsin on his Northern Pacific Ry. holdings.

General.

A woman who, after forty, assumed man-like physique, with long black beard, was exhibited to the Paris Academy of Medicine.

A German liner, the Bavaria, evaded the U.S. blockade and landed 1,800,000 rounds of ammunition and 3,000 rolls of barbed wire, for Huerta, at Puerto, Mexico.

What is believed to be the remains of the balloon in which Prof. Salagon A. Andree ascended from Dane's Island, near Spitzbergen, July 11, 1897, in an attempt to reach the North Pole, have been found in a forest in eastern Siberia.

There was a violent scene in the lobby of the Spanish Chamber of Deputies when Antonio Maura, a tactician with his cane and his fists the radical deputy, Rodrigo Soriano, who had called his father a coward.

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The territory to be explored is that covered or partially covered by claims in regard to which the period for payment of rentals has been extended from time to time pending the negotiations with the British company. These rentals have now been paid up. The representative of the British capitalists who are interesting themselves in these claims had conference to-day with the members of the Government, and has intimated that his principals are prepared to spend a large sum of money in a systematic search. The British Admiralty is said to be interested in the project.

AN AFTER-DINNER SPEAKER.

Dr. Kennedy, Just Retired From the Canadian Institute.

When the season of annual dinners is on for various technical and learned societies in Toronto none of those functions seems quite complete if a white-haired, white-bearded gentleman, rather of the undersized, is not seated comfortably somewhere near the evening's chairman. Generally he is called upon to reply to "Sister Institutions," or "Learned" little. Thereupon is the reverend-looking little gentleman wont to arise and silence ensues—perfect silence. Not knowing the speaker, one might anticipate a semi-sermon, or worse.

Instead, one is treated to a talk of astounding sense interlarded with little bits of full-flavored humor and sparkling wit. That will be Dr. Kennedy, of the Canadian Institute, Toronto.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

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

Butter—Choice dairy, 14 to 20c; inferior, 15 to 16c; farmers' separator prints, 20 to 22c; creamery prints, fresh, 23 to 24c; do. storage prints, 22 to 23c; solid, storage, 20 to 21c.

Eggs—21 to 23c per dozen, in case lots.

Honey—Extracted, in this, 10 to 11c per lb. Combs, 22 to 23c per dozen.

Baled Hay and Straw. Baled hay, No. 1 at \$14.50 to \$15 a ton on track here, No. 2 at \$13 to \$13.25, and clover at \$12 to \$11.

Provisions. Bacon—Long clear, 14 to 14 1/2c per lb. in case lots. Ham—Medium, 14 to 15c; do. heavy, 17 to 18c; ribs, 14 to 15c; breakfast bacon, 10 to 12c; backs, 20 to 22c.

Winnipeg Grain. Winnipeg, June 2.—Cash wheat closed 40 to 42c higher for contract grades; cash oats 4c lower to 4 1/2c higher; cash barley unchanged to 4c higher.

Montreal Markets. Montreal, June 2.—Corn, American No. 2 yellow, 80 to 81c; Canadian Western, No. 2, 43 to 44c; Canadian Western, No. 3, 42 to 43c.

United States Markets. Minneapolis, June 2.—Wheat—May, 56 1/2c; No. 2, 57c; No. 1 hard, 58c; No. 2 hard, 57c; No. 3 hard, 56c.

Live Stock Markets. Toronto, June 2.—Cattle—Choice butchers', \$5.65 to \$6.00; No. 1, \$5.30 to \$5.60; common cows, \$4.00 to \$4.50.

Sheep and lambs—Light ewes, \$6 to \$6.50; heavy, \$4.50 to \$5; bucks, \$4 to \$5.50; Stirling lambs, each, \$6 to \$7; yearling lambs, \$4 to \$5.

Hogs—21 to 23c per dozen, in case lots, \$10 to \$11.25.

Montreal, June 2.—Prime beef, 78 to 80c; medium, 58 to 70c; common, 40 to 45c; milk cows, \$10 to \$12; calves, 3c to 7c; sheep, 5c to 7c; lambs, \$4 to 6c each; hogs, \$1 to 2c.

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