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COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

What is Going On in the Business World—The Market News.

The estimated profits of the Le Roi mine for November are placed at \$75,000. A French statistician estimates the number of cows in the civilized world as 630,880,000 and the amount of butter they yield at 2,640,000 tons a year.

The North American Coal and Development Company has purchased, it is said, eight and a half square miles of coal lands at River Inhabitants, Cape Breton.

The Empress of India arrived at Victoria, B.C., from the Orient on Wednesday with the largest silk cargo ever brought across the Pacific, 3,100 bales, valued at over \$2,000,000.

The Grand Trunk railway system has issued the following statement of earnings—Week ending December 7th, 1902, 2011,333, corresponding week, 1901, \$546,986; increase, \$42,247.

American capitalists have made the proposal to acquire 5,000 shares of the unissued authorized stock of the Royal Bank of Canada and are willing to pay the rate of 250. The directors recommended the shareholders to renounce their first rights to the stock and allow the proposal to be accepted after which \$500,000 will be issued to the shareholders, making the total capitalization of the concern, \$3,000,000, while under the present proposal the present reserve fund will be brought up to \$2,480,000.

Oldest L.O.L. Elects Officers. Loyal Orange Lodge, No. 6, met last evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: W.M., William Moore; D.M., James Bromley; chaplain, Joseph H. Gould, P.C.M.; recording-secretary, David Brown, P.C.M.; treasurer, David Hay; financial secretary, James McCammon; lecturer, Walter Babcock; director of ceremonies, Fred. J. Pollitt; committee-men, Thomas Worth, Messrs. Hendrie, Tuttle, Mook, and Woods; trustee, Joseph H. Gould, P.C.M.; auditors, Messrs. Worth and Hendrie. This lodge is the oldest in the city, and some years ago a great many military men were connected with it.

To Show Pictures. On Saturday afternoon and evening the Pan-American Electrical Carnival will be at the Grand. The pictures are new and good and admirably well chosen and arranged, so that the programme is calculated to please everyone. The manipulation of the machine which is a particularly fine one, left nothing to be desired. The pictures were sharp and clear and larger and more steady than those usually shown.

At Mullins' This Week. Good cooking butter, 15c. per lb. Large sealer of cream baking powder, 20c. Five lbs. cleaned currants, 25c. Three lbs. new select raisins, 25c. Orange and lemon peel, 15c. per lb. Mince, 10c. per quart. One pound of pure coffee, Java and Mocha blend, 25c. Corner Johnston and Division streets.

Where Is The Box? The Frontenac prohibition returns were to be announced to-day by returning Officer Dawson, but this could not be done as the box from No. 2 sub-division of Bedford had not arrived. Deputy Sheriff Asselstine left at noon for Tichborne to find out what has become of the overdue box.

Electric scarf pins, the latest novelty, at Bree & Halliday's, Princess street. Xmas dressing gowns at Jenkins'.

HARDER TIMES THAN HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCED FOR YEARS

Thousands Out of Work—Proposal of a General Strike in Shipping Trade—Theatres Enjoying a Boom.

London, Dec. 11.—It is estimated that 500,000 persons are out of work in the United Kingdom, and the board of trade returns show the largest percentage for ten years past of unskilled persons out of work, while the proportion of skilled men without employment is constantly growing. The Woolwich arsenal authorities have discharged two thousand mechanics since the winter set in, and are preparing to let out four thousand more.



MRS CRAIGIE, ("JOHN OLIVER HOBBS")

Mrs. Craigie is an American by birth, but most of her life has been spent in England. She began her literary career while still in the early twenties, and most critics can remember the sensation caused by her brilliant little study of contemporary manners, entitled "Some Emotions and a Moral." Mrs. Craigie is among Lord and Lady Curzon's guests at the forthcoming Durbar to be held in Delhi, India.

The army of people out of work must be added 50,000 members of the army reserve, who have been released from service with the colors. The worst distress, naturally, is visible in the east end. A number of the newspapers have started subscription columns, and daily print hundreds of stories of half-clad school children, many of whom are without food except scanty luncheons furnished by sympathetic teachers. A number of the London suburban councils are starting public-works in order to employ a small proportion of the idle persons. The Canning Town suburb, where the distress is keenest, has appropriated \$50,000 for relief works.

The London county council will meet to consider the proposition for calling a conference of municipal bodies throughout the country to discuss what can be done towards establishing a permanent system for relieving the unemployed. Coincident with the general distress and illness, the ship-builders' federation is quietly preparing for a test of strength with the labor unions that may precipitate a general strike equal to the great engineers' strike of a few years ago. The ship-builders, who have suffered for years from the restriction of the output contemplated by the unions, have decided that it is necessary to introduce radical reforms in the way of labor saving machinery. This means a reduction in the price of piece work, on which almost all the yards are running.

The builders say that if the men accept the introduction of machine made tools, most of which are of American origin, and agree to run the yards at their full capacity, it will enable them not only to make more wages, but will largely increase the output of the yards. Even the most optimistic builders have small hope that the reform will be accomplished without a stiff fight. They believe, however, that the time is ripe for the experiment, since the new machines in many cases can be run by unskilled laborers.

It is long since the London theatres and restaurants have experienced so profitable a season as the present. The west end is ablaze with light brightly, all the amusement places are crowded and the theatres and restaurants keep the fashionable hotels and restaurants busy until long after midnight.

Died At Watertown, N.Y. Watertown, N.Y., Dec. 11.—Samuel North, an aged and respected citizen of Watertown, died Tuesday night in his eighty-third year. He was a native of England and had been in this country since 1849, and had lived in this city all that time, excepting eight years when he was in Canada and one year when he was superintendent of the Pacific Iron works at San Francisco. For thirty years and up to his retirement a few years ago he was superintendent of the plant of the Bagley & Sewall company in this city. He was a member of the Watertown Lodge, F. & A. M. He is survived only by his wife and some distant relatives in England. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon.

Shelburne Election. Halifax, N.S., Dec. 11.—In the Shelburne local election yesterday Moses Nickerson, independent liberal, defeated Andrew C. Edgewood, straight party candidate, by 229 majority.

Gloves at The H. D. Bibby Co. Xmas collars at Jenkins'; Neckwear at The H. D. Bibby Co.

AT THE POLICE COURT.

A Case Given a Private Hearing To-Day.

A private hearing was given by Magistrate Farrell this morning in the case of a dealer charged with selling ammunition to a boy. He was found guilty, but let go on suspended sentence. A young lad by the name of Ryan was charged with selling a revolver to another boy. He was found guilty, and the magistrate ordered him to be flogged.

Perhaps the provisions of the Criminal Code regarding firearms and ammunition are not generally known. It would be advisable for merchants, especially, to take note of the following: Every one guilty of an offence is liable on summary conviction, (1) who sells or gives any pistol or air-gun or any ammunition therefor to a minor under the age of sixteen years; (2) who sells any pistol or air-gun

NEWS OF WORLD

TELEGRAMS FROM THE FOUR QUARTERS OF EARTH.

Matters That Interest Everybody—Notes From all Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

J. B. Ellis, Pembroke, is dead, aged eighty-three. He was father of Rev. J. D. Ellis, B.A., Carleton Place. At St. John, N.B., it is rumored that a large steamer is ashore at Grand Mann. It may be the overdue Corinthian.

An international lacrosse game between the Harvard team and the Oxford and Cambridge team will be played at Cambridge next June. Present indications are that Italy will not officially participate in the St. Louis exposition, owing to lack of the necessary appropriation.

It is understood that the differences of price between the German tenders and the Clergue tenders for steel rails for the Temiskaming railway is \$3.25 a ton.

Tuesday, January 6th, has been selected as the date of the Laurier club's banquet in Toronto, at which Hon. Raymond Prefontaine will be the chief guest.

George Tomlinson, senior engineer at the Chatham, Ont., water works, died very suddenly on Wednesday night of heart failure. Mr. Tomlinson leaves four children.

At the National Reciprocity convention, Detroit, John Charlton, M.P., made an earnest plea for closer trade relations between the United States and the Dominion of Canada.

Robert Harding Milward, London, formerly solicitor of the Duke of Marlborough, and, at one time, a leading lawyer of the Midland counties was, to-day, sentenced to six years penal servitude for misappropriating \$14,000 from a firm which became bankrupt in June.

The Ottawa civic finance committee has issued a statement, claiming \$13,000 surplus for the year. Critics say the city used \$55,000 borrowed money. By reason of the discovery of valuable iron and gold deposits in the Lake Temagami district it has become necessary for the government to make special regulations for mining work on lands set aside for forest reserves.

DON'T DESIRE TO GO. German Machinists and the Man From Buffalo.

So far the stranger from Buffalo, N. Y., has not succeeded in enticing any of the German machinists from the Locomotive Works to go across the line. Mr. Bermingham was quite satisfied that he should address the men, but the latter did not seem to desire it. Of course there is a certain legal limit as to the manner of enticement, only what is called "moral suasion" being allowed. If parties go beyond that, legal proceedings can be taken against them, as was done in a recent police court action.

The Buffalo stranger was joined yesterday afternoon by another man from across the border. The Germans do not seem to want anything to do with them, one reason being that they failed to register at the hotel under their names or place of abode. The movements of the Buffalo men are being carefully watched.

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. Bermingham addressed the Germans, through an interpreter, telling them to consider carefully any propositions made to them from outside parties, and as to whether they would be sure of work if they did go to the United States. From several of the Germans, who speak English, it is learned that their comrades do not desire to leave Kingston, being quite satisfied with the place and treatment they are receiving. One of them said he had advised his friends to hold no communication with the men who came here to entice them away, and from the manner in which the strangers were received, it is clear that their offers do not hold much weight with the Germans.

In the parlor of a down town hotel last night, the Buffalo man addressed a large number of the Germans in their native tongue. A Queen's professor, and a German count, at present visiting Kingston, took part in the discussion which waxed hot, the Germans seeming to be annoyed at an attempt to interfere with them in their work here. This morning the two strangers left the city, leaving the men of the "faderland" to think over their offer at leisure.

SUBJECTS RELEASED.

Venezuelan Troops Have Reached La Guayra.

La Guayra, Venezuela, Dec. 11.—Ferrar, the minister of war has arrived here with 2,000 troops. Eight hundred men under President Castro's brother are expected here at ten o'clock.

Only the British cruiser Indefatigable is now here. She is at anchor in the middle of the harbor. All the other warships have left La Guayra. Minister Haggard, and Herr Von Pilgrim Baltazzi, it was learned to-day, left here last night. All the British and German subjects arrested were released yesterday.

All Released.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 11.—United States Minister Bain, at Caracas, in a telegram to the state department dated to-day, confirms the press reports that all the German and British prisoners have been released.

ESCAPED WITH LIVES.

A Disastrous Fire at Sault Ste. Marie. Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 11.—The residence of ex-Indian Agent William Van Abbott, with entire contents, was burned this morning about four o'clock. It was one of the oldest frame buildings in the town, having been built in part upwards of one hundred years ago by parties engaged in fur traffic in opposition to the Hudson Bay company, which also had a post there. The inmates of the burned building barely escaped with their lives. Mrs. Van Abbott was carried out unconscious.

HARTOPP CASE.

Duke of Devonshire a Witness for Plaintiff.

London, Dec. 11.—The Duke of Devonshire went into the witness box on behalf of Sir Charles Hartopp, in the hearing of the latter's suit for divorce against his wife. He described Sir Charles as a good tempered man. The Hartopps had been his guests at Chatsworth and elsewhere and he never saw any act of unkindness on the part of the plaintiff toward Lady Hartopp.

More Oil Found.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 11.—Oil has been found in a well operated by Beringer, of Cleveland, in Balloch, one mile south of the Gurd gusher. Drilling is being pushed night and day and a greater flow of oil is expected momentarily. The appearance of oil in a new well of the Standard Oil company is also reported. Brewer Field, manager of the company, is on the spot.

Got The News.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—The Flavell-Willson syndicate has completed the negotiations for the purchase of the Evening News. The management will not take control until January 1st, when the paper will be continued as an evening paper only, at least, for a year.

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