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STEAMSHIP RAMMED

S. S. Republic Sank But Crew and Passengers Saved.

Four Persons Were Killed—The Ramming Steamer Florida Going to New York—Baltic Has all the Passengers.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 25.—The White Star line steamer Republic was rammed by an unknown vessel and disabled, twenty-six miles south of Nantucket, while threading her way along the Nantucket south shoal in a thick fog early on Saturday.

Immediately after the accident the wireless apparatus on the steamer flashed the news of her plight in all directions, and within a short time several vessels, including the French line steamer Lorraine, westward bound, the White Star liner Baltic, the revenue cutter Aushnet and the revenue cutter Gresham were on their way to the scene of the collision, prepared to offer every assistance to the disabled Republic.

All the passengers and three-quarters of the crew have been transferred to the Florida, an Italian steamer, and the balance were preparing to abandon the ship.

The Republic left New York, Friday, for Mediterranean ports, with 250 first-class passengers and 211 in the steerage. The crew numbers 250.

The Republic is the largest vessel in the Boston trade, being of 15,378 tons displacement. She holds the record for the fastest passage between Queenstown and Boston and Boston and Queenstown.

The Republic was valued at about \$1,500,000.

The Republic sank at 8.30 p.m. She was in tow of the revenue cutter Gresham and the derelict destroyer Seneca proceeding to New York, when she went down.

The Republic's passengers, on the steamer Baltic, were off Sandy Hook, at a late hour last night, making for

New York. On board of her was Captain Sealby, with a volunteer detail of fifty of her crew. She had been towed but a short distance when she began to sink rapidly. Seeing no hope of saving the ship Captain Sealby gave the order to abandon the ship and the crew was taken off by the Gresham, which cast loose from the crippled liner, and stood by until she sank beneath the waves. The Gresham and the Seneca, both of the Massachusetts coast and will land Captain Sealby and his brave crew at Gayhead, Mass.

The point where the Republic went down is described in a brief wireless message received here last night, as off No Man's Land, a small island south of Martha's Vineyard island, off the Massachusetts coast.

The Italian liner Florida, which crashed into the Republic in the dense fog off Nantucket, Mass., early on Saturday, and gave her death blow, is slowly steaming towards New York, escorted by the American liner New York. Her passengers also are on the Baltic, having been transferred in the early hours of the morning along with those of the Republic.

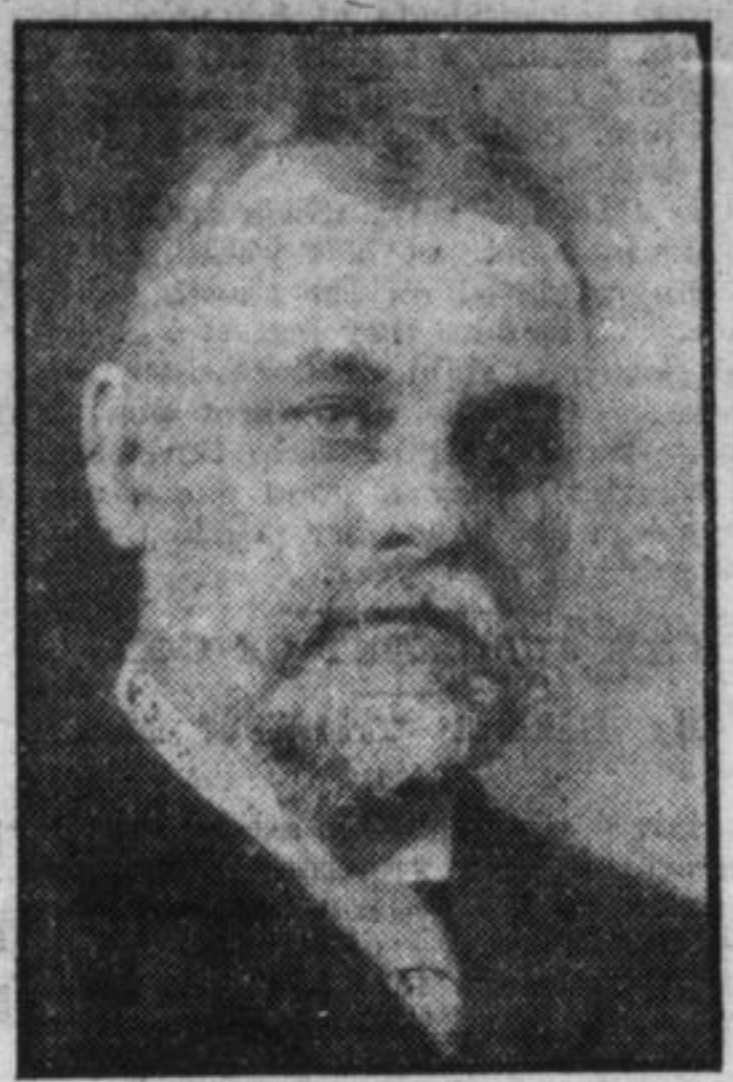
The crashing together of the two big ships of the fog-bound Nantucket shoals, Saturday morning, resulted in the loss of the Republic being killed and two others injured, while four persons met death on board the Florida, either members of the crew or storage passengers. The dead passengers are Mrs. Eugene Lynch, Boston, and W. J. Money, a farmer, residing in New York. The injured are Mrs. M. M. Murphy, wife of the financial agent of the Union Central Life Insurance company, of Grand Forks, N.D., and Eugene Lynch, Boston.

STILL HOPES TO LEAD.

Chamberlain Not Improving in Health.

London, Jan. 25.—Joseph Chamberlain still clings to the belief that he will re-enter politics and resume the leadership of the movement for tariff reform, although his friends long ago gave up the hope of again seeing him in the arena. Mr. Chamberlain has announced to his constituents that he will again offer himself as a candidate from West Birmingham at the next general election.

Mr. Chamberlain's family and friends encourage him in the belief that he is improving in health but as a matter of fact his condition has remained practically without change for a year.



DR. F. J. SHEPHERD, Dean of the Medical Faculty of McGill University.

REFUSES TO QUIT PRISON.

Declares He Will Serve Eighteen Years Unless Pardoned.

Trenton, N.J., Jan. 25.—Dr. Reuben E. Thompson, who was sentenced to eighteen years in state prison in January, 1901, on conviction of murder in Monmouth county, refuses to leave prison on the parole recently granted to him by the board of pardons, on the ground that unless he gets a pardon he cannot be reinstated as a physician. He says he will stay in prison the full term unless pardoned.

Bank President Arrested.

Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 25.—Home G. Taber, former president of the West Side bank of Los Angeles, former president of the Lincoln National Bank of Searchlight, Nevada, and now president of a San Diego bank and trust company, was arrested at San Diego, Lincoln county, Nevada, to answer to nineteen indictments, said to involve approximately \$750,000.

MR. BORDEN'S DENIAL

His Telegram to British Columbia Tampered With.

The Conservative Party Humiliated—Capturing a Province By Lies—A Fraud Repudiated.

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—Everybody knows what happened in British Columbia on October 26th and many people may have entertained a suspicion as to the methods by which the conservatives captured a majority in that province, but it was left to Sir Wilfrid Laurier to expose in all its nakedness the trickery which enabled the opposition to turn a solid liberal representation into a minority. British Columbia was won for the Tories

by the conservative party of British Columbia by Mr. Borden. It reads as follows:

"Your message received. Conservative party stands for a white Canada, absolute protection of white labor, and absolute exclusion of Asiatics."

This message was blazoned throughout the entire province of British Columbia as an official declaration by Mr. Borden of the conservative party's policy and Sir Wilfrid Laurier was able to show that conservative candidates, among others Mr. Cowan, of Vancouver, quoted it as such.

The prime minister was proceeding to comment upon the effects of such a pronouncement, when Mr. Borden jumped to his feet with the statement: "I did not send that telegram."

Mr. Borden somewhat aback by this denial Sir Wilfrid replied that he had a copy of the telegram as it appeared in the Colonist, and that he would place it on the table. Moreover, he quoted from the report of a speech delivered by Mr. Cowan, which showed that that member had read Mr. Borden's message at a meeting on the eve of the election.

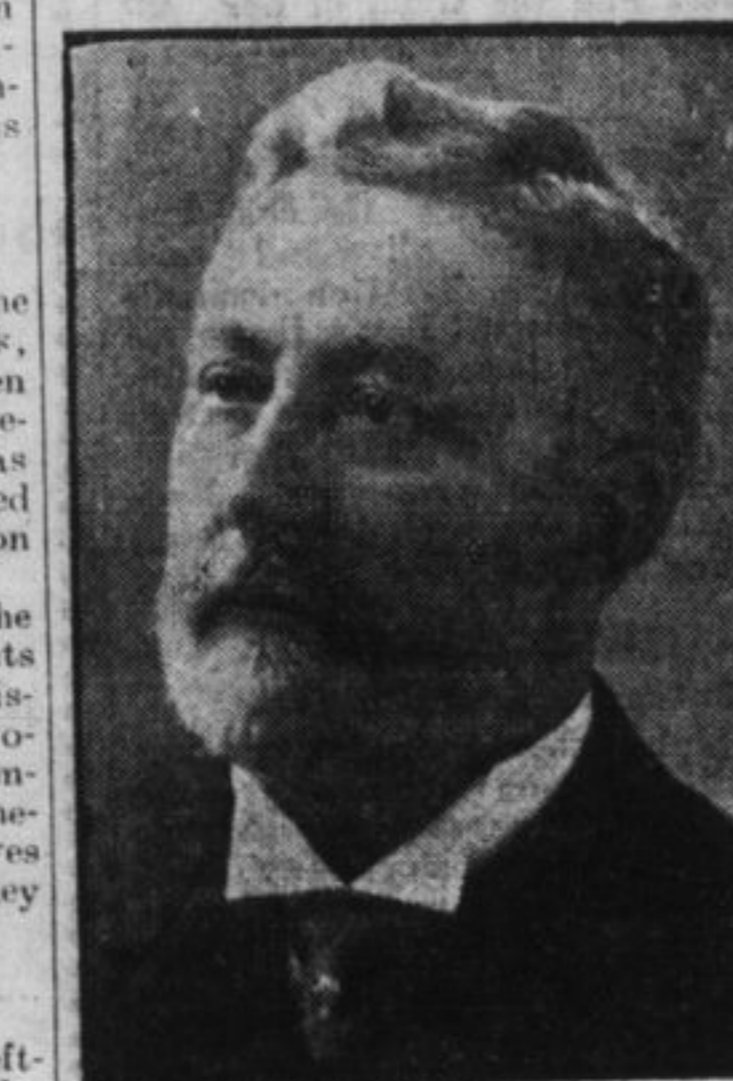
"I don't care," testily retorted Mr. Borden, "that is not the telegram I sent."

"Then," came the crushing rejoinder of Sir Wilfrid, "certain members in British Columbia obtained their seats on false pretences. I am sorry for the leader of the opposition and sorry for his party in British Columbia that they should have resorted to lies to win an election."

This was too much for Mr. Borden, who again arose and explained that the message he had sent did not contain the phrase, "the absolute exclusion of Asiatics." How it came to appear in the Colonist and to be freely quoted by his supporters in British Columbia he was not to explain, and the house was left to assume that the words had been added purposely and maliciously.

Sanitool tooth brushes and tooth paste, are sold in Kingston at Gibson's Red Cross Drug Store.

A tory and his logic are soon parted.



HON. JAMES W. RICHARDS, M.P. for Prince, P.E.I. He is a new face in Parliament.

MIGHT BLOCK LOCAL OPTION.

Will Not Vote on Higher License Question.

Corwall, Ont., Jan. 25.—The people of Cornwall will be asked to vote on the question of higher license and fewer hotels this year. Last spring a deputation, composed of several clergymen and other temperance advocates, waited on the town council and requested that a by-law be passed reducing the number of hotel licenses. They came with the same request in December, and the council decided to reduce the number from eleven to eight, providing the ratepayers ratified a by-law increasing the license from \$450 to \$650.

This did not meet the views of the deputation, and rather than have the question voted by the people, they requested the council not to submit the by-laws. The council at once abandoned the proposed change. It is believed that the gentlemen who took the matter up are looking forward to a vote on local option and a tambling block.

DIDN'T KNOW HE WAS WHITE.

Man Sent to Penitentiary For Eighteen Years.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 25.—In the sentencing at Farmerville, of Marcus Lindsay and wife, a negro, to serve eighteen years in the penitentiary, one of the most curious cases in the history of the state has developed.

Lindsay is the son of a white woman, and although he believed he had negro blood in his veins and associated with members of that race, the court held that he had enough Caucasian blood to be legally white.

Lindsay recently was married to Sophy Jones, a negro, the widow of another negro, and has since lived with her. The two were indicted on the ground that Lindsay, a white man, married a negro woman, and Sophy, a negro, married a white man, the law prohibiting intermarriage between the races.

Buried Under Snow.

Grand Junction, Col., Jan. 25.—

Four men were killed and more than a score had narrow escapes from death when a fifty-foot high avalanche of snow swept over the Camp Bird mine at Ouary. The four men were talking in the canteen, when, without warning, the snow and dirt came upon them. They were hurled into the canyon and covered with snow. It will be mid-summer before their bodies can be recovered.

He Married The Girl.

Brookville, Jan. 25.—Rather than go to jail on the charge of seducing an orphan girl in his employ, Edward A. Armstrong, a farmer residing in Brookville, married the girl, Edith, who had been married in the presence of the chief of police of Cardinal.

QUICK WORK THIS.

Since Man Sentenced to Two Years.

Simcoe, Ont., Jan. 25.—Robert Hosnell, Bramford, who came to Simcoe on January 21st, was assaulted, Friday night. He was badly bruised about the face, and was robbed of a gold watch and chain, a railway ticket, bank book and some cash. An English immigrant named William Waters, arrested on suspicion, appeared before Magistrate Beemer, was found guilty, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. The magistrate observed that the prisoner had been in the country less than a year, and during that time had been convicted of assaulting ex-Chief of Police Malone and sentenced to one year in Central prison, but was given his freedom on ticket-of-leave.

In Ottawa it is believed that the successor of F. W. Morse as general manager of the G.T.P., will be E. J. Chamberlain, late general manager of the C. A. R.

The Earl of Leicester, one of the oldest of British peers, is dead.

DAILY MEMORANDA.

Zion Rink Carnival postponed.
County Council, 4.30 p.m., Tuesday.
Light, Heat and Power Committee, 4 p.m., Tuesday.
St. Andrew's Society Banquet, Randolph Hotel, this evening.
Remember the Tea and Sale in St. James' School Room, on Tuesday, Jan. 25th, from 3.30 to 6.30 p.m.
Vans leave Iroquois Hotel for Masquerade Hall, Wolfe Island, 27th, at 8 p.m. sharp.
The Mysterious Mr. Raffles
Is the man you'd like to kill?
But a most important thing just now is George Mills & Co's Fur Sale.
Bijou Theatre—"The Belle of the Ball"; "A Christmas Dinner"; "For a Tramp"; "The Valet's Wife"; "Judkins and the Dentist"; Will West in Illustrated Song.

Jan. 25th, In Canadian History.

1849—The Hon. Justice J. McCully, of Nova Scotia, one of the "Fathers of the Confederation," was born. Died January 2nd, 1877.
1822—The Hon. Wm. McDonough, of Ontario, one of the "Fathers of the Confederation," was born. Died January 30th, 1905.
1904—A great mass meeting in Halifax passed resolutions approving of Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal policy.
1903—The conservative party won in the Ontario elections.
1905—Lord Grey received the honorary degree of LL.D. from the University of Toronto.
1907—Opening of the third session of the Eleventh Parliament of Ontario.

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ARCHBISHOP DEAD.

He Passed to Rest in Toronto on Sunday.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Most Rev. Arthur Sweetman, M.A., D.C.L., LL.D., archbishop of Toronto, metropolitan of the ecclesiastical province of Eastern Canada and primate of all Canada, died Sunday afternoon at his home on Howland avenue.

The Gargoyles Are Happy.

New York, Jan. 25.—Joy fills the hearts of the Gargoyles of New York. They know that the president has been designated as a gargoyle by Representative Willett they hail him as friend and brother and have invited him to come and dine with them on February 16th.

The Gargoyles of New York is the title of a club of young architects who combine jocularly with the discussion of the progress of their profession. While they comfort themselves with Frankfurters and Schweitzer cheese and stay themselves with flacons of amber brew they talk on timely architectural topics.

Robbed Safety Boxes.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 25.—Leftwich Hopam, a clerk in the First National bank, has been arrested and formally charged with having rifled private boxes left in care of the bank. The peculations are alleged to have extended over a year, during which time jewelry and money to the amount of \$75,000 are said to have been stolen.

Civic Plants Paid Well.

St. Thomas, Ont., Jan. 23.—The light, heat and power department of the city of St. Thomas, which is owned by the city, paid a profit of more than \$16,000 for the year. The waterworks, which is also the property of the city, paid a profit of \$10,000 for the year.

FINDS LOST LETTER

Raffles Had an Easy Time on Princess Street.

A Local Sleuth Who Was Barred Has Been Permitted to Enter in the Chase—The Boys Aid Mysterious Man.

We wish to announce that we have decided to allow J. A. Smith, an employee of the Randolph Hotel, who was barred from the competition, to enter the chase. Mr. Smith claims that his ability as a detective is phenomenal—that it would be an utter impossibility for the boys to detect him, and he attributes his wonderful power to the fact that he is the "seventh son!" This is rather unusual, but in face of the many requests received by the manager of "Raffles" from the seventh son, and also on account of the allegations put forth by the Randolph employees we have decided to let Kingston's Sherlock Holmes enter the chase.

"Raffles" had a hot "follow" on Sunday morning, and was unable to attend St. George's cathedral in consequence. He spent the day fairly quiet. During the evening he patrolled the town and coming down Princess street, he found a letter addressed to Miss E. E. Speake, 82 Charles street, west, Toronto, which was evidently dropped on the way to the mail. "Raffles" promptly placed the letter with the Whigs where the owner may obtain it on application. The special edition on Saturday was quickly bought up and crowds were on Princess street, despite the nasty condition underfoot. The boys are quite an asset, says "Raffles," they help him wonderfully. He was able to come down Princess street and call in the stores. We have received the letter written by "Raffles," which is as follows:

"Dear People of Kingston:
"I have nothing of special interest to relate between Saturday noon and the evening. Seeing the rain and expecting a stiffer time than I really got on Princess street, I took things easy. Well, I must say that I never have operated in any town which I like so much, and which is so ideal to my plans as Kingston. Then there were those dear little newshoys, who persist in collaring anyone whom they are told is one, and the way they crowd and follow certain other individuals is more than delightful. That's right. Keep your eyes on the excitement, and listen to the selling. Don't bother about me, boys, I'm all right."
"On Saturday night I came along this street and that street around the first corner straight across a certain open space and finally landed in Brock street, and I landed right, too. My feet went to the sky and my head to the other way, and I was running young ladies passing by on the far side, remarked, 'He's full.' Wending my way up Brock, I struck Sydenham street and came as far as Princess street, slid quickly down Princess on the west side. I halted on the outside of Doherty's barber saloon, and gazed at the men in the chair. I commenced to make for the door, and get shaved myself, when fortunately I recollected what I had on my upper lip at the moment, and passed on. I had got a little distance down when I noticed a party of two eyeing me suspiciously from the east side. I wondered if they followed me or not, so I made the best of it. I entered the store which I believe is run by a Greek by the name of Mahoud. I purchased a small quantity of candy, and of course had my eye cocked through the window on our two friends. Leaving here I proceeded as far as Laidlaw's. I stood on the edge of the pavement some few yards away, and, according to arrangement, I saw my manager coming at a brisk rate with an army of youngsters, which he had collected. He entered the store and several of the younger 'tees' after him. There was much amusement caused, and as they left most people gazed after them, laughing heartily. Now I had never seen the inside of the large concern, so I popped inside for a look. I waited a lady wearing a brown costume and carrying a big lawn muf, and an umbrella with a stone handle, approached the stand. I stepped up behind her and entered as close as I could without being noticed by her. This lady evidently had come in to find something in the bargain line for various counters and did not pause to purchase, at least not while I was with her. I followed in her footsteps, and she did not forget to check one, and I did not forget to change my countenance to find such a large and up-to-date store in Kingston. I saw pretty girls in there, too, but they were evidently all too busy to take notice of me. I came further down; the crowd was quite thick and down; the crowd was quite thick and I turned back and went along Bogot block west, and was making my way along Wellington on to Princess again when I came face to face with my overseer and the usual bundle of kids. Now this was closer than I cared about, and I was cleverly turned the corner. Mr. O'Connor was about town in the cab from the old stand, and he stepped out into the road and apparently held up the wrong turn from the boys who imagined they kind of had one on him, I slipped

up Princess street once again. Best, the druggist, was doing a big business and I saw him hand out a coupon to a lady, or rather it looked to me as though it might be one. I looked at the sweater exhibited in the window of Mr. Jenkins, and thought them great. I then took one more peep at my photos and then left the main drag. I did not see anything of my friend who had me nailed. I had two real good fellows after me yesterday morning on my way to St. George's church. Yes, sir, they certainly worked the right way, and were equal to the two slips I handed them. I began to think things for to run where there were people was suicidal. I was leading by about 100 yards. I jumped in quickly among the crowd who were going into church and after losing the parties I stood and watched them pass in after a young fellow who was dressed certainly like myself. I had intended going to the service but calculated that I had better not under the circumstances. Coming down Princess street during the evening I found a letter on the sidewalk addressed to a lady living on Charles street, Toronto, presumably a love letter. I have handed this in to the Whig office, where the owner may have it returned upon application. Keep your eyes open tonight, boys. I'll go up any minute now. I hope to have some real good news for you to-morrow. Yours, R.C.S., RAFFLES."

Invited To A Banquet.

On Monday morning "Raffles" received an invitation to attend the Sydenham Street Methodist Bible school Chinese banquet, on the evening of January 26th. Through the Whig, he wishes to thank the committee for remembering him. Asked as to whether he would attend, he answered:

"Well, I'm fond of a good feed. Do they treat you well in that respect?"
"Never knew better cooks than the ladies of Sydenham street church," the Whig man replied.
"Then say that I'll be—well, just tell them to keep their eyes open."
And "Raffles" smiled as he disappeared.

But Raffles Came Not.

A young man with a whistle had a great deal of fun on Princess street Saturday night, while the chase for Raffles was on. He blew the whistle when standing near the corner of Bagot and Princess streets, and in a few seconds he had an army of boys and young men around him, as it was believed that a signal had been given Raffles by his manager. "Stung" cried the young man to the interested crowd and with that made a hasty retreat.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Very Latest Culled From All Over The World.

Enrico Caruso has signed a contract to make a tour of the English provincial towns. This contract calls for payment to the tenor at the rate of \$10,000 a week.
At Calgary tenders are being asked for the installation of the street railway system complete, also for an addition to the civic power plant, which will supply the power.
Following the cold spell of the past two weeks, the weather is experiencing exceedingly mild weather. A chinook has cleaned up the snow in Alberta. It has even reached Eastern Saskatchewan and Manitoba.
Five persons are dead and more than twenty others are in hospitals at Walkhamlow, a suburb of London, as the result of a sensational attempt made by two Italians at highway robbery. The Italians were run down and surrounded by a posse and finally committed suicide.
At Lawrence, Mass., Philip Khoury, aged thirty, charged with murdering by assaulting Karan, Bharon, an aged twenty-three, was fatally shot with army rifles in a house on the corner of Elm and Hampshire streets, after he had kept the police at bay since midnight.

New Electric Railway Scheme.

Cobourg, Jan. 25.—Application will be made to the legislature of Ontario at the next session for an act to incorporate the Cobourg, Port Hope & Havelock Electric Railway company by Col. H. A. Ward, K.C., Port Hope. The chief promoters are William J. Crossman, Cobourg; Col. Ward, ex-M.P. for Durham county; Bernard McAllister, Cobourg; and Joseph Knox, Havelock. The main line will run from Port Hope to Cobourg, thence across country to Warkworth, to Campbellford and on to Havelock. A branch line is to run from Cobourg to Gore's Landing.

Not A Probability.

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—In official circles in Ottawa little evidence is given to the report cabled from London, to the effect that Lord Northcote is to succeed Earl Grey as governor-general of Canada. It is pointed out that Lord Northcote is a unionist, and it is improbable that a liberal government will appoint a conservative to one of the most honored positions in its gift.

PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 25.—(10 a.m.)—Wind clearing and mid. Tuesday, fair and a little colder.

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BORN.

ROSS—In Kingston, Jan. 23rd, 1909, to Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Ross, a son, MILNEB.—In Kingston, on Jan. 25th, 1909, at 237 Earl St., to Mr. and Mrs. Milner, a daughter.

DIED.

BROWN—In Kingston, Jan. 25th, 1909, David Brown, aged forty-eight years. Funeral from his late residence, 40 Division St., Tuesday afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances respectively invited to attend.
WISKIN—In Kingston, on Jan. 24th, 1909, Frederick Wiskin, aged seventy-seven years and eight months. Funeral from his son's residence, 42 Collingwood street, at 2 p.m., Tuesday. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

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The United States schooner Soquel was wrecked at the mouth of Pachen Bay, B.C. The crew was rescued, but Capt. Jamieson's wife and child were killed by falling spars.

John Yamba, a worker in the new Michigan Central tunnel between Detroit and Windsor, dropped dead on coming out of the air lock after his first day's work.

Hon. Mr. Templeman will have to fight for Comox-Atlin, although his predecessor, Mr. Sloan, was elected by acclamation.

The Canadian Associated Press has heard a rumor that Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson will be the next resignation from the Grand Truck.

Venezuela has resumed diplomatic relations with France.