

THE AGONY OF RELATIVES IN SEEKING THEIR DEAD

Touching Incidents In The Death Chamber

AN AIR OF MOURNING

STILL PREVAILS IN THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

Flags Still Fly at Half-mast for the Titanic Dead—The People Await the Arrival of the Body of Charles M. Hays.

Halifax, May 3.—While not rationally, the gloom visible in Halifax, with the arrival of the Mackay-Bennett has disappeared nevertheless there is an air of mourning prevailing. Many flags are still at half-mast, people do not seem anxious to go to the theatres or participate in other amusements with their usual vigor, and a sad air is likely to prevail until after the arrival of the Mackay-Bennett with the body of C. M. Hays and others on board.

Sad scenes have been witnessed in the relatives or friends have endeavored to identify the remains. There seems little hope of the remaining sixty bodies that are unidentified being recognized, and it will be impossible to keep them much longer. From their appearance most of them are firemen or members of the crew. About forty of these will be buried to-morrow.

At 11 a.m. yesterday a memorial service was held in Brunswick street church, conducted by the Evangelical Alliance, and the band of the Royal Canadian Regiment played "Nearer My God to Thee" and "The Dead March in Saul." The Roman Catholic church also held a service.

A young man searching for his brother's body in the morgue yesterday without finding a trace. He said to-day he was willing to give \$100 to any person whom he felt was in a position to identify his brother, if he would inspect the remainder.

One young man who was there to identify his father, when the clothing was brought to him, made a brave struggle to keep back the tears that welled up in his eyes. One by one the effects were handed to him—the missing clothes, patent leather shoes, and overcoat, but he sadly shook his head, finding it impossible to determine any link of identification. Suddenly he put his hand in the overcoat pocket and drew forth a handkerchief which showed distinctly the name of the owner.

To describe the look of delight in the father's face is impossible. But it passed in a moment, he succeeded in identifying the body, and the boy passed out and gave place to the next mourner.

A description of the agony suffered by relatives during a tour down the long aisles of dead in the Mayflower rink is given by R. S. Fortune, who came here in an endeavor to find the body of his father, Mark Fortune, who, with one son, was lost on the Titanic. The Fortunes reside in Winnipeg.

Mr. Fortune said that as he had passed through the rink his eye would catch a glimpse of the part of a face and the hair of a body which resembled those of his father or brother. He would hasten to the casket and survey its silent occupant. Often this would occur, and many times he suffered disappointment when he found that the resemblance to his father or brother which had attracted his notice disappeared upon a closer inspection of the bodies.

Mr. Fortune said that the anguish of his experience was horrible, and he decided to leave town in the interim between now and the arrival of the Minia, and look no more on the faces of the Titanic's dead.

Wants to See Two Messages.

New York, May 3.—Senator William Alden Smith, of Michigan, chairman of the senate committee, investigating the Titanic disaster, announced yesterday that he would hold no public hearing during the two days he will spend in New York, but expects to investigate chiefly the report that one of the Titanic's messengers reached New York on Monday morning, April 15th.

The fact that the Titanic had sunk was announced on Monday evening by P. A. S. Franklin, vice-president of the White Star line, who has testified that he did not learn of the vessel's fate until a few minutes before the announcement was made.

"I am here to look up the question of two messages said to have been received Monday morning," Senator Smith said.

Prisoners Start Blaze.

Muskogee, Okla., May 3.—Walter Haley, thirty years old, met death by being burned in the city jail at Pryor, Okla. Haley had been placed in a cell for drunkenness. Some of the prisoners set fire to the building. Before Haley could be taken out he was badly burned that he died. One prisoner in the jail when it burned escaped and has not been recaptured.

One interested listener or orator has in himself.

DAILY MEMORANDA.

Civic finance committee, 8 p.m.
Spaulding-Benoist concert, City Hall, 8 p.m.
With Edited Tools, Grand Opera House, matinee 2:30 p.m., Saturday.



JUDGE MABEE,
chief commissioner of the Board of
Railway Commissioners, recently
stricken with appendicitis.

A SECOND OPERATION.

Chairman Mabee's Condition is Very Critical.

Toronto, May 3.—It was found necessary, this morning, to perform a second operation on Chairman Mabee, of the Dominion railway commission, for appendicitis, and it is stated his condition is very serious.

WIDER MONROE DOCTRINE.

Washington, May 3.—Discussing President Taft's message regarding Japanese aggression on the Mexican Pacific coast, Senators Lodge and Bacon and others declared in the Senate last night that the United States should either force the Monroe doctrine or formulate a new one, broad enough to prevent Oriental commercial interests from obtaining a foothold in such places as Magdalena Bay.

Kids "Swatting" Flies.

Cleveland, May 3.—In answer to an offer of the city to pay a reward of one cent for every "fly" delivered dead at the city hall, the children of Cleveland are "swatting" flies with vim and vigor. The reward will continue for two weeks. City health authorities believe that they killed at this season of the year, of nine flies later.

TO ABANDON SEARCH FOR TITANIC BODIES

The Steamet Minia Will Reach Halifax Early Monday Morning With Fifteen of Dead.

Halifax, May 3.—A wireless message from Capt. de Carteret on the steamet Minia, via Cape Race, dated May 2nd, says: "Bodies widely scattered by gales and moving eight miles daily. Faster when Gulf Stream is entered. Excepting an odd one occasionally, it is impossible to keep in touch with the bodies. Lack of observations owing to three days' fog, and two days' east gale coming on, compels me to abandon search. Returning to Halifax, day early Monday. Fifteen bodies on board."

VERY LITTLE INTEREST.

No Bill in Years Agitated So Little Enthusiasm.

London, May 3.—Less interest on the part of the members and the public was displayed yesterday in connection with the home rule bill than in any great political project ever debated in the house of commons.

The Right Hon. J. E. B. Seely, parliamentary secretary of the war office, said that those doubted the sincerity of Irishmen, when they declared that they would carry out the act honorably and fairly, were the same persons who doubted the good faith of the Boers when the South African Union act was introduced. "You were wrong then," he added, addressing the opposition, "and you now admit it. Are you going to be so mad as to repeat your error?"

"The Irish people," he continued, "have shown, as a whole, that they are the last people to break their pledge or word, and we are right in trusting the responsible leaders of the great majority of Irishmen."

PROGRESS OF FRENCH.

Growth in British Columbia, Ontario and New Brunswick.

Ottawa, May 3.—The first volume of census statistics, including the figures as to civil condition, nationalities and religions, has been sent to the printer, and will be published in the course of a month or so. They are expected to show a remarkable growth of the French Catholic population of Ontario and New Brunswick, and also to note a distinct advance of the number of French-Canadians in British Columbia.

THE WIDOW AGREEABLE.

Seeking a Housekeeper, Widower Finds a Wife.

St. Louis, May 3.—Four days after he visited Mrs. C. E. Brannan to ask her to be his housekeeper, H. M. Buck, Glover Leal agent at Edwardsville, whose wife died March 2nd last, and Mrs. Brannan were married at the home of Rev. F. H. Knight, in Edwardsville.

After meeting Mrs. Brannan last Sunday, Buck decided he would rather have her for his bride than for his housekeeper and told the young widow so. Mrs. Brannan, whose husband died February 25th, 1911, agreed, and the marriage was arranged. Buck is forty-five years old and his bride is twenty-five.

Mr. and Mrs. Brannan moved from Tennessee to Edwardsville more than a year ago, in the hope Brannan's health would be benefited.

COULD NOT ESCAPE.

Held by Barbs on Fence, Escaping Prisoner Caught.

St. Louis, May 3.—Charles Thompson, twenty-three years old, a member of a Clayton chain gang shoveling gravel from a Rock Island freight car onto one of the county road wagons, might have escaped from the custody of Jailer George Kern if the weeping willows in which he sought to hide himself had not been fortified with barbed wire.

Thompson, after severing the chain which hobbled his legs by pounding it with his gravel shovel, ran down the railroad tracks and dived into the willows. The steel barbs caught and held him until Kern arrived and took him back to the jail, where double shackles were put on him.

THE SYNOD FAVORS WIPING OUT BAR

Resolutions Adopted by the Synod of Hamilton and London.

London, Ont., May 3.—Following the strong endorsement of N. W. Howland, leader of the Ontario opposition, at yesterday's meeting of the synod of Hamilton and London, resolutions were adopted approving the proposal to abolish the bar. The large and representative gathering of Presbyterian delegates met on record as follows: The resolutions being two of those adopted from the report of the committee on social services and evangelism:

(1) "That this synod places itself upon record as approving of whatever legislation will effectively abolish the licensing bar, not only in this province, but throughout the dominion."

(2) "That the government be encouraged and urged to place all houses of public entertainment under such inspection as shall insure the adequate and comfortable entertainment of the travelling public."

Dr. Day, the moderator, reporting from the committee on French evangelization, said they were making progress, and that the 20,000 French-Canadian Protestants of Canada were now making their influence felt both in politics and religion. He said that points were being made to the French Roman Catholics having special privileges, which were spreading from Quebec to Ontario.

BONEHEADS: NEVER "DUBS."

Magistrate's Respect for Brantford Aldermen—Trouble at Board.

Brantford, May 3.—A lively row ensued at the police board meeting between Mayor Hartman and commissioners Hardy and Livingston when the mayor charged that the aldermen were being made to do the force without authority. Judge Hardy accused the mayor of paying attention to gossip. The mayor charged Magistrate Livingston with referring to the aldermen as dubs, but the magistrate replied that he had used the term boneheads.

HE SAW NAPOLEON.

St. Petersburg, May 3.—Several children and grand children gathered at the death bed of Simon Filij, an old soldier, who had just celebrated his one hundred and thirtieth birthday at Warsaw. Filij is said to have been the last survivor of those who could claim to have seen Napoleon Bonaparte.

DEATH WAS PEACEFUL SAYS SHIP'S SURGEON

Who Contradicts Statements as to Terror on Faces of Bodies Found.

Halifax, May 3.—Dr. Thomas Armstrong, surgeon on the Mackay-Bennett, contradicted the report published that the faces of the dead were "distorted with terror" when found. He said: "I was on duty on the deck during the recovery of 306 bodies, and with the exception of about ten bodies that had received serious injury, their faces were calm and peaceful, in fact, so peaceful that it was difficult to realize that they were dead. Some had their arms folded and legs crossed, as if they were taking rest."

"For the benefit of the very sympathetic public who may have been misled by such statements, I may safely say that a majority died a peaceful death, and the minority were killed instantaneously. Consequently relatives and friends who suffered from the disaster have this consolation that the departed ones did not suffer."

Braying Mule is Fajointed.

Danville, Ill., May 3.—Judge Kimbrough has issued an injunction in the circuit court against a mule belonging to Jack Goodwin, Potomac, restraining it from braying and annoying the sleep and repose of Benjamin Wice, supervisor and publisher of the Potomac Record.

TAFT'S LETTER Is Discussed by the English Newspapers.

DISCLOSURE OF TEDDY REVEALS AN AMAZING PLOT, THEY DECLARE.

Canada Congratulated on Rejecting Reciprocity—Shows Urgent Need of Tariff Reform, the Morning Post Says.

London, May 3.—London newspapers are giving great prominence to the correspondence on reciprocity between President Taft and Mr. Roosevelt in January, last year, and the sensation its publication has caused in Canada.

The Daily Mail displays the news as its leading feature, with a big headline heading, reading "The Plot Against Canada; Amazing Revelation." In a leading article headed "Mr. Taft's Plot Against Canada," the Daily Mail speaks of the "remarkable disclosure" has aroused in the domain.

TO ASK NEW TRIAL.

Baran Indian Sentenced to the Gallows.

London, Ont., May 3.—Attorney Frazer will make a final effort to save Stephen Kiyooki from the gallows. The Indian is to be hanged on June 6th, but in view of recent developments Mr. Frazer will at once make a request to the government for a new trial.

SCREAMED AND YELLED AS FLOOD APPROACHED

Inhabitants Reached Place of Safety Before The Streets Were Submerged.

Toronto, La., May 3.—Women screaming and men yelling as they hurried into their homes and grabbed their children and valuables in their mad effort to reach places of safety, and the stampeding of animals turned loose by their owners to seek safe places, were chaotic conditions that prevailed in Toronto when the alarm was sounded that the levee at the junction of the Old and Mississippi rivers had given way to the mighty pressure of the flood waters.

Before the streets were entirely submerged the inhabitants had reached safety. Three hundred women and children were placed aboard a freight train which had just arrived.

THE MARRIAGE TEST CASE

May Come Before Supreme Court Next Tuesday.

Ottawa, May 3.—Unless something unusual happens, the reference by the federal government to the supreme court of the question of the power of Parliament to pass a general marriage law for the dominion will come before the supreme court on Tuesday next.

It all depends on whether the judicial committee of the privy council gives judgment in the reference about the power of incorporation of companies on Saturday next as promised.

SITUATION SERIOUS OVER THE COAL SUPPLY

Companies Are Two Months Behind in Canadian Shipments For Next Winter.

New York, May 3.—With suspension of work continuing in the hard coal regions, the situation in the anthracite mining districts which supply the eastern states and Canada with their fuel is getting more serious. There was a protracted meeting of the miners' committees this morning, to decide what should be done, following the definite refusal of President Baer, of the Mine Owners' Association, to consider the terms offered by the operators. Already the companies are two months behind in shipments for next winter's supply in Canada.

Gift Causes Mother's Death.

Chicago, May 3.—A son's gift of a gas stove to his aged mother caused her death when, through unfamiliarity with its use, she opened one of the jets and was overcome while reading a paper.

Mrs. Theresa Knutzen, seventy-three years old, was the victim. Some weeks ago she went to Michigan City, Ind., to visit friends, and her son, William Knutzen, to surprise her, had a gas range installed in her home.

Government Buys Painting.

St. Thomas, Ont., May 3.—The Dominion government has purchased a magnificent oil painting for the national art gallery, Ottawa, from W. St. Thomas Smith, A.R.C.A. St. Thomas, and also placed an order for a second marine scene.

AGREEMENT REJECTED.

Settlement Agreed Upon Fails to Meet Approval.

New York, May 3.—"The outlook, while rather optimistic, is not encouraging. It is hoped all differences may yet be adjusted."

This was said by William Green, representing John P. White, president of the United Mine Workers of America, shortly before an evening session of the general committee representing the mine workers in the anthracite coal regions.

During the day the committee rejected the tentative agreement for settlement of the miners' wage and other demands, which agreement had been approved by sub-committees representing the operators and the mine workers.

It had been hoped the agreement would result in the speedy resumption of work in the mines, where a suspension affecting 170,000 employees became effective April 1st.

Objection to the settlement, which was approved by President White, was based on the length of the contract period, which was for four years; the abolition of the sliding scale and the failure to recognize the union to the extent that the miners demanded.

The proposal for the settlement of the controversy was voted down by the miners while in conference with the operators.

WORTHLESS AS SEED.

Winnipeg, May 3.—There is general feeling among farmers of the prairie pro- vinces that wheat left in stock all winter and threshed this spring will not germinate and is worthless for seed.

Millions of bushels are involved, especially in Saskatchewan. At Pipestone, Man., W. Flannery sowed a field with this grain three weeks ago, and there are no signs of growth. W. E. Hodgins, a neighbor, found the seed dead and rotten.

NO TRUTH IN STORY.

That Ambassador Bryce is to be Retired.

London, Eng., May 3.—The Chronicle, this morning, condemns as disgraceful the tactics of the Tory press story that Ambassador Bryce, at Washington, may be discredited and retired because of his part in the reciprocity treaty, debated by the Canadian people. There is no truth whatever in the report that Ambassador Bryce is not still possessed of the fullest confidence of the Asquith government.

KIDS WERE COUNTED FOUND ONE TOO MANY

In One Family—During May Moving Rush 143 Youngsters Were Lost.

Montreal, May 3.—A man walked into the Central police station last night leading a weeping child by the hand. "We moved to-day," he told Chief Campeau, "and when we were settling down in our new home, my wife discovered that we were one too many. 'Leave him here,' said the chief. 'That makes one hundred and forty-three.' Never before were there so many children lost and mislaid in the Montreal annual moving day rush. Policemen have done nothing else but bring in lost kiddies during the past two days. This morning there were thirteen still unclaimed at the Central station. A total of 143 were garnered in by constables.

BOY KILLED HIMSELF.

A Vancouver Youth Preferred Death to School.

Vancouver, B.C., May 3.—Ernest Clarke, aged fourteen, and living with his parents at 388 Eighth avenue west committed suicide, yesterday, preferring death to school. He objected so strongly to going to school that his mother had sent his father to reason with him. He told his mother that he would take poison first. When his father went into the room the lad whipped out a revolver so quickly that before he could be stopped he shot himself through the temple, dying instantly.

Robs Government.

Toronto, May 3.—After a four days' investigation conducted by Detectives Tipton and Archibald, with the assistance of Inspector Parkinson, of Ottawa, John K. McCarger, a clerk in the deputy receiver-general's office on Toronto street, was arrested, yesterday, on a charge of theft. The accused admits taking \$688, but it is thought that more money than that is missing, and a careful audit of books and currency is being made to definitely ascertain what has really been stolen.

THE MARRIAGE TEST CASE

It all depends on whether the judicial committee of the privy council gives judgment in the reference about the power of incorporation of companies on Saturday next as promised. Should the privy council reverse the decision of the supreme court, which held that it had full jurisdiction, to hear stated cases as to jurisdiction, the marriage cases cannot be gone on with. But if the supreme court's decision in the companies cases is upheld, then the case can proceed. But in any case it is doubtful whether argument will proceed on Tuesday. What seems more likely is that application will be made for the fixing of a date for argument later on in the term.

THEIR VIEWS IN REGARD TO CANADIAN RECIPROCITY



DR. BEATTIE NESBITT,
Making strongest kind of a fight
against reciprocity. Case will be
tried in a few days.

BRITAIN RESPONSIBLE

For the Opium Trade—It Must Cut It Out.

Shanghai, May 3.—The responsibility for the continuation of the opium trade in the world, to-day, placed by Dr. Sun Yat Sen squarely at door of the British government. "Until England absolutely prohibits the sale of opium in her possessions this course cannot be stamped out," said Sun Yat Sen. He implored the British Anti-Opium League to put forth every effort to leave the government do so.

Have Practically Put Them Out of the Running.

TAFT IS RIDICULOUS

AS DIPLOMAT, ACCORDING TO WASHINGTON PAPER.

His Remark of Making Canada "a Mere Adjunct to the States" Will Cause His Downfall—Reciprocity is Becoming a Factor in Campaign.

Washington, May 3.—Independent observers here are of the opinion that recent developments have practically eliminated President Taft, republican, and Speaker Champ Clark, democrat, from the list of possibilities for the next president, owing to their attitude on the question of reciprocity which Canada recently turned down. Taft's letter, published by Roosevelt during the Massachusetts campaign, speaking of the United States making Canada a mere adjunct of the states, has made Taft look absolutely ridiculous as a diplomat, according to one Washington paper.

Champ Clark's annexation propaganda, during the same period, put him out of the running say others. On the whole the situation, here, is like an "easy" thing for Roosevelt or a stiff fight between Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson or Mayor Gaynor, of New York.

Canada and her refusal of reciprocity is becoming a greater factor every day in the presidential campaign.

EXPRESSED SURPRISE

At the Titanic Going Into Iceberg at High Speed.

London, Eng., May 3.—Lord Mersey, enquiring into the Titanic disaster, and Attorney-General Sir Rufus Isaacs, both made comment and expressed great surprise this morning at the evidence submitted which made it appear that the vessel ran right ahead into the ice field at a rate of twenty-one knots despite the warnings from other vessels of dangerous-bergs ahead. Sir Rufus also put stress on the grossly inadequate life-boat accommodation. Among the witnesses already here for enquiry are the surviving members of the Titanic's crew, who returned to Southampton from New York on the S.S. Lapland.

Sir Rufus Isaacs continuing the questioning of witnesses brought out the fact that the proportion of first-class passengers saved was greatly larger than the third-class, and that only five women of the first-class went down, there were many more of the third-class women and children drowned. He pointed out that the life of a third-class passenger was just as valuable to his family, perhaps more so, in many cases, than the first-class passenger. Sir Rufus said it was part of the commissioners' duty to decide whose fault it was that such discrimination was made.

MARRIED.

CAMPBELL-PANNELL.—At King- ston, May 1st, 1912, at the residence of the bride's parents, Alfred Campbell and Florence Pannell, only daughter of William S. Pannell, of Alexander Street, Campbell, Esq., son of the Rev. Alexander Campbell, bell, Marsden, Sask.

CURZON-PERRYMAN.—In Kingston, Ont., on May 2nd, 1912, at the residence of her mother, Eva Temperance Perryman, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Perryman, Lower Rideau Street, to Walter Curzon Curzon, Kingston Street, by the Rev. T. W. Neal, Kingston, London and Ottawa papers, please copy.

DIED.

GREENLEES.—In Sunbury, May 2nd, 1912, Robt. Greenlee, aged 82 years. Funeral will take place from his late residence, to Presbyterian Church, on Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully requested to attend.

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