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THE FRENCH ELECTION

FOR A NEW PRESIDENT IS NEAR AT HAND.

M. Fallieres Has Made Preparations for Retirement—The Position of President Carries With It But Little Actual Power.

Paris, Dec. 21.—Four weeks hence France will have elected a new president, who, unless something unforeseen should happen, will continue in office for a term of seven years. M. Fallieres, the present holder of the office, has made all his preparations for his impending retirement and engaged modest apartments not far from the American embassy. After his retirement he expects to divide his time between Paris and his little estate, Loupillon, in Southern France, where he produces in his vineyards about 600 cases of wine yearly.

To those who are accustomed to the feverish activity, aggressive campaigning and intense public excitement invariably preceding a presidential election in the United States, the universal apathy and complete lack of interest in the coming election, as displayed through France, must be a surprise and disappointment. But it must be remembered that in France the presi-

THE WAGES OF SIN

ONCE "PRETTIEST SHOW GIRL" NOW HOMELESS.

Florence Schenck, Who a Few Years Ago Brightened the "Great White Way," Disappears From New York Saloons She Recently Frequented.

New York, Dec. 21.—Florence Schenck, who less than four years ago was hailed as "the prettiest showgirl on Broadway," and who at one time claimed to be the wife of Charles Wilson, manager of Alfred G. Vanderbilt's stable, is missing from her haunts in the upper tenements. Not one of her former friends, who in days gone by imagined that without her the Great White Way would be bleak and cheerless, knows—nor cares, evidently—whether she is alive or dead.

Yet Florence Schenck is still, in years, a young woman. She was seen yesterday when Charles Wilson brought her to New York from the Virginia town that was her home, and that was only seven years ago.

She came to the city aboard the Vanderbilt private car, the Wanderer, and for a brief space she enjoyed all the luxuries that Broadway has to offer heres.

But mingled with the merry-go-round of gaiety into which she was whirled, came the craving for stimulants such a life demands. First it was wine, then whiskey, and finally morphine. And now, if she is still alive, Florence Schenck's existence is staged in the backrooms of Sixth avenue saloons, within sight of the gorgeous restaurants she used to patronize, but as far removed from their glitter as beer is from champagne.

None of the habitués of these places knows where Florence Schenck lives or lived. When first she returned to this country from Paris a few months ago she had a furnished room in West Forty-ninth street, but she evidently moved from there. She crossed the ocean in the second cabin, and landed here with fifty cents in her pocket. In Paris she twice attempted suicide, and once recovered only after a long illness.

A few of her old friends helped her with gifts of money and clothing for a time, but invariably she spent every cent she could get from any source for drink and drugs.

She was seldom in a normal condition, and so gradually she reached the Sixth avenue saloons, where she is now frequently seen. "She's a good-hearted girl, and I'm sorry for her, but what can you do? She's down and out—hasn't enough to keep her warm—and I guess she's pretty sick most of the time. But what can you do?"

Why Not Spend the Winter in California? Attractive rates will be quoted by reliable routes, including travel agency. The Los Angeles Limited, leaving Chicago daily 10.16 p.m. for Southern California, the San Francisco Overland Limited, leaving Chicago 8.30 p.m., less than three days en route, provides the best of everything in railway travel. The China and Japan Mail leaves Chicago daily 10.45 p.m. for San Francisco and Los Angeles. Illustrated literature on application to B. H. Bennett, general agent, Chicago and Northwestern Ry., 46 Young street, Toronto, Ont.

Christmas in Germany. Berlin, Dec. 21.—Notwithstanding the warcloud hovering over Europe and the industrial depression that of late has become pronounced in many sections of the empire, the approaching celebration of Christmas is monopolizing German attention as completely as ever. There is no feature of German life which shows so little change. The imperial family will celebrate the holiday with all the traditional German customs. Christmas trees, one for each member of the family, will be set up in the staterooms of the new palace at Potsdam. The trees will be arranged according to the age of the person represented—the emperor's the tallest, that of the empress second, and so on downward to the youngest of the imperial grandchildren.

Chicago's Generous Santa Claus. Chicago, Dec. 21.—Showers of gold and loads of turkeys were distributed by a generous Santa Claus throughout Chicago's business district today. It is estimated that at least \$2,000,000 was distributed as bonuses among the employes of industries, banks and big stores, with the probability that the total will be raised to \$3,000,000 by the addition of gifts deferred until Christmas Day or the end of the year. The biggest gift was the large factory and mercantile establishments that have adopted the profit-sharing plan. Practically all of the banks and brokerage houses presented their employes with gold pieces, from 35 to \$25, in most cases according to rank and length of service.

Welland Canal Closed. Port Colborne, Dec. 20.—The Welland canal was officially closed, on Thursday, the last boats to go through being the Carleton, for Kingston, coal laden, and the Naylor, for Buffalo. Boats with winter storage cargoes in the harbor are the Algonquin, Easton, Iroquois, Winona, and the Matthews is expected to arrive in a few days. The steamer Port Colborne is laid up in the canal opposite the Canada Cement company's dock.

He Killed the Stork. Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 20.—John Hayden, aged eleven, killed a crane with a rifle today. "Maw," he said, running into the house, "There ain't gonna be no more babies. I killed the stork."

Money isn't everything, but it's all our creditors will take. A short prayer from the heart is more effective than a long one from the lips. Today is the day to better yesterday's success.

DEFENCE OF PACIFIC

Australia and New Zealand Co-operate in Naval Defence.

Sydney, N.S.W., Dec. 21.—The visit of Mr. Allen, the New Zealand minister of defence, who will have an important conference with Mr. Pearce, the Australian minister of defence, and the Australian general staff early next week, is strengthening hopes of a complete naval and military co-operation between the two dominions at the earliest possible date.

The chief obstacle seems to be that many New Zealanders fear lest a joint defence policy should be used as a wedge to promote closer political union.

The Sydney Morning Herald, while emphasizing the urgency of co-operation in defence, says, "in manners which concern the integrity of the British empire in the Pacific our interests are not individual, but identical; nevertheless in order to further our joint desires there is no necessity for New Zealand to sacrifice any vestige of her individuality."

Mr. Allen, adds the correspondent, shares the hopes of the federal ministers and naval experts that imperial defence in the Pacific will in the not distant future be confined to the dominions bordering on the Pacific co-operation between Australia and New Zealand, being only the first step to this end.

THE FOSTER OF 1909.

"The first Canadian-owned vessel, built and equipped in Britain, and sent out to defend our coast would become the nucleus and the training ground of Canadian stokers, Canadian sailors and Canadian officers, and by and-by perhaps a Canadian coast. How much time would be taken in completing that circle none of us can say, but if we begin the tracing of it and follow it faithfully, the time must come when we get a complete circle, and have an imperial adjunct to the British navy for the defence of Canada and the defence of the empire, in which Canada has some of her body, her bones, her blood and her mental power, her national pride."—Hon. George E. Foster, in the House of Commons, March 29, 1909.

HIS PANTS WERE WARMED.

Johny Had Matches in Pocket When Teacher Spanked Him. Hammond, Ind., Dec. 20.—Johny Miller, a teacher in school yesterday had teacher had to do it, Johny was hauled up before the whole school, girls and all, and soon the room was filled with the echo of a sound resembling that of rapid applause.

Johny grinned until he began to feel unusually warm when he was being spanked. The teacher smelled smoke and next saw it curling up from Johny's hip pocket. A fire brigade was quickly found and the blaze put out before Johny was badly hurt.

He explained to teacher that he kept matches in his rear pocket. He had been gradually backed out of the room.

Make Your Will To-day.

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Shortest Day of Year.

Washington, Dec. 21.—This is the shortest day of the year, which is naturally to be expected of the last Saturday before Christmas. It is the shortest day astronomically as well as socially. The approximate time of the solstice this year will be at half-past eleven o'clock to-night. This will mark the beginning of winter. From now on the days will become longer and the nights shorter.

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For Laurier's Policy.

Halleybury, Dec. 20.—At the annual meeting of the Timiskaming Liberal Association, two hundred delegates unanimously passed two resolutions, affirming belief in the abolitionist programme, and the abolition of Laurier's naval policy would be for the good of Canada.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one remedy, which is constitutional, and that is by the use of Serravallo's Tonic. Deafness is caused by an inflammation of the mucous membrane of the ear. Serravallo's Tonic is a powerful blood purifier, and it cures the inflammation, and restores the hearing. It is the only remedy that cures deafness, and it is the only remedy that is safe and reliable. It is the only remedy that is guaranteed to cure deafness, and it is the only remedy that is sold in every part of the world. It is the only remedy that is sold in every part of the world. It is the only remedy that is sold in every part of the world.

SENTENCED TO TEN YEARS.

W. Morin, Who Shot and Robbed His Brother. L'Original, Ont., Dec. 20.—W. Morin, the Polish, who shot and robbed his brother, Uchrad Morin, in the woods, one mile east of Pendleton, on the C.P.R., on Nov. 3rd last, was found guilty of robbery and violence, and sentenced by Judge Constantineau, to ten years' imprisonment.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

W. H. SCROGGIE CAPITAL WILL BE \$2,000,000.

Macdonald Stock Placed—New Merger Issue Will be Listed in Toronto and Montreal—Notes of Very Much Interest.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—The authorized capital of W. H. Scroggie, Limited, has been increased from \$600,000 to \$2,000,000. Of this amount \$1,400,000 has been placed privately. It is stated that the balance of the authorized capital will not be issued till the fall of 1913, which is about the time the new store will be opened. It is believed that this amount will be issued as preferred stock.

The sharp drives that have been made against the Canadian Pacific railway stock during the past week in Wall street, New York, are ascribed entirely to the operations of a bear dike. Their success during the past few weeks has been greater than any similar operations for some years past. A good deal of local stock was shaken out, it is said, by their operations, owing to the very large margins required for a high price stock like Canadian Pacific railway.

Formal application has been made at Murray Bay for a winding up order for the East Canada Power and Pulp company. The company has not paid its bond interest, due on Sept. 1st, and when this was still unpaid on Dec. 1st, the three months allowed, the Montreal Trust company, trustees for the bondholders, made formal application for a winding up order and a general meeting of the bondholders, creditors and shareholders has been called for Dec. 27th, at Murray Bay.

It is understood that the plan of reorganization has practically been worked out in connection with the company.

To be Listed.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—The stocks of the A. Macdonald Company, Limited, are said to have been placed, and it is understood they will be listed on the Toronto and Montreal exchanges in the near future. The A. Macdonald Company, Limited, is the merger of western wholesale grocery companies recently acquired by eastern interests.

\$162,000,000 in Eight Months.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Here is an example of how outside capital is flowing into Canada apart from the usual channels of floating loans abroad. In eight months up to the end of November 18,000,000 settlers brought in \$162,000,000 worth.

This is about ten times as much as all the other immigrant arrivals in the same period.

Moving Picture Shows.

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—It is stated here that the directors of the American Kinemacolor Limited is to build a chain of kinemacolor motion picture theatres throughout Canada.

For the purpose of carrying out this scheme a separate company has been organized, called the Canadian Kinemacolor, with headquarters in Montreal, and with Sir Henry Pellatt as one of the directors.

Grand Trunk Rolling Stock.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—It has been officially announced by the Grand Trunk railway that the following rolling stock, ordered some time ago, has just been received—The Baldwin Locomotive Works has delivered eighteen locomotives of the Pacific type, with 69-inch wheels. Other equipment received includes one first-class car, two baggage cars and sixty-four refrigerator cars, 165 box cars and 16 automobile cars.

Financial Notes.

It is reported that the Canada Stone Co., Limited, of Montreal, has absorbed the Sackville Freestone company.

Zepherin Hebert was re-elected president of the Montreal Wholesale Grocers' Guild of the Board of Trade.

Farquhar Robertson, Montreal, is mentioned for one of the proposed three new seats at the Metropolitan Bank board in addition to Messrs. George L. Cairns and Alfred B. Evans.

President C. B. Gordon of the Dominion Textile company, Montreal, denies the rumor that he was arranging for a merger of all the textile companies in the dominion.

According to the estimate of former City Solicitor McDermid, Victoria will need about eleven million dollars to finance her undertakings next year.

H. H. Sutherland, president of the Crown Chartered Gold Mining company, declares that the \$45,000 necessary to be raised immediately for the saving of the Davidson claims for the company, is in sight.



M. FALLIERES, The retiring president of the French Republic.

dent is not elected by the people, as in the United States, but by the senate and the Chamber of Deputies, meeting in joint session as National Assembly at Versailles, on January 17th, once every seven years. It is true there were times when the approaching election of a president aroused a certain amount of popular interest, but those instances were rare. The coming election has not caused even a flutter of interest and one may travel from one end of France to the other without hearing a single mention of the coming event. It is not even generally known who the candidates are or whether there are any candidates.

In view of the fact that the president is elected by a majority vote of the combined senate and Chamber of Deputies and the additional fact that the two houses are divided into a large number of parties and factions, it would be impossible to predict who will be the successful candidate, even if all the possible candidates were known. The legislative body invariably selects a man who has long been a member, and has perhaps served as president, of one of the other of the chambers; who has been active in committee work, and has, perhaps, held a portfolio in one or more ministries; who is not strenuous or aggressive, and has not made too many personal enemies.

Among those who fit into this class and who may be, therefore, considered as possible candidates, Paul Deschanel, president of the chamber and one of its bright lights for twenty-eight years, is perhaps the foremost. He is fifty-five years of age and his family has great wealth. A notable candidate, three times premier and a man held in high esteem. His wife was Miss Mary Burch, of Chicago, and she has assisted him much in his public career. M. Ribot is nearly seventy-one years old. Other candidates are the president of the senate, M. Bailest; Leon Bourgeois, Theophile Delcasse, Premier Poincare and Paul Doumer.

The general lack of interest in the coming election is principally due to two reasons: The fact that the people of France have no voice in the matter and the fact that the president of the French republic occupies a position which, though distinguished and dignified, carries with it but little actual power. A familiar French witticism says: "The king of Great Britain reigns, but does not govern; the president of the United States governs, but does not reign; the president of the French republic neither reigns nor governs." Nothing could more tersely and clearly state the actual conditions in the three countries named.

The president of the French republic receives an annual salary of \$120,000 and an equal annual sum for expenses and representation. Under the terms of the constitution he promulgates the laws voted by both chambers, and insures their execution. He has a limited veto power, but it requires only a mere majority vote to pass any law over the president's veto. The president selects the ministry, but, as a matter of fact, he is compelled to select the men whom the leaders of the ruling party have agreed upon beforehand. He appoints to all civil and military posts, has the right of individual pardon, and is responsible only in case of high treason. The president concludes treaties with foreign powers, but cannot declare war without the previous assent of both chambers. Every act of the president has to be countersigned by a minister. The ministers are not responsible to him, but to the chambers. With the consent of the senate he can dissolve the Chamber of Deputies and order a new election. Finally, the president has the right to create new offices by executive decree, but the chambers may withhold appropriations for the salaries and expenses of these offices.

FEMALE DICK TURPIN.

Mary Hubbard Acquitted on Murder Charge is Re-arrested.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Acquitted on a charge of murder in July last, Mary Hubbard, alias Alice Burns, was arrested here on a charge of highway robbery, alleged to have been committed in Quebec.

On March 1st, 1912, Chief Detective McCaskill, of the provincial detective department, arrested Mary Hubbard and a man named Montano for the murder of an unknown man at Murray Bay, Quebec. The man was tried first and sentenced to ninety-nine years' imprisonment, while the woman, taking the stand in her own defence, was acquitted.

Wednesday night Chief Detective Walsh of Quebec, notified Chief McCaskill to arrest the woman for highway robbery. She was taken to Quebec.

AUSTRALIA'S HEAT WAVE.

Mercury Rose to 122 in Shade—Dust and Winter Storms.

Sydney, N.S.W., Dec. 21.—One hundred and twenty-two in the shade is the record put up by the first heat wave experienced in Australia this summer. This was recorded at Eucla, a station on the South Australian border.

At Poma, in Queensland, the mercury stood at 110, while Newcastle, the coal city of New South Wales, has had the hottest spell for sixteen years, accompanied by dust and wind storms. Other parts of New South Wales were less severe, but in Sydney the thermometer went only 93. No deaths are reported.

SLOCUM CAPTAIN PARDONED.

President's Christmas Gift for Master of Boat.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The president has granted a pardon to Capt. William H. Vanschaick, who commanded the steamboat General Slocum, which burned in 1904 in East River, off New York City, resulting in the loss of 1,030 lives, mostly women and children. The pardon becomes effective Christmas day.

Vanschaick has been out of prison on parole for some time. In 1906 he was convicted and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment for criminal negligence in failing to have sufficient life-saving and fire equipment aboard his vessel. He had served five years when paroled last February.

Baron Alverstone 70 Years Old. London, Dec. 21.—Baron Alverstone, Lord Chief Justice of England, will celebrate his seventieth birthday anniversary tomorrow. Lord Alverstone has held his present high position for more than ten years. Previously, as Sir Richard Webster, he was known as one of England's greatest lawyers. His speciality was railroad and commercial cases. His career has been one unbroken succession of important promotions. In 1885 he was appointed attorney-general in the first government of Lord Salisbury. In 1900 he became Master of the Rolls and a few months later was appointed Lord Chief Justice. Few men now in English public life are better acquainted with America and Americans than is Lord Alverstone. He has frequently visited the United States and his only son, who died ten years ago, was married to an American woman, Baron Alverstone was chairman of the British commission to the Chicago World's Fair, and also served as a member of the Bering Sea and Venezuelan Boundary Arbitration Commissions.

To Enthroned Catholic Prelate.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—In the presence of many dignitaries of the church and many of the clergy of the archdiocese, Most Rev. Neil McNeil will tomorrow be enthroned archbishop of the Roman Catholic archdiocese of Toronto, succeeding the late Archbishop McEvey. The installation will take place in St. Michael's Cathedral, with Mgr. Stagnani, the apostolic delegate, officiating. The new archbishop comes to Toronto from Vancouver, of which archdiocese he has been at the head the past three years.

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A Smooth, White Skin That Defies Weather.

(From the Women Beautiful.) During the coming months of biting winds and intense cold, you who would keep your skin smooth, white and velvety, should turn your attention to metrolized wax. Nothing else will so effectively remove a chapped, roughened or discolored surface, by gradually absorbing the weather-beaten outside, the complexion is kept in perfect condition, and even the beauty of expression appears more pronounced. If your skin is blotchy, pimply, freckled, coarse, sallow, or overred, why not shed it? One ounce of ordinary metrolized wax, to be had at any druggist's, will completely transform the most unattractive complexion in less than a fortnight. Use the wax nightly, like cold cream, washing it off with a hairbrush, and applying a fresh face lotion prepared by dissolving 1 oz. potassium permanganate in 1 pt. witch hazel. The fresher, smoother skin, the more youthful appearance, even after one application, will astonish you.

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