

SERVICES DISABLED

The Snow And Sleet Storm Does Great Damage.

Western Ontario Is Tied Up - Industries And Light Plants Suffer.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—All the worst features of the elements combined in yesterday's storm to inconvenience Ontario, particularly the Niagara, Western Ontario and Central Ontario districts. Every public service into which transmission wires enter was at least partially disabled; in some cases put completely out of commission. In Western Ontario last night, there were many points as isolated in the matter of communication from main centres as Labrador. With no information possible from many places, even an approximate estimate of the damage is impossible.

Weather forecasts for to-day bring greater fear that the whole electrical transmission service will be disabled, throwing the province into darkness and industries into idleness. With lower temperature and continued rain and sleet, as indicated from the observatory offices, the power company officials fear that all lines from Niagara will be tied up.

PRODUCTION PROBLEM IS MORE FUNDAMENTAL

Than Reduction In National Expenditure, British Trades Union Congress Claims.

London, Feb. 23.—Dealing with the Geddes economy recommendations the national joint council representing the Trades Union Congress of the Labor party passed resolution yesterday which expresses the opinion that, important as the reduction in national expenditure may be, the more fundamental problem is production. It demands the liquidation of a substantial portion of the war debt by a graduated levy on accumulated wealth and supports a maximum retrenchment in the navy, the army and the air forces.

Montreal May Become America's Greatest Port

New York, Feb. 23.—The possibility of Montreal becoming the greatest port on the American continent is pointed out by the World this morning in an editorial supporting the bill now before the state legislature, which provides for a new system of government for the port of New York.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.



My husband starts clearing his throat every time I start telling him something and I have to say it all over again. What Does Your Husband Do?

CLAIMS HE WAS TRICKED OUT OF SOME VOTES

Substituted Red Pencil in Polling Booth?—Loss to R. F. Elliott.

The Nickle-Elliott election is still the cause of much comment. There is a report in circulation that some of Mr. Elliott's supporters were "tricked" out of the votes by a deliberate scheme. The scrutineer at No. 17 A, George Turcotte, reports that nine ballots marked for R. F. Elliott were thrown out, because they were marked with a red pencil. While this was quite proper on the part of the returning officer, William Saunders, someone was responsible for the use of a red pencil and that "someone" was not a friend of R. F. Elliott. The contention is that it was substituted for the legal black pencil when known Elliott voters were about to vote, or else was used for open voters by the returning officer. A ballot marked in red or any color except black is not legal because the color destroys the secrecy of the ballot and might lead to identification of the voter. For this reason only a black pencil is specified. It is understood that the matter has been directed to the attention of the returning officer, H. D. Wightman, for his investigation. Nine ballots at one subdivision was a large number to lose, and if the same practice was followed at all of the polls the defeat of Mr. Elliott could easily be accounted for.

DEATH OF R. G. K. HEPBURN.

Prominent Resident of Picton Passes on Wednesday Afternoon. Picton, Feb. 23.—R. G. K. Hepburn died in Prince Edward county hospital last evening after an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Hepburn was born in Picton some thirty-six years ago and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hepburn. Mr. Hepburn's father was formerly president of the Bay of Quinte Navigation Company, and did a lumber, coal and forwarding business, the coal business being still conducted by the late Mr. Hepburn. He married Miss Johnson, daughter of late J. W. Johnston, M. P., Belleville, and to them was born four children. Mr. Hepburn and all his family were prominent business men, being identified with the canning industry. He leaves, besides his wife and four children, his father and mother, three brothers: Brig.-Gen. B. R. Hepburn, ex-M.P., of Prince Edward county, now residing in London, Eng.; Jas. D. E. C. Hepburn, Toronto, Capt. Colin Hepburn, London, Eng., also five sisters, Mrs. T. Plummer and Mrs. A. Padmore, Toronto; Mrs. (Capt.) Ackerman, Peterboro; Mrs. Nokes, Virginia, and Miss Cecelie Hepburn, Calgary. The funeral takes place Saturday afternoon.

CANNOT BE EQUALITY

Before the Law Till All Have the Same Chance. Washington, Feb. 23.—Equality before the law is impossible so long as the rich and powerful are represented in court by highly educated lawyers, while the large part of the poor and ignorant are represented by untrained and incompetent men. Judge Clarence Goodwin, Chicago, declared in his address to-day as chairman of the conference of bar associations here. Until such condition is corrected, he said, there will be little justice in the courts.

Would Give Home Rule To Wales and Scotland

London, Feb. 23.—A group of Welsh and Scottish members of parliament have decided to draft a devolution bill conferring home rule on Wales and Scotland.

St. James Church Mission

A goodly number were present at the mission services in St. James church yesterday, and much interest was manifested, a number waiting for personal interviews with the missioner after the meeting in the afternoon, and practically all remaining for the after meeting at night. In the evening, Rev. Mr. McKim again remarked on the large number of prayers for bodily healing. Jesus is able and willing to heal to-day. These prayers indicated that many people were drawing near to Jesus to ask for a blessing. If men and women will comply with Jesus Christ's conditions they will certainly be granted His blessing. But Jesus must be Saviour if He is going to be Healer. In view of the many who are seeking healing Mr. McKim said he was contemplating having a special service for these afflicted ones.

Death of John Porter.

London, Feb. 23.—John Porter, prominent British race horse trainer died at Newbury, at the age of 84 years. During the height of his activities he was the trainer of seven Derby winners and winners of stakes amounting to \$3,980,135, the largest amount ever won by any trainer. The state convention of the American Association for recognition of the Irish Republic last night adopted resolutions at Utica, N.Y., supporting the stand of De Valera and his adherents.

ANGRY MOB GIVES CHASE

To Mormons in Portsmouth, Eng.—Seeking Women For Utah.

Plymouth, Eng., Feb. 23.—A number of Mormon missionaries were pursued through the streets yesterday by an angry mob because of their utterances in the market square. They were rescued by the police with difficulty. Some of the newspapers have been conducting a campaign against Mormon activities throughout the country, alleging that the missionaries were trying to obtain women converts who would proceed to Utah and embrace polygamy. This statement was strongly denied by the Mormon elders. It is possible that members of the sect will be deported.

MAKES ADULTERY CRIME

National Council of Women to Ask For Change In Law. Ottawa, Feb. 23.—On Friday morning the National Council of Women executive, in session here, will go as a deputation to the government to ask that their proposed amendments to the Criminal Code be again considered this session. Among them is the amendment to make adultery a crime, Mrs. O. C. Edwards, convenes the committee on arrangements for the presentation of the council's views, and assisting her are Dr. Stowe Gullen, Miss Charlotte Whitton, Mrs. Smilie, Dr. Margaret Patterson and Mrs. W. R. Lang.

SIR E. KEMP GIVES \$500

Scholarship for Western University Graduate. Toronto, Feb. 23.—Sir Edward Kemp has placed \$500 at the disposal of the governors of the University of Toronto to be used as a scholarship for a graduate of a western university during the session of 1922-23. This is in response to an appeal from President Falconer, of the University of Toronto, for graduate scholarships at the local university.

BIG TASKS LIE AHEAD OF KING'S GOVERNMENT

The Waterways' Project is Likely to Stand For the Present.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Parliament assemblies in thirteen days and cabinet ministers have their work cut out in getting ready for that date. The government has plenty on hand to attend to, not least among the subjects is the international waterways question, in respect to which the Quebec premier, Tuesday night raised the issue of the autonomous rights of Quebec. The same position has been taken by Sir Adam Beck in Ontario, not against power development, but against any alienation of provincial authority in respect to them. The best guess in regard to the international waterways project, as with many others, is that the government will let it sleep for a good time yet. Especially this session, action is improbable. The railway question is supposed to come before the cabinet this week now that Mr. Kennedy, the minister, is back with masses of illuminating material. That a policy will be the subject of much definite legislation this session, however, is most questionable. Estimates, the draft of which are said to embody extensive reductions have to be revised within the next two weeks. Then the budget has to be considered, but Hon. W. S. Fielding, alone, is likely to do the considering, both of the tariff and financial problems.

STINNES' LATEST IDEA.

Trying To Secure Great Russian Hotels.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—Hugo Stinnes' has hit upon another idea. Through the Hamburg Traffic Company, which he controls, he is carrying on negotiations with the soviet authorities with the view of acquiring two of the largest hotel buildings in Russia. The Hotel Astoria in Petrograd and the Hotel Metropolitan in Moscow, which had an international reputation before the war. There is every prospect of the negotiations being successful. Stinnes thinks, and so does the Soviet government, that in the near future the number of visitors to Russia, mainly business people, will increase enormously and that it will be necessary to have hotel accommodations for them.

To Fly Across Atlantic In Thirty-Two Hours

New York, Feb. 23.—Louis Gaubert, French aviator, before sailing for France today, declared that he intended to fly back to the United States in a Goliath plane carrying ten passengers within the next two months. He predicted a non-stop flight across the Atlantic in less than thirty-two hours.

STRONG CASE FOR PRIEST

Father Delorme Is Not To Be Tried Until Next June.

Montreal, Feb. 23.—The witnesses to the will of Raoul Delorme will be subpoenaed and ordered to be present at the resumed etiquette of Abbe Delorme. This fact was made known by Chief Lorraine, of the provincial detective force. The chief stated that as Father Rheau and Dr. Renaud, both of whom witnessed the murdered brother's will had shown no inclination to tell the detective what they knew, summary action was necessary. The subpoena will be issued before the end of the week. Crown Prosecutor Walsh is going to leave no stone unturned to convict his man, he declares. "I have plenty of time," said Mr. Walsh, "for I do not want Father Delorme brought to trial until June. You can rest assured that my case will be strong enough." It is reported that much pressure is being brought to bear on the detectives and the authorities by the officials of the Roman Catholic church. One detective whose children attend a Roman Catholic school, reports that his children have been dubbed "Orangemen" by all the teachers and pupils in the school. Little news is received of Father Delorme. His sisters visit him daily and take him books to read. Other than his immediate family, no visitors are permitted to see him. No credence is placed in a story published in a morning paper here that an important witness has disappeared since the coroner's inquest. Neither is the report that Raoul Delorme dined with a young girl in a Montreal restaurant taken seriously.

KILLED WHILE SKIING

Corset Stay Pierced Woman's Heart in Falling.

Geneva, Feb. 23.—A whalebone corset stay caused the death recently of a Zurich young woman, while skiing. She was making a steep descent with a party of friends when she fell over a ledge, landing 20 feet below in deep snow. Her companions attached no importance to the fall, but on reaching her found the bone had pierced her heart. This is the second incident of the kind in Switzerland.

THE SMART SET TEARING AT THE VEIL OF DEATH

Efforts to See Beyond Grave Supplant Bridge Parties in New York.

New York, Feb. 23.—The discovery that Mrs. Enrico Caruso is deeply interested in psychic subjects has revealed that half the well known women of New York society are delirious into the strange science of penetrating beyond the veil of death. The outfit board has ousted the card table—in society's real holy of holies. Social climbers and "hangers-on," the lowliest beads on the outer fringe of New York's social elite, may still trifle with bridge and squander their money at poker, but the real creme de la creme—those whose names suggest either the Mayflower or solid money, or both—have gone in for the planchette, automatic writing, mediumistic seances, crystal gazing and other mysterious apurtenances of the occult. Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., the young Neely's wife, seems convinced that she is a medium. Just why the former Rachel Littleton should suspect herself of super-normal powers she has not confided to her friends. Being a medium is no enviable role. As a rule mediums are conscious of strange forms lurking about us flesh-and-blood mortals—presumably disembodied spirits. A certain variety of mediums can tap doors and move furniture about, without apparent physical contact. A genuine medium is likely to know all your good and vicious tendencies after a perfunctory introduction.

22,400,000 Expended In Removal of Snow

New York, Feb. 23.—A sumptuous apartment on Upper Broadway, said by the police to have been maintained by Ernest A. Miret, a young 24-dollar-a-week clerk for the Borden Milk Products company, was closed yesterday when Miret was arrested on a charge of grand larceny preferred by his employers. The specific charge against him is that he raised and cashed a \$75 voucher. He was held in \$5,000 bail to await further examination. During the last three years, according to detectives, Miret has spent between \$70,000 and \$80,000. In addition to the establishment on Broadway, they assert that he maintains a summer home on Long Island and drives a costly automobile, with all the accessories which constitute a "gay life."

62,400,000 Expended

New York, Feb. 23.—Removal of the snow from the streets here has cost \$22,400,000 this winter, and spring is still somewhat distant, the board of estimate was informed by Street Cleaning Commissioner Taylor. He asked for and received an appropriation of \$1,000,000, the third such appropriation this season. Of this sum \$400,000 will be needed this week to pay those who shoveled and carted away last week's snowfall.

Jackson to Fight Dundee.

New York, Feb. 23.—Freddie Jackson, English featherweight, who meets Jimmy Goodrich in Toronto, Friday night, was matched today to fight Johnny Dundee before the American Legion Athletic Club in Baltimore on March 14th. He has challenged Johnny Kilbane for a title contest. The murder of William Desmond Taylor, at Los Angeles, Calif., was a drug peddler's plot, says an addlet at Detroit, Mich. The storm paralyzed industries and car service in the western part of the province. More than 175 U.S. railroads have filed petitions for wage reduction. Viscount Grey is in a nursing home with kidney trouble.

W. P. HINTON

Formerly general manager and vice-president of the Grand Trunk Pacific system, and literary technical adviser to the receiver for the same company, who is retiring from the government service at the end of this month.

O.T.A. COST IS SOARING

But So Also Is the Revenue, Says Attorney-General.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—In the legislature yesterday afternoon T. Herbert Lennox asked what was the total cost of enforcing the Ontario Temperance act since 1918. Mr. Raney replied that in 1918 the total cost was \$210,829; in 1919, \$235,454; in 1920, \$316,055, and in 1921, \$482,084. He added, however, that the revenue received from fines and confiscation had exceeded the cost of enforcement of the act: The revenues were: 1918, \$215,709; 1919, \$316,087; 1920, \$785,783; 1921, \$663,886. The attorney-general added that there was approximately \$200,000 of confiscated liquor on hand, so that the total revenue for 1921 would be about \$863,000. In replying the legislature this afternoon to a question asked by Howard Ferguson, Benham Bowman stated that Constables Riddell and Latchford had been paid \$2,000 each for their services on the probe. Answering another question, Attorney-General Raney stated that 86 men had been appointed to the provincial police force since January 1st, 1920, some of them being required to fill vacancies. G. G. Halcrow, Labor member for East Hamilton, continued the debate on the address. In reaffirming his own belief in the political recall, he asked whether the government members were equally faithful to this plan in their platform. "They don't need to lie," said a voice. "They'll get the recall soon enough." Mr. Halcrow attacked Premier Drury on the ground that he had never done a thing to justify his professions of friendship for public ownership. Mr. Halcrow would like to see the premier discharge Sir Adam Beck, and to see the two meet on the public platform. He had no doubt who would come out on top.

St. Lawrence Clogged By Big Ice Barrier

Montreal, Feb. 23.—An unusually severe winter has riveted the ice barrier on the St. Lawrence river and as a result shipping men say, the 1922 opening of navigation on the river will be considerably delayed. April 15th is the usual date. At this season, say the river men, there is usually a stretch of open water seventy miles, between Montreal and Quebec. Now the open strip is barely thirty miles long. In addition to the unwonted area of ice, the river covering is reported to be unusually thick. Heavy frosts and the absence of snow in the first part of the winter are reasons assigned for the formidable ice barrier.

OPPOSED TO GIVING

The Resources of the Country to the United States.

Quebec, Feb. 23.—An appeal to Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, not to permit the scheme for the deepening of the St. Lawrence river, was made by Premier Taschereau on behalf of the province of Quebec. "The province of Quebec will oppose the scheme for the development of Canadian waters to be controlled by an international waterways commission," said Mr. Taschereau. "and," he added, emphatically, "I ask you, Mr. King, to oppose that plan whenever it comes before you. The province of Quebec opposes it because it means giving our resources to the Americans. I do not want the United States to come to the province of Quebec and get the water powers given by God to this country. We of the province of Quebec cannot consent to give our resources to the Americans."

CANADA AT BARBADOES

Bluejackets Form Guard of Honor at Opening of Parliament.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Canada assisted at the opening of Parliament in the Barbadoes. The Canadian fleet, consisting of the cruiser Aurora and the destroyers Patriot and Patricia, has been spending the winter in the south, and the crew of the cruiser furnished the guard of honor at the opening of parliament in the Barbadoes Islands. The governor of the islands specially thanked the captain of the Aurora, and commented favorably on the appearance of the Canadian sailors.

Great Coffee Shipment.

New York, Feb. 23.—The steamer Casias arrived from Brazilian ports today with 18,000,000 pounds of coffee valued at about one million dollars. This is said to be the largest shipment of the bean on record. The Casias also brought 15,000 bags of the cocoa bean.

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On Celestial Transportation.

Result, "the bourne from which no traveler returns is no longer impenetrable," says Mrs. De Koven in her book, "A Cloud of Witnesses," in which she records her experiences. "What is my sister doing?" she asked the medium. "She is aiding in the transportation of messages and exchanging of ideas with those who perform this service over here," came the answer. Mrs. De Koven then stated she thought of her sister constantly. "Perennial affection like your sister's lights the way through sternerity," was the reply. According to information gleaned by Mrs. De Koven in her spiritualistic adventures women after death assume female form, but they are not annoyed by furbelows of fashion. They may dress as they choose, imitating flowing Greek efforts if they desire. Many "messages" received by Mrs. De Koven have been of a nature possible of verification and have been duly substantiated. Mrs. Enrico Caruso's passionate interest in psychic subjects is well known. Immediately after the death of the great tenor in Italy, an endeavor was made to communicate with him concerning little Gloria's share in her father's estate. Messages, believed by many to be genuine, were received through mediums.

Asks After Husband.

Believing she is psychic, Mrs. Howard Sanford has plunged enthusiastically into the subject of life after death, in an effort to communicate with her late husband. Mrs. A. M. Williamson, of the famous C. N. and A. M. Williamson combination that turned out many "best sellers," declares she is in constant communication with her husband without the aid of ouija or medium, and she believes he has aided her in the books she has written since his death. Mrs. Otto H. Kahn, wife of the banker, Mrs. George Rublee, in the twilight recently because of her advocacy of birth control; Mrs. Robert A. Gardiner and Mrs. Richard Mansfield, wife of the late actor, are all delving into the cause of psychic phenomena.

Dangerous Field.

The investigations of these women need not be confounded with spiritualism. While some may be emotionally overwrought, others are proving themselves able scientists in their unimpassioned research into this fascinating, if somewhat dangerous, field. Elsie de Wolfe's psychic excursions date back 20 years. Mrs. John Wallace Riddle, celebrated architect, formerly Miss Theodore Pope, and Elizabeth Marbury are others frequently seen at gatherings of the enthusiasts. Lady Muir-MacKenzie has been an investigator for many years, both here and in England, where she is a member of the English Society for Psychical Research. In the theatrical social world, Janet Beecher, Elsie Ferguson, Rosahanna the dancer, and Doris Keane are on the alert for latest finds in mediums and other psychic discoveries.

Six Aged Men Lured By Joys of Boyhood

South Orange, N.J., Feb. 23.—Last night a movie illustrating the joys of boyhood was flashed on the screen at the Newark almshouse here. Today six men, ranging in age from 70 to 80 were missing, and officials of the institution said they believed they had run away into the hills.

Mrs. Vanderbilt's Record.

A really astonishing person—a medium, and whether Mrs. Vanderbilt has experimented with the Horary furniture in any table-tipping experiments history does not record. But her interest in things psychic has been admitted, and who knows—perhaps she needs only tutelage and development to become as gifted a medium as the famous Mrs. Piper? Mrs. Willard Straight is another one of the little coterie who keep their ouija boards handy. Every day, sayeth rumor, she holds private seances, and receives communications which she believes to be messages from her husband, the late Willard D. Straight. Mrs. Anna Farwell De Koven was making an exhaustive study of the future life long before the death of her brilliant and lovable husband.

MAJOR-GENERAL MULLER MASSIS

Has just been appointed new commander-in-chief of the army of the Netherlands.

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