NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

Two Earthquake Shocks Felt at Victoria, B. C.

Duke of Manchester Operated on for Appendicitis.

City of London Approves Purchase of Electric Plant.

Montreal is now covered with snow, and good sleighing prevails.

A civic commission to handle Toronto's waterfront is recommended.

The co-operative furniture enterprise at Guelph has been organized.

The Duke of Manchester was operated on for appendicitis. His condition is said to be satisfactory.

Typhoid fever cases were fewer in Toronto last month than in October, the figures being 45 for November, as against 80 for October.

K. L. Aitken, Toronto City Electrical Engineer, who has been off duty since August 24, owing to illness, returned to his office yesterday.

Mary Gordon, brought from Napanee to Belleville, was convicted of stealing a mink muff. She was remanded for two weeks for sentence.

Frank Lezzard, an Italian, was sent to jail by Magistrate Kingsford at Toronto for 90 days for assaulting Edward Phillips with an axe.

Wm. Carruthers, a retired grocer, and for several years a member of the Belleville Council, passed away at the General Hospital of heart disease, aged 84 years.

The Port Arthur Trades and Labor Council has decided to put four candidates in the field for the City Council of 1911. Messrs. Urry, Dunbar, Tyro and Bell are named.

The first chime of bells in Oxford County was dedicated at new St. Paul's Anglican Church, Woodstock, by Bishop Farthing, of Montreal, assisted by Bishop Williams of Huron, and other clergy.

Patrick Harding, a Collingwood man, has reported to the Windsor police that he was robbed of $100 in Detroit. Harding was well dressed and respectable, and his story is credited.

Lance-Corporal Downey, of the Canadian Ordance Corps, who went to Scotland on two months' leave, and was a fortnight overdue, is now in Montreal, where he met with an accident.

George Carslake, proprietor of the Carslake Hotel, Montreal, has decided to retire. He has leased his hotel to H. A. Corsey, manager of Dominion Park, and H. & A. Timmins, of Cobalt.

G. W. Burr, a member of the third year in arts at McMaster University, and a son of S. G. Burr, of Forest, died suddenly at the Toronto General Hospital. He had undergone an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. W. G. Ratcliffe of St. Catharines, left for Vancouver, en route to Honan, northern China, to take charge of the new school for missionaries' children, under the direction of the Canadian Presbyterian Church.

Thirty members of the Australian Commonwealth will attend the coronation of King George. The official delegates will be eleven in the Ministerial party, seven in the Opposition. The others will pay their own expenses.

A wealthy farmer, Philip C. Dulmage, a bachelor of Cherry Valley, five miles from Picton, was burned to death in his barn, along with a number of cattle, horses and the season's crop. Deceased was about 60 years of age.

Two sharp, well-defined earthquake shocks startled residents of Victoria, B. C. In the residences of the southern portion of the city the disturbances were so severe as to make a clatter of everything movable. No damage is reported.

The report of the special sub-committee recommending the purchase of the poles, wires and franchise of the London Electric Company for $100,000 will be approved by the London Council. A majority of the aldermen are in favor of the purchase.

Judge Colter, of St. Thomas, ordered the city to pay $150 damages and costs to Beckman & Mahee, liverymen. Aylmer for a loss of a horse, killed by colliding with a post in front of a private residence. The post was on the street right of way.

Fire yesterday gutted the residence of J. W. Peart, G. T. R. agent, at St. Thomas, practically ruining it. The furniture was saved. The loss of the G. T. R., the owners of the house, will be about $1,500. A spark from an engine started the blaze.

WILL NOT HANG.

Reprieve Granted to Parker, Murderer of Wm. Masters.

Ottawa despatch: At the eleventh hour the Cabinet council to-day saved Robert Parker from the gallows at Belleville to-morrow morning. His sentence was commuted to life imprisonment. Parker was found guilty last September of the murder of William Masters near Tweed in April last. He was sentenced to be hanged to-morrow, but, in view of the fact that the evidence was almost entirely circumstantial, the sentence was today commuted to imprisonment for life in Kingston Penitentiary. Mr. E. Guss Porter, M. P., of Belleville, who defended Parker at the trial, strongly urged the Minister of Justice to give Parker the benefit of the doubt.

MORE PRIZES.

Manitoba Exhibitor Successful at Chicago Show—Officers Elected.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Canadian exhibitors at the International Live Stock Exposition made United States breeders look to their laurels again to-day. J. D. McGregor, of Brandon, Manitoba, took a number of seconds in the various cattle classes. Mr. McGregor purchased a number of the prize winning Angus bulls and cows. The Angus sale was a disappointment from the auctioneer's standpoint, for the prices were very low. Mr. McGregor secured a number of bargals. J. T. Gibson, Denfield, Ontario, was elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Lincoln Sheep Breeders' Association, and R. S. Robertson, of Ilderton, Ontario, was elected a director. J. C. Campbell, of Ontario was elected a member of the Executive Board of the American Shropshire Association.

THE BLACK MAN.

Prof. Broom Says They Will Yet Rule South America.

Statistics Show More of Them Are Becoming Educated Than Whites.

Cape Town, Dec. 5.—Although it played no conspicuous part in the recent election campaign the native problem will demand an increasing amount of attention from the union government and Parliament in the near future. In addition to the vexed question of the franchise, various matters affecting relationships in general between whites and blacks are certain to call for serious consideration. Probably few South Africans are able to treat seriously the views recently pronounced by Prof. R. Broom, of Cape Town, who foresees that before the end of the century the Kaffirs will be the dominant race in the sub continent. But, so far as they indicate the progress of the blacks in civilization, his statements are of much interest.

Remarking that the white people numbered 1,200,000 and the Kaffirs 7,200,000, the professor asserted that one of the principal factors that was welding the natives together was religion, which was being disseminated by missionaries. Even if their numbers remained stationary, under the guidance of an intelligent chief the natives would be a menace to the white population. But they were increasing at an enormous rate, and in Cape Colony they were being educated to a great extent.

Nearly every native boy and girl was taught to read and write. He wished he could say the same of the white people. The school returns of the colony showed that 120,000 natives and 80,000 white children had received education. More and more black labor was being employed in the colony. In a very short time the native would have a large number of trades in his own hands. In skilled work he was steadily displacing white labor. Ultimately he would displace the farmer as well. If they gave the native political equality, as some politicians had advocated, social equality was bound to follow.

In Cape Town one could see natives having their boots blacked by white men. Intermarriage between natives and whites was taking place and eventually they would find that the race would become a mixture, such as they found in the United States of America. In 1950, if things went on as they were going, there would be something like thirty millions of blacks in the union. Segregation, in Prof. Broom's opinion, was the only policy that would save white South Africa.

NO CUT RATES.

Rate War Between New York and Chicago Averted.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—First class passenger rates between Chicago and New York over the Michigan Central and the Pan-Handle routes will be $20 after Jan. 15, according to advices received here late to-day, subsequent to a secret meeting in New York between the representatives of those roads and of the Erie, Wabash, and Grand Trunk. This lays to rest the prediction of slashed rates and unprofitable competition.

This action by the two routes which heretofore have enjoyed a differential rate of $19 for the Michigan Central and $18 for the Pan-Handle, followed open threats of another cut instigated by the Erie, Wabash and Grand Trunk such as the Erie used two years ago to straighten out the complicated emigrant rate situation. To-day's action means there will be no rate war.

WAS WITH BRIDE.

Kidnapped Child in Windsor and is Arrested in Tennessee.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 5.—Robert, alias Roy Scott, for whom a warrant has been out for the past eight months for kidnapping his four-year-old son in this city early last spring, was arrested in Memphis, Tenn., to-day in company with his second wife, a bride of three days.

Scott had not been heard of since he carried off his son in an automobile, and all trace of him had long been lost. Last Saturday he was given a decree of divorce in a Memphis court, and the custody of the child. On Monday he married Miss Mabel Claire Bennett a Brooklyn, N. Y., girl, who was arrested with him.

Scott's arrest and identification was brought about by circulars issued by Chief of Police Wills, of this city.

WANT TO COME IN

Police Break Up a Gang for Smuggling of Italians.

Two Arrests Made, and Man Brought in Makes a Full Confession.

Niagara Falls, Ont., despatch: Organized for the conveying of their countrymen across the border into Canada, a band of Italians was broken up here to-day. One of their number, Tucci, was sentenced to two months; another, Fernandino Spino, was fined $5 and deported, and the American agent, Diveta, warned against coming across the boundary line.

For some time the police have been aware of the fact that Nicholas Tucci, who runs a little shoe repair shop here, has crossed the river almost every night. They have been watching him, and this morning, before daybreak, Officer Farrell, of the city police force, saw Tucci, accompanied by another man, dodging along an alley. He followed them to Tucci's shop, and while watch was kept sent word to the immigration office. Inspector Carter arrived and took Tucci and his companion, Spino, in charge.

Spino could talk no English, but through an interpreter told his story in court this afternoon. When accused he admitted that he was rejected here a year ago. He said that he had been sent by a friend to the house of Diveta, at Niagara Falls, N. Y., and there had met Tucci, to whom he promised, when it was demanded, ten dollars to get him into Canada. They had, he said, chosen last night for the attempt because it was dark and stormy. About two this morning the trio, thinly clad, crossed the upper bridge in a gale of sleet. They were stopped by Inspector Thomas, but Tucci told a plausible story, and the men were passed in. Their arrest followed after Farrell, saw them seeking shelter.

The local inspectors think that they have broken up a league for smuggling human cargo into Canada.

ARREST FISK.

Mounted Police Officers Have a Night Ride in an Automobile.

Calgary, Dec. 5.—At midnight last night Sergeant Tucker and another officer of the R. N. W. M. P. left Calgary in the swiftest motor car which could be found in the city for Carbon, a distance of seventy miles, in order to arrest John C. Fisk, the man wanted. Thomas Melville Robertson implicated by his confession in the murder of Tucker Peach. After a bitter ride through the blinding storm, with the thermometer fifteen degrees below zero, the officers arrived in Carbon at 2.30 this morning and waited in the vicinity of the livery stable owned by Fisk. As soon as Fisk arose he was arrested and a telegram was received by the authorities in Calgary at 11.30 a. m. This is one of the quickest arrests on record.

Robertson appeared before Inspector Duffus this morning, charged with the murder of Tucker Peach. The inspector told the prisoner he would remand him for eight days and he need not plead. Robertson, who looks weak and overwrought, asked only one question: "Did they get the other fellow?" "They did," replied the inspector.

NO POLICE GRAFT.

Salvation Army Officer Testifies at Winnipeg Enquiry.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—Adjutant McElheny, of the Salvation Army, was the only witness heard today at the vice investigation. The adjutant was called by the City Solicitor, and gave evidence in regard to condition in the segregated district. Most of the knowledge he had obtained in regard to those conditions was gained in the performance of his duties as a rescue officer.

Much of his evidence was classified by the Court as hearsay, but still it was interesting, because it was given from a vastly different viewpoint to that of any of the previous witnesses. The adjutant said that he had never even suggested that the police were guilty of graft or received money for protecting disorderly houses. He also paid a tribute to Magistrate Daly.

It was announced that Rev. J. G. Shearer would testify Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, and that Magistrate McMicken would also give his evidence at that time.

THIS IS FUNNY.

Hospital Superintendent is Afraid of Operation.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 5.—Spurning all medical advice tending to separate him from his appendix, Alvin S. Tate, superintendent of the County Hospital, was to-day believed to have passed the crucial stage of a critical attack of appendicitis without an operation.

"I have watched thousands of operations but in appendicitis I think it is unnecessary," the superintendent is quoted as saying in the midst of extreme pain and when hospital surgeons wanted to place him under the knife. Mr. Tate regards appendicitis as nothing but an "old fashioned pain curable by old-fashioned methods."

TAFT'S MESSAGE.

State Document One of the Longest in History of the United States.

Washington, Dec. 5.—President Taft yesterday completed his message and sent it to the government printing office in its final form. The message was laid before a lengthy Cabinet council yesterday. It is said to be an unusually long one, the estimates running from 30,000 to 40,000 words. The proofs were pulled last night from thirty-seven galleys. The President went over every feature of the document with the Cabinet advisers and it is said some changes were made at their suggestion, principally in matters affecting their own departments.

President Taft will send a special message to Congress next week embodying the report of the board of engineers appointed to examine irrigation and reclamation projects in the west. At the last session of Congress $20,000,000 was appropriated to complete the various worthy projects and Mr. Taft appointed a board to decide just what projects should be continued and what, if any, should be abandoned. The report will not be made public until it reaches Congress.

FUR CASES.

Three Men Heavily Fined by Cobalt Magistrate.

Cobalt, Ont., Dec. 5.—Provincial Constable McRae and Game Warden Parks, of North Bay, made a big seizure of furs yesterday at the latter city, some of the goods being taken off a T. & N. O. express car, while the balance were found in the express office at North Bay.

Two Cobalt men, Joseph Bertiz and Albert Freed, and James Campbell, of Latchford, were fined before Magistrate Atkinson here this evening for shipping the illegal goods. Freed shipped ten beaver skins to North Bay, and for each skin he was fined $5. When the police went to the store where Bertiz does business, to summon him to appear in court, they searched his premises, and found hidden the skins of 50 rats, which he had purchased two weeks ago. He had shipped the skins of six mink, two foxes and one bear. For this he was fined $200.

Campbell had shipped one deer skin and six rats, for which he was fined $35 and costs.

OVER 100 HOLDUPS

Youths Arrested in Chicago Admit Responsibility For Crime Reign.

[illegible] the half year, still I see Jarvis Xmas Fair is to the front, notwithstanding all the bantering of a year ago. I see Homer's health has perceptibly improved and he is able once more to participate in the mysteries of town life, having retired from a strenuous agricultural career. My health has been very good in these parts. My voice much stronger than at Jarvis. The people are most appreciative, at least finances are considerably overpaid, and I get manifold com-

At one time, this man boasted he had eight watches, and said he took so much plunder from his victims he and his partners in crime could not dispose of it as fast as they got it, and had to "lay off work" for a while to do so.

The men in custody are Tony Knearski, 22 years old, alleged leader of the band; Tony Ross, 20 years old; William Viete, 22 years old, and Felix Peterski, 23 years old.

FROM AUSTRALIA.

Proposals of the Commonwealth for Imperial Conference.

Sydney, Dec. 5.—The Commonwealth proposed to lay the following resolutions before the Imperial conference: Commercial co-operation for the encouragement of British manufacturers, shipping uniform navigation laws, securing employment of British seamen, uniform company laws, mutual naturalization subject to local immigration laws, rejection of articles 48 to 54 of the declaration of London, and the omission of foodstuffs from article 24, the reaffirmation of the 1907 immigration resolutions, also the co-operation of the Imperial Government with the Dominions, assisting suitable emigrants, mutual legislation against conspiracy in one part of the Empire to defeat laws in other parts, nationalization of one Atlantic cable in order to control the All-Red route, coinage reform, the principle of international arbitration from trade marks and patents legislation, and single Imperial court appeal.

CALL IT MALICIOUS

Report of Archbishop Bruchesi's Elevation Officially Denied.

Montreal despatch: The report from Ottawa to the effect that a movement was on foot to appoint Archbishop Bruchesi a cardinal, with the ultimate end in view of securing for him the office of supreme head of the Catholic Church, was indignantly denied by the archbishop this morning. The report was labelled as malicious, and as a fiction from beginning to end. Beyond that the palace officials would not discuss the rumor.

Montreal Woman Cured of Stubborn, Itching Eczema

Every skin sufferer should read what Miss Mary A. Bentley, 93 University St., Montreal, writes of her seven years of eczema, how she could not sleep or put her hands in water, how she tried all manner of treatment and even a hospital, but grew worse, and how she found prompt relief and final cure in Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment.

"Some nine years ago I noticed small pimples breaking out on the back of my hands. They became very irritating, and gradually became worse, so that I could not sleep at night. I consulted a physician, who treated me a long time, but it got worse, and I could not put my hands in water. I was treated at the hospital, and it was just the same. I was told that it was a very bad case of eczema. Well, I just kept on using everything that I could for nearly eight years, until I was advised to try Cuticura Ointment. I did so and I found after a few applications and by bandaging my hands well up that the burning sensations were disappearing. I could sleep well, and did not have any itching during the night. I began after a while to use Cuticura Soap for a wash for them, and I think by using the Cuticura Soap and Ointment I was much benefited.

"I stuck to the Cuticura treatment, and thought if I could use other remedies for over seven years with no result, and after only having a few applications and finding ease from Cuticura Ointment, I thought it deserved a fair trial with a severe and stubborn case. I used the Cuticura Ointment and Soap for nearly six months and I am glad to say that I have hands as clear as anyone. I honestly believe if all sufferers of eczema would just stop paying doctors' bills and treat themselves with the Cuticura Remedies, they would not regret it.

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PILLAR OF FLAME.

Fire Arising From Overflow of Natural Gas Becomes Serious.

Hamburg, Dec. 5.—A great pillar of fire, arising from an overflow of natural gas, has been burning for several days at Neuengamme, near Hamburg. The gas shot suddenly up through the bore of an artesian well 250 feet deep and a spark ignited it. The gas mew up the works and blazed in three directions, two great sheets of flame 50 feet long streaming out to right and left and a smaller column of 16 feet high going straight up.

It has been found impossible to quench the flames, the roar of which can be heard six miles away. The heat is so intense that no one can approach nearer than 35 yards, and the ground trembles with the rush of gas. It is calculated that $250,000 worth has been burned. The spectacle attracts 20,000 visitors daily from the neighboring cities. Experts think there must be natural oil deposits in the vicinity of the gas hole.

Simultaneously comes the report that gold has been discovered in the Eifel Range, Rhenish Prussia. Prospectors have come upon extensive open work ags, proving that the mines were worked centuries ago. Gold has been found ever [illegible]

Prime Minister Canalejas announced that it was the intention of the Government to grant increases in the salaries of the priests, parish cures, the personnel of the sanitary corps and schoolmasters. He added that these increases were not provided for in the present budget, but such measures would be submitted to the Cortes to provide for them pending the negotiations with the Vatican.

A petition bearing 100,000 signatures has been presented to the Cortes, praying for the passage of laws that will guarantee freedom of religious beliefs. Among the signers are many Protestants and the remnants of what was the Radical party.

CHIMES FOR PETERBORO.

Peterboro, Ont., despatch: To day the committee representing the citizens sent a cable order to Taylor & Co., Loughborough, England, for a chime of eleven bells to be the largest and heaviest in Ontario, except perhaps those of St. James', Toronto.

The total weight is 14,000 pounds, the largest bell to weigh 3,000 pounds. They are to be known as the "people's chimes," as the cost, $5,500, was contributed by citizens generally of all creeds. They will be placed in the tower of St. John's Anglican Church, the oldest in the city.

BAPTIST CHURCH EDIFICE BOARD.

Toronto despatch: The church edifice board of the Baptist convention of Ontario and Quebec held their annual meeting yesterday. Those present were: Rev. Dr. Norton, Rev. Dr. Grant, Rev. G. R. Welsh, Rev. J. R. Graham, Rev. J. R. Webb, Rev. William J. Scott, F. W. Hodson and Edmund Burke. Business of a general nature was discussed, including the loan grant to Thornloe, New Ontario. Officers for the coming year are: Chairman, John Stark; vice-chairman, Edmund Burke; secretary-treasurer, Rev. William J. Scott.

WON GRAND PRIX.

Grand Trunk System Secured High Honors at Brussels.

Information received a[illegible] Trunk System offices a[illegible] that the Grand Jury of cl[illegible] Exposition, Brussels, has given the Grand Trunk four awards [illegible] with their exhibit at [illegible] these awards include:

Grand Prix to Grand Trunk Railway System.

Grand Prix to Grand Trunk Pacific Railway.

Diploma of honor to S. W. Cummings, who was in charge of [illegible]

Gold medal to the architect of the building.

This exposition was a [illegible] one, and the publicity Canada received through the Grand Trunk [illegible] was very noticable.

During the life of the exposition [illegible] less than 645,000 people visited the Grand Trunk building, and no fewer than 300,000 pieces of literature, pamphlets in English, German, French and [illegible] were distributed amongst the [illegible]. The exhibition closed on Nov. [illegible]

BLAMES TUG.

Cooper 208, [illegible] Bonner [illegible]
Ward 234, [illegible] Rhea Harris 198 Clara Vokes 198.

E. M. Fleming, Teacher.

Death of Mr. Elias Hoover

Death at any time and under any circumstances fills one with deep sorrow and despair. To some it comes after a lingering painful illness, while to others it comes with awful suddenness, the latter being the case with Elias Hoover, who was called away practically without [illegible] was clear the tug General was sighted. When a mile away I gave a blast. The [illegible] was unheeded, and other blasts were blown. At this time the [illegible] vessels were plainly visible to our [illegible] The General was headed for [illegible] quarter. Signalled to [illegible] steer a straight course. A [illegible] minutes after the helm was put hard over by the General and an attempt was made to cross my bows and to go by on my port side. There was a crash and the vessels met and two minutes later the General sank." The bodies of the drowned men have not yet been recovered.

$60,000 DAMAGES.

A Verdict Which Will Teach the Politicians a Lesson.

London, Dec. 5.—An action at law which ended to-day in the award of $60,000 damages against Sir J. [illegible] Beck, leader of the Progressive party in the London County Council, has taught politicians that attacks in an official capacity upon business interests and public contractors carry grave penalties unless they are fully justified by the facts.

The action was brought by the proprietors of the electric street railway surface traction because Sir J. [illegible] had made a number of speeches and wrote several letters to the newspapers in which he reflected upon the street railways, which, when tried in court, resulted in utter failure.

MONTREAL LICENSES.

Montreal despatch: There was rejoicing amongst the saloon [illegible] and two hotel and saloon keepers to-day when the License Commissioners handed down their first report granting renewals to them. But there are about two hundred and fifty licenses to be dealt with, and it is [illegible] that the mortality amongst the [illegible] will be severe, as the commissioners are trying to get the number down to 400, and all breaches of the law will be sharply dealt with.

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