

THE FIRE IN THE CROW'S NEST PASS.

Three Bush Fires Said to Have Been Started at Fernie With Object of Freeing Five 'Black Hand' Suspects Who Were in Jail.

INSURANCE LOSSES DISCOURAGING—RELIEF FROM MONTREAL.

(See also Page 10.) Nelson, B. C., Aug. 3.—The most sensational story in connection with the Fernie bush fires...

providing to-day; fire on road to Coal Creek made very little progress, and much reduced. No further danger at Fernie.

INSURANCE LOSSES DISCOURAGING—RELIEF FROM MONTREAL. (Continued) The Acting Mayor, Ald. N. Lapointe, has decided to open a public subscription...

Therefore any person, or body, desiring to render monetary assistance, may do so by forwarding their cheques to the city lists that were opened this afternoon...

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GREAT FOREST FIRE IN WASHINGTON STATE. Careless Traveller Threw Lighted Match Into the Underbrush.

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AN ALLEGED FENCE SHOP.

Second Hand Dealer on Craig Street and His Wife Charged With Wholesale Receiving.

\$12,000 BAIL DEMANDED FROM THE WOMAN.

Peter Singer and Rebecca Rogoff, his wife, the proprietors of a second hand store at 645 Craig street east, were arraigned before Judge Choquet this morning...

THE TEXTILE STRIKE.

Royal Commission Heard Evidence To-day Regarding Working Hours.

COTTON WORKERS FIX CONVENTION DATES AND CENSURE MR. GIGNAC.

(See also Page Two.) The number of working hours per week, the number of looms operated by employees and the wages received, formed the subject of the inquiry this morning before Mr. Mackenzie King, royal commission for conditions among textile workers in Quebec province.

H.M.S. 'INDOMITABLE'

Beats Cunarders' Record From Land to Land, Despite Her Heavy Guns and Magazines Full of Ammunition

THE PRINCE OF WALES TOOK KEEN INTEREST IN SPEED TRIAL.

Cowes, Aug. 3.—The British cruiser 'Indomitable', with the Prince of Wales on board, arrived here at 9.40 this evening, from Quebec. The 'Indomitable's' speed throughout the whole voyage averaged 21 1/2 knots an hour, exceeding the best previous warship record of 19 knots, made by the battleship 'Drake', which carried Prince Louis of Battenberg to and from America in 1905.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

In London, Scotland Yard has issued a public warning against a gold brick swindle game being worked by means of a letter to a deceased person thanking him for past favors. The letter is read by executors and correspondence results. Generally money is demanded to despatch a messenger to America. Large sums are extorted upon the swindler showing solid gold bars.

SAVED FROM SUFFOCATION

JEWISH CONSTABLE'S PROMPTITUDE AVERTED A TRAGEDY.

Maurice Gibson, special Jewish constable, while on his rounds early this morning, on Vire street, saw smoke issuing from the windows of No. 38. He promptly knocked at the door, but receiving no answer, and being alarmed for the safety of the inmates, he turned in an alarm that sent the men of the Central Division of the Fire Brigade hurrying to the spot.

A MISSING VALISE

ATTEMPT TO SELL IT TO A SECONDHAND DEALER STOPPED BY DETECTIVES.

Simeon Poulin, while attempting to dispose of a valise filled with a large quantity of cutlery and other goods in a secondhand store on Craig street, last night, was interrupted in the midst of his negotiations by Detectives Giguere and Demers. They arrested him on suspicion of theft, and this morning, in the Arrangements Court, it was made known that the valise, containing forty knives, two razors, fifteen pairs of scissors, handkerchiefs and various other articles, had been stolen from Marcotte Bros., auctioneers, St. James street. Poulin denied the theft and Judge Choquet fixed enquete for Friday.

NEW TEMPERANCE POLICY

TO BE PROPOSED BEFORE THE ANGLICAN GENERAL SYNOD AT OTTAWA.

Toronto, Aug. 4.—A new policy with regard to temperance will be proposed at the fifth session of the General Synod of the Anglican Church, which opens in Ottawa next month. The committee on temperance recommends the uncurtailing of bars; making it illegal for a minor to enter a bar where intoxicants are sold; the shortening of hours of sale by local option, and that full advantage be taken, when practicable, of the adoption and enforcement of local option under the present license law.

THE 'WHIRL OF DEATH'

WILLIAM WILSON INSTANTLY KILLED WHILE PERFORMING A 'LOOP THE LOOP.'

Coshocton, Ohio, Aug. 3.—William Wilson was instantly killed in a theatre here last night when he tried a new kind of 'loop the loop', known as the 'whirl of death', on a bicycle. The theatre was crowded with women and children, who became panic-stricken and rushed to the exits. Many fainting and were trampled in the rush. No one was seriously hurt. Wilson was thrown forward and high in the air, his head striking a beam. He was almost instantly killed.

FREE TRADE CONGRESS

LORD WELBY DECLARES POLICY MUST ULTIMATELY PREVAIL.

London, Aug. 4.—The International Free Trade Congress was opened in this city to-day with Lord Welby in the chair. Delegates were present from Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Holland, the United States and Great Britain. In his address of welcome, Lord Welby said the prospect for free trade was somewhat gloomy and that the idea of protection was advancing in an aggressive manner, but in spite of this the policy of free trade ultimately must prevail.

PROJECTING STREET SIGNS

STOREKEEPERS FINED TO-DAY BY THE RECORDER.

The illuminated sign cases were disposed of in the Recorder's Court this morning by Recorder Weir. There were a number of storekeepers accused of having these signs extending more than six inches over the sidewalk, who stated that they had been removed, or had been brought within the limits of the by-law. They were ordered to pay the costs. In the other cases the parties were condemned to a fine of \$1 and costs and ordered to comply with the law by to-morrow or further action would be taken.

MISSING OLIVE DUPRAW

SAID TO BE HELD BY TWO MEN AT OTTERBOURNE, MAN.

Winnipeg, Aug. 4.—A despatch received here from Emerson, Man., says that little Olive Dupraw, who disappeared so mysteriously at Pine, Ont., while on the way to her home in Fort William, has been found at Otterbourne, where she is being held by two men, believed to be kidnappers. Her hair has been cut off and she is wearing boy's attire. Advices direct from Otterbourne say that such rumors are current there, but nothing authentic can be learned.

FINNISH DIET

WILL MAKE DEFECTS GOOD.

Helsingfors, Aug. 3.—Judge Svinhufvud the Young Finn candidate, was to-day re-elected president of the Finnish Diet by twice the number of votes cast for the Old Finn candidate. Although half the Socialists abstained from voting, the Socialists elected the first vice-president, and the Old Finn party the second vice-president of the Diet. Simultaneously with the opening of the Diet an imperial decree was published reorganizing the Senate on a conservative basis. Six Old Finns, who favor closer relationship with Russia, replace Professor Mechlin, the former premier, and his colleagues, who resigned when the Diet was dissolved last April.

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PADDED PAY LISTS.

Aid. Lariviere Says Investigation Into Scandal Will be Very Searching.

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ZEPPELIN'S AIRSHIP

NOW MAKING A SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT FROM FREDERICHSHAFEN TO MAYENCE.

Berlin, Aug. 4.—The weather was excellent this morning, when at 6.30 o'clock Count Zeppelin's great airship emerged from the swimming dock at Frederichshafen. The airship rose immediately from the waters of the lake for about four hundred feet, and after describing a magnificent circle over the lake, proceeded in a bee line for this city, arriving here at 6.55 o'clock. The ship continued on its way, and, within one hour, had covered forty-five kilometers, and was over Schaffhausen. From that point it continued along the Rhine to Basle. Count Zeppelin's plan is to continue to Mayence along the Rhine, and from there return to Metz, cross over to Stuttgart and return, if the weather continues favorable, to Frederichshafen at about 7 o'clock to-morrow morning. The day now threatens to be gloomy and that the idea of protection was advancing in an aggressive manner, but in spite of this the policy of free trade ultimately must prevail.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

Notices of births, marriages and deaths must invariably be endorsed with the name and address of the sender, or otherwise no notice can be taken of them.

Birth notices are inserted for the marriages notices for the death notices for the obituary notices.

Deaths.—On July 18, 1936, at Lauderdale Mansions, Sutherland avenue, Maida Vale, London, England, the wife of Mr. Eugene F. Doutré (formerly of Montreal), of a daughter.

MARRIED.—HEENEY—HERBISON—At 44 Rose ave., Toronto, on Wednesday, July 23, 1936, by the Rev. Robert Herbison, M.A., brother of the bride, assisted by the Rev. S. H. Pickup, B.A., the Rev. T. F. Heeney, B.A., of Lansdowne, to Florence, eldest daughter of Benj. Herbison, of Sand Bay, New York, Duluth, Washington and Minneapolis papers please copy.

HUDGINS—STANTON—At Deseronto, Ont., on July 29, 1936, Miss Edith May, elder daughter of Indian Agent, and Mrs. Joseph R. Stanton, and Guy Hudgins, Bellingham, Wash.

LAWSON—LAND—At All Saint's Church, Niagara Falls South, Ont., on July 20, 1936, by the Rev. Wm. Bevan, Norman Armstrong, Lawson, of Los Angeles, Cal., eldest son of James Lawson, Bridgeburg, Ont., to Adelaide Louise, second daughter of Abel Land, of Niagara Falls South.

ROMNEY—ANDERSON—On July 28, 1936, by the Rev. H. D. Marr, at the summer residence of the bride's father, R. U. Magee, Nauviggawauk, N.B., Lottie May Anderson to Robert James Myles Romney, son of Robert Romney, Esq., Director of the Suez Canal S. S. Co., of Liverpool, England.

STOUGHTON—NICHOLS—At Renfrew, Ont., on July 29, 1936, Nathan Stoughton and Mary Emma, youngest daughter of Joseph Nichols, both of Calabogie.

STRACHAN—CHAPPLE—At Knox Church, Wintarpe, on July 27, 1936, by the Rev. Daniel McKinnon, M.A., of Latviciere, Man., Edith Isabella, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Chapple, 139 Pearson avenue, Toronto, to the Rev. Campbell C. Strachan, B.A., of Rossburn, Man.

ATKINSON—On July 29, 1936, Mary Ellen, of Boston, Mass., daughter of the late Rev. Timothy Atkinson, 73 years.

DAVIDSON—At 406 Princess street, Kingston, Ont., on Aug. 1, 1936, Ann Eliza Poo, widow of the late Andrew Davidson, aged 79 years.

MALONE—At Laval, Que., on July 31, 1936, the wife of John Malone, at the age of 69 years.

OBORNE—At Boscobel, on Aug. 3, 1936, David, son of James Osborne, aged 68 years.

PRENTICE—At his home, Carville, Vaughan Township, Ont., on July 31, 1936, Auroa Prentice, in his 83rd year.

PYNE—At Napanee, Ont., on July 29, 1936, Calvin Pyne, aged 78 years.

SLOANE—At the Jeffrey Hale Hospital, Quebec, on July 31, 1936, Anne Bethune, beloved wife of B. O'R. Sloane, Esq.

SMITH—On July 31, 1936, at 908 Hutchison street, Donald F. Smith, only son of Fredrick W. R. Smith, age 5 months and 34 days.

WANG-SOY-SU—At the Grace Dart Home, of tuberculosis, on Aug. 3, 1936, Wang-Soy-Su, aged 27, native of China.

Notices received too late for this page may possibly be in time for page 2.

Those sending notices for the above columns may send with them a list of names of interested friends together with a one-cent stamp for each address, and marked copies of the "Witness" containing the notice will be promptly mailed. For address in foreign countries three cents will be required.

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300 St. James Street. ALABASTINE FOR TINTING AND DECORATING. A DRY POWDER, ready for use in cold water. 50c package. GARDEN HOSE.

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NEW PARISH IN OUTREMONT.

Six years ago Archbishop Bruchesi established the parish of Outremont, composed of 90 families. This number now having been increased to 200, and the local church being very small, His Grace has found it necessary to make a division, and a new parish has just been founded in the northern portion of Outremont, under the name of Ste. Madeleine. This division leaving only 50 families in the old parish, that number will be raised to 100 by detaching from the parish of Mile End the section west of Park avenue, between Mount Royal avenue and Bernard street.

ST. MARGARET'S COLLEGE, Toronto.

Important additions are now being made to St. Margaret's College, Toronto, and it is expected that they will be completed by the first of September: a fireproof building for central heating station, and a large swimming tank, with all modern accessories. An illustrated leaflet, giving a full list of the teaching staff, has just been issued. It indicates a thoroughness of work in every department that is characteristic of the best equipped Collegiate Institutes of the province. Universally graduates of the highest standing have charge of the classes in the academic department, and several of the most prominent musicians in Canada are on the musical staff. The classes in Art, Domestic Science and Physical Culture are also taught by Experts.

EARLY CLOSING THE S. CARSLY CO. LIMITED. TUESDAY, AUG. 4, 1936.

The New Management Sale BREAKING ALL RECORDS

This is the month when shopping is of especial benefit to people of modest means, because of the extraordinary price advantages to be gained during this UNIQUE SALE. The Store is full of Excellent and Seasonable Goods; prices away below the N.M. value.

Radical Price Reductions in Dress Goods Section 450 Black Dress Goods for 29c \$1.25 to \$2.50 White Silks for 59c

Note the New Management Prices on Ladies' Shirtwaist Suits and Summer Skirts \$3.80 Shirtwaist Suits for \$1.78 \$2.25 Dress Skirts for \$1.49

Ladies' Very Smart Shirtwaist Suits, sailor effect, made of fine quality English Print, in check and stripe effects, of Blue and White, White and Black, and Pink and White. Bordered nicely trimmed with White braid, full gored, all sizes. Regular \$3.80. N.M. SALE PRICE \$1.78

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rested until it rested in God. Psalm viii, 4, was the optimistic view seen when a man was enjoying good health and success. Then he said in his strength: 'I shall never be moved.' But when death and sickness and catastrophe came then he bowed his head and said in shame and disgust, 'What is this? Yet each feeling springs from the same root, the first from joy at the knowledge of being in line with the eternal order of things, and the other at sorrow and shame in being out of line with it. Religion itself was based on these two phases of life. We come to church because we know there is something beyond and above this physical life and to secure something to nurture us in that life. Our very resentment at the changes in this life was a proof that we were designed for an unchanging one. Out of our very sorrows our faith is strengthened. There was that in man which would ultimately raise him higher than the angels. One man we had seen live in perfect harmony with his surroundings, spiritual as well as physical, and he was our exemplar.

At one o'clock the teams from the surrounding country began to arrive, and by two the outdoor amphitheatre was well filled, and on the platform were the three strong leaders of the Conference. Mr. Capel, the president, tall, genial, gentlemanly, everywhere at once, and everywhere at ease; the Rev. E. M. Taylor, the secretary-treasurer, the financial end of the concern, the superintendent of buildings, the general manager of the grounds, the master of detail, who, when Mr. Capel, sketching the history of the seven years' movement, remarked 'that the property was valued at \$6,000, with a debt of only about \$1,500, is not that about it, Mr. Taylor?' replied in an instant, 'No; \$1,850,' and Mr. Ritchie Bell, of the Montreal Sailors' Institute, singer and choir leader and speaker combined, and equally happy in all three.

Seven years ago, said Mr. Capel, in his opening address, the idea of this Conference was voiced in a rectory in Sutton, and from his manner of delivery would have known that it was his rectory. They had no money but such small contributions as might be given out of small incomes. But there were a few friends in Knowlton. A tent was rented for \$10, the Knowlton Home promised to entertain the first instalment of delegates, and now seven years later they owned grove and buildings, and cleared land, surveyed and laid out in roads valued at \$6,000, with a debt of only \$1,850, and would next week have the water laid on from the waterworks. And from the meetings held in these years past who could measure the influence that had gone out. In the near future this would be a second Northfield, with a series of meetings of different kinds running the summer through. Mr. Capel made special reference to three prominent members of the Conference, Mr. Justice Lynch and Judge Foster, of Knowlton, both of whom were at present confined to the house by illness, and the Rev. Joseph Joy Theakston, late of Sutton, that 'Long Russian' whom everyone held in most affectionate remembrance.

Mr. Ritchie Bell, speaking from the 13th of the First Corinthians, was a fine example of a man who can hold the attention of all kinds at once. In front of the writer sat two little boys, who listened attentively, were every few moments doubled up with laughter, some of the sallies, while big tears dropped from the eyes of the father, who sat with his arm round the smaller. His interpretation of that chapter reading, 'Christ for charity,' in every verse, will not soon be forgotten by any who heard him. A feature of the ten days' session will be Mr. Bell's early morning Bible readings.

BRITISH AMERICAN DYEING CO. KNOWLTON CONFERENCE.

Every Room Spoken for—Many Improvements—Sunday Services—History of Seven Years' Movement.

Knowlton, Que., Aug. 4.—Almost every room spoken for was the announcement of the Rev. Edward Capel, the president of the Knowlton Conference, as the first instalment of members arrived by the Montreal flyer on Saturday afternoon. Several improvements were noted at once. The fine bell, presented by Mrs. (Judge) Foster, has been mounted in the new tower which forms the porch of the Ladies' Lodge, the kitchen which had become all too small, had been bought by Mr. Ritchie Bell, and transported to his lot on the upper part of the grounds, and a new one built in its place, and the rustic dining-room had been provided on the west side with shutters, to keep out the weather. The grove, the ground a thicker of ferns, so carefully left in its natural wild beauty. All private residents will be forbidden the grove, which will be kept for a park for the benefit of the cottagers building in the clearing above. Then the C. P. R. now stops its train right at the grove, and a stone's throw from the platform is the boathouse and bathing beach of the Knowlton Boat Club, of which the Conference makes good use.

The beauty of Knowlton is not easily told. In all Canada it would be hard to find a lovelier spot. It is the Laurentians civilized. The village scatters along one side of a great circle of hills, of which the centre is the thickly wooded island lying like an emerald on the bosom of Lake Yamaska (better known as Brome) Lake. The Conference has its Sunday service on the grounds in the afternoon. Morning and evening the members attend the Methodist and Episcopal churches in the village.

Yesterday morning the Rev. Dr. Symonds, of Christ Church Cathedral, and the Rev. Dr. Rexford conducted the service in the latter, and the Rev. Andrew Galley in the former. Dr. Symonds, taking for his text Ps. viii, 4 and xlvii, 34, in his usual scholarly, convincing way, showed that these two opposite views of man's nature, the optimistic and the pessimistic, arose from exactly the same source, the inborn nature of man that was made by God for God, and never

Get your watch repaired by W. A. WOOD, 19 Bleury Street.

THE FRUITS OF THE EARTH

Seem To Be Nature's Provision For Keeping Man Healthy and Warding Off Disease.

Cereals, vegetables and meat supply the elements needed for man's nourishment. Yet fruit—though it has very little food value—has proved to be absolutely necessary for perfect health.

Careful investigation has shown that all the common fruits act on the Liver, Kidneys, Bowels and Skin. These are the organs that rid the body of dead tissue and waste products, and the fruit juices stir them up to more vigorous action, thus keeping the whole body clean and healthy.

But few people eat enough fruit. Realizing this, after several years of experimenting, a prominent Canadian physician succeeded in combining the juices of apples, oranges, figs and prunes in such a way that the medicinal action is many times multiplied. Then he added valuable tonics and made the combination into tablets called 'Fruit-a-tives.' They are really Nature's cure for Constipation, Indigestion, Biliousness and Stomach Troubles. Mild as Nature itself—but more prompt and effective. Sold by dealers at 50c. a box—6 boxes for \$2.50—trial size box 25c. Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

TEXTILE STRIKE INQUIRY.

Socialist Leader, Reproved by Commissioner, Drops Out of the Investigation.

A FEMALE OPERATIVE TELLS OF HARD WORK AT LOW WAGES.

Mr. Albert St. Martin, leader of the Socialist Party of Canada, was a conspicuous figure in the proceedings yesterday afternoon before the Royal Commission, holding an inquiry into the textile workers' strike, and conditions affecting their welfare. Mr. Mackenzie King, the commissioner, had consented to allow Mr. St. Martin to ask questions and produce witnesses, but later, when Mr. St. Martin went beyond the limits of the commissioner's endurance, words were exchanged that led the socialist to withdraw from the case.

'I understand,' said the commissioner, to Mr. St. Martin, at the opening of the afternoon session, 'that you wish to show the reasons why we should resolve into a social state.'

'I want to show,' replied Mr. St. Martin, 'that the sole solution of this difficulty for the state to take control of the cotton industry, and I want to produce witnesses to prove this.'

Commissioner King appeared willing to go half way to meet Mr. St. Martin's wishes, but he suggested that rather than take up time examining several witnesses Mr. St. Martin should himself enter the witness box and present his views.

'We can do that, and we can examine several witnesses as well,' asserted Mr. St. Martin. 'One witness would bring forth one fact, another another, and the whole bracketed together would force the commission to this way of thinking.'

'But that relates to the future,' said the commissioner. 'My inquiry is concerned with the past.'

Mr. St. Martin—'With the past and the present. At the present time there is a cotton company which I want to see disappear.'

Mr. P. Fafard was the first witness, and his examination occupied most of the afternoon. He was formerly a spinner in the Hochelaga mill, but had not gone back since the strike. Mr. Mackenzie King conducted the greater part of the examination.

BLAMED THE FOREMEN. The commissioner, reading from a report by the Dominion Textile Company, that one-third of their employees had been on strike, asked witness if this were correct. Witness replied that he would estimate the proportion at nearer one-half than one-third. He blamed the foremen for being the cause of the strike. He declared that they were trying to crush the unions. He did not know whether this was a definite policy of the companies, but he believed the foremen were following instructions from officials higher up. He thought that if the employees could go direct to the management with their grievances they would get satisfaction quicker and better than by going to the foremen.

The commissioner thought the general manager might be bothered several times a day with petty grievances if this plan were adopted. Witness said they never went to make complaint unless there was ground for it. 'Could you not bunch your grievances and empty them all together before the manager occasionally?' queried Mr. King. Witness thought they could; in fact they had managed things that way a few times with some success. Continuing, witness said he believed salaries in the cotton trade were lower than in most other lines of manufacture. The commissioner asked why, if the

wages were so low, did not the operatives seek more remunerative employment. Witness replied that many, like himself, started to work in the mills at the age of ten or eleven years. It took five or six years to learn the trade and when it was learned one did not feel much like giving it up and going into something else. There were no girls or women in the mule rooms. Witness declared his opinion that the employment of women and children kept wages down. He could not suggest a remedy for this state of affairs.

Asked whether a manager of a business would be doing his duty by the shareholders or capitalists if he did not take advantage of cheap labor, witness replied that he did not know.

Asked for his opinion as to the cause of the companies cutting wages this year witness said he believed one reason was to crush the union and the other reason was for political purposes. Last year he was given to understand that the cotton companies had orders in for two years' work in advance, and that the market was good for the output of ten years' steady work. This year the same cotton companies gave out that business was slack. Most of this kind of talk, he admitted, was mere hearsay, but he believed one man who told him times were very quiet was a Mr. Julien. The political side of the question was explained by deputations representing cotton manufacturers going to Ottawa to ask for more protection.

NATIONALS AND INTERNATIONALS. The commissioner next wanted light on the relationship of the Textile Workers to the International Spinners' Union of America and the Federation of Textile Workers. Witness explained that the latter was affiliated to the former. The mule spinners of Hochelaga and St. Henri belonged to both, and paid dues into both. Some operatives belonged only to the Federation. Employees having a grievance were required to consult the Federation, and in most cases involving a strike they were supposed to call on the International executive for advice and assistance. If they did not do this they would not be entitled to strike pay. In the recent strike they communicated with the International headquarters, but owing to the urgency of the case the Canadian Federation took action before the International officers reached Montreal. When they arrived and found the strike was on they were, at first, inclined to ensure the local organization for precipitating matters prematurely, but after explanations the hasty action was overlooked, and although contrary to the strict letter of the International constitution, some strike pay was received. The allowance came to the general secretary, who distributed it to the best of his judgment, among the more needy members. A per capita tax was paid into the International treasury every three months. The reason the spinners, especially joined the International organization was that operatives in the United States were being paid \$28 per week at the same time as local men were drawing only \$8 a week, and it was supposed that united effort would result in an increase in wages here. In some cases the officers of the Canadian Federation were also the officers of the International Union.

MR. ST. MARTIN GOT LITTLE SATISFACTION. Mr. A. St. Martin here asked permission to put a few questions to the witness, and permission was granted.

'Will you tell the commission what salary you are getting now?' Mr. King reminded the representative of Local No. 1 of the Socialist party of Canada, that witness had already stated that he was not working.

How do you explain that the companies were trying to crush the union? The commissioner again forestalled the witness with the observation that the latter had already explained this point very fully, and the time of the commission could not be wasted in hearing repetitions.

'Why are you not working for the Textile Company now?' persisted Mr. St. Martin. 'Because the foremen were instructed not to take me back,' was the answer by the witness.

MR. ST. MARTIN SAT DOWN. WOMAN OPERATIVE IN WITNESS STAND. Miss Marie Blanchette was the next witness. She was employed in the Hochelaga mill, and had worked as a weaver for eleven years. Whether she did not understand the questions or her answers were mixed, some of the figures she gave were confusing. She was at first understood to say that in April, for two weeks' pay working forty hours a week, and attending to six looms, she received \$10—five dollars a week. In the last fortnight, working an hour a day overtime, and minding eight looms, she was able to earn \$14. This was very hard work. There was a rule against working overtime, but she was in great need of money, and broke the rule. Being an old hand, nothing was said, but she would not do it again, for it was killing work. Having to pay \$3 a week for board, and paying for laundry and clothes besides, it was hard enough to live. She did not consider, taking everything into account, that she was any better off since the strike than she was before. Finding five dollars a week under the reduced wage scale too low, and wishing to earn more, she took on the two extra looms. The reason she had not taken care of more than six looms before the reduction in pay was that she was earning a living wage, and did not wish to kill herself by overdoing it.

MR. ST. MARTIN AS CROSS-EXAMINER. Mr. St. Martin essayed to cross-examine this witness as he had the previous one.

TO-NIGHT Cascarell BEST FOR THE BOWELS AND LIVER THEY WORK WHILE YOU SLEEP

'You say that your present work is not doing you any good?' 'Yes.' 'Why do you not go back to work?' 'Well, if women did not work in factories, etc., would there not be more work for the men?' 'How would I live if I did not work?' 'There would be work for the father, perhaps?' 'When you are 84 years of age, will you not want to work much more than now?' 'Do you support your parents?' 'Partly; I am the only member of my family single and living with my parents. They get some help out of my earnings.'

'I suppose the more you get the more there is for the company?' 'Mr. King—That remark is absolutely irrelevant.' 'Mr. St. Martin—I suppose you would not object to a pension plan?' 'Mr. King—That is another question. Mr. St. Martin, I have a public duty to fulfil, an important serious inquiry to conduct. I want to give everybody a chance to bring forward evidence bearing on the case, and I feel that it would be a waste of public money and the time of the commission to allow you to put any such questions as you have been asking to-day. To-morrow, if you have any witnesses to bring or facts to present, I shall be pleased to hear them, but I can hear no more talk such as you have been making to-day.'

Mr. St. Martin—'And I have not enough of the commission's decisions, I will not trouble you with any further examinations of witnesses.'

In answer to further questions by Mr. King, witness said she supported herself, but she had never thought of giving up any other trade with a view to improving her condition financially.

SHIPPING NEWS.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS. From Montreal: Grand West. From St. John's: Grand West. From Halifax: Grand West. From Boston: Grand West.

BOUND FOR MONTREAL. From St. John's: Grand West. From Halifax: Grand West. From Boston: Grand West.

VESSELS IN PORT. SS. Carleton (572) Hydro. Middle Section 24. R. Bond & Co. SS. Partholow (524) Hydro. Glasgow. Allston (524) Hydro. R. Bond & Co. SS. Bonaventure (524) Hydro. R. Bond & Co. SS. Bonaventure (524) Hydro. R. Bond & Co. SS. Bonaventure (524) Hydro. R. Bond & Co.

SAILORS' INSTITUTE CONCERN. The South-west General Party, in charge of the report that the S.S. Sailors' Institute. The following is a list of the members: Messrs. John St. Martin, Gallagher, Beausoleil, St. Martin, Williams. A short report will be given by Messrs. Beausoleil, St. Martin, Lewis and Bond. Mr. St. Martin will also give a report on the work of the Hall, conducted by Mr. St. Martin, Messrs. Kathleen Burke, William St. Martin, etc.

LACINE CANAL TRAFFIC. During the past month 228,725 bushels of wheat, or an increase of 10,000 bushels over the same month last year, passed through the Lacine canal. The first five months of the year 1936, 1,100,000 bushels of wheat, 200,000 bushels of barley, 100,000 bushels of oats, and 200,000 bushels of rye, a total number of 1,600,000 bushels, valued at \$4,000,000, were shipped through the canal. The total number of bushels of grain shipped through the canal from 1935 to 1936 is 1,600,000 bushels, valued at \$4,000,000.

NOTES AND NOTES. Canadian Pacific has announced that it will be increasing the number of its trains between Montreal and Toronto to 12 per week. The new trains will be operated by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The new trains will be operated by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Some people look upon tea as a drink. It all depends upon the quality of the tea. Tea is a delicious beverage. Sold only in solid form.

DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT. Dr. Chase's Ointment is a certain and guaranteed cure for each and every form of itching, bleeding and protruding piles. See testimonials in the press and ask your neighbours about it. You can use it and get your money back if not satisfied. 50c. at all dealers or EDMANSON, BATES & Co., Toronto.

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In Jars and Tins
 A very select lot of Fine French Table Prunes, put up in glass jars and tins.
 THE FINEST GROWN.
 These are very choice, equally suitable for table use and stewing. Fruit fresh and meaty. Try a jar or tin to-day of
CROWN FRENCH PRUNES
 4-lb. and 7-lb. glass jars, and in 5-lb. tins. Here they are:
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 The most economical way of buying them, and at \$1.25 for extra good value.

Fresh Shelled Walnuts

35c per lb.
 We have just received another fresh shipment of choice Shelled Walnuts, and are now selling at 35c per lb.

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25c per lb.
 A lot of the new crop Brazil Nuts (real Nigger Toes), quantity of choice.

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tance men and poor prospectors who did this are to-day very rich men.

It has been said of Fernie that he sat down on a lump of coal and made a million. Of course, the property was worthless without a railway, and for many years little or nothing was done with it. Fernie went to Hill and offered him the whole business at a ridiculously low figure, but Hill did not "see" the proposition of running the Great Northern up there. Then he turned to the Canadians. Finally, he induced Dr. Selwyn, of the Geological Survey, to make a trip into the country with him. The doctor was not pleased with the looks of things, and, as they were almost within sight of the valley in which the town of Fernie is situated, told his companion that it was a "wild goose chase," and that he was going back.

Then the determined prospector practically kidnapped the doctor, and made him go on, by refusing to give him a horse or food for the return trip. On the strength of Dr. Selwyn's report, Senator Robert Jaffray, of Toronto, became interested in the property, and through Sir William Van Horne put through the Canadian Pacific.

Of course, the terrible thing about the fire is the loss of life, which is readily understandable by one who knows the country. Fernie was situated in a little valley, completely surrounded by mountains through almost impenetrable undergrowth or by the railway, which comes in and out of the valley by narrow cuts. It is not more than three-quarters of a mile from the top of one range across to the other.

The fire evidently swept around the mountains and then came over the range and caught the inhabitants of the town like rats in a trap. The mountains were covered with pine, spruce, cedar and redwood, all resinous and surrounded by an undergrowth which would make a fire that would burn like an inferno. Anyone who has not seen a forest fire in this kind of timber has no conception of the rapidity and fierceness with which it burns.

The fire undoubtedly was started by careless fishing parties or by sparks from passing locomotives. The forest regulations are very strict, and the Mounted Police patrol the territory carefully. This is the first time a fire of such magnitude ever occurred in the district, and my only explanation of it is that several fires must have been started simultaneously from different causes, and then burned together. I do not put any faith in the incendiary theory. Anyone who would have cause for starting such a fire would know that it would simply finish him and his own people. Once such a fire gets under way no human agency can head it off.

The measures employed in prairie fires, starting another blaze to meet it, riding with wet blankets, and digging trenches, are of no avail in the big wilds. Such a fire can only be extinguished by a heavy rain, by burning itself out, by running into green timber or a broad valley. The latter contingency is very improbable in a territory of that kind, densely wooded with most inflammable material for hundreds of miles. It will probably be a most disastrous fire before it is over.

MUST STAND TRIAL
CONSTABLE KILLED A MAN WHOM HE TRIED TO ARREST.
 Tillbury, Ont., Aug. 3.—The preliminary trial of Constable Kimball, of Chatham, charged with manslaughter in shooting A. J. Healey, whom he was attempting to arrest a few days ago, took place to-day and resulted in Kimball being committed for trial at the October Assizes.

Miss Mary Wellington, dressed in black, who had thought herself the wife of the dead man, Healey, was the chief witness. A dramatic moment arrived when she was shown the pistol that had killed her lover. The girl placed her hands over her eyes and refused to look at it, saying she would never touch that or any other pistol, loaded or unloaded. The attorney wished her to show how she had seen Kimball hold the pistol when Healey was shot. Another weapon was procured, but she refused this also.

The evidence reiterated former statements. Only once was she nettled by the defence lawyer, and that was when he quizzed her regarding whether she had seen the smoke of the exploding weapon as well as hearing the shot. She declared she did.

Another flurry was when Dr. J. Mc. Coll, the post mortem physician, was cross-questioned regarding the bullet, but the doctor flatly declared it was fired into the dead man while he was in a stooping position.

The evidence of witnesses of the dead man's last moments and who had spoken with Kimball after the shooting, seemed to indicate that the shooting had not been done intentionally. Kimball was released on \$15,000 surety furnished by J. J. Irwin, Tillbury, East Township, Robert H. Mills, of Romley Township, and himself.

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THE LAST DAY

We take inventory of stocks just as they will stand at 5.30 o'clock on Wednesday evening.

Every hour of the day, to-morrow, must tell effectively on what still remains. We want an absolute clearance of all these broken lines, remnants and oddments yet on our shelves and counters; and the forcefulness of our determination to close them out can be partly read in these quotations:



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In announcing the continuance of our clearance of high class blouses for Wednesday, it is but fair to warn you that a change has already come over the market, prices are mounting to normal level, and there is ample reason to believe that your last brilliant opportunity to secure high class blouses below cost, is passing with the clearance of these \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2 and \$2.25 qualities, for...**98**

EMBROIDERED COLLARS and SETS
 TO CLEAR.
 300 white Swiss embroidered muslin turnover collars, worth .25, for... .10
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LADIES' SHIRTWAIST SUITS
 Of Gingham, Muslin, Print and Duck, worth, \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$6.50 } **\$3.95**
 21 only Ladies' Shirtwaist Suits, smartly made of ginghams, muslins, prints and duck; fancy check and stripe designs; light and dark effects, including black and white. Real value, \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$6.50. Wednesday to clear, each... **\$3.95**

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 180 yards of indefinite stripe zephyrs black, mauve and pink, fancy patterns on white foundations; a regular .25 quality offered while it lasts on Wednesday at, per yard... .09

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 TO CLEAR.
 180 pairs of fine lisle thread gloves, elbow length, black and grey, sizes 6 to 8; regular .65, .75 and .85 offered for immediate clearance at, per pair... .33

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READABLE PARAGRAPHS

"If we are to survive," exclaimed an eloquent farmer at a recent meeting of an English Chamber of Agriculture, "we must hang together."

When the artist had finished his scenic sketch of the stretch of wood skirting the suburban road, he looked up and beheld a serious-faced man, whom he had previously noticed digging in a trench by the roadside, gazing queerly at his canvas.

'TIS TOO OFTEN THUS.

The airship from the earth withdrew And hovered overhead; And then the west wind lightly blew And slinked it 'gainst a shed.

A DAGGER WITH A HISTORY.

An interesting and, at one time, much-talked-of relic has recently come into the possession of Lord Burnham. It is the weapon of Edmund Burke's famous "dagger scene" in the House of Commons.

On the way to the House of Commons that day Burke called at the foreign office, and was shown by the under-secretary of state a dagger which had been sent as a pattern to a manufacturer in Birmingham with an order for some thousands.

Fox spoke against the bill, stating his sympathies with the French Republicans. Burke's speech followed. At first all he said was grave, argumentative and reasonable. Coming to the question of the bill itself, he grew excited, and declared it was necessary to keep murderers and atheists from British shores.

A scornful tittering came from the House. Burke checked it with a vehement protestation.

"Let us keep French principles from our heads, and French daggers from our hearts," were his flustering words.

The House was worked up to a great excitement. Even the contemptuous words which proceeded from one of the members, "The gentleman has brought his knife, where is his fork?" failed to spoil the effect of the speech.

It is said that the under-secretary picked up the dagger and carried it home. Now, after more than a century, it comes into public notice again—"Youth's Companion."

A DAY OF PICNICS.

Saturday was a day of picnics, amongst them being the annual fete of the St. David's Welsh Society, at Bout de l'Isle, and the Wire and Cable Company's picnic at Maple Grove.

Children's race—1, Miss Bithell; 2, Miss Mills; 3, Master Roberts; 4, Master Mills. Boys' race—1, J. Roberts; 2, W. Bithell; 3, M. Sindell.

Girls' race—1, Miss Bithell; 2, Miss D. Roberts; 3, Miss Owen; 4, Miss E. Roberts. Young ladies' race—1, Miss Conway; 2, Miss G. Sindell; 3, Miss J. Pritchard; 4, Miss L. Jenkins.

Married men's race—1, Mr. G. W. Bithell; 2, Mr. R. Roberts; 3, Mr. J. Davies; 4, Mr. M. Roberts.

Married women's race—1, Mrs. Hughes; 2, Mrs. Hetherington; 3, Mrs. M. Roberts; 4, Mrs. J. H. Roberts.

Young men's race—1, Mr. F. Chappel; 2, Mr. J. Jenkins; 3, Mr. D. Rees; 4, Mr. W. Chappel.

Wheelerbarrow race—1, Messrs. Chappel and Jones; 2, Messrs. Davies and Rees. Obstacle race—1, Mr. D. Edmunds; 2, Mr. F. Chappel.

Stunt ladies' race—1, Mrs. Langford; 2, Mrs. Jones; 3, Mrs. Clegg. High jump—1, Mr. D. Edmunds; 2, Mr. G. W. Bithell.

Consolation race for ladies—1, Miss Jones; 2, Mrs. Roberts; 3, Mrs. Clegg. Consolation race for children—1, Miss B. Roberts; 2, Master J. H. Roberts.

The Wire and Cable Co.'s employees and friends, to the number of 500, left by special N.Y.C. train shortly after 9 a.m., and spent a happy day with dancing and sports.

We guarantee all watch repairs. W. A. WOOD, 19 Bleury Street.

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Ice water is responsible for many hot weather stomach troubles. Besides being unhealthy, it does not quench the thirst. To make ice water wholesome, add to each glassful, three teaspoonfuls of Sovereign Lime Juice, and sweeten to taste. This makes a cooling, refreshing drink, that is decidedly beneficial.

ABENAKIS SPRINGS. Open June 1st to October 1st. Enlarged. Lighted with Gas. Terms Moderate. Silver Medal awarded to Abenakis Mineral Water by Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, Mo., World's Fair, 1904. Highest award to a Canadian Water.

LES CORMIERS—Notre Dame du Portage, Que. On I. C. R., near River de Loup. Fine Summer Resort, well situated near the beach. Good accommodation and first-class board.

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AVENUE HOUSE, PEAK'S ISLAND. This popular seaside house is open June 27th for summer travel. Correspondence solicited. M. C. STERLING.

OCEAN VIEW HOTEL, BIDEFORD Pool, Maine, the finest moderate price hotel on the New England coast, bathing, boating, canoeing, fishing, golf, tennis. Write for leaflet.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that under the First Part of chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1897, known as "The Companies' Act," letters patent have been issued under the Seal of the Secretary of State of Canada, bearing date the 27th day of July, 1908, incorporating Frederick Henry Markey, King's Counsel, Walter Whittier Skinner, Advocate, both of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec; George Gordon Lyde, Advocate, of the City of Westmount, in the Province of Quebec; Ronald Cameron Grant, Accountant, of the City of Montreal, aforesaid, and Charles Edwards Hyde, Real Estate Broker, of the City of Westmount, aforesaid, for the following purposes, viz.: To manufacture and deal in equipments, appliances and specialties for railway cars, trams and vehicles of all descriptions, and all products of steel and iron, malleable iron, and other metals and wood; to engage in smelting in all its branches; to construct, build, erect and operating furnaces, smelters and all necessary works for the purposes of the said business, to manufacture and deal in electrical and mechanical devices for the purposes of train equipment and otherwise; to purchase and hold real estate for the purposes of the business, to apply for, purchase or otherwise acquire any patents of invention, grants or licenses to use any invention or like privilege referring to or which may be deemed of use for any purpose of the company, and to sell or otherwise dispose of the same as may be deemed expedient. The operations of the company to be carried on throughout the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere by the name of "The Standard Railway Equipment Company of Canada," (limited), with a total capital stock of forty-nine thousand dollars divided into four hundred and ninety shares of one hundred dollars, and the chief place of business of the said company to be at the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec.

(Signed) R. W. SCOTT, Secretary of State. SMITH, MARKEY & SKINNER, Solicitors for Applicants.

CENTS FOR SALE AT THE WITNESS OFFICE.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

ANY EVEN NUMBERED Section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the North-West Provinces, excepting 8 and 28, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person the sole head of a family, or male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 80 acres, more or less. Applications for homestead entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at an Agency, on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother, or sister of the intending homesteader.

An application for entry or cancellation made per se at any Sub-Agency's Office may be wired to the Agent by the Sub-Agent, at the expense of the applicant, and if the land applied for is vacant on receipt of the telegram such application is to have priority, and the land will be held until the necessary papers to complete the transaction are received.

Where an entry is cancelled subsequent to institution of cancellation proceedings, the applicant for cancellation will be entitled to prior right of entry. Applicant for cancellation must state in writing particularly, the homesteader is in default.

A homesteader whose entry is not the subject of cancellation proceedings may, subject to the approval of Department, relinquish the land in favor of his mother, son, daughter, brother, or sister if eligible, but to no one else, on filing declaration of abandonment.

MINING REGULATIONS.

COAL.—Coal mining rights may be leased for a period of twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$1 per acre. Not more than 2,000 acres shall be leased to one individual or company.

QUARTZ.—A person eighteen years of age or over, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500 x 1,500 feet. The fee for recording a claim is \$5.

At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year, or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When \$500 has been expended or paid, the locator may upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1 per acre.

The patent provides for the payment of a royalty of 2 1/2 per cent on the sales. Placer mining claims, generally are 100 feet square; entry fee, \$5, renewable yearly.

An applicant may obtain two leases to dredge for gold of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable at the discretion of the Minister of the Interior. The fee to be paid is \$100 per acre in operation within one season from the date of lease for each five miles. Rental, \$10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent collected on the output after it exceeds \$10,000.

W. W. CORY, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior. N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this notice will not be paid for.

CORNWALL CANAL Notice to Contractors.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and enclosed in a separate "Bidding" envelope, will be received at this office until 10 o'clock on Monday, August 10th, 1908.

Plans, specifications, and the form of the contract to be entered into, can be seen on and after Wednesday, the 29th July, 1908, at the office of C. D. Sargent, Resident Engineer, Ontario St. Lawrence Canals, Cornwall, Ont., at which places forms of tender may be obtained.

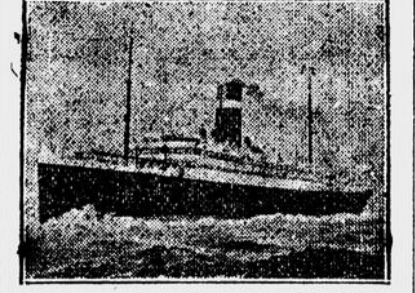
Parties tendering will be required to accept the fair wages Schedule prepared or to be prepared by the Department of Labor, which Schedule will form part of the contract.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered, unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and in the case of firms, unless there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm.

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Cranbrook, Aug. 3.—From five to seven thousand men, women and children in full night from the flame-swept region of the Crow's Nest territory, from 70 to 125 dead at Fernie, Hosmer, Coal Creek and Michel, and seven million dollars' worth of property destroyed, is the harrowing story of disaster which has overtaken this part of British Columbia during the past 48 hours. To-day it is said that the fire is under control, but the danger continues.

It is the unparalleled story of the fire fiend, fanned by a wind of great velocity through a section of forest, valley and mountain rendered dry as tinder by a protracted drought.

Since Saturday night special trains loaded with masses of frightened humanity, rendered desperate by the knowledge that everything in the world they owned had been swept away, and, almost perishing of thirst and hunger, have been slowly drawn into Cranbrook. In many cases but remnants of the families were represented; the others have been separated.

Cranbrook immediately became the centre of awful congestion. The destitute people were crowded into the homes of the citizens, spread out over the adjacent hills, and some sent west to other towns. Their harrowing stories of imminent danger and their pitiful condition of destitution cast a pall over the entire community. Relief trains were immediately prepared to be sent forward to the refugees remaining in the hills and on the streams and lakes in the stricken region—those who were unable to get away. Women and children had been the first to arrive, the men remaining to face the danger and fight back the flames.

The whole country has been a seething furnace since Friday, but the forest fire did not sweep up to the edge of Fernie until Friday night. Then at Hosmer, Fernie, Coal Creek, Crow's Nest, Michel and other smaller points along the Crow's Nest branch of the C. P. R. a desperate struggle began. The fires were known to have been burning for a few days in the isolated section north of the line, but as this is a usual thing at this season no real danger was feared. The fire is said to have originated nearly one hundred miles north in the National Park south of Banff, and slowly made its way down the Elk valley toward Fernie. To-day at noon, while the fire is sweeping through the adjacent forests and bush, it is believed to have done its worst, unless it shall devour some of the isolated lumber camps. To-day it is not certain that Hosmer and Michel have been burned out completely, but it is certain that much damage has been done there, and that only a few houses remain at Fernie and Coal Creek.

The C. P. R. has wired that it is sending 200 military tents from Brandon, 100 from Regina, 100 from Medicine Hat, and some from Calgary. Every available piece of rolling stock saved from the flames at Fernie is put into equipment for rendering aid to the hungry and injured and getting the women and children out of the country.

The tabulated list of killed and injured and the fire losses will be some time in preparation, in view of the fact that more of the dead will be found in isolated spots.

BLEW UP MAGAZINE.

The blowing up of the magazine at Hosmer was one of the spectacular features of the great conflagration. A committee exploded the cargo of dynamite when it became certain that the town was in the path of the approaching flames. One man was killed through failure to get far enough away when the word was given to ignite the powder. It tore a great hole in the mountain side, and shook the country for twenty miles.

Relief in cash and supplies have been sent or are en route from Toronto, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Montreal, Ottawa, Brandon, Regina, Moose Jaw, Medicine Hat, Calgary, Lethbridge, Banff, Cranbrook, Nelson, Spokane, Washington, and other points on the other side of the line. The refugees need everything in the shape of food and clothing, and their need is most immediate. Every individual capable of rendering aid is doing his best throughout this stretch of the country. Fire fighting brigades are being organized in all parts of the country, and they are required, as it cannot be determined whether the wind will change and menace another part of the country.

RENEWED BUSH FIRES.

Cranbrook, Aug. 3.—Parts of the towns of Hosmer and Michel were burned early this morning by renewed bush fires. No particulars will be available until the wires are up, which may be at noon, but it is known that many buildings in both places went up this morning. Michel especially is said to be completely doomed. It is now said no damage was sustained at Coal Creek, just west of Fernie, which was mentioned yesterday as having been destroyed along with Fernie.

SIXTY-FOUR MISSING.

Fernie, Aug. 3.—One woman got out of her door when it was afire, and then dropped dead. Neighbors hurried to bury her in the garden and run for their lives. In another part of the town where people were running for their lives, an old invalid lady had to be

wrapped in wet blankets, but was burned to death. She was being carried by relatives, but she begged them to drop her and save themselves. They did.

Camp No. 2, containing sixty men and four women, is burned completely. Not a soul can be found.

The Cedar Valley, Elk and Fernie lumber mills were burned to the ground, but Wood and McNab have succeeded in fighting the flames.

THREE TOWNS DESTROYED.

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Nelson, B.C., Aug. 3.—The latest news from the Crow's Nest Pass disaster shows a death list of 82, which will probably be increased to 70 to 80, a property loss exceeding five million dollars and about 7,000 homeless people. Fernie and Michel have been wiped out, and Coal Creek, five miles east from Fernie, is also destroyed. Hosmer lost some ten houses, and the coal company's surface works were destroyed. The powder magazine at Hosmer exploded, killing one man. The five black hard suspects who were in Fernie jail, were brought in from Cranbrook and will be brought on here. The other prisoners were given their liberty. Two hundred refugees will arrive this evening and will be housed and looked after.

Nelson raised \$2,000 yesterday and sent Ald. McMorris and two carloads of food and clothing to the scene. Vancouver wired \$5,000 and Spokane rushed in a carload of provisions.

The 'Daily News' published an extra this morning with the following account of the disaster from its special correspondent at Fernie:

'Fernie is in ruins to-day, only 32 houses having survived the disastrous fire which swept the city out of existence yesterday. It is not definitely known as yet whether any lives were lost in the city proper, but the finding of several corpses in the neighborhood of the city is reported, and it is feared many have perished in the relentless flames.'

The bush fire which was raging in West Fernie in the morning jumped the river about three o'clock in the afternoon, striking the south end of the town. The Fort Steele Brewery was the first to go, and from there the sparks carried the fire into the old town, which was soon a pall of smoking embers. At the same time the Elk Lumber Company's mill and the Cedar Valley mills caught fire, and in an incredible short time West Fernie was a seething mass of flames, the people fleeing for their lives. The conflagration jumped the river by the wagon bridge and set fire to the west end of the town, and, fanned by the great wind that was blowing, the city was at the mercy of the fire fiend, the wind attaining a velocity and force of a cyclone.

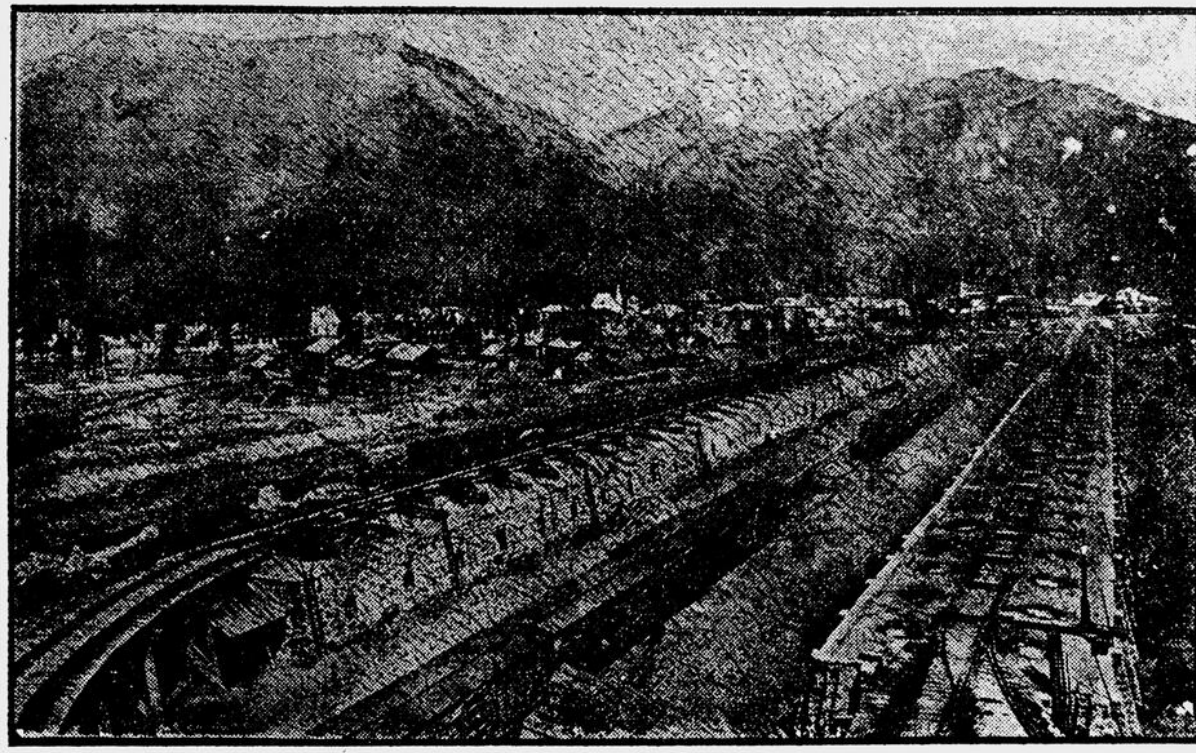
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Cranbrook, B.C., Aug. 3.—The fire came from an easterly direction, and with a strong southeasterly gale blowing, soon spread ruin and destruction around. At about 2 o'clock on Saturday the Fort Steele Brewery was burned and the houses around soon caught. People were busy fighting the flames, but their efforts were of no avail. The old town was soon burnt and then the business portion caught. It was all over then. The residential portion caught, and was a thing of the past in a short while. The lumber mills also caught fire, also the West Fernie bridges over the river were burned down and several people lost their lives. Churches, stores, etc., were razed to the ground. The damage to life and property is great. It is stated that about 170 people were burned to death. The fire spread with

TRAINS RAN THROUGH SHEETS OF FLAME.

The frightened people were thrown off their feet in many cases, trees crashed to the ground, and the scene was most appalling. The crowds rushed to the railway stations in the hope of getting a train, and in this manner numbers reached Hosmer in safety, though the trains had to run through sheets of flame, which repeatedly set fire to the coaches. Two hundred and fifty men, women and children sought safety in the coal company's office, while others ran for shelter in the Western Canada Wholesale Company's building. The organization at these



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places was good, and to the heroism of the volunteer force of fire fighters many owe their lives to-day. Had these buildings succumbed the loss of life would have been appalling.

A relief organization was immediately completed when the worst was over, and provisions from the Western Canada Wholesale Company, whose building was saved, were distributed. Hundreds of women and children were sent to Cranbrook by special train, and special constables were sworn in to protect property that escaped the fire.

The prisoners in the jail were liberated, and the patients in the hospitals were hurried to the Coal Company's and Western Canada Company's buildings, and were made as comfortable as possible. To-day cook stoves have arrived from Cranbrook, and the people are being fed upon the coal company's lawns. Everything is running as smoothly as can be expected, and hundreds of homeless people are being sent to neighboring towns.

The scene during the conflagration defies description. It was simply a fight for every life. The citizens did their duty without flinching. The blow is one of the severest ever dealt a Canadian town, but with the courage which has enabled them to overcome troubles in the past the citizens of Fernie, many of them ruined, are giving way to no dependent apathy, and a greater Fernie will arise on the ashes of the old.

It is impossible to get further details of losses or names of those killed at present.

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such rapidity that hardly anything was saved, people having to run for their lives. Many people fled to the river bank and the C. P. R. tracks, where special trains were waiting to convey them to Michel, but it was found impossible to take them there owing to the bridges being burned down between Hosmer and Michel.

The whole of the Crow's Nest Pass is afire, Hosmer being nearly burnt out. There was a considerable quantity of dynamite stored at Hosmer, which caused an awful uproar when it exploded, breaking all the windows in the town.

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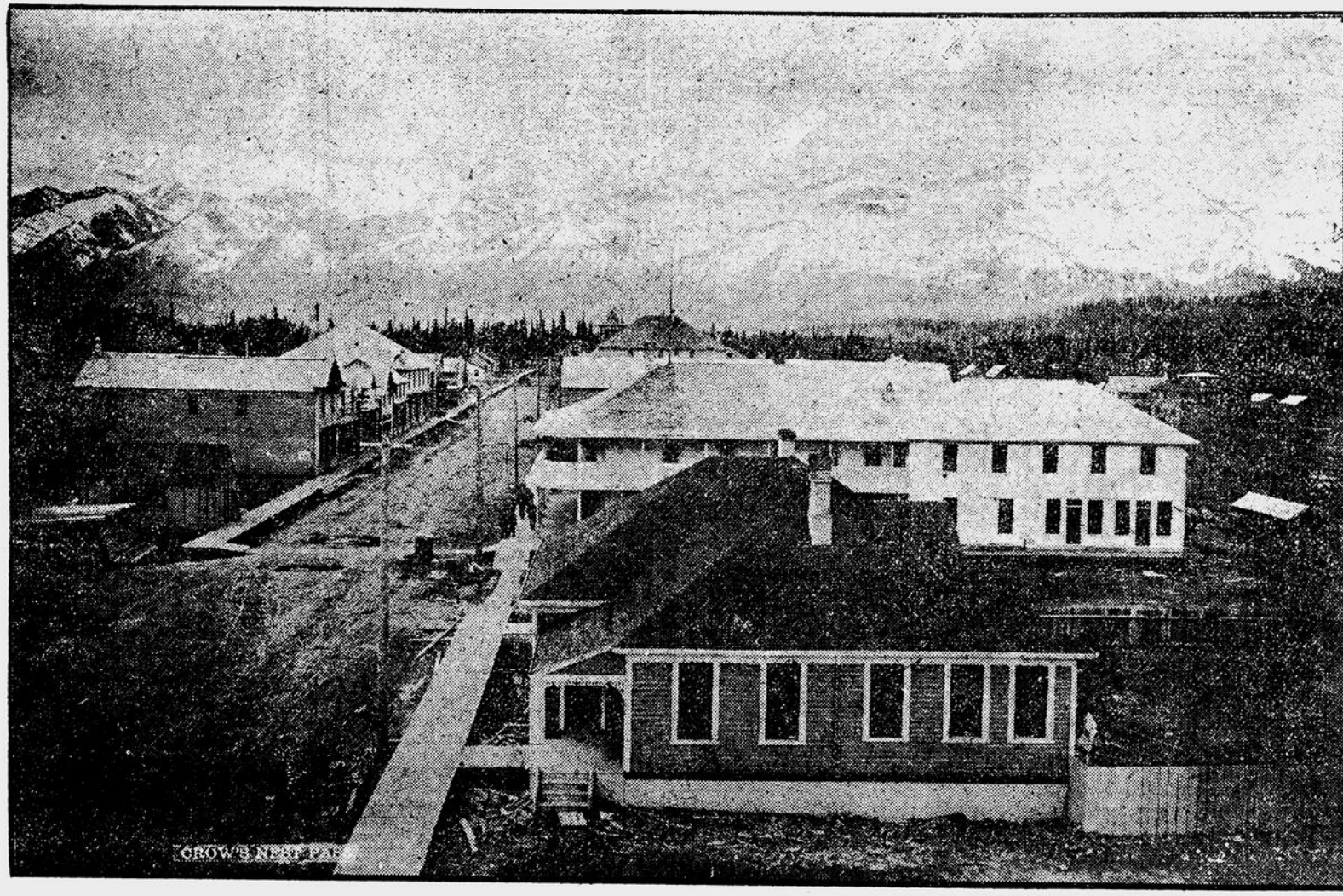
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