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DEATH OF BENJAMIN HEARTZ.

It is our painful duty this morning to announce the death of Benjamin Hertz, which sad event occurred last night at 12:30 o'clock. The deceased gentleman who had been mainly a man of robust and vigorous constitution until a few months ago, then became subject to an internal malady which gradually developed alarming symptoms. By the advice of his physician he sought the assistance of eminent specialists in the United States and later went to California in the hope that its milder climate might prove beneficial. But the best medical skill of America coupled with the tenderest care of loving hands failed to check the disease and a few days ago he returned to his home to calmly await the end which had become inevitable. Many friends will be pleased to learn that he suffered little pain, while bodily strength so rapidly faded. Yesterday it became apparent that the end was very near.
 The deceased gentleman was the youngest son of our venerated and respected townsfolk Richard and Mrs. Hertz who survive him. He was born in Charlottetown in September 1845. In early manhood he was associated with his father in the dry goods business and afterwards in private banking, and for many years past has held the position of President of the

Merchant's Bank of Prince Edward Island in which position he displayed rare ability, which was largely instrumental in raising that institution to its present strong financial position. He was also for years senior partner in the firm of Matthew, McLean & Co., Souris. Mr. Hertz was a most energetic and careful business man, and in addition to his banking business conducted an extensive and valuable farm in the Royalty, a prosperous cattle ranch in Alberta, was interested in mining in Colorado, and was a shareholder in many important local enterprises. By his death, while yet in comparatively early life, Charlottetown loses one of its most forceful, astute and wealthy businessmen, and a good citizen whose place it will be extremely hard to fill.
 The near relatives are his wife, formerly Miss Davison, sister of the late J. R. Davison, an only son, Frank Hertz of this city his aged father and mother, two sisters Mrs. E. P. Taylor and Mrs. Perkins, and one brother Rev. Dr. Hertz of Yarmouth all of whom will have the sincere sympathy of a wide circle of friends and of the community in general, in which The Guardian respectfully joins.

COMMENT ON CURRENT EVENTS.

The commission on the North Sea outrage as completed is composed of five admirals, respectively British, Russian, American, French and Austrian, the last named being the ready choice of the first four. It is now in session in Paris and while the commission will first investigate the attack on the British fishing fleet, it seems to be generally expected that it will make recommendations covering the entire subject of the relations between belligerent and neutral nations in regard to maritime warfare.

A story comes from Paris which is important if true. It is about a new gun, using a new explosive, the gun being of only 4 1/2 inches calibre, but throwing its projectile with sufficient force to destroy any battleship. What is almost equally important is that the gun can be effectively served by only three men. But experience teaches that such announcements coming from Paris are to be received only as "important if true."

At the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian war nearly thirty-five years ago it was claimed that France had, in the mitral leuse a weapon so formidable that no army could stand up against it. The war soon developed that the Germans had something equally destructive, and France never suffered such a rapid succession of disasters as in that war.

All the naval powers have had for some years a number of submarine torpedo craft, and we read months ago that Japan had purchased and received five of these supposedly formidable engines of destruction, while Russia had from time to time shipped a number of the same in sections by the Siberian Railway to be put together at Vladivostok. Yet so far in the present memorable war nothing has yet been effected by any submarine boat. Possibly they may be heard from in the near future. On the other hand the torpedo, the submerged mine and surface torpedo craft which were much discredited during the Spanish American war, have wrought more destruction within the past ten months in the Far East than in all the naval wars before on record.

Appalling as was the destruction of life on United States railways in last year, breaking all previous records, the figures for the current year have been much worse. There were, according to the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission, 43,206 employees injured and 2,367 killed in 1904 as against 33,711 injured and 2,516 killed in 1903. That is, in a single

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year an increase of about one third in the number killed and about 28 per cent in the number injured. The Commission urges the adoption of the block system, which has proved so effective in the British Isles. It is nothing short of criminal in the Governments of the United States and Canada to permit the present murderous system to continue when a well approved plan like the block system has been for years in use in other countries and has reduced the loss of life to but the merest fraction of what it is on Canadian and American railways.

The Ontario provincial elections will keep that Province in a ferment for some weeks to come. And the result will be in some doubt until the votes are counted. In the last provincial election and in the recent election to the House of Commons a considerable majority of the Ontario electors voted Conservative. After the Liberal party has been "thirty-two years in the saddle" and has been so sadly discredited in recent years, it might be expected that a change would now take place. But the power and patronage of two Governments, the provincial government and the wicked devices which have been so frequently resorted to to thwart the people's will render the result doubtful. Not all the Liberal parties in all the Province store her have been numbered with so many scandals as have gathered about the Ross Administration. There is, surely some hope that an incoming Conservative Administration might improve matters, if only for a little while.

Hon. Jos. Read has been locally blamed in Summerside for advising the removal of the Stanley to the eastern route. We are satisfied that in doing so he acted in the public interest and is abundantly justified. There are now over 100 cars of hay at Pictou, while hundreds of farmers, whose stock are suffering for want of it are eager to have it brought over. Moreover, the warehouse at Pictou is full and scores of cars of hay for the Island line the railway sidings between Pictou and Quebec, which cannot be brought forward until the pressure at Pictou is relieved. What is equally important is that the railway authorities have notified the Provincial Government that on 31st December the free transportation of hay by rail will cease, and after that date freight must be paid on all hay transported. Under these hard circumstances the importance of having both steamers on the route by which alone the hay could be carried forward could not be overrated.

There are most urgent reasons why the term for the free transportation of hay over the Government railways should be extended beyond 31st December. Our Government and people were not apprised of the early date at which the free carriage would cease until a few days ago. The hay has been purchased and would have been here by the date named had it been possible to get it across the straits. The position of the Island's altogether different from that of either Nova Scotia or New Brunswick. An extension or time seems imperative and will be strongly urged upon the federal authorities. If closed with the year little more than half the hay bought for the Island will get the benefit of the free transmission promised.

Many American newspapers, especially those of New England are keeping up the agitation for reciprocity with Canada. Some of them are aware that there is little or no desire for a reciprocity treaty on this side the boundary, but that does not discourage them. They are possessed of the notion that reciprocity would be a good thing for the United States, and therefore must be brought about. There is indeed one way, wholly under the control of our neighbors, or their Congress, in which much freer trade relations and a great increase of the trade between the two countries could be brought about, and it would be a plan of fair play and justice which would be welcome in Canada. It is this: Let our neighbors reduce their tariff on the imports from Canada to the level of our tariff on imports from the United States. At present the American tariff is just about twice as high as the Canadian.

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