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SERIOUS BLAZE SCORCHES SYDNEY

The Ross Block On Charlotte Street Totally Destroyed—Some Narrow Escapes—List of the Principal Sufferers Whose Losses Total About \$45,000.

SYDNEY, Jan. 15.—(Special)—Fire on Saturday broke out in the Ross block on Charlotte Street, one of the principal business blocks in the city and within an hour the entire building was destroyed. The fire started in Reddin's store by one of the employes tramping on a safety match which ignited some inflammable material lying about. The spread of the fire was remarkably quick and the occupants of several offices in the building had a narrow escape in making their way out, having to resort to fire escapes and firemen's ladders. Coming from the third storey even this means was attempted with great danger. The following are burned out: A. W. Reddin, boots and shoes. J. Fisher Grant, gent's furnishings. Walter Hall, stationer. Ross, Ross & McLeod, Fullerton & Livingstone, Langille & Madden, bar-risters. The following offices are badly damaged through fire and smoke: A. Ross, real estate; A. M. Crofton, insurance; M. G. Henninger, civil engineer; York Co. Loan and Savings Co.; Mullins & McQuarrie, real estate; Moseley & Duchemin, barristers; Rev. J. A. Greenlees, clerk of Sydney Presbytery and the offices of the United States Consul. Little or nothing of the contents was saved from most of these offices. The damage to the building will be about \$15,000 and the loss to occupants will probably amount to \$30,000, making total losses of some \$45,000. Ross, Ross & McLeod had about the finest law library in the city, all of which is destroyed. Rev. Mr. Greenlees had rooms adjoining his office. He loses practically everything.

LONG LOST BROTHER TURNS UP ON THE PACIFIC COAST

For Over Twenty Years He Has Not Been Heard From By His Relatives In Prince Edward Island—Born In Tracadie, and a Brother of Sir William Macdonald, Montreal—Holds War Claims For a Million Dollars.

Resurrected, almost to life again, after having passed completely beyond the knowledge of his friends for over twenty years, James McDonald, born at Tracadie, P. E. I. and a son of the late Donald McDonald, has found the whereabouts of his relatives in Prince Edward Island and has communicated with them from far off Portland, Oregon, where he now resides, aged in years but laden down with the wealth accumulated in long continued business on the Pacific Coast. Mrs. Donald McCallum of Winsloe Road is a sister of the old gentleman and has recently received a letter from her long lost brother conveying tidings of his whereabouts. The letter was addressed to her by her maiden name and had been sent to many sections of the province before the owner was located. Mr. McDonald writes that he is enjoying reasonably good health, and after speaking of the old times at the home- stead, mentions that he is enclosing letters to his brothers including William—now he thinks in the tobacco business in some part of Canada. This refers to Sir William C. Macdonald the millionaire tobacco manufacturer of Montreal, who as Island people all know is a native of Tracadie. Mr. McDonald of Oregon is making a claim against the State for an appropriate amount of a million dollars for the survivors of the Indian wars of half a century ago. Speaking of his mission the Portland, Oregon Journal of recent date has the following story:— Forty-eight years ago yesterday the massacre of volunteers by the Indians occurred at the Cascades. Thirty-five were killed. Claims of the veterans who served in that war, aggregating more than \$1,000,000, still remain unpaid. James McDonald, one of those in the service of the country and state, has undertaken to collect not only his own claim, but desires to take up those of others. In an interview last night he said: "It was just 48 years ago that the massacre occurred at the Cascades, when 35 pioneers of the district were slaughtered. More than \$1,000,000 worth of property was destroyed. "At that time I lost nearly \$25,000, consisting of pack trains, equipment and supplies. Not one cent of it has ever been paid to me by the government. "I consider that the legislature that appropriated \$100,000 to pay the Indian war veterans a portion of what was due them for their services, had no legal or moral right to insert a clause in the bill to deprive the widows, orphans or assignees of veterans from collecting all or portions of the various claims. "If the widows, orphans and assignees will assign their claims to me, I will begin suit, pay all the costs and make a test case of the action of the legislature. "The original bill prepared for the legislature carried an appropriation of \$300,000, but it was clipped to \$100,000. It has now been exhausted, but I received only \$32. I enlisted November 8, 1855, and served in various capacities until February 4, 1856—a total of three months and six days. I served a portion of the time with a pack train, and was informed that my time for that service did not count. "My purpose is to get all the claims I can together and go to Washington and present my cases before the court of claims. "The volunteers were told at the time of enlistment that if the government would not recognize their claims the state would and I think the state ought to keep its word. My claims alone now amount to about \$100,000, for I think I ought to be entitled to interest on what I lost at the rate of 6 per cent for the 48 years." Mr. McDonald is over 80 years old. He has been a resident of Oregon for 25 years, and is one of the best known pioneers of the state.

BLOOD STAINED TROUSERS WORN

By Prisoner Tucker—Sensational Evidence Given by Chief of Police and by a Companion of the Accused—The Second Sensation In the Case—Pin first Identified

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 12.—The trial of Chas. L. Tucker, charged with the murder of Miss Mabel Page, developed two interesting features today. These were brought out in the testimony of Chief of District Police Shaw and Henry Bourne, Tucker's friend and companion on the day of the murder. The testimony of each related to important exhibits presented in the case by the Government, the bloodstained trousers worn by Tucker on the day of the murder and the stick pin found in a pocket of his overcoat after his arrest. To the testimony of Chief Shaw particular attention was paid for the reason that it was he who closely questioned Tucker immediately after the murder and subsequently placed him under arrest. On the direct examination by District Attorney Sanderson, Chief Shaw related every incident, which occurred from the moment he went to Tucker's house until he placed him under arrest at the station house charging him with murder. The witness said that Tucker told him frankly of his movements on March 31 the day of the murder. Upon the witness expressing a desire to closely examine the trousers worn by the defendant, Tucker as he removed the garments for inspection, volunteered the information as to how they became bloodstained. In response to a question by the Chief as to why he destroyed his hunting knife, Tucker replied to search him and find the knife. Chief Shaw then told Tucker he considered him guilty of the murder of Miss Page and felt certain he knew how he did it. Tucker denied having been at the Page home on that day, but Mr. Shaw considered the evidence in his possession was strong enough to hold the man and he formally charged him with the murder. The pin found in Tucker's coat after his arrest and alleged to have belonged to Miss Page furnished the second sensation of the day. Henry Bourne, who testified that he had known Tucker all his life, when shown the pin said that he had seen Tucker wear a pin of that description, while he was employed at Robertson's boathouse in 1902. District Attorney Sanderson on re-direct examination showed the witness a clasp and asked him if that was the pin worn by Tucker in 1902. Bourne replied that it was not. The one worn by Tucker at the time he mentioned was smaller than the one shown. Mr. Sanderson then handed the witness the pin of Canadian design identified by Amy Roberts yesterday as the property of Miss Page, and the witness declared his belief that it was smaller than the one he saw Tucker wearing. For the purpose of fixing definitely Tucker's movements, on the day of the murder, several witnesses were called, but the most definite information on this point was given by two railroad men, John J. Murphy, a towerman and telegraph operator at Riverside and Walter J. Cillery, section foreman on the Boston and Albany railroad, stationed at Riverside. Murphy saw Tucker pass his tower at about 12:50 o'clock on the day of the murder. Billy testified that it was about 12:45 when he saw Tucker near the Riverside yard. Both witnesses stated that he was neatly dressed and appeared to be in no great hurry at the time they saw him. During the cross-examination of Miss Fitzgerald, the stenographer of Chief Tarbox, of the Newton Police, Mr. Vahey brought out the fact that the woman remained away from the Waltham hearing to avoid being summoned as a witness. Only once or twice during the day did Tucker display more than passing interest in the proceedings.

COOMBES GOV'T HAS RESIGNED

The Cause of Resignation in Dispute—President Loubet's Mother Passes Away.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—(Special)—The Coombes ministry has resigned and the ministers contend that their resignation was voluntary while the Opposition claim a victory. President Loubet is considering the selection of a Premier. Loubet's mother died today.

TUDENT FIRED REVOLVER SHOTS

At Russian General Troppoff but Failed to Hit Him in Moscow Railway Station Last Night

MOSCOW, January 15.—(Special)—In Nicholas Station tonight while General Troppoff was bidding farewell to Grand Duke Sergius a young man wearing a student's cap fired three revolver shots at the General but they were not effective.

ISLANDER NOW CHIEF JUSTICE

OTTAWA, Jan. 15.—(Special)—At Saturday's cabinet meeting Justice Weatherbee of the N. S. Supreme Court was promoted to the position of Chief Justice made vacant by the resignation of Hon. James McDonald. Justice Weatherbee was born in P. E. Island in 1836.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Best Made. "In my opinion Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best made for colds," says Mrs. Cora Walker, of Porterville, California. There is no doubt about its being the best. No other will cure a cold so quickly. No other is so sure a preventive of pneumonia. No other is so pleasant and safe to take. These are good reasons why it should be preferred to any other. The fact is that few people are satisfied with any other after having once used his remedy. For sale by all druggists.

THE VICE-REGAL RECEPTION WAS

OTTAWA, Jan. 15.—(Special)—The reception given by Earl and Lady Grey on Saturday evening was the most brilliant ever held on Parliament Hill. The affair took place in the Senate Chambers and for three hours files of gentlemen and ladies, the latter gorgeously dressed, walked past and were presented to Their Excellencies. Lady Grey was greatly fatigued at the close of the ceremony. As usual there is ill feeling. In the past Senate committees have taken charge of all functions held in the Senate Chambers but at the last moment management was taken out of their hands by the aides-de-camp and there is resultant bitterness against so-called snob rules.

FIVE FIREMEN WERE INJURED

LYNN, Jan. 16.—(Special)—On Sunday five firemen were injured during the burning of the Second Baptist church. The structure was totally destroyed at a loss of \$100,000. The firemen were injured by the falling of the steel ceiling in the vestry when the fire was practically extinguished.

CHICAGO MARKETS. CHICAGO, January 14.—(Special)— Jan. Corn 45 1/2 May Corn 45 "Wheat 59 1/2 "Wheat 11 1/2 "Pork \$12.57 1/2 "Pork \$12.97 1/2

The Baby Sick? Then probably it's a cold. Babies catch cold so easily and recover so slowly. Not slowly, however, when you use Vapo-Cresolene. Then a single night is all that is necessary for a cure. You just put some Cresolene in the vaporizer, light the lamp beneath, and place near the crib. While baby sleeps he breathes-in the healing vapor. Cold loosens, inflamed membranes heal, and all trouble ceases. It's a perfect specific for whooping-cough and croup. Vapo-Cresolene is sold by druggists, or sent express prepaid on receipt of price. A Vapo-Cresolene outfit, including a bottle of Cresolene, complete \$1.50. Sent for free literature, booklet, LIBRANO, MILLS CO., Ltd., Agents, 289 St. James St. Montreal.

FAMILY OF FOUR BURNED TO DEATH

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—(Special)—Wm. Mason, a lawyer and family consisting of wife and two children lost their lives in a fire which partially destroyed their home today.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE. For rates and particulars of the best accident and health policies, consult Hyndman & Co. General Agents Employers' Liability Assurance Co. of London, England. This Company transacts also, Fidelity Guarantee and Employers' Liability Insurance.

ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL FIRE

Damage to the Extent of \$25,000 Sustained but Patients Escaped Injury or Removal.

MONTREAL, Jan. 15.—(Special)—Between \$25,000 and \$30,000 is the estimated loss at the fire in the Royal Victoria Hospital this morning.

The fire caught in the kitchen which is situated in the centre of the building just under the roof so as to dispose of culinary odors, and was confined to that portion of the structure by the brigade's hard fight. The flames attracted many friends of the patients to the Hospital to remove them to safety but fortunately such action was unnecessary. The fire started before the night staff had gone off duty and all precautions were at once taken. There were no casualties of any kind.

FOUND DEAD IN CHURCH CEMETERY

BROXTON, Jan. 15.—(Special)—The fully clothed body of a woman was discovered half buried in ice and snow in Calvary Cemetery to-day. It was with difficulty cut from its icy bonds by the police officers and the coroner says death was probably due to exposure. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Absolutely Harmless. The fault of giving children medicine containing injurious substances, is sometimes more disastrous than the disease from which they are suffering. Every mother should know that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is perfectly safe for children to take. It contains nothing harmful and for coughs, colds and croup is unsurpassed. For sale by all druggists.

THE WEATHER

TORONTO, Dec. 14.—(Special)—Fresh to strong westerly to southwesterly winds, light local snowfalls or flurries but for the most part fair and moderately cold.

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RINK RINK RINK

4th Regt. Band at the Rink every Monday and Thursday Night. Come and enjoy a skate.

TWO TO ONE IN MONCTON'S FAVOR

MONCTON, Jan. 15.—(Special)—The Moncton Victorias on Saturday defeated the St. John Neptunes in the provincial league two to one. Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep the joints limber and muscles in trim.

Hockey Sticks

We have the largest and best stock of Hockey Sticks in the city. Goal Grooved Lifter Minto Victor Varsity Boys (only 10c.) Hockey Pucks, Shin Guards. Special low prices to Clubs. CARTER & CO., Limited.