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"THE LATEST NEWS" CHARLOTTETOWN, CANADA, FRIDAY, JULY 14, 1911. FIRST OF ALL

SUDDEN DEATH OF ROBERT MEIGHAN

Noted Montreal Financier Passes Away at His Home. Heart Trouble

Special to The Guardian.
MONTREAL, July 13—Robert Meighan, President of the Lake of the Woods Milling Co. and a noted financier died suddenly at his financial residence in Drummond St. This morning the city was shocked by the news that the well-known financier had died suddenly at his financial residence in Drummond St. Apparently in the best of health and in his usual good spirits, Mr Meighan put in a hard day's work at his office yesterday and retired early last night. This morning he took a sudden attack of heart trouble and died in a few minutes.

LOCAL OPTION WILL SETTLE SUNDAY GAMES

Bill Passed by New York State Legislature Provides for Such Action.

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ALBANY, July 13—After a debate which fairly bristled with Scripture quotations and extracts from the works of a famous theologian in assembly yesterday afternoon, the bill of Assemblyman Bush, which provides for local option of the Sunday baseball question was passed. Under this measure the question may be put to the vote of the people in any community of the state on a petition signed by 5 per cent of the electors.

DEVASTATING FIRES ALSO IN MAINE

KINEO, Maine, July 12.—After having burned to within an eighth of a mile of a hotel, the storehouses of the Great Northern Paper company, the Boynton forest fire suddenly shifted its course and the buildings were saved. The fire, which has already burned over nine miles of territory with a loss upwards of \$120,000, is now sweeping along the west branch of Penobscot uncontrolled.

"WATERING" PEERAGE WITH 500 LORDS

LONDON, July 12.—The Right Hon Arthur J. Balfour, unionist leader in the house of commons, had a further conference with Lord Lansdowne yesterday and it was subsequently announced that he would address his constituents in the city of London on the constitution on July 25, just about the time when the lords will be considering whether to surrender or to face the creation of scores, perhaps hundreds, of new peers. Lord Knollys also conferred with Mr Balfour yesterday and as he is in the confidence of the King the announcement has a special significance at this juncture. Meanwhile the Times states that the chief Liberal whip has a list of five hundred peers ready but nobody really believes, in spite of the unionist cry of "No surrender," that there will be any necessity for watering the peerage and creating a permanent liberal majority in the house of lords.

SMITTEN BY WILD WEST CHARMS

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., July 10.—Sarah Cable and Agnes Leahy, two girls, seventeen years old, were returned to their homes in Toronto last night, tired, footsore, travel-worn and uncovered, much wiser because of their experiences of the last few days. They were picked up by Chief of Police Kimmins after having been deserted by their two young American friends at the Canadian end of the lower bridge. The young men, who were permitted to re-enter the United States by being American citizens, had been attached to a Wild West show which played in Toronto last week. The girls met them and became smitten with their charms. The young men quit the show in Toronto and, according to the girl's story, told to Chief Kimmins, they crossed the lake to Hamilton, then took the trolley to Grimsby, where their funds gave out. This was on Friday. From Grimsby parents were telegraphed and told by this city is a matter of forty to miles by railway. By wagon road it in Toronto.

MONCTON THEATRE SOLD

MONCTON, July 12.—The Davidson theatre was sold under mortgage today and was bid in by A. Isaacs of St. John for \$13,000. The active management will be in the hands of Mr Perry, who has been in the theatrical business as player and manager for many years.

YOUNG GIRL WINS OUT IN 17-MILE SWIM ON HUDSON

NEW YORK, July 10.—What enthusiasts call the most remarkable of all distance swimming feats performed in recent years in New York was that accomplished yesterday afternoon by Miss Adeline Trapp, a mite of a girl athlete, of No 143 Havemeyer street, Brooklyn. Miss Trapp, who is a sixteen year old and weighs 120 pounds, swam from the upper end of Yonkers down the Hudson to the foot of West Forty-second street, a distance of seventeen miles. According to the chart the course measures fifteen miles, but the youthful maid, in crossing and recrossing the river in order to avoid the eddies of the most advantageous currents, stroked at least an additional two miles. Her time for the long swim was seven hours and seven minutes. Accompanying Miss Trapp in the water were William B. Schott, a young life saver and junior lieutenant of the Port Washington Fire Boat division of the United States Volunteer Life Saving Corps, under whose auspices the swim was arranged, and Arthur Wattell. Mr Wattell lasted only two miles, being forced to retire because of a cramp. Mr Schott swam up to within a thousand yards of the finishing point. He covered fully sixteen miles in six hours and seventeen minutes. Both Miss Trapp and Mr Schott finished in excellent power boat. Kathleen. Five minutes after finishing Miss Trapp asked for ice cream, her only restorative. It was fifteen minutes after nine o'clock in the morning that the start was made from the United States Volunteer Life Saving Station at Yonkers. Miss Trapp set out with an even crawl stroke, which Messrs Schott and Wattell were speedily to the front with a hard racing stroke. The pair soon left Miss Trapp far in Miss Clark's Wilson, in which were Marrin, Richard Law and John Baker, all of Sheepshead Bay, accompanied Miss Trapp, and from time to time gave her nourishment and drink. The swimmers caught the turn of the outgoing tide. At Spuyten Duy-

RUN OVER BY DELIVERY TEAM

LUNENBURG, July 12.—Isaiah Ernst of Blockhouse was run over by a delivery team on Monday and so severely injured that he died today. He was talking to Selwyn Ernest, merchant, who was in the wagon. Another team came along and Selwyn started his team to allow the other to pass. Isaiah in some way fell under the wheels of Selwyn's team, which ran over his body. Medical aid was summoned but the case was hopeless.

LIGHTNING STRIKES ST. PETER'S CHURCH

ST PETER'S—July 12.—A severe thunder storm passed over this section at noon today, lasting for an hour. It was accompanied by heavy rain. Lightning struck the cross of the Roman Catholic church and passed through the tower to the foundation. The cross fell to the ground and the tower was rent from top to bottom, timbers were broken and boards and shingles torn off. The top of the spire was scorched by the lightning but the building did not catch fire. The damage to the church amounts to \$300.

KING'S MESSAGE TO IRISH PEOPLE

KINGSTOWN, Ireland, July 12.—The king in a message to the Irish people on concluding his visit says: "I cannot leave Ireland without at once giving expression to the feelings of joy and affection inspired by the wonderful reception which the people of Dublin have given to the queen and myself. The king declares that the spontaneous and universal loyalty has greatly touched his hearts and will never be forgotten. He promises to return on a visit at no distant date, and will then visit other parts of the country. His majesty concludes: "Our best wishes will ever be for increased prosperity for your ancient capital, and contentment and happiness for our Irish people."

COMMUNICATION THROUGH PROVINCE AND WITH MAINLAND

Yesterday the Northumberland left this port at 8.20 a. m., for Pictou with passengers, freight, express and mail, docking at 12.00. She left on return at 4.50 p. m., docking at this port at 8.20 p. m., bringing passengers, freight, express and yesterday's N. S. Mail. She leaves this morning for Pictou at 8.20 a. m. The Harland left yesterday afternoon at three o'clock for Victoria and returned at night. She had a good general cargo and a large number of passengers. Today she leaves here at 5.30 a. m., and 3.30 p. m. for East River, returning at night. Yesterday the Eastern and Southern express trains arrived on time, the Western accommodation was ten minutes late, the Summerside accommodation was twenty minutes late, the Eastern accommodation arrived on time and the Western express was twenty minutes late.

WEATHER FORECAST

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TORONTO, July 13.—Light to moderate winds, mostly south and south-west, generally fine but a few showers. Not much change in temperature. The temperature at three o'clock this morning was 64 degrees above zero. The lowest temperature recorded yesterday was seventy degrees above zero and the highest was eighty six and a half. The coldest recorded the previous night was sixty five degrees above zero. At nine p. m. yesterday it was seventy degrees above zero. The length of today will be fifteen hours and sixteen minutes. The tide will be high this afternoon at 12.09 and tomorrow afternoon at 12.50. The sun sets this evening at 7.44 and tomorrow evening at 7.43; it rises tomorrow morning at 4.28 and Sunday morning at 4.22. The moon rises tonight at 9.56.

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ONCE REMARKABLE STAGE BEAUTY DEAD

NEW YORK, July 9.—Mrs. Isabel Freeman Norton, wife of Captain George L. Norton, editor of the Marine Journal, died on Thursday at her home in this city. Advanced years and heat prostration were the cause. Born in Boston in 1837, Isabel Freeman early developed a liking for the stage. Her first appearance was in 1860 at the Howard Athenaeum, Boston, in 1865 she played with Edwin Forrest and took leading parts with Madam Bonisi, John McCullough, James W. Collier, Edward Lamb, Mr. Lemoyne, Mr. Stodart and others. She later joined Mrs. John Drew's stock company at the Walnut Street Theatre, Philadelphia, while playing with Edwin Forrest she was described as the most beautiful and capable actress who had been seen in the part of Virginia. In 1896 Miss Freeman was married to Captain Norton, and in 1897, after an engagement at the New York Theatre, Brooklyn, she retired permanently from the stage.

MONARCHISTS READY TO QUIT

LISBON, July 12.—The government is informed that while the Portuguese monarchist plotters are actively at work in Galicia and other parts of Spain, many of them are ready to abandon the cause in exchange for pardon and a cash compensation ranging from \$500 to \$2,500.

HELP HUSBAND POPULATION OF BOSTON 707,000

BOSTON, July 11.—Some interesting facts regarding not only the population of Boston, but the movements of that population, are revealed by a comparison of the new edition of the Boston City Directory and its predecessor of last year. First, the new edition has 5 per cent more names than the earlier edition contained. In the directory of 1910 there were 309,170 names, and this year's edition contains 16,826 more names. The number of names in the faithful record of the inhabitants bears a direct relation to the whole population. The census takes the names of men women and children but the directory gives the names of the men and the employed women only. To get the population of the city, therefore from the statistics of the directory, one must multiply the directory names by a constant factor. In most cities of the country the census gives from 2.5 to 3 times as many names as the directory, but in Boston, the directory has always been carefully and completely compiled and that the factor has never been greater than 2.4. Comparing with the latest census, the factor was 2.17, so that the increase of 16,826 names in the new directory would give an increased population of 36,500, making the present population of Boston 707,000.

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GAVE LIFE TO HELP HUSBAND

FORT PLAIN, N. Y., July 12.—In trying to get the cash register out of the burning store of her husband at Sharon Springs last night, Mrs. George Klimhart was burned when the blazing building collapsed. Her charred body was recovered today.

FORMER SYDNEY MAN IN TROUBLE

MONTREAL, July 11.—B. G. Steurman, Jr., and W. H. McBeth, formerly of Sydney, both now of New York, were arrested here on Saturday on the charge that they conspired to defraud D. Mire, a diamond dealer, of \$8,800 worth of diamonds. Other unknown persons are concerned. The New Yorkers are said to have sought to place in Montreal securities of the Vancouver Realty Improvement Co., of New York, and the Martin Mining and Power Co., of Colorado. It is said that they proposed to purchase a quantity of diamonds, giving four notes for \$2,200 each, giving as collateral bonds below par. Four city banks became interested and engaged the services of a detective agency. The accused pleaded not guilty and are represented by counsel. Bail in the sum of \$20,000 was granted. The case is held over for a week, as the prosecution stated they had witnesses in New York.

COMMITTED ON CHARGE OF MURDER

PETROLEA, Ont., July 12.—William James Moore was yesterday committed by Magistrate Mackenzie for trial at Sarria on the charge of murdering Mrs. K. King. The mother of the youthful prisoner collapsed and was removed from the court room, and brought back in time to hear her son committed in charge of murder, she shrieked: "It is my son, my son, what will become of him." Apparently unmoved by even the outburst of his mother, Moore sat listless through the whole trial with his head in his hands.

THE DOMINIONS IN CASE ENGLAND GOES TO WAR

LONDON, July 12.—The Times' Cape Witwatersrand correspondent says: "Sir Wilfrid's attitude at the Imperial Conference is a precedent for the position of the dominions should Great Britain be involved in war. It gives special interest and importance to an article in the Pretorian Voice, stating that the union is in full effect in the case of a war in which England and other independent states of the empire are involved. "An express declaration of act from the different colonial governments is essential before any neutrality can be broken. It is nowise beyond question that one of the British colonies might not be more useful to England by declaring neutrality than by proclaiming itself an ally. Neutrality exempts such a colony from hostile attacks and removes the necessity of England's guarding the colony with ships and troops."

KING GEORGE DECIDES FOR UNITED STATES

LONDON, July 12.—The Times announces that King George has given the award in the Alsop claim to the United States. The award concedes £197,000 to the American claimants. Early in August last the United States ambassador and the Chilean minister at London presented to the British foreign office their respective cases on the Alsop claim, which had been submitted to King George as arbitrator. The claim is based upon large sums of money advanced to the Bolivian government of 1874. Chile agreeing to assume the obligations of Bolivia to the company when Arica passed to Chile. The claim amounted to \$1,500,000. The United States and Chile agreed to submit the case to the late King Edward and after his death to his successor, King George. Chile deposited the amount claimed in London to be paid over in case the award was in favor of the United States.

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