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NEW THEATRE ERECTION

Will Be Among the First New Building Activities of the Company

In conversation with Mr. C. J. Gallagher recently, the Guardian incidentally inquired as to when his company would probably be building at the corner of Grafton and Great George Streets.



SIR RICHARD SQUIRES Formerly Premier of Newfoundland, whose administration will be the subject of an investigation by a royal commission just appointed.

ARREST OF ALLEGED SON OF DR. MURCHISON

IMPOSTOR POSED AS SON OF DR. MURCHISON MARRIED AND DESERTED AN ENGLISH GIRL IS NOW IN U. S. JAIL

The Saskatoon Star Says:—James Randall Murchison, wanted at Blaine Lake for forgery, has been arrested at Bonner's Ferry, Idaho.

Condensed Specials

- WANTED—TWO BOARDERS. Apply 26 Upper Prince St. WANTED—GIRL FOR GENERAL housework. Apply Guardian. WANTED—AT ONCE A MAID. Apply Mrs. John T. Hillion, 92 Brighton Road.

Sir Lomer Gouin Resigns From Government

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, Jan. 3.—Sir Lomer Gouin, Minister of Justice has resigned from the government because of ill health.

PRIVATE SALE OF FURNITURE including antique tables, dressers, rugs, chairs, and household articles; also valuable water colors and etchings.

Limited and Maritime Express in Collision

(Canadian Press) MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 3.—The Canadian National Railway west-bound Ocean Limited train No. 3 from Halifax to Montreal sideswiped the express car of the east-bound Maritime Express No. 2 at Sackville about one o'clock to-day.

Fortunately the Ocean Limited was travelling slowly at the time and the quick application of the emergency brakes by the driver saved the express car from being badly damaged.

After first aid was rendered to the injured men they were able to proceed on their respective trains.

GERMANY'S WEALTH HIDDEN; ALLIES FAIL TO FIND IT

Commission of Experts is Confronted With Serious Difficulties and Has Neither the Confidence of Germany nor of France.

(United Press) NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The inquiry by American and allied experts into Germany's present financial condition is not likely to have any important results.

DIXMUDE TANK FOUND AT SEA

(Canadian Press) PARIS, Jan. 3.—The gasoline tank belonging to the Dirigible Dixmude has been found at sea, according to a wireless message sent out by Bizeria Tunis Naval station.

Harry Thaw Hopes For Freedom

(Canadian Press) NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—A copy-right story in the Sun yesterday states that Harry K. Thaw, slayer of Stanford White will at once commence proceedings in an effort to have himself adjudged mentally incompetent.

GIRL IS HELD PRISONER IN A HOUSE FOR FIVE YEARS

Sensational Story From Bear River Nova Scotia

(Canadian Press) HALIFAX, Jan. 3.—Bertha Potter, a servant girl, aged twenty-two was found yesterday in the house of William Lent, aged 62, in the heart of the town of Bear River, Digby County N. S.

K. of P. Officers Elected Last Night

At the regular convention of Empire Lodge, Knights of Pythias, held last evening in Castle Hall, the new officers for the ensuing term were duly elected.

Bankruptcy Court Case Proceeding

In the Bankruptcy Court yesterday the hearing of an application on behalf of the Sims Packing Company to have set aside its assignment under the Bankruptcy Act purporting to be made on behalf of the Sims Packing Company, was resumed before the Chief Justice.

Berlin Butchers To Care For Destitutes

(Canadian Press) BERLIN, Jan. 3.—The Butchers of Berlin have taken over the care of 400 destitute men, women and children and have agreed to feed and house them this winter.

Disastrous Fire In Ill. Takes Toll Of 35 Lives

(Canadian Press) PEKIN, Ill., Jan. 3.—Between thirty and thirty-five persons were killed and one hundred injured, according to estimates, in an explosion and fire in the starch buildings of the Corn Products Refining Company here early today.

FINE CONCERT RENDERED BY LOCAL TALENT

The concert in Zion Hall last evening was attended by a large audience and was very much enjoyed.

Each number received very warm applause and was excellently rendered. On account of the length of the programme no encores could be allowed.

P. E. I. CAPTAIN IS CONVICTED OF SMUGGLING

(Canadian Press) MAHONE BAY, Jan. 3.—A fine of \$200 and costs of \$83 were assessed against Capt. Alfred Dicks, master of the schooner D. C. Mulhall, who was convicted here today by Stipendiary Magistrate Holt.

London Seat Now Vacant

(Canadian Press) LONDON, Jan. 3.—The City of London seat, vacated by Sir Frederick Banbury, accepting a peerage, is probably the safest Tory seat in the United Kingdom.

Princess Charged With Stealing

(CANADIAN PRESS) COPENHAGEN, Jan. 3.—The Russian Princess Olga Koslovsky, daughter of the late General Vladimir Koslovsky, is under arrest charged with stealing jewels valued at fifteen thousand kroner, from the country house where she was a guest.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

- HATES—2 cents per word each insertion. The Annual Meeting of the Lake Verde Dairy Co. will be held Wednesday, January 9th at 1 p. m. 766-13-41. Feathers. We buy feathers—All kinds—but please don't mix them. Beer & Weeks. 793-1-4-11. Re-upholstering—Right now is the time to have your upholstery done—for less. Special prices on labor and materials all this month. Let us quote you on your job. Beer & Weeks. 793-1-4-11.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

Message From the Dominion President to Retail Merchants

The following New Year's Greeting was received yesterday by Mr. B. Roy Holman, Secretary of the P. E. Island Provincial Board of the Retail Merchants Association of Canada, from the President, Mr. J. A. Banfield, Winnipeg.

English Murderer Presumed to Be in Montreal

(Canadian Press) MONTREAL, Jan. 3.—Somewhere in Montreal fleeing from the evening arm of Scotland Yard is believed to be the murderer of pretty Isabel Margery Bailey who was brutally murdered on the night of the sixth of December of the dawn of the Seventh.

The Weather, Etc

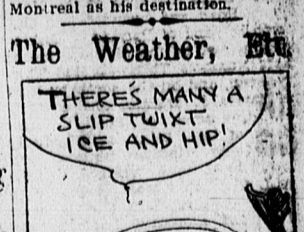
TORONTO, Jan. 4.—Maritime westerly gales with snow becoming colder. Temperature yesterday: Max. 60. Min. 21. High tide this morning at 8:46 and tonight at 8:25. Sun sets this afternoon at 4:53 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:38. New moon Sunday, Jan. 6th, at 8:45 a. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, January 1, 1924 To The Retail Merchants of Canada: I desire to extend to you at this time my personal greetings and good wishes for your continued happiness and prosperity in the New Year.

I am not making any general comments upon this occasion upon Retail Business Conditions in Canada because there will be the usual survey and reviews by Commercial Agencies, Banking Institutions, etc., which will cover the field much more comprehensively than I could hope to do within the limits of this brief message.

I would say however, that as retail Merchants and citizens of Canada, we have every reason for gratification and no justification for pessimism. A glance across the Atlantic at the conditions with which all European countries are faced, should make us profoundly thankful that we live in a land of peace and plenty. Let us cultivate a cheerful outlook and by sustaining confidence build up both our own business and our country.

At a season of the year however, that is usually associated with stock taking and an examination of one's business position, I would wish to have Retail Merchants spare a little time to consider a business that concerns them all—the business of the Retail Merchants Association of Canada. Of course, I do not mean by this an examination of its internal affairs—the Annual Convention pro-



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