

NOT THOUGHT TO BE SERIOUS

Engineers Knew That Defect Existed

AND HAD REPORTED IT

A Workman, Survivor of the Quebec Bridge Disaster, Saw the Cracked Plate in May, But Did Not Report It

Quebec, Sept. 5.—The coroner's jury yesterday continued its inquiry as to the cause of the death of the victims of the Quebec bridge disaster.

Alexander Duimet, one of the survivors, stated that in May, while cleaning around the outside pier, he had noticed a crack in one of the lateral plates from which the chords ran.

Mr. Hoare stated that he had helped in the preparation of the plans and specifications of the structure. He had, moreover, prepared specifications for the construction of a cantilever, which was approved by the government before tender was called.

Mr. Hoare said that on Tuesday, August 27, Mr. McClure reported to him verbally and to Mr. Cooper in writing and by telegram that on the ninth lower chord at the west truss a slight curvature inwards was noticed.

The moment any likely fault was discovered, immediate steps were taken to repair it. They did not consider it a serious thing but the witness visited the bridge early next morning and went over the whole structure with McClure and Kinloch, government inspectors, as well as the Phoenix company's engineers.

After the visit they discussed matters together. The engineers on the bridge had also checked all alignment posts and levels and tested the deflection, finding everything in perfect condition.

After ascertaining the facts, he sent McClure to New York to describe the condition of that chord, as the telegraph and telephone service were too slow to discuss the matter in that way.

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RIOTERS START GREAT FIRE IN ANTWERP

City is on the Verge of Panic—Martial Law May Be Proclaimed—Fire Loss \$2,000,000.

Antwerp, Sept. 5.—The incendiary fire which was started last night by rioting strikers is still sweeping the dock today and the city is on the verge of a panic.

SEVEN KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Stroke Fells a Tree Which Crashed Through Roof.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 5.—Details of the disastrous lightning stroke at Duckhorn Falls, Tuesday, show that seven men were killed and ten injured. The heavy storm had driven 50 or 60 men to take shelter in the entrance house of the Duckhorn Falls power plant.

SENATOR BORAH TO BE TRIED

He With Other Prominent Idaho Men Charged With Conspiracy.

Boise, Idaho, Sept. 5.—The indictment returned last April by the federal grand jury against Senator William E. Borah and other prominent men charging conspiracy to defraud the United States government, was served on the defendants yesterday.

Besides Borah, the indictment includes Frank Martin, attorney-general of Idaho under Governor Steunenberg's administration, J. T. Barber and Sumner Moon, millionaire stockholders of the Barber Lumber company, residing in Wisconsin; J. I. Wells, P. P. Downs, John Kinead, L. M. Pritchard, William Sweet, Albert M. Palmer and H. S. Rand.

The indictment charges that these persons entered into a conspiracy in September, 1901, and at various times to procure by fraudulent entry timber lands in Boise county, Idaho.

Senator Borah has been accorded the privilege of a separate trial. The case for the government will be conducted by B. M. C. Burch of Denver and S. R. Rusk of Omaha.

THE GROOM A NOBLEMAN

Did Not Let His Bride Know Until Wedding Ceremony Was Under Way.

Schoenaday, N. Y., Sept. 4.—When Miss Eliza Stoddard, a society girl of this city, became engaged to Alvin De Koresky, employed as an electrical engineer in the General Electric works here, she had no idea he was a nobleman.

It was not until they were in the midst of the wedding ceremony that the officiating clergyman told her that he is an Austrian baron. His bride was almost overcome with surprise.

The young man had told Miss Stoddard's father his secret but begged that his fiancée be not informed until the time of the wedding as he wanted her to love him for himself and not for his title.

Baron Koresky's father is an attaché of the Austrian embassy at Washington and his mother is a countess of her own right. He has been employed by the General Electric company for four years. The wedding occurred yesterday at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. A. E. Hall.

BUFFALO DEDICATES MCKINLEY MONUMENT

Beautiful White Marble Obelisk Is Unveiled Today—Governor Hughes the Speaker.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 5.—The beautiful white marble obelisk reared in Niagara square by the state at a cost of half a million dollars in memory of the martyred president, William McKinley, was dedicated today by Governor Hughes.

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AGAIN POSTPONED

Trial of Case to Dissolve Standard Oil

PUT OFF TILL SEPT. 17

At the Request of the Corporation's Attorneys—The Judge Says the Case Will Proceed on Sept. 17 Without Fail.

New York, Sept. 5.—The opening of the trial of the government's case to revoke the charter of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey and to dissolve the corporation as a trust was again postponed today until September 17.

The federal court granted the further delay to give the corporation's attorneys time to prepare a statement covering the information desired by the government from the corporations, books, which would obviate the necessity of introducing volumes of evidence for the examination of which months would be required.

Judge Feerish in granting the motion for postponement said, "It must be distinctly understood that on September 17 the case will proceed, and it must be understood that the statement will be delivered to the counsel for the government in time to examine it before they come to court."

BURTON IS MUM

Ohio Congressman Will Not Talk Regarding Possible Resignation.

Columbus, O., Sept. 5.—Congressman Burton of Cleveland has announced that he will accept the Republican nomination for mayor of Cleveland and run against Johnson. He left here yesterday for Urbana, where he will make an address.

Mr. Burton declined to add anything to his statement regarding the mayoralty race, and refused to say whether or not he would resign from Congress.

"I cannot give out the letters from President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft," he said, "until I have permission from them."

SUICIDE WITH A SHOTGUN

Charles Stevens of Henniker N. H., Was Despondent.

Henniker, N. H., Sept. 5.—Charles F. Stevens committed suicide by shooting himself with a shotgun at his home near the Martin place yesterday.

Mr. Stevens lived alone and the act was not discovered for about twenty-four hours. He was 68 years of age and unmarried.

Despondency is supposed to have been the cause.

Tells Sister, Kills Self. Portland, Me., Sept. 5.—Here goes, Eldora, said Wendell S. Wescott of South Portland, yesterday, to his sister at her home, and he followed the words by shooting himself through the temple, dying almost instantly.

Wescott fractured his wrist a short time ago and was apparently despondent over the fact that physicians told him it would be a long time before he could use it again.

Colonel Halford Retired. Washington, Sept. 5.—Lient. Col. Elijah W. Halford, pay department, U. S. A., was retired yesterday, having reached the statutory age of 64 years.

Colonel Halford is attached to headquarters of the department of California at San Francisco. He was private secretary to the late President Harrison, from 1889 to 1893.

Tramped 200 Miles. Portland, Me., Sept. 5.—Richard A. Power, Chester Clark, Preble E. Ackley and William H. Drew, four Portland high school boys returned today from a tramp to Mt. Washington and back, a total distance of 200 miles.

While the Boston & Maine hunter was taking a train of flour to the sheds in Newport Saturday a brake beam on one of the cars dropped down throwing the car off the track. Other cars followed and resulted in tearing up the track to a considerable extent. Three cars were almost destroyed and one was badly smashed in the end.

Governor Proctor will pick the best dog in the show at Rutland county fair. The Rutland Kennel club will award a special cup to the animal gaining this distinction. Many dogs have arrived, some of the prize winners of the world being entered.

Walter C. Kelley of Philadelphia, a native of Rutland, is making a hit on the London stage by a monologue act entitled "The Virginia Judge." He got the idea while visiting a Virginia court room.

D. Goodwin Lang, aged 90 years, the oldest man in Concord, N. H., who died Sunday, was born in Chelsea January 6, 1817, and was educated in the schools there and in Newbury.

John W. Kelletoe of Rutland, has issued a pamphlet entitled "Bible Reading Calendar," which is designated to aid in the reading of the Bible.

The usual white deer has appeared in Telford Pond this year, several people claiming to have seen it.

TRACK A SEA OF OOZE

Franklin County Fair Held Under Difficulties.

Sheldon, Sept. 5.—A drenching rain knocked out the crowd and profits of the Franklin county fair yesterday. The judging of stock and exhibits was carried out as planned. The track was a sea of ooze, inches deep, and horse racing was an impossibility. The directors met today and decided to continue the fair to include Saturday, so as to get in the horse racing program which is delayed one day.

If today is pleasant, a great crowd will be present to welcome Gov. Fletcher D. Proctor whose popularity in this county continues to grow. Governor Proctor will not make a speech, but has consented to give a few minutes' practical talk sometime during the day.

The races set for yesterday will be run off today and the large list of driving horses will be shown and judged.

J. C. CARPENTER PRESIDENT

Mail Carriers Hold Third Annual Convention at White River Junction.

White River Junction, Sept. 5.—At the third annual convention of the Vermont Mail Carriers' association Tuesday the following officers were elected: J. C. Carpenter of Irasburg, vice-president; H. W. Spooner of Vergennes, president; I. J. Stewart of Morrisville, secretary; M. Garvey of Craftsbury, treasurer; H. W. Spooner, delegate to the national convention at Atlanta, Ga.

The constitution was revised, many changes being made. P. C. Oull of Concord, Mass., national secretary, delivered the principal address, and speeches also were made by J. H. Johnson of Raymond, N. H., and Inspector Sawyer of Bennington. A letter from Congressman Kittredge Hasbun was read.

RAIN ON THE FIRST DAY

Races at the Demijon Fair at Sherbrooke Postponed.

Sherbrooke, Que., Sept. 5.—The Dominion fair was opened yesterday by the Hon. S. A. Fisher, minister of agriculture. Rain fell in torrents until the afternoon, when it cleared up. As a result many of the visitors who had come into Sherbrooke remained downtown.

The races were called off owing to the mud on the track, and should conditions be favorable they will be run today. Lincoln Beachy, the airship man made an ascension in the afternoon in the rain. He circled the city and it was considered by all one of the best cards ever seen in Canada.

He will make two trips daily should the weather conditions be favorable. In the afternoon Sir L. A. Jette, the lieutenant governor of the province, and Mr. R. L. Jordan, opposition leader, paid a visit to the fair.

TRAFFIC BREAKING RECORD

Central Vermont Railway so Busy Trains Can't Make Time.

St. Albans, Sept. 5.—Traffic, both freight and passenger, was never so heavy on the Central Vermont as it is at present, and all records in both departments are being smashed day after day. Extra coaches have necessarily been added to all passenger trains and an additional parlor car on the New England States Limited, frequently fails these days to supply the demand between Boston and Montreal. The great increase in the number of the traveling public and their accompanying baggage, makes it almost impossible for the trains to make schedule time.

WEDDING AT LYNDONVILLE

St. Johnsbury Merchant Married Miss Charlotte Kenney.

Lyndonville, Sept. 5.—Sammuel A. Moore, one of St. Johnsbury's young and popular merchants, and Miss Charlotte, only child of Mr. and Mrs. James Kenney, were married at seven o'clock last evening at the rectory of St. Elizabeth's church. The Rev. Fr. Charles L. Ponthus performed the ceremony before a few intimate friends.

Miss Moore is a graduate of Norwich university, studied law in the office of Barker & Darling and was admitted to the bar in 1901.

MADE A PROBATE JUDGE

Edward C. Bennett of Bennington Appointed By The Governor.

Bennington, Sept. 5.—Edward C. Bennett of Bennington, Vermont, has received notification this afternoon of his appointment by Governor Proctor, to the position of probate judge for the south shire of Bennington county to succeed the late John V. Carney. The appointee, who is 34 years old, is a graduate of Norwich university, studied law in the office of Barker & Darling and was admitted to the bar in 1901.

TRIAL DOCKET IS LARGE

Opening of Rutland County Court—4 Jury Cases.

Rutland, Sept. 5.—The Rutland county court opened yesterday with Judge A. A. Hall of St. Albans on the bench. It is a grand jury term. The trial docket is large on containing 46 jury cases and 50 court cases. There are seven negligence cases against the Rutland railroad company and one against the Vermont Marble company set for trial.

EX-REPRESENTATIVE SMITH DEAD

Vergennes, Sept. 5.—Alexis T. Smith of Monkton, who represented his town in the legislature of 1853, died at his home Saturday night, aged 86 years. He was an active temperance worker, and was county treasurer in 1874. He was a member of Dorchester lodge, F. and A. M., over 40 years. The funeral was held at the home Monday afternoon under Masonic orders.

T. N. VAIL ELECTED DIRECTOR

St. Johnsbury, Sept. 5.—At the annual meeting of the Connecticut & Passumpsic railroad company yesterday afternoon, T. N. Vail of Lyndonville was elected a director in place of J. H. Williams of Bellows Falls, resigned.

EARLE IS MOBBED

Indignation of Neighbors Breaks Bounds

ARTIST ASKED TO LEAVE

Village Authorities Fear Further Trouble—Man Who Sent His Wife Home to Make Room for Another, Is in Trouble.

SEVEN NEW PREACHERS

Baptist Association at Brattleboro Welcomes Them to Fold.

Brattleboro, Sept. 5.—Seven new pastors were welcomed to the Windham county Baptist association at its 72nd annual meeting in the First Brattleboro church yesterday. They are Rev. Thomas Sparks of Guildford, Rev. E. C. Clark of South Newfane, Rev. W. C. Boardman of West Wardsboro, Rev. Sidney Aldrich of South Windham, Rev. E. E. Bartlett of Wilmington, Rev. John Vance of East Dover and Rev. W. W. Gushue of Townsend. The sermon was preached by Rev. H. E. Buffum of Putney.

"Lan Churches" was the subject of an address by Dr. W. A. Davison of Brattleboro, state missionary. He said the cause was internal disorders and that activity would effect a cure.

Missionaries from China and Burmah spoke at the afternoon session and tonight there were addresses by John L. Alger, principal of Vermont academy, Rev. Silas P. Perry of Richford and Rev. W. E. Baker of Roadboro.

LEGATION NEAR EXTERMINATION

Shelling of Gloire Only Saved It Just in Time.

Paris, Sept. 5.—Only the timely assistance given by the cruiser Gloire saved the entire detachment of the foreign legion now in Morocco from extermination by the Moors in the recent battle near Casablanca. In defending the body of his dead commander, Major Provot of the legion was almost surrounded and Gloire drove off the natives by a furious shelling just in time.

METTY TIGER, NEW CHIEF

Named By President Today as Head of Creek Nation.

Oyster Bay, Sept. 5.—The President today appointed Metty Tiger, chief of the Creek Nation as successor to the late Chief Pleasant Porter. The appointment is the first under the new law empowering the President to name the chief of the Indian tribes.

New Battleship the "New York." Washington, Sept. 5.—The new 20,000 ton battleship will be designated the "New York" and the present cruiser, named after that city, will be called the "Saratoga." The old Saratoga has been condemned as a hulk, and will be broken up, but the old ship has such a historic record that the navy department felt that the name should be continued.

TRAIN DELAYED BY WRECK EIGHT HOURS

Brattleboro, Sept. 5.—The West river passenger train leaving Brattleboro at 5:45 Tuesday evening was blocked seven miles north of this station, until about 3 o'clock Tuesday morning, by two cars of a southbound freight train, which jumped the rails. This was the second freight wreck in four days.

Burglars seem to be quite the rage in Morrisville. A week ago Wallace Jones was awakened by a man in his room who had ransacked the dresser, slipped his hand under the pillow and gone through the room pretty thoroughly. Two evenings later while the family was out, the house of H. P. Munson was entered and a small amount of money taken. Saturday night the house of the Rev. V. M. Hardy was entered by parties who burned matches in all the rooms making a thorough search but taking nothing except a small amount of money.

At the Labor day horse race at Plattsburgh there were four competing companies, who ran in the rain through a sea of mud. Prizes were won as follows: 1st prize, \$150, Volunteers of Vergennes; 2nd prize, \$100, Port Henry Horse company; 3rd prize, \$50, General Schuyler Horse of Schuylerville. The quarter mile race developed into a contest between Fred Britton of Vergennes and Philip Burt, the winner at the 100 yard dash, the former winning in ten fast time of 45 1/2.

Frightened because the Walpole, N. H., officers threatened to arrest him for intoxication, William J. Crotty jumped from the Connecticut river bridge at Bellows Falls, striking the water 50 feet below. Death was instantaneous. Crotty was well known under the name of "The Lally Cooler," as a bare knuckle pugilist.

A BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Friends Call on Miss Lena Beckley on Her Birthday.

One of the pleasant events of the season occurred Wednesday evening when about 33 of the friends of Miss Lena Beckley gave her a surprise party at her home on Beesley street, the occasion being her sixteenth birthday. Mrs. A. G. Lapoint in behalf of those present presented Lena with eight dollars and seventy-five cents, after which refreshments of ice cream and cake were served and a good time was enjoyed until a late hour, when they all said good night, wishing her many more pleasant birthdays.

The evening was passed in an enjoyable manner with games and music. Henry Watkins sang a few songs, James Devers gave a whistling solo, which was followed by a piano selection by Miss Beckley and a reading by Michael Bruzzi. Miss Beckley received a large sum of money as a gift from her thoughtful friends. The party broke up at 11:30 with many kind wishes for their happy hostess.

CHANGES IN OLD FIRM

H. C. Gleason Now Sole Owner of the Montpelier Dry Goods Store.

Montpelier, Sept. 5.—Papers were today passed by which Herbert C. Gleason gets full possession of the dry goods department of the business conducted by L. P. and H. C. Gleason. By the transfer H. J. Voldholm becomes sole owner of the furniture and undertaking part of the business, which heretofore has been conducted under the firm name of Gleason & Co. These transfers are the outcome of the death of L. P. Gleason, whose interests are withdrawn. H. C. Gleason came to Montpelier in 1878 and began as clerk in the dry goods store of Ellis & Gleason. In 1883 he was admitted to the firm. Mr. Voldholm has been employed in the store for 24 years.

YOUNG GIRL ASKS FOR CAR FARE HOME

Latest Scheme to Get Money—The Girl Claims She Lives in Montpelier, But Has Lost Her Pocket-Book.

The youngest and most plausible schemer on record in Barre has been working the city for the past few days. She is a girl apparently not more than ten years of age and of innocent appearance. Her method of procedure is to call at some house off Main street and say that she has lost her pocket book and wishes to borrow money to pay her carfare to Montpelier, where she claims to live. Her appearance, together with the plausible story, usually brings forth the required coin, and she fits to the next house to try it over again.

CANNING BEANS AND CORN

Fifteen Tons of String Beans Canned—Sweet Corn Next.

Waterbury, Sept. 5.—The Demeritt & Palmer Packing company has finished putting up string beans. Fifteen tons have been picked, most of the crop being gathered from land owned or rented by the company. During a part of the time the company had 55 bean pickers in the field. The amount paid to the pickers was \$241. The prizes to those picking the most were awarded to Miss Ina Devold, who picked 1,597 pounds, Harold Powers, who picked 1,269 pounds, and George Quinn, who picked 1,098 pounds. It is expected that the company will commence canning sweet corn some time next week. Miss Mary Drew left Monday for her school work in New Mexico.

WANTS BRIDGE FIRE INVESTIGATED

Attorney Witters Calls State's Attorney Gates' Attention to Recent Attempts to Burn Railroad Bridge Near Dodge's.

Montpelier, Sept. 5.—State's Attorney Gates received this morning a communication from C. W. Witters, attorney for the Central Vermont Railway company, calling his attention to the recent attempts to burn the railroad bridge near Dodge's, between Barre and Montpelier. The railroad desires to have something done in the matter, and redress if possible. The fires occurred on nights shortly after the recent wreck near the bridge. State's Attorney Gates will look into the matter.

MRS. FLORA S. FRYE

Passed Away at Home on Hooker Avenue This Morning.

Mrs. Flora S. Frye died at 7:20 o'clock this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ritchie, 3 Hooker avenue, with whom she had made it her home for many years. The cause of her death was a general breaking down after years of illness. Her deceased was born in Prince Edward Island 53 years ago. She leaves two sisters, Mrs. D. C. Senter of Quincy, Ill., and Miss Helen Campbell of California, and also two brothers. The funeral arrangements have not yet been decided upon.

Funeral of Mrs. Hewitt

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Wentworth Hewitt was held from her late home in West Berlin at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Rev. Donald Frazer was the officiating clergyman. The services were attended by many who had known the deceased in life and the floral tributes were numerous. The bearers were A. L. Hewitt, Daniel Hewitt, Arthur Hewitt and Harold Hewitt, son and grandson of the deceased. The interment was in the West Berlin cemetery.

For Liquor Law Violation

Brattleboro, Sept. 5.—H. H. Howe of Brookline will be arraigned before Judge E. W. Gibson in the municipal court on Friday morning on the charge of furnishing intoxicating liquor in violation of the Vermont laws. He will be charged with furnishing to people on the West river railroad train on the way from Brattleboro to South Londonderry.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Notice.—The Ladies of the G. A. R. will hold a special meeting to night at 7:30 p. m.

Mrs. H. E. Batchelder and daughter, Gertrude, have taken rooms at 35 Franklin street.

H. F. Otter lost a valuable horse to day. It dropped dead in the road while being driven.

See our window for Boy's school suits one-half the regular price. They are bargains. Moore & Owen.

Among the arrivals at the City hotel were F. D. Flako, Utica, N. Y.; J. W. Skinner, Bath, Me.; Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Force, Gouverneur, N. Y.; S. S. Speare, Boston; H. J. Markoff, Claremont, N. H.; W. C. Harris, Boston; P. A. Carter, Boston.

NOTABLES AT BURLINGTON

Vermont Officers' Society Meeting Today

ROSEN AND CANNON SPEAK

Public Meeting and Banquet Tonight—Governor Hughes of New York to Address Fish and Game League Tomorrow.

Burlington, Sept. 5.—In Burlington today and tomorrow three important gatherings will be held. Today the annual reunion of the Vermont Officers' society is being held. The speakers include C. A. Prouty of the interstate commerce commission, Baron Rosen, Russian ambassador, and Speaker Cannon. A public meeting will be held at the Strong theatre this evening. Hugh Henry of Portsmouth, N. H., vice-president of the society, will preside in the absence of General L. A. Grant of Philadelphia.

During the annual banquet will be given at the Van Ness house. Mayor Bigelow, ex-Governor Pingree, ex-Lieut. Gov. Z. M. Mansur of Newport, Major McDonald of Fort Ethan Allen and Judge C. S. Palmer will also speak.

Tomorrow morning the annual mid-summer meeting and banquet of the Vermont Fish and Game League will be held at Hotel Champlain, Bluff Point. The speakers will include Gov. Hughes of New York, Governor Proctor of Vermont, Baron Rosen, Senator Proctor, Speaker Cannon, Senator Dillingham, Congressman Foster and Huskins of Vermont and Congressman Sibley of Pennsylvania.

During the afternoon a joint meeting of the New York and Vermont state commissions to arrange for a celebration of the 300th anniversary of the discovery of lake Champlain, in 1609, will be held and that evening and on Saturday the New York commission, of which Governor Hughes is chairman, will be entertained by the Vermont commission.

The summer meeting of the Vermont Press association will be held at Burlington tomorrow.

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