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Louisville, Ky., Sept. 17.—Bishop William George McCloskey of Louisville, the oldest prelate in America, both in years and in length of service, died here to-day. He was nearly 86 years of age and had been bishop of Louisville for 41 years.

Bishop McCloskey was born in Brooklyn on November 10, 1823, and was educated at St. Mary's college at Emmitsburg, Md. He was ordained a priest in 1852. After a year spent in mission work in New York City, he was appointed to a chair in St. Mary's college, becoming in 1857 professor of moral theology and sacred scripture in the same institution. He was first president of the American college at Rome, being appointed by Pope Pius IX in 1859 and serving until 1868, when he was named as bishop of Louisville.

He did not suffer from any definite malady, but grew steadily worse during the past few days. On Wednesday evening it was thought that the end was at hand, but he rallied and passed a comfortable night. But during the day yesterday his attending physician gave no hope for his recovery. He was residing at Preston Park seminary on the Newburg road.

TAFT SEES PLACE BEER MADE FAMOUS

Nation's Executive Arrived at Milwaukee Early This Morning and Began a Tour of Inspection.

Milwaukee, Sept. 17.—President Taft reached this city from Chicago at 4:55 this morning, and left his car at eight o'clock and was escorted about the state fair grounds, Marquette university and the soldiers' home. At ten o'clock he spoke at the fair grounds and later departed for LaCrosse.

SHOOT'S BULL ELEPHANT.

Does Roosevelt, While Kermit Slays Five Lions and Three Buffalo.

Nairobi, Sept. 17.—Natives who arrived from Kenya today report that ex-President Roosevelt killed a huge bull elephant in the Mvera district, while Kermit shot five lions and three buffalo at the same place. Both father and son are in fine health, standing the rigor of the climate better than any other Americans hunting here.

WEARY BANKEERS WORK.

They Had a Gay Time When Taft Was in Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 17.—The bankers, weary and worn, after the Taft celebration last night settled down to the last day's session. In every probability the convention will vote against the postal savings bank and the deposit guarantee propositions. The fate of the central bank scheme is doubtful. At the end of the morning session, Forgan, president of the First National bank of Chicago spoke. The afternoon was devoted to the installation of officers.

STRIKERS FOLLOWED FLAG.

And Second Strike at The Pressed Steel Car Works Ended Today.

Pittsburg, Sept. 17.—The second strike of the Pressed Steel Car works ended today when the American workmen under the flag marched back to work. Many of the foreigners followed him and it is expected that the rest will return before night.

BOMB KILLS TWELVE.

Explosion in Fireworks Factory at Calabria.

Naples, Sept. 17.—A bomb explosion in a fireworks factory at Calabria today killed 12 persons and injured a number of others. The factory was demolished, together with several other buildings. It is not known whether the catastrophe was the result of an accident or a plot.

TREMENDOUS EXPLOSION.

Reported to Have Killed 2,000 People and Injured as Many More.

Tangier, Sept. 17.—As a result of a powder explosion in the market place of Eligh in Tatarou province, 2,000 persons are said to be killed, while a like number are injured. A large number of houses were demolished.

Vermont D. A. R. Meets.

Springfield, Sept. 17.—Mrs. Clayton R. North of Durham, state regent, opened the annual conference of the Vermont branch of the Daughters of the American Revolution here yesterday. Mrs. C. C. Abbott of Keene, state regent for New Hampshire; Mrs. William G. Story, honoraria, state regent for New York; Miss Isabel E. Davis, regent of Gen. Lewis Morris chapter of this town; Miss Jennie Steyer of Burlington; Miss C. H. Unnes of Cornwall; Mrs. C. W. Heston of Ludlow and Miss Cora Ellen Smith of Paterson made addresses.

TO HELP POOR MAN, TAFT'S PURPOSE

So That He Can Have an Equal Chance With the Rich Man in Court Litigation.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 17.—Speaking with great earnestness on a mass meeting in Orchestra hall last night, President Taft declared that no question before the American people today is more important than the improvement of the administration of justice and announced his intention of recommending to Congress the appointment of a commission to take up the question of the law's delay in the federal courts. The president said he hoped that the report of this commission, when rendered would serve also a guide to the status of the Union in effecting remedial legislation.

Mr. Taft devoted the entire first part of his speech to the subject of labor and said he intended to recommend to Congress in his first message legislation to carry on the promise as to injunctions—that no injunction or restraining order should be issued without notice except where irreparable injury would result from delay. In such a case a speedy hearing should be granted.

NOT HER ASSAILANT.

Declared Little Girl and Utica Police Are Discouraged.

Utica, N. Y., Sept. 17.—"He is not the man," was the discouraging declaration made by little Fannie Infusino to the authorities when Michele Rizzo, the man arrested as a suspect in Sunday night's double murder, was brought before her for identification late yesterday afternoon. Scores of suspects have been brought before the child during the last three days and each time the hopes of the authorities to catch the perpetrator of the fiendish double murder have been dashed with this same sentence.

REMOVED BY TELEGRAPH.

Secretary Ballinger Takes Summary Action on L. R. Glavis.

Washington, Sept. 17.—L. R. Glavis, chief of the field division of the general land office, with headquarters at Seattle yesterday was dismissed from the service by telegraph by Secretary of the Interior, Ballinger. A. Christianson, chief of field division of the general land office at Portland, Ore., has been placed in temporary charge of the Seattle division.

COULD NOT CRY "HELP."

Stuttering Boy's Chum Drowns While He Tries to Get Aid.

Portland, Sept. 17.—That Paul Murray of 22 Turan street, stuttered badly when excited so that he cannot readily make himself understood is the indirect cause of the drowning of William E. Randall, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Randall of 62 Anderson street, yesterday morning in Back Bay, near the Grand Trunk bridge.

IS COOK A FAKIR.

Washington Is Nonplused Over The Matter at Present.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 17.—Is Cook a fakir? This question is arousing more interest here than the tariff. Peary's fellow-officers are depreciating his attack on Cook privately although they are harried from discussing it publicly. A distinguished navy officer, who is recognized as an authority on scientific matters, said, "Not only must the claimant to the honor of discovering the pole submit his calculations but also every shred of paper on the matter. Cook says he has this and that will be no sufficient evidence that he is not a fakir for he must know that only the truth can stand the ordeal of an investigation. I regard it as impossible for any man to fake a record which would be accepted by any body of scientists."

HOUSE FALLS, BURYING MANY

Terrible Accident in Chicago This Forenoon

15 OR 20 MEN WERE BURIED

Among the Dead is a Member of the Contracting Firm, E. A. Martin. The Cause of the Accident Is Not Known.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 17.—From fifteen to twenty men were buried to-day in the collapse of a three-story brick building which was under construction at the corner of Kedzie and Milwaukee avenues. Three bodies have been removed from the debris. Among the dead is E. A. Martin, a member of the contracting firm which was building the structure. The bodies already removed were badly mutilated. It is believed that a number of others were fatally injured.

SHERIFF ANE POSSE

SEEK TRAIN ROBBERS

Attempt to Loot Chicago-San Francisco Express Train Near Malta, Cal., Last Night Was Not Successful.

Leadville, Col., Sept. 17.—Sheriff Campbell and posse are hotly pursuing five persons who held up the Chicago-San Francisco express train on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad near Malta last night and who blew out the side of the express car in an effort to get at the valuables in the safe. The robbers were not successful in looting the train, as they were driven off before they could break into the safe. A battle between the sheriff's posse and the robbers is expected to take place in the foot-hills.

RAILROADS NOT BLAMED.

For Four Different Accidents—Two of Them Fatal.

Newport, Sept. 17.—The Vermont public service commission has handed down opinions in three railroad cases which were brought before it recently. At a hearing at White River Junction September 4 the case of Roger Donahue, express train on the Denver & Rio Grande, was heard. Donahue was 61 years of age and was employed by the Central Vermont R. R. as switchman. As he was trying to uncouple the cars on June 23 he slipped and was run over by one of the cars. It was claimed that the automatic coupler was the cause of the accident. The commission finds that the coupler was in good condition and that the railway company or its employees were in no way to blame for the accident.

GETS AUTO DAMAGES.

Court Awards \$50 For Smashed Buggy and Runaway.

Burlington, Sept. 17.—The case of Howard A. Lewis vs. Paul Robinson begun Wednesday, went to the jury yesterday in Chittenden county court. The jury returned with a verdict for the plaintiff to recover \$50 and costs.

RAISING THE PLEDGES.

St. Albans Busy Making Good Its Promise to Granite Company.

St. Albans, Sept. 17.—At a special city meeting the voters unanimously voted to exempt the St. Albans Granite company from taxation for 10 years. The bond of trade is now actively engaged in a campaign to raise a sufficient sum of money to pay for the site that the company is to occupy and about \$500 for moving and other necessary expenses.

REFUSED TO COMMENT.

But Pinchot Sent Back a Wireless Message to Taft.

Avalon, Catalina Island, Sept. 17.—Chief Forester Pinchot refused to make any comment today on the decision of President Taft exonerating Secretary Ballinger from the charges connected with the Alaskan coal lands. The first official notification was received last night in a special message from the president. Upon the receipt of the message, Pinchot sent back an answer at once by wireless.

BETTER THIS MORNING.

Gov. Johnson Shows Results of The Night's Sleep.

Rochester, Minn., Sept. 17.—Although the danger is not yet passed Governor Johnson's chances were better this morning after a night's sleep. His doctors are optimistic. His pulse was 105 and his temperature 99 this morning.

BIG FARM SOLD.

The Old Vermont Stock Farm in Shelburne Brings \$20,000.

Burlington, Sept. 17.—Contracts for the sale of the old Vermont Stock farm were made through the office of the Reynolds real estate company of this city yesterday. This farm contains between 400 and 500 acres and is one of the finest in the Champlain valley. It was purchased more than 40 years ago by the late Col. LeGrand B. Cannon and has been in the family ever since, its present owners being Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Clark of New York City, who are summer residents of Burlington, Mrs. Clark being the daughter of the late Col. Cannon.

The Vermont Stock farm has been largely devoted to the breeding of horses and some of its trotters are among the fastest in the country. Since the property was acquired by Mr. Clark he has erected a fine training stable and built one of the best half-mile tracks in Vermont with a judge's stand, cooling stable, etc.

The purchaser is Daniel Hurley, who has been chief trainer for Dr. Webb's large stables for a number of years, and who will no doubt add new laurels to the enviable reputation already gained by Vermont Stock farm.

The sale includes 10 work horses, 75 head of cattle (including the fine herd of blooded cows on the farm) together with all the large outfit of tools and every description and all the crops. The final papers are to be passed on or before October 1 and possession is to be given at that time. The consideration is around \$20,000 for the farm and \$5,000 for the personal property, and it might not be out of place to say that if western Vermont roads were as good as they are in the neighboring states or even in eastern Vermont, Mr. Clark would not have sold this property.

GIBSON IS WILLING.

To Run For Lieutenant Governor But Would Prefer to Be Asked.

Brattleboro, Sept. 17.—Judge E. W. Gibson was yesterday asked, prior to his departure for the West on a business trip, if he intends to enter the race for lieutenant governor. Replying to the inquiry Judge Gibson stated in substance that it is altogether too early to talk of candidates, that he believes the time has arrived when the rank and file of the voters of the Republican party will insist upon naming their own candidates and will not rely upon a field of self selected candidates for the public servants.

He further stated that he intends to do all in his power, through the public press and in public speech, from now until the meeting of the next state convention, to secure a declaration by the convention in favor of a primary election law, and other reform measures and that he believes that he can be of real service to the people of the state by urging the adoption of these policies.

He also said that if past campaign methods obtain in the coming convention, it means that to make a respectable showing as a candidate, one must devote a considerable measure of his energies to the writing of letters of appeal for support, traveling the state to meet the voters and practically beg their votes, and planning and scheming how this or that community can be brought into line. All of which must be, and is, distasteful to every self respecting aspirant, and disgusting to every thinking voter.

HORSE RAN AT LARGE.

Frank Calverio of Cambria Street was Arrested by Officer Carl at one o'clock this afternoon on a warrant issued by City Attorney Carver. The warrant charges him with a violation of city ordinances in allowing a horse, which he owns, to run at large to the annoyance of people who live in his vicinity. An interpreter is to be obtained and the man will be given a hearing this afternoon.

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FLEETWOOD MAKES GAIN

Sentiment for Him for Governor Develops

AT FISH AND GAME LEAGUE

Five Hundred People from All Parts of Vermont Gathered at Burlington To-day and Took Boat for Bluff Point.

Burlington, Sept. 17.—The Vermont Fish and Game League's banquet held at Bluff Point, N. Y., to-day, was attended by a company of five hundred men from all parts of the state. The party began arriving yesterday afternoon and the last of them came this noon, so that the steamer Tiedogera was boarded shortly after one o'clock this afternoon. Music for the festivities was furnished by the Vergennes band.

Arriving at Bluff Point, the party went to the Hotel Champlain, where the banquet was served. Maxwell Everts, president of the league, marshaled the organization and acted as toastmaster. There were several notable people present, including Vice-president James S. Sherman of New York and Justice David J. Brewer of the United States supreme court. Others present were Congressman Foster of Vermont, F. L. Fish of Vergennes, former president of the league, and Governor Grosvenor.

REPORT TO-DAY OF TERCENTENARY

Balance on Hand After Appropriating Aid to Burlington, Swanton and Vergennes, Which Had Celebrations of Their Own.

Burlington, Sept. 17.—A meeting of the Lake Champlain tercentenary commission of Vermont was held at the Van Ness House here to-day, with Governor Pease presiding over the deliberations. A large number of bills incurred during the celebration last summer were presented and approved by the commission, after which the members voted appropriations.

The sum of \$1,500 was voted to the city of Burlington to assist in meeting the celebration expenses which had been incurred by the municipality. The sum of \$150 each was voted to Vergennes and Swanton, which had celebrations during Champlain week. In addition to these amounts, the commission appropriated \$1,000 for the preparation of a report of the work of the commission, the same to contain the full proceedings of the week. This appropriation, it was estimated, will cover the expense of providing copies of the report to all the public libraries in the state.

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PEACEFUL MEANS IF IT IS POSSIBLE

Otherwise Barre and the River Abutters Will Take Draconic Legal Steps to Enlist Central Vermont in the Project.

Interest seems to have revived in the project of changing the course of Stevens branch farther back from Main street to the mutual advantage of the Barre railroad and the other abutters in particular and the city in general.

A well attended meeting was held at the city council chamber last evening, when the project was pretty thoroughly discussed and ended in a committee being appointed from the board of aldermen to act in conjunction with a committee from the abutters and attempt to arrange a reasonable settlement with the Central Vermont railroad, through whose land the proposed course of the branch would run. On motion of Alderman Thurston, the council voted that the mayor be empowered to appoint such a committee and the motion was carried.

Mayor Robins appointed Aldermen Alexander, Campbell and Hoyt to serve on this committee. F. G. Howland and W. G. Reynolds were appointed as a committee representing the abutters. A meeting with officials of the Central Vermont railroad will be arranged at an early date, when the combined committee will endeavor to get the Central Vermont to place at a reasonable figure the damage to its land.

Falling in this, it is probable that the council will go ahead and take the land by right of public necessity and proceed with the change.

A. P. Sortwell of Cambridge, Mass., vice-president and one of the principal stockholders in the Barre railroad, was present at last night's conference. The Barre railroad had previously agreed to pay one half of the entire expense of the proposed change. Mr. Sortwell was asked last night as to whether the railroad would still be willing to pay one half of the expenses if litigation should arise with the Central Vermont railroad company which would delay the beginning of operations for a year or more.

Mr. Sortwell answered that the railroad was willing to stand the delay provided it was given the right to put gins under the bridges on its lines in the city limits to strengthen them until such time as the change should be made. He further said that it was necessary that he know just what the city intended doing in the matter, and if it intended to allow the project to drop, the Barre Railroad company would proceed with the construction of new bridges this fall.

The abutters were represented at the meeting by F. G. Howland, W. G. Reynolds and E. A. Drown, who stated that the abutters with one or two exceptions were ready with their share of the money to go ahead with the change.

More real lively interest was shown in the project than at almost any time since it was first proposed, in fact, all of those present seemed in favor of going ahead and making the change, whether a settlement could be arranged with the Central Vermont company or not. The question arose as to whether one half of the entire expense would be a fair share for the Barre railroad to pay.

In regard to this Mr. Sortwell said that the Barre railroad was willing to give this and if it was necessary to put the matter in the hands of a court's committee, he expected to pay more or less as the committee should rule.

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FOUND LYING NEAR TRACKS

Edward Ewing Injured at Montpelier Last Night

IN SOME UNKNOWN WAY

When Picked up This Morning He Was Lying Between Central Vermont and M. & W. R. R. Tracks, Suffering from Many Wounds.

Suffering from multiple cuts and bruises, sustained in some unknown manner, Edward Ewing was found early this morning lying between the Central Vermont and the Montpelier & Wells River railroad tracks in Montpelier and was taken at once to the Heaton hospital, where he is being treated at the present time. It was at first thought that his skull was fractured, but a closer examination showed that although the scalp was cut so that the bone was revealed, there was no fracture. When revived Ewing was unable to tell how he was injured.

The first theory was that he was struck by one of the several night trains which run between this city and Montpelier Junction; but the trainmen say that so far as they know their trains did not strike anybody. The injured man was found at three o'clock, attention being called to him by his groans. Medical aid was called for, and Ewing was taken to the hospital.

At the hospital the physicians found that there were three serious cuts on the head, each one of which was three inches long, one lip was severely cut, one hand was lacerated, and the man's back was bruised and battered. The cuts on the head were so shallow that they laid bare the skull. This afternoon the man was reported to be resting comfortably. He was conscious then and when question as to how he came to be lying there in such a precarious position between the two railroad tracks he was unable to tell; no more could he say how he was hurt.

It is, therefore, not certain whether he was hit by a train on the Central Vermont railroad and thrown to one side, or whether he was assaulted by some unknown person.

WILL SUBMIT PROPOSITION.

Barre and Montpelier Will Say What They Want of Telephone Co.

The telephone committee of the Barre board of trade met the directors of the Montpelier board of trade at Montpelier last evening to discuss the proposition offered by the Vermont Telephone and Telegraph company to settle the controversy that has arisen between the parties on account of the new rates which went into effect July 1.

John W. Gordon, who has made a thorough examination of the situation and has consulted a telephone expert of Albany, N. Y., gave his view of the situation in a lengthy statement. He said that the present capitalization of the company was \$155,000, and they claimed a debt of \$15,000, which added to the former would bring their capitalization to \$140,000. Now, the company, he said, proposes to expend \$47,000 in improvements and add this to its capitalization and ask the public to pay dividends on what he claims should be about \$192,000.

His statement was an attempt to show what the company should be capitalized at and their capitalization depends on what they own. The company, he said, owns none of its trunk lines, which are worth between six and ten thousand dollars, and they rent all of their telephones at \$1.25 an instrument a year from the New England company. They have 2,800 instruments, which are worth \$6,000. Their 2,800 stations at \$50 per station make \$140,000, which should be the real capitalization of the company.

Where the real trouble exists, he said, was in the fact that the instruments which the company rents at \$1.25 a year can be purchased at \$2.60 an instrument and every two years the company pays for the instruments, which under proper management they should have owned after that time. Instead of the Vermont company received 25 per cent. of the toll business, as the experts claimed, they should have received about one half of that sum each year, which in 12 years would amount to about \$20,000, and they had nothing to show for the \$20,000 invested, as they still rented the instruments.

Mr. DeBoer of Montpelier stated that there were four things that would come into the proposition: first, the present value of the telephone system; second, the cost of maintenance; third, operating expenses, and fourth, the legitimate dividends. Mr. Laird stated that one of the first sections in the petition to the public service commission was in regard to the time for making a change in rates and he thought the rate should be fixed after the improvements had been made, instead of before.

Mr. Sibley made a motion to the effect that the telephone rates existing prior to July 1 be insisted upon with a 5 per cent. discount for payment in advance. It was finally decided that the president of the Montpelier board and one member of the Barre committee should set their proposition in writing and present it to the Vermont telephone officials for their approval. This will be done this afternoon.