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Marconi Has Demonstrated Success of Wireless Telegraphy

MESSAGE SENT THROUGH THE AIR

A Communication Transmitted From Canada to Great Britain is a Success in Every Detail.

New York, Dec. 21.—The following dispatch from Marconi, dated Glace Bay, N. S., December 21, has been received by the Associated Press:
"I beg to inform you, for circulation, that I have established wireless telegraph communication between Cape Breton, Canada, and Cornwall, England, with complete success. Inauguratory messages, including one from the Governor-General, I Canada to King Edward VII, have already been transmitted and forwarded to the Kings of England and Italy. A message to the London Times has also been transmitted in the presence of its special correspondent, D. Parkin, M. P."

"G. MARCONI."

Text of the Message.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The London Times confirms the receipt of a message by wireless telegraphy from Marconi at Cape Breton, N. S. The text of the wireless message from the Times correspondent, which was transmitted from Glace Bay, N. S., to Polhu, Cornwall, is as follows:
"Being present at its transmission in Signor Marconi's Canadian station, I have the honor to send, through the Times, the inventor's first wireless trans-Atlantic message of greeting to England and Italy."

Exchanged Compliments.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 21.—The following message, received by Lord Minto, Governor-General of Canada, from Marconi today, shows that wireless trans-Atlantic telegraphy is a success:

"Glace Bay, N. S., Dec. 21, 1902.—His Excellency, the Governor-General, Government House, Ottawa: Have the honor to inform Your Excellency that your message has been transmitted by me from Cape Breton to Cornwall by wireless telegraphy, and has been forwarded to destination. MARCONI."

Lord Minto telegraphed Marconi as follows:
"Delighted at your message, just received. Warmest congratulations on your splendid success. Minto."

Hon. W. S. Fielding sent a telegram of congratulation to Marconi tonight, and Sir Richard Cartwright, Acting President, has cabled to England, congratulating the British people on the new method of communication between the two countries.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Three Churches Observe Approaching Christmas.

EXCELLENT MUSIC, ABLE SERMONS

Children Out in Full Force and Please People With Their Songs and Pleasant Readings.

Sunday morning the Presbyterian church was well filled with an appreciative audience and the service was one of peculiar interest, it being the initiatory exercises leading up to the special services on Christmas day. On this particular morning the services were led by a score of happy children and the way their youthful voices filled the auditorium with happy Christmas carols was a treat rarely enjoyed by the church young people of the city. The church was beautifully decorated with evergreens and over the pulpit on the front wall appeared the words "Peace on Earth Good Will to Men" made out of evergreens and Oregon grape. In the center of the building hung a large star and on the right and left of the front of the auditorium were placed ferns and evergreens tastefully arranged into wreaths. A few words from the pastor, Rev. Mr. Mixsell, occupied but a few moments and most of the time was given to the children who entered into the occasion with much zest and sang and read with touching and pleasing effectiveness. Miss Grace M. Marshall sang "Star of Eternity," by Gerald Lane in a pleasing manner. All through the exercises the audience gave the best of attention and though no clapping of hands is permitted on a day of this kind, their faces indicated, in a manner not to be misunderstood, their appreciation of the way the young folks commemorated the approach of the happiest day of all the year. In the evening occurred the usual gospel sermon by the pastor. During the offertory Miss Ethel De Parcq, of Salem, sang a solo whose rendition was pleasing to all.

Sunday morning at the Episcopal church Rev. P. K. Hammond preached an excellent sermon to a large audience on the subject of "The Reign of Love." His text was from St. John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believeth in Him should have everlasting life." Mr. Hammond said in part: "There has been three ways of looking at God. Some think of him as will, others as law. As for example the philosopher who is constantly looking for the laws of nature and again the Calvinist who a ways lays much stress on the will of God, but he continued, the really religious followers can only be satisfied with a God who embraces this law will and love in one, that while the day of judgment is a day of wrath it is also a day of love." In the evening Rev. Mr. Hammond held another especially attractive service. The music of the choir was very good and the attendance large. Christmas day the regular Christmas day services were impressive and largely attended. The church was beautifully trimmed in evergreens and ferns and presented an appearance highly attractive and in keeping with the glad Christmas time.

The Congregational church, of which Rev. E. S. Bollinger is pastor, made a special effort Sunday to give to the people of Oregon City a service of more than the usual high order. The service in the morning was devoted principally to the commemoration of the landing of the Pilgrims, and the spacious auditorium was beautifully decked in ferns and evergreens, nothing being left undone which could add to the solemnity and beauty of the day. Over the pulpit hung a beautiful arch covered with evergreens and all about the sides and under the stained windows were arranged, in bunches of exquisite delicacy, many wreaths of ferns and evergreens, all of which gave to the rooms a beauty rarely attained. The music, both morning and evening, was of its usual high order. Mrs. F. F. White being unable to attend and occupy her usual place at the organ, on account of an attack of quins, her place was filled by Miss Mariel Stephens, Rev. E. S. Bollinger delivered the morning discourse in a masterful manner and he chose for his subject "The Germs of Congregationalism." Mr. Bollinger is a speaker of acknowledged ability and on this occasion he appeared to be at his very best. He referred in eloquent language to the famous painting in the National capitol on the "Landing of the Pilgrims"; he said "there is something remarkable in their characters and faces (Continued on page 7.)

ESTIMATE OF LOSS

September Fires Consumed \$12,000,000 Worth of property.

NO SAYS WILLIAM T. COX, AGENT

Washington's Loss Greater Than Oregon's. Many Saw Mills Destroyed and Much Fine Timber Lost.

The Bureau of Forestry has received a report from one of its agents which shows that the damage caused by forest fires in Northwestern Oregon and Southwest Washington during September was much greater than has been generally supposed. After a careful trip through the regions devastated by the fire, William T. Cox, who was detailed by the bureau for this work, in a conservative estimate, places the damage in Oregon and Washington at \$12,767,100. Of this, \$3,910,000 is in Oregon, and \$8,857,100 in Washington. This includes all losses caused by the fires to farm property, sawmills, manufactured lumber, standing timber, etc. This estimate is based on personal observation in the burned districts, both in Oregon and Washington, conference with lumbermen, farmers and settlers, and other trustworthy sources of information. Owing to its nearness to market, however, much of the damaged timber in the burned regions of Oregon will be saved, and the net loss will be smaller than the foregoing figures. In Washington a portion will also be saved, though a smaller percentage, owing to its being less accessible to means of transportation.

Much of the area burned over was covered with virgin forest, mainly Douglas spruce, cedar and hemlock. Besides the great loss of property, 18 persons were killed and many more injured, and 36 families were rendered homeless. Much of the large and small game in these regions was destroyed.

OREGON FIRES.

In his report the agent of the Bureau of Forestry included not only the loss of life and property, but also the causes of the fires, the methods used in fighting them, the damage to the soil, and the outlook for reproduction of the forests. The burned districts were also mapped.

Farm Property Destroyed—

Farm buildings and furnishings	\$115,000
Stock	30,000
Hay and grain	45,000
Fences	20,000
Farm machinery and vehicles	15,000
Orchards	90,000
Total	\$315,000

School houses and churches . . . 35,000
Wagon road bridges . . . 7,000

Total \$357,000
Sawmills and Manufactured Forest Products Destroyed—

Sawmills	\$70,000
Sawed lumber and shingles	16,000
Logs (on skid and at mills)	18,000
Railroad ties (on skid and in roadbed of O. R. & N.)	8,000
Telegraph and telephone poles (on skid)	4,000
Cordwood (ready for market)	33,000
Total	\$149,000

Recapitulation of Losses—

Farm property, exclusive of timber	\$315,000
School houses and churches	35,000
Bridges	7,000
Sawmills and manufactured forest products	149,000
Timber	2,449,000
Total	\$2,955,000

A Literary Gem.

BITTER SWEET, by J. G. HOLLAND, has just been issued by the well-known cheap book publishers, HURST & CO., New York. This fascinating poem, illustrating the author's gifted talent, is truly a marvel in point of literary merit. Critics agree that this work represents the author's best effort. We publish it in the dainty 16mo. style, 216 pages, printed from new plates on good paper, at these prices, postpaid: Cloth binding, 35c.; padded leather, boxed, \$1. Both editions suitable for gift purposes or the parlor table. Send for a copy at once. A complete catalogue of Holiday books will be mailed upon request. HURST & CO., Publishers, 395 399 Broadway, New York.

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