# **HUNDREDS DIE** IN FOREST FIRE

#### **Property Loss Reaches Millions** In Ontario, Canada.

Roads Strewn With Bodies of Those Overcome by Heat and Smoke -Miners Trapped.

Toronto, July 13.-The loss of life in the Porcupine district, Northern millions of dollars.

Only three of the 83 employes of the for, and 200 miners, muckers, etc., in the Dome mine have been suffocated. The mines burned include the Dome, pond, Foley O'Brien, Philadelphia, United Porcupine, El Dorado Porcupine, Standard, Imperial, West Dome and Success

Among the dead are Robert E. Weiss, manager of the West Dome, and his wife and child.

The Philadelphia mine's loss is about \$50,000; United Porcupine, \$20,-000; Eldorado Porcupine, all buildings destroyed; Standard, about \$40,-000; Imperial. about \$35,000; Success, probably destroyed; West Dome,

In four short hours, beginning yesterday noon, the fire swept from the Standard mine to the shores of Porcupine lake, where it destroyed South Porcupine, Pottsville and part of Glen along the lake front.

The greatest havoc was wrought around the main mines, notably the West Dome and Big Dome. There the cape, were forced to take to the shafts, and, penned in by flames, per-This was notably true at Dome and West Dome.

The streets of South Porcupine are strewn with dead persons, horses, dogs and cattle. Along the mine roads are the bodies of those overcome Price of Few on Hand Soars, and while trying to escape.

Along the highway between East Dome and South Porcupine, over a comparatively open section, were found six charred bodies. In the ruins of South Porcupine were found the bodies of William Gohr and his clerk, Captain George Runbar and Tom Geddes.

The miners saw dense clouds of smoke yesterday to the southwest, where the fires were raging. They gave little heed. A small blaze started in good view of the Porcupine townsite, but it passed almost unnoticed because of the recent frequency of bush fires.

It was not until noon that the dense smoke clouds began to roll over the Porcupine district. Then the miners became alarmed and camps took on unusual activities.

Messengers were sent out and soon returned with warnings that the fire was traveling through the forests at rapid speed and was licking up many townships.

Shortly after noon the fire had covered an area of 25 miles in length and two miles in width. In half an hour the flames were raging on the spot. Hundreds fled before the flames,

but dense clouds of smoke hung low and made progress difficult. Many fell exhausted before the fire as it swept over South Porcupine. The frame buildings burned fiercely.

Two minutes after the flames struck the outskirts the town was in ruins. All who escaped made for the water where all sorts of water craftlaunches, canoes and skiffs - were pressed into service.

Women and children were first hurried into small boats and started off for Pottsville and Golden City, where they were temporarily safe from the flames. Many miners lost their lives in efforts to save others.

## Each Must Own License.

Hoquiam, Wash.-If an ordinance proposed to the city council here, and become a law, every person in Hoquiam who takes a drink of spiritous refreshments will have to own a license, which he will present to the bartender before he is served. Mr. Bridges proposes to make it a misdemeanor for a saloonkeeper to sell liquor to anyone, or for anyone to buy it, who does not hold such a license.

## Company Assumes Loss.

Minneapollis, Minn.-According to F. P. Wells, vice president of the company, F. H. Peavey & Company will assume the liabilities of the Peavey Grain company, of Chicago, which suspended operations recently when a shortage of \$1,200,000 was discovered after the sudden death of its president, James Pettit. Mr. Wells said that the assets of F. H. Peavey & Company amount to two and a half times its liabilities.

## Grain Rate is Slashed.

freight tariffs on all grain shipments ceived. from points in Central and Eastern Washington to Puget Sound terminals. The reduction is from a half cent to 2 cents a hundred pounds. The new when the grain in Central Washington will start moving.

FIRST QUERY: "WHO WINS?"

Fans in Far Off Pribyloff Islands Get Wireless Luxury.

San Francisco, July 15.-The United States government employes on the Pribyloff islands are rejoicing today because they have been connected standing of the clubs in the big lea-

had been without baseball gossip so long they could not get enough of the fodder on which so many thousands of fans feast every day. Not until the operator at Honolulu had exhausted Ontario, from yesterday's forest fires his supply of baseball knowledge did is known to be several hundred, and the men on the island of St. Paul perthe property loss will reach several mit him to inform them of the important happenings in the political and cause," commercial worlds.

Navy electricians and wireless ex-West Dome mine have been accounted perts had been sent north by the government on board the United States ship Buffalo to install a wireless station on the island of St. Paul. With the aid of the wireless station the North Dome, Preston East Dome, Vi- fans on these lonely islands will now club in the race for the pennant.

#### EIGHTY-BUSHEL WHEAT FOUND

Government Completes Threshing 400 Varieties of Grain.

varieties of grain has been completed er. at the government's big plant introduction gardens at this place, says Superintendent Beagles. growing districts. The varieties pro- ing company, before the "sugar City, as well as many small buildings the expert in charge of experiments company did not receive an allowance

in this department. ciduous fruits are now being followed.

Corn breeding is also under way.

Frank L. Neals, a Philadelphia Corn breeding is also under way. entrapped miners, cut off from es- The distribution of plants is on. The Newman, Fresno and other plants.

#### GRAIN BAGS RUN SHORT.

# Farmers Are Worried.

Walla Walla, Wash., July 15 .- With grain bags at 8 cents and hard to get at that price, farmers fear they will have a shortage here this year that may cause damage before it ends.

There are few sacks now in the city and the penitentiary output is contracted for a month in advance.

Local dealers yesterday shoved the cials soon afterwards that the price at public for 20 or 25 years." that place should be raised. This makes the fourth raise in price this year, and it is expected that others

## Carnegie Fund Finds Use.

Foundation announced today a campaign of popular education to establish friendlier relations between the United States and Japan. The division of intercourse and education has arranged an exchange "to give to each and to help build up a public opinion in both countries that will resist all

attempts to arouse antagonism. Under this plan, Dr. Inazo Nitobi, president of the first high college of Refining company. Tokio, and one of Japan's foremost educators, will be brought here early in October to spend about six weeks each at Brown University, Columbia, Johns Hopkins and the Universities of Virginia, Illinois and Minnesota, lecturing on Japanese history and current problems.

The following year "a distinguished American" will be sent to Japan on a cates of the campaign publicity bill. similar errand.

## Forest Fires Still Menace.

situation in New England continues procity agreement "a little brother to serious. In the Moosehead lake re- the Payne-Aldrich bill. gion of Maine many thousands of acres of timber have been destroyed administration, La Follette said: by the fires. Some sportsmen's camps are threatened but few people or tration, no more glaring example is ject to be covered in this provision of to be introduced regularly at the next buildings are in danger. In the neigh- presented of the complete surrender the treaty can be attained; either meeting by Councilman Bridges, should borhood of York Beach, Me., more to special interests and the complete would be acceptable to the State dethan 1,000 acres of timber have been reversal of Roosevelt's progressive burned over and the fire is advancing policies than that shown in dealing doubt of a complete agreement. in a northerly direction. The fires in with amendments to the interstate the vicinity of Concord, N. H., and commerce act. It would have been Hope, R. I., are under control.

## Twain Estate \$471,136.

\$471,136. An appraisal of his estate places this value on securities and real estate bequeathed to his only surviving child, Mrs. Gabrilowitch, when he died, on April 21, 1910. Clemens left no real estate in New York. The which is not specified in the appraisal.

## Luzon Swept By Typhoon.

Manila, July . 15. - Northern Luzon wires are down and the observers believe it is the worst experienced in Seattle - The Great Northern has years. Details, because of the lack announced a permanent reduction in of communication, have not been re-

## France Is in Treaty Mood.

announced, is virtually ready to sign the Northwest will have to bear the will attend the ground-breaking cererates become effective August 15, a general arbitration treaty with the expense of transporting from the East monies of the San Diego, Cal., expo-United States, similar to the one with such money as will be needed this sition, commemorating the opening of Great Britain.

# BRIEF REPORT OF THE DAILY WORK OF NATION'S LAWMAKERS

day because they have been connected with the outside world by means of tor Williams, of Mississippi, today in the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation, the wireless telegraph. And the first the course of the discussion of a moneys that they asked to be flashed tion by Williams for the retention of house committee on expenses of the over the waves was: "Get us the "Jim" Jones, the 82-year-old negro, Interior department. This report was quickly followed by guard and in whose custody the seal the famous "Dick to Dick" letter, another one of the same kind, as they of the Confederacy was entrusted, rethe committee will examine governborer.

retention of 'the negro for services vey, as a witness.

whose heart such thoughts can exist.' had laid down his life.

"There is no right of American cit-izenship," Mr. Williams added, "that permits a man to insult the dead." The senate sustained Williams by

a vote of 37 to 18, leaving Jones on Chico, Cal.—The threshing of 400 the payroll at \$720 a year as a labor-

Some va- give, or are still forced to give, re- would be placed on the inquiry. rieties of wheat yielded at the rate of bates to big corporations and to the 80 bushels to the acre. This is about detriment of small concerns, declared twice the average yield of common Frank C. Lowry of New York, general wheat throughout California's grain salesman for the Federal Sugar Refinducing especially heavily are Frietes trust" investigating committee today. and Chul wheats. H. F. Blanchard is In explanation, Mr. Lowry said his for lighterage in New York harbor as The propagation and budding of de- the "sugar trust" did. Mr. Lowry

shipping agent, testified that while pistachio nut, which is largely used by uniform rates are in operation, big confectioners, is being shipped to concerns with "inside information" which receive advantage in the shape although he had announced his intenof drayage, put smaller dealers under a handicap.

"Rates are so complicated," said he, 'that a big concern like the American Sugar Refining company must employ a rates expert at \$25,000 a year to 'work out' rates or all of its directors would go to jail for violating the interstate commerce laws."

Representative Fordney, of Michigan, expessed an opinion that any wide-awake man would know about proposed changes in rates.

Yes, "added Representative Baker, price to 8 cents and the state board of of California, "the same kind of widecontrol notified the penitentiary offi- awake fellows have been cheating the

reciprocity bill were made today when posal to put lumber on the list he was Senators La Follette, of Wisconsin, defeated 52 to 12. and Bristow, of Kansas, introduced New York July 15.—The custodian their amendments to that measure and spoke in favor of them and against specific features of the pending bill.

proposed, but also on his conservation Great Britain to provide for the arbipeople better knownledge of the other his fight aginst the present sugar tween the two countries, even matters tariff and urged the repeal of the "16 of vital importance and national honor. Dutch standard" test on imported

> Hoping to reach a vote on the reciare figuring seriously on the subsequent programme

Besides the Democratic free list and woolen bills, it became evident today that friends of the Arizona-New Mexico statehood and reapportionment bills will demand votes, as will advo-

La Follette expects to occupy most Boston, July 15.-The forest fire his speech today he called the reci-drawn.

Continuing his criticism of Taft's

"In all the record of this adminisdifficult to have framed a piece of legislation affecting interstate commerce more harmful to the public interest by President Taft."

## Madden Makes Charges.

Washington, July 15 .- Charges that value of his personal estate here was that the books had been seized and the tection will be partially satisfied. \$296,746. This does not include a offices turned topsy-turvy, were reitertrunkful of manuscripts, the value of ated today before the house committee on expenditures in the Postoffice department by E. C. Madden, ex-third assistant postmaster general, now athas been swept by a typhoon. All the which the second-class mail privilege gia, to order the serving of 20 days' was withdrawn.

## Banks Must Pay Expressage.

Washington, July 15.-The refusal of the United States senate to agree to the Jones amendment, appropriatyear for the movement of crops.

Washington, July 14.—Senator Hey-| Washington, D. C., July 11.—An burn of Idaho, drew the fire of Sena- inquiry into Alaska's industrial devel-

who had been Jefferson Davis' body-bott tell the story of her discovery of tained on the Senate payroll as a la- ment officials on the general condition of the territory.

Senator Heyburn acquisced in the Alaskan head of the geological sur-It is planned to call G. H. Brooks, formerly given to the senate, but not lowed by witnesses from the War debecause of loyalty to an "infamous partment, which controls the leasing of water fronts in that country.

The possible connection of C. "But for the parliamentary rules Taft with the subject is to be suborthat restrain me," declared Williams, dinated for the time being. The com-'I would have a few words to say mittee will endeavor to find out if the about the kind of human being in Guggenheim interests, when defeat in the so-called Cunningham claims to Senator Williams added with great the great coal fields of Alaska seemed feeling that he was "not prepared to inevitable, undertook to assert control fans on these lonely islands will now be able to keep tab on their favorite tury call 'an infamous cause' the the entrances to the interior of Alascause for which his (Williams) father ka, if recognition of the Ryan entries would effect this.

It is for this purpose that the committee has invited experts on Alaskan minerals and the coast line to testify as to the conditions in the neighborhood of Controller bay. The inquiry may require many days. Other than recognizing the absolute freedom of the president from congressional in-Washington, July 13. - Railroads quiry, it is said tonight no limitations

> Washington, D. C., July 10-The Canadian reciprocity bill emerged unscathed tonight from the most serious ordeal it has experienced in the senate. The amendments offered by Senator Cummins, of Iowa, and the two offered by Mr. Simmons, of North Carolina, all seeking to increase the number of Canadian manufactured articles that shall be admitted free of duty, were voted down.

> The vote in favor of the amendments was so small that Senator Cummins asked for only five roll calls, tion of asking for at least ten. The maximum vote for his tariff amendment was 14, compared with a maximum vote of 53 against.

> The defeat of the Cummins amendments clears the situation in the senate and leaves the reciprocity bill much nearer final passage.

Senator Bailey offered an amendment to the house woolen tariff bill, imposing a duty of 25 per cent on raw wool. He will ask for its consideration, and of his farmers' free list amendment, in the near future.

On the proposal to put flour and cereal products on the list of articles which the United States will admit free, Senator Cummins was defeated, look at the lake. It is the boat that 52 to 14; on the proposal to put agri-Washington, July 13.-Two insur-cultural implements on this list he twenty miles an hour." gent speeches against the Canadian was defeated 53 to 12; on the pro-

Washington, D. C., July 9.-Within blowing off. I am surprised at you. a week or ten days the signatures of We're steaming against a strong the secretary of state, Philander C. headwind and everyone knows it but Senator La Follette exceriated Pres- Knox, and the British ambassador, you. ident Taft's administration, not only James Bryce, will be placed on the with reference to tariff legislation treaty between the United States and Leader. policies. Senator Bristow renewed tration of all questions arising be-

The signing of the treaty will bring are to be found in Japan. The most sugar, saying it operated entirely in to an end the negotiations begun at esteemed of these is the shii-take, the interests of the American Sugar the instance of President Taft and which is principally grown on the ev-Ambassador Bryce early this year, ergreen oak. and will mark what many believe to procity bill next week, senate leaders be the greatest step toward international peace ever taken.

the text, mainly in the phraseology, to which the greatest attention is being given to avoid any ambiguity or possible chance of misconstruction when the treaty comes to be tested by logs are soaked in water, beaten with actual recourse to its provisons. It is to be a model from which general of the session Monday and Tuesday arbitration treaties between the Uniin his speech against reciprocity. In ted States and other nations will be

Only one point of substance remains to be adjusted and the State department is awaiting the last word of the British foreign office on that subject, There are two ways in which the obpartment, so there is no reasonable

## Pacific Will Be Protected.

Washington, D. C .- It is the present plan of the Navy department to than the bill drafted by the attorney. have the battleship fleet spend about Clemens) left actual property worth general and recommended to congress an equal amount of time in the Atlantic and Pacific as soon as the Panama din'.' canal is open to navigation. The great armament known as the "Atlantic fleet" since its formation, will belong his pencil: 'Who is it?' as much to the Pacific as Atlantic, inspectors had been sent into the plant and the persistent demands of the of the Lewis Publishing Co. St. Louis; West Coast for adequate naval pro-

## Relief Promised Storm Victims.

Washington, D. C .- President Taft has promised Representatives Clayton, torney for the Lewis concern, from of Alabama, and Adamson, of Georrations to the sufferers from the severe storm of July 4 in Lee county, Ala., and Harris county, Ga.

## Barrett to Attend Exercises.

Washington, D. C .- At the request ing \$120,000 for the transportation of of President Taft, John Barrett, gener-Washington, D. C .- France, it is silver coin, means that the banks of al director of the Pan-American union, the Panama canal, on July 19.

#### KAISER'S WIFE IS A PARAGON

Good Wife, Mother and Housekeeper, Highly Accomplished and Possessor of Charming Manners.

The German empress, as well as proving herself pre-eminently a good wife, mother and housekeeper, has many graceful accomplishments. She is very musical, and this forms a strong bond of sympathy between herself and the emperor, who is a musical composer of some ability. When he desires to give his wife an agree able surprise he instructs the court musicians to play some new composition under the windows of her apart ments. Musical evenings with his wife and family are one of the few recreations in which the busy kaiser ndulges. The empress is fond of sketching, and is a clever amateur photographer, having a collection of most interesting travel scenes, which she photographed during her tour with the emperor in the holy land She has great taste in the arrange ment of furniture and flowers, and her private apartments are among the most artistic of any royal lady in Europe. The consort of the kaiser is a

charming mixture of the woman and the imperial lady. Nothing which adds to the well-being of her husband and children is beneath her concern. In simple morning gown she will prepare the emperor's coffee, and in the vening, attired with taste and magnificence and full of gracious manners she is every inch an empress. She invariably wears in her hair a large, single diamond, which once adorned the cocked hat of Napoleon, and is seldom seen without the diamond and enameled bracelet, which turning to the accused. bears inset likenesses of her seven children, and a heart-shaped open locket with a portrait of her hus band. In appearance the empress is tall, of good presence, comely in face, and generally smiling, while her laugh terday. I have been trying all day is rippling and contagious.

She is sweet and placid in nature, leaves politics severely alone, but is much interested in social reforms. In wife didn't have a single complaint short, the German empress must have to make to me about things the chilbeen the selected of the gods as help- dren had been doing during the day. mate for the clever, strenuous kaiser.

#### Had Her Own Opinion.

As soon as the Eastern States was thing to absorb her and doesn't care well out of the Detroit river she hit any more." it up at her usual speed of twenty miles, further augmented by a fif teen-mile breeze dead astern. The boat hustled some. After a time the breeze died down and soon the lake assumed the oily appearance of a dead calm.

Up rose the lady-she lives in E. Ninety-third street when she is at home, and is a clever automobilist. "The breeze is so strong here," she announced, "that I shall have to go into the cabin to seek shelter."

"Why," said a man who knows her, "there is no breeze at all. Just is making its own breeze, going The woman turned on him in scorn. "Nonsense," she replied, disdainfully. "You tell me there is no

breeze and here my hat is almost

She stuck to it, too .- Cleveland

# Japanese Mushrooms.

Many varieties of mushrooms, little known in this country or in Europe,

Trees about six inches in diameter are felled and cut into lengths of six my boy for a birthday present feet. The logs are scarred on the Some changes remain to be made in back, and are laid on the ground for about three years. Then they are stacked in rows in a shady place, and soon become covered with the mushrooms. After yielding one crop the a mooden mallet and again set up. In a few days new mushrooms begin to sprout on them. The shii-take is a great favorite in Japan, being used in many dishes, but most frequently in soups.-Harper's Weekly.

## The Copper's Joke.

"Ever go over on the east side?" asked Rose Stahl. "If not, you miss half the joy of living in New York. Just for fun I made the rounds the other day with a reporter friend of mine. A few blocks east of the Bowery we observed a crowd hanging about a certain corner and approached

a policeman. "'What's the row over there?" the

reporter asked. "The policeman grinned. 'Nothin',' he replied. 'Nothin' but a wooden wed-

'A wooden wedding?' The news-"'Why, it's a wooden weddin', answered the policeman, in a matter-of. I got her!"

#### fact voice. 'It's a couple of Poles gettin' married."-Young's Magazine,

Unsophisticated. hours of my husband's valuable time?" asked the social climber.

"Because I am going to do monsieur in oil," responded the portrait painter. do you think the boy told him?" "Indeed! Well, see that you use the best olive oil. We are rich enough to pay for the genuine article, without being bunkoed with substitution."

## Progress.

"They used to say that when you saw a red-headed girl you would also

see a white horse.' "All that has changed. Now you look for a white motor car."

SOLDIER WITH GOOD LUNGS

Private Johnson Was Arrested When Sergeant Heard Him Singing 300 Yards Away.

A gigantic private in the guards was brought before his C. O. charged with being disorderly in the public street. Who put this man in the guard-

room?" asked the colonel. "I did, sir," replied the sergeant. "I was in the town last night, when I heard some one bellowing and roar-

ing songs about 300 yards away. I went to the spot and heard the accused-Private Johnson-singing at the top of his voice." "And you could hear him 300 yards away?" asked the colonel.

"Yes, sir," "Weil, what have you to say, Private Johnson?" continued the colonel,

"Please, sir, "said Private Johnson, "I was only 'umming."—Ideas.

#### Worried.

"Yes, a strange thing happened yesto figure it out."

"What was the nature of it?" "When I got home last night my I'm trying to decide whether the children have become cunning enough to deceive her or whether she has some-

WILLING TO OBLIGE.



Evelyn-Oh, well, let's kiss and

make up! Loraine-All right, dear. I'll do the kissing, but you've had more experience with the other part of the per-

#### A Common Misfortune. "What's the matter, Jaggsby? You

look blue." "No wonder. The billygoat I got charged on a crowd of children who were teasing him and butted some of them pretty badly."

"What happened?" "A policeman interfered, and as I was mad about his taking up for the children I talked pretty sassy to him and now the law's got my goat."

## Foolish Company.

"Well, I want to get my life insured," said a very old man who had entered the office of a general agent. "I am afraid our company will not wish to take you as a risk," the agent replied. "How old are you?" "Eighty-five."

"We never write policies for people who are over eighty." "What's the matter with your fool

company? Don't you know that a great many more people die under eighty than over that age?"-Judge.

## Little Story of Success.

"Maria," Mr. Dorkins said, with a note of exultation in his voice, "I turned a trade today that netted me a clean \$2,000."

"H'mph!" ejaculated his spouse, in paper man pondered and reached for her loftiest you-make-me-tired manner; "I went out today to hunt up a first-class cook, and I got her, John-

## Quite a Difference.

"Jaggs acquired a large package the other day and began a little pistol "And why will you take up two practice in the lobby of the office building. One very deaf man asked his office boy if the noise he heard outside was a mail chute, and what

"No-it was a male shooting."

## Altogether.

"Pipps is in luck." "How so?"

"He is teaching an heiress down at the seashore how to swim."

"Do you think she will marry him?" "That depends altogether on the number of times she has been taught to swim."