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HAKROWING STORIES OF DISEASE IN CHINA

BREAK OCCURS IN MODERATE SPIRIT OF LABORITES IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

Smallpox Epidemic at Hongkong Takes Heavy Toll in Lives and Thousands Dying from Sickness

VICTORIA, Jan. 10.—A smallpox epidemic is raging in Hong Kong and the adjacent town of Kowloon on the opposite side of the harbor. It has claimed hundreds of victims, according to advices received here on the arrival of the steamer Yokohama Maru. The total number of deaths up to the present time is reported as 871.

It is a harrowing story brought here by those arriving on the Japanese vessel. People are dying in the streets, the hospitals are filled and thousands are afflicted in lesser degrees. The congested native quarters at the foot of the hill are chiefly affected, the Europeans living mostly on higher ground and amid healthful surroundings. A vigorous vaccination campaign carried on by the British authorities resulted in 230,687 residents of Hong Kong and Kowloon receiving injections.

EUROPE HAVING SEVERE WINTER

Storms, Cold Weather and Snow
Proving Menace to Shipping
on Continent

LONDON, Jan. 10.—Unusually severe storms, accompanied by intense cold and heavy snow, have been sweeping through Europe this winter.

Off the coasts of Spain and France, the disturbances have proved a serious menace to shipping.

In the North Sea and in Scandinavian waters, the ice floes have been so heavy that navigation is difficult.

Great Britain suffers though in a lesser degree, cold being severe and much snow having fallen especially in the north midlands.

ORIENTALS ARE MOVING EAST

Saskatchewan Declares Entry of
Members of Yellow Race is
Detrimental

SASKATOON, Jan. 10.—Oriental immigration and the invasion of the mercantile world by people of the yellow race is becoming an acute question in British Columbia and the movement is rapidly spreading eastward to the detriment of the retail trade, was the opinion expressed by the executive of the Saskatchewan Retail Merchants' Association.

COPPER PRICE DOWN: SMELTER IS CLOSING

Operations Will be Suspended
In Arizona Plant on
February 1.

PRESCOTT, Ariz., Jan. 10.—Because copper is quoted below 13½ cents a pound, the Southwest Metals Co. will suspend operations February 1, at the Humboldt smelter, throwing two hundred men out of work.

A PUBLIC MEETING
in the interests of
M. M. STEPHENS,
Candidate for Mayor,
will be held in the
EMPRESS THEATRE,
Monday, Jan. 14, at 8 p.m.

Aldermanic, Police Commission and School Board
Candidates Invited.

Everybody Welcome.

SCALDS RESULT IN LITTLE BOY'S DEATH

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Eady Formerly of This City Deeply
Bereaved at New Westminster

News of the death, under very distressing circumstances, of little Billy Eady, 18-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Eady, formerly of this city and now of New Westminster, has been received. The lad, who was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Eady and who was born in Prince Rupert, was scalded the Sunday before Christmas when he fell into a tub of boiling water in his mother's kitchen and he succumbed to the injuries on New Year's Day. Every effort was made to save his life and R. Bryson, also formerly of this city, gave blood for transfusion, but without avail. Mr. and Mrs. Eady's many friends here will extend their heartfelt sympathy in their deep bereavement.

REFORM IN GASOLINE TAX COLLECTION IS REQUESTED BY BOARD

The council of the Prince Rupert Board of Trade at a special meeting yesterday afternoon passed a resolution urging the provincial government to eliminate the present system of collecting gasoline tax and then resending it. The substitution of a system of taking declarations without collecting the tax is suggested.

ALASKA FURS IN ROYAL WEDDING

Bride of Prince Hirohito of Japan
Will Wear White Fox Skins

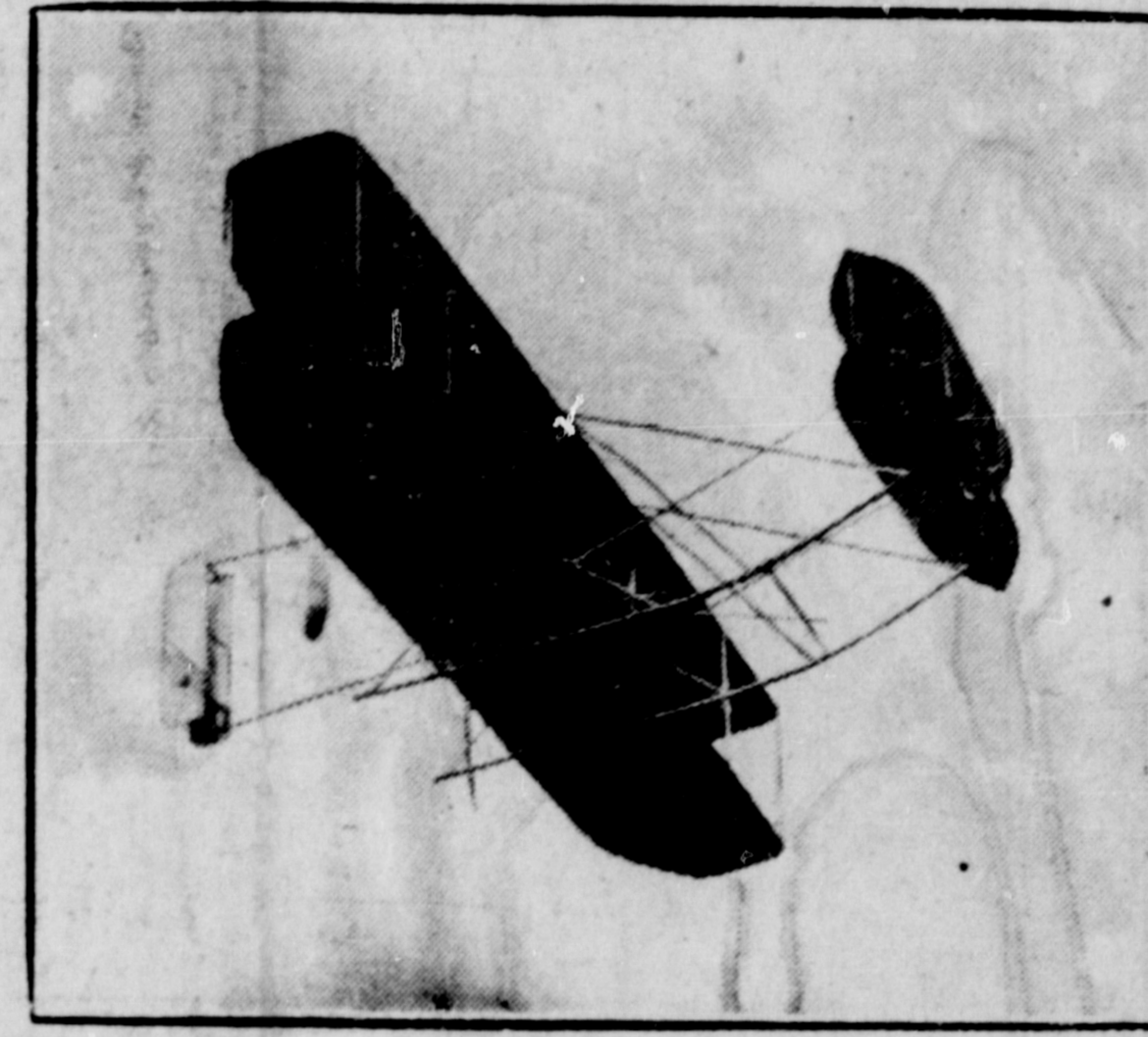
SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—White fox furs bought from the Alaska Fur Co., of Seattle will figure in the wedding garments of the bride of Prince Hirohito of Japan, Princess Nagao Kuni, and her bridesmaids, according to Herman Krupp of the Alaska company, who has just returned from Japan.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS FELT IN CALIFORNIA

EUREKA, California, Jan. 10.—Earthquake shocks were felt here Wednesday, the shocks coming within a few minutes of each other. No damage was reported.

Mrs. L. Barr of Portland, Oregon, who has been visiting in the city with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Greer, Fifth Avenue East, is returning south on the Prince Rupert tomorrow morning. Miss G. Boyle, accompanies her, is also going south.

Minard E. Crowell formerly of the F. E. Hunt Ltd. left on last night's train for New York en route to Europe on a business trip. Mr. Crowell expects to be away about five months. He is accompanied by S. Peterson.



In a plane, similar to the one pictured above, Wilbur and Orville Wright completed the first successful flight in a heavier than air machine twenty years ago. The original Wright plane had a wing spread of only forty-one feet.

JAP MONEY GOES DOWN

Fluctuation of Yen Exchange
May Affect British Columbia

TOKIO, Jan. 10.—The recent decline of the exchange rate on the yen is causing anxiety among the business men of Japan. The yen today touched 44 cents and nobody expects it to halt until it reaches forty.

The drop is affecting imports and exports. Expert observers point out that this holds disastrous possibilities of British Columbia imports being checked. They are necessities and not luxuries and their failure of delivery may retard the reconstruction of the district destroyed by fire or earthquake.

COWICHAN IS SORE AT LOSS OF MEMBER

Will Try to Get Former Condition Restored to Them Meeting Decides

DUNCAN, Jan. 10.—At a largely attended meeting of the electorate of the Cowichan Valley protest was made against the merging of Cowichan district riding with Newcastle territory. Addresses were delivered by Kenneth Duncan, M.L.A., G. H. Dickie M.P., and others.

The meeting decided to fight by every constitutional means to have the original boundaries of the constituency restored. A committee was named to take action. The chairman, A. H. Peterson, explained that the absence of Premier Oliver and Hon. William Sloan was due to the fact that invitations had not been sent them.

GERMAN SEPARATIST LEADER IS MURDERED

Herr Heintz, Premier of Bavarian Palatinate, Assassinated—Conflict Follows

SPEYER, Bavarian Palatinate, Jan. 10.—Herr Heintz, Separatist leader and premier of the autonomous government of the Palatinate, has been assassinated. Later five persons were killed in a conflict between separatists and police of the city.

BRITISH SUBMARINE LOST OFF PORTLAND

LONDON, Jan. 10.—An admiralty message says the British submarine T-24 has been lost off Portland, England, in a collision. It is feared that the entire crew perished.

URGE APPOINTMENT OF NEW MINISTER BE CAREFULLY MADE

In view of the current understanding that Hon. Ernest Lapointe, minister of marine and fisheries, is to be appointed minister of justice succeeding Hon. Sir Lomer Gouin, the council of the Prince Rupert Board of Trade at a special meeting yesterday afternoon passed a resolution for submission to Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King urging that most careful consideration be observed in the appointment of a new minister of marine and fisheries so that the successor to Mr. Lapointe will have a full understanding of the fishing industry.

PREMER DECLARS \$400,000 DIVIDEND

In Two Years Mine has Paid
\$5,000,000 Equalling its
Share Capital

The last dividend of the Premier Gold Mining Co. for 1923, has been declared and the disbursement to shareholders will be made January 15. The dividend is 8 per cent on a capital of \$5,000,000.

NEW DELORME TRIAL COMING NEXT MONTH

MONTREAL, Jan. 10.—Mr. Justice Martineau has been assigned by the attorney general's department to preside over the trial of Rev. Adelaire Delorme on a charge of having murdered his half-brother, Raoul Delorme, when the case comes up next month. R. L. Calder, K.C., will prosecute for the crown and the defence will be in the hands of A. Germain, K.C.

Labor Member Objects to House of Lords and Disputes with Speaker

LONDON, Jan. 10.—Appreciation of the approaching responsibilities of office which brought a tone of moderation to the language and sentiments of the leaders and most of the members of the Labor Party has not extended to some extremists.

While members were being sworn in today, John Joseph Jones, Labor member, came into conflict with the speaker because of a fancied grievance against the House of Lords. He thereby earned the openly expressed disapproval of other members of his party.

The occasion was the procession of members of the Commons to the Upper House to hear the King's message of approval. This is a mere formality and there were only a sprinkling of peers present but it incensed Jones. On returning to the House, Jones, on a point of order, complained to the Speaker that the Peers treated Commons with contempt. The speaker vainly tried to mollify the angry members by promising an enquiry into any grievance. Jones, however, continued the altercation until fellow members eventually induced him to take his seat, closing the incident. Another member who whistled "The Red Flag" was howled down.

STEAMERS TO RUN 'FRISCO TO SEWARD

Alaska Siberian Navigation Co.
Making Arrangements for
Transportation Alaska
Coal

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 10.—Tentative arrangements have been announced by the Alaskan Siberian Navigation Company for a direct San Francisco to Seward steamer service for the transportation of Alaska coal to California. It is said the service will be conditioned on a preferential railroad rate over the Alaska railroad to make it possible to compete with coal brought from Australia. The service would include three freighters.

HAZELTON INDIAN GETS 23 MONTHS

Charles Patsy is Found Guilty of
Indecent Assault and
Sentenced

Charles Patsy, Hazelton Indian, was found guilty by Judge Robertson at Smithers this week on a charge of indecent assault and was sentenced to 23 months at Okalla Prison. He will be brought on this afternoon's train from the interior by the provincial police and will continue his journey south tomorrow morning on the steamer Prince Rupert in the custody of Constable R. P. Ponder. Patsy attacked a white girl of tender years.

CANADA WILL HAVE REPRESENTATIVE AT WASHINGTON—GRAHAM

WINDSOR, Jan. 10.—Canada will be represented by an ambassador at Washington within a short time, according to a statement by Hon. George P. Graham, minister of railways. He declined, however, to give hints as to who would be elected.

FREIGHTER HAD ROUGH PASSAGE

C. G. M. Steamer Canadian
Transporter Reached Port at
Midnight Last Night

After a dirty passage across the Pacific ocean, C.G.M. freighter Canadian Transporter, Capt. A. B. Watson, reached port at midnight last night from Yokohama to enter the Canadian National Shipyard for painting. The voyage took nineteen days and, about 300 miles off Prince Rupert, the vessel ran into a howling southeaster in which she could make little headway on account of being light. This caused further delay and the steamer reached Triple Island at 8:30 last evening instead of noon as scheduled. She was piloted into the harbor by Capt. McCoskie. The vessel had neither freight nor passengers.

The work to be done at the dry dock on the Skirmisher is light and she should be off the pontoons tomorrow ready to sail for Vancouver where she will load for the United Kingdom instead of returning across the Pacific to the Orient.

COMPANY FOR AN ELEVATOR

List Circulating Pledging Subscriptions for Stock in Concern

A subscription list asking signers to pledge themselves to take stock in a local elevator company is being circulated and many have already signed it. Apparently there is no company behind it but the object seems to be to show the government or any private concern interested that the local people are willing to back any good proposition with their cash.

B.C. GOVERNMENT IS FORMALLY PROTESTING HIGHER EXPRESS RATE

VICTORIA, Jan. 10.—Not only has the government of British Columbia protested formally against an increase in western express rates, but it has also told the railway commission frankly that it intends at the proper time to ask for a reduction in the present rate scale, it is announced.

HOOKEY

Edmonton 1, Seattle 4.
Calgary 0, Regina 3.
St. Patricks 3, Hamilton 5.
Canadiens 1, Ottawa 2.