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MEDICINE HAT AND GENERAL APPEAL

Views of Montreal Gazette re Elections. Division in Both Cabinet and Party on the Question—Editorial Warns of Defeat if Conservatives Continue Late Attitude.

Montreal, June 29.—The Gazette Ottawa correspondent says today: "From the severe government reverse in Medicine Hat, many in the capital believe an immediate general election will result, but such political prophets in their forecasts do not take into consideration the greater political factor—love of office and the optimism of those in office that time will do for them what they appear to be unable to accomplish for themselves."

Editorially the Gazette says: "The effect of the Medicine Hat voting will be to make it more likely that a dissolution of parliament will be had at a relatively early date. The Conservative forces in the country may still be able to ensure that it will be followed by a success for the government cause, but they have in Mr. Meighen an able leader, who in a year has won a place in public life equalled by no other figure in parliament and who by more than a mile is a leader in parliament and a nation."

Halifax, N. S., June 29.—The article says the Medicine Hat result perhaps the most crushing defeat which any government has experienced in Canada for many years, and its significance as a "notice to quit" is so plain that he who reads it can read it.

"NOT GUILTY" SAYS MRS. PERRY

Jury Completed This Morning in the Yarmouth Murder Case.

Yarmouth, N. S., June 29.—"I am not guilty," declared Mrs. Elizabeth Perry, when charged with the murder of her husband, Capt. George H. Perry, before Mr. Justice Mellish, in the supreme court here this morning. Her answer was clear and distinct. The work of empanelling a jury was speedily completed, the following names being selected: Fred Porter (foreman), Harvey Ellis, Thomas Ellis, Nebemiah Seidell, Gordon Sweeney, Fred Symonds, Frank Butler, Percy Grant, Arnold B. Crocker, Aubrey Nickerson, Fred Syverson, and Leslie G. Bain.

WAVE LITTLE ONE TOO MUCH SOOTHING SYRUP

Quebec, June 29.—A two-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Blouin of Sore Coeur, Lotbiniere county, died on Monday of poisoning. It was established that the six-year-old little sister of the baby had given him an overdose of soothing syrup. The verdict was accidental death.

CROPS OVERSEAS.

Ottawa, June 29.—(Canadian Press)—Estimates for a large number of European countries, as well as one or two in Asia and Africa, have been received by the department of agriculture from the international institute of agriculture. It is said that the condition of the real crops is generally good in Germany, Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Luxembourg, Sweden, Egypt and Mexico. Average crops are expected in Italy, Switzerland and Czech-Slovakia, while prospects in Japan are given as good.

WOOL MARKET.

Ottawa, June 29.—(Canadian Press)—The Dominion wool market reports that the Canadian wool trade has improved considerably in the week ending yesterday. Sales of graded wool amounting to 150,000 pounds have been reported, and indications point to a lively active trade. Quotations for eastern domestic wools are as follows: Medium, 22-26 cents; low medium, 18-20 cents; low medium, 15-17 cents; coarse, 13-14 cents; rejects, 5-15 cents.

No Cars Running; Gas Plant Down; Power Only Partly Operated

Crisis Reached in Dispute of N. B. Power Co. and Men—Resume at Gas Works With Adequate Protection, Says Manager—Dominion Police Sent for—Ira D. Ferris Makes Statement for Men.

As a result of a break in relations between the New Brunswick Power Company and its employees, not a wheel turned over the street railway lines in the city today, the company's gas plant is idle, and the power house is being operated by a relief crew. Following the decision of the car men's union last night not to accept the offer of the company regarding wages, the men resorted for work as usual this morning, but found that the company had decided not to operate its cars today. While the company contends that the men are on strike, officials of the union said this morning that it was a lock-out.

Percy W. Thomson, the company's general manager, said today that while the gas works were idle, they would remain so until sufficient protection was offered for the men who were available to put it in operation again. He was in conference with Commissioner Thornton of the public safety department, who agreed to have a squad of policemen stationed there either this afternoon or this evening, and it is expected that the manufacture of gas will be resumed. Mr. Thomson said that the reserve supply now on hand would be sufficient to supply the city for twenty-four hours.

Mayor Schofield yesterday wired to the Halifax station of Dominion police asking for the services of the members of that body who are stationed there, numbering between fifty and sixty. It is expected that they will arrive in the city either this evening or tomorrow morning. A squad of police under Sergeant Scott was on duty around the power house and general offices of the company this morning, and there were police representatives at the gas works. According to Commissioner Thornton, other members of the force will take up duties at the gas house this afternoon.

Ira D. Ferris, president of the men's union, said that the men had all reported to operate the street cars this morning and were informed by Hans K. McLean, superintendent of transportation of the power company, that unless the men had agreed to the company's terms no cars would leave the yards. The men, Mr. Ferris said, intended to operate the cars until they received instructions from the international union, and as they were not allowed to take their cars out they considered the matter a lock-out.

With regard to the power house, Mr. Ferris said that Chief Engineer J. D. Geary and Chief Electrician A. H. Brown were keeping the plant in operation and were assisted by three non-union men. He said that only one man reported for work at the gas house. There was not a union man, he said, on the job.

Asked what action the union was taking, he said that they had established pickets at the power house and gas works in order to influence men from "scabbing."

At ten o'clock this morning the men assembled in the Trades and Labor Hall in Canterbury street, where addresses were given by officials of the union. There was no disorder of any kind, and the meeting adjourned at a little after twelve o'clock. This afternoon they will utilize their committee rooms at the corner of Carmarthen and Queen streets, and tomorrow morning another meeting will be called at the Trades and Labor Hall to answer roll-call.

POWER SITUATION.

While it is not anticipated that the lighting circuits of the city will be shut off, the power house of the company is not working at full capacity, and as a consequence many of the industries operating by electricity may be forced to cease operation. The general public hospital will not be affected, as there is installed there a generator which can be used to supply light and power in the event of the current being shut off from outside.

Mayor Schofield, Dr. J. Roy Campbell, K. C., acting city solicitor, and some of the city commissioners conferred this morning in connection with the situation, but there were no developments reported after the meeting.

POLICE COURT.

Max Lambert, reported for exceeding the speed limit in Mill street paid a fine of ten dollars today.

As Hiram Sees It

Where's that three raindrops? asked Mr. Hiram Hornbeam of the Times reporter. "We'd give him a bonus on the settlement he'd bring on about two days stiddy rain."

THE LONE BRIDES

In St. John the Baptist Church this morning Rev. Dr. A. W. Meahan, who was celebrant at nuptial mass united in marriage his niece, Miss Elizabeth Agnes Russell Lyons, daughter of Mrs. Mary J. Lyons of Waltham, Mass., and Robert J. Ritchie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Ritchie, 10 Duke street.

AMALGAMATION OF EAST ST. JOHN WITH THE CITY

The matter of the amalgamation of East St. John with the city will be discussed this afternoon at a meeting in the pink georgette room. All the city councillors, the councilors from the parish of Simonds, the city solicitor, the county secretary and representatives from the residents of East St. John have been invited to attend.

GRAIN FIELDS OF SOURIS VALLEY IN WEST FLOODED

Estevan, Sask., June 29.—A torrential rain last night has caused the Souris River to raise to abnormal level, flooding the grain fields in the Souris Valley south of here.

COLT BORN IN MINE

Reserve Mines, N. S., June 29.—A Cape Breton colt began life in an unconventional fashion by putting in his first appearance at the mine in a pink georgette. He was born in the mine on June 28, and his mother, one of the pit ponies, is a fine specimen of the breed.

MURCHISON-BANISTER.

A very pretty wedding took place at three o'clock this afternoon in Trinity church, when Miss Pearl Beatrice Banister, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phyllis Williams, was married to E. Leopold Murchison of Grand Falls. The bride was given away by her brother, George Banister, and the groom, E. Leopold Murchison, is a native of Grand Falls.

PHYSICIAN AND WEATHER REPORT

PHYSICIAN: "The patient is doing well, but the weather is a bit of a nuisance." WEATHER REPORT: "A low pressure system is centered in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and a cold front is moving southward from the north."

GARDINER HAS 7,228 AND NOT MORE TO COME

Medicine Hat, June 29.—The majority of Robert Gardiner, National Progressive party, in the by-election held Monday, had this morning reached 7,228 in the person of John Canning of Port Ontario in the person of John Canning of Port Ontario.

FIVE HIT BY PITCHERS; TWO BY BATSMEN

A Day's Record in Major League Baseball—Home Run Hit Spoiled.

New York, June 29.—Five National League batters were hit by pitched balls and two injured by hard batted balls in yesterday's contests. In the first game between the Pirates and Cubs, Hollister was hit with a pitched ball by Hamilton, while in the second contest Freeman was hit by Glanzer, and had to leave the game. Freeman himself hit two batters, Whitted and Barnhardt. The other National batsmen struck was Roush of Cincinnati, hit by Doak of St. Louis.

TO BE TRIED FOR 1914 MURDER

Indian Arrested in British Columbia Nearly Seven Years After Crime.

Vancouver, B. C., June 29.—Tom Williams, an Albatra Bay Indian, has been committed for trial on a charge of having murdered Ernest Jack, a young fisherman and hand logger at Neatzer Bay, Dixon Island on September 5, 1914.

MOVED HOUSE AND ALL BY WATER

J. Goldstein, of Advocate, Surprises Some of Neighboring Seamen in His Removal to Joggins Mines.

Parishboro, N. S., June 29.—When J. Goldstein and all his worldly possessions to Joggins Mines, a distance of some seventy miles, he took a leaf out of the Arabian Nights' story and carried with him a small party of friends.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued on authority of Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

SEES CANNED GOODS WILL BE DEARER

Toronto, June 29.—A Globe news item says: "The decision of the interests controlling the Canadian Canning industry to withdraw the schedule of prices issued earlier this month marks a significant change in the market situation are imminent. A five-cent advance in practically all lines of canned vegetables was announced last week. A further advance of five cents is expected very soon."

PRIZES FOR CADETS

Montreal, June 29.—Arrangements for the prize meeting of the Province of Quebec Rifle Association in August were completed at a meeting of the executive last night, when it was reported that the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association had offered a donation for the encouragement of cadets. For Quebec this will be \$35 to which the P. Q. R. A. has added \$25. The D. C. R. A. also offers a bronze medal to the cadet making the highest score in any province. The match will be shot at the Pointe Aux Trembles Range on July 7.

LADY RANDOLPH CHURCHILL DEAD

London, June 29.—Lady Randolph Churchill, who was Miss Jennie Jerome of New York, died here today.

PRINCE HAS A BIG DAY OF FUN

Popular Guest at Theatre Mobbed by Actors and Actresses Till He Has to Call for "A Sporting Chance"—Refuses Lure of the Dance.

London, June 29.—The Prince of Wales is always doing unexpected things, and yesterday he thoroughly enjoyed doing them at a big theatre garden party at the Royal Hospital grounds, Chelsea. On his arrival he was mobbed by seemingly all the actors and actresses in London, and many policemen and detectives were powerless to help him.

THE LATE LADY CHURCHILL

London, June 29.—Lady Randolph Churchill, who was Miss Jennie Jerome of New York, died here today.

CRAIG DECLINES TO MEET DE VALERA

Refuses Invitation for Dublin Conference. Replies That He has Already Accepted the Invitation of Lloyd George—Prisoners are Rescued from the Sligo Jail.

Belfast, June 29.—Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, declined today the invitation extended to him by De Valera, the Irish Republican leader, to meet De Valera in Dublin.

The invitation was contained in a letter to the Ulster premier and four other eminent Irishmen outside of De Valera's party, asking them to meet him at the Mansion House in Dublin on Monday for a conference.

It was said that De Valera wished to learn from them at first hand the views on the Irish question of certain sections of the people they represent. De Valera, in his reply to Lloyd George's invitation for a conference with the Ulster premier and the British premier for an Irish settlement, in which the republican leader indicated he deemed Irish unity essential to a lasting peace, said he was consulting "with such of the principal representatives of our nation as are available," and added: "Before replying more fully to your letter I am seeking a conference with certain representatives of the political minority in this country."

It is impossible for me to arrange any meeting. I have already accepted the premier's invitation to the London conference."

It was announced later that Sir Robert Woods had accepted De Valera's invitation.

COMMANDANT MURPHY KILLED

Cork, June 29.—Commandant Murphy of the Mid-Cork Brigade of the "Irish Republican army," was shot dead yesterday in a military round up at Waterfall, near here. Forty-five Republicans were captured. Murphy was wanted on charges in connection with several deaths and a kidnapping. The military surrounded a house in which Murphy was presiding over an "Irish Republican Army" battalion meeting. He escaped through the back door, but was killed after he had gone a 100 yards.

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CONDENSED

Appropriation of \$35,000, exclusive of suburbs and a city assessment of \$800,000 are estimated for Toronto. The Nova Scotia Pharmaceutical Association is in session in Liverpool, N. S.