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CHIEF IS SUPREME AT A FIRE

Recorder's Opinion Settles Matter of Authority of Salvage Corps

THREAT TO RESIGN

Petition from North End Salvage Corps Men Settling Out Their Position—The Situation Discussed and Matter Left in Hands of Committee

The dispute between Chief Kerr of the fire department and members of the North End Salvage Corps, as the result of an altercation at a fire on the Spout Cove road, was referred to a committee of three, this morning by a special meeting of the Safety Board. The question which was one of authority was made clear by Recorder Baxter who quoted from the bye laws to show that in a fire the chief was supreme, that he had no authority over the salvage corps when they were not on duty.

Those present besides the chairman, Alderman Russell, were Aldermen Elliott, Green, J. B. Jones, C. T. Jones, Scully, Potts, McLeod, Wilson, Wigniers, with Chief Kerr, Dr. Chief Blake, Captain Jackson of the Hook & Ladder, and Captain Turner, Lieut. Thornton, F. N. Hann, and ex-Alderman White, representing the North End Salvage Corps, together with Mayor Fink, Recorder Baxter and Director Wisely and Chief of Police Clark.

The chairman explained the purpose of the meeting and referred to the petition from the North End Salvage Corps as follows:—

"We respectfully beg to notify you that the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department has assumed or claims to be empowered with authority over the salvage corps and the officers and members, and that whereas the members of No. 2 Salvage Corps do not desire to be subject to service or orders of this man, and that further,

"Whereas, this corps is composed of citizens who have freely and voluntarily joined their service without any recompense and have willingly served the city,

"Therefore, this corps does earnestly protest that your honored board will cease to be made a party to the illegal and unjust actions of the chief and his officers and their officers full and complete authority to carry on their work subject only to the orders of your board immediately at the time of the fire and of the chief engineer, and further

"That, as officers members of the Salvage Corps shall not be in any way subject to the authority of the chief, and that

"Whereas, this is a vital matter to the interest of our city, we also pray that the board will give this matter immediate attention and call a special meeting to deal with it, and report to the corps so that we may know at once your decision.

"Our members are very indignant over the unwarranted interference and assumption of authority and we do further pray each and separately desiring that this be considered as our resignations to take effect immediately.

Chief Kerr

Recorder Baxter went over the bye-laws bearing on the matter, which showed that while the chief had no control of the salvage corps while off duty, he was in supreme command during a fire. He could requisition the assistance of any one in the

LAUNCH IS CAPSIZED; SIX DROWNED

Bride and Groom and Former's Brother and Sister Are Among Victims in Disaster

THREAT TO RESIGN

Salt Lake City, June 5—(Canadian Press)—Six persons were drowned in Utah lake yesterday, when the sailing launch Galilee, on which 12 persons were attending a party, given in honor of the approaching marriage of Miss Vera Brown, 21 years old, and Edward B. Holmes, captain in a squad. Among the drowned were the prospective bride and groom and Frank and Helen Brown, two children of Captain Frederick Brown, owner of the launch.

The launch capsized at 10 o'clock, and the party was scattered. The bride and groom were among the victims. The launch was carrying 12 persons, including the bride and groom, and their families. The launch was capsized by a sudden squall. The bodies of the six victims were recovered. The launch was carrying 12 persons, including the bride and groom, and their families. The launch was capsized by a sudden squall. The bodies of the six victims were recovered.

MR. FIELDING'S PLAIN TALK TO THE BRITISH UNIONISTS

Severely Criticizes Attack Made On Reciprocity

WRITES TO THE PAPERS

Letter From Finance Minister Deals With Lord Selborne In Dignified but Forceful Response—London Press Comment on Canadian Minister's Reply

London, June 5—Hon. W. S. Fielding, the Canadian minister of finance, in a letter published by the London newspapers this morning, severely criticized Lord Selborne's recent attack on Canadian-United States reciprocity, asserting that his lordship is entirely wrong in his statements, and quoting trade returns to prove that British trade is not seriously menaced by the agreement. Mr. Fielding strongly denounces Selborne's British statements in Canadian affairs, saying:—

"For public men in England to assail the policies of the responsible governing party of any of the overseas dominions would hardly tend to promote the mutual conditions which are essential to the promotion of imperial unity."

Mr. Fielding asserts that imperial trade is not being injured by the pact, and is not likely to be found in the future, because parts prefer broader trade, and are protective measures, and still others a happy medium. He cites precedents to prove that the empire has long had the conditions which Lord Selborne objects, under which, by agreement with foreign powers one section of the empire obtained tariff benefits not enjoyed by other sections. He instances the Egin reciprocity with the United States in 1850, which terminated in 1860, under which the privileges of American markets applied only to the products of British North America, as in this respect, precisely the same as the Canadian-United States agreement of today.

Then he points out that the United Kingdom enjoys tariff advantages in agreements with Germany, France and Italy not enjoyed by Canada, but Canada does not complain, and only by asserting that there are a few of the many points in the Canadian-United States agreement which are understood in the mother country.

Mr. Fielding says that Lord Selborne is glad to learn that Selborne is not creating the precedent which has disturbed him.

Comment by Press

Commenting on the letter today the News says:—

"The plain meaning of the Unionist's demand in parliament is that the imperial government should veto the reciprocity agreement and deprive the dominions of their rights to self-government in matters affecting their own interests. Our members are reaching in incompatible with the unity of the empire, which is the moral Mr. Fielding's grave warning drives home to the English people."

The Morning Post (Conservative) referring to "the prospective injury to this British trade through the machinations of President Taft" and while admitting that England has done little to secure in return for the trade preference given by Canada, contends that Mr. Fielding might well have waited before using the opportunity for the trade preference given by Canada, which would have been a fairer position party here, ignoring entirely the fact that the original attack on the Canadian government came from the person who is the target of Mr. Fielding's hot shot.

The Post ends by declaring that "There are men to whom the ideal of a united empire is not a cry but a creed, who would not be slow to suit the game party politicians here or in Canada."

THEY'RE ONLY TOTS, BUT THEY MAKE JOURNEY ACROSS OCEAN

Two tips of tender years, who crossed the Atlantic to Canada with no one in charge of them.



Two tips of tender years, who crossed the Atlantic to Canada with no one in charge of them, were seen in Halifax at an early hour this morning, and their services were not occupied. The father is an Englishman, who came out to this country some time ago. His wife followed him, two years ago, but the kiddies were too young to make the trip at the time, and the father could not spare the time to go after them, so they came across alone.

"SEND FOR WIFE" SCHEME TO GET UNDER THE LAW

The Japanese Government Adopts Emigration Policy Which Affects Canada—Marriage by Photograph

(Canadian Press)

Tokio, June 5—The following is the gist of the emigration policy adopted by the Japanese government.

The new Japanese-American treaty will in no way change the policy of restricting the emigration of the Japanese people to the mainland of the United States, Hawaii and Canada. The so-called "sending for a wife," which is getting more and more popular, is really marriage contracted by exchange of photographs. The government will henceforth investigate more strictly the applications of those women who desire to go abroad in this way, because they are often deceived by the authorities abroad seeking to hoodwink the authorities.

For the time being, the authorities will allow from 100 to 150 men per steamer to proceed to the Philippines, which region is considered as most promising for Japanese emigration. Applications of emigrants to Mexico will be granted within a certain limit.

ALLIANCE HAD BUSY MORNING

Important Matters Taken Up By Ministers of St. John

CORONATION DAY

The weekly session of the Evangelical Alliance was held in the vestry of St. Andrew's church. The members present included Rev. H. R. Read, Rev. David Long, Rev. D. Flinders, Rev. Messrs. Wentworth, Ross, Anderson, Marr, McLean, Heaney and Gies. Discussion on resolutions in regard to the coronation ceremonies, the men and religion movement and the no tenners decree occupied the attention of the meeting.

The resolution prepared by the coronation committee in regard to the celebration of the coronation of King George V. was presented to the secretary. The service is to be held at 9 a.m. on Thursday, June 22 in Centenary church. Rev. H. R. Read will preach the coronation sermon. He will be assisted by Rev. Dr. Flinders and Rev. D. Hutchinson. Rev. J. A. Appel, Joshua Clawson will prepare an appropriate sacred program.

The report was adopted, and the secretary requested to invite the Protestant ministers of the city to attend. The secretary was also requested to notify the ministers to conduct a special service on the Wednesday evening previous.

Rev. D. Long reported a total of \$1,067.45 for the China famine fund.

Johnus Clawson was the treasurer of the committee and the size of the amount is due to his energy.

Rev. Mr. Anderson was appointed chaplain of the Boys' Industrial Home for the next period.

Men and Religion Movement

Rev. Dr. Flinders gave the report of the delegation from the Buffalo convention in regard to the men and religion movement. A committee of eleven had been appointed at a recent meeting of the alliance, and the movement was endorsed. The plan was for this committee to organize a committee of 100 of the Christian workers in the city. The report of the committee had not met a unanimous response from all the ministers of the city.

Rev. M. Wentworth said there would be some opposition to bringing the professional evangelist, owing to the expense of release after other campaigns in the city.

Mr. Robb explained that experts had offered to come to the city on the 22nd of April next year. If St. John was to be made a centre on a par with Halifax, Sydney, Toronto and Calgary, such preparations would have to be made at once.

Dr. Flinders suggested that a committee representing the denominations should report regarding the position of the pastors of the city.

Mr. Robb informed the meeting that twenty-four had already placed themselves on record in favor of the movement. Owing to the informal approval of the alliance, the work will be proceeded with and the committee of eleven will organize the larger committee to take up the work in an energetic manner.

No Tenners Decree

Rev. Dr. Flinders read a resolution opposing the no tenners decree. The resolution moved by Dr. Flinders and seconded by Rev. D. Long reads as follows:—

"Resolved, that this alliance, while recognizing the right of every denomination to make such disciplinary regulations as may be thought best for the government and guidance of the members thereof, is strongly of the opinion:—

1. That no religious denomination is authorized to enact and enforce laws contrary to the provisions of the civil code, detrimental to the civil status and privileges of any citizen, and freighted with the destruction of such civil status as are founded upon righteousness;
2. That the decree known as 'no tenners' of the Roman Catholic Church ignores certain of the marriage laws of the state, defies the properly constituted authority of the land and, in its operation, is a palpable menace to the sacredness of the marriage relation, the validity of the home and the welfare and happiness of parents and children;
3. That it is the solemn duty of the state to guard and conserve the sacred rights and liberties of all citizens from the lawless assumption of any foreign power, civil or religious, and to secure to them the undisturbed enforcement of the civil enactments in which they trust for protection. That in the specific instance represented by the 'no tenners' decree it is the immediate duty of the government involved to indicate beyond question the supremacy of the civil law, controlling all marriage relations, to the incidental regulations of a denomination, which have been enacted for the discipline of a people seeking guidance in the faith professed;
4. And in view of the assumption of this decree and of the lawful possibilities, it is the duty of the alliance to take such steps as may be deemed wise and just."

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FRENCH WARSHIP AGROUND ENTERING HALIFAX HARBOR

Cruiser Destress Ashore on George's Island—Shifting Ammunition and Discharging Ballast Preparatory to Floating

Halifax, N. S., June 5—The French cruiser Destress, while entering the harbor at an early hour this morning, ran aground on George's Island. She was grogging her way along, preparatory to casting anchor, when she struck the rocks. The ship was falling so no attempt to float her will be made till high tide afternoon. It is expected that the warship will go into drydock for examination.

Water ballast discharged preparatory to floating her. Tugs went to her assistance but their services were not accepted. The Destress was bound from the West Indies and Boston to Halifax en route to St. Pierre. She did not hear the bell which accounted for her grounding. It is expected that the warship will go into drydock for examination.

NEARLY MILLION SEE MONUMENT TO ITALIAN KING DEDICATED

Rome, June 5—(Canadian Press)—Nearly one million people yesterday witnessed the dedication of a magnificent monument to King Victor Emmanuel III, grandfather of the present king.

The new king, Italy, was added to the occasion by combining this with a celebration of the granting of the constitution by King Charles Albert 1848, the same constitution which still rules Italy.

One of the incidents of the dedication was the cheering of a priest who climbed the steps of the monument. Senators and deputies surrounded him with such enthusiasm as the populace. Opening his gown, the priest showed a tri-color sash, emblem of the majority, saying: "I am Canon Paduacci, Mayor of Gorizia Abruzzi. In 1848, as mayor, I took the oath of loyalty to the king, and the constitution, and I thought it my duty to come here today and pay a tribute of homage to the father of our country."

CHINESEPLAN MAY CAUSE SOME TROUBLE

St. Petersburg, June 5—(Canadian Press)—Advices from Peking say that China contemplates a revision of the Russian-Chinese treaty of 1881, which will expire in August unless it is renewed.

The ultimatum issued recently by Russia with regard to the interpretation of the treaty was based on the supposition that China would leave the treaty intact, inasmuch as revision would open up great difficulties and involve the long standing Russian privileges, such as the exclusive right to navigation on the Sungari and exclusive trade in Mongolia. A revision of the treaty would involve new rights, which Japan would be certain to demand for herself, as Japan is far more active commercially and diplomatically than this country.

Russia considered that China had lost to lose by renewing the Russian privileges intact than by curtailing them, but the Chinese plans cannot be carried out without the approval of the Russian government. The re-occupation of Kullia, as a Russo-Chinese treaty cannot be considered without reference of the events of 1911.

SIR ALAN AYLESWORTH PLACED IN NOMINATION

North York Liberals Choose Minister of Justice—He States His Position

New Market, Ont., June 5—(Canadian Press)—North York Liberals on Saturday nominated Sir Alan Aylesworth as their candidate for the House of Commons. The minister of justice made no promise, but allowed the nomination to stand on the understanding that if no election is held this fall, he is to retire in favor of T. C. Robinson, K. C., who was named as alternative candidate.

Mr. Aylesworth did not state that if an election was held within the next few months that he would accept the nomination but he did state that he would not be seen drawing that inference from his remarks. The minister declared strongly for the closure system in parliament.

RUSH OF MINERS TO NEW GOLD FIELD

Fairbanks, Alaska, June 5—(Canadian Press)—A gold strike is reported on Indian Creek, a tributary of the Koyukuk river, 300 miles up stream. Pay earth has been struck in two places. Miners are stampeding from here.

Gold has also been struck on Long Creek, on the north side of the Yukon, opposite Meola. The earth yielded five to fifteen cents to the pan.

Pottery Plant Destroyed

Quebec, Que., June 5—(Canadian Press)—A destructive fire occurred on Saturday night at the Little River, when the extensive pottery plant of W. & D. Bell was completely destroyed by fire. The loss will reach \$20,000, and there is no insurance on plants or building.

ONTARIO TO ORDER THE DOGS MUZZLED

Toronto, June 5—(Canadian Press)—With the approach of the hot weather and consequent danger of rabies, it is probable that the provincial board of health will again order all dogs in the province to be muzzled during the summer months.

Already several cases of dog bites have been reported, and as there were so few cases reported last summer when all dogs were muzzled, it is expected that a similar order will be issued soon.

THE KING'S THANKS

Ottawa, June 5—(Canadian Press)—Col. Cameron, of the 43rd Regiment, who sent a cable of congratulation to King George, honorary patron of the regiment received a cable on Saturday afternoon in reply saying: "Please convey my sincere thanks to all ranks of the 43rd Regiment for their kind congratulations."

(signed) "GEORGE R. and L."

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

9 A. M. WEATHER REPORTS.

Temperature Past 24 Hours.

Max	Mm	Dir	Vel.		
Toronto...	72	52	S.	4	Clear
Montreal...	74	56	S.	4	Cloudy
Quebec...	74	46	E.	4	Cloudy
Chatham...	70	44	N.W.	4	Clear
Charlottown...	58	48	W.	4	Fair
Sydney...	58	38	W.	4	Cloudy
Halifax...	70	38	N.W.	4	Fair
Yarmouth...	62	40	W.	4	Clear
St. John's...	68	46	S.	8	Clear
Boston...	74	58	E.	8	Clear
New York...	74	62	S.E.	20	Cloudy

Forecast—Moderate southerly winds, fair; Tuesday, moderate southeast winds, cool and showery.

Synopsis—The barometer is high over and to the south of the Maritime Provinces with a shallow depression advancing from the Great Lakes. Winds are moderate southeast along Atlantic Coast. To Banks, moderate west winds today, east winds tomorrow. To American ports, moderate to fresh southeast and south winds.

Local Weather Report at Noon

Highest temperature during last 24 hrs 66
Lowest temperature during last 24 hrs 46
Temperature at noon, ... 56
Humidity at noon, ... 80
Barometer readings at noon (sea level and 32 degrees Fals), 30.19 inches.
Wind at noon: Direction, S. Velocity, 12 miles per hour. Fair.
Lame date last year: Highest temperature, 55, lowest, 30. Clear.
D. L. HUTCHINSON, Director.

THE TIMES' NEW REPORTER

the people who visit the square. Now they have the interior.

AN AWFUL EXPERIENCE

A stalwart member of the police force had a most painful experience in riding last week. Finding a little old lady in a little dog sitting a boy's lady's worth of candy under seven o'clock, he boldly entered and asked her name, but justice might be meted out to her. Having secured the information he was about to withdraw when the little old lady in a feeble voice asked him this startling question:—

"Mr. Officer, when are you going to begin reporting the big healthy men who close their eyes in a fatal row over a close ninth inning English bowler? I'm 28 years old, of Belleville, was the victim. He was stabbed in the throat and his windpipe severed. He died in an ambulance which was taking him to a hospital. None of the alleged participants in the row were arrested."

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MURDER AT A BALL GAME

New Jersey Player Stabbed in Row Over Ninth Inning Decision—Lightning Kills One of Newark Nine

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