

YOUNG GIRL
DROPPED IN
THE RIVER

Florence McGuire Lost Her Life While Skating Yesterday Afternoon.

BROKE THROUGH ICE;
BODY NOT RECOVERED

Interesting Case to Come Before Fredericton Courts—Parker's Ridge Elopers Not Yet Rounded Up.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Dec. 8.—Florence McGuire, the 15 year old daughter of James McGuire, of Victoria Mills, was drowned a short distance from her home this afternoon.

The announcement of an action which has been entered by an advertising man who spent the past summer handling a proposition in connection with the local moving picture theatre against a local business man a member of one of Fredericton's prominent families, has created a sensation.

An effort to locate the daughter of Ex-Cong. Charles W. Pond, of Parker's Ridge, who eloped a couple of weeks ago with a man who is known as H. Stewart, is being made by the police. They spent eight days at the Lorne Hotel here as "H. Stewart and wife, Chatham," and left without the formality of paying their bill, amounting to \$28.

So far as can be learned, the couple were not married and "Pond" had not been rounded up here now, had it not been for a talkative official who the girl's mother employed in the case, and who allowed the story to get some publicity before there had been a warrant issued.

AGED MAIL CLERK
PLEADS GUILTY TO
CHARGE OF THEFT

After Almost Half a Century of Service Henri Felion Stole Letters—Will Forfeit Superannuation.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Henri Felion, 69 years of age, who had been for almost half a century in the employ of the post office department, pleaded guilty before Judge Leaton Saturday to a charge of stealing letters. Felion was a mail clerk on the train running between Montreal and Calumet. Reports were received of mail missing on his route and he was called to the office of the railway mail service and asked to explain what had become of the letters. When he was confronted the old man broke down and confessed. He was remanded until Thursday for sentence. By his plea of guilty he is liable to a sentence of seven years in the penitentiary and forfeit his superannuation allowance.

STEAMER ST. LOUIS
IN BAD ACCIDENT

Plymouth, Dec. 8.—The American line steamship St. Louis, which sailed from New York November 29, met with a serious accident last Wednesday during stormy weather. A piston rod broke and was hurled from the cylinder to the top of the engine room. It did considerable damage but no one was injured. Repairs are expected to occupy two months.

ENGLAND WELCOMES
OFFER FROM CANADA

Lord Beresford Will Make Sure Canadian Contribution Will Not Reduce British Programme

MANCHESTER GUARDIAN OPPOSES
CANADIAN ON DEFENCE COUNCIL

London, Dec. 7.—Canada's naval contribution has far overshadowed the eastern war, as the topic of the week in England. The politicians and newspaper editors with very few dissenting voices, welcome the Dominion's gift for its own sake, and as a memorable step towards consolidating the Empire. Uncertainty exists as to whether the government propose to receive Canada's ships as an addition to the minimum fleet considered necessary to maintain naval supremacy, or as a part of that fleet.

The only feature of the new policy causing uneasiness is the innovation of giving the colonies a place on the committee of defence, especially when he is armed with the power, if his advice is not taken, of withdrawing nearly half a squadron from the imperial navy.

IMPORTANT BILLET FOR
SIR CHAS. FITZPATRICK

He Will Represent Great Britain on Tribunal to Arbitrate Pecuniary Claims With the United States.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Great Britain and the United States have agreed upon the composition of the tribunal to arbitrate the pecuniary claims as provided in the special arrangement recently ratified by the two governments.

Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, Chief Justice of Canada, and the British member of the North Atlantic coast arbitration tribunal at the Hague, in 1910, will represent Great Britain. Chaudier, Anderson, commissioner of the department of state, will represent the United States. These two will select a third member who will act as umpire and will be a subject of neither Great Britain nor the United States.

Cecil B. Harter, of the British foreign office, will be chief counsel for Great Britain. Edmund L. Neustadt, Canadian Deputy Minister of Justice, will be associated with him. Salvo Mallet-Prevost of New York will be chief counsel for the United States. He was one of the counsel in the Venezuela boundary arbitration. Robert Lansing, one of the counsel for the United States in the fisheries arbitration and the Alaska boundary arbitration will be associated with him.

TRANS-ATLANTIC
STEAMERS MET

Heavy Weather
Steamers Arriving at New York Bear Evidence of Having Encountered High Winds in North Atlantic.

New York, Dec. 8.—Incoming steamers today brought reports of extremely rough weather at sea, and some of them bore evidence of struggles with the Atlantic elements. Thirty feet of rain was tipped off La Lorraine which got in from Havre, and a vessel from Southampton and tore the door of Captain Passio's quarters from a heavy sea and her arm smashed.

In the stormy weather on Wednesday a big wave broke over the St. Paul from Southampton and tore the door of Captain Passio's quarters from a heavy sea and her arm smashed.

ONE GETS LIFE;
OTHER MUST DIE

Government Commutes One Death Sentence but Refuses to Interfere in Case of Montreal Italian.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 8.—It is understood that the sentence of death pronounced in Whitley, for wife murder, has been commuted to life imprisonment. At a cabinet council held on Saturday the case of Farduto the Italian condemned to death for the murder of Louis Hottel, was considered, and it was decided to allow the law to take its course. Farduto will be hanged next Friday morning in Montreal.

ELECTIONS IN ROME

Home, Dec. 8.—The municipal elections were held here today. The anti-socialists and the including Mayor Nathan were elected. The clerical candidates lost.

POLITICAL SPEECHES
AT NEW YORK DINNER

Canadians and Guests to Number of 350 Attend Canadian Society's Annual Banquet

"LET'S SING 'RULE BRITANNIA'
NOW, WHEN IT COSTS SOMETHING"

Grand Vizier Says She is Prepared to Make Concessions for Peace. WILL NOT PERMIT THE DIVISION OF ALBANIA.

Tewfik Pasha Declines to Act as Peace Delegate and Another Must be Chosen—Greeks Active.

Athens, Dec. 7.—The Greek troops operating in Epirus have occupied the towns of Delvino, Argyro Castro, and Santi Quaranta, about 50 miles to the north of the Janina.

Constantinople, Dec. 7.—The following official message has been received from the wall of Adrianople, under date of Dec. 4:

"At 9 o'clock yesterday evening, before the armistice was signed, the enemy, with the intention of approaching the forts, made a general charge with all their forces of infantry and artillery on the south, north and east, and also on the Marash side. Our brave soldiers repulsed the attack with great vigor and did not give way a step from the advance posts which they were occupying.

"During terrible fighting, which lasted nearly six hours, the enemy sustained considerable losses and had to retreat on all sides in a lamentable state. The enemy fired nearly 70 shells at the town, without thanks to God, causing any losses.

"The Turkish ambassador at London has declined to accept a delegate in the coming peace negotiations owing to ill health.

The port consequently is seeking a third delegate. Turkey will probably be Naby Bey, the newly appointed Ambassador at Rome.

"The 'Empire prints a Constantinople despatch embodying an interview with the Grand Vizier, Mr. Enver Pasha. With regard to the peace negotiations the Grand Vizier said that Turkey could not permit any delegate to be sent to the conference to reach the sea, and could not give up Adrianople. He refused, however, to make any concessions ever.

Asked if the government favored Turkey's entry into the Balkan federation, Kiamil said that all depended on the value of the federation, and what advantage Turkey was likely to derive in such a union. With respect to the port's attitude on foreign affairs, Kiamil said that the port desired and was required to stand well with all powers, but that it must not be forgotten that Turkey was a maritime country and that it was therefore her more especial interest to have good relations with certain maritime powers.

The government's policy, he added, would be an extreme liberal one and would introduce numerous reforms as soon as the end of the war permitted.

Corfu, Dec. 7.—The Greek army landed today at Santi Quaranta on the coast of Epirus, the opposite Corfu under the protection of the British fleet. The Greek flag was hoisted. The Turkish authorities submitted without resistance.

The cruiser Macedonia has captured an Italian steamer embarking Albanian insurgents and stores off Avlona and has brought her to Corfu.

The Great Delegates. Athens, Dec. 8.—The Greek delegates to the peace conference at London will be Premier Venizelos M. Scudilis, a former cabinet minister; J. Gounadis, minister at London and Dr. Georges Striat, minister at Vienna. The mission also will include M. Politis, professor of international law at Paris University; General Danglis, chief of the general staff and Col. Metaxas.

TURKS BREAK ARMISTICE

Cetinje, Dec. 7.—Notwithstanding that an armistice has just been concluded, the Turks from Taraboch yesterday made a heavy attack against the Montenegrin front. In accordance with orders the Montenegrins refused to return the Turkish prisoners.

WANT FRENCH MONEY
FOR QUEBEC RAILWAY

Quebec, Dec. 8.—La Canadienne, a financial review published in Paris, says a number of subscribers to the stock of the Quebec and Saguenay Railway and other disinterested parties in France are to send a petition to Premier Douai. The petition, which is published, asks Sir Gouin in the name with French financiers to complete the line.

The passage of French descent in Canada and the efforts being made to bring them closer in business relations. It adds that the building of the railway in question is not completed, and that the Canadian interest in it will be a setback to Canadian interests in France.

RENEWAL OF
THE TRIPLE
ALLIANCE

Germany, Austria and Italy Are Again Bound by the Dreibund.

SPECIAL ACTION
TO PROMOTE PEACE

Alliance Was Renewed Sooner Than Necessary Probably to Make Impression on Russia and Servia.

Vienna, Dec. 8.—The triple alliance between Germany, Italy and Austria-Hungary has been renewed on the same terms as formerly.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—The Berlin morning newspapers consider the announcement of the renewal of the Dreibund, coming just now, as significant and sane to have a beneficial moral effect.

The Tagblatt points out that if no alterations were desired, it was not necessary formally to renew the alliance, since it would have automatically renewed itself for another term, if not denounced before June 28. It was thus tacitly renewed in 1907.

London, Dec. 8.—The circumstances of the renewal of the Dreibund six months before the necessity arose to give notice of its expiry or renewal is considered to have special reference to the Balkan problem. Continental newspapers comment on its renewal is calculated to make a strong impression on Russia and Servia, thus helping the preservation of peace.

THE SIX DAY
GRIND IS ON

Fifteen Teams Started After Midnight for Big Six Day Bicycle Race in Madison Square Garden.

New York, Dec. 9.—Fifteen teams started at one minute after midnight this morning in the twentieth annual six day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden.

The riders set out at an even fairly speedy rate, and at the end of the first mile were bunched with Marcel Berthel, of the Franco-Italian team, and Oscar Egg, making the pace. The time for the mile was 2:31.

The starters were: American team—Frank Kramer and Jimmy Moran. Australian team—Alf Grand and Ernie Frye.

Austrian-American—Jackie Clark and Fred Hill. German-American—Walter Rutt and Joe Fogler.

New York-Melbourne—Eddie Root and Paddy Hehir. Irish—Grassy Ryan and Lloyd Thomas.

French—Oscar Egg and Andre Perchicot. Swiss—Paul and Frank Suter.

Iowa-Lough Island team—John Bell and Worthington Milten. Dixie-New York—Bob and the Dowager Duke of Genoa professed. The Dowager Duchess was the mother of Queen Margherita and the grandmother of King Victor Emmanuel. She died last August. It has not yet been ascertained whether the motive of the vandals was robbery.

LITTLE DIFFICULTY
IN ARRANGING PEACE

Bulgarian Deputy Expects it Will be Easy for Turkey and Allies to Come to Terms.

AUSTRIA TAKES
A SERIOUS STEP
AGAINST SERBIA AN EARTHQUAKE
IN CLEVELAND

London, Dec. 8.—A Belgrade despatch to the Telegraph says that the Austro-Hungarian authorities have stopped at Fiume the steamer Hegedich, with a cargo of 800 tons of flour destined for the Serbian army at Durazzo. It is announced that Austria intends to confiscate the flour for the use of her own army, thus creating a similar situation as brought about by the stoppage by Turkey of Serbian guns.

Another Belgrade despatch says there is considerable anxiety over the health of King Peter. The king fainted several times yesterday.

PROFANED TOMBS OF
DUCHESS OR GENOA

Turin, Dec. 7.—The Mausoleum of the house of Savoia, in the superba, the royal burial church, has been broken into and the tombs of the Dowager Duchess of Genoa profaned. The Dowager Duchess was the mother of Queen Margherita and the grandmother of King Victor Emmanuel. She died last August. It has not yet been ascertained whether the motive of the vandals was robbery.