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British Cannot Slay
Women and Children

Reprisals, in Kind, for German Air Raids,
Are Unthinkable, Says Lord Derby—
But German Military Posts Are Getting It

London, June 26.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—In the House of Lords today, Lord Derby, dealing with the question of reprisals for German air raids, emphasized the fact that our air-craft were daily bombing positions in the enemy's rear. He declared, on the authority of the head of our air-craft service in France, that he would be well within the mark if he said that for every bomb the Germans dropped behind our lines we dropped a hundred behind the German lines. All that bombing was done with a military object, but the idea of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth in massacring women and children was absolutely repulsive to the British nation.

APPOINTMENTS
IN PROVINCE

T. C. Allen Gazetted Deputy-
Attorney-General
INTEREST IN ST. JOHN

Canon Armstrong and Father Duke
Justices of the Peace—N.
Marks Mills, Judge of Probate
for Charlotte

Fredrickson, June 27.—The Royal
Gazette contains the following appoint-
ments: Rupert N. Rive to be a notary
public.

T. Carleton Allen to be deputy at-
torney-general.
City and county of St. John—Capt.
H. F. Bennett, Capt. R. H. Bruce,
Lieut. W. L. Caldwell, Lieut. C. S. Ben-
nett and Lieut. F. C. Walker to be jus-
tices of the peace for recruiting pur-
poses only; Rev. Robert Augustus
Armstrong and Rev. Wm. Marc Duke
to be justices of the peace.

Revisors for St. John county have
been appointed as follows: Fred Phin-
ney for Musquash; Harry B. Pippets
for parish of Lancaster; Thomas Pow-
er for parish of St. Martins; Jeremiah
Donovan for Simonds; Horace C. Por-
ter for St. John.

Victoria—Mrs. M. L. Jamer to be
vendor of school books.
Westmorland—Courtney B. Copp to
be police magistrate for Port Egin in
place of Thomas J. Allen, resigned; J.
Wm. Wheeler to be vendor of marriage
licenses.

Albert—Fred G. Moore and Wm. D.
Bennett to be deputy registrars of deeds.
Gloucester—Appointment of J. H.
Duguay of Caraquet as deputy sheriff
is approved.

Victoria—Bruce Ritchie is to be a
stipendiary or police magistrate for
Andover and Perth in place of Nelson
A. Hanson, removed for cause.

BRITISH BLOCK
COUNTER ATTACK

Gun Fire Prevents Germans
Carrying Out Plan—Important
Capture by French

London, June 27.—British gunfire
checked in its incipiently a German
counter-attack attempted early today
upon the new British positions on the
Aras front northwest of Fontaine-Les-
Croisilles. Otherwise only raiding op-
erations along the British front are cov-
ered by the statement.

Paris, June 27.—Heavy artillery fight-
ing continues in the region of Hurte-
bise. Among the positions which the
French captured on Monday is the
"Cavern of the Dragons," more than 100
metres wide and about 800 deep, which
had been converted into a veritable
fortress. This cavern, with numerous
exits and openings from which machine
guns were fired, constituted an impor-
tant position and point of departure for
many troops in the direction of the
Aras front. A considerable amount of war material
was stored there, including nine ma-
chine guns in good condition, equip-
ment for more than 400 men, numerous
searchlights and a hospital relief out-
post, which fell into French hands.

The number of prisoners counted has reached
840, of whom six are officers.
In the Champagne the enemy made a
surprise attack west of Mount Car-
melle. It was repulsed. We penetrated
the German lines near Maison de
Champagne and brought back ten pris-
oners. About eight o'clock last night
German aviators threw several bombs
on Nancy. No damage was done and
there were no casualties.

MR. SAKER LAYS
HIS PROPOSALS
BEFORE COUNCIL

Request For Taxation Arrange-
ment in Connection With Pro-
posed Shipbuilding Plant

D. A. Saker laid his proposals for the
establishment of a shipbuilding plant
before the common council in com-
mittee this morning. Mr. Saker, who is
an Englishman and engaged in business
in South Africa before the war, is now
located in Montreal. He says that he
has had long experience with ship-
building concerns and that he is prepared
to put \$300,000 of his own money into
the plant, and that he would be the
sole owner. The plans would call for the
expenditure of \$100,000 the first year and
possibly \$200,000 soon after.

The first plan is for a yard capable of
handling three wooden ships at the same
time but, that when the materials can
be secured, it is his intention to under-
take the construction of 3,000 ton tramp
steamers. He asked for a flat tax rate
of \$200 for 1915, and a flat rate of \$1,000
a year for the next forty years.

Mr. Saker was accompanied by his
solicitor, W. A. Ewing, of this city.
Mayor Hayes presided and Commissioner
Wignome, McEllan and Fisher were
present. The council decided to confer with the
city solicitor before giving an answer.

When the committee was called to
order, Mr. Saker was invited to explain
his proposals.

Mr. Saker announced that it was his
intention to build wooden vessels until
steel for steel vessels was available,
which would be at least eighteen months.
He expected to spend \$100,000 before
the end of 1915, in connection with the
wooden ship yards but the amount
might run to \$200,000. He wished to
ask the city for a flat rate of moderate
amount for 1915 and then a fixed rate
for forty years. After \$100,000 had been
spent, he could be ready for the con-
struction of 3,000 ton tramp steamers
with an additional expenditure of \$200,000.
Mr. Saker stated that he had \$300,000
of his own to invest and pointed out
the advantage which would accrue to
the city through the employment of 200
men. He inquired regarding the water
rates and was told that they are low,
and the figures were quoted.

The Site.
In reply to a question about the site,
Mr. Ewing explained that Mr. Saker had
arranged to purchase a piece of prop-
erty in Strait Street. The property has
a frontage of 1,000 feet on the river
and in addition there is a leasehold prop-
erty owned by the Hazard estate, be-
longing from the Warner property to the
Merritt property which he would take
over. The mill itself, he said, was of
little use and it was probable that it
never would be used. The property had
been valued by the assessors at \$20,000
but after it was offered at auction last
week the highest bid was \$6,500. The
assessment value was reduced to \$13,600.
Mr. Saker had bought the land, mill,
machinery and improvements at less than
the assessment value.

To Commissioner McLellan, he said
that Mr. Saker asked only exemptions on
the improvements and not on the land.
It is said, however, that a prompt
decision as he wanted to arrange the
transfer of title immediately and get the
contractors to work at excavating next
week.

To Mayor Hayes, Mr. Saker said that
he would be able to have three vessels
on the stocks at any time.
To Commissioner McLellan he said
that he had served his time with Vic-
kers, Sons, and Maxin, and later had
worked with the dry dock and also with
Armstrong & Whitworth. Before the
war he had carried on a large business
in South Africa but had sold out when
the war broke out. He had been sent
to Canada by the Imperial Munitions
Board to organize the inspection of
munitions here. He had been sent to
the money realized on the sale of his South
African property in establishing the ship
yards and it was not until he had been
asked the citizens to subscribe for stock.
He would pay for the operation of the
plant and would own and control it. He
might form a company to take it over,
later on. He gave the names of the
National Bank of South Africa, Wall
street, New York, and Kensley & Mil-
bourne, 50 Pine street, New York, as
references regarding his financial stand-
ing.

Mr. Ewing explained that what they
wanted from the city was some conces-
sion such as had been granted to the
new McAvity plant, which was a fixed
tax of \$500 a year until \$125,000 had
been expended and after that, \$2,000 a
year for forty years.

Mr. Saker said that what he wished
was a flat tax of \$200 for 1915 and then
a flat rate of \$1,000 a year for forty
years.

Commissioner Fisher said that they
were anxious to encourage new indus-
tries but he regarded tax exemptions as
something akin to a bonus. He also felt
that any industry might at least con-
tribute its share of school taxes. He
wished to see the prospectus for completing
the dry dock and steel ship building plant,
he said that the city should not go so
far as to hamper the proposals later.
Commissioner McLellan—"It is a differ-
ent kind of assistance you are being
asked to give the dry dock. They will
want the city to put up all the money
and let them own the plant."

In reply to a question, Mr. Saker said
that wooden shipbuilding would require
from 200 to 400 men and steel ship-
building would require from 800 to 2,000
men.

Commissioner McLellan said that if
twenty-five proposals for new industries
were made, he would be glad to give
them all reasonable encouragement, pro-
vided the demands were reasonable. The
Commissioner Wignome said that the
mill property was now lying idle and it
not likely to be operated again. He
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Berlin, June 7, 1915.
To My Dear People—Our hopes are rising that Yousef
lovingly, WILHELM.

TREAT REPORT
AS A SENSATION

London Papers on Investigation
of Mesopotamian Expedition
SOME BITTER REPROACHES

Times Says Report Goes Far to
Vindicate Curzon's Resignation
in India Because of Disagree-
ment With Kitchener

New York, June 27.—An Associated
Press cable from London says:
"The report of the commission which
has been investigating the Mesopotamian
expedition is treated by the press today
as a first-class sensation. Editorials
contain bitter reproaches of persons con-
cerned, and demand their dismissal."
"Effete trading, cheese-paring policy
and general dry rot and inefficiency"
of the Indian command are condemned
by the newspapers. The anti-Asquith
press largely blames the late government.
One paper calls for the impeachment of
former Premier Asquith. On the other
hand the Times says it is only fair to
admit that his cabinet was led com-
pletely astray by military advisers. The
Times thinks the culpability of J. Austen
Chamberlain, secretary for India, almost
wholly technical.

"The Times places a large share of the
blame on the late Lord Kitchener's high-
ly centralized control of the Indian army.
The paper says the report goes far to
vindicate Lord Curzon's resignation as
viceroy of India twelve years ago, on the
ground of disagreement with Kitchener's
scheme. There is general approval of the
government's decision to publish the re-
port and tell the country the truth. A
comparison with Germany's attempts to
explain Mesinas and other reverses on
the western front is drawn. Amid a
cloud of recrimination room is found for
satisfaction in French Switzerland as
blamed is now associated with the Mesopotamian
force, that the blunders have
been retrieved, and that to that extent
they are less tragic than the irreparable
collapse of the general expedition."

MUCH REJOICING
OVER THE ELECTION

Geneva, June 27.—The election of
Gustave Ador to the federal council
was celebrated in French Switzerland as
no other event of the time since the be-
ginning of the war. It is regarded not
only as a condemnation of the policy of
Dr. Hoffman, but as a success for the
allies. Buildings everywhere were bedecked
with flags, cannon thundered and
cathedral bells were tolled.

WEATHER
REPORT

Issued by Authority
of the Department
of Marine and
Fisheries, R. F. Stur-
patt, director of
meteorological service

Synopsis—The shallow low pressure
area, which was in northern Ontario
yesterday, has passed to the lower St.
Lawrence and the barometer is now ris-
ing over the Great Lakes. The weather
is fairly warm throughout the
dominion. Showers and thunderstorms
have been almost general in Ontario
and Quebec.

Ottawa Valley—Fresh westerly
winds, fair and moderately warm.
Thursday fair and warm.

Fair and Warm

Maritime—Fresh to strong southwest
and west winds, showery. Thursday,
fresh westerly winds, fair and warm.

New England—Fair tonight and
Thursday; not much change in tempera-
ture; fresh southwest and west winds.

GERMANS AGAIN
CONCEAL THE NEWS

Keep Back Details of Plot
Against Norway's Shipping
A PROTEST UNHEEDED

Berlin Objected to Breaking of
Seals of Baggage of One of
These Arrested in Conspiracy
to Blow up Vessels

Copenhagen, June 27.—German news-
papers generally refrain from bothering
their readers with embarrassing details
of the German bomb conspiracy at
Christiania. They eliminated yesterday,
from a Norwegian news agency des-
patch, all reference to German complicity
in the plot to sink ships and today
suppress entirely despatches implicating
the German official courier and the Ger-
man legation.

London, June 27.—Reports from Nor-
way say that the German legation at
Christiania formally protested against
the breaking of the German official seals
on the baggage of Aron Rautenfelds, a
German, who is among those arrested in
connection with the conspiracy to blow
up seized ships. The legation demanded
the surrender of his trunk, but without
success. There is no confirmation of a
statement printed in Paris that Ger-
many asked Norway to apologize for the
breaking of the seals.

The recall of Germany's minister,
Michaelis is attributed to Norway's in-
sistent demands that he be removed
by Admiral Paul Von Hintze, former
minister to Mexico and China.

RUSSIAN BILL THAT
DEALS WITH RELIGION

Petrograd, June 27.—The ministry
of the interior has submitted to the pro-
visional government a bill establishing
freedom of conscience, in which it is
proclaimed that possession of civil and
political rights no longer depends on re-
ligion.

For a change of religious official per-
mission will not be needed. Up to nine
years of age a child's religion is deter-
mined by its parents. If there is dis-
agreement, the child takes the mother's
religion. More than nine years of age,
the religion cannot be changed without
the consent of the child itself. More
than seventeen years, religion can be
changed without the parents' or guard-
ian's consent.

REACH AGREEMENT OVER
SUNKEN BUTCH MERCHANTMEN

London, June 26.—According to a
Hague official communication forward-
ed by the Amsterdam correspondent of
Reuters Limited, an agreement has been
reached between the Dutch and German
governments concerning seven Dutch
merchantmen which were torpedoed off
the English coast in late February. Ger-
many undertakes to replace the lost ves-
sels by the cessation of German ships now
in the Dutch East Indies, of equivalent
value, but Holland is to pay Germany an
amount equivalent to the total compensa-
tion of the lost ships. Germany will
compensate the crews of the lost ships
for moral and material damages. The
ceded vessels may be only for trans-
oceanic passage during the war and not
until the belligerent powers recog-
nize the transfer of the flag and the
rights of these vessels to undertake voy-
ages.

An almost similar offer was previous-
ly made by Germany on at least two oc-
casions, the first an offer to pay in-
demnities for the loss sustained by the
crews and to help the owners of the
vessels by facilitating the purchase of
German ships after the war; the second
an offer of German ships for rental "on
reasonable conditions." These offers
were rejected.

Only Six Conservatives
Sure in Saskatchewan

Liberals Certain of 48 Seats — Returns
From Three Incomplete—Hon. A. Tur-
geon, Former New Brunswicker, Has
1,000 Majority

Regina, Sask., June 27.—The Martin
government was endorsed by the elec-
torate of Saskatchewan yesterday. The
latest results by constituencies are—
Liberals elected—Arns River, George
A. Scott, 410 majority; Battleford, A.
D. Pickett, 18; Biggar, George H. Harris,
658; Bengough, T. E. Gamble, 480;
Cannington, J. D. Stewart, 900; Canora,
A. Hermanson, 850; Cutknife, William
Dodds, 96; Cypress, I. Stirling, 480;
Dundas, 96; Cypress, I. Stirling, 480;
George Bell, 700; Francis, W. G. Robin-
son, 800; Hanley, MacBeth Malcolm, by
acclamation; Happy Land, S. Morrey,
800 majority; Humboldt, Hon. A. Tur-
geon, 1,000; Jackfish Lake, D. M. Pin-
layson, 56; Kerr Robert, Albert Dowd,
814; Kindersley, Hon. W. R. Mother-
well, 154; Kinistno, J. R. Taylor, 500;
Last Mountain, S. J. Latta, 800; Lloyd-
minster, R. J. Gordon, 119; Lumsden, W.
C. Vanste, 175; Melfort, G. B. Johnston,
187; Milestone, B. Larson, 200; Moose-
jaw county, Hon. C. A. Dunning, 1,250;
Moose Mountain, E. A. Magee, 185;
Moose, Rev. M. L. Leitch, 874; North
Qu'Appelle, J. G. Gardiner, 200; Pelly,
1,200.

Conservatives elected—Moosejaw
City, W. E. Willoughby, 261 majority;
Moosemin, John Salsfeld, 240;
W. T. Badger, 185; Saskatoon city, Don-
ald MacLean, 688; South Qu'Appelle,
Jos. Glenn, 814; Souris, W. O. Fraser,
100.

Incomplete—Liberals leading—Note-
ben, George Spence; Conservatives lead-
ing—Melfort, D. J. Whyte; Thund-
er Creek, A. D. Gallagher.

AMERICAN SHIP
IS SUNK BY BOMB

The Galena Lost but Crew Saved
—Two Norwegians Sent Down
—Only Six Saved From One

London, June 27.—The American sail-
ing ship Galena, 991 tons, was sunk by
a bomb on June 25. There were no
casualties.

London, June 27.—A Central News
despatch from Copenhagen says the
Norwegian steamship Kong Haakon has
been sunk by a German submarine and
that only six of the crew were saved.
The Norwegian steamship Maggie, 1-
138 tons gross, has been sunk in the At-
lantic. The crew was saved.

There are two Norwegian ships Kong
Haakon, of 2,281 and 847 tons gross.

Brides of June

Kinsella-Smyth
St. Peter's church was the scene of a
very pretty wedding at 5 o'clock this
morning when Rev. F. Coghlan, C. S. S.
R., who was celebrant at nuptial mass,
united in marriage Miss Mary Louisa
Smyth, daughter of Mrs. Catherine and
the late Bernard Smyth, and Michael
Henry Kinsella, son of Mr. and Mrs.
Augustine Kinsella.

The bride, who was given away by
her brother-in-law, Louis Bowes, wore
a very becoming traveling suit of navy
blue with white ermine trim and car-
ried a bouquet of roses and carnations.
She was attended by her sister, Miss
Regina Smyth, who wore a very pretty
dress of Alice blue, and a young girl,
with sand colored hair and carried a
bouquet of carnations. Joseph Kin-
sella, brother of the groom acted as
best man.

Following the ceremony, the bridal
party, which consisted of only im-
mediate relatives, drove to the home of
the bride's mother in Adelaide street
where a dainty wedding breakfast was
served. Mr. and Mrs. Kinsella left by
train for a honeymoon trip through
the province. Returning they will re-
side at 46 Adelaide street. They were
the recipients of a large number of
presents in silver, cut glass and furni-
ture.

Sharpe-Dave
A wedding of much interest took
place this afternoon in St. Peter's
church, when the Rev. Wm. P. Howland,
N. S. officiating, when Annie G.
Barnwell, only daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. Edgar Dave, Day's Corner, be-
came the bride of Norman Wesley
Sharpe of St. John.

The bride, becomingly attired in a
dress of white voile with veil and or-
ange blossoms, carrying a bouquet of
pink carnations and maiden hair fern,
entered the church with her father,
the strains of the wedding march. Dur-
ing the ceremony Wm. Pierce and the
choir from the Wiggins Orphanage ren-
dered appropriate music. The church
had been prettily decorated by the
bride's friends with ferns and apple
blossoms. Charles Parker and Edwin
Pinley acted as ushers.

After the ceremony, the bridal party
drove to the home of the bride's aunt,
Mrs. Westfield Dave, where a dainty
luncheon was served, after which they
left by auto for a trip through New
Brunswick amid showers of rice, con-
fetti and good wishes from their
friends. The bride's going away gown
was of navy blue, with black picture
collar.

The number of handsome and useful
presents received, including cut glass,
silver and linen and a substantial
check from the bride's father, testified
to the esteem which both were held.
Upon their return they will reside in
St. John.

Rouse-McGowan
The Cathedral of the Immaculate
Conception was the scene of an interest-
ing event this morning at half past five
o'clock when, with nuptial mass cele-
brated by Rev. Miles P. Howland, Miss
Mary Angella McGowan, daughter of
the late Dennis and Honor McGowan,
became the bride of Henry H. Rouse
of this city. The bride, who was given
away by her brother, Charles H. Mc-
Gowan, was neatly attired in a suit
of lawn broadcloth with leghorn hat
and carried a bouquet of Killarney
roses. She was unattended. Following
the ceremony a wedding breakfast was
served at the home of D. H. Rouse, 18
Mackenzie street. A short honeymoon
trip will be spent in the Annapolis Valley
and other points of interest in Nova
Scotia. Upon their return Mr. and
Mrs. Rouse will reside at 18 Mackenzie
street. A large and beautiful ar-
ray of presents was received.

Bonner-Dunn
In the Cathedral this morning at seven
o'clock with nuptial mass celebrated
by Rev. William M. Duke, Miss Mar-
garet Annie Dunn, daughter of Mrs.
Margaret and the late Bernard Dunn,
was united in marriage to Charles Leo
Bonner of this city, in the presence of
near relatives and intimate friends of
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