

# DEATH IN WAKE OF RACE WAR

## Terrible Accident Yesterday During an Aviation Meet in Paris.

## French Minister of War Killed and Prime Minister and His Son Injured—Monoplane Fell in Centre of Crowd.

Paris, May 21.—France today paid another and terrible toll in her magnificent endeavor to attain supremacy in the art of aviation, when a monoplane, the driver of which had lost control, plunged into a group of members of the cabinet who had gathered to witness the start of the Petit Parisien race from Paris to Madrid, killing the minister of war and injuring the prime minister, his son, and a well known sportsman.

The dead—Henri Maurice Berteaux, minister of war.

The injured—Antoine Emmanuel Ernest Monis, premier, and minister of the interior; Antoine Monis, son of the premier; Henri Deutsch de La Meurthe, the aged patron of aeronautics, automobile and other sports.

A large number of other persons of note had narrow escapes from injury. The accident occurred on the aviation field at Issy, where a crowd was witnessed by 200,000 persons.

M. Train was piloting a monoplane with him in the car was M. Boulmer, a passenger. Neither of these men was injured. The machine was wrecked.

Minister of War Berteaux was terribly mangled. The swiftly revolving propeller cut off cleanly his left arm which was found ten feet away from the spot where he was struck, the back of his head was crushed in, his throat gashed and the whole of his left side cut and lacerated.

Premier Monis was buried beneath the wreckage of the monoplane. He was taken out as quickly as possible and examined by military surgeons, who found that he had sustained compound fractures of two bones in the right leg, that his nose was broken, his face badly contused and that there were bruises about the abdomen and breast.

M. Deutsch and M. Monis, Jr., were not severely hurt. Among those who had narrow escapes from injury was M. Lepine, the prefect of police. Premier Monis and Minister Berteaux and their party arrived at the aviation field about 6 o'clock this morning, shortly after Roland Garros, M. Beaumont, and M. Gibert had started the race headed in the direction of Angoulême, capital of the department of Charente.

The great line of spectators bordering the field was being held rigid by a large force of military police, however, permitted the ministerial party and some half hundred other persons of distinction to walk across the field to a point where they could get a better view down the course and see the air men as they rose from the starting point and flew in this direction.

While the great assembly cheered madly the ministers saw Pierre Vedrin who had been picked by many as the probable winner of the race, mount a motor monoplane and start the engine. He suddenly to capsize and fall but to emerge unhurt from the wreckage of his machine. Aviator Train, whose monoplane had been damaged, while he had taken his position at the starting line, levers in hand, and with M. Boulmer beside him.

The breeze had steadily freshening and the meteorological observer in the Eiffel Tower telephoned that his gauge showed a velocity of eight metres a second or close to that for an hour. The members of the aviation committee were discussing the adverse conditions. Train, however, left the ground. Ascending swiftly, he circled the great field curving round to the starting line, and then flying down the course at a forty mile an hour gait, the machine rocking in the gusty wind.

Train's monoplane swooped toward the earth under the impulse of an air flurry and it appeared as though the aviator were about to dash into the cavalry. The pilot's attention seemed momentarily to have been diverted from his course, and he made a quick turn to the left, toward where the party of officials were standing. Then he lost control of the craft altogether, and it dashed violently into the ministerial group. The impact knocked M. Berteaux ten feet away, where he lay in a pool of blood, badly mangled, while under the wreckage of the monoplane, Premier Monis, his son and M. Deutsch, Train and M. Boulmer emerged from the wreck unharmed.

A scene of frightful confusion followed the fall of the monoplane. From all parts of the aviation field arose cries of alarm and dismay, and tens of thousands of persons broke through the lines and moved toward the scene of the accident. The cavalry, however, by repeated charges, managed to clear the field and the injured men were given first aid by the field surgeons. From the first it was seen that M. Berteaux was fatally hurt, and that M. Monis was seriously injured.

## SIR WILFRED MAY SPEAK OF RECIPROCITY

He Can Hardly Avoid Reference To It If He Speaks For Premiers At Pilgrims' Dinner In London.

London, May 20.—At the time of the last imperial conference the pilgrims dined with the visiting colonial premiers, the dinner being, so far as speeches were concerned, purely a British affair. The pilgrims are giving the premiers another great dinner May 23, which will be significant because the principal speeches will deal with Anglo-American relations. Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, will be the chief speaker at the banquet, his topic being: "Anglo-American Amity." John L. Griffiths, the American Consul General, who is constantly in demand for dinner orations, will respond on behalf of the United States. It is hoped that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian prime minister, will speak for the premiers, and if he does, he can hardly avoid the topic. Lord Roberts will preside, and Richard B. Haldane, the secretary of war, will toast the guests.

Sir Edward Grey will speak on the same topic at the National Liberal Club's dinner to Andrew Carnegie, June 1.

## INSANE FARMER FORCED HIS SON TO MURDER HIM

Frederick Husted Looked Down Gun Barrel And Told His Twelve Year Son To Pull Trigger.

Greenwich, Conn., May 20.—Having at the cost of supreme mental and physical strain succeeded in paying off the last mortgage that incumbered his \$30,000 farm, Frederick Husted, of North Greenwich, became insane today and with a madman's cunning, persuaded his son, 12 years old, to shoot him dead with a shotgun.

The tragedy occurred in the kitchen in the Husted farmhouse while the man's wife and four of his five children were away from home. The madman decided tonight that Husted had committed suicide, basing his verdict upon the fact that, although Husted knew the shotgun was loaded, he had taken only a few inches from his face and ordered his son to pull the trigger, the boy thought the gun was unloaded and obeyed his father's order only because he thought his father wanted to have him test the action of the trigger.

The boy is heartbroken tonight. He was his father's favorite child and was accustomed to obey his father implicitly. When his father fell dead with his son screaming to a neighbor's house where, in telling what had happened, he said:

"Dad knew I would do anything he told me to. I wish I were dead with him."

It was soon after three o'clock this afternoon that Husted was killed. He awakened from a brief sleep a few minutes before three o'clock and told his wife he had had a terrifying dream. He said that he and his oldest son, Lester, meant to take a walk and suggested that Mrs. Husted take the other children for a walk. She agreed and Husted was left in the farmhouse with his son.

The boy went into the garden, from which his father called him a few minutes later. Husted asked his son if he had seen a hawk flying about the chicken yard. The boy said he had seen no hawk. His father declared he had seen one and that he intended to shoot it. He called his son into the house, saying he wanted him to test the trigger of the shotgun.

Taking the gun from a closet, the older Husted placed it on a table. He knelt down before it with his face only a few feet from the muzzle. He told his son to pull the trigger and he might see how the trigger worked. "The gun is unloaded son," Husted said, "you needn't be afraid of it."

Thinking the gun was unloaded the boy pulled the trigger.

His father received the charge of shot full in the face. The left side of his head was torn off and he rolled over on the floor dead. Hysterical with fright, the boy ran to the house



W. S. FIELDING—"What in thunder did you make a noise like a Fourth of July celebration for?"—From the Toronto News.

## FOREST FIRES IN VICINITY OF ROGERSVILLE

Serious Outbreaks Reported From Newcastle With Large Area Burned Over—Fire Started From Sawdust Pile.

Special to The Standard. Newcastle, May 20.—Chief Commissioner Morrissey went on an inspection tour today of the bridges in Rogersville districts. Three are to be extensively repaired and one will be practically rebuilt.

Mr. Morrissey reported a fresh outbreak of forest fires between Rogersville and Barabuy River. Your correspondent learned by telephone that the new fire is a severe one, and while the flames are a good distance from town some dwellings are threatened.

Already a large area has been burned over. No crown lands were destroyed in the blaze. The fire is reported to have caught from a burning sawdust pile left by the Nordin Commission, where a madman's cunning, persuaded his son, 12 years old, to shoot him dead with a shotgun.

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## DROWNED AS HE FISHED IN CLOSED LAKE

Chief Steward Of Steamer A. W. Perry Drowned While Fishing Trout In Lake Where Fishing Was Forbidden.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, May 21.—This afternoon Albert Weaver, former chief steward of the str. A. W. Perry, was drowned while fishing trout in Long Lake. He was accompanied by two friends. They were all stationed on separate rocks close to the water about 30 feet apart. Suddenly Weaver's companions heard a splash and looking into the water saw his head bobbing up and down. The drowning man commenced to struggle desperately and seemed to have lost control of himself for he refused to catch a pole which the two men offered him. In a short time he sank. The body was recovered two and a half hours later. Investigation showed that his head had been badly injured, which no doubt, accounted for his neglecting to notice the pole, which had been offered him.

Long Lake is one of the places from which the city receives its water and no person is allowed to fish there. Last fall Weaver's wife was burned to death and two weeks ago his little daughter was buried.

## PROGRESS OF FOREST FIRES IN PROVINCE

Situation in Westmorland, Kings And Albert Counties—Considerable Timber Burned.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, May 20.—Chief fire warden O'Leary has been making a tour of the districts in which forest fires have prevailed for the last week, and says the situation is somewhat improved, but unless rains come soon the loss will be heavy. Indeed, while most of the fires have been in the brush or forest woods, considerable good timber has already been burned. Fires have been raging at Goshen, Mechanic's Settlement, Portage River and Millstream, in Kings county, and at Baltimore along the line of the branch railway in Albert county.

The fires in the vicinity of Moncton are under control as the result of the strenuous fight made on Friday and Saturday. The Mechanic's Settlement fire is out, but that at Goshen is still burning.

In Albert little damage has been done, as the fire has not got into any valuable timber. Tonight distant thunder indicates that rain is falling but there has been none here as yet. At midnight the storm is rapidly approaching and threatens soon to break heavily. Midsummer heat prevailed today, 85 in the shade.

Special officer Jones of the I. C. R. went out to Harrisville last night and arrested six tramps who are suspected of setting forest fires, and marched the prisoners in to town, a distance of six miles. They will be dealt with tomorrow.

The senior baseball season will open on Victoria Day with game between Moncton and St. Joseph's College. In the intermediate league several games have been played, the Bankers and Pickups being tied for first place, neither having yet lost a game.

Of Daniel Ryan, a neighbor, where he told what had happened.

Mrs. Husted hurried to the house with a physician, but he said Husted's death had been instantaneous.

## CANADA MADE GOOD SHOW IN WHEAT CROPS

Reports To Agricultural Institute In Rome Show That Dominion's Prospects For Crop Yield Rank With Best.

Rome, May 20.—The general assembly of the international institute of agriculture, which has been in session here for the past week, closed the most successful meeting in its history today. Forty-nine countries were represented. The discussions were vigorous but cordial and the final conclusions unanimous. The assembly decided to request the governments adhering to the principles of the institute to send to the institute estimates of yields and conditions pertaining to the principal crops for the three months preceding the harvest, and selected the system known as the "single numerical statement" for these reports.

The assembly also voted for the inauguration of a system of commercial and price statistics of exports and imports, recommended the Campbell system of dry farming, the organization of a permanent commission for the study of plant diseases and a department of agricultural meteorology. The next assembly will be held in 1912.

The bulletin of the institute just issued, gives the following reports: Hungary—Damage by rain in the southwest; general condition good. Italy and Roumania—Vegetation backward, condition good; spring sowing nearly normal. Russia—Vegetation backward; some damage; general conditions satisfactory.

Canada—Wheat 82 per cent. standard condition 21 per cent. backward; spring sowing backward. United States—Probable production 50 per cent. above last year. Australia—Preliminary estimates, 26,365,000 quanta wheat. New Zealand—Conditions preparatory autumn sowing good. Japan—Condition of wheat and barley bad.

## EX-KING IN HIS EXILE

Dom Manuel, Former King Of Portugal, Is Rapidly Becoming Anglicized Through His Residence In London.

London, May 20.—Dom Manuel, the former King of Portugal, who lost his throne last year, is fast becoming Anglicized. The young king, after a short stay with his uncle, the Duke of Orleans, at the beautiful English country house, Wood Norton, took up his residence with his mother, Queen Amelia, at Richmond, and around the exiles there has grown up a small colony of Portuguese royalty. While Manuel spends much of his time with his countrymen, his pleasures are largely those of an Englishman. He is frequently at events of a sporting nature, but is particularly keen on aviation, and whenever there is a chance of witnessing any flying he is there as keenly as an accomplished sportsman as is the Spanish King.

Later the exiled king is always most correct in his dress, has taken to wearing a monocle, an affectation copied, no doubt, from the Marquis De Severs, former Portuguese minister in London, great friend of King Edward, and one of the few remaining dandies, who is now acting as Manuel's political adviser.

Although so much out of doors the ex-king looks far from well. He is still quite stout, but is pale and unhealthily in appearance, and is seldom seen with the smile that he habitually assumed before being deprived of his throne. His friends, however, say he never expresses a desire to return to Lisbon, and it is known that the Marquis De Severs has advised the royalists not to take part in any intrigues, but to wait quietly for the time when the

Portuguese people want the king to return, which, in his opinion, is inevitable. Manuel has not taken up studies at one of the Universities, as it was announced he would do. Instead, it is now said that after the coronation which he will attend "unofficially," as a guest of King George, he will make a world tour.

# HAVING TROUBLE WITH ST. LAWRENCE

## TRAGEDY IN A SWIMMING BATH IN MONTREAL

Young Bank Clerk Drowned In M. A. A. Swimming Tank On Saturday Night—Dove Once, Seen No More.

Montreal, May 21.—Alex M. Gardner, a young Scotchman, met death by drowning in the swimming tank of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association here at 10.30 p. m. yesterday. It is the first accident that has ever occurred at the tank since it was opened some five years ago, although two somewhat similar cases have occurred at the Laurentian baths during the past year.

Gardner with three friends visited the tank for a swim, late last evening, and they entered the water shortly before he did. He was seen to enter the water shortly after and no further trace was seen of him until half an hour later, when he was raised and Neil Cameron, the M. A. A. diver, plunged in and after several attempts found the body. All efforts at resuscitation were in vain. There were several members swimming in the tank at the time, and it is supposed that the deceased must have been seized with a sudden fit which took hold of him so swiftly that he was unable to give any warning.

The swimming instructor was not at the bath as he had not been well of late, and the man in charge of the department, was upstairs in the locker room at the time of the accident. The deceased was twenty years of age, and was a clerk in the Royal Bank. He only came to Montreal from Glasgow a year ago.

Montreal, May 21.—A third steamer coming up the St. Lawrence bound for Montreal has been held up by the health officials at the Gros Isle quarantine station and no less than 228 passengers have been put ashore there, while the steamer having been thoroughly fumigated, has proceeded to Quebec. The victims this time are passengers on the new steamer, the Gothland from German points and at quarantine they will be met by passengers forced to disembark during the last two days were many complaints from the Albanians.

A case of suspected smallpox in the cause of the trouble as in the preceding cases. The health authorities are unusually strict this year and many complaints are being filed by incoming captains who accuse them of discourtesy to passengers. There were many complaints aboard the Gothland as the case of suspected smallpox had been discovered early on the voyage and the suspect isolated while the section in which he lived was disinfected and fumigated.

The incoming boats this week have had very heavy passenger lists, not less than 3,000 passengers having been landed in Canada either at Montreal or Quebec during the last few days without the usual inspection of passengers on board. Most of them are bound for the west, and are Scotch and English. The passengers on board the Gothland were continental, mostly Scandinavians and Teutons.

## A \$50,000 FIRE IN FREDERICTON

New Brunswick Foundry Was Burned Yesterday Morning—Good Work Of Firemen Saved Adjoining Buildings.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, May 21.—The New Brunswick foundry, one of Fredericton's leading industries, was practically wiped out in a disastrous fire this morning which did more than \$50,000 damage. In not much more than two hours and threatened destruction of the entire business section of the city.

The fire started shortly before 2 o'clock in the boiler room of the extensive plant and spread rapidly so that it gained considerable headway before the fire department's work commenced to be effective. Once started the firemen did wonderful work and it was only the efficient work of the fire department, coupled with the fact that the fire was in a structure with brick walls and a metal roof as well as the lack of wind that stopped the fire spreading and much more extensive loss. With five streams playing on the fire from all sides, and the streams occasionally shifted to nearby buildings, the firemen under the direction of Chief Rutter were successful in keeping the fire confined to the one building, while the moulding shop section of the plant was also saved.

The loss was upwards of \$50,000, including patterns which had accumulated in 40 years' operation of the plant. About \$15,000 insurance was carried largely in the Atlas Company.

The fire was most spectacular and that other properties were not destroyed was little short of remarkable. Hundreds of people gathered to watch the successful fight put up by firemen and the heat from the fire was so severe as to blister the paint and destroy the windows of houses across the street.

Seven automobiles were saved from the garage in connection with the foundry. The matter of rebuilding is as yet undecided.

## LATE SHIPPING.

Quebec, May 20.—Ard. Stmr. Stigstad (Nor.), Hansen, Sydney; Stmr. Ocean (Nor.), Olsen, Sydney; Stmr. Natsisquan, Boucher, Esquimaux Point; Stmr. Senator, Derbyshire, Upper Lakes; Stmr. Teutonic, James, Liverpool; Stmr. Pomebo (Nor.), Hansen, Sydney; Stmr. Imshoven, Led, Pickford, Belfast; Gothland (Ger.), Prager, Hamburg.

## Suspected Smallpox Causes 228 Passengers to Land at Gross Isle.

Already Passengers from Two Steamers are Held there by Quarantine Officials and now Third Joins Them.

Montreal, May 21.—A third steamer coming up the St. Lawrence bound for Montreal has been held up by the health officials at the Gros Isle quarantine station and no less than 228 passengers have been put ashore there, while the steamer having been thoroughly fumigated, has proceeded to Quebec. The victims this time are passengers on the new steamer, the Gothland from German points and at quarantine they will be met by passengers forced to disembark during the last two days were many complaints from the Albanians.

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## SUSSEX IS WAKING UP

Board Of Trade Inaugurates a Boom And Will Start With Cleaning Day—Looking For Industries.

Special to The Standard. Sussex, May 20.—At a largely attended meeting of the Board of Trade held on Friday evening, several committees were appointed to take up matters of interest to the town. One committee was appointed to organize a civic cleaning festival, along the line which has been tried in other cities, including St. John. The instructions to the committees were to call upon the people to make a special effort to clean up their back yards, level off unsightly plots, and plant flowers and shrubs in the back yards. The committee was also instructed to interest the citizens in the matter of planting shade and ornamental trees along the streets and furnishing receptacles for waste paper and rubbish generally.

Another matter which occupied the attention of the meeting was the question of securing options on all available building lots for the purpose of reserving them as sites for manufacturing industries. It was decided to try to induce property holders to lay out town lots and open up new streets with a view to erecting buildings to supply people who wish to come into the town to reside and also commercial men seeking new sites to start business.

The board is going to make a great effort to improve the town in every possible way.

Harry W. Haynes, New York. Vineyard Haven, May 21.—Schr. Annie F. Coulton, from St. John, N. B. for New York; Chille Harold, from Cheverie, N. S., for Philadelphia.

London, May 20.—Sid. Stmr. Kansas, Halifax and St. John. Bangor, Me., May 21.—Schr. Charles Davenport, Baltimore.

Broadhead, May 21.—Stmr. Kaiser Wilhelm II, New York for Plymouth, 250 miles southwest at noon; Stmr. Kronland, New York for Dover and Antwerp, 35 miles southwest at 2:15 p. m.

Lizard, May 21.—Passed: Lake Michigan, Montreal for London and Antwerp.

Kinsale May 21.—Passed: Stmr. Canada, Montreal for Liverpool. Inlstrahl, May 21.—Passed: Stmr. Parisian, Boston for Glasgow.

New York, May 21.—Ard. Schr. Minola, St. John; Jost, Port Greenville, N. S.; Elma St. John, N. B.; Rodney Drury, St. John, N. B.; Bova, St. John; Jennie A. Stubbs, St. John, N. B.; Loyal, Halifax, N. S.; Hibernian, Windsor, N. S.