

MONT BLANC'S CAPTAIN AND PILOT ARE ARRESTED

DRYSDALE COMMISSION HOLDS CAPTAIN LEMEDEC AND PILOT RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLISION

Captain and Pilot MacKey Both Taken Into Custody on Charge of Manslaughter — Court Recommends Dismissal of Pilot and Finds Pilotage Commission Deserving of Censure for Allowing MacKey to Pilot Ships After the Collision of Dec. 6.

Court Recommends to French Government Consideration of Evidence Given at Enquiry with a View to Cancelling Captain Lemelec's License and Dealing with Him According to Laws of His Country—Commander Wyatt, R. N., Chief Examination Officer at Halifax, Guilty of Neglect in Performing His Duty.

Halifax, Feb. 4.—That the collision between the French munition ship Mont Blanc and the Norwegian-Belgian relief ship Imo, which took place in Halifax harbor on December 6 last, resulting in the explosion of the Mont Blanc's cargo and the loss of 1,500 lives and great destruction to property in Halifax city and county, was caused by violation of the rules of navigation, and that Pilot MacKey and Captain Lemelec of the Mont Blanc, were wholly responsible therefor, was the finding of the court of inquiry here this morning. The court recommends the dismissal of Pilot MacKey by the pilotage authorities and calls the attention of the law officers of the crown to the evidence with a view to criminal prosecution. The court recommends consideration of this evidence with a view to cancelling Captain Lemelec's license and dealing with him according to the laws of his country. Immediately after the announcement of the findings of the court of inquiry Chief of Police Hanrahan took into custody Pilot Frank MacKey on a warrant issued from Stipendiary Magistrate's office charging manslaughter in connection with the death of Pilot Wm. Hayes, who was killed on the Imo. A half hour later the chief arrested Captain Lemelec, master of the Mont Blanc, at the corner of Prince and Granville streets, in a similar charge. The court finds the pilotage authorities deserving of censure for having permitted Pilot MacKey to pilot ships after the collision of December 6. With reference to Commander Wyatt, R. N., chief examination officer at the port of Halifax at the time of the collision, the court states that he has been guilty of neglect in performing his duty. The following is the text of the judgment in the Imo-Mont Blanc inquiry.

1.—Having been directed by the honorable the minister of marine to hold a formal inquiry into the cause of the explosion on the steamship Mont Blanc on December 6, 1917, I have to report as follows:

2.—That, as directed, I had associated with me as nautical assessors, Captain Demers, of Ottawa, Dominion wreck commissioner; and Captain Walter Hose, R. C. N., of the city of Halifax. I began the inquiry on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1917, and having heard all the witnesses that could throw any light on the situation, and having conferred with the nautical assessors, I have reached the following conclusions and desire to report as follows:

3.—The explosion on the S. S. Mont Blanc on December 6 was undoubtedly the result of a collision in the harbor of Halifax between the S. S. Mont Blanc and the S. S. Imo.

4.—Such collision was caused by violation of the rules of navigation.

5.—That the pilot and master of the S. S. Mont Blanc were wholly responsible for violating the rules of the road.

6.—That Pilot MacKey, by reason of his gross negligence, should be forthwith dismissed by the pilotage authorities and his license cancelled.

7.—In view of the gross neglect of the rules of navigation by Pilot MacKey the attention of the law officers of the crown should be called to the evidence taken on this investigation with a view to a criminal prosecution of such pilot.

8.—We recommend to the French authorities such evidence with a view to having Captain Lemelec's license cancelled and such captain dealt with according to the law of his country.

9.—That it appearing that the pilotage authorities in Halifax have been permitting Pilot MacKey to pilot ships since the investigation commenced and since the collision above referred to, we think the authorities, i. e., pilotage authorities, deserving of censure. In our opinion the authorities should have promptly suspended such pilot.

10.—The master and pilot of the Mont Blanc are guilty of neglect of the public safety in not taking proper steps to warn the inhabitants of the city of a probable explosion.

11.—Commander Wyatt is guilty of neglect in performing his duty as

chief examination officer in not taking proper steps to ensure the regulations being carried out and especially in not keeping himself fully acquainted with the movements of vessels in the harbor.

12.—In dealing with the chief examination officer's negligence in not ensuring the efficient carrying out of traffic regulations by the pilots we have to report that the evidence is far from satisfactory that he ever took any efficient steps to bring to the notice of the captain superintendent neglect on the part of the pilots.

13.—In view of the allegations of disobedience of the chief examination officer's orders by pilots we do not consider such disobedience was the proximate cause of the collision.

14.—It would seem that the pilots of Halifax attempt to vary the well known rules of the road and in this connection we think Pilot Renner in charge of an American tramp steamer on the morning of the collision deserving of censure.

15.—That the regulations governing the traffic in Halifax harbor in force since the war were prepared by the competent naval authorities; that such regulations do not specifically deal with the handling of ships laden with explosives, and we recommend that such competent authority forthwith take up and make specific regulations dealing with such subject, we realize that whilst the war goes on under present conditions explosives must move, but in view of what has happened we strongly recommend that the subject be dealt with specifically by the proper authorities.

16.—Given under my hand at the city of Halifax this fourth day of February, A. D. 1918.

(Sgd.) DRYSDALE, L. J. A.
Concurred in by the nautical assessors respecting all nautical matters.
(Sgd.) L. A. DEMERS, F. R. A. S.
WALTER HOSE
Acting Captain, R. C. N.

JACK "KING" CROOKS, OLD TIMER, DEAD

Played Second Base with Old St. Louis Nationals in 1889 and 1890.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 4.—Jack "King" Crooks, veteran second baseman of the old St. Louis Nationals, died here today. Crooks played with Chris Von Der Ahe's team in 1889 and 1890.

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION IN SESSION

Body in Charge of Developing Water Power Meets in New York to Prepare Final Report.

New York, Feb. 4.—The international joint commission created by Canada and the United States in 1911 to consider means of developing water power and securing adequate sanitation in rivers and streams jointly controlled by the two governments met here today to prepare its final report which will be submitted to the dominion parliament and to congress. The text of the report, it was announced, will not be made public until it has been approved by both governments.

Present members of the commission are Hon. Charles A. McGrath, Ottawa; Henry A. Powell, K. C., New Brunswick and P. B. Mignault, K. C., of Montreal, for Canada; and former Senator Obadiah Gardner, of Maine; James A. Tawney, of Minnesota; and former Governor Robert B. Glenn of North Carolina, for the United States.

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WORST WEATHER IN FIFTY YEARS


Railroad Traffic in United States Blocked by Fifth Big Storm.

New York, Feb. 4.—The movement of freight which the eastern railroads had been succeeded in augmenting during the past week was brought to a sudden stop by yesterday's storm, which taken with the four previous ones has created "a condition of weather the worst known in fifty years," A. H. Smith, regional director announced today.

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CHATHAM SCHOOL TEACHER WEDS

Miss Lena Edmunds Bride of William Loggie of Lower Napan.

Special to The Standard. Chatham, Feb. 4.—The marriage of Miss Lena Edmunds, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Edmunds, to Mr. Wm. Loggie of Lower Napan, took place Jan. 31 at the home of the bride's parents, the Rev. John Harris of St. John's Presbyterian church officiating. The bride wore a very becoming dress of pearl grey silk. Miss Eva Smith played the wedding march. Luncheon was served at the close of the ceremony to relatives and invited guests. The bride received many beautiful presents, the groom's gift being a set of mink furs. Miss Edmunds was one of our popular town school teachers. The newly married couple will reside in Lower Napan.

THOMAS HARVEY DIES AT RED DEER

Former York County Man Was Engaged in the Automobile Business.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Feb. 4.—Thomas Harvey of this city received word today of the death at Red Deer, Alberta, on February 2, of his brother, George Harvey, aged 40 years. About twenty-five years ago he conducted a blacksmith shop at Devon near the end of the highway bridge and removed to Red Deer where he has been carrying on the automobile business. He is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Maggie Bolster of South Devon, and six brothers, Edward, Richard and David of Devon, and Thomas of this city, and two sisters, Mrs. Annie Kerr of Williamsburg and Mrs. Henry Clark of London, Eng.

FOR HALIFAX RELIEF.
Mayor Hayes yesterday received the sum of \$10 for the Halifax relief fund from the St. Anne's Sunday school, Musquash.

TO GET MONEY FOR ALLIES' RELIEF FUND

Provincial Executive Meets at Department of Agriculture and Arranges to Canvass in Agricultural Districts.

The provincial executive of the relief of the Allies' fund met at the department of agriculture on Thursday, January 31st. The following members were present: Hon. Mr. Tweeddale, E. A. Schofield, G. M. Vroom, Dr. W. C. Kierstead, M. A. MacLeod, W. R. Reek. Correspondence with Dr. James W. Robertson was carefully considered and the following plan of campaign outlined:

To canvass every member of organized societies engaged in agricultural work for contributions to this fund which is for the purpose of assisting the re-statement of the farmers in those areas where the war is being waged. There will be an immense demand immediately war closes, as houses, barns, implements and live stock have all been destroyed.

Will Send Many Letters. Letters will be sent to every member of the agricultural societies and women's institutes. It is also anticipated that every clergyman will be communicated with and we hope that in those districts where there is no agricultural society or women's institute, that the assistance of the clergy or other public spirited citizens will be obtainable in the collecting of funds for this purpose.

Every farmer owes something to his brother farmer in Europe who is situated less fortunately than himself. This is an opportunity for us to express our gratitude to those who have lost everything in the war.


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In other sections people will be requested to give as they feel they should—in dairying on a basis of one day's output. All contributions will be in cash at the present time. At the conclusion of the war no doubt an appeal for seed and other things may be made.

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