

# IMPERIAL GENERAL STAFF PUTS IT AS WAY LORD ESHER PUTS IT

## Important Discussion on Empire Defence at Press Conference—Necessary to Organize the Whole Resources of the Nation Dismantling of Repairing Stations Over the World a Mad Infatuation, says Lord Charles Beresford—Overseas States Could Do Most by Protecting the Imperial Trade Routes.

Special to The Standard.

London, June 27.—The Imperial Press Conference at today's session resumed the adjourned discussion on Imperial defence.

Lord Escher, who presided, told the delegates he thought it would be impossible to agree on a definite scheme for Imperial defence.

"If, however," he said, "you can agree on a plan which will give you good sailors and good officers, then good ships of the right type are bound to follow. Your true guides will ultimately be not the British Admiralty, but your own expert officers, who will have learned their lesson in the main fleet, which will be in touch with the strategic plans of the British Admiralty, and also in touch with your own sentiment and your own needs."

Imperial General Staff.

The necessities of Imperial military defence, Lord Escher continued, were summed up in the words, "Imperial general staff, the emphasis of the necessity of organizing the whole resources of the nation for purposes of defence. In the future victory would rest with the organized nation."

Lord Charles Beresford.

Lord Charles Beresford thought the grave note which had been contained in the statesmen's speeches during the conference, was due to the fact that they knew the country was not prepared for defence. He thought that owing to deteriorated facilities and other things, it would be impossible for Great Britain to maintain the two-powder standard without the aid of her five sister nations.

"Don't let us be in a hurry, but don't let us be too long. Let us meet together on the same platform and discuss how each can help the other," he suggested.

The overseas states could do most by protecting the important places, namely, the Imperial trade routes.

They should have a mobile defensive force, and he advocated an interchange of cruisers, pointing out the pleasure would be to the British sailors to see the Canadian and Australian ships leading the line.

Mad Infatuation, says Sir Charles.

Having praised the personnel of the navy, which, he said, had never been better in the last fifty years, he referred to the "mad infatuation" which had resulted in the dismantling of the repairing stations over the world. He suggested that the overseas states might put these in repair, and concluded by declaring that when it came to the overseas fleets must come under the great strategic bureau which will be at the Admiralty, but was not there at present. (Applause.)

Sir John French dealt with the question of the general staff. In order to weld together the scattered forces of the Empire he asked the delegates to use their power in furthering the object. (Hear, hear.)

Lord Beresford, at the conclusion of the conference, promised Mr. MacDonald, of Toronto, and Mr. James S. Brerley, Montreal, that during his coming visit to Canada he would speak at the opening of the Toronto exhibit, held at the Canadian clubs at Toronto and Montreal.

Opposed the Resolution.

Mr. Temperley moved a resolution that national defence was the most urgent question of the day for the Empire. The Australian delegates monopolized the ensuing discussion toward the close of the conference, and he declared the resolution would not be put, first, because it either meant too little, or too much; and second, because it could not express the real feeling of the conference.

"The result is," he declared, "throughout the empire that we all know and see each other's standpoint, and obligations and we go back with

# MONTREAL ALDERMEN REINSTATED

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, June 27.—The Court of Appeals rendered judgment Saturday morning, in the important case of Lapointe and Larin.

This is the famous Quo Warranto taken out by Mr. Henry Larin to unseat and disqualify seven members of the finance committee for having illegally authorized the payment of Mayor Hayett's trip to Europe, the petitioner also asking that they be condemned to reimburse the city \$3,808.40, the amount voted for that purpose. By the judgment the finding of the court of review is reversed, and the aldermen are reinstated. They do not have to reimburse the city.

The case was first heard before Mr. Justice Charbonneau, who dismissed the action in January last.

On the 17th of April, the majority of the court of review, Justices Martineau and Monet reversed the first judgment, declared the aldermen unseated and disqualified and condemned them to reimburse the \$3,808.40.

Mr. Justice Bruneau, who was the third judge, dissented from the majority.

The case was taken to the court of appeals and heard during the May term. The aldermen affected by the decision are L. A. Lapointe, chairman; Robinson, Sadler, Lavallée, J. B. A. Martin, Guay, Fraser.

The original plaintiff, Mr. Larin, has expressed his determination to fight the case through to the Court of last resort, even if that be the Privy Council.

# MESSRS. BRADY AND VICKERS DISCUSS SUNDAY TRAINS, AS A BUSINESS PROPOSITION AND AS A CONVENIENCE—ADVANCE ARGUMENTS TO OFFSET THOSE OF LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE—TRAINMEN EAGER FOR POSITIONS ON SUNDAY TRAINS—IN WESTERN CANADA THEY WONDER WHY THE MARITIME PROVINCES ARE WITHOUT THESE TRAINS.

Mr. F. P. Brady, of the I. R. C. Board of Control, was in the city during Saturday afternoon. He left on his return to Moncton in the evening, his private car being attached to the seven o'clock train.

All is Peace.

Mr. Brady said that his trip was made solely for the purpose of meeting Mr. V. G. R. Vickers, general manager of the Dominion Express Company. There had been a conference between the two officials as to the handling of express stuff by the railway. This was consequent upon the change in the I. R. C. timetable. No changes in the old methods had been made, which chiefly affected the relations of the two concerns being that by which the C. P. R. trains and the Ocean Limited were to be run through as a single section. An agreement had been reached satisfactory to both parties.

A reporter who interrupted Mr. Vickers and Mr. Brady while they were slipping ginger ale in the latter's car, found that each gentleman was an ardent supporter of the Sunday train, and held views entirely in divergence with the propaganda of the Lord's Day Alliance upon the question.

"Their chief argument," said Mr. Vickers, referring to the enemies of the Sunday service, "is that a move in that direction will call upon numerous railway men to labor on the Sabbath. It seems unnecessary for the promoters of Sabbath Day observance to concern themselves so on behalf of the trainmen as the men are themselves in constant rivalry for positions on the Sunday trains."

The Most Anxious.

"From Montreal, Sunday excursion trains are sent out all summer long to Ste. Agathe and other neighboring

pleasure resorts. A man who wishes to run on one of these trains must book his application at least six months ahead, so keen is the rivalry amongst the employes."

Not only do the men put money in their pocket for the trips, but they reach places where they can spend several hours with the rod and line, and can bag enough fish to keep themselves supplied during the week. A man who can gain this opportunity is considered fortunate.

Have to Lounge in Montreal Hotels.

"The chief argument in favor of the Sunday train," pursued Mr. Vickers, "is that drawn from the standpoint of business. I am an old St. John boy myself, and it is probably on that account that I always notice, when I enter a Montreal hotel on Sunday, that a number of St. John men are lounging about waiting for Monday, because there is no train by which they can reach their homes. Did such a train leave Montreal on Sunday morning, these men, having completed their business in Montreal on Saturday, could reach St. John in time to take dinner with their families, and go to church on Sunday evening. Instead of that, under present conditions, they are not able to reach home on Monday until half the business day is over."

"Taking again the case of a St. John man, who is anxious to get to Montreal for a business meeting on Monday. To do so he must leave his home on Saturday, and lose the Sunday which he would like to spend with his family. A Sunday evening train would just suit his convenience. He can spend the sleeping hours as well on board train as in a Montreal hotel."

"Are They Ever Going to Wake Up?"

"In the west I constantly hear the

# LIEN LING TRIED TO GET RID OF TRUNK

New York, June 26.—The New York police confirmed tonight the new phase of the Seigel murder case brought to light in Newark, N. J., today—that Lien Ling was in Newark on the day of the murder with a heavy oval-topped trunk, like the one in which the body was found, on his hands and a pressing anxiety to get rid of it. It has been ascertained that he attempted to leave the trunk in the Newark restaurant of D. Sine, but he would not hear of having the trunk dumped on him.

James Halstead, the Newark caddy, who is understood to have driven Lien Ling and his burden the same day was brought to police headquarters today. He looked at the trunk the body was found in and it is understood he identified it as the trunk Ling had with him.

Dr. O'Hanlon, of the corner's office said tonight that there had been found no blood vials such as always accompanied death by violent strangulation, but that on the contrary there was evidence of congestion of the lungs, such as always goes with death by asphyxiation.

Police Captain Galvin, who was released last night on a promise of absence returned to town this morning as suddenly as he left and was back at his post tonight without a word to say.

Even if Lien Ling is caught, and his case comes to trial, it seems little likely from a statement made to him that the carefully guarded Elsie letters will ever be made public in their entirety. Parts of them might be used in evidence, but there are other parts which were said tonight, of which the party is still ignorant.

# 35 VACANCIES; ONLY ELEVEN COMPETITORS

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, June 27.—Following are the successful competitors in order of merit in the recent examination for sub-division B of Class II, civil service. There were 35 vacancies and eleven competitors.

F. W. Paterson, Toronto; F. E. Cox, Ottawa; J. M. Casey, Ottawa; W. J. Smythe, Toronto; H. L. Carson, Ottawa; R. Gulbord, Ottawa; Leo, Mallen, Toronto; P. N. L. Pheasant, Toronto.

The civil service commission is advertising for competitors for two posts; translator in the Labor Department and translator in the annuities branch of the Department of Trade and Commerce. The initial salaries will be \$1,200 and \$1,300 respectively. Applicants must be in by July 10. The examinations will be competitive.

# ADDRESSES PRESENTED TO DR. INCH

Special to The Standard.

Fredrickton, N. B., June 26.—As a mark of appreciation of valuable services rendered by an active member of the Methodist church an address was presented at the Methodist church at the conference to the retiring superintendent of education, Dr. J. Inch. The address was marked by warmly appreciative language and the proceedings were unusually interesting.

Reference was made in the address to the valuable services Dr. Inch had rendered the church one of its most prominent members during the 18 years of his residence in this city. The services were highly appreciated and all regretted his departure.

Dr. Inch made a reply, reviewing his 18 year's work in the church here and expressed the hope that the local church would continue to grow and prosper.

Rev. J. W. McNeill, the pastor, spoke of how much Dr. Inch's services would be missed at his departure.

Proceedings concluded with the singing of the hymn: "Blest be the tie that binds."

# NEVER SAW SO MUCH ICE THIS LATE IN SEASON

Special to The Standard.

Halifax, N. S., June 26.—Reports received from Captain Saul Bonnell, who acted as pilot on the government steamer Minto on her trip to the Marconi stations on the coast of Bellefleur, state that the straits are choked with ice, especially at the northern end where hundreds of immense icebergs were encountered, making navigation extremely hazardous. It will be a month before the Bellefleur route will be navigable for transatlantic liners. In all his experience Captain Bonnell has never seen such quantities of ice at this season of the year in Newfoundland waters.

# EMPLOYEES GET PLEASANT SURPRISE

Special to The Standard.

St. Stephen, June 27.—The employees in Ganong Bros. factory received a pleasant surprise Saturday when they were notified that during July and August the factory will close at noon Saturday's and that all who have been regular at their work during the week will be paid for the half holiday.

The St. Croix Soap Mfg. Co., and Home Paper Box Company, other Ganong enterprises are following the same course.

# PASSENGERS HAD LIVELY CAR RIDE

Special to The Standard.

St. Stephen, June 27.—The electric car that left the head of King street at midnight Saturday, got beyond the control of the motor, and at the corner of Water street, left the rails and ran down towards the public square, the ten passengers on board having a lively ride. Fortunately they escaped injury. The car had refused to obey the brake or reversed power but came out of its plunge without much damage.

# CHINAMAN STABS OTTAWA LAD WITH KNIFE

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., June 27.—A Chinaman stabbed a lad named O'Connell here tonight. It seems that some boys had been throwing sand and gravel at three or four celestials, one of them drawing a knife stabbed one of the boys in the neck. The wound, however, is not dangerous. The Chinaman was chased by an excited crowd, but escaped.

# REV. THOMAS VANWART DIED IN THE CHURCH

Special to The Standard.

Halifax, N. B., June 26.—Rev. Thomas Vanwart died very suddenly this forenoon. He attended prayer meeting in the Baptist church and took part in the service, apparently in good health, but sank down at the close of his testimony and expired in a few minutes. Rev. Mr. Vanwart, who was about 78 years of age, was one of the oldest Baptist ministers in the Maritime Provinces, and had been a member of the Free Christian Baptist body before the union. He leaves a widow, several daughters and one son, Sheriff Vanwart of Calgary.

# MOOSE CAME OUT ON THE GOLF LINKS

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, June 27.—There was considerable excitement on the Moncton golf links Saturday afternoon when a young moose made his appearance and leisurely trotted around the course where about twenty ladies and gentlemen were playing. While going down a steep hill leading to the marsh, the lord of the forest fell head foremost and was unable to rise for some time.

It was thought he was dead and one of the ladies approached and patted him on the back. At some time the moose recovered and trotted off into the woods.

# FRANK P. FOX ARRIVES IN FTON WITH 2 CARS HORSES FOR THE RACES; OTHERS ARRIVE TODAY

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, N. B., June 27.—Twenty more race horses arrived at the Fredericton Park Association's track on Saturday, and there are now about sixty horses quartered there, forty of which will be started in the races here on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week. Twenty more horses entered for the races are due to arrive here tomorrow and Tuesday. On Saturday afternoon Frank P. Fox arrived here by the C. P. R., bringing two cars of horses and rigging from Montreal by express. There were ten horses in the outfit, which included one owned by Charles Gordon, of Cambridge, Mass. Mr. Gordon and his father, Wm. Gordon, who was prominent as an expert blacksmith in St. John some years ago, also arrived. The members of the Fox stables are: Louis E. (2:11 1/4) by Governor Ball; X-Ray (2:15 1/4), by J. S. Atkinson; Jay Rival (2:16 1/4), by J. B. Birch; Ward Allerton (2:20 1/4), by Allerton; Warren F. (2:21 1/4), by Col. West; Fred S., by Directly; Green Foot; and Rose. Gordon's pacer is Alberta G., a bay mare by Almar. Several of the best stables are yet to arrive. Peter Carroll and

# POLICE HAD BUSY TIME SATURDAY

The police officers did not enjoy a half-holiday on Saturday, but on the contrary had a very busy afternoon and evening. About fifteen prisoners were gathered in, consequently the criminal docket will be rather large in the police court this morning.

Henry Foran, of Sydney street, was arrested by Sergeant Campbell about three o'clock on Saturday afternoon on a warrant for assault. Foran formerly kept a restaurant on Union street, and a short time ago he removed with the family to Fredericton and started a restaurant there. While at the capital he gave himself up to drinking, and soon took to abusing his wife. Recently he removed back to St. John again, and has been beating his wife continually since. So finally his wife swore out a warrant and Foran's arrest followed. The family troubles will probably be given a hearing in the police court this morning.

Officer McCollum arrested John Harrington, of Nova Scotia, about five o'clock on Saturday afternoon. Harrington is charged with being drunk on Mill street, and also with using obscene and insulting language to Jacob Myers on North street. Officer McCollum again had cause to exercise his muscles between six and seven o'clock. Robert Venus, aged 37, was the victim this time. He is charged with assaulting three men on Snythe street in view of the police.

Between four and five o'clock in the afternoon Night Detective Lucas arrested one John Hayes, aged 60, for lying and lurking in a shed in a vacant lot off Water street. He is also charged with being a common vagrant, having no visible means of support.

The police found the doors of several establishments open on Saturday night and Sunday morning and in each the door was secured with a lock.

Several drunks were gathered in on Saturday afternoon and evening.

# OPPOSITION CONVENTION HELD TONIGHT

Tonight at Berryman's Hall the delegates representing the supporters of the Provincial Opposition in St. John county will meet for the purpose of electing a candidate for the expected by-election.

Just what the outcome of the convention will be is not known. There may be a surprise.

The possible nominees are not very numerous as the chances for the election of an Opposition candidate are rather slim. Councillor F. M. Cochran is thought to have the inside track at the hands of friends of Councillor Donovan and of the nomination of Mr. Walter E. Foster is also a possibility, although the probability of his acceptance of the nomination for a by-election in which an Opposition success is so unlikely, is extremely remote.

Of course everything depends on what the delegates will do this evening and Councillor Cochran seems to be the favorite.

Hon. C. W. Robinson may be at the convention to give his party some needed moral support.

Mr. Roy Sippell left on Saturday for Woodstock where he will remain for three weeks.

# SPOKE ON METHODIST CONFERENCE

Rev. Dr. Flanders, in Centenary church yesterday morning gave an interesting account of the recent conference at Woodstock, with a synopsis of the pastoral address to the churches. He remarked that the conference had to record the death of only one minister in the year and one who had retired from active work. There was no charge or complaint to be considered against any member of the conference in respect of conduct or doctrine, and notwithstanding removals from the province and deaths there was some increase in membership.

Dr. Flanders spoke of the laymen's missionary movement and its great success in this province as elsewhere. He regretted that the churches had not yet reached the point of making full provision for the superannuated ministers who were losing twenty per cent of their allowance.

Dr. Flanders stated that he had been allowed a few weeks' holiday through the kindness of the quarterly board, and that he expected Rev. Prof. Watson, of Mount Allison University, to occupy the pulpit during his absence.

Mr. B. M. Langille left for Fredericton on Saturday evening.

# CALAIS PHYSICIAN DEAD

Special to The Standard.

St. Stephen, June 27.—Dr. E. H. Vose, the oldest practicing physician on the river, and one of our most esteemed residents, died at his home in Calais this morning from illness consequent upon an attack of pneumonia. He was a prominent member of the Grand Army and the Masonic order and is survived by a widow, one son and one daughter.

# ARRESTED THE PROPRIETOR.

Special to The Standard.

Chatham, June 26.—In raiding L. K. Lloyd's restaurant Saturday evening for liquor, the police had a tussle with the proprietor and arrested him. Two bottles of liquor were found.

# MR. L. B. TUFTS SERIOUSLY ILL.

Special to The Standard.

Hampton, N. B., June 27.—Friday morning Mrs. Leonard B. Tufts, of St. John, who has been visiting her sister at Bellefleur, Mrs. Leonard, left on receipt of a telegram from Winnipeg stating that her husband Mr. Leonard B. Tufts, was lying there critically ill, with peritonitis and asking for instructions. Before embarking on the train she sent a telegram in reply asking for particulars to be forwarded to her in the city.

# SIX DAYS OF TERRIFIC HEAT COME TO END

Boston, Mass., June 27.—The six hottest consecutive days in June ever recorded by the Boston Weather Bureau came to an end last night and today with a cool east wind and a maximum mercury twelve degrees lower than yesterday's. The six days of terrific heat, when the mercury soared from 90 to 97, resulted in 13 deaths and 175 prostrations in Boston, while hundreds of men, women and children were forced to sleep in the public parks, and even on the bridges over the river.

The mercury today stood 78 degrees while the east wind, with a velocity of from eight to twelve miles an hour, made the day delightful.