

FOUGHT ALL DAY BATTLE WITH REBELS

Three Ambuscades in Kilkenny and Tipperary in Twelve Hours.

SIXTEEN SINN FEINERS PERISH IN FIGHT

Many Civilians Injured and Thirty Were Taken Prisoners.

Dublin, Dec. 21.—Heavy fighting has taken place between large forces of civilians on one side and soldiers and police of the other in the section lying between Callan, County Kilkenny, and Glenbowser, County Tipperary. The military and police were ambushed at not less than three different places yesterday and numerous casualties resulted on both sides. These included Sergeant Walsh, Royal Irish Constabulary, killed, some soldiers, number unknown, killed, ten or fifteen civilians killed and Sergeant Shannon and several other soldiers wounded. About thirty civilians were wounded and captured.

An official communication issued by General Headquarters tonight estimates the casualties among the attacking forces at sixteen and gives the military casualties as one private severely wounded. No police casualties are mentioned. The statement says that the details are still in doubt and that no information has yet been received regarding the ambush of police reinforcements from Callan. The inhabitants of the countryside are in a state of terror and many are fleeing from their homes.

Called For Help
The first conflict occurred early in the day at the foot of Sevehammon Hill. After a sharp fight the military party got through and sent a message to Callan for reinforcements. In this instance, it is believed, the ambuscades escaped unscathed. Reinforcements of Royal Irish Constabulary and soldiers left Callan late in the afternoon and when about two miles out ran into another ambush near Clonmel. The military party was subjected to a veritable hail of bullets. It was riddled and Sergeant Walsh was shot through the head, dying instantly. Shannon received wounds in the head and arm. The battle was very fierce. District Inspector Baynham had a narrow escape his rifle being shattered in his hand.

At the same time, reinforcements from Clonmel were attacked near Glenbowser, where the biggest battle of the day occurred.

REFUSE ORDERS TO SUSPEND THE RAILWAY RATES

Railway Commission Decides Manitoba and Saskatchewan Must Pay Regular Bills.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—On the ground that notwithstanding the criticisms which the board has been subjected, its findings cannot on the most searching analysis be fairly characterized as other than just and reasonable, the Board of Railway Commissioners in a judgment handed down today refuses the application of the governments of Manitoba and Saskatchewan for an order suspending the railway rate increase granted in an order issued on September 29th, the higher rates becoming effective four days later.

The order granting an increase in rates has been the subject of considerable criticism was written by Chief Commissioner Carvell and concurred in by the other members of the board.

The judgment handed down today was written by Commissioner Dr. J. G. Rutherford and concurred by Hon. P. E. Carvell and Assistant Chief Commissioner Dr. S. J. McLean.

The application which was made by Mr. M. J. Stinson for Manitoba, and Mr. D'Arcy Scott for Saskatchewan and representatives of other interests.

Placed For Sentence To Penitentiary So He Could Break Dope Habit

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Harry Evans, a drug addict, who pleaded guilty to the theft of a fur coat from the Dominion Express office at the Windsor Station, was given two years in the penitentiary at his own request today. "Give me a chance to get cured of the drug habit," he pleaded. "Send me to the penitentiary." Chief Justice Dearnley handed out the two years sentence which will send him to St. Vincent de Paul.

Canada Will Fight Inimical Legislation Americans Propose

'Not Likely We Will Lie Down and Take' Embargo Laws Declares Lougheed.

Ottawa, Alta., Dec. 21.—"The question of a high protective tariff on goods entering the United States has been thrown into the Canadian arena yet," remarked Senator Sir James Lougheed upon his return to the city this morning from Ottawa. "It is not likely that we will lie down and take embargo laws imposed on the interest of Canada."

Mr. Lougheed appeared to be very emphatic in making the statement, although, in reply to a question as to what the general feeling in Ottawa was on the subject, he remarked that the Government was not at all inimical concerning tariff about it. "There will be time for this," he added, "when the United States enacts any such legislation. It is known here, even, that the administration party will seek a high tariff policy, and it would not come as a surprise to see legislation passed along those lines so far as Canadian imports to the States are concerned."

AIRSHIP BURNS WHILE HUNTING MISSING CRAFT

Two Aviators Searching for Balloonists Forced Down by Fire Outbreak.

Birdmen on Way to Search the Frozen Slopes of the Adirondack Mountains.

Rockaway, N. Y., Dec. 21.—A balloon, carrying two aviators, was forced to land on the frozen slopes of the Adirondack Mountains. The balloon, which was being used to search for missing craft, was destroyed by a fire outbreak.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 21.—One of the two army airplanes which were to have searched the Adirondack region for the missing craft, was destroyed by a fire outbreak.

May Be Near Ottawa
Rockaway, N. Y., Dec. 21.—While the authorities at the naval air station have not given up hope for the three men in the balloon, they admitted that the situation was serious.

They are now working, Lieut. Evans said, on the theory that the A-5983 did not land in the Adirondacks, but passed north of Ottawa. The country now considered the most likely field, is bounded by the Ottawa River on the west, and St. John's Lake on the east and extends north as far as Hudson Bay.

SUGAR WAR IS ON ONCE MORE

Price Cut to Ten Cents Flat by One Firm in Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Another drop in the price of sugar was registered today when one of the leading wholesale sugar firms in the city cut their prices for granulated from eleven to ten cents flat. This is taken to mean that the sugar war has broken out afresh after a quiescence of some weeks. The firm in question declare they are unable to sell sugar at ten cents flat and not lose money.

CLAIM ONE WIFE LIVES IN ST. JOHN

EX-PRESIDENT'S NAME BROUGHT THE CROWD

Special to The Standard
Moncton, N. B., Dec. 21.—Geo. Cameron, a resident of this city, was named in the police court charged with bigamy. Information to the effect that Cameron has one too many wives was laid by the second wife whom Cameron is alleged to have married a few months ago. The first is a widow in St. John but so far has not appeared on the scene. The second was named today without evidence being taken.

SON PILFERED HIS ACCOUNT FATHER SAYS

C.H. Cahon, K.C., Well Known Montreal Lawyer, Reveals Sordid Tale in Court.

ALLEGES SON TOOK \$209,028 FROM BANK

Father Gave Son Power of Attorney and 'Immediately Began to Pilfer Account.'

Montreal, Dec. 21.—One of the most sordid and tragic cases in the history of Canada was disclosed this afternoon before Mr. Justice MacLennan in the Superior Court when the Corporation Agencies, Limited, sued the Home Bank of Canada for \$209,028.12, representing the alleged defalcations of C. H. Cahon, K. C., son of C. H. Cahon, K. C., a lawyer well known all over the Dominion.

Mr. Cahon, after giving evidence in a courageous, frank and clear manner broke down and wept when he came to tell the court how he had trusted his son with full power of attorney to transact his business during his father's absence and how he had returned home from abroad to find that his trust had been betrayed, that his son had absconded and that the family fortune was a wreck.

The Sordid Tale
"It was pretty hard," Mr. Cahon sobbed, "to come to the end of that day after I had placed this trust in my boy he began to pilfer my banking account to further his personal greed and lavishness."

The legal question whether the Home Bank of Canada can be held to make good the sum of \$209,028.12, representing in the present instance the alleged defalcations of C. H. Cahon, Jr., never suspected that Mr. Cahon stated that up to December 1919, when revelations were made to him, he had not the slightest idea that anything was wrong. It was on December 20th that he learned that on deposit with the Guarantee Trust Company of New York, there remained \$30. Witness made further enquiries and discovered the defalcations; his son had made in the name of the Corporation Agencies Ltd. set out in the declaration. The case was adjourned.

EVERY POOLROOM IN TORONTO IS RAIDED IN DAY

New Chief Declares He Will 'Clean up the City' in Short Order.

TOO MUCH CRIME IN CITY LATELY

All Frequenters Are Searched for Drugs and Firearms by Police.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Every pool room in Toronto was raided by the police at four o'clock this afternoon under the personal direction of the new Chief of Police, Samuel J. Dickson. Squads of police were told off in the various districts and the raids throughout the city were made simultaneously.

Some Arrests Made.
Any possessing weapons or "dope" or who failed to give satisfactory answers to questions asked by the police were arrested.

Chief Dickson, in an interview stated that he was determined to clean up the city, which has had an exceptionally high average of crime in the past few weeks.

Twelve highway robberies have occurred in the streets of Toronto within a week.

ORDERS WHISKEY RETURNED
Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 21.—Mr. Justice Hymanson quashed Magistrate McLeod's conviction in the Bell Hagar case here today and ordered the return of the \$50,000 worth of liquor seized and declared forfeit to the crown.

KILLED BY AIRSHIP
Washington, Dec. 21.—Walter R. Alexander, son of Secretary Alexander of the Department of Commerce, was killed instantly today at Bolling Field here by the propeller of an airplane in a flight which he was preparing to make.

TORONTO NOMINATIONS
Toronto, Dec. 21.—Mayor Thomas Church and Controller Samuel McBride were nominated today in the mayoralty contest for the city.

WORLD NEWS TODAY

Four million United States naval sailors are somewhere in the Pacific Ocean. C. H. Cahon, K. C., the well-known Montreal lawyer, said today that he had been pilfered \$209,028.12 from the Home Bank of Canada. Toronto was riddled yesterday by an attempt to clean up the city.

Sugar was brought out once more in Montreal, when a ship arrived at ten o'clock tonight. Canada's gift was not welcomed to Halifax early yesterday.

UNITED STATES
Sixth schooner of the Palmer fleet has been lost at sea, but crew is saved.

"Winifred" and her broken bones and internal injuries on board Belgian steamer by wireless.

THE BRITISH ISLES
Home Rule Bill now ready for the Royal assent. All day battle in Ireland between Crown forces and the Sinn Feiners.

Treaty was signed in Ireland over the weekend. Sir Hamar Greenwood announced in Commons.

Half million men are out of work in the British Isles.

D'Annunzio retained the ultimatum delivered to him by the Italian command. Plans will be blocked.

ONLY TWO SHIPS LEFT OF FLEET IN HOODOO LINE

Schr. Jane Palmer Abandoned at Sea But Crew Rescued by Steamship

SIX SCHOONER LOST SINCE SPRING OF 1909

Fire, Shoals and Storms Take Fatal Toll on Fishermen

Line.
Boston, Dec. 21.—The owners of the schooner Jane Palmer, which was reported Saturday at distress 500 miles east of Cape Hatteras, were notified today that the vessel had been abandoned and her crew landed at Bermuda by the steamship Catalina.

The Catalina stood by the Palmer until it was seen that there was no hope of saving her and took off the crew. The Palmer was bound for Newport News for Buenos Aires with coal when she ran into storms and started leaking.

Hoops of Fleet
When sailors along the waterfront heard of the Jane Palmer's fate, they immediately recalled the traditional "hoodoo of the Palmer fleet," that has now claimed six of the original vessels.

The first of the fleet's misfortunes occurred in 1909 when the Marie Palmer was lost off Frying Pan shoals, North Carolina. In the same year the schooner S. J. Palmer was lost on Herding's ledge, off Boston harbor. The Paul Palmer was burned at sea four years later, and in 1914 the Frances Palmer was lost off Bermuda, and the Fuller Palmer went down off Nantucket shoals. The Stigleton Palmer and Dorothy Palmer are still afloat.

Bad Luck Continues
Bad luck has pursued the Jane Palmer in the last year. Four days out of Liverpool last March, bound for Pernambuco, she was obliged to put back for repairs. On a voyage from Newport News for Buenos Aires, in July, she sprang a leak and had to put into harbor for three months. She was bound for Newport News for Buenos Aires on December 10, but was lost.

HALF MILLION OUT OF WORK

Lloyd George Explains What Will Be Done for the Unemployed.

London, Dec. 21.—Mr. Lloyd George, replying in the House of Commons today to criticisms of the Government's schemes to remedy unemployment, expressed the fear that the problem could only be solved by resort to emigration within the empire, until the world was in a more settled condition. He hoped that the imperial conference next May would discuss this question.

Mr. Robert Horne, minister of labor, stated that only a half million men registered as unemployed.

To Absorb Soldiers
Plans the Government have made which included immediate benefit under the Unemployment Insurance Act by subsidy to the trade unions to train and absorb 50,000 ex-soldiers in the building trades; payment of wages in these trades for unemployment through provision of weather, and co-ordination and support to the extent of several million pounds sterling of public works schemes.

SETS BONES BY WIRELESS IN MID OCEAN

Call from Belgian Vessel Brought 'Winifredian' Rushing With Assistance.

DOCTOR COULD NOT BOARD THE VESSEL

So for Two Days He Diagnosed Case as Ships Steamed on Way.

Boston, Dec. 21.—How the chief surgeon on the Leyland liner Winifredian, located by wireless the setting of women's broken bones and the case of internal injuries on the Belgian steamer Menapier was told today when the Winifredian reached port from Liverpool. The surgeon is Dr. Patrick S. Burns of Providence.

An S. O. S. message from the Belgian ship requesting medical aid was picked up by the Winifredian several days out. The distressed steamer bound for Antwerp from New Orleans, was 100 miles away but under forced draught. The Winifredian got within hailing distance in a few hours.

The Belgian's Plea
"Bill hard by a hurricane," signalled the Belgian captain. "Several men washed overboard. Several others have broken legs and arms and some injured internally. There's no doctor aboard. Can you help us?"

Dr. Burns attempted to put out in a life boat, but tipping seas and a strong wind prevented the launching. He then conceived the idea of using the wireless. Details as to the men's conditions spluttered off the receiver in the Winifredian's wireless room and gradually Dr. Burns directed the treatment required. For three days the two vessels lay within hailing distance unable to communicate by boat while the surgeon's instructions were obeyed.

On the fourth day came this message from the Menapier's captain: "All your instructions safely carried out. The men are resting comfortably and are out of danger."

URGENT MONTREAL TO GIVE WORK OF SOME KIND

C. M. A. to Work With Board of Trade and Other Bodies for the Unemployed.

TORONTO MEN WILL ACCEPT C. N. R. CUT

C. N. R. and C. P. R. Will Not Discharge Men During Workless Time.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—At a special meeting of the Montreal branch executive of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association here today the question of dealing with the instant problem of unemployment here was discussed.

It was decided to write the mayor of Montreal to request the formation of an organization similar to the one in force in Toronto, to deal with the situation, and promising the active support of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in such work.

Also the Board of Trade, the Chamber of Commerce, the Retail Merchants' Association and other public bodies in the city were asked to cooperate in a scheme of relief to tide over the present unemployment situation here, each scheme to be administered by the city.

It was further decided that a personal letter should be sent to every member of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in the province asking them to do their utmost to retain the services of all employees as far as possible.

Accept C. N. R. Terms
Toronto, Dec. 21.—At a meeting today of the shop crafts of the Canadian National Railways at Leaside, near this city, it was agreed that the men should take a week's holidays during the Christmas season, and work five days a week for the next three months, in preference to bringing about a condition under which there might be a general lay off of men. This action is similar to that taken by the C. N. R. men at Moncton N. B. There are about 700 men concerned in the new working schedule.

Railways Retain Men.
Winnipeg, Dec. 21.—With few exceptions the employees of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways here will be employed this winter, officials announced today.

"It is not the intention to make any general reduction in the staff employed in the mechanical department, but a reduction will be made in the working hours per man until the spring," stated A. E. Warren, general manager in charge of the western lines, Canadian National Railways.

D. C. Coleman, vice-president of the Canadian Pacific said today that only reasonable reductions were being made on the railway, which did not involve a great number of employees.

Two Tried To Secure Money From Mrs. Small Is Detective's Charge

Allege They Offered to Bring Missing Theatre Magnate Home for \$1,000.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Charged with attempting to obtain \$1,000 by false pretences from Mrs. Small, wife of Ambrose Small, missing theatre owner of this city, David Verill and his wife, of Toronto, were arrested here this afternoon. It is alleged that Verill had written to Mrs. Small stating that Mr. Small was being held for ransom in Detroit, two blocks from Cadillac Square, and that if she would pay him \$1,000 he could direct her to the spot where Mr. Small was, and Mrs. Small could have her husband home by Xmas.

Mrs. Small conferred with Detective Mitchell. An appointment was arranged for, and Mrs. Verill put in an appearance. She was at once taken into custody. Later her husband was arrested.

ANDREW MUNGAL PASSES AWAY IN SCOTTISH HOME

For Years He Was Manager of the Dyeing Dept. of the St. Croix Cotton Mills.

SPENT LAST DAYS IN HIS NATIVE LAND

Wife Dead, Son Killed in War and Family Residence in St. Stephen Burned.

Special to The Standard
St. Stephen, N. B., Dec. 21.—Many were sad today because of word received of the death in Scotland of Andrew Mungal, for many years in charge of the dyeing at the St. Croix Cotton Mill. The announcement came in a telegram to E. W. Ward, manager of the Bank of Montreal, St. Stephen.

Mungal's daughter, Mrs. Wilbur Melan, in Lewiston, Maine, which stated that she had received the news in a cable announcing her father's death.

Following the death of his only son while in service with the Canadian Forces during the war, the subsequent death of his wife and then the destruction of his home by fire, Mr. Mungal determined to spend the remainder of his life in his homeland, Scotland, and sailed for that place in the early summer.

He was one of the founders and a past president of the St. Andrew's Society of St. Stephen, an ardent currier, prominent in the Masonic Order and a generous supporter of the Presbyterian Church in Milltown. He also served for some years on the board of school trustees in Milltown; in politics he was a Liberal.

TARIFF PLANS LIKELY IN THE NEXT BUDGET

Revision Postponed Two Sessions Expected at Coming Session of Commons.

COMMISSION REPORT IS BEING PREPARED

Ministers Cleaning up Business Now in Preparation for the Meeting of Parliament.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—The members of the cabinet who held the tariff sitting at Kingston yesterday returned to the city this morning, having completed their hearings outside of Ottawa.

There will be a further "clean-up" hearing here before the work of the commission is completed, and while the present date of that sitting is indefinite, it is hardly expected to take place before New Year's, as there will be many persons from outside points who will wish to take advantage of this opportunity of saying a last word in regard to what they consider as needed tariff changes.

The preparation of a report from the members of the tariff commission, Sir Henry Drayton, Senator Robertson and Hon. S. F. Tolmie is expected to be proceeded with immediately after the holding of the Ottawa sitting, and, while no formal report may be issued, it is understood that when the cabinet begins its work of preparing the budget to be laid before the House, the impression gained by the three ministers during their tour of the country will exercise a great influence.

While little has yet been said in regard to what the forthcoming budget will provide for, it is generally understood that when the finance minister makes his budget speech he will have here rehearsed his message regarding definite tariff revision.

The revision has been postponed for two sessions, until the investigation could be made by the commission, and now that this body has finished its work, the government is expected to outline its definite policy shortly after the House opens.

HOME RULE BILL READY FOR ASSENT

Measure Has Completed Its Progress Through Commons and the Lords.

CRITICS SAY IT WILL BE REFUSED

Districts Rejecting it Will be Treated as Crown Colonies

London, Dec. 21.—The Home Rule Bill, as it finally emerged from parliament today ready for the Royal assent, is not fundamentally different from the measure the Government first presented.

Monday's discussion and efforts to amend in both houses resulted in certain safeguards being added, which its adherents believe will make it more acceptable to the Irish people.

Its critics, however, still maintain that it will not be accepted by South Ireland, and in this connection it is recalled that Arthur Griffith, Sinn Fein leader, said some weeks after the bill was introduced, that there probably were not ten influential men in Ireland who had even taken the trouble to read it.

The Bill's Critics
The bill's critics argue that the events of the past few months have not served to change the Sinn Fein attitude that they will not set up, the government suggested, by the imperial parliament.

The bill, as presented, did not provide an alternative if either Ulster or the south, or both, declined to accept it; but it has been amended to the effect that if either declines to accept it within three and a half years, the measure automatically dies so far as the section referring to accept it is concerned.

Growth Colony Rule
In the meantime either section declining to accept can be re-elected a crown colony. The bill of three and a half years was adopted, because at that time there must be an election and a new House of Commons.

The bill now provides that there shall be set up by parliament districts two parliaments, one for Ulster and one for the south. Each parliament shall decide upon methods of selecting its members. The connecting link between them will be the Irish Council of forty, twenty for each section. Each section will select seven of its council members and each parliament thirteen.

New Leaders Chosen
The original bill provided that the president of the council should be the Lord Chancellor of Ireland, but, as amended, he will be appointed by the Lord Lieutenant on the advice of the crown. The idea expressed by ministers explaining the bill is that the council will form a bridge upon which to join the two parliaments as yet together and form one body for the entire country.

The measure provides that when that has done, certain power of police finance and other branches of the government will be turned over. The Imperial Government will keep a pretty firm hand on the fundamentals of the Irish Government during the life of the two parliaments; but holds out every attraction for a united parliament, that its sponsors hope will counter-act the prejudices that have always existed between the north and south.

The changes made in the powers of the parliaments are set forth in the bill when it was introduced in its present form.

BROKERS FEAR 'BEAR TACTICS'

Market at Montreal So Dangerous Exchange Dealers Meet in Secret Meeting.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Following the wide open break on the local stock exchange today when stocks, utilities, cottons and, particularly, the paper issues touched new low levels on the undercurrent that a meeting of some of the largest brokerage firms in the city met in one of their offices to consider plans for protection of stocks and the prevention, as far as possible, of further impairment of values.

The meeting was not under the official sanction of the stock exchange and is probably preliminary to others and nothing was given out as to what transpired. But it is thought probable that some action was taken to restrict any short selling that may be in contemplation. It is felt that stocks are already far below their intrinsic value in the vast majority of cases and should not further be made a target for bears.

SHIP PLATE MILL RE-OPENS AT SYDNEY

Sydney, N. S. Dec. 21.—The ship plate mill of the Dominion Steel plant here reopened this morning with about two hundred men employed, after having been closed down for four weeks by the strike of the company's railwaymen at the plant. It is announced that the mill is re-opened only for the purpose of completing some small orders received prior to the strike.