

Bank Managers Acting As Agents for Insurance

House Decides to Strike Out Clause Passed in Committee

ALL RIGHT IN PRINCIPLE

But Might Create Hardships to Managers in Small Towns.

Ottawa, May 20.—Consideration of the contentious clauses of the Bank Act was commenced in the Commons this morning.

Mr. F. B. Carvell renewed his objections to the clause which gives the banks a fixed lien on stock held by a shareholder and does not allow a shareholder to make a transfer of shares unless he has discharged all his liabilities to the bank.

Hon. Frank Oliver suggested that it might be advisable not to allow shareholders to borrow from the bank in which they are interested.

Mr. Ames said that such a law would make it impossible to get people to invest in bank shares.

Hon. W. T. White explained that a shareholder would only be required to keep enough shares to cover his liabilities to a bank.

Mr. Turgeon, of Gloucester, moved to strike out the clause which was inserted in committee at the request of Mr. F. B. Carvell, prohibiting bank managers from carrying on an insurance business.

Major Sharp said he had supported this clause in committee, but had changed his mind, as a result of communications he had received. In some cases, he said, it would prove to be a hardship, more particularly on managers in small towns.

THE PRINCIPLE GOOD.

Hon. W. T. White said that the principle of the clause was right, although it might be drastic, a bank manager being in the position to compel a customer to do business with him. He suggested that the clause be dropped and that the banks' association be asked to take steps to prevent abuses.

Mr. Carvell said that judging from letters he had received which had been more widespread than he had thought. He had received many letters complimenting him for his action, but in most cases stating that he had not gone far enough. It being contended that managers should not be allowed to deal in real estate. In some cases the matter amounted almost to a scandal, and bank managers were compelling their customers to put on more insurance than they desired to.

RESTRICTION OF LOANS.

The clause in regard to the audit of banks passed practically without debate. Major Sam H. Sharp then reintroduced an amendment which had been killed in the banking committee, restricting loans to foreign persons, or persons or corporations, to ten per cent of the paid up capital. He explained that it was only defeated in committee by a vote of 17 to 14. He believed it should be adopted by the House. He was supported by F. B. Carvell, while H. B. Ames opposed the amendment.

A REFERENDUM BY THE TRAINMEN

San Francisco, Cal., May 20.—Strike ballots will be provided and a referendum vote will be taken by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen to determine what action shall follow the refusal of managers of railroads operating east of the Mississippi, and north of the Ohio River to consider a 15 per cent. raise in pay for conductors and brakemen. This was the substance of a statement given out last night by W. G. Lee, President of the Brotherhood, which opened a three weeks' convention in this city yesterday.

A SCOTT ACT RAID

The police this morning pulled off another successful Scott Act raid. About noon they visited the boarding house on Westmain street, conducted by Max Liebenstein, a Russian Jew, which is the headquarters for many foreigners employed on the railway construction work, and this afternoon the proprietor visited the Police Magistrate's office and acknowledged a first offence Scott Act case.

PETS AT BANGOR

Telegrams received this afternoon from Manager Bob Ganley tell of the safe arrival in Bangor at noon today by boat from Boston of the Fredericton Baseball Club's players for the opening league games on Wednesday and Thursday. The players will have their new uniforms in time for the games, according to a wire today from the father of "Porky" Flynn, the local club's new outfielder.

At Toronto's Big Demonstration



RIGHT HON. R. L. BORDEN, Prime Minister of Canada.

ALIEN LAND LAW CAUSE OF ANXIETY

Americans Fear the Effect of California's Action on the Eastern Statesmen.

Washington, D. C., May 20.—With the answer of the United States to its protest in hand, it is now up to the Japanese foreign office to take the next step in the negotiations over the California land act. It is expected that the forthcoming rejoinder to Secretary Bryan will be strongly argumentative and calculated to result in the conduct of the future negotiations on a strictly legal basis. As it is understood to have made it perfectly looking to the Japanese Government or some Japanese citizens to test the new law of recourse to the United States courts. It may be significant that Japan, finding it impossible to begin such a movement. In his protest of May 9th to the state department, the Japanese ambassador is understood to have made it perfectly clear that Japan, finding it impossible to deal directly with the state of California, was relying entirely upon the federal government to insure what he believed to be fair treatment for its subjects. Probably that contention will be extended to cover the legal contest of the California land law, through the ordinary procedure in such cases would be to allow a Japanese subject, threatened with expropriation of his lands, to begin action by application for an injunction. Meanwhile it is expected that several days will elapse before the Japanese rejoinder is received.

BOUT MAY DECIDE THE CHAMPIONSHIP

San Francisco, May 20.—A new heavyweight champion of the world may be heralded here tonight, when "Gumbo" Smith, one time idol of the United States Navy, and Jess Willard, a product of Missouri, conclude their 29 round bout.

The two are the logical contenders for the title which is now claimed by Luther McCarthy. It is probable that the winner of tonight's fight will be matched with McCarthy to determine finally who shall have the crown. Probably by reason of his introduction to the prize ring on the Pacific coast and also because of achievements in the east, the "Gunner" for the past several days has been the favorite in the betting, and fight critics say he will go into the ring tonight with odds on him ranging up to 10 to 7 or better. Willard's big advantage is said to be his weight and size. He will have fifty pounds over the "Gunner."

Mr. W. A. Gibson, of St. John, is at the Queen Hotel.

STRUGGLED ALONG THROUGH HARDSHIP

The Terrible Privations of the Mawson Antarctic Party—Send Home for Aid.

London, May 20.—John K. Davis, Commander of Dr. Mawson's Antarctic ship Aurora, has arrived in London and gives, in an interview, fresh details of the sufferings of Mawson and his comrades, and the death of Lt. Ninnis and Dr. Xavier Mertz, the Swiss scientist and ski runner. "We were not more than a half a mile from Mawson when he returned," said Davis, "but could not rescue him and his party. Mawson had gone out with Ninnis and Mertz. Twenty-two days after the little party started, Ninnis fell into an unfathomable crevasse with a sledful of provisions and his body was not recovered. For thirty-four days after this accident, Mawson and Mertz struggled across the plateau on the verge of starvation, until on January 17, Mertz succumbed as the result of exposure and want of food.

"For twenty-two terrible days more Mawson struggled on alone, with a few starving dogs as his sole companions. That he did not go mad under such conditions is wonderful, and the account of his journey when he tells it will prove one of the greatest stories of Antarctic heroism. At the urgent request of Mawson, signalled by wireless, Davis has come to England to try to obtain recovery of the money rendered necessary by the extra expense of work which has been forced upon the explorers, who are compelled to remain in the Antarctic until Davis relieves them at the end of this year.

TIE UP SHIPPING ALONG ATLANTIC

Philadelphia, May 20.—Threats to tie up shipping all along the Atlantic coast, unless the longshoremen on strike here are granted their demands, were made today by national organizers of the Industrial Workers of the World. Robert L. Warwick, secretary and treasurer, has arrived from New York and ordered the strikers, cooks, water tenders and coal haulers to leave their posts. He said that the strikers and longshoremen in New York had also been ordered out and would refuse to handle freight consigned for this city. Similar orders, he said, would be issued in Baltimore and other points along the coast.

Nearly three thousand men are said to be on strike here. They demand 35 cents an hour for a ten-hour day time and half time for work after 6 p. m., double for work on Sundays and holidays, and recognition of the union.

TRADE DISPUTES DURING APRIL IN THE DOMINION

Number Greater than in March or Corresponding Month of Previous Year.

DISPUTES NEARLY ALL FOR INCREASED WAGES

And in Most Cases were Soon Adjusted—Some of More Serious Disputes.

Ottawa, May 20.—While the actual number of trade disputes in existence during April was greater than in the previous month, and exceeding by twelve that of the corresponding month of last year, the number of working days lost to employees thereby was not so great as during April, 1912. The industries most affected by disputes in April, according to the Labor Gazette, were mining, building and the clothing trades. The disputes of coal and metalliferous miners in British Columbia, previously begun, continued, as did also the strike of gold miners at Porcupine. The most serious disputes in the building trades involved painters at Winnipeg and miscellaneous employees at Nelson, B. C. In the clothing trades more than 2,000 garment workers at Hamilton were thrown out of work by a dispute which lasted two weeks. Business concerns were considerably affected in Montreal and Toronto by the strikes of teamsters. Although more than twenty new disputes occurred during April a satisfactory feature was the fact that in nearly every case a settlement was soon reached, a majority of the disputes being strikes called to enforce demands for increased wages.

Not Over 6 Millions Stranded Up River

"Not more than six million feet of logs are hung up in the strangled drive at Priestley Rapids on the Upper St. John river," said Mr. John A. Morrison, one of the log owners, to The Gleaner today. Extraneous reports stating the strangled drive at Priestley Rapids to be 15 to 30 million feet have been printed in the St. John and Bangor papers, but Mr. Morrison's information comes direct from experienced woodsmen who have arrived from the drives. The river from the Rapids down to the Grand Falls is said to be fairly clear of logs.

BRITISH PLEASED AT KAISER'S ACT

In Pardoning 3 Englishmen Prison for Long Terms for Acts of Espionage.

New York, May 20.—A cable to the Tribune from London says: "The Kaiser's graceful and unexpected act of clemency in pardoning three Englishmen now undergoing sentences for espionage in Germany, is the first outward indication of the approaching completion of an Anglo-German entente. Berlin, the Emperor's action is described as a compliment to the British nation in recognition of the presence of the King of England at the wedding of Princess Victoria Louise.

"Intense excitement prevails among the townspeople who depend largely for their prosperity upon the golf links, while the members of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club are extremely anxious. They and the citizens have organized a vigilance committee, whose members together with 5,000 volunteers will guard the greens night and day. The general anxiety becomes keener every day, as it is thought that the militant suffragettes may refrain from delivering their attack until the last moment, when it will be impossible to repair the damage. As it was understood that the women will use vitriol to destroy the grounds, all the sentries stationed there have provided themselves with large umbrellas to prevent the corrosive fluid being thrown into their faces.

LIBERAL GIFTS OF PUBLIC RESOURCES

Ottawa, May 20.—T. R. Ferguson, K. C., of Winnipeg, has been appointed by the government to make a thorough investigation into the alienation of the public resources under the Laurier Government. This will, it is understood, include timber land, mining leases, grazing leases, waterpower leases, etc.

Naval Bill Introduced In Upper Chamber Today

At Toronto's Big Demonstration



HON. J. DOUGLAS HAZEN, Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

CONSPIRACIES IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE

Boston, May 20.—The trial of the government suit to dissolve the United Shoe Machinery Company was begun in the United States district court today. Eleven corporations and twenty-three individuals are involved as defendants. They are charged with entering into contracts and conspiracies in restraint of trade for the purpose of effecting a monopoly in the manufacture of shoe machinery in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act. The company's machinery is leased to manufacturers and not sold outright, and the government act on these leases is expected to be a feature of the trial.

WOMEN'S THREATS ANNOYING GOLFERS

St. Andrews, Scotland, May 20.—This little town is almost in a state of siege as the result of threats uttered by the militant suffragettes that they will destroy the putting greens and thus render play impossible in the world's amateur golf championship, which is to be completed for here next week.

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THE DOG POISONER

Three Canines Put Out of Business Last Night and This Morning Near the Parliament Buildings. The dog poisoner is getting in his fatal work in the city again and three dogs were killed last night and this morning by poison within a stone's throw of the Parliament Buildings. One of the dead canines is owned by Mr. George Y. Dibble and was a household pet, while another was owned by Mr. George Stain.

PURCHASE FARM IN CARLETON COUNTY

Woodstock, N. B., May 20.—C. H. L. Perkins has sold his farm of 400 acres, situated three and a half miles below the town of Woodstock, to J. H. Stockton, of Montreal. It is understood the sale price was in the vicinity of \$7,000. The sale was put through by A. D. Holyoke, the real estate dealer. This is a most desirable property, beautifully situated, fronting on the St. John river. It is the intention of the new owner to put a number of improvements on the property and to engage quite extensively in fruit growing. Mr. Stockton has travelled extensively through Western Canada, and during the last few weeks he has visited the different sections of New Brunswick, and states that what he has seen of Carleton County is superior to any other section of the province, and for general farming purposes is not surpassed throughout the Dominion.

The annual meeting for the reappointment or change of teachers was held by the school board last night, W. B. Belyea in the chair. W. T. Denham, principal of the town schools, reported after the summer term, and Fred C. Squires, principal of the Florenceville Consolidated School, takes his place. Nearly all the remaining teachers were reappointed. Mr. Squires comes highly recommended, and the appointment meets with general favor.

ASSASSINATION OF ESSAD PASHA

Vienna, Austria, May 20.—Reports of the murder of Essad Pasha, who commanded the Turkish troops at Scutari throughout the siege, have reached the Albanians at Trieste, according to a despatch to the Reichspost from that city. The assassination is said to have taken place at Tinnia, where Essad Pasha marched with many thousands of Turkish soldiers after the evacuation of Scutari, and formed a provisional Albanian government. It is thought the murderer may be the result of a bloody vendetta, and was carried out by relatives of General Hassan Riza Pasha, who preceded Essad as commander of Scutari, and whose death there was laid to the account of Essad Pasha.

U. N. B. Forestry Students.

Mr. C. Armstrong of St. John, a forestry student at U. N. B., left this morning for Riley Brook, Victoria county, where he will join a party of surveyors who will go to the Tobique in the employ of the New Brunswick Lands Company, under Mr. R. R. Bradley, forester. Others in the party include Mr. Chas. Townsend, of this city, and Mr. Samuel R. Weston, of Gasquetown. Mr. Frank McGibbon, son of Mr. Charles McGibbon, left for Calgary, Alta., last night, where he has accepted a position with the C. P. R. Department of Natural Resources during the summer months.

Public in the Dark as to Line to be Taken by Senators

HOLD CAUCUS TOMORROW

A Diversity of Opinion Among Senators as to Course to Pursue.

Ottawa, May 20.—The fate of the naval bill will likely be settled by the Liberal majority in the Senate tomorrow, when a caucus will be held to decide on what action to take towards the measure. In the meantime the Liberal senators are saying nothing. However, it is understood that there is a decided difference of opinion.

Many of the Liberal senators are anxious to obey the injunction of the leaders in the lower House and throw out the measure. On the other hand, there are many of the Liberal majority who feel, now that the bill has passed the lower House, they should not run the risk of lying in the face of public opinion. The caucus promises to be a stormy affair.

There are a number of Liberal senators who feel very strongly that the bill should be passed, and no matter what the caucus decides will likely vote with the Government. There are said to be at least five Liberals who will vote for the bill. Two of these will probably be Senator Ellis, of St. John, and Senator Power, of Halifax. On the other hand, possibly two French Conservative senators, a Nationalist tinge will vote against the bill.

The naval bill will be introduced in the Senate for its first reading this afternoon, but no speech making is expected until tomorrow, following the Liberal caucus. Sir George Ross will probably then outline the policy of the opposition.

FRIGHTFUL TOLL OF U. S. RAILWAYS

288 Killed and 4,598 Injured in Three Months, According to Official Bulletin.

Washington, May 20.—Defective railroad equipment and trucks were responsible for sixty-eight per cent. of all derailments in the United States during July, August and September, 1912, and during these three months there were 934 more train accidents, including 901 more collisions and derailments, than there were during the same months of 1911. In all train accidents on steam roads during that time 288 were killed and 4,598 injured, an increase of 87 in the killed and 315 in the injured during the corresponding period of the year before. These facts are disclosed in the accident bulletin of the Interstate Commerce Commission for the quarter ended September 30th, 1912.

Accidents of other kinds, including those sustained by employees while at work, not including industrial accidents, killed the number of casualties 2,995 killed and 22,447 injured, a total increase of 237 killed and 2,340 injured. The damage to equipment and roadway by the accidents aggregated \$3,366,401, a large increase.

MANY ARRESTS AT SILK MILLS STRIKE

Patterson, N. J., May 20.—Forty-seven arrests were made this morning in the vicinity of the Price silk mill, to which the hands returned yesterday in the face of protests from Industrial Workers of the World leaders conducting the strike. Twelve hundred or more strikers and others gathered in the streets near the mill today to cheer the returning workers. There was no actual violence and those arrested were taken in because they refused to "move on." Three of the prisoners were women, one with a baby in her arms. She was immediately paroled.

CAPTAIN LUGAR DEAD AT HALIFAX

Halifax, May 20.—Captain W. R. Lugar, chief examiner of masters and mates, died this morning after a brief illness. Capt. Lugar was an Englishman, coming to Halifax as first mate of the cable ship Mackay, Bennett. Leaving the cable service, he resided in England for some years, returning to Halifax about five years ago, when he received the government appointment. He married Miss Emily Bauld, of Halifax, and leaves a large family.