

OHIO FLOOD SUFFERERS ARE RECLAIMING HOMES

Governor Cox Makes Stirring Address to Stricken People

THANKS ALL WHO GAVE ASSISTANCE

Relief Plan Adopted by San Francisco is to be Used in Flooded State—Crest of High Water Has Passed Kentucky.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 31.—While northern and central cities today were reaping the fruits of their relief efforts, the waters disappearing there are threatening their disastrous hold on southern regions. The government relief board under the direction of Col. Light, U. S. A., towed a barge load of provisions into Lawrenceburg today to find but 40 of 5,000 homes there not under water. When the boat proceeded to Aurora, conditions were found almost as bad, with but 500 homes free from the reach of the waters. Governor Ralston, on the appeal of Mount Vernon citizens, ordered out the company of militia stationed there to patrol its own town. Lieutenant Harlow sent a ringing cry for help. New Harmony and Evansville reported increased suffering from rising waters, but the mayor of Vincennes telephoned that the water is falling, and allow the property loss is heavy and many flooded portions are segregated by swift currents, it is believed no lives have been lost. People of some of the Indiana-headed flood warnings quickly through the fear created by reports from flood swept districts of the central state region.

Reports of fatalities where the flood struck unexpectedly but now is gone still are conflicting. Peru's list of 29 promises to shrink somewhat but these figures still standing Indiana's loss of life stands at 68. Three bodies of the drowned were found in West Illinois today. The remaining un-identified, while four refugees have been victims of the exposure suffered.

Electrically Indiana is recovering outside aid greatly relieving the burden and today business conditions in Indianapolis were quite normal with public utilities completely restored. Some southern towns believed suffering from rising waters are cut off from communication but ample warning has removed much danger of loss of life.

Cincinnati, O., March 31.—When the Ohio River reaches a stage of 69.7 which is expected about midnight, the crest of the flood at this point will have been reached. Late today the stage was 69.5 feet. The river rose less rapidly today than at any time since the flood began its course of destruction.

Relief work locally and also in the nearby inundated territory is more than adequate, and a statement was made today by the state department of fact that no more supplies were required here and that a surplus existed that is being turned over to the Red Cross authorities for distribution.

Deploable Conditions. Across the river from here in the several Kentucky cities and towns that practically from one large city, conditions still are deplorable. All of them are without lights, the gas and electric lighting plants having been compelled to cease operating when the flood waters encroached upon their premises.

Cal. Ills. March 31.—Inhabitants of Cairo tonight took up renewed hope for the safety of their city. Before midnight a strong current came up in the Ohio river and this gave rise to the opinion that something had given way south of here. The situation which had been growing more and more desperate, has been relieved.

The levee still is holding strong, though the water has been creeping steadily upward. At seven o'clock tonight a gauge stood at 52.6. The same reading was registered at Fulton, Ky. Continued on page two.

SUFFRAGETTES WANT RELEASE OF PRISONERS

Mrs. Pankhurst Calls American Girl in Holloway Prison a Heroine—Wires President Wilson for Assistance.

London, March 31.—Mrs. Emerson, of Detroit, Mich., today received a letter from her daughter, Zelle, who is undergoing two months imprisonment in Holloway jail for participating in a window smashing raid by militant suffragettes. Her "hunger strike" and forcible feeding in prison have attracted a good deal of attention.

The letter was smuggled out by a released suffragette prisoner. It stated that Miss Emerson had just completed three days solitary confinement for violation of the prison rules. She complained that she was feeling sick and feared permanent impairment of her digestion.

Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, in a speech today at a music hall, praised highly the behavior of Miss Emerson, declaring her a heroine. Mrs. Pankhurst announced in this connection.

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PARCEL POST FOR CANADA

Postmaster General Gives Notice of Its Introduction—Also Arranging for Important Improvements in Cable.

Ottawa, March 31.—Following his announcement in the House some weeks ago the postmaster general gave notice tonight of bills "relating to the parcel post" and "to provide for more advantageous conditions for telegraphic communications between Canada, the United Kingdom and other parts of the British Empire."

Mr. Pelletier has been studying the parcel post question, and the possibilities of improving cable relations, for the past year. He is not yet ready to outline the legislation which he intends to introduce, but it is known that the general plan decided upon is that of the zone system as adopted in the United States.

The system will be operated on a progressive scale, the rates being adjusted according to distances of say fifty miles, one hundred and fifty, and so on. The department is working out the details with a view to the protection of the retail merchants at home. The success of the proposed system depends to a great extent upon the arrangement to be made with the railways and other transportation companies, and this question is being worked out now between the department and the transportation companies.

The department has been closely watching the operation of the new parcel post law of the United States, and at an early date asked for a report of the working system. With this report in their possession they will be in a position to adopt such features of the United States law as are applicable to the somewhat different conditions of Canada, while avoiding any mistakes which may have been made on the other side.

The plan which the minister will announce to the House will show that the whole question has been approached in a businesslike way and dealt with upon a business basis.

The fourteen thousand postmasters in Canada will become agents of the parcel post delivery, and the benefits of the system will be extended to those points not now reached by the express companies. Since the inauguration of the United States parcel post system the Canadian department has had to handle an immense amount of parcel post matter which has come into Canada and had no benefits in return. With the system of parcel post in operation in Canada this unfavorable situation will be discontinued.

The proposed change in regard to the cable service is an important one and involves the establishment in Canada of a board similar to that in Great Britain. This board will have charge of the landing business, so that the landing business will in this way be controlled in each case within the empire.

BRITISH STEAMER ABORNE.

Tangier, Morocco, Mar. 31.—The British steamer Agadir is ashore in a bad position near Massaga, Morocco. The Agadir has 150 passengers aboard. The French cruiser Florent has been dispatched to her assistance.

Minister of Railways Shows Record Breaking Earnings

G. T. P. TO REACH ST. JOHN IN 1914

By that Time Trains are Expected to be Running from Winnipeg to Winter Port—Premier Gives Details about Halifax Harbor Works.

Ottawa, March 31.—The House today itself over a great variety of subjects from divorce courts to locomotives and from the decapitation of partisan officials to the price of codfish in the shores of the I. C. R. All this happened on the way into supply and after the motion to go into supply had been adopted. The codfish issue was raised by George W. Kyle, of Richmond, N. S., whose apparent object was to connect the high prices charged for this rare and delicate viand with the million dollar surplus shown by the minister of railways on the year's operation of the government railways.

The I. C. R. vote was the first taken up when the House was called upon for the one-sixth vote in committee on the estimates. Hon. Frank Cochrane in a very short but instructive railway budget announced a year of record-breaking earnings, and a programme involving an expenditure of four millions on the better equipment of the railway.

Premier Borden gave the House a further description of the proposed harbor improvements and deep water terminals for the I. C. R. at Halifax, showing that the government was providing for not only the needs of the present, but of the future as well. The Halifax improvements are to cost a dozen millions.

At the opening of the House Mr. Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier made graceful references to the death of Lord Wolseley. Both spoke of his service in Canada and his conduct of the Red River expedition.

On motion to go into supply A. K. MacLean asked if the contract for the West Indian service had been awarded to Messrs. Pickford and Black.

"The report is incorrect," said Hon. G. H. Perley. "The matter is still under consideration."

Mr. McCraney, of Saskatchewan, asked for further information in regard to the dismissal or resignation of a Mr. Ulyott, lands agent at Saskatoon, who had represented a return on having resigned, but who, it appeared, had not been dismissed.

Hon. Robert Rogers explained that the man had been dismissed during his administration of the department of the interior. Ulyott was an active politician, and apparently the treasurer of the local campaign fund as indicated in a document which the minister produced. Part of this document, Mr. Rogers stated, was in Ulyott's hand writing, and contained advice to the Liberals to make up their minds to win, not then go and do it; and there was also reference to a payment of something over \$400 to one man. "Any other information that my hon. friend wants," said the minister, "we will be pleased to furnish."

The House then went into committee of supply, the purpose being to pass a vote of one-sixth of the estimates of 1914, and then get through a supply bill composed of this vote and the supplementary estimates. While the other appropriations which so far have been voted, an agreement for this purpose had been arrived at between the parties, the understanding being that the government would furnish explanations as to the Halifax terminals and one or two other matters.

Mr. Emerson, however, insisted that Mr. Cochrane give his statement of the business of the Intercolonial. Mr. Cochrane accordingly read a statement of the year's work as follows:

The I. C. R. Year.

"It is estimated that there will be a surplus over working expenses of between \$600,000 and \$1,000,000 for the year, and it is proposed to take this surplus and place the same to the credit of the equipment renewal fund for the purchase of rolling stock.

"The year's business closing today has been a most successful one, the revenue being the largest in the history of the railway, being estimated at some \$12,000,000, as compared with 1913-14, \$10,382,722; 1912-13, \$9,565,723; 1911-12, \$8,268,224.

"Large amounts have been spent in keeping the equipment in repair, and keeping the road bed, stations, etc., in proper shape.

"The following amounts have been taken out during the year and charged to working expenses: \$1,000,000 for renewals, \$1,000,000 for equipment renewals, \$300,000—total \$4,000,000.

"The average price for coal for the year just closed was 12 cents per ton higher than the previous year, involving an extra outlay of some \$30,000. The extra amount paid in wages for

CANADA MAKES NEW RECORD FOR NATIONAL PROSPERITY

Ottawa, Mar. 31.—Though official figures are not available, the Canadian financial year which ends tonight will eclipse all records of the country's prosperity. It is estimated that final figures will show trade aggregating about \$1,000,000,000 of which imports for domestic consumption will total about \$650,000,000 and exports of domestic produce \$350,000,000. The trade increase is in the neighborhood of 35 per cent. Government expenditure will total about \$154,000,000. It is understood that Hon. W. T. White's budget speech will show substantial expansion of the revenue in every department. The date of the speech depends on the passage of the West Indian trade agreement as some tariff adjustment is necessitated by the agreement.

CANADA'S SURPLUS WILL GO ABOVE FIFTEEN MILLIONS

Careful Financing, Hand in Hand With Soaring Revenues, Has Placed Canada's Credit Higher in Britain Than that of Any Other Dominion.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, March 31.—Canada tonight closes a year of unexampled prosperity. In all branches of the administration the results have surpassed the best record for the twelve months of the year. The trade of the Dominion, for the first time in its history, has reached the billion mark, showing an increase of one hundred and fifty millions in round numbers. The revenue of \$170,000,000 is greater than that of last year by \$35,000,000 and with an expenditure of \$154,000,000, the financial minister will be able to show a surplus of from fifteen to twenty millions.

Careful financing has gone hand in hand with soaring revenues, and the credit of Canada is higher in Great Britain than that of any of the other Dominions. The minister of finance has paid off an old loan of six millions and has not floated a single new loan during the year. He has purchased the new issue for twelve million of bonds of the Grand Trunk Pacific, thus saving the country from much of the enormous loss involved in the "implementation" job placed by the Laurier government in the contract with the G. T. P.

The last loan obtained by Hon. W. T. White in London, was negotiated in February of 1913 to meet a loan of \$25,000,000 falling due in May, Mr. White in that case avoided the spring labor troubles and other unsettling influences and placed the loan at the high figure of 9 1/2%.

Contracts for Rolling Stock. "Contracts have been let for rolling stock during the current financial year for over \$3,000,000 worth, as follows:

45 Consolidated freight engines	115
5 Pacific type passenger engines	0
Switching engines	0
1,423 Steel frame box cars	83
150 wooden box cars	150
200 steel underframe platform cars	100
20 steel frame stock cars	20
100 Hart-Otic coal cars	20
35 Refrigerator cars	20
100 Hart convertible dump cars	0
1 tank car	1
4 dining cars	4
2 first class cars	2
7 baggage cars	7

In addition the following cars are under construction in Moncton shops: 150 wooden box cars, 18 conductors vans, 3 colonist cars, 1 flanger.

The reports of the train offices show there will be an increased business for the coming year, and every effort is being made to have the rolling stock orders and the line in time to handle the increased business.

Mr. Emerson Aims his Views.

Mr. Emerson was not satisfied with this, and proceeded to give his own views about the intercolonial at great length, despite a suggestion from Sir Wilfrid Laurier that he should wait. He complained that the new rolling stock which was being built from revenue was not being constructed at Moncton as had been the intention when the shops were reconstructed after the fire. He objected to the recent arrangement where by the Dominion Express Company is allowed the use of the I. C. R.

Mr. Cochrane said that the new arrangement was proving advantageous. Mr. Rhodes asked what about the benefits which the arrangement conferred upon the public.

"It was looking at it from the railway standpoint," said Mr. Emerson.

Speaker after dinner, Mr. Emerson went on to complain that the trains on the I. C. R. were not running punctually and to attack the Board of Management.

"I was looking at the proposed expenditure at Halifax," he had said, "and now we are going to spend one-third of that sum at one end. It would be better to spend the money in double tracking the line."

Mr. MacDonald complained of freight rates and asked the government to allow the Transcontinental Railway to enter Nova Scotia. He urged that the government take over

ST. JOHN MAN PRISONER IN BANGOR WILL

Fred McGurk Attempted to Escape and Led Officers a Two Days Chase—Was a Trusty But Will Go to Workshop.

Special to The Standard. Bangor, Me., Mar. 31.—Fred McGurk, of St. John, who has been serving a sentence in the jail here for larceny, escaped from that institution Friday and led the officers a merry two days chase before he was recaptured. He was employed in the kitchen and, watching his chance, slipped away unobserved.

Word was received here Saturday morning that McGurk had appeared at the Indian Island at Old Town, and that he had been arrested and was held there by the Indian constable. Saturday noon the Indian officer took the St. John man across the ferry to Old Town. When near Water street his prisoner suddenly tripped his captor, who landed in the water in eight inches of sticky mud. Then McGurk, with a derisive laugh, slipped up an alley and made his getaway.

A general alarm was sent out and some hours later McGurk was captured three miles out in the country. He said he intended to walk along the railroad track to Vassalboro and, if possible, slip across the line. He had no money, however, and was dressed in the lightest of clothing.

He has been a trusty in the jail here, after this, he will join the other prisoners in the workshop connected with the institution.

PUTS BULLET THROUGH HEAD

Springhill Mines, N. S., March 31.—The tragic death of Councillor Alexander Embree has cast a gloom over the mining town. The deceased paid a visit to the store of A. R. Jeukes on the Herrif Road shortly after one o'clock and spent some minutes chatting with Mr. Jeukes.

He then left the store and went to the rear of a flour shed that stands on the corner of the street. Twenty or thirty minutes later Mr. Jeukes had occasion to go behind this shed and was shocked to find the lifeless body of Embree lying on the ground. A ghastly wound on the side of his head and a revolver lying close by told the story.

Embree was a man of about thirty-six years of age. He belonged originally to Oxford but has been residing in Springhill for some years. He was elected to the town council board over a year ago. He is survived by a wife and five children also an aged mother living in Oxford and three brothers and two sisters.

That it will be completed before the end of 1917 and the car ferry will be used up to that time. A small station will be built on the Champlain Market site but a larger site will be secured for the main freight and passenger terminals at Quebec. Already a frontage of 500 feet has been secured on the river between Wolf Cove and Champlain Market.

The committee rose at half past one without passing the one-sixth vote agreed upon between the leaders, Hon. George Graham, who was in charge of the opposition, declared at the last minute that no new work was to be included.

Hon. Robert Rogers and Hon. W. T. White insisted that the agreement had included all the main estimates, including new work. They asked that this agreement be carried out. The opposition refused and the committee reported progress. The matter will be threshed out when the House resumes tomorrow.

The Transcontinental.

The house next took up the Transcontinental vote and Mr. Cochrane made a statement.

In district B, which reaches from Moncton to the Quebec boundary, the entire distance of 254 miles has been graded and the track has been laid in this district 99 per cent. of the bridge work is also completed.

In district B, which runs from the Quebec boundary to beyond the Quebec bridge, the track has been laid and grading done on 500 miles, telegraph lines 357 miles, bridges 95 per cent.

Mr. Cochrane stated that it was expected trains would be running into Quebec before the first of September next. A contract has been let for a car ferry between Quebec and Lewis which will be completed by the spring of 1914 when trains may be run from Moncton to St. John.

The commission which has the Quebec bridge in charge does not expect

People of all Ranks Send Condolences to Family

POWER OF FINANCIER SHOWN AFTER DEATH

News Had but Little Effect on Stock Exchange—Preparations in Expectation of Event Carried on for Past Year.

New York, N. Y., March 31.—John Pierpont Morgan's last resting place probably will be in the Mausoleum in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford, Conn., which he erected some years ago in memory of his father and mother. When the body of Mr. Morgan reaches here from Rome, it is expected that the funeral services will be held in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, toward the construction of which Mr. Morgan was a large contributor.

When the news of Mr. Morgan's death in Rome reached here today, expressions of regret at his passing were heard on every hand. In the financial district the Stock Exchange, if the Consolidated Exchange passed resolutions of respect to his memory, and flags everywhere were dropped at half mast.

The offices of J. P. Morgan and Co., closed as soon as the news of the death of Mr. Morgan was received and the information was vouchsafed by the members of the firm. The statement was made, however, that the business would be carried on undisturbed, by the surviving members of the firm.

Meagre Details.

Henry P. Davison, now senior member of the firm of J. P. Morgan and Company, said tonight that with the exception of two despatches announcing the death of Mr. Morgan, no information had been received by the firm from Rome. It was said that a statement of the physicians giving in detail the last illness of the financier would be received, but it failed to come through according to Mr. Davison. He said there probably would be a family conference tomorrow and that all the details as to the funeral of Mr. Morgan would then be worked out.

Had Accomplished Purpose.

Friends of Mr. Morgan pointed out another reason, in addition to the warning given by his illness, why the financier's death was not seriously disturbing. His career, they said, was rounded out. It had accomplished virtually all it had started out to achieve. For some time the Morgan firm had refrained from large new enterprises. All that human foresight could dictate had been done during

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MEXICAN REBELS AND TROOPS IN A FIERCE SIXTEEN HOUR BATTLE

Mexico City, March 31.—A battle lasting for sixteen hours was fought yesterday near Lampaca, 75 miles to the southwest of Laredo, between followers of Venustiano Carranza, the rebel governor of Coahuila and federal troops, according to despatches received by the war department.

The latest despatch was sent off at eight o'clock last night and reported that Garcia River, the commander of the rebels had been wounded and taken prisoner.

The outcome of the fight is unknown, although the latest despatches appeared to indicate that the federal troops under Col. Pena were having the best of it.

The rebel loss is said to have been sixty dead or wounded. The federal casualties are not known. The city of Lampaca in the State of Nuevo Leon, has been captured by followers of Carranza, according to a consular report received here. A force of 300 of Carranza's men is now within twenty miles of Nuevo Laredo, which it is believed, they intend to attack.