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Think River Freshet Has
Now Reached Its Peak

WATER AT INDIANTOWN TODAY NO
HIGHER THAN YESTERDAY

Much Controversy as to Whether Flood Estab-
lished Record—Floors of Mill and Machine
Shops—Look For Drop in Level Tomorrow.

ENFORCEMENT IN
N. Y. NOW UP TO
FEDERAL OFFICERS

State Legislature Rescinds
Volstead Supplementary
Legislation.

Rejoicing in Camp of the
"Wets"—Loopholes for a
Deluge of Canadian Liquor
Thus Opened Up—
Up Six Times Before.

New York, May 5.—(Canadian Press)—With the ending of the 146th session of the New York State Legislature at 2 P. M. today this morning news was flashed from Albany, which was brought rejoicing in the camp of the local "wets."

With the ending of the Legislature's session ended also legislative responsibility for state prohibition enforcement and non-enforcement. With the law, came the prospect for wider breaches in the U. S. government's prohibition enforcement wall at the border through which the rum-runners from Canada may bring an increased supply of forbidden beverages to the thirsty souls of the state.

The assembly in the closing hours of the session passed a bill sponsored by Representative Culliver, of New York, repealing the Mullan-Gage law. The vote in the assembly was seventy-six to seventy-one. The measure was passed by the Senate by a vote of twenty-eight to twenty-two.

Washington Comment.
Washington, May 5.—(Canadian Press)—Discussing the action of the New York legislature in repealing the state prohibition enforcement law, James E. Jones, assistant prohibition commissioner said today:

"The New York legislature cannot repeal the eighteenth amendment. It cannot repeal the Volstead Act. The Volstead law, will remain the law regardless of any action taken at Albany. The repeal of the state law puts New York in the same category as Rhode Island, where there is no state law but where the Volstead law is being enforced by the Federal authorities."

DISSOLUTION IS
EXPECTED SOON

Last Session of Ontario Legis-
lature Brought to a Close—
Elections Late in June.

Toronto, May 5.—The last session of the fifteenth Legislature of Ontario came to a close last night, as far as actual business is concerned. The formal closing proceedings will be next Tuesday.

The session opened on January 22 and was the longest and last of the fifth Legislature.

It is expected that dissolution will be announced within a few days and the elections held late in June.

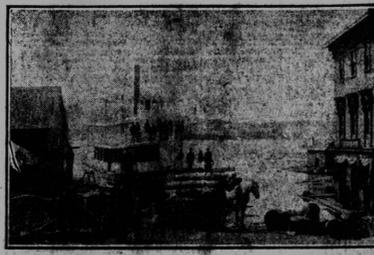
REPORT MUCH ICE
IN THE STRAITS

North Sydney, N. S., May 5.—Ice reports.
Money Point—Moderate breeze from southeast, rain and fog, heavy ice, closely packed inshore.

St. Paul's Island—Light breeze from southeast, fog and rain, heavy close packed ice stationary.

Point Tupper—Light breeze from east and dull, no ice.

INDIANTOWN DURING FRESHET OF 1887



The above picture depicts a busy scene at the foot of Indiantown during the memorable spring freshet of thirty-six years ago. The steamer shown is the old Clifton which plied on the Kennebec route to Hampton, while the horses seen are hauling casks of lime from a scow tied up near the bow of the steamer. On the right is shown the old Court block, which was on the present site of Indiantown Square. It is said that the water was up over the counters in this store. All of these old landmarks have long since disappeared, the grades of the roads have been heightened and other changes made.

C. P. R. Situation Is
Steadily Improving

Most of Lines in Province Again in Operation—
Water Reported Dropping in Maine.

Water Receding
ON UPPER RIVER

Marked Improvement Repor-
ted from Fredericton.

Fredericton, N. B., May 5.—There is marked improvement in flood conditions along the central and upper portions of the St. John River today. At Van Buren, Maine, the water had dropped until slightly below normal today. The water level below the high water mark receded early this week.

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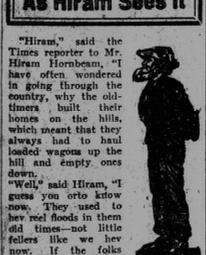
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As Hiram Sees It



"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "I have often wondered in going through the country, why the old-timers built their houses on the hill, which meant that they always had to haul loads of water up the hill and empty ones down."

"Hiram," said the reporter, "that story of yours yesterday, about the hens swimming, somewhat impaired my faith in your veracity. Do you expect me to believe that barn also?"

"You might as well believe it as look for proof," said Hiram. "I have seen that story about Noah? Maybe you didn't know the ark landed on Mount Pisgah—out back of the Settlement."

"Hiram," said the reporter approvingly, "you ought to be a newspaper man."

"No," said Hiram—"I can't teach you fellers yet—By Hen!"

Set To In The
Berlin House

Socialists and Communists
In Clash—Blows Struck
And Blood Spilled

London, May 5.—Blows were struck in the Prussian Parliament today between Socialists and Communists, says a Central News despatch.

Practically all the commissars except the Foreign Minister demanded the death penalty for the former prelate, who was sentenced Thursday to the conclusion of the All-Russian church.

The Foreign Minister, George Tatischev, argued that such a step probably would result in a renewed boycott against the Soviet, and advocated the passing of the death sentence, to be followed by a reprieve. No definite decision was arrived at.

Phelix and Pherdinand
WEATHER
REPORT

Synopsis—Pressure is now highest over the upper lakes and Northern Quebec and lowest to the south of Nova Scotia and in the southern straits. The weather continues cool and showery in the Maritime Provinces and fine and moderately warm in other parts of the Dominion.

Fair and Warm.
Maritime—Southerly winds, fair and warm, a few showers tonight. Sunday fair and a little cooler.

Gulf and North Shore—Northerly winds, cool and showery. Sunday northerly winds, clearing.

New England—Mostly cloudy tonight and Sunday; probably becoming unsettled, little change in temperature; moderate north and northeast winds.

Toronto, May 5.—Temperatures:
Highest during
Lowest during
Stations 8 a.m. Yesterday night

HALF GAMES INTO
EXTRA INNINGS

Hard Fighting Marks Big
League Contests Yes-
terday.

Four Leaders in National
League Trim Trailers,
While Result Almost Re-
versed in American—The
Pirates in Slugging Match

New York, May 5.—Close hard fighting games marked play in the major leagues yesterday, half of the contests going into extra innings.

The four first division clubs in the National League had their second section opponents and in the American the result was as nearly reversed as was possible under the schedule, two of the first division teams falling before second division teams, one first divisioner beating a close rival and one trailer overcoming a companion.

The Giants kept with the pace of the National procession by outpitching Philadelphia in thirteen innings, 11 to 9, while the cellar White Sox of Chicago went thirteen innings and was the sixth out of the last seven games that the Robins have lost by one run margin.

St. Louis defeated Cleveland 9 to 5, the Browns slugging making three home runs to one for the Indians. The Athletics, showing real aggressiveness, battered down the Yankees 8 to 6, in ten innings, while Washington was evened up landing with Boston 7 to 4.

Catcher Sold.
San Antonio, Texas, May 5.—The San Antonio team of the Texas League has sold catcher Ray "Red" McKee to the Grizzlies of the International League.

RAID TWO BANKS
AT SAME TIME

Five Bandits Get Away
With Cash and Bonds in
Buckner, Mo.

Kansas City, May 5.—The two banks of Buckner, Mo., about 18 miles from here, were raided by five bandits yesterday. They escaped in a motor car with about \$6,000 in cash and \$25,000 in registered Liberty bonds.

The robbers were apprehended simultaneously by the party of five bandits dividing when it entered the town. The robbers were apprehended by the party of five bandits dividing when it entered the town.

NO DEVASTATION
OF SACRED SITES

Statement of British Colonial
Department on Matter
of Search for the Tomb of
David.

London, May 5.—The recent announcement that excavations are to be made at Jerusalem in a search for David's Tomb has aroused anxiety in some religious circles here, where it was feared that the work would devastate sacred sites.

The British Colonial Department, however, has issued a reassuring statement, asserting that the actual location of the spot "City of David" was not on the spot mentioned by tradition.

Archaeologists long ago established the statement says that the city stood on a little triangular square of ground called Mount Ophel, south of the present Jerusalem. It is on this site, which has heretofore been of no religious interest to Christians, Jews or Moslems, that the excavation on the search for David's Tomb are to be made.

WALL COLLAPSES;
NOBODY HURT

Montreal, May 5.—With the roar of a landslide and amid clouds of white dust an outside wall of a brick veneered house at 78 Mansfield street, in the uptown district, collapsed yesterday.

Furniture, pictures and other furnishings crashed to the ground, as did also a part of the roof. No one was in the building adjoining the wall at the time.

It is thought that the wall had been weakened by water and by the heavy winter frosts, and may have been struck by a truck or other heavy vehicle in passing.

Hope To Have C.N.R.
Line Restored By Night

PROSPECT OF GETTING TRAINS
THROUGH FOR MONTREAL
BRIGHTER TODAY

Lakeside Washout Repaired and Good Progress
Made on Riverside Break—Conditions gener-
ally Improved—Milk Brought in by Motor.

From present indications it is possible that a train may be able to pass over the C. N. R. between the city and Robesay by tonight. Large crews of men are working today and it is thought quite likely that with careful running a train may be got out to Montreal without the necessity of transferring. Trains were run back and forth between the city and Robesay all day but transfers were made by motor lorry from Riverside to Robesay to waiting trains on the other side.

Owing to an improvement in the situation at Lakeside it was necessary to transfer there today and the trip from the city to Hampton entailed only one transfer. The first train from Hampton to Robesay reached the latter place this morning and turned back with passengers. Milk trains arrived at Robesay this morning and are taking only passengers. Milk trains arrived at Robesay this morning and are taking only passengers.

General Improvement
General conditions along the C. N. R. show some improvement today. Crews of men worked all night and this morning showed that their work had borne fruit. Heavy ballasting is being done and the tracks have been shifted in several places to allow the men a base from which to work. A train arrived in the city about eleven o'clock bringing transferred passengers who reported that there seemed to be a slight dropping of the water along the Kennebecasis shore.

Hon. Manning W. Doherty, Minister of Agriculture in the Ontario government, who is welcoming the Hebrideans who arrived here on the Metagama told the Times this morning that he had been told by the railway authorities here that it was likely that he would get out about eight o'clock tonight. His private car "Ontario" of the Temiskaming Northern Ontario Railway, is at the Union depot.

The resolution declared that the Methodist Episcopal church of the U. S. neither supports nor defends the Soviet government of Russia, as Bishop Blake, of Paris, is reported generally to have asserted by the Board of Bishops, of which Bishop Blake is a member, here yesterday, after hours of consideration.

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HOOPER READY FOR
HILTON BELVEA

A Canadian Press despatch from Duluth, Minn., today says: Walter Hooper, U. S. sculling champion, will defend the Philadelphia Gold Challenge Cup, emblematic of the Amateur Sculling title, in a race here Labor Day with Hilton Belyea, of St. John, N. B., Canadian champion. It was announced today by Phil R. Moore, chairman of the racing committee of the Duluth Boat Club. Belyea's challenge was accepted by Hooper following the approval of the race by the cup committee, Mr. Moore said.

Two Feet Of Water
In Bangor Station

An employee of the railway mail service told The Times this morning that there was two feet of water in Bangor station. Near Danforth, he said, a grist mill had been deposited on the tracks and it was expected that the use of dynamite would have to be resorted to to remove it.

WHARF DAMAGE
AT ST. GEORGE

Word was received by the Marine Department this morning from St. George of a considerable amount of damage to the wharf there as a result of the unusual freshet. It was reported that the steps up to the wharf had been carried away, that the warehouse had gone and that about fifty feet of capill and some fender plating had been torn loose. The report added that the high tides and swift-running current made a complete survey of the damage impossible.

AUSONIA SAILS.
Halifax, N. S., May 5.—The Cunard liner Ausonia which came to Halifax to land passengers because of ice conditions in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, sailed this morning for Montreal.

SAYS RELATIONS BETWEEN U. S. AND
BRITAIN LESS FRIENDLY

New York, May 5.—Relations between this country and Great Britain are distinctly less friendly than they have been for the last eight or ten years, says the 1922 report of the Sulgrave Institution of the U. S., made public yesterday. The growing apathy is attributed by the Sulgrave Institution to the cooling of war passion and differences of opinion over the peace terms, the activities of alien organizations and the character of U. S. news sent to Great Britain.

Will Recall Russian
Episcopal Delegation

Methodist Board of Bishops Re-
fuses to Accept Responsibility
For Bishop Blake's Remarks
—Neither Supports Nor De-
fends Soviet.

Convicted That
U. S. SHOULD NOT
REMAIN ALOOF