

HOUSE OF LORDS WILL AMEND HOME RULE BILL

Lord Lansdowne Announces Modifications to Measure Will Be Made.

SPEECHES MUCH MORE CONCILIATORY IN TONE

Rumored that Fifty Thousand Rifles Have Been Landed on Irish Coast for the Nationalist Volunteers.

London, July 1.—When the bill to amend the Irish home rule bill came up today for second reading in the House of Lords, the Marquis of Lansdowne, the Unionist leader, announced that as Ireland was one vast armed camp it was necessary to find a way out of the calamity which was threatening. The Unionists, therefore, he said, would give the amending bill a second reading and introduce amendments during the committee stage in regard to the area to be excluded from the operations of the home rule bill, the duration of the exclusion, and the government of the excluded area. The Unionists, he concluded, would not agree to the second reading of the home rule bill itself.

Lord Lansdowne added that their action in passing the second reading of the amending bill would be misunderstood and misrepresented in many quarters, but there was no other way by which breathing space could be obtained, with the prospects of averting the horrors of civil war. The amendments to be introduced in the committee stage would be directed solely to making the bill a really adequate exclusion bill. With a touch of pathos he said: "The peers are so fast bound by the meshes of the parliament act that there is no other course open to them which would be likely to prove effective."

Most of the other speakers were equally conciliatory in tone. The notable exception was Lord Willoughby de Broke, the leader of the "die-hard" party, who moved the rejection of the bill. The Archbishop of York said that what the country wanted now was not an election but a settlement in some form. Irish self-government, he declared, was now inevitable.

The Earl of Arran announced he could not vote for the bill because it would be in violation of the oath of the Ulster covenants. Lord Bryce, in the course of the debate, expressed the belief that the difficulties could be surmounted. He admitted that some form of exclusion was necessary, but declared that he did not attach much importance to the time limit.

A rumor was current today that 50,000 rifles had been landed on the coast of County Mayo for the nationalist volunteers. It could not be confirmed.

The precise effect of the House of Lords proposed amendments to the government's amending bill will not be known until the home rule bill reaches the committee stage next week, but favorable omens are drawn by the leading morning newspapers from the conciliatory tone of the speeches on both sides of the House of Lords yesterday for a renewal of the negotiations between the party leaders, which it is believed will result in an agreement.

CHINESE BOY GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE

Jack Kong Sent to Penitentiary for Life for Murder of Mrs. Charles Millard.

Vancouver, B. C., July 1.—Declaring that he thought Jack Kong, the Chinese servant who killed Mrs. Charles Millard and dismembered and burned her body was guilty of murder instead of the lesser crime of manslaughter which the jury had decided was the crime, Justice Gregory yesterday emphasized his feeling by sentencing the seventeen-year-old criminal to spend the rest of his life in the penitentiary. Usually a "life" sentence means twenty-one years, but Kong, under the sentence of yesterday, must spend all his years within prison walls. His Lordship declared he was unable to see any redeeming feature, for he regarded the crime as one of peculiar cunning and ferocity.

SIR FRANCIS CAMPBELL DEAD

London, July 1.—Sir Francis J. Campbell, who was principal of the Royal Normal College and cademy for the Blind from 1872 to 1891, and who was knighted by the Queen in 1899, died today.

MEMBER OF H. CORET CONTRACTING FIRM ON THE STAND TUESDAY

Tells Commission Cost of Completion Likely as Great as Mr. Brown Estimated.

COMPANY'S CONTRACT ENTERED AS EVIDENCE.

Mr. Carvell Called to Time Again—Engineer D. W. Brown Completes His Evidence.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, June 30.—Cross-examination of Divisional Engineer Brown on the Royal Commission resuming this afternoon was brief. He said that the cost of completing his section of the road might be either greater or smaller than he had estimated, but he believed his figures fairly accurate. Under re-examination by Mr. Carvell Mr. Brown said he couldn't give information as to whether or not terminals or shops had been definitely provided for on the Gagetown-Centreville section of the road.

He also said that he had not considered the question of water at the St. John River at Gagetown, being affected by the sea water and not being suitable for use in locomotives. H. A. Corbett, of James H. Corbett & Sons, Company, Incorporated, was the next witness called. His company was incorporated in the State of Pennsylvania. He is manager, James H. Corbett is president and Charles Morozoff of Pennsylvania is the secretary-treasurer.

The company's contract for the construction of the Fredericton-Gagetown section of the road, 33 miles, was put in evidence. Prices for the principal items were as follows: Solid rock, \$125 per yard; other material, 30 cents per yard; track-laying, \$400 per mile; ballast, 40 cents per yard; train haul, 40 per yard; rock borrow (1 limit), \$1 per yard.

The contract was entered into on May, 1912, and in June the company started operations. Up to April 31st Mr. Corbett said that \$356,628.17 had been received. There was an additional \$17,221.67 which came in about the 20th of April on March estimates. In April but little work was done. A re-estimation of classifications brought the Corbett concern some \$7,165 later.

EXPECT TEN THOUSAND AT EPWORTH LEAGUE GATHERING IN BUFFALO

Buffalo, N. Y., July 1.—The ninth annual international gathering of the Epworth League will be formally opened here tonight with a welcome meeting. Hundreds of delegates are arriving by train, and an attendance exceeding 10,000 is expected. Sessions of the convention will be held in three halls simultaneously, and will continue through Saturday, when a patriotic rally will be given by Vice-President Charles W. Fairbanks and N. W. Rowell, M. P. of Toronto. Special religious services will be held Sunday.

There were 5,000 delegates at the opening meeting. Bishop Williams, who sounded the keynote of the convention when, in welcoming the delegates, he said: "The history of the world is the history of the struggle between good and evil. The Epworth League is a tremendous and you Epworthians may determine what the result may be. The saloon must be abolished, the streets must be cleaned, and the press must be free and clean and an agent of righteousness."

Bishop Burt's words were received with applause. Other speakers were Rev. J. W. Aikens of Toronto, Ont., and Bishop William A. Quayle of St. Paul.

MARCONI EXPECTS TO TELEPHONE FROM WALES TO NEW YORK

London, July 1.—Mr. Marconi contemplates being able to telephone from Carnarvon, Wales, to New York, before the end of this year, was the statement made today by the manager of the company in testifying before the Dominion's Royal Commission on imperial communications.

It was added that Mr. Marconi also anticipated increasing the speed of the wireless telegraph to 300 words a minute.

O'LEARY WON VANCOUVER, B. C., JULY 1

Vancouver, B. C., July 1.—Johnny O'Leary of Seattle, won the Canadian lightweight championship today from "Frenchy" Vaise of Renton, Washington, at the end of a seven-round fight.

The Mexican Affair Is Settled at Last

Ambassador De Gama, One of Peace Envoys Formally Announces That Trouble Between United States and Mexico Has Been Adjusted.

Niagara Falls, Ont., July 1.—Ambassador De Gama of Brazil today formally announced the practical settlement of the conflict between the United States and Mexico. He explained that while mediation would take an immediate form awaiting the coming of a special party of his work had been accomplished. He said that one of the essential points of the agreement, "that dealing with the international side of the conflict, is practically settled. He called attention to, in his speech, to the fact that President Wilson had personally informed the mediators before they left Washington that the only way to solve Mexico's problem was "to aid the contending parties in Mexico to reach an agreement among themselves, this obtaining a Mexican solution on the Mexican question."

The mediator's report formally acknowledged the interest from General Carranza, transmitted by Rafael Zubaran, his representative at Washington. The answer expresses the appreciation of the mediators for the friendly sentiment toward peace uttered by Carranza and is most courteously phrased. The American delegates today received word from Washington to leave here when they thought advisable, but they will be the last to go.

PRINCE OF TECK AT DOMINION DAY DINNER

Guest of Canadian Club in London—Speaks in Flattering Terms of Canada's Prosperous Condition.

London, July 2.—Prince Alexander of Teck, the new governor-general designate of Canada, made a most favorable impression at the Canadian dinner to celebrate Dominion Day, held at Connaught rooms, Great Queen street, last night, with Hon. George H. Preley in the chair. The passage in the prince's speech which was most cheered was that in which he dealt with the signs of permanence and prosperity which Canada had shown during the present time of financial stringency, such as the increasing federal revenue, the increased acreage under crop, and the fact that the banks have advanced all the money necessary for legitimate commercial progress, so that only the gamblers have been left without. A laugh ensued when the prince declared that no plea of western progress could be too gorgeously painted, if only it was painted in oils.

Mr. Henri Bourassa's eloquent speech was also loudly cheered, especially the passage in which he claimed that some Canadians feared that the appointment of prince like the Duke of Teck might interfere with democratic progress.

French-Canadians, however, did not hold such views, for they always trusted the even-handed justice to both races shown by the British crown.

COL. HUGHES GETS A BLACK HAND LETTER

Special to The Times. Ottawa, June 30.—Col. Sam. Hughes, minister of militia, was presented today through the mail of a harmless envelope which, however, contained a dire warning from a very small black hand carefully cut to the shape and color with ink. In the palm of the hand traced little in red, were the words "Beware." The minister of militia appeared little perturbed at the message of doom. "I have been shot at too many times to be scared at all," said he and he dismissed it from his mind.

The letter contains upon it an Ottawa postmark and the black hand has been traced from a very small original, so small as to appear like that of a woman.

BARS CLOSED YESTERDAY IN MONTREAL

Montreal, July 1.—The bars in Montreal were "abolished" for the holiday, and as a result there were practically no "drunks" in this city today. This is the first Dominion Day for the closing of the bars under the provincial act with reference to holidays. It came into force on May 1st, last, and Victoria Day saw the bars closed.

MINISTER OF MILITIA VISIT CAMP SUSSEX TODAY

Col. Hughes Will Inspect Camp and Review Cavalry Regiments this Morning.

SOLDIERS SPENT A BUSY DAY YESTERDAY

Many Visitors for Holiday, But Troops Were Hard at Work—Rumor of Soldier's Death Untrue.

Special to The Standard. Sussex, N. B., July 1.—Colonel the Hon. Sam Hughes will arrive at Sussex at 9 a. m. Thursday and will make a thorough inspection of the camp. He will review the two cavalry regiments in regimental drill in the morning before they leave for the march preparatory to the bitouac and sham battle. A hostile army would have stood but a very poor chance of taking Camp Sussex by surprise today, for from early morning until five o'clock all arms were out in force practicing outpost and advance guard work and also doing some practical work in reconnaissance, preparatory of the big day.

The weather was somewhat threatening but the rain held off until after the noon parade but there was some hailing on the part of the moon to get under cover as the weather man gave them very little time to let down the flaps of the tents, take in blankets and make snug for the night. Besides the practical work the cavalry and infantry also performed regimental drill. The former was, of course, the most spectacular as the average person is always more impressed by feats of horsemanship than the more marching of infantry, no matter how heavy the latter is performed. The cavalry are well up to the standard and performed difficult manoeuvres as the walk, trot and gallop in the best of order and without the least confusion. The Hussars who claim to be one of the crack cavalry regiments of Canada, are this year keeping up their reputation while their rivals, the Dragoons, although by many accounts their journal, leave very little which could be criticized by the most exacting inspector. The artillery were also out in strength in their numerous rounds and showed up well. The engineers spent the day in industriously constructing trenches and also built a light but substantial bridge across the stream.

Nine on Hospital List. At the hospital things are a little busier than they have been for some days. Nine men are now at No. 2 clearing hospital and about 40 men receiving light treatment. This increase is largely due to the inclement weather which has prevailed for the last couple of days, many of the men contracting slight bronchitis troubles. Col. Rutherford of Halifax, is expected to arrive here Thursday.

This morning a number of men who failed to make the required score at the range had an opportunity of making good which was greatly appreciated by the men, many of whom are now entitled to draw the 15 cents per day for good marksmanship. This will also be carried out tomorrow as well.

All day tomorrow the cavalry will be engaged in a practical application of the training they have received in the shape of a cavalry sham battle. The infantry, as well, will spend the day in practical exercise of battalions in attack and the telegraph detachment will be kept busy establishing transmission stations.

This is a decided change from the old idea of making Dominion Day a sort of holiday and spectacular show for the benefit of visitors at the camp. Tomorrow the administrative staff will be as follows: Field officer of day, Mr. Fisher, 28th Dragoons; O. M. O., Capt. McKinnon, A. M. C.; Range medical officer, Lt. Hennigar, A. M. C. The guard picket and band will be supplied by the 71st regiment.

This afternoon the weather fine, many visitors came in camp. The rumor that a man of the 73rd regiment being killed by breaking his neck as the result of tossing in a blanket is untrue.

The 8th Hussars held a dance tonight, many St. John young ladies coming up to attend.

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A HOT WAVE STRIKES PARIS

Paris, July 1.—A heat wave of exceptional severity is spreading over a large part of France. The highest temperature registered today was 95 degrees Fahrenheit at Rochefort in Paris. The temperature reached 83 degrees. There is a total absence of breeze in this city, with the result that a large number of prostrations have been reported.

WEATHER INTERFERES WITH CELEBRATION

Parrsboro Prepared for Large Gathering of Masons But Rain Kept Many Away.

Parrsboro, N. S., July 1.—The weather has been very unfavorable to the Masonic festival which the members of Minus Lodge had arranged to hold. Preparations had been made to feed and entertain a multitude of visitors and if the weather had been propitious the multitude would undoubtedly have been here. As it was the steamer Prince Albert brought an excursion from Wolfville, a special train arrived from Springhill at nine o'clock and another from Amherst at eleven, but neither brought as many visitors as would have come if the weather had been favorable. A large number drove in from the surrounding country. There was no heavy rain and the visitors who came appeared to enjoy themselves, but the unpleasant weather made the day a comparative failure.

MANY ATTRACTIONS IN MONTREAL FOR CANADA'S BIRTHDAY

Montreal, July 1.—Dominion Day was celebrated in Montreal much in the usual holiday style. Thousands of excursionists went away for the day on the various special outings, and other thousands came into the city from many points. The militia marked the day to some extent. The Second Battery, Montreal Brigade, Canadian Artillery, paraded at 10 o'clock this morning and fired a royal salute. During the day almost every variety of sport knows in this city had a place in the holiday, including two games of baseball between Buffalo and the home team, each winning a game and two lacrosse games. The real vs Shamrocks and Nations. Montreal vs Maple Day menus were specially prepared for all the railway dining cars, supplied by the government of the province of Quebec, and ten thousand booklets descriptive of Quebec's maple products and samples of maple sugar were distributed in the cars.

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