

DEPOSITION TAKEN HERE IS NOT READ

Hattie LeBlanc's Evidence Taken in St. John Was Objected To On Technical Grounds in Cambridge.

Cambridge, Mass., April 27.—Having passed through a similar ordeal several times before, Mrs. Lillian F. Glover, the murdered Waltham laundryman's wife did not wince today when the testimony in the trial in the supreme court of the appeal from the probate of the will was aimed directly at her.

CHURCHES BURNED IN CARLETON COUNTY

Methodist and Reformed Baptist Churches at Waterville Are Both In Ashes As Result Of Fire.

Hartland, April 27.—The village of Waterville, about 4 miles from here, was the scene of a disastrous fire this afternoon. The fire broke out in the Methodist church and soon spread across the road to the Reformed Baptist church. Both edifices were burned to the ground and a barn owned by William Davis which was set on fire by the sparks was badly damaged.

ARTILLERYMEN FOR CORONATION TRIP

One Man From Each Of The 15 Most Efficient Field Batteries Will Be Taken To England.

Ottawa, April 27.—The officers commanding field batteries have received instructions to the effect that one man from each of the 15 highest field batteries in last year's efficiency list will be taken on the composite team which goes to England in August for the artillery competition. Thus each of the Ottawa batteries will be allowed to send a man. The field battery men will be assembled at Petawawa before the team leaves for preliminary training on the grounds there. They will then go to Halifax for training with the coast defence guns. The officers for the team have not yet been chosen. There will be eight men from the heavy artillery and seventeen men from the coast defence, making a team of 25 strong. The men will probably be chosen on their showing in camp.

STEAMER SINKS IN SOUTHERN RIVER.

Pensacola, Fla., April 27.—Loaded to capacity with a 5,000 barrel cargo of naval stores, the river steamer Belle, from Vernon, Florida, to Pensacola sank in a severe fifty mile gale yesterday in the Choctaw River, and four lives were lost.

WOULD MAKE UNIVERSITY INDEPENDENT OF CHURCH

Kingston, April 27.—The trustees of Queens University by a vote of 17 to 4, resolved to ask the general assembly of the Presbyterian church to take action to separate the university from the church.

INSPECTING W. I. TROOPS.

Kingston, Ja., April 27.—General Sir Ian Hamilton, Inspector of the overseas forces of Great Britain today completed an extensive inspection of the fortifications, regular troops, militia and police here. He sailed this afternoon for Cuba on his way to Bermuda.

LANCOT'S HOUSE PAINTING JOB WAS AGAIN DISCUSSED

Liberal Members Falling Over Themselves to Make Excuses for their Colleague from Richelieu, who had His House Painted by Government Workmen -- "Criminal Code Calls it Theft."

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., April 27.—Henceforward if you are a member of parliament and live near a government shipyard, you have a map. Does your house need painting? Have the job done by government workmen in government time, and pay what the department asks and when the department sends in the bill.

TORONTO MAY HAVE A STRIKE TO FIGHT SOON

Serious Crisis Has Arisen In Building Trades — Men Want More Money And May Strike To Get It.

Toronto, April 27.—Another serious crisis has arisen in the building trade which if not promptly overcome, threatens to completely paralyze that industry. The men engaged in the work of what promises to be a record season in this city. The trouble has been caused by refusal of the employers' association to grant an increase of five cents per hour to the men engaged on steel structural work.

PROVIDENCE WANTS TO GET GRAND TRUNK

Plan To Be Placed Before Rhode Island Legislature To Enable G. T. R. To Reach a Providence Terminal.

Providence, R. I., April 27.—A plan, which, if accepted by the legislature, will enable the Grand Trunk Railroad to reach a tidewater terminal in this city by tunnelling under the tracks of its rival, the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, was agreed upon today. The plan was presented to the house committee on corporations at a conference this afternoon, at which vice-president E. H. Fitzhugh of the Grand Trunk, and vice president E. G. Buckland, of the New Haven road, were present.

EX-MAYOR OF CALGARY SENT TO SANITORIUM.

Winnipeg, April 27.—R. R. Jamieson, prominent business man, ex-mayor of Calgary, and formerly general superintendent of the C. P. R. at Winnipeg, has been taken to New Westminister sanatorium in a hopeless condition; fatal results are feared. His decline is most sudden, for his health was excellent.

PASSED UP TAFT'S SON; WILL MARRY ANOTHER

Chicago, April 27.—Miss Olive Gardner, the beauty of Evanston, to whom Robert Taft, son of President Taft, paid such ardent court last fall that an engagement was rumored, is to marry J. Lawrence Onderdonk, of Evanston.

THE ROYAL GEORGE OPENS THE SEASON ON THE ST. LAWRENCE

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Que., April 27.—The steamer Royal George, the first of the trans-Atlantic navigation to the St. Lawrence this year, arrived at Quebec at 10 a. m. today. On her way to the Gulf of St. Lawrence she will be followed by the steamer Ontario, which will arrive here late on Saturday.

M'NAMARA IS HOPEFUL OF LIBERTY

Labor Union Official Arrested In Connection With Dynamiting Case Issues Statement Proclaiming Innocence

Los Angeles, Cal., April 27.—John J. McNamara, secretary and treasurer of the international bridge and structural iron workers' association, gave his first authorized statement as to his arrest to the Associated Press today. The statement follows: "To the brotherhood of organized labor in California and the United States: "In this second attempt to crush and discredit the cause we represent, I fully realize the desperation of the enemies of labor arrayed against us, but I am of good heart, for it will fail."

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PLANNING TO MAKE PHILIPPINES FREE

Resolution Introduced Into American House To Make The Islands Entirely Neutral Under Protection.

Washington, April 27.—Representative Sabath, of Illinois, today introduced a resolution providing for the neutralization of the Philippine Islands, which will be considered by the house committee on insular affairs. The resolution directs the President to take steps to secure an international guarantee whereby the islands shall be forever neutralized and placed under the protection of the powers.

DALHOUSIE'S CONVOCATION

President Forrest Occupies College Chair For Last Time At Brilliant Function—Honorary Degrees Conferred.

Halifax, April 27.—John Forrest, D. D., president of Dalhousie University, conducted the closing convocation today for the last time in his official capacity, having tendered his resignation of the presidency some months ago. The convocation was a brilliant affair. President R. A. Falconer, of the University of Toronto, made an address discussing the place of the university in national life. Another speaker was Prof. W. T. Paterson, of Edinburgh University. Two honorary degrees of LL. D. were conferred, first on E. L. Newcombe, deputy minister of justice, who was present, and on the Hon. W. S. Fielding, an absentee.

FEAR FOR FRENCH CAPTAIN

Tangier, April 27.—Rumors are current here that Captain Bromard, in command of a relief column marching to Fez, has been killed. There is no confirmation of this report.

TAFT PRESENTS AMERICAN EFFECTS OF RECIPROcity PRO

Speaking at Associated Press Banquet in New York, President Advocates Reciprocity Because it Would Give Access to Canada's Natural Resources and Strike Heavy Blow at British Preference.

New York, N. Y., April 27.—Reciprocity with Canada must be adopted now or never and must stand or fall by its own terms, so declared President Taft in an address at the fourth annual joint banquet of the Associated Press and the American Newspaper Publishers' Association. His address was the first of a series which he plans to evoke public sentiment in support of his policy and he appealed to the company of editors and newspaper owners, gathered from the length and the breadth of the land, to impress in the public mind that reciprocity should stand alone and "ought not to be affected in any regard by other amendments to the tariff law."

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PROBING TOLLS CHARGED BY THE TELEGRAPH COS.

Railway Commission Opened Hearing In Case Yesterday, But Discussion Got So Warm It Was Adjourned.

Toronto, Ont., April 27.—Shortly before noon today, the Dominion Railway Commission got down to hearing what is tersely designated on the order board as a "general inquiry into tariffs of tolls of telegraph companies." The inquiry is apparently to be very complete and it would not be surprising if it took all of a week to get the evidence before the board. The investigation is the fruit of a complaint lodged by the Winnipeg board of trade and the Dominion government was sufficiently interested in the inquiry to appoint Mr. Pitblado of Winnipeg to conduct the investigation before the railway commission.

SPANISH PRESS ADVISES CAUTION

Urges Spanish Premier To Be Careful Of Complications With France In Dealing With Moroccan Affair.

Paris, April 27.—The Spanish press generally urges the government to proceed with the utmost caution, Premier Canalejas and his associates in the Spanish ministry find themselves in a difficult position. The army is not disposed to go to Morocco and public opinion is opposed to the cost of money and lives without seeing definite advantages to be gained. It is understood unofficially that the French government considers that since its action is in interest of all the powers, all will approve, including Germany. Nevertheless, the comment of some of the German newspapers reprinted here, disturbs some Frenchmen. However, the supporters of the government policy recall that the French and German Moroccan agreement of 1906 gives Germany what is interpreted in France to be predominant commercial interests in Morocco, while France retains a predominant political position there.

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PROVINCIAL MINISTERS IN THE CAPITAL

Hon. Robert Maxwell And Hon. H. F. McLeod In Ottawa Express Belief That Reciprocity Will Beat Liberals.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, April 27.—Hon. Robert Maxwell and Hon. Harry F. McLeod, two of the ministers of the government of New Brunswick, are in the city on provincial business. They also bring a message of cheer to the Federal Conservatives. They are hopeful that the next general election will be fought on the issue of reciprocity, when they express themselves as certain that they will sweep the province. "If we can only get an appeal to the people on reciprocity," said Mr. McLeod, "we shall carry the province two to one against the agreement."

HALIFAX FIREMEN WERE NEAR DEATH

Chief Broderick With His Captain And Ten Men Had Narrow Escape At Yesterday's Blaze.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S., April 27.—A warehouse with its contents consisting of a variety of goods, at the North West Arm, owned by George Brister, was completely destroyed by fire today. The loss is placed at \$4,000, with no insurance. During the progress of the fire, Chief Broderick, Capt. Burns, and twelve hosemen narrowly escaped with their lives, when the south and west walls of the building collapsed simultaneously, both walls falling outward. The men were working close up under the walls, and all hands retreated when the walls were seen to be toppling. Capt. Burns narrowly escaped by the other two were caught under the debris, fortunately, however, they were overtaken as the edge of the ditch into which they threw themselves, and from which later they emerged unhurt.

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