

## FIFTEEN MEN PERISH IN TERRIBLE DISASTER OFF THE NOVA SCOTIAN COAST

Lightship Halifax No. 19 Ashore on the Liscomb Ledges.

WENT ON ROCKS IN A DENSE FOG AND GALE.

Nothing Known Until Early on Saturday Morning When Captain Murdoch of Steamer Dufferin Saw Bodies and Wreckage Drifting in Sea.

Halifax, May 24.—The new lightship Halifax, No. 19, built for Glasgow harbor and on her way from Glasgow to Halifax, stranded on Liscomb Ledges in a dense fog and heavy seas and it is believed that her crew of fifteen men have perished.

Nothing was known of this until Saturday morning about 9.15 when the steamer Dufferin, Captain Murdoch, which was cautiously groping her way into Liscomb harbor through a thick and almost impenetrable fog, suddenly ran into a quantity of wreckage, among which he saw lifeless bodies. At great risk of getting in the breakers himself he put out boats and succeeded in recovering three bodies, all of which were found in that vicinity. By this time the fishermen, being ready to take any risk, put out their boats and succeeded in recovering four more bodies, making seven altogether.

The government steamer Stanley arrived at seven o'clock in the evening and arrangements were made to bury the bodies at the Methodist cemetery. The bodies recovered may be identified by the following description:

No. 1. Elderly man, about 60 years of age, grey hair and moustache, left forearm tattooed with crown, finger tattooed with initials.

No. 2. Young man, about 30 years of age, no beard, name on pocket book, William Wilson, Glasgow.

No. 3. Englishman, tried to be John Gordon, Glasgow.

No. 4. Age about 35, dark hair, moustache.

No. 5. Age about 35, dark hair, brown moustache, weight about 160 pounds, thought to be engineer.

No. 6. Dark, wavy hair, tattooed on both arms, left eye artificial.

No. 7. Age about 70, badly bruised. Seven of the crew of the lightship were buried here by side by Underaker Sears, of Guysboro. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. E. P. Plowman, minister of the Methodist church. Nearly all of the crew of the government steamer Stanley attended and there were many of the residents of the place also present.

The bodies of nine or ten others who perished when the lightship went on the rocks on Friday night are still adrift on the sea or at its bottom. The lightship itself is piled on Crook's ledge, half turned over.

Such in brief sentence is the terrible story of the havoc wrought by a heavy sea and dense fog on the eastern part of the Nova Scotia coast on Friday night, news of which was brought ashore on Saturday morning by Captain Murdoch, of the steamer Dufferin.

The exact hour when the lightship struck will never be known, but the chronometer which was found in the wreckage stopped at 2.10 Greenwich, or 10.10 p. m. Halifax time. The ship may have struck some time before that hour. A steamer's whistle was heard at five in the afternoon, but it did not sound like that of a craft in distress.

Fourteen on Board.

A special cable from Glasgow, Scotland, says there were fourteen men on lightship Halifax number 19 when this ill-fated craft left the Clyde for Nova Scotia on April 25th. Nearly all of them were Glasgow men. So far as the builders of the craft, Bow, MacLaughlin and Company are aware there were no women and children on board, but the lightship called at Queenstown four days later and there is a possibility some passengers may have come on board her there seeking a cheap trip to Canada.

Those who signed on at Glasgow for the trip were:

John MacBeath, master, Glasgow.

John Anderson, mate, Dundee.

John MacKenzie, chief engineer, Glasgow.

James Ray, second engineer, Glasgow.

David Cairns, third engineer, Glasgow.

John MacKillop, Glasgow.

Augustus MacCorkell, Glasgow.

John MacPherson, Glasgow.

MacFarlane, Glasgow.

Alexander MacGregor, Glasgow.

William Morrison, Glasgow.

Joseph Lee, Greenock.

John Gorman, Belfast.

Mike Pothal, residence unknown.

No more bodies have been recovered.

An Unexpected Explosion.

On Sunday evening a number of the explosives used in the construction work being carried on in East Saint John were ignited and made a loud report. A fire which had been started by some boys, it is thought, set into the house where these explosives are kept and they were set off. It was reported that the dynamite house had blown up but such was not the case.

## ACADIA UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS IN FLAMES

Chipman Hall, Gymnasium and Residence Already Gone and Main Building Threatened Grave Fears for Safety of Wolfville.

Special to The Standard

Wolfville, N. S., May 25.—As a result of a blaze which started in the western end of the Acadia University gymnasium at one o'clock this morning the gymnasium is a complete ruin, Chipman Hall, the University residence is a mass of flames and the main university building is threatened with destruction. Help has been asked from Kentville and a special train with fire fighting apparatus is on the way here now. A heavy wind is blowing from the southwest and unless help arrives soon the north eastern section of the town will be destroyed.

Fire was first discovered in the gymnasium at one o'clock and before help arrived the whole building was a mass of flames. Chipman Hall, a five story structure, where many of the students are housed, was soon in flames the wind is now driving the sparks onto the main college building. The male students have been formed into a bucket brigade and they are at present drenching the roof of the main building. It is hoped that the main building will be saved. Chipman Hall was a five story building and had accommodation for about seventy-five boarders. Both the hall and the gymnasium are partly covered by insurance.

## MAGNIFICENT MUSIC AT MOUNT ALLISON CLOSING

Italian Artists Win Approval of Audience — Students Hear in Excellent Programmes—Baccalaureate Service Conducted by Rev. John V. Smith of Montreal.

Sackville, May 25.—In connection with the closing exercises of Mount Allison University this evening in the Charles Fawcett Memorial Hall the two Italian artists, G. Aldo Van Ran, singer and Michael Scalfaro, pianist and violinist, respectively, delighted a very large and appreciative audience. These artists were brought here from New York especially to perform at the annual closing exercises of the institution. They were ably assisted by two instructors of the Conservatory of Music, Misses Tydell and Clavering.

In Charles Fawcett Memorial Hall this afternoon at three p. m. students of Mount Allison school of expression gave a very pleasing recital. A large number of spectators were in attendance and greatly enjoyed the program successfully carried out by these young artists, for truly they were each a number of well merited and prolonged applause. These clever pupils have been under tuition of Miss Clavering, principal of Mount Allison school of expression and this recital is proof positive of her ability to conduct this particular department.

The weather Sunday morning was threatening. A strong wind was blowing and clouds were scudding the skies. Slight showers occurred, but toward noon the sky cleared and the remainder of the day was fair and clear. In the morning in the Methodist church Rev. A. S. Rogers of Yarmouth, N. S., preached a very forceful sermon to a large congregation, basing his discourse on various passages of the Book of John. Special music was rendered.

In the afternoon at three o'clock in the gymnasium the farewell meeting of the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. was held. The services in connection with this event were of a very pleasing nature.

Baccalaureate Service

At about 6.30 p. m. the faculties of the institutions, the resident members of the board of regents, including His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Wood, and the students of the three institutions gathered in front of Memorial Hall and marched in a body to Charles Fawcett Memorial Hall, where the Baccalaureate service was held. Rev. John V. Smith, pastor of Douglas street Methodist church, Montreal, preached the baccalaureate sermon, his text being taken from Acts 4, 12 and St. John 14, 16, "Neither is salvation in any other man cometh to the Father but through Me." The address which was of exceptional power and interest, had as its keynote the essentials of the Christian religion, a warning against the easy tolerance of modernism and the suggestion that after all the old songs, the old beliefs, the old doctrines of preaching Christ, and His crucifixion, was what the world most needed.

Music of a special nature was effectively rendered by the choral class of the institutions, assisted by an orchestra of thirty pieces, all under the direction of Prof. A. E. Whitehead. The outstanding features of the service was the duet sung by Miss Annie Ford of Sackville and V. William Godfrey of Chatham, N. B., and the anthem, "The Radiant Morn Hath Passed Away," sung by the choral class. The service throughout was of the most impressive nature and very uplifting.

## VILLAGE NEAR MONCTON WAS FIRE SEPT

Hamlet of Berry's Mill Practically Destroyed by Flames.

SEVEN BUILDINGS BURNED TO GROUND

Two Dwellings, a School House, Barns and Outbuildings in Ruins—Hundreds Fought the Blaze.

Moncton, May 25.—Seven buildings, including two dwellings, a school house, barns and outbuildings, causing a loss of about ten thousand dollars, were burned this afternoon at Berry's Mills, about eight miles from Moncton along the northern division of the I. C. R. The fire started about noon on the roof of Daniel Berry's house, which was soon leveled to the ground.

A heavy gale was blowing and burning boards and shingles were blown to other parts of the neighborhood. The house and barn belonging to Gilbert Lutz, adjoining Berry's were destroyed and soon several other buildings were on fire.

Telephone calls for assistance went out to farmers for miles around and soon there was a force of a hundred men fighting the flames. A fortunate change in the wind when the fire was close in town at the Misses Hazel, Minnie and Hilda Tait, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Tait, of Shediac; Miss Ryan Moncton; Misses Bessie Dismore and Marjorie Baskin, St. Stephen; Miss Gladys Woodbury, Halifax; Miss Edith McCormick, Annapolis, N.S.; Miss Marion Marshall, Bridgewater, N.S.; Miss Violet Newcomb, Kentville, N.S.; Miss Nellie Pickup, Granville Ferry, N.S.; Mrs. McLean, Campbellton, N.B.; Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Christie and Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Averd, Amherst, N.S.; Mrs. Gordon Mills and Miss Roach, Sussex; Miss Helen Hughes, Charlottetown; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Francis, Halifax; The Misses Alice Wilson, May Goodwin, Zela Lamereaux, Alice Lockhart, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, who resides in Fairville was severely injured on Sunday evening when he was given a toss from the carriage he was driving on the Mansfield road, and it is thought likely that his left leg has been fractured. He was also cut about the hands and face. Crawford is about sixty years old.

Thrown From His Carriage.

Robert Crawford, who resides in Fairville was severely injured on Sunday evening when he was given a toss from the carriage he was driving on the Mansfield road, and it is thought likely that his left leg has been fractured. He was also cut about the hands and face. Crawford is about sixty years old.

At this time each year many former graduates and friends of the Mount Allison institutions return to Sackville to visit their Alma Mater. The number of visitors in town this year appears to be large than ever. Among those in town are the Misses Hazel, Minnie and Hilda Tait, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Tait, of Shediac; Miss Ryan Moncton; Misses Bessie Dismore and Marjorie Baskin, St. Stephen; Miss Gladys Woodbury, Halifax; Miss Edith McCormick, Annapolis, N.S.; Miss Marion Marshall, Bridgewater, N.S.; Miss Violet Newcomb, Kentville, N.S.; Miss Nellie Pickup, Granville Ferry, N.S.; Mrs. McLean, Campbellton, N.B.; Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Christie and Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Averd, Amherst, N.S.; Mrs. Gordon Mills and Miss Roach, Sussex; Miss Helen Hughes, Charlottetown; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Francis, Halifax; The Misses Alice Wilson, May Goodwin, Zela Lamereaux, Alice Lockhart, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, who resides in Fairville was severely injured on Sunday evening when he was given a toss from the carriage he was driving on the Mansfield road, and it is thought likely that his left leg has been fractured. He was also cut about the hands and face. Crawford is about sixty years old.

Mrs. W. G. Smith, Miss Nellie Williams, and Stanley Smith, St. John, N.B.; Miss Nan Clark, Bear River, N.S.; Miss Lou Abbott, Bathurst, N.B.; Mr. Irving, Moncton; Abner McCallister, St. Stephen; Frank West, Coles Island.

Sackville, N. B., May 25.—This afternoon the junior students of Mount Allison Ladies' College gave a very pleasing concert in the Charles Fawcett Memorial Hall. A large number were present and greatly enjoyed the program rendered by these young and promising students.

In the evening the closing reception was held in the Ladies' College, when a large number of the visitors, students and citizens of the town met. A program consisting of six numbers was delightfully carried out by the students. The Citizens' band also furnished music for this occasion.

A TWENTY ROUND DRAW

Halifax, N. S., May 25.—Mickey McIntyre of Glace Bay, and Bay Wood of Boston boxed twenty rounds to draw at the arena tonight. Both men put up a clever exhibition, and decision was popular, as they were strong and going fast at the end of the last round. 1,200 persons witnessed the bout.

## HOME RULE BILL PASSES THIRD READING; SENT ON TO THE HOUSE OF LORDS

Vote in House of Commons 351 to 274 Giving Hard Fought Measure a Majority of 77—End of Struggle Came Quite Suddenly.

WILD SCENES OF ENTHUSIASM BY THE LIBERALS AND NATIONALISTS

Premier Asquith in Brief Speech Defends Action of Government—The Provisions of the Bill — Irish Parliament Cannot Interfere With Religious Beliefs—Division Strictly on Party Lines—"A Contemptible Farce," Says Andrew Bonar Law.

London, May 25.—By a vote of 351 to 274, a majority of 77, the House of Commons today read a third time the Irish Home Rule bill and passed the hard fought measure on to the House of Lords, where further effort will be made, by means of amending the bill, to bring the act into a shape which will secure it the good will of all classes of Irishmen.

The end of the struggle came quite suddenly, the Unionists refusing to debate the bill without further information as to the government's intentions in regard to the proposed amending measure.

Premier Asquith lifted a corner of the veil, but Andrew Bonar Law leader of the opposition, learned Mr. Asquith had not told them anything. To discuss the third reading under the circumstances would, he said, be futile and ridiculous. He added, "Let the curtain ring down on this contemptible farce. It is only the end of an act and not of the play. The government can carry the bill through parliament, but the concluding act of the drama will be in the country, where an appeal to the people will not end in a farce."

After a brief speech by Premier Asquith, in which he defended the government against the charge of ignoring the rights of the minority and redressing the balance of power between the parties by means of the Parliament Act, he concluded his speech by introducing an amending bill, not because he thought the Irish Home Rule measure was bad or imperfect, but because he was anxious for peace.

The vote was then taken and the announcement of the figures, showing a majority of 77 for the bill, brought out a great demonstration by the Nationalists and the Liberals. As one man they rose from their seats cheering and waving hats and handkerchiefs.

Division on Party Lines.

The division was taken strictly on party lines. The followers of William O'Brien abstained from voting. Mr. O'Brien expressing the view that "the premier's action was not straight dealing either with England or Ireland."

The Right Hon. James Lowther, the speaker, took an early opportunity to day of applying balm to the sores left by the violent incidents of Thursday last. He frankly admitted that he should not have used the expression he did when he asked Andrew Bonar Law, leader of the opposition whether he approved of the disorderly demonstration by the Unionist members.

The speaker appealed to the Premier to give the house some information regarding the bill to be introduced after the vote.

HOW POLICEMAN FOUND HIMSELF.

Peculiar Predicament in which Police Officer Frank O'Leary Found Himself.

Police Officer Frank O'Leary is now out of a job as the result of a clash in instructions issued by Commissioner McLellan and not sanctioned by Chief Clark.

O'Leary was told early last week to don civilian clothing and do special duty during the time of the fire scars in North End. These orders were given by Commissioner McLellan of the Safety Department. O'Leary did as requested but not with the sanction or permission of Chief of Police Clark. As a result O'Leary was called before the chief on Saturday evening and dismissed from the force.

It has been rumored that O'Leary may be sworn in by the commissioner as a special constable to do duty in the Old Burying Ground and the King Square, which duty was performed last year by Special Constable Howard who is now on the police force doing duty in the West End.

Mr. Southorn, former governor of South Africa, said that while this was not the occasion to refer to naval standards, "our doses of salt water could not be prescribed in pint bottles," nor could sea strength be estimated by medicinal measures.

Viscount Buxton, Sir George Reid

## WOMEN HAVE A NEW BATTLE GROUND

"Shoot the King" shouted again and again, at recent meetings — Suffragettes losing much ground.

London, May 25.—Shouts of "Shoot the King" filled the hall in which a meeting of the Women's Social and Political Union, the militant suffragette organization, was held this afternoon. Every mention of King George's name was greeted with angry derision and prolonged hissing.

Mrs. Mildred Ella Mansel, who served a term of imprisonment for breaking windows at the war office, presided at the suffragette gathering. She alluded to the scenes at Buckingham Palace on Thursday, when fifty-seven suffragettes, including Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, were arrested at the gate, and declared that both the Royal name and the Royal office had been disgraced.

"Some day an exasperated chowd will break into a procession of militants. What will then happen to you women nobody knows at present. You have to thank the police for being alive; you owe them a debt of gratitude."

Magistrate Hopkins of the Dow St. police station thus addressed a suffragette who had applied for a summons against an unknown man who she declared had struck her in the face when the crowd rushed the suffragette meeting in Hyde Park Sunday afternoon, and the police came to the women's rescue.

The magistrate's warning is well founded for public exasperation against the militants was never before so high. Their attacks on the King have done more to intensify it than their acts of incendiarism and vandalism for the English are an intensely loyal people.

The language of the militants at the meeting of the Women's Social and Political Union this afternoon, when shouts of "shoot the King" were heard on every side, shows that the warning is little likely to be heeded and except for the protection afforded them by the police they would be unable to hold public meetings anywhere without the risk of being badly hurt.

Miss Mary Richardson, who was sentenced to six months imprisonment last March for slashing the "Rokeby Venus" and who was released and then re-arrested on May 20 after undergoing an operation for appendicitis when released tonight from Holloway jail. She had been on a hunger and thirst "strike" and was in a serious condition.

OVERSEAS CLUB CELEBRATES EMPIRE DAY

Lord Mayor of London and Lord Northcliffe Among the Speakers—Open New Quarters.

London, May 25.—Empire Day was celebrated here by the Overseas Club in a fitting manner, the new club premises on Aldwick street, opposite the site of the proposed Canadian buildings being formally opened. A large number of guests associated with life in various parts of the Empire gathered together under the joint presidency of the Lord Mayor and Lord Northcliffe. At noon the former declared the premises open after which luncheon was served at the Waldorf Hotel.

Lord Northcliffe in responding to the congratulations of the Lord Mayor on the progress made by the organization emphasized the non-partisan character of all its efforts. In seeking to promote Empire fraternity the club had difficulties such as that of the problem of Hindustani immigration to Canada but it was possible to tactfully reconcile many racial elements.

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and Thomas MacKenzie also spoke while messages of congratulation were received from the Duke of Connaught, Prince Alexander of Teck, Right Hon. R. L. Borden, George E. Foster and others. Premier Morris of Newfoundland was among the guests.

## FOUR PERSONS SURVIVE THIRST AND HUNGER AND ELEVEN SUCCUMB IN LIFEBOAT FROM THE WRECKED COLUMBIAN

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