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MOST OF NEWS CAME FROM WHITE STAR

Official of Agency Tells Source of Reports Of Disaster WERE KEPT BUSY

Little Time Available to Verify Early Accounts of Wreck of Titanic—American Investigation is Continued.

Washington, May 9.—The Titanic inquiry was reopened by the senate investigating committee today to permit testimony by Maurice L. Farrell of New York City, managing news editor of Dow, Jones and Company.

Mr. Farrell said that the information they sent out was virtually all from the White Star office, which was headed by the vice-president of the White Star Line, or his subordinate officers.

Mr. Farrell read from a despatch which stated: "Despatch received from Halifax reports that all of the passengers of the Titanic left the steamer after 3:20 o'clock this morning."

Mr. Farrell identified a memorandum accompanying a despatch dated 8:55 which was said, was received from the Boston News Bureau, the Boston correspondent of the company.

"Did you attempt to verify this at the White Star office?" asked Senator Smith.

"We did prior to that we had received from the White Star office a statement somewhat similar to this. It was put in our ticker service at 8:25 a. m."

Mr. Farrell was asked to read into the record all his ticker news service on Monday following the sinking of the Titanic and to explain their source. The despatch of 8 a. m. Monday announced the accident from the morning papers.

It was at 9:02 and at 9:25 that bulletins were sent out based on statements obtained by his reporters from the White Star Line.

From the Laffin News Bureau, Mr. Farrell said he obtained the basis for his item that an attempt was being made in London to have Lloyds insure the Titanic.

"Did you attempt to verify the report?" Senator Smith asked.

"No sir," replied the witness. "Didn't you send a reporter to Lloyds to substantiate it?"

MUSEUM GETS FIRST COINS TO BE STRUCK

New Five and Ten Dollar Pieces For the Victoria Museum.

Latest Vintage From Ottawa Mint Distributed Throughout Dominion—Description of the New Gold Coins.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, May 9.—The Finance Department forwarding to the several offices of the receiver general at Vancouver, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, St. John, Charlottetown, and Halifax a supply of the new ten and five dollar (Canadian gold coins now being minted at Ottawa. The technical description is as follows:

Ten dollars, for the obverse impression His Majesty's effigy, consisting of head and bust wearing the imperial crown and the robe of state with the collar of the garter and looking to the left with the inscription: "Georgius V Dei Gra, Rex Ind, Imp"

Five dollars, the same obverse impression and inscription as the ten dollars, and for the reverse a shield bearing the arms of the Dominion of Canada within a wreath of maple leaves, surrounded by the inscription: "Canada" with date of issue, with a graining upon the edge.

The public may obtain these coins at any of the above mentioned offices. The minister of finance has personally presented the first coin struck of each denomination to the Victoria Memorial Museum, Ottawa, as likely to be of future historical interest.

DEFAULTING BANK CLERKS ARE GIVEN HEAVY SENTENCES

Youths Who Were Relieved of Employers' Money in Gambling Den Disposed of by Vancouver Magistrate.

Vancouver, May 9.—Three years for John H. Robble of the Imperial bank, two and a half years for Maurice Connor of the Merchants bank, and two years for Alex. Strachan of the Merchants bank, were the sentences imposed this morning by Magistrate Shaw on the three young bank clerks who yesterday admitted defalcations from the two banks amounting in all to nearly \$12,000.

PLAN TO CURTAIL DUELING IN THE GERMAN FORCES

Berlin, May 9.—The clericals today introduced a resolution in the Reichstag asking the imperial chancellor, Dr. Von Bethman-Hollweg, to take steps to end dueling in the army, particularly in the practice that makes it compulsory for an offender to challenge the offender or leave the army. Pending this report the resolution demands the observance of the imperial order of 1871 restricting dueling. The resolution will be adopted as the clericals and socialists demonstrated yesterday that they have a clear majority when cooperating.

MINISTER WILL VISIT HALIFAX THE END OF WEEK

Halifax, May 9.—A telegram from Hon. Frank Cochrane, minister of railways and canals, says he will arrive in Halifax on Friday evening to spend Saturday and Sunday in this city. He will meet the Board of Trade at 4:30 on Saturday afternoon. The minister may leave on Sunday evening's express.

HOME RULE BILL PASSED SECOND READING BY LARGE MAJORITY

Plurality Greater This Time by Six Votes--Both Parties Gathered in Every Available Member for Division--Enthusiastic Demonstration

Bill Shelved for the Moment and Opposition Prepares to Hamp-er Progress by Intermittent Series of Amendments--Tories Unite Under Style of "National Unionist Association"

London, May 9.—The government carried the Home Rule bill on its second reading in the House of Commons tonight by a majority of 101 as against 72 to 27. It was the most largely attended debate in the history of the House. Both sides had done their utmost to secure every available vote.

Mr. Balfour, former premier and now Mr. Churchill, first Lord of the Admiralty, returned from Weymouth in order to be present. The announcement of the figures of the vote showed an enthusiastic demonstration on the government side and the Minister gave a great ovation on leaving the House with his wife and daughter by the crowd assembled outside.

The bill was formally referred to a committee of the whole House, but as Home Rule and Welsh disestablishment are being taken concurrently, it will now be the turn of the Welsh bill. The committee stage of the Home Rule bill is not expected to be reached until after Whit Sunday and will probably occupy a couple of months even with a liberal application of the clause suspending the bill.

Mr. Redmond entered the home rule fray this afternoon in the Commons with defence of the claim of Irishmen to manage their own affairs. He has been the most eloquent of speakers in the remarkable proposition that having obtained a greater charter of liberty, the Irish would propose to themselves a collection of fools and would immediately set to work to wreck and ruin their own constitution and political independence.

The moment home rule was granted, continued Mr. Redmond, it would become the highest interest of Great Britain and for the future in the history to do all in her power to promote the unity, the prosperity and the welfare of the Empire.

Andrew Bonar Law, leader of the opposition, assailed the bill fiercely. The government, he declared, was setting up a union but to destroy the union which already existed. He denounced the safeguards in the bill as utterly futile, and drew a gloomy picture of Ireland's future under home rule.

Every man present of independent mind, said the speaker, had tried to get the attention in a hurried way. The new Irish parliament would launch all sorts of schemes for improving the condition of the country, borrowing money for the purpose. As a result the imperial parliament would become liable for a huge capital sum it would not have sanctioned and for expenditures over which it had absolutely no control.

Mr. Redmond said he had been a federalist all his life and welcomed the declaration of the present bill as the first step towards a great system of federates all round. Nationalists, he said, accepted the bill as a final settlement of the international quarrel between England and Ireland and when saying this he spoke not only for Irishmen in Ireland, but for those in Canada, the United States, New Zealand and Australia.

From the point of view of foreign policy and military strength of Great Britain, Home Rule in Mr. Redmond's opinion was the most urgent step that could be taken. He concluded: "If you want to present to the world in this event in which England may have to face a spectacle of racial solidarity, and if you want to remove the obstacle that stands in the way of the natural unity of understanding and action which should exist between this country and the great English-

MANY DEGREES AT ENCAENIA

Distinctions Conferred Upon Persons From All Parts of Dominion STRIKING ADDRESSES

Rev. T. C. S. MacKlen, of Trinity, Delivers Encaenia Sermon—"Red Letter Day" Says Sir Henry Pellatt.

Windsor, May 9.—The celebration of Holy communion in the college chapel at 7:30 this morning, marked the opening exercises of King's College Encaenia. At 10:30 the encaenia sermon was preached in Christ church by Rev. T. C. S. MacKlen, D. D., LL. D., provost of Trinity College, Toronto. The distinguished preacher's subject was "The University of God" or "God's place in the development of the spiritual life in man."

It was an admirable address, rich in poetical allusion, cultured diction and thoughtful to a marked degree. The encaenia exercises began in convention hall at 2 p. m. with the installation of the new chancellor, Chief Justice Townsend of Halifax. The chancellor expressed his hearty appreciation of the honor conferred upon him by the grand old university of King's.

The degrees conferred were as follows: Honorary degrees—D. C. L. Col. Sir Henry M. Pellatt, A. A. Stanley MacKenzie, Esq., M. A., LL. D., His Honor Judge Staveley, President Powell, M. A., D. D., H. Lothar Bober, Esq., M. A., Rev. G. R. Martell, M. A., Rev. R. B. Hamford, M. A.

Degree of M. A.—Rev. Harry Watson, B. A., Rev. A. L. L. Skeerby, B. A., Rev. G. W. Hullo, B. A., Rev. G. W. H. Harris, B. A., M. A. (ad eundem).

Degree of B. A.—Miss Bernice G. Wilson, Waverly, N. S.; Harold A. Vessery, Charlottetown, P. E. I.; Harry Len Ruggles, Bridgetown, N. S.; Harold B. Robinson, Windsor; George T. Harrison, Halifax; Frank M. Shaw, Windsor; J. H. L. Dwyer, Westville, N. S.

Degree of B. Sc.—Hans E. L. Boeg, Lytton, B. C. L.—Howard Perkins, B. F. Hon, Hugh Allin Car, B. A., William McEal Ryan, B. A., Kenneth Allison, W. V. E.

The Governor General's medal was won by Miss Bernice Wilson, B. A., Waverly, Halifax County, N. S. Those successful in winning the special prizes were: 1.—The Governor General's medal, Miss Bernice G. Wilson, B. A.

2.—The Bishop Binney prize, J. W. Spence, Newport, N. S. 3.—The Almon-Welard testimonial, C. A. Simpson, Charlottetown. 4.—The Binney Exhibition, W. A. Lanther, Truro, N. S.

5.—The President's prizes for Reading and Education, J. H. Holmes, Picton, Ont.; 2nd, L. T. Wilkinson, Springfield, N. B. 6.—The Almon-Welard prizes for general Biblical knowledge, 1st, N. H. Wilcox, B. A., Windsor; 2nd, G. R. Harrison, B. A., Halifax.

7.—The Crockett prize for Greek, N. H. Wilcox, B. A., Windsor. 8.—James Edmond Jones' prize for Hymnology, J. M. Wiswell, Halifax. 9.—Divinity Testament, H. Wilcox, B. A., Windsor.

Dr. Powell made a brief address, expressing his appreciation of the honorary degree of D. C. L. conferred on him by the college. He also referred to the extension movement and deplored the lack of funds available for furthering the work. He mentioned especially the pleasure he felt at the inspiring sermon delivered that morning by the provost, Dr. MacKlen, of Trinity College.

A Red Letter Day. Col. Sir Henry Pellatt, D. C. L., made a happy speech. He instanced three "red letter" days in his life, first the day he led his bride to the altar, second when he received a knighthood from the hands of his sovereign and third the day he received the degree of D. C. L. from old King's College. A Stanley MacKenzie, M. A., D. C. L., president of Dalhousie College, expressed his pleasure at receiving an honorary degree from King's. He referred to the past exciting flirtations between King's and Dalhousie for amalgamation, which although resulting in a broken engagement, still left in the two universities intact in brotherly and sisterly love.

Rev. Dr. Lloyd, vice-provost of Trinity College, Toronto, made a brief speech in which he congratulated the students on their choice of a president and congratulated the college on its successful work.

He referred to the kindness of Col. Pellatt in placing his private car at the disposal of his friends for the trip to Windsor to attend the convention of King's College. Bishop Worrell brought the program to a close in a few brief remarks.

DESTROYED THE EVIDENCE BEFORE SUIT

Vice-President of Wire Company Gave Orders in Advance.

Partial Execution of Instructions Advanced as Explanation of Existence of Certain Papers.

New York, May 9.—The question whether officers of the American Steel and Wire Company ordered the destruction of evidence used in the wire pools case before or after the filing of the pending dissolution suit against the United States Steel Corporation was answered today by Frank Baekes, vice-president of the wire company, who testified that he had given the order to George A. Cragin, his assistant sales manager at Worcester, Mass., in September, 1909, early in October last. The suit was filed on October 26.

Baekes said further that he had given orders after the dissolution of the wire pools three years ago for the destruction of all the papers concerning his company with the pools during the period in question. The suit was only partly executed. It was due to this oversight that the papers now in question came into the hands of the government.

Harry A. Whitney testified a day or two ago that Baekes had given him the order personally during a visit of the latter to Worcester in October, 1909, and that at the grand jury investigation into the pools case, made up of seven members of the crew and two women and three men passengers. One of the women, witness said, was Lady Duff-Gordon, but he did not know who the other one was. He was asked if it was Mrs. Astor, but his reply was that he did not know.

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Witness added that with proper organization it would have been possible to load all the boats to their full capacity. At the request of the attorney for the White Star Line, Hendrickson will be called to the stand tomorrow for cross-examination. Other women also testified today that the boats did not return to the immediate vicinity of the wreck because the passengers feared the boats would be swamped.

ATHLETIC PARSON FACES A SERIOUS CHARGE IN COURT

Alleged to Have Wedded White Girl to Celestial After Legal Hours—Husband Also Held.

Toronto, May 8.—Rev. K. D. Morrow pastor of the Dale Presbyterian church whose construction has been aided by athletes all over the country appeared in the police court this morning to answer to the charge of having violated the marriage act. Mr. Morrow was himself famous as an athlete or rather as a sprinter having a record for the quarter mile around 30 seconds.

J. W. Curry counsel for Mr. Morrow pleaded not guilty, and announced that he would move for a summary trial. The crown was not ready to proceed and adjournment was taken until Monday next. On an earlier date in April Mr. Morrow performed the marriage ceremony between Fred Young, a Chinaman from Hamilton and a sixteen year old Lou Fraser, after the legal hours, so it is claimed. Young, who was present at the police court is also charged with an indictable offence namely, having gone through the marriage ceremony during prohibited hours and he was also remanded.

TO EXTEND TO EAST ST. JOHN

Col. McLean Makes Important Announcement of Plans of Street Ry., Following Interview with Minister.

After an interview with the minister of railways yesterday, Col. H. McLean stated that the St. John Street Railway would proceed at once with the work of extending its tracks to the east side of Courtenay Bay, including its share of the cost of constructing the new bridge at the Reversing Falls, the St. John Street Railway has already made arrangements to expend this year \$250,000 on extensions and improvements to its tram system.

The Courtenay Bay extension will be completed as soon as possible, and the tracks will run down as far as the breakwater, or farther if necessary. Some time ago the street railway company applied to the I. C. R. authorities for permission to cross its tracks near Haymarket Square, and the minister was seated at the conference with the minister yesterday, though the I. C. R. reserves the right to withdraw the permission if deemed necessary.

The street railway company will not extend its tracks to Rockwood Park this summer, partly because it is felt that such an extension would not pay at the present time, and partly because of the heavy expenditures the company has to make to assist in building the river bridge, and carrying out its other extensions. The company, however, will enlarge and improve Seaside Park, having acquired a portion of the Hatheway property on the West Side for this purpose.

REFUSED TO REPAIR THE RESCUE

Passengers in Lifeboats Leaving Titanic Declined to Take Chances.

Sir Cosmo Duff-Gordon Tipped Crew of Boat Liberally After Being Picked Up by the Carpathia.

London, May 9.—The escape of Sir Cosmo and Lady Duff-Gordon from the Titanic in lifeboat No. 1, which was less than half full was inquired into searching this afternoon. Charles Hendrickson, a fireman of the Titanic, and one of the crew in the boat in question on being asked why he did not return to the scene of the disaster to try and rescue some of those in the water who were crying for help, said he suggested that the boat should return, but Sir Cosmo objected on the ground that it would be dangerous. Lady Duff-Gordon agreed with her husband and the boat did not return.

Lord Mersey asked the witness: "You mean to tell me that because two passengers objected, the rest of the boat should return, and you kept your mouths shut and did not go to the rescue?" Hendrickson replied: "That's right."

Witness said that Sir Cosmo Duff-Gordon gave each member of the crew of the boat £5 (£25), but insisted that no arrangement to that effect had been made, and the first he heard of a reward was after the lifeboat reached the Carpathia.

Hendrickson had previously testified that his boat which could hold forty-four persons—contained only twelve, made up of seven members of the crew and two women and three men passengers. One of the women, witness said, was Lady Duff-Gordon, but he did not know who the other one was. He was asked if it was Mrs. Astor, but his reply was that he did not know.

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CONFERENCE OVER FISHING RIGHTS MARKED SUCCESS

Hon. Mr. Hazen in New York Says Negotiations with Washington Authorities were Highly Satisfactory.

New York, May 9.—Hon. J. Douglas Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries for Canada, was in this city today on his way home from a conference with the authorities at Washington over the fisheries regulations. The negotiations were so satisfactory that they will be closed within a very short time. All the Canadian representatives in the conference are now on their way home, but Sir Edward P. Morris, the premier of Newfoundland who represented his country in the negotiations is detained at Washington by the illness of his wife.

Commissioner Prince and Job E. Hodges of New York will meet within a few days to take up the settlement of some minor differences between the two countries with regard to fishery regulations on the inland waters.

Another small party of immigrants arrived at the office of the superintendent yesterday, having come over by boat via the St. Lawrence route. They have all secured employment in the province. A Bowler left yesterday for Sackville to address a meeting of the board of trade, on the work of the immigration department. Owing to the active co-operation of the people of Sackville, quite a number of the immigrants who have come to the province since this spring have settled in the vicinity of that town.

A daring burglary was committed on Wednesday night when an unknown person entered the store of the James Elliot Co. on Nelson street and stole a bicycle. The thief entered by way of one of the back windows and although he has not yet been caught, his arrest is assured, as the police have a good clue.

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