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Towers' Confession To Slaying of Melita Captain Retold In

Dartmouth Member Says Margin Is Too Great

WESTERN LANDS

Maritime Claims Discussed At Closing Session of Trade Board Meet

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Nov. 6-An animated discussion of Some phases of the industrial situation in the Maritime Provinces" featured the closing hours of the Maritime Board of Trade Conference last night.

BOOSTS COAL USE

Hon. J. F. Fraser, of Halifax, however, strongly urged that measures be taken to encourage the use of Nova Scotia coal in the Maritime Provinces, as there was already considerable competition from the American commodity. The development of the coal trade naturally meant more employment as more money in circulation.

H. S. Congdon, Dartmouth, spoke from the consumer's standpoint, and declared that the local customer paid higher for his coal than the customer in Winnipeg, after it had been carried 1,000 miles by rail.

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COKING PLANTS

the regular celebration of the date recognized by the Canadian Parliament for the previous Monday."

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TO RUN IN BAGOT

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Limited Press, OTTAWA, Nov. 6—The death of J. Marcille, member-elect for Bagot, Que, creates the first vacamcy in the new parliament and also raises a problem. So far as can be ascertained it BOOSTS COAL USE

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After discussion was continued by J. O. Hyndman and others, the concensus of opinion, as expressed in the resolution, was that coking plants should be established in central points in Canada, so as to render unnecessary the importation of American anthracite. The need of further expanding the markets for the coal of the Maritimes, was also stressed.

It was maintained by Mr. Congdon, that there was too great a spread between the price of the dealer and of the retailer.

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The Maritime ciaims as to compensation for lands granted Ontario and Quebec and the west, were fully discussed last night, but the opinion was that it was a complex and complicated question and that it had best be left to the meeting of the three provincial premiers, who intend to take it up

Recount Granted In Montreal Riding

Canadian Press.

MONTREAL, Nov. 6—Chief Justice
Martin this morning granted Hon.
Rodolphe Monty's petition for a recount of the votes polled in LaurierOutremont during election day. The
recount will take place next Tuesday

MANY FROM BORDER **COMING TO REUNION**

Several St. Stephen Officers

Plan to Attend Armistice

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ST. STEPHEN, Nov. 6—A large delegation of officers from this town is planning to go to Saint John for the Armistice runion dinner in the Eagle Harbor coast guard said and added that it had been impossible to stablish radio communication with Whitefish Point, indicating that coast guards from there might have gone to haranan, M. C.; Majors H. N. Ganong, Stewart Ryder and P. Elmer Mce Lauchlan; Captains Rae Stewart, M.C., M. M., Earle Smith, C. A. O'Brien, E. O. Thomas and E. V. Sullivan, and Lieutenants J. M. Fraser, F. W. Waterson, A. R. Goucher, Fred Boyd, George Cockburn, James Inches, Fred Graham, Leonard Webber, Frank Ryder and Harry Hieatt.

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Condition, was intercepted at Eagle Harbor.

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RIDING EASILY.

SARNIA, Ont., Nov. 6—That the Hamonic reported adrift off Caribou danger, was the text of a message received at the office of the Northern light have gone to her assistance.

Falls Into Hands of Party Supporting Provisional Government

Canadian Press.

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Denies Arabs Joined In Revolt In Syria

Canadian Press.

LONDON, Nov. 6.—Reuters Cairo correspondent says there is no confirshave joined the revolt against the French in Syria. On the contrary the situation there is considered slightly improved.

Canadian Press.

CANTON, Nov. 4.—The strikers, whose anti-foreign agitation had been showing some signs of weakening, have adopted stricter measures to prevent trading in foreign goods. Many Chinese merchants, however, are withness the Kuomintang, the party which supports the provisional government in South China.

Two Minute Silence For Armistice Day OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 6-Once again the British-Empire will

honor the memory of those who died in the Great War, by a two-minute silence on Armistice Day. Rail Board Sub-Chief Explains Problems The following statement was approved by the cabinet and made public last night: Of Rates

"In accordance with arrange-

Majesty the King, the people of

Canada are invited to mark the

occasion by a two-minute silence

at 11 o'clock a. m. on Wednesday

next, November 11. This is a

special observance suggested by His Majesty, and is in addition to

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ments for the observance of SOME CUTS ASKED Armistice Day, sanctioned by His

All Applications Not For Increase, Dr. McLean Tells

elebration of the date MONTREAL, Nov. 6 - Various reasons why freight rates canvice and some of the problems which KING NOT EXPECTED confront railways in the subject of a paper read by Dr. S. J. McLean, assistance of the Board of ant chief commissioner of the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada, in addressing the Montreal branch of the Death of Member Elect There Canadian Engineering Institute here

Dr. McLean pointed out that funda-mental in the matter of rates was the question of classification, a complicated matter, he admitted. It roughtly di-vided articles in 10 classes.

STANDARD RATES The speaker dealt with the standard rates which must be approved by the commission, and then the prevailing rates, pointing out that the necessity of preserving industry made it necessary that rates should be lowered on goods which had to be sold at low costs in the market, if they were to be sold at all. For this and other reasons, it was impossible to arbitrarily fix rigid rates, according to mileage. Another factor which had to be taken into account, was the matter of export business, since a uniform rate would work against the development of foreign trade.

No definite steps towards cabinet readjustment, it is intimated, have yet been taken nor are they expected to be extensive. Peter Heenan, Liberal member-elect for Port Arthur and Rain River, is mentioned as a possible successor to Hon. James Murdock as Minister of Labor.

VESSEL IS CRIPPLED **DURING LAKE STORM**

VOLUNTARY REDUCTIONS

Dr. McLean pointed out that all changes in tariff filed by railway companies, with the board, were not for increase. In a recent batch received, he had noticed 50 per cent. were voluntary reductions. He gave some of the reasons for these voluntary reductions, chief of which was the necessity to meet competition of the foreigner.

SPECIAL APPEAL

N. B. Gas and Oilfields, Ltd., appellant, and N. B. Electric Power Commission, respondent; James Friel, K. C., for appellant, to support appeal from judgment and award of Mr. Justice LeBlanc, arbitrator under Chapter 58, Acts of 1920.

CHANCERY DIVISION

Copp et al vs. Wood et al; James Friel, K. C., for defendant Hamonic Reports Propellor is Gone and Drifting in 50-Mile Gale

CANTON, Nov. 4.—The newspapers report that Swatow, an important port northeast of Canton, has again been captured by the Kuomintang troops. Canton Strikers Are

Five of Family Burn to Death; Two Rescued RALLSTON SPA, N. Y., Nov.

6-Five persons were burned to death late last night, when their house on the outskirts of this village was destroyed by fire. Those burned were Mr. and Mrs. George Kemp and their three children, Viola, 14; Myrtle, 11, and Buster, 10. A fourth child, Beatrice, and another child, whose name could not be learned, were taken from the burning home. The origin of the fire has not been determined.

COURT OF APPEAL

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Matters Among Those Set

Note that Tascheress, Premier, yesterday, in

Special to The Times-Star. FREDERICTON, N. B., Nov. 6— The November sitting of the N. B. Court of Appeal will open Tuesday with a docket of ten cases, as follows: PROBATE COURT.

In re estate of Sarah C. Henderson, deceased—E. P. Raymond, K. C., for Elizabeth Henderson, to support appeal from Kings county Probate Court.

KING'S BENCH DIVISION.

Bartell vs. Belyea—E. P. Raymond, K. C., for defendant, to support appeal to set aside verdict for plaintiff and to enter verdict for defendant, or for new

reasons for these voluntary reductions, chief of which was the necessity to meet competition of the foreigner. PARIS EDITOR NAMED The Hamonic, a Canadian steamer operated by the Northern Navigation Company, was reported with her propeller gone and being driven helplessly by a 50 mile gale, 20 miles west of Caribou Island, about 50 miles northwest of Whitefish Point. A radio comnunication telling of the Hamonic's condition, was intercepted at Eagle Harbor. Transport of these voluntary reductions, chief of which was the necessity to meet competition of the foreigner. PARIS EDITOR NAMED TO SYRIAN POSITION Senator De Jouvenal Said to be New High Commissioner Was Ruler of Annam in French Indo-China—Succeeded to Throne in 1916 chief of which was the necessity to meet competition of the foreigner. PARISEDITOR NAMED Copp et al vs. Wood et al; James Friel, K. C., for defendants except Wood, to support appeal to set aside order of Mr. Justice Grimmer, and to enter judgment for said defendants.

SAIGON, French Indo-China, Nov. 6.—Khai Dinh, Emperor of Annam, is

Annam is a French protectorate, King Khai Dinh succeeded to the throne in 1916. He made a visit of SCHOONER SEIZED. LUNENBURG, N. S., Nov. 6-The

LUNENBURG, N. S., Nov. 6—The 100 ton Lunenburg schooner J. Henry Mackenzie was seized by customs officers here yesterday, charged with transferring liquor from one vessel to another in the territorial waters of Canada. The Mackenzie cleared with about 300 cases of liquor for Cuba during the day and returned to port about one hour later.

NO EVENING PAPER ON THANKSGIVING DAY

MONDAY NEXT being Thanksgiving Day, there will be no issue of The Evening Times-Star. The Telegraph-Journal will be published as usual, however.

Some Papers' Comment On Election Results Criticized

PLEADS FOR UNITY

Declares, With Problems to Be Solved, No Time For Mud-Slinging

MONTREAL, Nov. 6 - People discussing the result of the elections, end making reference to various newspaper comments bearing on Quebec's adherence to Liberalism. He leit it was a mistake that "slurs should be cast against the majority of the electurate of Quebec" because it did not agree with the majority of the Ontario

"Now that Premier King has made a declaration giving his views of the situation, and this view has been approved by its Excellency, the Governor General, whom I know to be a constitutional governor, the only proper thing is to await events," said Mr. Tasche-

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Turning to the matter of export business, since a uniform rate would work against the development of foreign trade.

Turning to the matter of Canada's wheat markets, Dr. McLean said that United States in the matter of hard wheat, would soon be negligible and the Lories of the competition between Canada and the United States in the matter of hard wheat, would soon be negligible and the Argentine and Canada. Argentine as wheat is grown within 13 miles of tide water, the bulk within 130 miles, so there was a short rail haul to the sea and water haul at a relatively low cost, one-fifth or one-sixth the cost of rail haul.

To be market, if they were to be sold in the market, if they were to be sold at low costs, or since the province of Quebec have expressed their opinion, and Crosby, etc., vs. Percy W. Thomson, and Crosby, etc., vs. Percy MAKES COMPARISON

The vote was something belonging to the citizen, and he could do with it, as he wished, said Premier Taschereau.

SEIZED SCHOONER **TOWED INTO BOSTON**

Nova Scotia Vessel Suspected of Being Rum Runner-Caught in Calm

Canadian Press.

BOSTON, Nov. 6—The Canadian schooner La Parisienne, seized as a rum runner off Peaked Hill Bar, Cape Cod, yesterday, was towed into harbor here today by the coast guard cutter Tampa. The vessel, which hails from La Have, N. S., is said to be the largest vessel captured by the coast guard service in these waters.

Federal officials early today were checking up the cargo of the schooner, which they charge, delivered great quantities of liquor along the New England coasts on previous visits.

La Parisienne, coast guardsmen said, came close inshore in Cape Cod Bay Wednesday night, and yesterday morning a dead calm held her five miles from land. A coast guard patrol boat found her there and stood guard until the Tampa arrived. An armed guard was then placed on board and the vessel brought to Boston.

The Minnedosa It 000 to the Mounted Police staationed at the door of the bouilding, was the first to see the fallen man. The bullet entered just above the heart, and death was almost instantaneous.

MINNEDOSA GROUNDS

C. P. R. Liner Refloated After Being Delayed Hour and Half Off Holland

Canadian Press.

FLUSHING, Holland, Nov. 6—The Canadian Pacific steamship Minnedosa, bound from Antwerp for Montreal, went aground off Wielengen and was delayed for an hour and a half, after which the vessel was refloated unassisted and proceeded.

Loses \$25,000 Gems Checked In a Cafe

NEW YORK, Nov. 6—Irving Klein, salesman for a jewelry firm, checked \$25,000 worth of platinum and diamond tings, stick-pins and watches in a poolroom Oct. 13 last, it was learned this week, and, returning five minutes later,

room Oct. 13 last, it was learned this week, and, returning five minutes later, found them gone.

Carrying the jewelry in a leather case Klein visited a retail jeweler at 125th street and Seventh avenue. There were several persons in the store at the time. Klein displayed his goods, accepted a small order, and left. He did not notice that any one was following him.

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MONTREAL, Nov. 6—Madame T. B. Degrosbois, wife of Dr. T. B. Degrosbois, formerly member of the legislative assembly for Sherbrooke, died here yesterday, at the age of 79 years. Madame Debrosbois is survived by her husband, three sons and three daughters.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Nov. 6—A fire which destroyed the high school, badly damaged a church and threatened to destroy the entire village of St. Regis Falls, near here was placed under control last night only after apparatus from Malone and Saranac Lake arrived.

The high school building was valued at \$35,000 and the church loss is placed three daughters.



Share \$30,000,000 Estate

Thirty million dollars to split among them—that is the fortune that has come to Mrs. Richard McCulloch of St. Louis and her three children. Mrs. McCulloch's father, the late John I. Beggs, left nearly all of his huge estate to his grandchildren. Mrs. McCulloch, at the right, receives \$12,000 a year, half a million in securities and a country home; the remainder of the \$30,000,000 fortine is to be divided equally among the children. The children are, above, John I. McCulloch, 16; left, below, Mary McCulloch, 12, and Robert McCulloch, 14. Three states are fighting to collect the Inheritance tax—Florida, Wisconsin and Missouri.

MAN COMMITS SUICIDE INPARLIAMENT BLDGS.

Scandinavian Shoots Himself Outside Justice Minister's Office in Ottawa-Had Made Vague Claims for Certain Lands in Dominion.

OTTAWA, Nov. 6.—August Swanson, middle aged Scandinavian, shot and killed himself this morning in the east block of the Parliament Buildings, in the corridor outside the office of the Minister of Justice. Swanson was well known in many government offices as a seeker after vague claims for certain Dominion lands, out of which he declared he had been swindled.

World News In

Short Metre

SYDNEY, Australia, Nov. 6— The Legislative Council of New South Wales, by a vote of 28 to 25, yesterday rejected second read-ing of the government bill to en-able women to sit as members of the council.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 6
—Seventeen persons, 14 of them women, were injured, two seriously, today, when an explosion in the japanning department of the Yawman & Erbe Company factory caused heavy damage to the plant.

MONTREAL, Nov. 6—Edmund Mangnail, 47, of Verdun, was found frozen to death Monday in the woods near Lake Lajoie, about 125 miles from here. He had been missing since October 29.

SYDNEY, N. S., Nov. 5—The City Council, by a vote of seven to live refused last night to consider an application for reinstatement as chief of police from J. B. McCormick, dismissed from office recently for being absent from duty without leave.

High School, Church

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Nov. 6-

Burn, Loss \$35,000

Files of correspondence in several departments show incoherent letters setting forth claims for property the definite location of which he could never establish. The letters extend over

SHOT ABOVE HEART

The sound of the shot was heard through the building, but little attention was paid, as the muffled echo sounded like the fall of a piece of furniture. A constable of the Mounted Police staationed at the door of the

The Minnedosa, 14,000 tons, was built by Hartland and Wolffe at Belfast in 1918 and is operated by the Canadian Pacific Ocean Services out of Montreal.

Former Sherbrooke M. L. A. Loses Wife

'He Has Broken My Heart," First Officer Said

CASE OUTLINED

Crown Prosecutor Tells Of **Events Leading Up To**

Tragedy SOUTHAMPTON, Nov. 6 - "The captain was talking about me, and urning all my friends against me, and

I could not stand it any longer. He has broken my heart. I am happy I This is what Thomas Towers, first officer of the Canadian Pacific liner Melita, who is charged with murdering Capt. A. H. Clews, captain of the Melita, and wounding two other offi-cers of the Melita, D. K. Gilmour and John Holliday, with intent to kill, is

alleged to have said just after the shooting on board the Melita at Antverp on October 21. werp on October 21.

The words attributed to Towers were spoken today at the resumption of the hearing before the magistrate here by a witness, Joseph Geerinck, inspector of the Canadian Pacific Investigation Department, at Antwerp.

Witness further said that shortly after the tragedy on the Melitz, Towers said he had spoken to Captain Clews a couple of minutes before the shooting. The captain was in his bunk. "He would not turn out, and I shot him in bed," Towers said, according to the witness, who said that Towers added that one shot was sufficient to end the captain.

Continuing, the witness said, that when Towers was asked why he had shot Gilmour, he replied: "He is my greatest enemy. I am very sorry I shot Holiday, I have nothing against him. I am sorry Allan, (a member of the crew of the Melita), did not get what Holliday got."

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In opening the case yesterday, the Crown prosecutor, A. J. Rogers, stated that on the night of October 20, Towers and Captain Berry, the ship's doctor, went to an opera in Antwerp, but Towers seemed uneasy and left before the performance was finished. Berry did not see Towers again, until after the tragedy. Towers boarded the Melita at 1.55 in the morning, the Crown Prosecutor said, and asked the quartermaster and others on the ship, whether Captain Clews was aboard or not. He instructed the third officer, McLellan, to go ashore and arrange for a supply of fresh water for the ship.

The Crown Prosecutor suggested that almost immediately after McLellan had gone ashore, the prisoner shot down Captain Clews. Subsequently, it seemed, Towers had gone to Hollidays' room at 3.30 in the morning. He got matches there and then went to Gilmour's room, which was on the same deck. He asked Gilmour about ship listing. Gilmour replied that if Towers had been aboard the vessel, where he ought

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13 PRISONERS ESCAPE

MIAMI, Fla., Nov. 6.—Prisoners cut a hole through the roof of the county jail early this morning, and thirteen

The Weather

SYNOPSIS — The disturbance which was north of Lake Superior has moved northeast to Ungava, while the northwestern area of high pressure has remained almost stationary. The weather has been showery in Ontario and Quebec, and quite cold in the Western Provinces.

Fair Tomorrow.

FORECASTS:

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MARITIME — Fresh southwest winds; cloudy with scattered showers. Saturday—Fresh westerly winds; fair, with a little lower temperature.
NEW ENGLAND—Partly cloudy and slightly colder tonight. Saturday—Fair; colder; fresh west winds.
Temperatures.

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