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ANTI-DUMPING MEASURE UP IN PARLIAMENT

Fielding Makes Slight Amendment to Clause—Wholesale Price to Be Basis of Valuation—Invoice Must Contain Sale Price and Home Price—Criticism of Railway Subsidies.

Ottawa, Aug. 9.—Mr. Prefontaine, when the house met today, gave an answer to the complaint of Dr. Daniel over case filed against in Bay des Chaleurs not lifting their nets on Sunday. At the suggestion of the fishery overseer the fishermen lifted their nets a certain height. Proceedings were taken against one of them, Mr. Ronald, and he was fined \$30 and costs. The matter was brought to the attention of the department, when it was found that there was an illegality in the case of the officer of the department, and the fine was remitted. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court of New Brunswick and the decision of the department was maintained.

Mr. Fielding moved that they were being renewed. Mr. Barker, Conservative member for Hamilton, called on the government to strike out the proposed subsidy of from a quarter to half a million dollars for the Nipigon railway, which, he said, was promoted by James Conmee, M. P., to connect the west end of Lake Superior with the Grand Trunk Pacific by way of Lake Nipigon. He declared it as disgrace to parliament for the minister of railways to bring down a proposal like that without being able to say who were the backers of the project. Mr. Barker went on to observe that this Nipigon railway charter was granted to Jas. Conmee, a couple of Americans, Mr. Conmee's son-in-law and his selector.

After the railway resolutions had been adopted, Mr. Fielding moved the anti-dumping amendment to the customs act. The minister said that he had explained the proposition in his budget speech and afterwards upon introducing the resolution. To make the dumping clause workable he wanted to introduce another amendment. The first amendment was that in cases where the duty on an article was 50 per cent or more, the dumping clause would not be put in operation. The duty in that case was a protective one, and no addition to it was necessary. In cases where the difference between the entry price and the fair market value is small, the dumping clause would not apply. There was no doubt the carrying out of the act would cause considerable work to the officials and it was thought not necessary to add to their work in cases where the difference was small.

Mr. Fielding answered that the customs officers were men of experience. Mr. Paterson said the board of customs had not yet considered the machinery for carrying out the law and had refrained from drawing up regulations until after the resolution passed. In the future as in the past invoices would be required which the exporter would have to certify. In future there would have to be a double column. In one would be placed the home price and in the other the price at which the goods were sold to the Canadian buyer. A declaration would have to be signed by the exporting firm that the invoice was true and honest and that there had been no drawback of any kind. If there was any misstatement the invoice became a fraudulent one and penalties could be imposed. A fraudulent invoice might be passed but the authorities had the power to go back after 100 years and collect the duty on the full value of the articles. Not only this, but any time within three years not only the full duty could be collected but the extreme penalty for the violation of the law could be imposed. This was a fine equal to the value of the goods and \$200 for each false entry made. The importers know the penalties and there was no danger of any wholesale evasion being attempted.

MANITOBA WHEAT CROP UP TO THE AVERAGE

Dr. Saunders of the Experimental Farm, Now on a Trip West, Gives Above Statement.

HALIFAX DESPERADO BREAKS PRISON.

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ST. STEPHEN MAN KILLED AT EASTPORT

George B. Sands Fell 25 Feet While Boarding Steamer H. F. Eaton—Gangplank Withdrawn While He Was on It.

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"Chip" Seeley, the Halifax desperado and prize fighter, who was recently brought to the prison here for a term of twelve years, made good his escape on Saturday, under sensational circumstances.

HAS PORT ARTHUR'S COMMANDER KILLED HIMSELF IN DESPAIR?

London Hears That News, Together With Repeated Rumors That the Fortress Has Been Taken—Alexieff Reports Two Jap Cruisers Destroyed—10,000 Sick and Wounded at Russian Stronghold, and Capture Seems Near.

London, Aug. 9.—According to correspondent of the Morning Post at Shanghai, it is reported there that there are 10,000 sick and wounded persons at Port Arthur and that the Russians are negotiating with the Japanese to send the hospital ship Mongolia away full of sick.

It is reported, the correspondent says, that Lieut. General Stoesel (in command of the military force at Port Arthur) has committed suicide and that panic prevails at Port Arthur.

Refugees Tell of Port Arthur's Desperate Fight

The Foo, Aug. 8, 6 p. m.—During the last 24 hours 200 Chinese and 50 Russian refugees have arrived here from Port Arthur. They almost all left there on August 3. It has been impossible to obtain confirmation of the report of the sinking of Port Arthur of a Japanese cruiser but that occurred as not improbable as the vessel is said to have sunk in a place where mines have been recently laid.

More Rumors of Port Arthur's Fall

St. Petersburg, Aug. 8.—The city is full of rumors that Port Arthur has fallen, due to reports from Chefoo of another assault, in which the fortress was taken by the combined land and sea forces, though the Japanese lost three warships, including the protected cruisers Chiyo and Hatakushima. There is not the slightest confirmation of these rumors. It is believed that the Japanese are still unable to capture the outer works, much less the fortress itself.

Japs on All Sides of Port Arthur Now

St. Petersburg, Aug. 8.—The report that the Japanese are landing troops in Louisa Bay (about nine miles northwest of Port Arthur) evokes no surprise at the war office. The officials there are astonished that the Japanese had neglected to do so at the outset of the siege of Port Arthur. This enables the besiegers to surround the fortress and cut off the water supply. The Japanese are endeavoring to work their trenches nearer the fortress. The Russian resistance to the efforts is confined to the use of artillery which ceases to fire when the Japanese are within 300 yards of the fortress.

SEVENTY-SIX BODIES TAKEN FROM RAILWAY WRECK

World's Fair Flyer Goes Through a Bridge Into a Raging Torrent—Two Cars and Engine Go Down; Others Stay on Brink—Only Four Escaped.

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Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 8.—The wreck of the world's fair flyer at the corner and El Grande Railroad near Eden, seven miles north of Pueblo, last evening, proves to have been one of the greatest railway disasters in the history of the country.

DUNDONALD ARRIVES IN ENGLAND SILENT

His Return Not Hastened by the War Office.

Morning Post Says Dismissed G. O. C.'s Method of Appraising to Canadian People is Not Approved, But His Insubordination Has Been Condoned—Praise for Parliament's Farewell to Mint.

His Return Not Hastened

Lord Dundonald, interviewed at Liverpool, said it was not advisable to make any statement respecting the cause of his departure from Canada. He decided not to say anything until he had reported himself to the war office. It was a fact that he had expedited his return home owing to a message from the secretary for war. He added that Canadians were the best people in the world.

CANADIAN YACHT WON THE THIRD RACE EASILY

Noorna Won by Nearly Four Minutes.

Three Hundred Expected to Attend Grand Lodge Opening Wednesday Morning.

Lightning Destroys Two Barns and Contents and Wrecks Baptist Church in Sunbury County—Another Attempted Robbery—Other News of the Capital.

Defender Outsailed the White Bear Five Out of Six Legs

Wind 15 Miles an Hour—Mishap to Winner After the Race Was Over.

PROMINENT MONTREAL EXPORTER DROWNED

Montreal, Aug. 8.—(Special)—D. A. McPherson, a prominent produce exporter, was drowned in the Gotesau Rapids this afternoon. He had been ill at his summer home, Stanley Island, and was returning to Montreal accompanied by his physician. It is not known whether he jumped or fell overboard. No one saw him go in the water.

12,000 NUNS SEEK EMPLOYMENT.

Closing of French Convents Forces Them to Apply for Employment.

Young Lady Hurlled from Doorway and Rendered Unconscious

Several Others Stunned—People Had Just Gathered for Sunday Service.

Four Drowned in Collision.

Rockland, Me., Aug. 8.—A special from Norfolk (Va.) states that the schr. Ella Frances, of Rockland, was sunk off Cape Cod on Saturday by the steamer Nantucket bound from Boston to Norfolk. Captain Thordike and three members of the crew of the schooner were drowned. One man was saved and landed at Norfolk.

Toulon Fire Still Spreading.

Toulon, France, Aug. 8.—The fire which broke out at the arsenal here at midnight is still spreading in spite of the desperate efforts of the firemen, troops and sailors who are encouraged by the presence of generals, admirals and other high officers.

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