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(Canadian Press) New York, Feb. 2.—The retirement of Charles F. Murphy as leader of Tammany Hall was demanded in a resolution adopted last night by the National Democratic Club. Today friends of Murphy announced their intention of appealing to the board of governors of the club on the ground that the bye and bye vote was illegal. Thomas F. Smith, secretary of Tammany Hall, who with other friends of Murphy fought the resolution and the method of its adoption, denounced the action of Edward F. O'Dwyer, president of the club, in refusing to put the question to a rising vote. He called it the worst instance of boss rule I ever saw. The whole proceeding was illegal, Smith declared, and he said the matter would be taken before the board of governors in the form of a protest. It was also announced that another meeting of the club will probably be called and an attempt made to rescind the action taken last night, or declare it illegal. Joseph Cassidy, former Democratic leader of Queens County, and Louis T. Walker, Jr., his lieutenant, were found guilty, late last night, of conspiracy in selling a nomination to the state supreme court bench to William Willett, a congressman. They are locked up in Raymond street jail today, awaiting sentence. This is expected to be imposed two years in prison and a fine of \$5,000. Ex-Congressman Willett, who was convicted ten days ago of buying the nomination for judgeship, was arraigned in court for sentence today. "No I have not for, so far as I am aware, there is no disposition on the part of our people to add dances of that kind. They are too self-respecting. I know that in one town Bishop LeBlanc's diocese the tango gained quite a vogue and this it was that called forth the bishop's pronouncement."

That all the men who were in the Salvation Army Metropole escaped with their lives when the place was burned early this morning is the firm belief of the officers of the army who were about the building last night. Adjutant Cummings told a "Times" reporter this morning that he was confident that when he made a tour of the rooms of the burning building last night all the men had got out. Just how many men were in the shelter last night cannot be ascertained as the list was lost during the fire. The fact that some of the lodgers have not been located may be explained by the fact that some of them refused to go to the police station, and probably found other lodgings. The amount of insurance on the building is definitely known, as this is handled from the head Canadian office of the army, in Toronto. With regard to the furtherance of the good work that has been carried on by the army through the Metropole, Adjutant Cummings this morning wired his superiors in Toronto for instructions, but at noon had received no reply. Quick Relief The generosity of the people of St. John was effectively demonstrated this morning in their response to the appeal for clothing for the unfortunate men, most of whom lost all their clothes in the fire. Before several generous donations of under-clothing, boots, overcoats, etc., had been received at the Seaman's Institute, when Hew Walker had consented to superintend the distribution. At a meeting of the executive of the Women's Canadian Club, hurriedly called this morning by the president, E. A. Smith, the sum of \$50 was voted to meet the immediate needs of the unfortunate men. A committee also went to the Seaman's Institute and interviewed with Adjutant Cummings in looking after the men. The executive of the Women's Canadian Club has asked all their members to do all they can in the way of furnishing clothing, sending it to the Seaman's Institute for distribution. Great sympathy is felt for Adjutant Cummings and family, who were also caught up in the fire. The adjutant has been a strong influence for

good in St. John, and the fact is now universally realized. The Future Just what disposition will be made of the men who have been making the Metropole their home during the winter, is a question that is facing the Salvation Army at the present. Adjutant Cummings said this morning that there was no doubt the army would continue to look after the men, but in the meantime some place would have to be located for the sheltering of the men. Arrangements were made this morning for the men to be housed in several vacant rooms in the Magge building, Water street, until a permanent place could be located. Use the Army A. H. Wetmore this morning suggested in the "Times" that the new army might be used for sheltering the men. He mentioned the matter to Colonel Sturdee, who replied that such a thing might be done if Adjutant Cummings would agree to look after the place while the men were there. As the army is now unoccupied, and there is plenty of space there, comfortably heated, the suggestion is considered a good one, and the men would be all housed together, and it would not necessitate scattering them about the city. No doubt sufficient food might be secured from various sources. Provides for Meals Action taken by L. P. D. Tilley, M. P., along with that taken by the Women's Canadian Club, hurriedly called this morning by the president, E. A. Smith, was to call a meeting of the committee to look after the men. The committee was organized by Tilley, and consisted of the following: L. P. D. Tilley, M. P., president; E. A. Smith, secretary; and a number of other members. The committee will receive cash contributions from any citizens who desire to contribute to this fund. This prompt action will doubtless guarantee that no man will go hungry for the next few days at least. (Continued on page 7, sixth column)

Charlotteville, P. E. I., Feb. 2.—The temperance people are disappointed over the outcome of the recent campaign conducted by the alliance against prohibition violators. They thought Thiel detectives here from Montreal. Representing themselves as fox men they left the country. In the whiskey cases prosecution was easy but the beer cases were more difficult. There were about twenty-five convictions in all. Among some who confessed were two four offence men, which might mean six months in jail. Sentence was suspended, however, on promise of giving up the business. Up to this time the temperance people were fairly well satisfied with the prosecution. W. E. Bentley of Charlottetown, and Ernest Strong of Summerside, a case in Summerside was dismissed, and the other cases were pending. Trouble arose between the two lawyers for the prosecution, W. E. Bentley of Charlottetown, and Ernest Strong of Summerside. A case in Summerside was dismissed, and the other cases were pending. Bentley has published a lengthy statement giving his side of the quarrel between Strong and himself. He says that he was appointed by the alliance to represent all the government prosecutions including those in Charlottetown and Summerside, and that the appointment was sanctioned by the government. He said he was to be the only government lawyer, and he said that Strong in Summerside, but said that he had no objection to Strong appearing in court and following the same line as himself. Mr. Bentley has published a lengthy statement giving his side of the quarrel between Strong and himself. He says that he was appointed by the alliance to represent all the government prosecutions including those in Charlottetown and Summerside, and that the appointment was sanctioned by the government. He said he was to be the only government lawyer, and he said that Strong in Summerside, but said that he had no objection to Strong appearing in court and following the same line as himself.

SAFETY AT SEA Washington, Feb. 2.—Although ratification of the convention of the international Congress on Safety of Life at Sea, has not yet been made a part of the program of the government, it is believed here today that prompt action will be taken by the senate. The convention will ratify the matter before the senate. The recent disaster of the "Virginia" is expected to hasten action on the treaty. The convention will ratify the matter before the senate. The recent disaster of the "Virginia" is expected to hasten action on the treaty. The convention will ratify the matter before the senate. The recent disaster of the "Virginia" is expected to hasten action on the treaty.

JUROR ATTEMPTS SUICIDE That Means Another Start of Trial of Detective Chief East St. Louis, Ill., Feb. 2.—The jury that has been trying Lester J. Grigby, chief of detectives of this city, on charges of burglary and receiving stolen property, was discharged yesterday because one of the jurors tried to commit suicide. The juror, who was identified as J. R. Rice, of Burlington, Vermont, and the Right Rev. Louis S. Walsh, bishop of Portland, Maine, who presented the reports of his diocese.

HEALTH OFFICER'S BULLETIN A Timely Talk on the Subject of Colds and How They Are Contracted—Poor Ventilation and Draughts Leave System Accessible. Dr. G. G. Melvin, medical health officer, has prepared the following bulletin for January: The following cases of contagious diseases were reported from the city during January. The figures for the same month of the two previous years are given for comparison: Disease, 1914, 1913, 1912. Diphtheria, 8, 6, 4. Scarlet fever, 12, 14, 10. Typhoid, 1, 0, 1. Measles, 10, 15, 1. Tuberculosis, 10, 15, 1. The following table exhibits the death rate for the month, from all causes. It includes the deaths of all residents of the city who died, whether within the city or abroad, during the month. The rate (18.00) is very moderate, in fact, low. The rate for the preceding month, and the corresponding month last year are given for comparison. It will be noted that the rate for the month is very considerably below either of the latter. The estimated population is 46,880.

ARCHBISHOP MCCARTHY INTERVIEWED ON MATTER OF CERTAIN DANCES Halifax, N. S., Feb. 2.—In reply to a question this morning as to whether he had made any pronouncement such as that made by Bishop LeBlanc on the subject of certain dances, His Grace Archbishop McCarthy replied: "No I have not for, so far as I am aware, there is no disposition on the part of our people to add dances of that kind. They are too self-respecting. I know that in one town Bishop LeBlanc's diocese the tango gained quite a vogue and this it was that called forth the bishop's pronouncement."

NORTON GRIFFITHS ON IMPERIAL COUNCIL Gives His Views in Speech Before Montreal Canadian Club Montreal, Feb. 2.—The progress of the movement in Britain towards the idea of an imperial parliament was outlined by the Canadian Club here yesterday by J. Norton Griffiths, Unionist M. P. for Westbury, England. "There have been many suggestions," he said, "as to the method of creating an imperial council, and once a public opinion throughout the British Empire is convinced that an imperial constitution must be written, the time will be long before a clear and cohesive proposition will be laid before the people. Our present aim is to have the whole Empire united in demanding such a council for their protection and their welfare. I am not going to treat unfavourably ground today, but many people in this country have asked me what is the real position in the navy. Are we facing danger or are we not? Now could not an imperial council, unaffected by any party bias, have given the true lead and told the Empire really the truth?" He had no hesitation in saying that the critics of the world realized that in naval matters we were going through one of the most critical periods in our history. Behind security and strength lay cheap money and prosperity. The British empire had always had cheap money because of her naval strength. He added that there had been a serious cabinet crisis on the naval question the decrease in the Bank of England rate during the recent discussion in the press would not have taken place.

COURTENAY BAY INQUEST IS HELD Company Fully Exonerated by Coroner's Jury The Courtenay Construction Company was fully exonerated by the jury which returned its verdict in the death of John Olsen, killed at the Courtenay Bay works by a premature explosion. The superintendent of the works, A. A. Miller, Alex. Fraser, the walking boss, James Robertson, the drill foreman, and Morris Steves and A. Johnson, two powdermen gave evidence. The verdict returned by the jury to the coroner was as follows: "We, your jury, find that John Olsen and Andrew Damon met their death on February 2, 1914, at 8.15 a. m. at the Courtenay Construction Company at Courtenay Bay, St. John, death being due to premature explosion. "After considering the evidence submitted, we feel that the company operators, the works, and their employees, must be fully exonerated from all thought of blame and the said accident can only be considered as a signal to powdermen to exercise great care in their work."

HIS FEET BADLY FROST BITTEN; DOCTOR LOOKS AFTER ITALIAN Remanded in Court Today in Connection With North End Break Giovanni Bombaco, alias John Bresio, early this morning while breaking and entering the store of C. B. Pidgeon, was remanded. He is charged with breaking and entering the jewelry store of A. Y. Paterson and he is also charged with stealing from the store, although no value is stated. Another charge is attempting to break and enter into the store of Mr. Pidgeon. When the first charge was read to him, the prisoner said he had nothing to say. In answer to the second charge he said he was cold and he only wanted to get something to warm himself. Just before being brought upstairs from the cell the prisoner was given a dry pair of socks which he pulled with difficulty over his frozen feet. He appeared to be suffering greatly when brought into court. He answered that his name was John. He is a man about thirty years of age. He said that he had been in the city only a short time and had no employment. He was remanded until the witnesses can be brought to court. The court ordered that the jail physician be summoned immediately to attend to the prisoner's frost bites. Near Indian town there was more or less a reign of terror among the colored population over the recent happenings. Doors were securely barred and one woman was in a sorry plight through fear for her baby's safety.

ESTATE OF H. H. ROGERS WORTH \$400,000 NET New York, Feb. 2.—A detailed appraisal of the estate of the late Henry H. Rogers, Standard Oil magnate, who died nearly four years ago, shows that the estate is worth about \$400,000 net, or some \$500,000 more than the value originally estimated. The appraisal has been filed by the executors with the transfer tax appraisal.

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST WANT FIVE MILLION St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 2.—Plans for a campaign to raise \$5,000,000 for missionary work were instituted when the committee of 150 of the "men and millions" movement met here today. Disciples of Christ met here today. Rev. Dr. Abraham C. Corey, executive secretary of the church, president. R. A. Long, of Kansas City, has pledged \$1,000,000 on the condition that five million be raised for the same purpose. The campaign is the outgrowth of a movement for men and women to carry on the work, started at a convention in Toronto last October.

ACCIDENT Joseph Bernier, a longshoreman, working on the steamer Granouphen, at Saint Paul, had one of the fingers on his right hand crushed this morning. The injury was dressed by the nurse in the Emergency Hospital, and the man was able to return to work.

PARISIAL IN LONDON London, Feb. 2.—The first performance of Wagner's opera, Parsifal in England, took place at Covent Garden last night. A brilliant audience, which included Queen Mother Alexandra, crowded the theatre and displayed great enthusiasm. The house was sold out a month ago, with the exception of 500 gallery seats, for which a long line waited from dawn.

WOMAN IN CHARGE OF ART GALLERY OF IRELAND Dublin, Feb. 3.—Miss Sarah Purser has received the appointment of governor and guardian of the national gallery of Ireland from the earl of Aberdeen, the lord lieutenant. The position is equivalent to that of trustee of the British Museum, and is one of the most important in the British art world. Miss Purser was already an honorary member of the Royal Hibernian Academy.

SCHOONERS COLLIDE AND BOTH ARE DAMAGED Woods Hole, Mass., Feb. 2.—The schooner Jane Palmer and Frontenac were in a low-on collision off Handker-chie Shoal yesterday. The former, which was lying at anchor, was short of all of her head gear and lost her jib-boom yesterday, aged eighty years. He was mayor of Goderich from 1889 to 1895 and afterwards was police magistrate for several years.

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