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ELECTION DAY IN MANITOBA

There Are 144 Seeking 51 Places

Two Elections Are Deferred — More Men Than Women Voters — Candidates in Winnipeg Number 41.

(Canadian Press)

Winnipeg, Man., June 29—Manitoba today is electing a new legislature, and 208,316 registered electors are entitled to go to the polls. Elections are deferred in The Pas and Rupert's Land, and the voters in those constituencies are not included in the total given.

Fifty-one members are being elected today, and these, with the two deferred elections and two members elected by acclamation, make up the membership of fifty-five in the next legislature.

More men than women are entitled to vote. The last voters' list showed 107,455 males and 97,861 female electors. The new list shows 129,943 men and 83,246 women. The city of Winnipeg holds 62,255 voters, nearly thirty per cent of the provincial total.

One hundred and forty-four candidates are in the field, and ninety-three of them are bound to be defeated. Winnipeg has a field of forty-one starters and only ten can win. Winnipeg votes under proportional representation, and Ronald Hooper, secretary of the P. R. Society of Canada, says that the election in the city will be the severest test which has been faced by the "single transferable proportional representation elective system."

Four women are running in Winnipeg, but no other constituency has a chance of female representation.

Names of the forty-one Winnipeg candidates appear on a long ballot in alphabetical order, and no provision was made in the election act for designating their party affiliations. To assist the elector who desires to vote a straight ticket it has been arranged that the names of government candidates were printed in red on the ballot: Conservatives in blue, Labor and Socialist in pea green, and Independents in black.

THEY EXPECT TWO LIBERALS TO BOLT

Go Over to Farmers' Party on Matter of Increase in Indemnity.

(Special to Times)

Ottawa, Ont., June 28—When the second reading of the bill amending the House of Commons act to give increased salaries and indemnities to premier, ministers and members of parliament comes up on Tuesday afternoon, the Liberal Party is faced with the prospect of two bolters to the Farmers' Party, Roch Lanctot, member for La Prairie, and Edmond Proulx, member for Prescott. These have come in for considerable criticism because of their stand against the increase for the present parliament, and they contend that their associates in the progressive party would be more congenial on this and other topics.

WRITES LETTER; TAKES POISON

Young Woman Ends Her Life in a Quebec Hotel.

Montreal, June 28—A mysterious suicide took place recently at the Central Hotel, Labelle, Que., when Miss Geraldine Stuart, whose address is unknown, swallowed an ounce and a half of bromide and chloral compound. She had wired to Labelle and reserved a room at the hotel, arriving there on last Wednesday. She went directly to the room and wrote three letters, one to Montreal, another to Toronto and a third to England. These she posted early in the evening and then retired.

Thinking that she was resting her maid did not disturb her until noon on Thursday when she found Miss Stuart still living but very weak and foaming at the mouth. A physician was unable to save her life.

An envelope with a $10 bill pinned on the outside contained a request for the doctor to sever an artery so as to make sure that she would not be buried alive. Beyond the fact that the poison had been bought in Toronto and that there were car tickets for two cities in Ontario in her possession, there was no clue to her address.

M. T. PEARSON OF C. P. R. PASSES AWAY IN MAINE

Word reached the city this morning that M. T. Pearson, traveling passenger agent of the C. P. R. for the State of Maine and northern New Brunswick, had passed away in Houlton, Me., following an operation for appendicitis. He is survived by his wife and five children. He was in the employ of the C. P. R. for sixteen years and during that time won the confidence of his employers and the esteem of his fellow associates. He was frequently in this city during the winter season looking after the interest of passengers traveling through his territory and while here made a host of friends who will regret to learn of his death.

Farmers and Wheat.

Ottawa, June 29—Farmers will receive fifty per cent of the excess due them on Canada wheat board participating certificates about July 15 next.

JUNE BRIDES

Stewart-Barber

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Keith K. Barber, Torryburn, this afternoon at one o'clock, when his youngest daughter became the bride of Robert Clark Stewart, of West St. John. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. B. Gough in the presence of immediate friends and relatives. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a tailored suit of brown gaberdine with sand colored hat and ermine tie, and carrying a bridal bouquet of roses. She was unattended. Following the ceremony a bouteous wedding repast was served, after which Mr. and Mrs. Stewart left on a honeymoon trip to Quebec, Montreal and Toronto. Returning they will reside in Clarendon street. They were the recipients of a large number of magnificent presents, testifying to their popularity.

Newman-Kane.

A wedding of interest to a great many friends took place in the Church of the Assumption, West St. John, at 5 o'clock this morning when Rev. J. J. Ryan, with nuptial mass, united in marriage Miss Beatrice Kane, daughter of John J. Kane of Dorchester, N. B., and John Francis Newman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Newman of West St. John. The bride was prettily dressed in a tailored suit of blue tricotine with leghorn hat and carried a bridal bouquet of Ophelia roses. She was attended by her sister, Miss Irene Kane, who wore yellow crepe de chine with a black and yellow hat and carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations. The bride was given away by her father and the groom was supported by his brother, Cornelius Newman. After the ceremony a dainty wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. William Kane, Sea street, and Mr. and Mrs. Newman left on the Digby boat for a honeymoon trip through the Annapolis valley. On their return they will reside in Queen street, West St. John. Their popularity was shown by the array of beautiful presents, including a chair and a purse of gold from the staff of the Dominion Coal Company with whom the groom is employed. The groom's present to the bridesmaid was a pearl pin and to the groomsman a fob chain. Mr. and Mrs. Newman have the best wishes of a large number of friends for long life and happiness.

Winter-Lloyd.

A wedding of interest took place last evening at 6.30 in St. Paul's church, Hampton, when Rev. C. Gordon Lawrence, rector, united in marriage Miss Rhona Angela Trevelyann Lloyd, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mulvey Lloyd of Hampton and Lieut. William Vyvyan Ross Winter, Royal Canadian army service corps, son of Colonel and Mrs. W. R. Winter of Bermuda. The youthful bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a wedding gown of white georgette over white taffeta with pearl trimmings and tulle veil and the lace of the wedding gown worn by her great-grandmother and her great-great-grandmother. She carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaid, Miss Madeline Flewwelling, was beautifully attired in white crepe de chine with white hat trimmed with jade silk and white plumes and carried a bouquet of American beauty roses. The bride's traveling suit was navy blue chiffon broadcloth with Gage sailor hat to match. The church was elaborately and artistically decorated with flowers of blue, white and gold, the colors of the army service corps, and the flags of the corps were draped around the pulpit.

The wedding was attended by many friends and relatives not only from Hampton and vicinity but from other parts of the maritime provinces. After the ceremony Lieutenant and Mrs. Winter motored to the station and left on the Maritime express amidst showers of confetti and hearty congratulations for the north shore of New Brunswick where they will enjoy a short fishing trip on their honeymoon. On their return they will spend the summer as guests of the bride's parents.

George Kenneth Robb presided at the organ and played as the processional "Hail Bright Abode" from Tanhauser and as the recessional "Priests' March" from Aida. Miss Lloyd was very popular in musical circles and in society in St. John and will be remembered as taking a leading part in the various revues and in amateur musical productions staged by the younger society set of the city. She has many friends in Hampton and in St. John who extend to her hearty congratulations and best wishes for future happiness. Lieutenant Winter has been in Hampton and St. John only since his return from overseas, where he served three years, but he has made many friends and is very popular in society as well as military circles.

Many beautiful and costly presents were received which testify to the popularity of both the bride and groom. Among the gifts is a handsome silver scallop dish from Brigadier-General A. H. Macdonnell, C. M. G., D. S. O., and officers of headquarters staff of military district No. 7, where the groom is in the C. A. S. C., also a portable electric lamp and coffee perculator from Major Robert Knox and N. C. O.'s and men of No. 7 detachment of the C. A. S. C., also a beautiful mahogany clock the gift of W. H. Jones, chief caretaker and staff of St. John armories, and a gold coin, the gift of the Hampton Court Chapter of the Imperial Daughters of the Empire. This wedding is of special interest to many friends and relatives in Siam, Burmah, and other foreign lands and also in the United States and other parts of Canada.

Saunders-Vincent.

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized this morning at 8.30 o'clock at St. James Rectory, when Miss Minnie Vincent, daughter of Mrs. Myrtle Vincent, of this city, was united in marriage to L. Roy Saunders, of Model Farm, N. B., by Rev. H. A. Cody. The bride was becomingly attired in a traveling suit of navy blue with blue georgette hat to match and carried a bouqet of bridal roses. They were unattended. They were the recipients of a large number of gifts, including cut glass, silver, etc., among them being a statue, "Don Juan," from the employes of F. W. Daniel & Co., Ltd., where the bride was employed. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Saunders left by auto on a trip through the province and on their return will reside at Model Farm.

CITY'S SHARE OF INDIANTOWN FERRY PASSED

Council Decides to Contribute $2,500 Towards Purchase and Up-keep

Claim Against City for Damage to Truck — Tenders for Lumber Accepted — The North End Playgrounds — Prince Wm. Street Paving — German Guns Are Here.

On account of the desire of Commissioner Thornton to attend the police chiefs' convention at Moncton this afternoon, the weekly meeting of the common council was held this morning. The mayor presided and all the commissioners were present.

A communication from J. B. Dever was read. He said that he had been instructed by the department of justice at Ottawa to ask the city for compensation for damages done to one of the motor omnibuses belonging to the department of militia and defence on January 31, when the ferry steamer Ludlow struck the piling at West St. John causing the brakes to slip on the car and resulting in damages to the extent of $250. In case of refusal to settle he was instructed to take action. The matter was referred to Commissioner Bullock and the city solicitor.

The Rifle Range.

A communication from Major A. J. Dawson, senior engineer officer, M.D. No. 7, regarding the acquisition of the St. John Rifle range was read. He said by direction, that he was authorized to ask the city to let him have as soon as possible a proposition in detail with plans. As it will be necessary for the department to have a rifle range at this point, he suggested that the city offer an alternative site and if this could not be offered, he asked what price the city would offer for the present site which is about fifty-two acres. On motion the letter was referred to Commissioner Frink.

Band Concerts.

Commissioner Frink moved that $1,000 be appropriated for band concerts. So far the City Cornet Band had given three concerts and was charging $50 a concert. He said there were other bands in the process of formation. He understood the price was to be raised. He suggested postponing further concerts until the council learned if the other bands were willing to provide music. The motion carried and Commissioner Frink was authorized to arrange for the programs.

The recommendation fo the council in committee for a grant of $2,500 for the building purchase and equipment of a boat for the Indiantown Ferry service was brought up and on motion of Commissioner Bullock, the section was adopted unanimously. The amount is to be raised by bond issue.

On motion of Commissioner Bullock the tenders of J. Roderick & Son for 80 pieces of 12x12, and 600 pieces of 8x8 timber at $65.75 a thousand was accepted, as was also the tender of J. A. Gregory for 150,000 feet of 3 inch spruce deal at $42 a thousand.

The St. John Garage & Supply Co., was granted permission to instal a 100-gallon gasoline tank in their premises, 90 Duke street.

Paving.

Regarding the pavement of Prince William street, Commissioner Frink reported that the cost of bituminous subsurface and concrete was about the same. He asked permission to lay bituminous subsurface from City Hall to Reed's Point with the exception of the track section.

The matter was left over to the next committee meeting on amendment of Commissioner Thornton.

The mayor reported that the four captured German guns had arrived in the city and it was decided to put them at the exhibition grounds for the present.

Drinking Fountains.

Commissioner Frink suggested that a lead be taken from the fountain in King Square and two bubble fountains placed for the use of tiny children who cannot reach the regular height bubble.

Commissioner Bullock suggested the installation of a bubble fountain at West St. John at the head of Rodney wharf. These matters were referred to Commissioners Jones and Frink.

North End Grounds.

The mayor reported that $10,000 was the lowest price at which the Armstrong & Bruce property could be purchased, and Commissioner Thornton moved that the property be purchased.

The mayor recommended that further consideration be given to the purchase of the Shamrock grounds, Commissioner Frink agreeing to bring in a report on the rock at that place. On amendment it was decided to defer action until the next meeting of the council, when the mayor will present a report on both grounds.

Regarding the overhead crossing at the new bridge, the mayor reported that the city engineer was preparing plans and estimates. He said the dominion government pay twenty-five per cent of the cost and the Canadian Railway Commission allocate where the balance shall be raised from. He said the engineer considered the project feasible.

The report of the committee of the whole was adopted. It recommended that Edwin John East be appointed an additional constable for the City of Saint John; that lot No. 304, Brooks ward, be leased to George W. Belyea for seven years from the 1st day of May last at $20 per annum rental. Rent to commence from the first day of August next; that the Canadian National Railways be authorized to place three tracks

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As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "I have changed my mind about going to Ottawa to form a new government."

"It 'ud hardly be wuth while to try it," said Hiram. "Not bein' a farmer you wouldn't last long if you did git a start."

"Not only that," said the reporter, "but since the indemnity has been increased to $4,000 I could get along nicely as a private member, without any worry at all. I have long desired to get a chance to earn $4,000 a year, and this seems providential. They must have had me in mind."

"You aint the ony one," said Hiram. "I wish my petaters 'ud give as big a crop as the next crop o' candidates lookin' fer that four thousand—yes, sir."

"I never thought of that," said the reporter.

"Yes, sir," said Hiram. "They'll swarm—like Hanner's bees. The woods'll be full o' 'em. Everybody'll want to jine the new union that kin fix its own pay without goin' out on strike. If a feller's board bill runs over the limit he gits paid fer the extrys, an' it don't cost him a cent to travel all the year rounds. An' that aint all he gits. I wouldn't mind bein' a member myself—if I could coax Hanner to run the farm."

"One moment," said the reporter. "I've another idea. Let everybody else be a candidate and you and I will be the intelligent electorate. There will have to be somebody to give the casting vote."

"Well," said Hiram, "we'll think it aver—but we'd be awful lonesome."

TROUBLE AT SEARA

Serious Situation Reported at Seaport in Dalmatia — Mission to Albania.

London, June 29—A Rome despatch to the London Times dated Monday says a serious state of affairs is reported from Sears, a seaport in Dalmatia. It is said that the Italian admiral, Millo, appealed to the Italian government for reinforcements, but that he was unable to obtain them. The despatch adds that it is reported that Gabriele D'Annunzio has left Schibenico. The cause of the trouble is not indicated in the despatch.

Rome, June 29—Baron Aliotti, former counsellor of the Italian embassy in Paris, has left Rome with a mission for Albania in an endeavor to negotiate a settlement of the trouble with the Albanian insurgents.

IS DISMISSED

Petition for Separation from Former Rector of All Saints, Montreal.

Montreal, June 29—The petition of Mary A. M. Stevenson asking for a judicial separation from her husband, Maurice Daly Baldwin, formerly rector of All Saints' Anglican church, this city, and son of the late Bishop Baldwin of the Huron diocese, Ontario, was dismissed by judgment of the superior court rendered by Mr. Justice Howard yesterday afternoon. The judgment was that the grounds of complaint had been considered one by one and had been found in each case insufficient to sustain the action.

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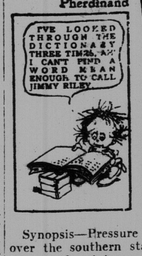

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteological service.

Synopsis—Pressure is relatively high over the southern states and lowest in the Pacific states and in Ontario and Quebec. Thunder storms have been almost general from the Georgian Bay region to Quebec, while a few light scattered showers occurred in the western provinces.

Showers and Thunder

Maritime—Moderate to fresh south to west winds, partly fair and warm with showers and local thunder storms today and on Wednesday.

Gulf and North Shore—Moderate to fresh south to west winds, with some showers and local thunderstorms today and on Wednesday.

New England—Showers and thunder storms probably tonight and Wednesday. Somewhat lower temperatures Wednesday. Fresh southwest winds.

Toroneo, June 29—Temperatures:

Stations.	8 a.m.	Highest Yesterday	Lowest During Night
Prince Rupert	54	62	54
Victoria	58	66	52
Kamloops	54	82	52
Calgary	46	56	46
Edmonton	52	76	48
Prince Albert	54	82	48
Winnipeg	64	62	58
White River	64	78	46
Sault Ste. Marie	64	74	58
Toronto	76	87	68
Kingston	62	72	62
Ottawa	70	78	66
Montreal	70	78	66
Quebec	72	78	66
St. John, N. B.	52	66	50
Halifax	64	76	54
St. John's, Nfld.	68	74	52
Detroit	78	88	74
New York	72	84	70

Liquor Deal In New York's Murder Case

Information of $12,000 Transaction Uncompleted and Belief That One of Men Involved Fired the Shot.

New York, June 29—Information that Jos. B. Elwell, turfman, and whist expert shot to desth in his home here June 11, was slain by a man who believed he had been double crossed in a $12,000 liquor transaction, was laid before the District Attorney Swann today.

Elwell, according to the information, purchased the liquor during the week before his death. Several other persons whose names is was said were furnished the district attorney, were involved. The turfman, it was said, did not have the cash with which to pay for the liquor and gave a check, with the stipulation that it be held until he raised funds with which to meet it. The liquor Mr. Swann was informed was delivered to a point not disclosed.

Previous evidence, showed, it was said, that a few days before his death Elwell sold a race horse for $5,500 and the officials say that altogether he raised more than $9,200 which, they believed was to pay for the liquor. His failure to obtain the amount of the check, they believe, resulted in a visit from one of the men involved in the scheme and the shooting followed.

DECORATION FOR LT.-COL. POWELL

To be Honored by Czecho-Slovaks at Valcartier — Reduction in Force Here.

Lieut. Colonel A. H. H. Powell, assistant adjutant general for military district No. 7, is to leave today for Valcartier, where he will be decorated by Colonel Vuchterle, commander of the Czecko-Slovaks encamped there. Colonel Powell was in Siberia and served for some time, and it is probably in connection with hist service there that the decoration is being conferred, but no details were received except his notification to appear and receive the honor.

Brigadier-General A. H. Macdonnell, C. M. G., D. S. O., G. O. C., M. D. No. 7, and Major A. G. Lawson, M. C., senior engineer officer, left last evening for Fredericton on military business.

In accordance with the order for the reduction of the C. E. F. in the various military districts throughout Canada, several officers, N. C. O.'s and men will be struck off the strength of this district tomorrow. They are as follows: Major H. H. Donnelly, adjutant 7th machine gun brigade; Captain H. G. Ashford, adjutant 62nd St. John fusiliers; Captain E. M. Slader, adjutant heavy battery; and Captain J. B. Gale, acting deputy adjutant and quartermaster general for this district; Regimental Sergeant Major (warrant officer) William Pitt, 7th machine gun brigade; Company Sergeant Major M. L. Lawrence, district casualty company staff; Sergeant Flewelling, order room sergeant 3rd heavy battery; Sergeant A. R. Fleming, orderly room sergeant of the 62nd St. John fusiliers; Sergeant A. T. Weatherhead, orderly room sergeant of 7th machine gun brigade; Sergeant W. J. Blackwell, orderly room sergeant of Canadian military police corps; Sergeants Thomas McCullough and Richards, corps of military staff clerks; Corporal L. H. Dawe, Acting Corporal E. A. Graham, Pte. R. K. Vail, Pte. W. D. Smith and Pte. P. Melnick, district headquarters clerks. Privates Smith and Melnick have been transferred to the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment. All men remaining on the C. E. F. as staff clerks and in other minor positions will be transferred to a general list known as No. 7 Detachment, C. E. F.

CLUBS MUST CLOSE AT NINE O'CLOCK

Ruling Affects Sale of Beer and Wine in Montreal.

Montreal, June 29—A ruling handed down yesterday by Judge Choquette declares that clubs are in the same class as licensed premises in regard to the sale of beer and wine. They must close at 9 p. m. This was the Laurier Political Club test case and the ruling means that the night life of Montreal will be greatly curtailed if not entirely eliminated.

It is probable that the judgment will be attacked. Cases against thirteen licensed liquor vendors were held over until next Monday.

FOR NEXT ELECTION

Organization of Farmers to be Discussed in Winnipeg on July 12.

Winnipeg, June 29—Organization of the farmers of Canada for the next federal elections is to be discussed at a meeting of a special political committee of the Canadian council of agriculture in Winnipeg on July 12. A general meeting of the council is to be held on July 13.

MARY PICKFORD CAUSE OF HITCH IN PROCEEDINGS

Buffalo, N. Y., June 29—When balloting for officers for the opening year was started by the Northern Baptist Convention here yesterday afternoon the recent marriage of Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks cropped up and nearly caused a hitch in the proceedings. The report of the nominating committee was opposed by a motion to substitute the name of the Rev. James A. Francis of Los Angeles for that of the Rev. J. W. Brougher, also a Californian.

Mr. Brougher performed the marriage ceremony for Douglas and Mary and since coming here as a delegation to the convention has made a public address in which he emphasized his belief that it was not contrary to church law to marry divorced persons.

SUDDEN DEATH OF REV. GEO. E. ECKMAN

Scranton, Pa., June 29—Rev. Geo. E. Eckman, pastor of Elm Park church, formerly editor of the Chritsian Advocate and a big figure in Methodism, dropped dead here yesterday.

NEW RECORD MADE IN PARACHUTE DESCENT.

Dayton, Ohio, June 29—Sergeant Bottreille of McCook Field yesterday made a parachute descent of what was said to be 19,500 feet, believed to be a new record.

DIED SUDDENLY

Mrs. Louis J. Hanson of Ludlow Street, West End.

The many friends of Mrs. Clara Belle Hanson, wife of Louis J. Hanson, 108 Ludlow street, West St. John, will regret to hear of her death, which took place last night at 10.30. She had been ill for some little time but was apparently improving until last night when she was about to retire she took a weak spell and fell dead. Her husband, who was out attending a meeting, came home about 11 o'clock and was told that his wife had passed away suddenly, a fearful shock to him.

Mrs. Hanson was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moore of Freeport, N. S., and thirty years of age. She was an active worker in and a valued member of the Ludlow street Baptist church and news of her death came as a great shock to her friends and associates. Besides her husband and parents she leaves two children, Marion, aged six, and a young baby. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved ones. The body was taken at noon today to Freeport, where the funeral will be held tomorrow.

REPORT SOVIETS GET SWEDISH ENGINE WORKS

Stockholm, June 29—It is reported that Sweden's greatest locomotive works situated at Trollhattan, have been sold to Soviet Russia. The Stockholm newspapers are antagonistic to the sale.

The Nydqvist and Holm locomotive, turbine and gas engine works are situated at Trollhattan, which lies about forty miles from Gothenburg.

ST. JOHN MUSICIAN SCORES SUCCESS

Montreal, June 29—The result of the examinations in music held in twenty-five centres throughout the dominion include the following:

First examination for music bac—M. C. Ewing, St. John.

Passed semi-finals (teachers' class)—B. Fowler, Windsor Mills, Que.

Passed examination for certificate as music instructor for class work in elementary schools—M. G. Brown, E. J. Downden, M. E. Fraser, R. R. Smith, all of Turo.

Theoretical music, highest grade—B. I. Fowler, Sherbrooke, Que.

MANY INVESTORS INTERESTED IN ALASKAN PULPWOOD

Juneau, Alaska, June 29—Requests for information are being received by the Alaska Bureau of Publicity from capitalists in all parts of the country who are interested in pulpwood timber, mill sites and water power, presumably as a result of the recent intimation that the Department of Agriculture is about to propose thirty or thirty-five year leases to those desirous of engaging in the manufacture of pulpwood.

The Tongass national forest, comprising about 15,000,000 acres, approximately one-sixth of which is heavily timbered and abundantly supplied with mill sites and water, is the subject of many inquiries. Those who have closely observed the awakening of interest in the pulpwood industry in Alaska are of the belief that the alimination of the "cash in advance" and "year to year" system of leasing timber lands will result in the development of a great paper making industry which, they are confident, is bound to attract attention to other natural resources of Alaska which have long awaited the touch of capital.

DENIES STORY OF CLOSING DOWN PLANT.

Toronto, June 29—President Robert Hobson of the Steel Company of Canada, Hamilton, in a long-distance interview with a Toronto evening paper yesterday, denied a story sent out from Hamilton on Saturday that the whole steel plant at Hamilton would be shut down today because of a shortage of coal and fuel oil.

LARGE SUM FOR POOR FROM DANCER'S JEWELS.

Paris, June 29—The auction sale of the jewels of the late Gabdy Deslys was held yesterday. The total amount realized was 2,233,900 francs. The money will be used for the benefit of the poor of Marseilles in accordance with the terms of her will.

STERLING ECHANGE.

New York, June 29—Sterling exchange steady. Demand 395¼; cables 396. Canadian dollars 87-75.

SAYS ENGLAND "PUT ONE OVER"

Dr. Michael Clark on Canada's Navy Plans

Says Ships Should Not Have Been Accepted — Hon. W. S. Fielding Says Government Should Tell England We Need Breathing Spell.

(Canadian Press.)

Ottawa, June 29—The House early this morning took up the matter in committee of supply the naval service estimates totalling two million dollars.

Dr. Michael Clark said that the government had been shortsighted in accepting England's gift of ships, in consideration of the financial condition of the country, and the fact that the naval policy remains to be discussed at an imperial conference in 1921. England had "put one over" the Canadian government. He expressed belief in the influence for peace which the League of Nations would exercise in world politics and deplored the waste of money on armaments in Canada. It would be better spent on the education and domestic welfare of the Canadian people. The war of armaments would lead logically to actual war. Sir Robert Borden said the national policy could be better decided on results than on conjecture as to how the next war would be fought. Naval defence was as essential to Canada as to any other portion of the empire. Safety zones on the high seas in time of war were important to Canada. Force was an argument not to be denied in world affairs and on more than one occasion the weight of the British navy averted war. Canada must prepare for defence like everybody else.

Hon. W. S. Fielding said that his creed on naval affairs was unchanged since 1909 when his government had resolved that Canada should co-operate with Great Britain in naval defence. That policy had never been carried out until now this government proposed belatedly to carry it out. While he did not suppose that war was at an end for ever, it could be said with safety that was was not imminent. The navy was needed in 1909 and there was money to pay for it. If on the other hand money could not be found for needed domestic developments, how could the government justify the introduction at the end of the session of an increased estimate of $1,700,000 for naval expenditures? The government should decline England's gift of ships for the time at least.

Hon. Mr. Ballantyne asked if Mr. Fielding would be willing to carry on with the Niobe and the Rainbow.

Mr. Fielding said that they were good enough to do service during the war and would have done better if the government had not tied them up in Halifax and kept them out of useful service. The government should tell England that we must have a breathing spell in which to think it over.

CAPE BRETON DEAL

Report Relative to Colliery Properties in Inverness County.

Halifax, N. S., June 29—The Herald today carried the following item:—"Advices to the Herald from Sydney last night quoted what is said to be a well authenticated report that a big deal in Inverness county colliery properties is pending. According to this report, strong capital is negotiating for the acquisition of the Inverness mine, the railway connected therewith, and the pier of the Inverness Railway and Coal Company at Port Hastings; also that negotiations are in progress looking to the acquisition of the Port Hood and the Mabou properties. The general opinion in Cape Breton seems to be that this is something pretty extensive and that an amalgamation of these properties is in project."

AUTO MEN OF QUEBEC MEET

Request to Government Relative to Roads of Province.

Quebec, June 29, (Canadian Press)—The annual meeting of the Quebec Provincial Motor League was held here yesterday. Resolutions were passed that the league join the Canadian Auto Association body, that whilst appreciating the good roads policy of the provincial government, the league was of the opinion, without wishing to complain, that in view of the fact that the average motor license in the province of Quebec cost $26 as compared with $11 in Ontario and $12 in New York state, which netted the Quebec government more than a million dollars revenue, the government should give greater attention to the maintenance of good roads already built in the province.

The officers for the ensuing year are: President, A. L. Caron, Montreal; first vice-president, Hon. Frank Carrol, Quebec; second vice-president, C. E. Soles, Sherbrooke.

STATEMENTS IN COMMONS BY BRITISH PREMIER.

London, June 29—(Canadian Associated Press)—Premier Lloyd George said in the House of Commons last night that he did not propose to make a further statement on the Boulogne conference until after the meeting at Spa.

Answering six questions about Mesopotamia, he said consideration must be given to rights existing before the war and the interest of the Arab states must be safeguarded.