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Valley Railway Matter Awaits Return of Emissaries Sent By Premier Flemming to Ottawa

Many M. P.'s Now Believed Against Aid Unless Certain Conditions Met

Want Accounting of Money Already Spent, Time Guarantee and Through Connection With G. T. P.—Mayor Home But Silent as to Negotiations—Hydro-Electric Bill is Killed

(Special Times) Fredericton, March 31—Premier Flemming, has sent I. P. D. Tilley and Hon. Jas. A. Murray to Ottawa to take a few more soundings in regard to the Valley Railway trouble. Nothing will be done here until they return and report.

Lieutenant Governor Wood was in Ottawa not long ago, and it is reported that what he learned there was by no means likely to cause him to favor the "frenzied finance" proposal which his government is now trying to make the legislature swallow.

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It is believed that many members of the legislature are stoutly opposed to any further bond guarantee unless the money already spent is accounted for properly, and unless it is shown that the railway can be finished within a reasonable time and that it will be used by the Grand Trunk Pacific to carry through traffic.

The attitude of the St. John members, Messrs. Baxter, Lockhart, Tilley and Granman, as well as the members from Kings and Queens, is being watched carefully, as these men may be called upon to choose between the interests of the province on the one hand and Mr. Flemming on the other. No doubt they have been hearing from their constituents.

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Hydro-Electric Bill Killed. The St. John River Hydro-Electric Company's bill was defeated in the commonsense committee today by a vote of twelve to nine.

The bill was promoted by Max McCarty, was incorporated two years ago, but was held up twice—once for a decision at Ottawa and again for a decision of the Waterways Commission. Both decisions were in its favor, but there was, of course, a good deal of delay.

The time in which the company should begin operations for the development of power at Medville will expire in April, and they applied for an extension of time. This has been refused.

W. H. Harrison, W. A. Ewing and R. B. Hanson appeared for the company, whose appeal was successfully opposed by the lumbering and fishing interests and others.

Mayor Frank returned at noon today from Fredericton where he went last evening to interview the provincial government regarding the Valley Railway and to present the protest of this city against the granting of additional aid until further information has been given about past expenditures and about the future arrangements.

His Worship said that he had nothing to say regarding the progress of the negotiations pending something more definite.

J. M. Robinson, president of the Board of Trade and D. F. Pidgeon, who were in Fredericton on the same mission, will not return until this evening.

THEY HOPE TO REACH THE SUM THAT WAS AIMED AT

Metropole Fund is Now Nearly Up to \$19,000

Committee members are still engaged in collecting for the Metropole fund. Several donations received yesterday afternoon increased the total to nearly \$19,000.

Major Moore of the headquarters staff of the Salvation Army, Toronto, before leaving last night on his return to that city expressed his pleasure at the success of the campaign.

Major Moore was accompanied by Adjutant Calvert and Ensigns Owen and Layman, all of the Toronto branch.

Ohio Miners' Strike. Martins Ferry, Ohio, March 31—Because coal operators of this section refused to sign a new scale, based on the 1910-11 law, which will become operative on May 20, 6,000 miners quit work today.

Operators say they will not pay for mining on the new basis until compelled by law.

Phelps and Phereidans WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, H. K. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—The disturbance which was in the middle states yesterday, has developed into quite an important storm, which is now central near Sable Island and has caused a heavy snowfall in the southern part of the maritime provinces.

The barometer is now highest over the Great Lakes, but from present indications will soon begin to fall in advance of a disturbance from the southwestern states.

Fine and Cool. Maritime—Strong north and north-west winds, clearing Wednesday. Fresh northwest winds, fair and cool.

Washington, D. C., March 31—New England forecasts: Fair tonight and Wednesday, moderate to brisk north winds.

T. D. SULLIVAN DEAD

Noted Irishman Who Wrote "God Save Ireland"

M. P. For Years, Lord Mayor of Dublin For Two Terms, Passes Away as Home Rule Hopes Seem About to be Realized

(Canadian Press) Dublin, Ireland, March 31—Timothy Sullivan, Irish patriot and author of "God Save Ireland," died here today, in his 87th year.

Timothy D. Sullivan, who was a newspaper man by profession, was a native of Bantley, County Cork. He was one of the most prominent agitators in favor of home rule for Ireland at the time when the late Charles Stewart Parnell was in his prime.

For twenty years he was a Nationalist member of the House of Commons, and for two years in succession—1886 and 1887—was Lord Mayor of Dublin.

He held the position of lecturer in geology in the University of Adelaide.

MAN OF THE ANTARCTIC WEDES IN AUSTRALIA

Mawson and Sweetheart Had Carried on Correspondence by Wireless

(Canadian Press) New York, March 31—A cable to the Sun from Melbourne says: "Doctor Douglas Mawson, Antarctic explorer, who has just returned after a trip during which his two companions lost their lives, and made his way back to the base after thirty days of suffering, was married today to Miss DeLorge, daughter of a mine owner.

"They became engaged in 1911, when Miss DeLorge was nineteen years old, before Doctor Mawson started on his expedition. They exchanged love messages by wireless while the doctor was in the Antarctic.

He was born in Bradford, England, in 1862. He holds the position of lecturer in geology in the University of Adelaide.

More Trouble For Henry Siegel

Suit For Divorce Against Bankrupt Banker and Merchant

(New York, March 31—Henry Siegel, bankrupt banker and merchant, under arrest for grand larceny and violation of the state banking laws, named as defendant in a suit for absolute divorce filed today in New York.

It is understood that two co-respondents are named.

HANNA KILLS TEMPERANCE BILL IN ONTARIO HOUSE

Provincial Treasurer Puts Veto on The Woman's Vote Measure

(Toronto, March 31—Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary, killed the second reading of a bill introduced in the Ontario legislature last night by W. McDonald of Centre Bruce, to close the bars on Saturday afternoons and all legal holidays. The provincial secretary declared the government was keeping pace with the minds of the people on Temperance legislation.

The bill introduced some time ago by J. C. Elliott of West Middlesex, to extend the municipal franchise to married women possessing the necessary property qualifications, was "scotched" by the provincial treasurer. He said he believed the majority of women in this province did not want the franchise.

STOLE TO HELP PREACHER WHO WAS UNDERPAID

Edmonton Girl Remanded For Sentence After Plea of Guilty

(Edmonton, March 31—Lula Chamberlain, charged with stealing a check for \$119 and \$80 in cash, declared in court that it was her love for an underpaid minister of the gospel, who was in need of money, that led her to commit theft.

She pleaded guilty to the charge and Judge Taylor remanded her for sentence. She alleges she gave \$26 to the cleric, to assist him in his financial difficulties and later gave him \$25 more. The balance she said she tendered to the Beulah Mission.

After giving this evidence she declared she was in love with the preacher of gospel, she had once been engaged to him but the engagement had been broken off.

STORM WARNINGS FOR GREAT LAKES SHIPPING

Buffalo, N. Y., March 31—Beginning tomorrow shipping interests in the Great Lakes will be accurately advised by the weather bureau as to approaching winter storms. This will be done by the daily publication of the Beaufort scale which has been adopted by the United States weather bureau.

By consulting the table it will be possible for vessel owners to keep closely informed of approaching winter storms and their relative range. The new scale conforms to the scale now used by the British navy and has been used in England and other countries for some years to protect shipping.

IS VERY ILL

Miss Minnie Lawlor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lawlor, who has been a student at a young ladies' school in Halifax is suffering from an attack of pneumonia and serious fears for her safety are entertained. Mrs. Lawlor left last night for Halifax.

Ready To See Empire Wrecked

Dr. Roberts Will Not Run; Mr. Pidgeon's Decision is Deferred

The choice for mayor for the next term is narrowing down. Dr. W. F. Roberts announced today that he would not be a candidate for the office despite the urgent solicitation of many friends who have called upon him with the request that he should offer.

He said this afternoon that, although he was willing to do his share if his friends thought he was the man for the position, he felt that he could not give the work the time that its importance demands, and that, under the circumstances, he did not feel justified in standing for election.

D. F. Pidgeon is in Fredericton today and will not announce his decision until tomorrow.

Fight To The Last Is Huerta's Order To Torreon Defender

Armistice Arranged to Discuss Surrender is One Story Today—Another is That Federal Commander Was For Time Driven Insane

(Canadian Press) Mexico City, March 31—An armistice has halted the bloody battle of Torreon, according to reports current at Constitutional headquarters early today. General Carranza, the federal commander in the beleaguered city, is said to be negotiating with Villa for surrender of the town.

Both reports were partially confirmed by officers close to Provisional President Carranza, who said that Carranza had received a dispatch from Villa late last night, in which the rebel commander-in-chief, had put the entire matter up to his superior, to decide whether the terms suggested by Villa should be granted.

Carranza sent a long reply to Villa this morning, but the instructions that he had received from the Provisional President, while holding the greater part of Torreon, has been unable to penetrate into the main plaza, where Velasco had gathered his best troops and concentrated his artillery to sweep every avenue of approach.

Another strong point held by the federalists were two curbs in the western part of the city. These lie in a basin which is of great strategic advantage, the only entrance being easily defended by machine guns.

Villa suffered terrible losses in attempting to capture this strategic point on Monday. The federalists allowed the rebels to penetrate the entrance in large numbers before the artillery fire opened.

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EXPECT VICTORY FOR WILSON TODAY BY SEVENTY-FIVE VOTES

Washington, D. C., March 31—As the hour approached today for the taking of the final vote upon the Sims bill, providing for the repeal of the provision of the Panama Canal Act exempting American coastwise vessels from payment of tolls, the administration leaders in the house were more confident than ever of victory by a substantial margin.

They declared every indication pointed to show the bill would pass by a majority of at least seventy-five. The greatest crowd that the house has seen in recent years jammed the galleries to hear the final debate. People believed Mr. Wilson actuated by the highest patriotic motives and said that there was no breach in the Democratic party.

He argued at length against the president's contention and declared that the "Amazing request of the president for the repeal, like the peace of God, passeth all understanding."

DIED THIS MORNING

The death of Mrs. Elizabeth McDonald took place early this morning at her home, 23 North street. She was the widow of Frederick McDonald, and formerly lived in Summerside, P. E. I. She leaves four sons—John and Hugh of this city and Frederick and Daniel in the United States. She also leaves two daughters Mrs. Frank Moore and Mrs. Andrew Olsen both living in St. John. The funeral will be held on Thursday afternoon from her late residence.

Life Sentence for Murder. Chicago, Ill., March 31—John B. Koetters today was found guilty of murdering Mrs. Emma Kraft, of Cincinnati and sentenced to life imprisonment.

CIRCUIT COURT

The March Circuit Court met this morning and adjourned until Friday when further business will be presented to the grand jury. The petit jury was discharged until next Monday morning.

STEAMER ASHORE

Hamburg, March 31—The German Lloyd's office today received a dispatch saying that the Levant Liner Tenebris has gone ashore near Euboea on the Grecian Peninsula. The position of the ship is dangerous and a big hole has been cut in her side.

STRIKE OF NEARLY MILLION MEN THREATENS ENGLAND; MANY NOW OUT

London, March 31—England now faces a strike of almost a million workmen. A great strike of electricians, and 150,000 more declare they will strike this week, unless their demand for a scale of minimum wages is granted.

A great strike of workers on the London subway and street cars, many of them skilled electricians, is fixed for Wednesday, unless an agreement is reached. In any event, it is believed, the city's lighting is not endangered. A great strike of 4,000 mill employees in 1911 will expire soon and their leader swears that certain grievances must be remedied. Ten thousand more men are to be called out in the building trade strike.

Astounding Statement By Lieutenant of Carson

ANYTHING RATHER THAN HOME RULE

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F. E. Smith Goes Furthest Yet in Declaration in Commons—Sir Edward Gray Leading The House—Talk of Resignation of Paget

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GREY LEADS THE HOUSE

London, March 31—In the most momentous political struggle that England has known in a century, the Liberal government today resumed its fight for home rule, when the bill granting autonomy to Ireland, was called up in the House of Commons for its second reading. The firm hand of Mr. Asquith was missing but Sir Edward Gray was in charge of the government's attack.

Mr. Asquith called at the War Office during the morning, and held a conference of several hours with Colonel Seely. Later the premier conferred with Sir Edward Gray on the course to be pursued in parliament.

The latest resignation expected in the complicated political situation is that of Viscount Morley, Lord President of the Council, who will probably be forced from public life as a result of the army matter. Lord Morley is accused of misrepresenting the cabinet's policy in regard to army officers in Ireland, although he is not accused of doing so with irregular intent.

It was reported that Sir Arthur Paget, commander-in-chief in Ireland, resigning declarations of the Liberals in regard to the controversy over the "people versus the army," has either resigned or is contemplating resignation. The resignations of French and Ewart are still in the hands of the cabinet.

Although the illness of Hon. David Lloyd George is reported to be a serious nature, a London specialist named Doctor Walton has been called in to attend him.

It is said that the chancellor has completely lost his voice. He has postponed his immediate engagements.

ANTI-HOME RULE FUND

London, March 31—Hon. Herbert C. Gibbs, a partner in the firm of Antony Gibbs & Sons, appealed through the Times on March 29, for subscriptions for an Ulster defence fund as an offset to the Bradford speech of Hon. Winston Churchill.

Mr. Gibbs now announces that he has received more than \$500,000 and says: "The active sympathy thus shown has done much to counteract the provocative effect of the deeds and speeches of cabinet ministers." Mr. Gibbs asks for further subscriptions.

THE STEAMERS

Last Midnight the Donaldson steamer Cassandria was reported 80 miles east of Cape Race on her way from St. John to Glasgow.

Allan Liner Alsatian, from Halifax to Liverpool, was moving at 230 o'clock. The Bray Head is out twenty-one days from Ardrossan and the Manchester Mariner is already sixteen days on her voyage from Manchester.

Furness Liner Shenandoah, from London for St. John, is due at Halifax. R. M. S. Virginian, of the Allan Line, is due to sail tomorrow afternoon about 3 o'clock with passengers, mail and cargo.

Allan Liner Corinthian left Havre for St. John on last Friday night. C. P. R. steamer Empress of Asia arrived at Yokohama today.

TURBINE INSTALLED

Work has been about completed on the installation of a big new high pressure steam turbine which has been placed in the power house of the St. John Railway Company in Union street. The turbine will be a valuable addition for power purposes, being capable of between 2,000 and 4,000 horse power. The turbine has been installed by the Canadian General Electric Co.