

MR. PUGSLEY WOULD SEE ST. JOHN SIDE-TRACKED

Objects to Clause in C. N. R. Bill Compelling Company to Use Canadian Ports Only

IS TAKEN TO TASK

BY MR. GEO. W. FOWLER

Challenged by Member for Kings-Albert, Admits He is Willing to Allow C.N.R. Traffic Go to American Ports.

Special to The Standard

Ottawa, Ont., June 3.—An extraordinary statement was made by Hon. Wm. Pugsley at the conclusion of the debate on the Canadian Northern Railway bill. He made the extraordinary assertion that it was his intention to insert in the bill the clause which makes it compulsory for the C. N. R. to take goods for export to a Canadian port only. In fact, he stated that if he had an opportunity he would move that this clause be taken out.

Mr. Pugsley replied that he wanted to know if the condition was put forward with the view of simply humbugging the people of eastern Canada. Mr. Fowler—"Will my hon. friend say that as a representative of one of the winter ports of Canada he considers it bad legislation, is opposed to it, and wants it stricken from the statute?"

Mr. Pugsley said it was bad legislation and most injurious to the producers of Canada. Mr. Fowler remarked that he had tried to get that clause inserted in the Transcontinental agreement with the C. T. P. and was unable to do so, but, he added, "a different government is in power now and this clause is in and not on my initiative either."

"Would my hon. friend move," asked Mr. Fowler, "or is it his intention to move that this clause be omitted from the bill if not why not?"

"If the leader of the government will give me an opportunity I shall be glad to move it," answered Mr. Pugsley. "This was mere bluff on Mr. Pugsley's part. He had every opportunity of moving any amendment he cared to."

"Then why do you not move it," asked Mr. Fowler. "Then what becomes of the hon. gentleman's present agreement?"

Mr. Pugsley dwelt for some time on the taking away of the liberty of the shipper but it was evident that he felt uncomfortable at being taken to task on such an important point as showing his willingness to allow C. N. R. traffic to go to American ports instead of St. John.

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ATTEMPT AT ABDUCTION IN YORK CO.

Adopted Child of St. Mary's People Carried Off Before Household Were Out of Bed.

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Fredericton, N. B., June 3.—The annual meeting of the local Methodist church will open at the local church tomorrow morning in preparation for conference next week at Chatham.

The fourth meeting of quarterly official board of the local Methodist church was held this week. The total net membership stands at 423, an increase during the year of thirteen.

The year was commenced with a deficit of \$200, but ended with a balance on hand of \$12. The total amount raised during year was \$6,547. A gratifying feature of board meeting was that the report showed every department of the church work in a prosperous condition, and the outlook bright for future.

When Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Cook woke up this morning at their home at St. Mary's they had a surprise. Last night they had a visitor Miss Clara Ross, who recently figured as plaintiff in a divorce case, being granted an absolute divorce from her husband, Wm. Blizzard, who formerly resided in this city and who is now said to live in St. John.

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The Storstad in Montreal Showing Damage to Her Bow



RESENTS ATTEMPT TO DISCREDIT THE ST. LAWRENCE ROUTE

London Times Says River When Free of Ice is Less Dangerous Than the Thames—Expresses Belief that Investigation Will Not Result in Placing Blame on Seaway.

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WORLD WIDE MOURNING FOR SALVATIONISTS

In Thirty-four Languages Services for Army's Dead Among Empress Victims Will Be Held.

Montreal, June 3.—In sixty-nine countries and colonies, two hundred thousand soldiers of the Salvation Army will speak thirty-four different languages on Sunday in the Memorial services which are to be conducted the world over, in honor of those of the Empress dead who belonged to that organization. It is estimated that upwards of 3,700,000 people will gather in all the citadels and buildings of the army to mourn for the one hundred and thirty-eight of the army that went beneath the waves in the St. Lawrence, last Friday morning with the Empress of Ireland.

KING RECEIVES A LARGE NUMBER OF BIRTHDAY MESSAGES

Niagara Falls, Ont., June 3.—The Mexican delegates to the mediation conference today sent a telegram to the Duke of Connaught, governor-general of Canada, expressing "the sincere condolence of the Mexican nation for the bereavement suffered in the tragic and regrettable loss of life occasioned by the disaster to the Empress of Ireland."

London, June 3.—King George V. celebrated his 49th birthday today. He received messages of congratulation from many of the crowned heads of Europe, and a number of gifts.

LIBERALS FAILED TO PROTECT DEPOSITORS

Fielding Issued Certificate Knowing Real Facts About Farmers' Bank. REFUSED TO GIVE HEED TO WARNINGS. Having Sanctioned the Transaction the Opposition Are Now Against Government Reimbursing Losers.

STREET CAR RUNS INTO AUTOMOBILE

Two Occupants are Killed Instantly—Two Others and Motorman Badly Hurt—Car Left Rails.

Montreal, June 3.—A street car smashed into an automobile owned by Mr. Emile Robillard, 225 Hamilton St., at the intersection of Atwater avenue and St. Antoine St., this evening at 6.30, with fatal results. Mrs. E. Robillard, 40 years of age, and a daughter Miss E. Robillard, were instantly killed. Mr. Robillard and a son, Eugene, were seriously hurt, and are now in the Western Hospital. They are suffering from broken ribs, general contusions, cuts and probably internal injuries. The motorman of the car, Roscoe Chenevert, 123 St. Antoine street, escaped with his left arm crushed.

NOVA SCOTIA EXPECTS BIG APPLE CROP

Favorable Weather and Adoption of Scientific Methods by Farmers Ensure Good Crop for This Year.

Halifax, June 3.—Not in the history of the apple industry has the Annapolis Valley had such promise of a large crop of apples than this season furnishes. The elaborate precautions taken for the derby are being repeated for the coming Ascot race meeting. Strong fences have been erected and a special supply has been installed in case of fire.

SAILOR DROWNED BY UPSETTING OF DORY

Harvey Hiltz, of the Schooner Viola May, Loses His Life—His Companion Escaped.

Mahone Bay, N. S., June 3.—The schooner Viola May, Captain Wentzell, arrived today from the fishing banks with her flag at half mast for the loss by drowning of Harvey Hiltz, committee met this evening hoping to settle definitely the difficulties over the elimination of Russel, Ont., and Richmond, N. S. They failed to reach an agreement and it is now considered improbable that the redistribution bill will come before parliament this session.

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HUERTA HAS HOPES HE CAN TURN TABLES

With Fresh Supply of Ammunition He Can Meet Out Severe Punishment to Rebels.

Vera Cruz, June 3.—With the arrival at Mexico City of the arms and ammunition landed from the German steamers Bavaria and Ypiranga and with the receipt of the news that another consignment of arms had been disembarked on the west coast, there is said to have been a frank display of optimism at the National Palace and among President Huerta's followers, both official and civilian.

HINDU LEADER WILL NOT PAY

Refuses to Hand Over Remainder of Charter Money to Agent of Company Which Owns Steamer Party Arrived in.

Vancouver, B. C., June 3.—C. Gardner Johnson, agent for the Japanese steamer Monorata Maru, went out in the inlet this morning and held a conversation with Gurdit Singh, leader of the Hindu excursion. The first part of the conversation was chiefly a demand by Mr. Johnson that he be paid the remainder of the charter money forthwith. The second part of the talk was mostly Singh's reply, that he could not and would not pay, because the terms of the charter had not in his opinion, been complied with. The chief breach of the charter apparently was that the Hindu passengers had not been landed in Vancouver.

PEACE ENVOYS SEND MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY

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AVIATOR HAS LEG BROKEN

Boston, Ont., June 2.—McKay, the aviator, sustained a serious accident while giving an exhibition here today. The engine of his aeroplane gave out while he was sixty feet in the air and the machine and man fell to the ground. McKay was picked up with a broken leg, and one of his arms and his back hurt. The aeroplane was almost completely wrecked.

LANDED OVER QUARTER MILLION TONS OF COAL AT MONTREAL

Taken from Dominion Coal Company's Collieries, Sydney—Storstad Out of Commission for Three Weeks.

Montreal, June 3.—Though three of the fleet are temporarily out of commission, the Black Diamond colliers have already brought over a quarter of a million tons of coal to Montreal this season from the Dominion Coal Company's collieries at Sydney. The Battison, Kendall Castle and Storstad are the vessels not at present on the run between here and Sydney, the two first named undergoing repairs necessitated through collisions with ice, whilst the Storstad, the steamer which rammed the Empress of Ireland, will take at least three weeks to be put into commission again.

WHITE WOLF LOOTS AND BURNS CHINESE TOWN

Peking, June 3.—A despatch from Lanchow, Province of Kansu, reports that "White Wolf," the notorious brigand, has looted and set fire to the town of Ningchow. All missionaries and Americans are safe, but the Christian Alliance station was burned.