

WEATHER FORECAST

For details see weather on p. 10. Light Snow falls, turning Decid. Cold. Temperature at 3 A. M. 32 Degrees Above Zero.

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SHIPPING OF BOSTON IS PARALYZED BY STRIKE

Ships Sailing With Half Cargoes, Others Arriving Unable to Unload - Prospects of Settlement Remote.

Estimated 2,800 Men Left Their Work - Coastwise Shipping May Also Suffer - Italian Labor Proposed.

Boston, Jan. 5.—With wharves piled high with merchandise, loaded steamers arriving with no hands to unload the freight, partially empty steamers sailing and agents contemplating turning their boats towards other ports, the longshoremen's strike for a ten cent increase in wages assumed a serious aspect tonight, so far as Boston's foreign commerce is concerned. It is estimated that 2,800 men left work at midnight and despite the efforts of city and state officials, who held several conferences with the steamship agents and the union leaders, the strike at sunset showed no signs of breaking. It was even intimated that it might extend to the freight handlers, who take care of the cargoes of coastwise steamers, but this evening these men were still at work. With the stroke of midnight Thursday the men ceased work. The steamer Devonian had her grain on board, but thirty carloads of merchandise remained on the dock. She sailed with half her cargo at noon today for Liverpool. The Cambrian is scheduled to sail for London on Sunday, but will have only a few tons on board. The Rotterdam arrived today from Rotterdam and will probably be ordered to Philadelphia to unload, while the Gallo is expected tomorrow from Halifax and will also be diverted. The Michigan, which is in port from Liverpool, may be unloaded by Italians. Mayor Fitzgerald, Chairman Bancroft of the newly created dock commission and President Smith of the chamber of commerce were active during the day in an effort to bring about a compromise by conferences with foreign steamship agents and union officials. It was stated by the longshoremen's union leaders that they were willing to submit the claim to arbitration but did not care to have the state arbitration board act. On the other hand the steamship companies asserted that the men had left work without notice and that a settlement looking to a settlement should come from them.

DUKE WILL PRESIDE AT MEETING OF THE AMBULANCE ASSN.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The annual meeting of the St. John Ambulance Association is to take place in the Russell theatre, Ottawa in the evening of Wednesday, March 6, and will be presided over by Field Marshall His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, who is patron of the Canadian branch of the association. At the annual meeting of the final contest in the ocean to ocean competition in first aid work among C. P. R. classes will be held. The eastern teams in the competitions include: Woodstock, N. B., champions of the Atlantic section; Angus shops, champions of the Angus shops division; Windsor station, Montreal, winners in the eastern division.

DEPARTMENTS TO BE PROVIDED WITH NEW ACCOMMODATION

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The government will place in the estimates to be brought down when Parliament resumes next week, an appropriation of \$100,000 for the block to be erected in Ottawa, to house the branches and departments now housed in various rented buildings throughout the city. At present \$50,000 is paid out in these rentals. The old government proposed to erect the buildings on the west side of Sussex street, but the present administration has decided that this site is unsuitable. There are several other locations under consideration.

BITTEN BY MOUSE SCIENTIST DIES

Zurich, Switzerland, Jan. 5.—Dr. Simon, the bacteriologist, died here today as a result of having been bitten by an inoculated mouse, with which he was experimenting in an endeavor to find a serum for curing blood poisoning. Dr. Simon was a son-in-law of Herr Reber, the socialist leader in the German Reichstag.

PRO. HOCKEY CHINA WILL FULFILL ITS OBLIGATIONS

Republican Government Issues Manifesto Outlining Situation Responsible for Present Circumstances.

ONE OF PLAYERS IS ARRESTED.

Hullfax, Jan. 5.—Two professional hockey games were played tonight in Halifax. The Socials defeated the Crescents ten to two in a game that was fast in the first part, but became rather poor in the third period. At the end of the first period the score was two to one in favor of the Socials. At the second it was four to two, and when play ended the Socials score had risen to ten. Wilkie took Day's place after the arrest of that player, and played a star game. Capt. Dumphy and Mike Murphy for the Socials were in good form. One of the best men was J. Waddell, who came from Amherst to play for the Socials. At New Glasgow the Moncton Victorias defeated the New Glasgow Cubs by a score of six to five. Only in the first period had the New Glasgow team the best of the play, the period ending three to two in favor of New Glasgow. The players on both sides were fagged out, play at periods being slow. In the home team the defense was at times decidedly open. On the night Gault and Miller showed combination in play. Cook, who replaced Gault in the third period, did not come up to the expectations of the local fans, while he was effective in blocking. The play ending three to two in favor of New Glasgow. Morrison made many sensational stops and was responsible for the fact that the score was kept as low as it was. In the first and second periods Morrison showed up much better than the home team. Crockett and Norman were seen to good advantage. On the defense Povey and Murphy were a tower of strength, while Smith at centre was perhaps the fastest man on the ice. One of the goals scored by Moncton is disputed by the fans, but is strongly claimed by the goal judge to be correct. The play was well handled and the fans were able to keep tabs on the men on the ice.

TAILOR MURDERS UNCLE THEN TELLS POLICE OF CRIME

Worcester, Mass., Jan. 5.—Arthur Fico, a tailor of this city, walked into the police station today and confessed that he murdered his uncle, Martin Besedes, in Scranton, Pa., several years ago. Fico said that after the murder he escaped to New York, and then came here. He said that he brooded over the affair and at last decided to give himself up. He expresses his willingness to return to Scranton at once. Fico declined to give details of the alleged murder.

NEW MOTU PROPRIO PROBABLY WILL NOT APPLY IN CANADA

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—In official Roman Catholic ecclesiastical circles here it is considered to be improbable that the recent "Motu Proprio" which effected excommunication on all who without proper ecclesiastical permission compelled Roman Catholic clerics to appear before civil tribunals, will have jurisdiction in Canada. Announcement of the promulgation of the new edict was greeted with interest in Canada, particularly because of the civil action in which Bishop Fallon and one of the priests of the diocese of London figured. The edict is very much doubted, however, by the Canadian Press was informed today, whether the decree will affect any English speaking country. An official pronouncement in this regard is expected shortly from Rome.

CARNEGIE ASSURES COMMITTEE HE WILL APPEAR AT SESSION

Washington, Jan. 5.—Andrew Carnegie has been asked by the House "Steel Trust" Investigating Committee to appear before it Wednesday, January 10, and has assured Chairman Stanley of the committee that he will be present.

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ALL RESTRICTIONS TO TRADE ABOLISHED.

Shanghai, Jan. 5.—Dr. Sun Yat Ser, provisional president of the Chinese republic which was declared at Nanking, issued today a manifesto to the foreign powers in which he explained the public aims and policies of the republicans in China. In it he says that the present situation has been forced on China by Manchu misrule, which was incapable of remedy without a revolution. We now proclaim the resultant overthrow of despotic sway and the establishment of a republic. The manifesto sets forth in detail the wrongs of the Chinese people and eloquently promises strict adherence to all treaties, obligations and concessions undertaken by the Chinese government. It gives an assurance of the safety of foreigners in China, and provides for equal treatment of the Manchus and of the establishment of a stable government. It declares that it will abolish all restrictions on trade and that it will undertake the revision of all laws and will ensure religious toleration. It then asks for the aid of foreign nations for the consummation of plans which they have so long been undertaking upon the people of our country. Seven hundred imperial troops are reported to have been killed or wounded Thursday in a battle near Hankow, province of Hu Pei, with the revolutionists. The imperial forces were evacuating the city when two of their trains were destroyed. From these trains 1,000 troops independent of their commanders were making an effort to return to Hankow. The revolutionists, however, attacked them vigorously inflicting a heavy loss. This information reached Peking today in a consular report from Hankow. The report added that there was a conference in Hankow today between the Imperialists and Revolutionists, but that no agreement was reached.

KING AND QUEEN WITNESS PAGEANT IN THEIR HONOR

Calcutta, Jan. 5.—King George and Queen Mary today witnessed a great pageant in their honor. There were two processions—Mohammedan and Hindu—in which there were fifty elephants, hundreds of camels and horses, and elaborate state cars. Many of the contingents had retainers equipped with ancient weapons. There was a gorgeous display of jewelry. Hundreds of thousands of natives gave their Majesties an ovation.

MAIL CAR ROBBED BY UNMASKED MEN ON OREGON EXPRESS

Redding, Cal., Jan. 5.—The mail car of the Oregon express, on the Southern Pacific was robbed today by two unmasked men. Three mail clerks were bound and gagged by the robbers, who entered the car while the train was pulled into Redding and Redding. The train pulled into Redding at 6.40 a. m., and the robbers, carrying their loot, dropped off and escaped.

COMMISSION TO LEAVE SHORTLY FOR WASHINGTON

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The appointment of Lawrence Burpee, librarian at the Carnegie Library of Ottawa, to be secretary of the Canadian section of the International Waterways Commission has been made, as foreshadowed. The commission is now ready for the Washington meeting, and will leave Ottawa for the United States capital on Monday. The new commissioners will not elect a chairman, as the treaty does not provide for any. All that will be done in this respect will be the selection of a convener who will likely be T. Chase Castain, K. C., of Montreal.

DECLARE TRANSFER INVALID

Commission Appointed by Manitoba Government Think Indians were Tricked in Sale of Reservation.

VOTE WAS NOT PROPERLY TAKEN.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Word was received in the capital today from Winnipeg to the effect that the commission appointed by the Manitoba government to inquire into the sale by the Dominion government of the St. Peter's reserve near Winnipeg had declared the transfer of the property from the Indians to other parties to be invalid. The first objection to the sale was taken by Geo. H. Bradbury, Conservative member for Selkirk constituency, in which the reserve is located. He contended in the House that the Indians had been tricked out of their lands, which had been allowed to fall into the hands of speculators. Hon. Frank Oliver in defending the sale, said that all the provisions of the law providing for the sale of Indian reserves had been strictly adhered to and that the Indians had no cause for complaint. Of the three commissioners named in the Manitoba government to conduct the inquiry, all of whom are judges, two agree with the member for Selkirk, while the third upholds the contention of the former Minister of the Interior. The commission's report against the validity of the transaction, find that the Indians, as wards of the government, were not legally qualified to dispose of the land. They also find that the vote was not properly taken, a majority of the Indians not having declared in favor of disposing of the land. The whole matter is complicated by the fact that the Manitoba government declines to issue warrants against a portion of the band of Indians which occupied the reserve as considered by the government. Mr. Bradbury, who is in Ottawa, is not surprised at the findings of the commission. The reserve, he said, consisted of 45,000 acres, which were disposed of for less than \$150,000. The surrender was put through without the Indians having been given a fair opportunity to consider the matter. The property was sold to four speculators, the general public having little or no opportunity to buy. Pending the receipt of the full report Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of the Interior, declined to make any comment and the officials of the Indian Department were equally reticent.

PLAYER COMITS ASSAULT ON ICE-- POLICE TAKE HAND

Halifax, Jan. 5.—At the hockey match between the Crescents and Socials in the Arena tonight, a player of the Socials who was imported from Ottawa, named Edgar Dey, assaulted Patsy Ferguson, the Crescents' hockey stick over the nose, and was promptly arrested by Serg. Meehan and locked up in the police station for the night. The game had hardly started when it took place. Wilkie was substituted for Dey. Seguin had to be carried off the ice, but later resumed play. At midnight Dey was released on bail.

COMMISSION IS ENGAGED ON WORK OF ORGANIZATION

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The civil service inquiry commission is busy getting down into its offices and will be busy for some time with the work of organization. It is unlikely that the commission will appoint a general counsel. Instead it will act as its own counsel and will save the expense. The next few days will be devoted to preliminary work, and the formal investigation will not begin until next week. While nothing has been decided it may commence with the department of public works. The commission ultimately may be expected to go west and investigate on the ground the work of the department of the interior.

NAVAL PROPOSALS TO HAVE FRESH START

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The government will not bring down any navy bill this session and no announcement of policy will be forthcoming. This may be stated tonight definitely. The failure of the former govern-

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Montreal, Jan. 5.—The Star tonight publishes the following special despatch from Boston: That the mind of Clarence T. Richeson has given way under the strain, and that he is today raving and believed to be a maniac in his cell in the Charles street jail, was learned today from a source close to the defence. It is stated that late this afternoon application will be made to the court for the appointment of a lunacy commission to examine the minister. They find he is insane, then the court will be asked to have him transferred immediately to an asylum for treatment, and his trial for alleged murder will be indefinitely postponed. Miss Violet Edmonds, fiancée of Richeson, is in Yonkers according to despatches received from that city today. District Attorney Pelletier who is eager to question her in connection with Richeson's trial, is making every effort to locate her. He has declared that if she is found he will answer for her extradition to serve as a witness at the coming trial. Police Inspector Thomas Lynch is thought to be in New York searching for the girl. However, thus far Miss Edmonds has succeeded in keeping secret her exact whereabouts. Today's despatch from Yonkers indicates that she has been at the home of relatives there. The District Attorney is determined to locate Miss Edmonds, and it is intimated that he may call on Mr. and Mrs. Edwards to tell him where their daughter is. "Miss Edmonds is said to be dividing her time between the homes of different relatives in Yonkers. She went to that city a few days ago from New York, and went first to the home of her uncle, Rudolph Reeder, president of the New York Orphan Asylum. Afterwards, she went to the home of Mr. Hippood, a close connection of her father. As soon as Mrs. Edmonds has been definitely located, Mr. Pelletier will ask for her extradition. Boston, Jan. 5.—Reports of the conditions, mental and physical, of Rev. C. V. T. Richeson, awaiting trial for the murder of Miss Avis Linnell, were small conflicting today. The doctor at the jail declared that Richeson was nearly restored to health, but his attorneys maintained that their client would be unable to stand trial on January 15. It was reported that Miss Violet Edmonds who was engaged to marry Richeson, had been located at Yonkers, N. Y., and an officer from the District Attorney's office started to New York today in an effort to substantiate the report.

MONCTON HOTEL AGAIN VIOLATES THE LIQUOR LAWS

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 5.—Rev. D. Macdonald, pastor of St. John's church here, leaves on Monday via New York for Trinidad and will spend the winter inspecting the Presbyterian missions in Trinidad and Demerara. His pulpit in Moncton will be occupied by Rev. W. St. Fraser of Halifax. Pascal Herbert's hotel was raided by the police this afternoon and ten bottles of gin found. He has been served with papers in the Scott case. Billy Parsons of North Sydney and Mickey McIntyre of Glace Bay will fight ten rounds in Moncton next Thursday night. Young Mahomet and Kilonis will wrestle the same night.

SIX TON WEIGHT FALLS ON HAND OF ST. STEP HENMAN

St. Stephen, Jan. 5.—A very regrettable accident occurred late this afternoon at the plant of the Mann Axe and Tool Co. E. S. Mack, the superintendent of the plant, was cleaning off the bed of a large "drop" weighing six tons and used in welding axes, when the drop was accidentally released and fell upon his right hand, the blow crushing the hand so that it had to be amputated at the wrist.

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Germany Eager to Share In Tariff Concessions to Canada Granted by the United States Recently. NO OFFICIAL ACTION TAKEN. Berlin, Jan. 5.—The controversy now going on in America and Europe on the subject of the paper pulp duties is occupying the close attention of official circles here. It is understood however, that Germany has not taken any steps in the matter and that she is waiting in the hope that the United States congress will make universal the exemption in that respect enjoyed by Canada, which under the act for Canadian reciprocity passed by the American congress, is accorded the free admission of wood pulp under certain stipulated conditions or that the customs court in Washington will decide to that effect. Germany might, it is thought, in the last resort appeal to The Hague. No communication whatever on the subject has yet passed between the German foreign office and Washington or the American ambassador here. The situation respecting the admission of wood pulp is, that under the act for Canadian reciprocity, passed by the American congress, although Canada refused to pass a reciprocal act, the American act provides for the free admission of wood pulp under certain stipulated conditions. The contention of Germany and other foreign countries having treaties with the United States, containing favored nation clauses is that it now becomes the duty of the United States to admit free of duty their wood pulp on precisely the same basis as is applied to Canadian wood pulp. Under direction of President Taft this contention of Germany and other foreign countries is to be referred to the customs court recently established in Washington. The German government holds that this court is not competent to pass upon the terms of a treaty, and that under the limits prescribed by the act of Congress creating the Court of Customs, it has no jurisdiction over a matter of that sort. Moreover, it is held that the Customs Court is purely an American institution and would be unable to decide a question of this sort in favor of its own government.

AGREEMENT IS NOW IN VIEW IN COTTON MILLS DISPUTE

Manchester, Eng., Jan. 5.—Sir Geo. R. Askwit, the Board of Trade mediator in the settlement of industrial disputes, conferred today with representatives of the cotton mills and their employees in an endeavor to bring about peace in the cotton mill lockout. The conference was productive of a basis of agreement which however requires ratification by the masters and the unions.

FIRE DEPARTMENT IN CAMPBELLTON BUSY YESTERDAY

Campbellton, Jan. 5.—About seven o'clock last night the fire department was called out to a blaze in Duncan's foundry, which was easily put out, fire resulted from an explosion of gasoline. This morning about two o'clock Mark Arneault's house, burned down, in spite of heroic efforts to save it. Three small children were snatched from their warm beds, and hurried to the night with the thermometer many degrees below zero, just in time to escape the falling walls. Three rinks of curlers left this morning to play the Scotchman at St. John.

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ISLANDERS ENDORSE PROJECT

Opinion of Meeting Shows Citizens of Prince Edward Island Practically Unanimous in Favor of Car Ferry.

TUNNEL SCHEME IS IMPRACTICAL.

Charlottetown, P.E.I., Jan. 5.—That the Islanders are practically unanimous in favor of a car ferry across Northumberland Straits and standardizing the gauge of the P. E. Island Railway, was evident by the tone of a meeting here tonight attended by delegates from all parts of the province. There was no dissenting voice heard and a resolution was unanimously passed by standing vote endorsing the project, which means eliminating the "three short hauls" on the P. E. I. Railway and making the latter a part of the system of Government railways with one continuous haul. Rev. J. J. MacDonald, Kirkcubbin, presided. Other speakers were Hon. W. S. Stewart, M. P. P., Rev. Dr. Guthrie, president of the Central Farmers' Institute; A. A. McLean, M. P., Donald Nicholson, M. P., J. W. Richards, M. P., Premier Matheson, Ex-Governor D. A. MacKinnon, A. Martin, ex-M. P., N. Rattenbury, W. B. MacKenzie, Chief Engineer Government Railways; Hon. A. E. Arsenault, Hon. J. A. McNeill, Hon. Geo. E. Hughes, ex-M. P., Hon. John McLean, Hon. Charles Dalton, Rev. James McDougall and others. A. A. McLean, M. P., read a letter from Minister of Railways Cochrane, supporting the telegram previously sent by Premier Borden. W. B. MacKenzie, government engineer, declared the car ferry feasible, but the steamer must be more powerful than the most powerful in existence. The question of route should be left with the government. It gave the tunnel a black eye by declaring that the cost would be enormous; that the entrance would be 150 feet below the surface of the water, that the total length, including land tunnels, would be twelve miles and the depth so great as to be beyond the limit at which compressed work could be carried out. Porosity of soil was another drawback to successful tunnelling.

NO DECISION YET ON APPLICATION TO DISALLOW ACT

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The hearing by Hon. C. J. Doherty, the minister of justice and several members of the cabinet, including Premier Borden, of the application for the disallowance of the act of the Alberta legislature under which the province took over the \$7,400,000 raised on the bonds of the Alberta and Great Waterways Railways was continued tonight, after four lengthy sessions. The matter was taken into consideration and a decision will be given in the course of a short time, because the time during which the act can be disallowed by the federal government expires on Jan. 23. While it is impossible to make any definite prediction as to what the action of the government will be, questions put by Premier Borden and other ministers, indicate that the province may be asked to adjudge on the claims of the Royal Bank. Up to the present time the bank is out \$370,000 on advances to the railway company. During the course of the hearing today, Mr. Clarke, the promoter of the railway, stated that he had claims against the Alberta government amounting to half a million dollars, and it was suggested that the government should give anyone having claims an opportunity to state their claims. Mr. Masten, K. C., of Toronto, who appeared on behalf of the province of Alberta, said that he could not make any promise, but that he would tomorrow confer with Premier Sifton, of Alberta, who is in Toronto and report to the Dominion government.

ORANGEMEN ARE FIRM IN DECISION TO FIGHT HOME RULE

Omagh, Ireland, Jan. 5.—A large meeting against home rule was held here today and thousands attended. Eighteen special trains were hired for the occasion. Sir Edward Carson, the former solicitor general and chairman of the Ulster Orangemen's Association, who is leading the fight against home rule, presided at the meeting and the Duke of Abercorn, who is for wishing success to the movement.

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