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U. S. VICE-CONSUL SILLIMAN IS SAFE

Left Sattillo Thursday For
Mexico City, Sir Lionel
Carden Says.

PRIVATE FROM U. S.
ARMY MISSING NOW.

No Word from Private Parks
Since He Left Vera Cruz and
Passed Through the Mexican
Lines.

Washington, May 15.—Postponement of the Niagara Falls Mexican mediation conference from next Monday to the following Wednesday at the request of the Huerta delegates changed the plans of the South American mediators and the American commissioners for departure today or tomorrow, and produced at the same time much speculation as to possible significance in the delay.

Later the Spanish ambassador here, who is caring for the interests of Mexico in the United States, authorized the statement that the two days delay meant merely that the Huerta delegates wanted a brief respite from their long journey, and had no political importance. The Spanish ambassador will give the Mexicans a dinner here Saturday night, after which they will proceed to Niagara Falls, Ont. The three South American diplomats and American commissioners will leave on Sunday or Monday and all will assemble Wednesday.

Secretary of State Bryan informed the Huerta government that the state department considered the action of the Mexican federal authorities in withholding information concerning the whereabouts of Private Samuels Parks a hostile act.

Private Parks, an orderly, rode away from Vera Cruz, passed through the Mexican lines, and had not been seen since. There have been persistent reports that he was captured and executed, and efforts to learn his fate have been futile.

John R. Silliman, American vice-consul at Sattillo, who was arrested by Mexican federal officers, whose safety there has been given, left Sattillo yesterday for Mexico City, according to reports received tonight by Ambassador Spring-Rice from Sir Lionel Carden, British minister at Mexico City.

Federal After Supply of Arms.
El Paso, Texas, May 15.—When the announcement came over the wires tonight that there was no prohibition against shipping arms and ammunition into Tampico from the United States or elsewhere, there was an immediate exodus eastward of Constitution purchasing agents, arms and ammunition salesmen who hurried away to reach the point where they could come into closest touch with arms shipments.

ARRANGING TO PAY
THE DEPOSITORS OF
DEFUNCT PRIVATE BANK

Belleville, Ont., May 15.—Settlement is under way of the affairs of the defunct C. C. Daye and Company private bank. At the general meeting of depositors today the settlement proposed and unanimously accepted was that all depositors for amounts less than \$100 are to be paid in full. Deposits for greater amounts will be given 25 cents on the dollar on July 1, 1914, an additional 25 cents on January 1, 1915, and a further 25 per cent, some time within three years, provided the assets of the banking firm and the partners can be made to realize that amount.

The Halifax Chronicle Still Playing the Game

How the Grit Organ in the Sister City Views Hon. Mr. Foster's Assurances to St. John Delegation.

(Halifax Chronicle Editorial May 15.) In the St. John papers' report of the interview which the delegation from that city had with the Dominion Cabinet on Thursday, with reference to the transatlantic mail service, Hon. George E. Foster is reported as saying that "he undertook to say that Halifax would not be named in the renewal of the mail contract, but that the steamship companies would be given a free hand in the selection of the port which they would use." As the St. John delegation is reported to have been "well pleased" with the result of their interview with the Government, it may well be asked, what was the nature of the "satisfactory assurances" which they received? Mr. Foster's statement as to the intention of the Government in renewing the mail contract leaves matters precisely where they stood at the beginning of the last season. The pre-eminence of Halifax is so well established and so universally recognized by the great steamship lines that Hal-

LIBERALS FIND NO GROUND FOR OPPOSING IT

Plenty of Rhetoric But No Real
Arguments Against C. N. R.
Aid—E. M. McDonald Wants
It Shelved for Six Months.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, May 15.—The debate on the C. N. R. agreement whereby the Government guarantees a further issue of bonds and secures a forty million dollar interest in a hundred million dollar concern, the most magnificent deal that any Canadian government has ever made with any railway, has descended to the party stage. The opposition members are putting forward no real argument against it.

Much was expected of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. George P. Graham. Sir Wilfrid spoke on the opening day and Mr. Graham today. Their efforts were weak in the extreme, and Liberal members themselves are not backward in expressing their disappointment. One of the leading Liberals described their speeches in this way to The Standard: Sir Wilfrid's was wily-washy and Graham's was scoundrel.

The weakness of the opposition criticism is that it lacks a policy. They admit that the situation is such that in the interests of the country itself something must be done and they criticize what the Government has done, but they do not say what should have been done. The position the party is in at the present time is that they haven't got men big enough to frame a policy. They are purely negative critics.

E. M. McDonald of Picton was no better than his leaders. He had plenty of phraseology, but no argument.

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JUDGE HENRY OF HALIFAX DROWNED

Body Found in Millrace by Children—Had Been in Sanitarium—Judge of Supreme Court for Some Years.

Guelph, Ont., May 15.—Judge Hugh McDonald Henry, of Halifax, N. S., an inmate of the Stoneham Sanitarium, for more than three years, was drowned this afternoon. He went out for his usual afternoon walk down town and must have started to return through Riverside Park, for his body was found by two little girls about 5 o'clock in the millrace near the Riverside dam and Sampson's mill. Judge Henry was about sixty-three years of age and has been partially paralyzed for the past four years. He is a brother of W. A. Henry, K.C., Halifax, and was for some years Judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia and one of the best known citizens of Halifax. It is thought that he slipped into the millrace and could not get out.

NEWS FROM MEXICO INSPIRES HOPE ON LONDON STOCK MARKET

Consuls Reach 75—Scrip Better—Dominion of Canada Quoted at One Per Cent Premium.

London, May 15.—The stock markets assumed a brighter and firmer tone today, due mainly to the influence of the satisfactory adjustments of the settlement and the hope inspired by news from Mexico of an early termination of the difficulties there. Consols rose further to 75 3/4 but reacted at 75. Scrips were better. Dominion of Canada being quoted at one per cent premium.

Home rails advanced all round and American rails were higher. Canadian Pacific, after a good beginning at 197 1/2, hardened to 198.

Mexicans joined in the upward movement and ordinary and preference shares rallied sharply. Brazil common hardened while Leopoldinas and Sao Paulo also improved. Public utility company's were in demand and Brazilian traction rose 1/2. Mexican trams also advanced.

Discounts were weak in the morning but the tone hardened later. There was nothing done by the Bank of England in loans or bills.

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THE DIE-HARDS GAINING GROUND EVERY DAY IN HOME RULE FIGHT

No Longer Willing for Peace, at any Price — Possibility of a General Election Looms Up Stronger in Face of Demands from the Opposition — Help from Dominions Appreciated.

London, May 15.—That Premier Asquith still holds the trump card to play against the Nationalists seems to be the opinion of the Irish Independent, which yesterday expressed its fear thus: "If the two bills (the home rule and the amending bill) become law at practically the same time it is apparent that parliament will be called upon to consider the amending bill before the royal assent has been given to the main measure. Will the Government be brutal enough to tell the Nationalists that the home rule bill will not be submitted for the royal assent until the amending bill is accepted in this contingency they could not vote against the Government without endangering the whole home rule position."

At Westminster the Irish question is slumbering pending resumption of consideration of the bill next week, when the financial resolutions will be discussed. The feeling of the opposition has perceptibly hardened during this week. A fortnight ago there was a tendency to ask for peace at any price, whereas the die-hards now seem to be in the ascendant.

General Election Looms Up Stronger.

A while ago a general election seemed a very hazy possibility; it is now looming up strongly in face of strong demands from the opposition. Among the Liberals the chief interest centres in the provisions of the amending bill, the general belief being that they are

willing to provide for exclusion by county option according to Mr. Asquith's pronouncement of March 8th. Few details are given with regard to the post office, customs or judiciary. The question of time limit is not regarded as vital, as most Liberals probably rely upon being able to meet the Unionists on this point.

The spontaneous help afforded Ulster by Canada and other overseas Dominions is greatly appreciated. Sir Edward Carson has received a cheque for £100 from the Montreal County Orange Lodge, with a resolution of sympathy in his fight, also a cable from Johannesburg informing him that an Ulster committee has just been formed there.

Not Prepared Yet to Make Announcement

Lieut. Gov. Wood Not in Position Yet to Name Sir Frederick Barker's Successor—Considerable Formality to be Observed.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, N. B., May 15.—Lieutenant-Governor Wood leaves here tomorrow morning for St. John and will remain there until Tuesday participating in Loyalist Day celebration on Monday.

His Honor said this evening that he was not yet in a position to announce anything as to appointment of successor to Sir Frederick Barker on Royal Commission to investigate Dugal charges.

"I have expected to be able to make the announcement this evening," said his honor, "but I didn't know there was to be so much formality necessary. Before I can make an announcement I will consult one of the commissioners tomorrow on my arrival at St. John."

Harry M. Blair won an automobile which was disposed of by drawing today by Frederick Baseball Club in campaign to help out last season's deficit. He held a large number of tickets.

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MAYOR OF MONTREAL DUSTS AMERICAN FROM SUPERINTENDANT'S JOB

Won't Have Foreigner Drawing \$2,500 if He Can Help It—Puts French Canadian in Job.

Montreal, May 15.—On the ground that McC. Black, park superintendent, was an American citizen, Mayor Martin today ordered him reduced to a temporary assistant superintendent and placed a French Canadian, Dr. Gadbois, in his place. "I will not have a foreigner drawing down a salary of \$2,500 a year in Montreal," said the mayor, when it was pointed out that Mr. Black had been recommended by many influential people in the city. "English, Scottish, Irish, or Canadian, but no foreigner," he insisted. Mr. Black comes from Pittsburg.

NORWEGIAN COLONY CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

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Montreal, May 15.—The Swedish aviator Thulin today flew from Mal-

NEW SETTLERS FOR PROVINCE

Party of Thirty For New Brunswick Left London Thursday on Empress of Ireland.

London, May 15.—Thomas Benstead sailed yesterday by the Empress of Ireland with a party of settlers for Middlesex County, Ont., and S. L. T. Harrison had a party of thirty for New Brunswick. John Parrell sailed with a party of 300 settlers for Ontario by the Alouia on Thursday.

TWO SHOT IN FREE FIGHT AT DANCE

Liquor Plentiful and Men Began Row—Two of Combatants Shoot Each Other Dead

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ARREST FOURTEEN YEAR OLD GIRL AS WITNESS AGAINST WHITE SLAVERS

Was Boarding Train at Montreal for Quebec When Taken by Police.

Montreal, May 15.—Detective Foucault this morning placed under arrest a fourteen year old girl wanted as a witness in a white slave case in Ottawa in connection with which a man has been taken into custody. The girl was arrested at the Place Viger station as she was boarding a Quebec train. Though only fourteen she is said to have been an inmate of a disorderly house in Ottawa and she was given money to get out of town. The arrest was made at the instance of the Ottawa police.

GORONER'S INQUEST INTO MURDER QUEBEC GIRL WITH HAMMER

Quebec, May 15.—When the coroner's inquest into the death of the Dubois girl who was murdered with a hammer last Sunday, was resumed today, several witnesses swore positively they had seen Dion, suspected of the murder on the street when he contended he was in his own home. One witness noticed Dion wearing a hurry and looked excited, corroborated and added he had noticed blood stains on the right side of Dion's linen collar and made some remark to his companion as to the possibility of Dion having been beaten up.

Hermidas Lapierre stated Dion had passed last Sunday afternoon with him at his home in St. Louis De Courville and at Montmorency Falls. Witness had noticed that Dion looked sad and had asked him the reason. Dion replied he was not feeling well as he usually went out Sunday morning but had not done so that morning.

Russian Military Aviator Killed.
Sebastopol, Russia, May 15.—The military aviator Semichukra fell from an aeroplane during a flight today and was killed.

EXPLOSION KILLS TEN; OTHERS HURT

DISCOVERED
THE ORIGINAL
GARDEN OF EDEN

Sir William Wilcocks, Celebrated Engineer and Constructor of Famous Assuan Dam, Guest of Pilgrims in New York.

New York, May 15.—Sir Wm. Wilcocks, K. C. M. G., celebrated English engineer, constructor of the famous Assuan dam on the Nile and discoverer of the original Garden of Eden, was the guest of honor at a luncheon tendered him today by the pilgrims of the United States at the White Hall Club in the White Hall building on Battery Place.

Sir William, who was asked by President Joseph H. Choate to tell some of his impressions and ideas concerning the Garden of Eden, begged to be excused from discussing that topic on account of the fact that he was scheduled to deliver a lecture on it tomorrow night. Instead, he told of numerous incidents occurring among the Syrians, Egyptians and Turks with whom he has lived for the past sixty-two years. He proved himself an able speaker and amused his hearers immensely when he told of the phlegmatic way the orientals countenance the taking of graft and bribes, declaring that they were foolish if they did not. He also told of incidents illustrating the supreme obedience that characterizes all officials and servants toward their superiors.

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Sir John Pringle of the Bank of Toronto, Toronto, Ont., was also present, the guest of Jacob H. Schiff.

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The building, a one-story structure of solid concrete and cement, was almost obliterated. Other buildings within a radius of a mile were more or less damaged. The loss was estimated at \$50,000. The dead are: Edward Christopher, William McCoy, C. Larsen, Al Hodgkins, Victor R. Burns, William F. Niles, Jose Casco, Gordon Latta, Emon Aman, and Geo. Glegoria.

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