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SELF-GOVERNMENT WITHIN EMPIRE

Resolution of Deputy Lieutenants of County Cork

Mayor MacSweeney's Wife Interviewed After Seeing Husband in Prison — Seven of Irish Constabulary Killed at Week-End.

Cork, Ireland, Aug. 23—The deputy lieutenants of County Cork, summoned to a meeting yesterday by the Earl of Bandon, king's lieutenant of Cork, passed the following resolution:

"We realize that in recent years the government has failed to secure observance of the law and has lost the confidence of all classes. We see Ireland rapidly drifting to anarchy and we therefore feel that our duty to our country and the empire forces us to acquiesce in the only solution of the existing trouble which appears to offer the prospect of a lasting peace in Ireland.

"As the bill now before the parliament is not acceptable to any party in Ireland, we are of the opinion that an immediate effort should be made to settle the question by provisions which, while preserving Ireland within the empire and safeguarding the security of Great Britain, will give effect to the desire of a majority of the Irish people for self-government with adequate control of all Irish affairs, including taxation.

"We urge upon the government that every month's delay in adopting this course renders the situation more dangerous and the chances of an agreement more remote."

Cork's Lord Mayor.

London, Aug. 23—On Saturday the wife of the Lord Mayor of Cork, Terence MacSweeney, visited her husband in Brixton prison, where he is under sentence of two years' imprisonment. In an interview later she said the lord mayor had written a letter to Home Secretary Shortt on Friday night, in which he declared the full responsibility for his death would rest on the government, and the government would have to bear the consequences.

"He wrote, added Mrs. MacSweeney, "that it would tell badly among civilized nations that the English government had to its charge the death of a second lord mayor of Cork in six months, and that the statement he had made at his court martial, that before a month he would be out of prison dead or alive, still held good. He wrote the letter with great difficulty, and nearly fainted twice while writing it."

Replying to the request of the lord mayor's sister for an interview, the home secretary wrote, saying: "An interview would serve no good purpose. It is the final decision of his majesty's government. Mr. MacSweeney will not be released because he refuses to take food. Owing to the condition of his health, Mr. MacSweeney cannot be fed forcibly. For any consequences which may ensue from his refusal to take food he alone is responsible.'

Archbishop Mannix and the Bishops of Killaloe and Ballaret have made arrangements to visit the lord mayor.

Seven Constables Killed.

Belfast, Aug. 23—Official telegrams received at Dublin castle yesterday indicate that there have been organized onslaughts against the Irish constabulary and that thus far during the week-end, seven have been killed. A patrol sergeant and three men at Dundalk were suddenly confronted by six armed men, who fired. Constable Brennan fell dead and Constables Isbell and Witherden, recalled from the England army, were badly wounded. Sergeant Maunsell was shot dead on Saturday night at Macetown, County Cork. A police patrol was ambushed near Naas, County Kildare, on Saturday night. A constable was killed and a sergeant seriously wounded; two constables are missing. Constable O'Hanlon was shot dead at Kilrush.

Dublin, Aug. 23—Sir Stanley Harrington, leader of the Cork deputation to the premier, and Captain Harrison, secretary of the Irish Peace Conference, have sent protests to the government against the treatment of Lord Mayor MacSweeney and other hunger strikers.

Archbishop Wallace, in forwarding a £100 subscription for the relief of Catholics excluded from employment in Belfast, says: "The infamies in Belfast are only possible because they are openly tolerated by the English ministry now ruling only by the strong hand of force in this country."

Boston Resolutions.

Boston, Aug. 23—The United Irish Societies of Boston at a mass meeting on the common yesterday protested against the seizure of Archbishop Mannix at sea by Great Britain as an act of piracy and an assassination of liberty. Resolutions called upon the United States to show disapproval of "the wanton and diabolical acts of the British government by recognizing the established Irish republic and repudiating the League of Nations in so far as it would make America an associate with England in her crimes against the people of Ireland.

Appeal to British Labor.

Dublin, Aug. 23—The executive of the Irish labor party, in an appeal to British labor to stop "the war with Ireland," as they did with Russia, and holding them responsible if it continues, says, "the military governors whom you have placed over us calculate that the death of the lord mayor of Cork will lead to an uprising which can be suppressed only by wholesale slaughter." The appeal also declares that Home Secretary Shortt will be held personally responsible if the death of the lord mayor ensues.

Washington, Aug. 23—Director Daniel T. O'Connell of the Friends of Irish Freedom Bureau made public on Saturday night a letter of protest he has sent to the American Bar Association against an invitation extended to Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador, to address the association convention in St. Louis on August 25.

Speaking as a member of the association in his letter to President Hampton L. Carson, of Philadelphia, Mr. O'Connell said: "Ambassador Geddes is a physician and not a lawyer. There appears, therefore, no occasion for a physician to address a convention of lawyers. It is manifest that the British Ambassador will use the occassion to expound pro-British views calculated to serve some British purpose." The writer said he did not ask that the invitation be withdrawn but that the ambassador be "told to talk law, not British propaganda."

Dublin, Aug. 23—Dr. McCormack, of the Irish prisoners board, and Dr. Kinsella, of the Maryborough Convict Prison, who were sent to Cork by the Government in connection with the hunger strikers in the prison there, have received a letter signed by the Cork brigade of the Irish republican army, holding them responsible should the hunger strickers die and inviting the resign if they disclaim responsibility for the treatment of the prisoners. Dublin Castle announces that the doctors have resommended the release of the imprisoned men.

ONE MAN CARS FOR TORONTO.

Views of the new one-man street cars which are to be placed in operation on the civic car lines in Toronto.

PRIZE-WINNERS

The following were the prize winners at the fair held at Pamdenec on Saturday afternoon and evening:—

Yellow tickets—Roy MacKendrick, leather club bag; Phillip Harrington, frame picture; Miss M. Daley, dozen linen napkins; William Steen, fancy cushion; J. E. Steel, dozen linen handkerchiefs; Mrs. M. L. Bonnell, fancy work basket.

Pink tickets—Roland Skinner, load of coal; Fred Hamm, jardiniere; J. S. Kertly, lady's sweater; Miss Vera McKay, ivory jewel case; O. J. Fraser, one dozen handkerchiefs; E. O. Thompson, tennis shoes.

Green tickets:—F. L. Miller, Borsalino hat; Harry Regan, trunk; F. A. McAndrews, Gillette safety razor; S. G. Olive, thermos bottle; F. L. Bowman, compass; Mrs. J. R. Leck, box of cigars.

Red ticket—J. H. Hamilton, fire extinguisher; J. A. McKay, man's sweater; Leo Krant, lady's hat; Miss Hayter, hand bag; S. Johnson, box of cigars; S. C. Hamm, safety razor; A. B. Clarke, flashlight; B. Calvin, fountain pen; F. H. Flewwelling, Phillips' rubber soles; Charles Hamm, fruit dish.

The highest score for the day in the bean toss was made by Mrs. W. Monahan and the prize was a load of hard coal. H. E. Hunt received an electric grill for making the highest score in the "bunny in the hole." For making the highest score in hitting the glass ball J. J. Fitzgerald won a set of military brushes. In the bean guessing contest Miss A. Hamilton won first prize by guessing nearest to the correct number, which was 7,267. Her guess was 7,370; second prize, Miss Margaret Brown, 7,502, and third prize, W. Huggard Smith, 7,025. A doll donated by D. McArthur, was won by George Harrington.

FLORAL TRIBUTES.

Flowers sent in sympathy for the relatives of Mrs. Wm. Splane of Fairville, who died, recently included: Pillow from husband; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. F. X. Morris; spray, Mr. and Mrs. C. Chas. McPherson and family; cross, Mrs. B. Black; spray, Miss Opal Gray; spray, Mrs. Ellen Hogan; spray, Miss Lois Wilson and Miss Myrtle Shonaman; cross, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Splane; basket, Miss Dorothy Splane; crescent, Mr. and Mrs. James Splane and family; spray, John Boyd and family; wreath, Mrs. Wm. Keating, Mrs. F. A. Tippens; spray, Miss Margaret Tippens, Raymond Keating; spray, Mr. and Mrs. William Gray; crescent, William and James McMaster; sheaf of wheat, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scott; wreath, Mr. F. A. Tippens; spray, Mr. Leo Collins; spray, Golden Rule Class of Pleasant Point Sunday School; cross, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Earle and family; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McMaster; spray, Gordon and Joseph McMaster; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McLaughlin.

JURY EMPANELED.

Coroner Kenney has empaneled the following jury to enquire into the death of Michael McDonald, who was killed on Saturday morning while working at the site of the new C. P. R. bridge at the reversing falls: William Hatfield, Thomas Hill, Charles Ledford, Hugh Milley, George Currie, Herbert Keys and Ernest J. Hodd, foreman. The jury will view the scene of the accident tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

REAR-END COLLISION.

A rear-end automobile collision occurred in Rothesay avenue this morning when H. H. McLellan, attempting to avoid a team which was coming from the city, swerved across in front of E. S. Carter's car, which was behind him. Before Mr. Carter could pull up, he struck Mr. McLellan's car, damaging the fenders and tank. No one was hurt.

EXCHANGE TODAY.

New York, Aug. 23—Sterling exchange heavy. Demand, 3.58 3-4; cables, 3.59—; Canadian dollars 12 per cent discount.

WANT FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THEIR BID

Atlantic Construction Company Writes City on Spruce Lake Matter — The Engineer's Report.

The proposed water main extension to Spruce Lake was brought up at this morning's committee meeting of the common council, when a letter was read from the Atlantic Construction Co., in which it was stated that the company had tendered for the construction of a 36-inch concrete pipe at $12.50 a lineal foot as compared with $15.50 a foot, the price submitted by the Canada Lock Joint Pipe Co., a difference of $66,000 on the whole job.

The writer contended that the specifications were so arranged that they could apply only to the product of the Canada Lock Joint Pipe Co., which is patened. They again agreed to carry on the work at the orginal figure.

The city engineer reported on the letter and the matter was laid over until the special meeting scheduled for this afternoon.

The engineer, said in his report that specifications set a standard of quality, which is common practice with engineers. He said that he had not seen the tender of the Atlantic Construction Co., but was informed that a representative of the company had taken it from the council chamber. He understood that they did not conform to the requirements, but were for a continuous concrete pipe, with no provision for expansion, which would not prove satisfactory. He was of the opinion that good results could not be obtained by pouring the concrete in the ditch, weakness would exist where one day's pour was joined with the next, and foreign matter would be liable to get into the concrete. Again, he said, the contractors proposed lining the pipe with wood stave which was not considered satisfactory as the liability to decay existed. He did not think that the method should be used for so important and costly a job.

PLAY IN TENNIS TOURNEY PUT OFF BY RAIN

Wet weather prevented tennis being played at Rothesay this morning in the interprovincial tournament. The Nova Scotia delegation arrived, and so soon as the weather clears the games will be run off. Mr. Rice of North Sydney, the Nova Scotia champion, was unable to come, and his place is being taken by Mr. Dawson of Bridgewater. The holders of the title for the men's doubles were also unable to be present, and their places are taken by Dr. McDonald and Mr. Grant of New Glasgow. In all six players and the secretary. Mr. Gastonguay, are present from Nova Scotia.

The dance to have been held at the Rothesay Boat Club tonight was cancelled and arrangements have been made to take the guests to the dance at the R. K. Y. C. clubhouse at Milledgeville.

David H. Betts.

The death of David H. Betts occured last evening at his home, 182 Bridge street after a short illness. He was in his eighty-fourth year. He is survived by his wife, three sons, and three daughters. The sons are Daniel and Harry of this city, and William of New Westminster, B. C. The daughters are the Misses Cordelia and S. Ella at home, and Mrs. W. P. Gray of Campbellton N. B. The funeral will be held on Tuesday afternoon from his late residence.

SPRUCE LAKE.

W. G. Chase, formerly chief engineer of the Greater Winnipeg water district, and now president of the Canada Lock Joint, Ltd., is in the city and will take charge of the Spruce Lake work, should his company receive the contract. Mr. Chase had charge of a $17,000,000 contract which covered the new Winnipeg water supply in 1913, 1914 and 1915.

PLAYED AT PAMDENEC.

The Maple Leafs went to Pamdenec on Saturday afternoon and defeated the home team by a score of 28 to 8. The batteries were: For the winners, Maxwell and Merryweather; for the losers, Dalton and Sallie. A feature of the game was the making of two home runs by John Owens. The Maple Leafs would like to play the north end Nationals on Tuesday evening on the Queen Square diamond.

REPORTS ON HALIFAX ONE MAN TRAMCARS

Commissioner Thornton Says They Seem Satisfactory — Does Not Favor Converting Old Cars Here.

His observations on the working of the Birney safety one man car during his recent trip to Halifax were reported on by Commissioner John Thornton at this morning's session of the common council. He said that he had spent a whole day about the car sheds and about one-half day riding around on the various routes.

"I cannot see any objection to the cars run in Halifax," he said. The citizens seem to be very well satisfied and would not want to go back to the old style cars. There were twenty-four of the new type in operation. The recent accident, he said, was declared due to the operator not being familiar with the operation of the car.

Mr. Thornton also took up the matter of street paving with the street car people there and said he found that under the act in force, the street railway people are compelled to put down new rails where new permanent pavement is being laid and to space their ties two feet, intsead of four as is the practice here. He said that this was found to prolong the life of the pavement.

The public utilities commission, he said, controls the traffic on the Halifax street cars. In one man cars, after the seats have been filled, not more than sixteen people are allowed to stand. In the two man cars there is no restriction on the number standing, but they must all be inside the car.

Regarding the service in Halifax, he said that the people there had a 4½ minute service on the belt line, 5½ minute service on others, and no service was less frequent than every ten minutes. The fares were 7 cents single; four tickets for 25 cents, or seventeen for $1, with special rates for school children and workmen.

"After studying the operation of the Birney car," the commissioner said, "I do not favor the conversion of the old two man cars for St. John." He said he was told that the Birney cars cost $10,000 each.

FEAR MINERS IN OLD COUNTRY WILL VOTE STRIKE

London, Aug. 23—The coal miners will this week ballot on a strike.

Articles in the newspapers reflect the belief that an overwhelming majority will be in favor of striking.

The government appears determined not to grant demands for wages advance of fifty cents a shift and a reduction of the price of coal to the public amounting to about $3.50 a ton. Unless a compromise is reached, the strike may become effective in a month.

QUEBEC BUSINESS MAN DIES AT 44

Quebec, Aug. 23—(Canadian Press)—Eugene Julien, founder and general manager of the firm of Eugene Julien & Company, and one of Quebec's most prominent business men, died on Saturday night at the age of 44 from an attack of typhoid fever.

WEATHER REPORT

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

Synopsis—The low area which was centered in Michigan on Saturday is now passing from the Atlantic coast and an area of high pressure is moving over the Great Lakes. The weather is fine and quite warm again in the western provinces.

Fair and Cooler.

Maritime—Moderate winds, unsettled and showery. Tuesday, northwest winds, fair and cooler.

Gulf and North Shore—Moderate winds, fine and rather cool today and on Tuesday.

New England—Fair tonight and Tuesday. Cooler tonight. Fresh north winds.

Toronto, Aug. 23—Temperatures yesterday:

Stations.	8 a.m.	Highest During Yesterday	Lowest During Night
Prince Rupert	56	60	54
Victoria	58	66	54
Kamloops	70	92	68
Calgary	50	88	50
Edmonton	50	80	52
Prince Albert	54	88	50
Winnipeg	60	86	58
White River	40	66	24
Sault Ste. Marie	50	62	44
Toronto	58	72	50
Kingston	56	..	52
Ottawa	54	66	48
Montreal	56	68	50
Quebec	54	68	46
St. John, N. B.	60	76	60
Halifax	72	74	64
St. John's Nfld.	70	76	60
Detroit	56	64	52
New York	62	82	60

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, as they sat under the shade of a great birch tree in the meadow, "did I ever live in St. John, or have I only dreamed it? I seem to have a memory of a place where there were brick walls instead of fields and woods, and paved streets instead of roads fringed with wild asters and goldenrod,—a place where one seldom or never saw the stars, and where there was constant noise, day and night."

"You've ony been away from there a week," said Hiram.

"Only a week?" cried the reporter in great surprise. "Why it seems an age. I seem to belong right here. Isn't it wonderful?"

"There aint nothin'," said Hiram, "that could drag me away from the country. Lots o' people go to town an' git on the treadmill an' think they like it fer a spell; but if they worked half as hard in the country they'd be better off. Our system of eddication is wrong somewheres. Too many people wants to be in a crowd an' hev what they call a good time, when it's nothin' but a waste o' time. Out here you kin think. You kin fergit the crowd in town or put 'em in their right relation to all the other crowds all over the airth. You ain't swallered up. The airth an' the sky, the seasons, the animals—they all mean somethin' to you, an' you remember what you learnt at school, an' begin to think back to the cause of it all. I aint sayin' you can't do that in town—but it's harder. When I hear anybody say they git lonesome in the country I know they missed somethin' in their trainin' that's worth more to a man or woman than money or fine clo'es. If people must live in town they orto go to the country every one in a while an' let old Mother Nature talk to 'em fer a spell—Yes, Sir."

FULL WORK AT SPRINGHILL MINES

Settlement of Labor Matters Was Effected on Sunday Afternoon.

Amherst, N. S., Aug. 23—(Canadian Press)—The Springhill mines are again working full blast. A settlement of all the dissatisfactions was reached on Sunday afternoon. The trouble in No. 2 was caused by the dissatisfaction of the firemen at maintaining three fires. The management agrees to put some extra men on fire duty, pending a definite arrangement between President Baxter of the U. M. W. and Mr. McCann of the Dominion Coal Co. The miners of No. 6 have been on strike for several weeks to enforce a demand for a wage adjustment. It was agreed to allow them an increase of from five to fifteen cents a ton, according to the height of the place in which they are working. This was satisfactory to the men, so they are back on the job once more. The two adjustments were submitted to a mass meeting of the miners in the Gem Theatre on Sunday afternoon and unanimously approved.

LARGE SEIZURE OF SCOTCH IN BOSTON

Whiskey From Canada Estimated to Be Worth $25,000.

Boston, Aug. 23—More than $25,000 worth of the highest grade Scotch whisky was seized on Saturday at 7 Chatham Row, in the heart of the market and financial districts, by federal and city officers, under the direction of Prohibition Enforcement Agent William J. McCarthy and Sergeant Magee of Station 2.

The whisky was smuggled from Canada, principally from Montreal, in gunny sacks filled with leather findings. Among this loose leather the individual bottles were carefully packed. According to Federal Agent McCarthy, the whisky, camouflaged as leather, was sent in freight cars into Maine and even into Massachusetts. Some of it is thought to have been sent by auto truck also.

Repacked Into Cases.

Upon the arrival of the supposed leather in Boston it was carted to 7 Chatham Row, where a freight elevator conveyed it to the third floor. The entire rear half of the floor space was covered with great bags of the bits of leather, while in one section of a room, also partially filled with the bags of leather, were evidences of carpentry. Carefully cut boards were assembled and dozens of kegs of wire nails were in close proximity to the boards, while in another were great stacks of finished cases.

Downstairs on the second floor, occupied by the Oxford Bottling Company, fifty-one burlap bags, each containing two or three cases of a dozen bottles each, were found. It was apparent that the individual bottles had been unpacked from the bags of leather and repacked into the cases, which in turn were done up in heavier burlap bags.

On the second floor also were found 200 four-ounce bottles filled with Jamaice ginger and a carton of the "Jakey." The law provides that two-ounce bottles be used for the sale and distribution of the ginger.

At the prevailing price of the imported whisky, it is estimated that the liquor seized was valued at about $25,000. It is the highest grade whisky seized in New England since the enforcement of the federal law was undertaken.

All danger from bush fires which had menaced the South Porcupine, Ont., is past as a result of rain.

LIBERAL LEADER IN SPEECH AT GUELPH

Guelph, Ont., Aug. 23—Hon. W. L. MacKenzie King and A. R. McMaster, M. P., Brome, Que., addressed a gathering in Exhibition Park here on Saturday afternoon under the auspices of the South Wellington Liberal Association.

The Liberal leader said that one of the issues before the people was that of autocracy as against democracy. He criticized proposed military expenditures.

On the tariff question he repeated former declarations that it was not a question of free trade or protection, but of tariff revision and the employment of some degree of direct taxation to raise the revenue required. Mr. McMaster dealt with dominion finance and criticized the government for the hugh expenditures that were being called off.

MONEY STOLEN FROM CHINESE HAS NOT YET BEEN RECOVERED

Montreal, Aug. 23—Charles Jackson, charged with being concerned in the robbery of $11,000 from a Chinese club on last Friday morning, was arraigned on Saturday and committed for enquette in eight days time. No bail was allowed. The other two men in the robbery have not yet been apprehended and no part of the money has been recovered.

SALLY BETWEEN FRENCH GARRISON AT ADAOA.

Paris, Aug. 23—The French garrison at Adaoa, Asia Minor, which had been besieged for two months, made a sally on Friday and, according to the foreign office, has now virtually been relieved. The foreign office says that the garrison badly defeated the besiegers and that the situation no longer is critical.

UNIFORM CONTRACT WITH BRICKLAYERS' UNION.

Toronto, Aug. 23—A conference is being held here by officials of the Mason Contractors' Association of the United States and Canada on matters affecting the organization, including proposed uniform contract with the bricklayers' union and the institution of schools for the education of apprentices in order to rehabilitate the depleted ranks of bricklayers.

WESTERN CROP STILL SAFE FROM FROST

Prince Albert., Sask., Aug. 23—There was no damage by frost in northern Saskatchewan on Friday night. The minimum temperature here was forty-two. Reports from other places in this part of the province indicate no frost damage.

Regina, Aug. 23—From three degrees below freezing to 106 in the sun within forty-eight hours, featured weather conditions in the Regina district. Thursday and Friday night frosts were reported in several points near the city, damaging gardens and potatoes but causing no loss to the wheat crop.

CANADIAN SWIMMER WINS OLYMPIC HEAT

Antwerp, Aug. 23—(By Canadian Associated Press)—George Vernot of Montreal, won the first heat of the 100 metres swimming, and Sydney Gooday of Ottawa was second in the first heat of the 400 metres back stroke. Both qualified for the finals. Vernot's swimming is making a great impression.

DECISION SOON AS TO HIGHER RAILWAY RATES

Ottawa, Aug. 23—Arguments in the application of the Canadian railways for increased freight and passenger rates were completed on Saturday and the case is now before the board of railway commissioners for judgment. Decision will not be long delayed long.

MONTREAL FATALITIES.

Montreal, Aug. 23—Fatalities and accidents over the week end in and near this city included:—

Unidentified man picked up unconscious near the tracks of the Grand Trunk, died on Saturday.

Thomas Morrow, forty, stricken on a street car, died suddenly of heart failure.

Edouard Labert, struck by a C. P. R. engine Saturday afternoon, suffered a fractured skull and died yesterday morning.

Henri Duquette, sixteen, thrown off his bicycle in a collision with a street car on Saturday, suffered a crushed left arm which was subsequently amputated at the hospital.

ANTI-PROHIBITION VERDICT.

Ashcroft, B. C., Aug. 23—As a result of drinking nearly half a quart of methylated spirits, John G. Kirkpatrick of Ashcroft, aged forty-nine, died yesterday.

The jury brought in a verdict of accidental death after the consumption of a quantity of methylated spirits, and added the rider that "had saloons been in business deceased would not have had to resort to methylated spirits."

Four Arrests in Liquor Cases.

Sarnia, Ont., Aug. 23—Operations of new special officers sent here by the provincial government to enforce the Ontario Temperance Act in this part of the province and to stamp out the illicit liquor trade, were responsible for four alleged rum runners being gathered in by the police on Saturday night.

Death of I. B. Shaffner.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 23—Ex-Alderman I. B. Shaffner, formerly senior member of I. B. Shaffner & Co., flour and feed wholesaler, who recently retired from business, died at his home here this morning. He was a native of Lawrencetown, Annapolis county.

Girl Attacked.

Windsor, Ont., Aug. 23—Hopes are entertained at the Hotel Dieu for the recovery of Miss Daisy Blake, aged nineteen, who was assaulted and seriously injured on Walker road, Walkerville, by a man alleged by the police to be Joseph Drouillard. Drouillard is awaiting a court examination.

POLICE HOLIDAYS

Deskman John O'Neill at the central policeman station is taking a well earned rest and his place for two weeks is being taken by policeman Edwin Thomas.

CLOSE AVENUES OF RED RETREAT

Poles Cut Off Two by Capture of Grodusk

Soviet Losses Very Heavy in Prisoners and War Material — Poles Blamed for Prolonging Fight — Sir Reginald and the Munitions.

Warsaw, Aug. 23—Polish forces have taken the town of Grudusk, about twelve miles north of Ciechanow, and have cut off the retreat of Bolshevik forces northwest and north of this city by the way of Mlawa and Przasnysz.

London, Aug. 23—The retirement of Russia Soviet forces from the city of Brest-Litovsk was officially admitted in a statement issued yesterday in Moscow.

The eighteenth Polish division, which has been attacking Ciechanow, has been met by desperate resistance from enemy detachments covering the retreat of the fourth Soviet army, which last week advanced along the Prussian frontier until it threatened the Polish defenses along the Vistula river. After capturing Ciechanow the Poles advanced rapidly northward and succeeded in cutting the only direct line of railroad running eastward from the Soviet positions. Volunteer Polish divisions are now attacking Przasnysz.

Losses Heavy.

Warsaw, Aug. 23—Military authorities here announced today that the Poles have captured 35,000 prisoners to date in the counter-attacks against the Bolsheviki. Many guns, thousands of rifles, hundreds of machine guns, and munitions, carts and a great number of horses also have fallen into their hands. Thousands of Reds are thought to be cut off in the forests, awaiting an opportunity to surrender.

Among 300 Bolsheviki soldiers killed in the fighting at Mlawa were found, it is said, a German officer and several German soldiers.

Paris, Aug. 23—The number of Russian Soviet prisoners captured in the Polish counter-offensive will amount to 25,000, according to Warsaw advices to the French foreign office today.

Blame Poles.

London, Aug. 23—Leo Kameneff, head of the Soviet Russian trade mission here, has made public the following message from Moscow, dated Sunday:

"The Poles are still trying to prolong the negotiations. After the sitting of August 19 they demanded that the next sitting be held on the 23rd. Danishevsky formally protested against the delay, but in vain. The Poles refused to convene before the 23rd. They clearly do not want peace, but only to create a make-believe."

The Other Side.

Warsaw, Aug. 23—The foreign office last evening issued a communication with regard to the negotiations between the Poles and the Bolsheviki at Minsk in which it says that on several points the terms presented by the Soviet representatives are more drastic than the conditions given the British government by M. Kameneff, one of the Bolshevik representatives in London, and of "course will not be accepted by the Polish government."

Current events on the front seem to have considerable influence on the attitude and conduct of the Soviet commissaries and are making them more inclined to discuss matters. This is characteristic in the fact that the Polish delegation does not confirm the receipt of wireless despatches which are being daily sent to Minsk and also by way of Moscow. It would seem that notwithstanding several clear agreements, telegraphic communication with our delegates is difficult."

Paris, Aug. 23—Sir Reginald T. Tower, high commissioner for the League of Nations at Danzig, has requested the Allied nations to supply him with 20,000 troops before he will feel justified in permitting the unloading of munitions intended for Poland now being held up at Danzig, according to the ministry of foreign affairs.

The foreign office yesterday announced the arrival of the gunboat Accra at Danzig, where she will arrange for the unloading of munitions being taken there by the French cruiser Gueyden.

Disaster for Reds.

Paris, Aug. 23—Soviet Russian armies which invaded Poland and threatened to capture Warsaw appear to be on the eve of complete disaster, says the Warsaw correspondent of the Matin. He quotes Gen. Weygand as saying Poland will be the grave of three-fourths of the Bolshevik army.

Two Polish cavalry divisions are advancing toward Bialystok for the evident purpose of cutting off the retreat of Soviet troops operating to the north of Warsaw. The correspondent declares the Bolsheviki will soon be forced into a hurried general retreat, and that discipline has broken down in their ranks.

ACCIDENT.

To be hit on the head with a pick in the hands of a fellow workman, was the fate of Ephraim Hogan, of West St. John, a city employe working on the street work in Prince William street on Saturday. He was stooping to pick something off the ground and the man with the pick did not notice him until it was too late. The pick hit him a glancing blow on the side of the head just above the right ear, inflicting a nasty gash. He was attended by Dr. G. A. B. Addy.

Three are dead, twenty homes destroyed and a new school house razed in bush fires at Malvihill, ninety-six miles north of Winnipeg on Friday and Saturday.

It is officially denied that the Serbs and Albanians have been fighting fiercely north of Scutari with heavy loss to the Serbs.