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THE 'PLANK' SCANDAL IN ST. JOHN'S W.

Colonial Secretary's Office
THE TORIES USED 73 THOUSAND FEET OF PLANK AND TWO TONS OF NAILS IN ST. JOHN'S WEST THIS FALL WHERE DID IT GO?
Colonial Secretary's Office

Appeals For Austria

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—In speaking of the serious plight of the Europeans, Sir George Paish made a special plea for aid for Austria. He arrived here yesterday from England. Said he, "I am not sure whether Americans understand the dreadful situation in Austria to-day. I have come here therefore to give such information as I can. In England we are at work on plans to help. A Committee is forming to aid Austria. Lord Robert Cecil and three leading financiers are members of that committee and will undoubtedly do splendid work, but the Great Britain cannot do it unaided. We need America and we are confident that in the hour not only of Austria's need, but of the necessity of Europe America will respond."

When Omsk Fell

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—Telling of a narrow escape from capture when Omsk fell to the Bolsheviks, General George Pereira, Colonel F. Harvey and Major A. H. Cummings, of the original British Mission to Siberia arrived in San Francisco to-day on the Pacific mail steamship Venezuela.

Phoenix Park Affray

DUBLIN, Dec. 31.—Proceedings are about to be taken against Winston Spencer Churchill, Secretary for War, for compensation for the relative of Lawrence Kennedy who was killed during the shooting affray in Phoenix Park early Sunday morning. The police report that there have been no new developments in Sunday's incident.

Canadian Cabinet

OTTAWA, Jan. 1.—The New Year opens with a Cabinet shake-up. Major General McBurn resigns as Minister of Militia and Defence, his resignation dating as far back as Dec. 15. Hon. Arthur Sexton retires as Minister of Public Works and becomes Secretary of State. Hon. Martin Burrell retires as Secretary of State and becomes Minister of Customs.

Sold Wood Alcohol

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Charged with selling liquor responsible for seven deaths from wood alcohol, Lepicaro, proprietor of an Elizabeth St. grocery, was arrested at his home early to-day. The technical charge of selling wood alcohol for beverage purposes has been made against him.

The Pope Will Act

ROME, Jan. 1.—Pope Benedict received a letter from the International Committee of the Red Cross at Geneva urging him to use all his influence to hasten the repatriation of 200,000 prisoners still in Siberia. The letter was signed by Gustav Ador, formerly President of Switzerland, and now President of the Red Cross Committee. The Pope answered that he enthusiastically agreed with the sentiments expressed in the letter and declared the hope that no Christian would be unresponsive. The Pope said he would ask the authorities concerned to co-operate for the prisoners' release.

The Indian Riots

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Leaders of disturbance at Amritsar, in Punjab, District of British India, in which a large number of natives were said to have been killed, were released from jail at Lahore on Dec. 28th, according to advices received here today.

Where Was The Mother?

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Love for a Christmas doll caused the drowning of a one year old baby in four inches of water in a pail during the voyage of the steamer Nieu Amsterdam.

Armistice Signed

DORPAT, Jan. 1.—An armistice was signed today by representatives of Estonia and the Soviet Government of Russia. The armistice will be in force seven days.

MOUNT CLEMENTS, Mich., Jan. 1—

Mrs. Cecel Vesler charged with complicity of the murder of J. Stanley Brown, manufacturer, pleaded not guilty when arraigned in the Justice Court here late yesterday. Mrs. Vesler demanded an examination which was set for Saturday morning.

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., Dec. 31—

Cecil Beatrice Vesler was surrendered to the authorities here this morning and placed in the County jail on a charge of murdering J. Stanley Brown.

Tax on Capital

RIO JANEIRO, Dec. 31.—A bill levying a five per cent. tax on Foreign capital invested in Brazil, was rejected by the Senate to-day.

BOLSHEVIK LEADER FORECASTS PEACE EGYPT WANTS INDEPENDENCE.

NORTHCLIFFE ENDORSES HOME RULE SCHEME--REPORT OF INTERNATIONALIZATION OF CONSTANTINOPLE PREMATURE.

Bolsheviks and Peace

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 31.—Maxim Litvinoff, Bolshevik leader, who has been conferring here with James O'Grady, of Great Britain, for the purpose of bringing about a repatriation of prisoners of war, declared today that "peace is coming more quickly than is generally believed."

Constantinople and Dardanelles Problem

PARIS, Jan. 1.—The Journal Des Debats declares that any statement as to internationalization of Constantinople and the Dardanelles is premature. The newspaper says it does not seem at the present time that the principle of continued Turkish Sovereignty over Constantinople has been given up.

Jellicoe In U. S. A.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Admiral Viscount Jellicoe, of the British Navy, who is making a trip around the world, will arrive here Sunday from Canada to spend several days as the guest of the United States Navy.

Ulster Farmers it was announced at a recent meeting of their Association are formulating a scheme to market their own produce, straight to consumers.

Want Independence

CAIRO, Dec. 31.—Determination to struggle for complete independence of Egypt is affirmed by members of the Nationalist Party in reply to a statement issued yesterday by Viscount Milner, British Secretary for the Colonies, who declared the Commission which he heads wishes to reconcile the aspirations of Egyptians with interests of Great Britain, and expressed the desire for Egyptians to freely express their opinions.

Mexican Oil Wells

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 31.—Petroleum Legislation making effective article 27 of the Mexican constitution which nationalizes oil lands must be re-introduced to Congress which will convene next September as a result of the failure of the Chamber of Deputies to pass the pending measure at yesterday's session. Congress adjourning to-day.

Will Fight Radicals

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Any movement designed to undermine Government, however cloaked or dissembled, desistent, aggressive warfare, Attorney General Palmer announced last night in stating the policy of the department of justice for the forthcoming year in regard to radicalism.

The Irish Scheme

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The New York World has received the following message from Lord Northcliffe to the Nationalist Party in reply to a reply to a request for his opinion on the British Government's plan for Ireland as recently set forth by Premier: "I believe that the scheme of the Irish Government which the Premier has outlined is based on sound principles. A temporary division of Ireland, such as I dislike the idea, is probably the shortest path to eventual union. The commonwealth of Australia grew from separate colonies, so did the Dominion of Canada and the Union of South Africa. But the Government scheme is far from perfect. If Ireland is to be divided, the historic province of Ulster should be a unit. The link of the proposed Irish Council might with advantage be made stronger. Why should it not be an Irish Congress or House of representatives. The right of Irish people to full autonomy should be decidedly recognised. The scheme is, however, a beginning, and I hope the Government will have the courage to go on."

Coalition Beats Labour

LONDON, Dec. 31.—Lieut. Col. Cuthbert James, Coalition Unionist, has been elected to the House of Commons in Bromley, Kent, bye-elections, over Francis Hodges, Labourite. Polling occurred on Dec. 17.

Driven From Camps

CALGARY, Alta., Dec. 21.—Henry Beard, President of one big union miners of Alberta returned to the city last night with the statement that he had been driven out of the Lovett mine camp, north of here at the point docked at Liverpool and a thorough examination will be made. He stated that several of the mine officials were in the crowd that drove him out. He was forced to spend the night in a bush, finally making his way to a nearby town and taking the train for Calgary.

"Imperator" Docked

SOUTHAMPTON, Jan. 1.—A preliminary inspection of the trans-Atlantic liner Imperator, her boilers and machinery shows that they are unsatisfactory, therefore the vessel will be docked at Liverpool and a thorough examination will be made. Her sailing date of January 10th, has been cancelled and passengers in the crowd that drove him out. He was forced to spend the night in a bush, finally making his way to a nearby town and taking the train for Calgary.

British Shipping

LONDON, Dec. 31.—British shipping turned out shipping in excess of 1,500,000 tons for the year 1919 just ending, and orders in hand indicate that in 1920 the pre-war record of ship construction probably will be reached. Her sailing date of January 10th, has been cancelled and passengers in the crowd that drove him out. He was forced to spend the night in a bush, finally making his way to a nearby town and taking the train for Calgary.

H. C. L. Everywhere

VIENNA, Dec. 30.—Despatches received here from Sofia state that Bulgaria has been declared under martial law because of widespread riots growing out of the high cost of living.

Notice!

Schooner owners are notified that vessels anchored in the vicinity of the Dry Dock should they receive any damage by vessels entering or leaving the dock that the owners of such vessels will not be recompensed.

EDWARD ENGLISH,

Harbour Master.

To The Busy Man

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Ivan H. Gates, San Francisco's first aero policeman, of the Police Department aerial patrol, delivering his prisoner, James Kelly, to Chief of Police D. A. White, of San Francisco, at the Maricao after having transported him from Alameda, Cal., via the sky route. This is the first time in the records of the police departments of the world that a prisoner has been transported by airplane.

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