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WEAKS VENGEANCE ON A NEWSPAPER OFFICE

Furniture of The London Standard Smashed by a Militant Visitor.

DOG POISONING IS THE LATEST FREAK

Debate in House of Commons on Women Suffrage Lacks Interest—Both Sides Condemn Militant Tactics.

London, May 5.—A militant suffragette effected an entrance to the Standard newspaper office last night and ran amok through several of the rooms smashing furniture. The woman was finally seized by the police. The Standard asserts that the poisoning of the Pekinese champion, Choo Tai, the property of Miss Violet Ashton-Cross last week was the work of militant suffragettes. The dog died soon after winning the championship at the Southampton show.

Bill Given Second Reading. London, May 5.—Wolfeboro' Dickson, in moving the second reading of the woman's suffrage bill in the House of Commons this afternoon, argued that to refuse women parliamentary suffrage rights in order to punish a few criminals such as the members of the Women's Social and Political Union, would be unjust.

Arthur Cecil Bled, another Liberal member, in speaking for the rejection of the bill, claimed that the fact that all the entrants and crimes had been committed by women of education and high character showed the violence of such women among the voters would be an absolutely destructive blow at parliamentary and constitutional government.

The attention of the speakers of prominence from the debate caused interest to lag to such an extent that at one time, there was less than a quorum present. It was not until the Right Hon. Charles Stuart Wortley, another supporter of the bill said: "No sane man can approve of the criminal acts of the militant group."

Leaders Arrested.

London, May 5.—Miss Nina Boyle, who in a speech at a meeting of the Actresses' Franchise League last Friday night said that the British government was composed of "those irreponsible cowards," was arrested together with Miss Anna Munro, another militant suffragette while attempting to hold a meeting in Hyde Park this evening.

HON. J. J. FOY MAY ENTER THE SENATE

Mail and Empire Says So and Sir James Whitney Does Not Deny It, Although Expressing Surprise.

Toronto, May 5.—"I am utterly astonished to see such an announcement in the Mail and Empire."

Such were Sir James Whitney's comments today when asked if Hon. J. J. Foy, attorney general, was to retire from the Ontario cabinet to enter the Senate. This was all that Sir Jas. Whitney would say, and it is a long way from a denial to a statement that was taken as his valedictory as attorney general. When the transitio succeeds to the position of attorney general and Hon. J. B. Lucas takes Mr. Hanna's place as provincial secretary. This will leave the treasury still vacant. A. P. Donovan, of Brockville, and Dr. Preston, of Toronto, are mentioned in this connection, but there is the greatest uncertainty as to who will be selected to fill his position in the cabinet.

NOMINATIONS IN THE GIMLI BY-ELECTION.

Gimli, Man., May 5.—Nominations for Gimli by-election were held today. The nominations resulted in the following candidates being successful: Conservative—Edmond L. Taylor, K. C. Winnipeg; Liberal—Arni Eggerton, real estate broker, Winnipeg. The election will be held one week hence.

NICHOLAS WILL GIVE UP THRONE

Report Says King of Montenegro Will Abdicate—Austria and Italy to Send Troops to Albania.

Frankfort-On-The-Main Ger., May 5.—King Nicholas will shortly abdicate the throne of Montenegro, according to a telegram received today by the Frankfurter Zeitung from its correspondent at Constantinople.

Rome, May 5.—The political atmosphere has cleared since it now appears unnecessary to coerce Montenegro. Military preparations, however, continue, Austria and Italy being convinced of the necessity of landing sufficient forces in Albania to re-establish law and order. Italian and Austrian troops in that territory, it is pointed out, will serve to maintain respect for the Albanian frontier fixed by the London conference.

Now Rests With Turks. London, May 5.—King Nicholas of Montenegro having placed the future of Scutari in the hands of the European powers, the settlement of the Albanian trouble now depends upon what the leaders of the Pasha and Dika Pasha will obey the orders sent by the Sublime Porte to withdraw their troops from the Turkish empire.

It is believed that as Montenegro has abandoned Scutari, Dika Pasha will lead his army to the Italian frontier to the threatened Italian expedition to expel him.

SCHOLARLY LECTURES MARK SECOND DAY OF SCHOOL FOR CLERGY

Canon Vroom, Dr. Hunt and Rev. W. S. H. Morris Yesterday's Speakers—Annual Meeting of Halifax Club.

Special to The Standard. Windsor, N. S., May 5.—Canon Vroom gave his second lecture on "Liturgical Principles" this forenoon. He dealt with the liturgy in its restricted sense, applying the principles to the various parts of the service.

Dr. Hunt's second lecture on "Revelation" was an able one considered from three standpoints: first, the nature of revelation; secondly, the revelation of the great mother earth; and thirdly, the revelation of the Greek deities upon the old religion, and finally, the worship of Rome as a deity, and especially of the emperor as a divine being. It was a splendid effort and made a deep impression on those present.

The incarnation, by Rev. W. S. H. Morris, was replete with interest and information and greatly enjoyed by all present.

This evening the annual meeting of the historic Halifax Club was held at the college hall. This old society was founded and incorporated in 1844. Its object being the cultivation of the Arcadian literature and the collecting of Canadian works, manuscripts and of books bearing on Canadian history and literature.

Government to Deal With Ocean Rates on Freight

WIRELESS SERVICE TO GREAT BRITAIN

Hon. Mr. Pelletier's Plan Would Provide Cheaper Communication—Hon. Mr. Perley Suggests Commission to Investigate Ocean Freight Charges.

Ottawa, Ont., May 5.—The question of dealing with the increased cost of ocean transportation was brought before the House today by Arthur Meighen of Portage La Prairie, on a motion for the adjournment of the House. This motion was made immediately after the announcement by Hon. L. Pelletier of the new five-year wireless contract. The discussion on Mr. Meighen's motion lasted all day. The speaker, Mr. Meighen, presented to the House a mass of information in support of his proposal to increase the ocean rates was extraordinary and should be investigated. He suggested that the whole question be referred to a committee of the House.

Several western Liberals took part in the debate. Hon. Wm. Pugsley, the acting leader of the opposition, declared that the increased rates had reduced the price of wheat ten cents and occasioned some loss to the wheat growers. He suggested that the question be referred to the railway commission.

A Wireless Agreement. A bill "to provide for more advantageous conditions for telegraphic communication between Canada, the United Kingdom and other parts of the British Empire" was introduced this afternoon by Hon. L. P. Pelletier and occasioned some discussion. It is intended to ratify a contract to fill a gap in the present all red cable service and to create a new wireless system.

At present the governments of Great Britain, Canada, Australia and New Zealand control a trans-Pacific cable and the board of management of the cable is composed of the Postmaster General, Minister of Marine, and Minister of Railways and Telegraphs.

Mr. Pelletier said that negotiations had taken place with the Commercial Cable Company and the Western Union system for a service to fill the gap in the All-Red line between Montreal and England. They had, however, been unsuccessful. It would cost \$5,000,000 to lay a state owned cable, which would cost only \$300,000 and \$400,000. Accordingly a contract had been made with the International Telegraphic Syndicate.

The syndicate would install in Canada the Polson system of wireless telegraphy and would establish stations in Canada and the Mother Country. It is agreed to give a contiguous right-of-way to the cable companies. The rates between the United Kingdom and other parts of the British Empire would be, for code messages, 2 1/2 pence a word, for messages in plain language, 2 pence a word, and for press messages 2 1/2 pence a word.

Much Cheaper Rates. This was a substantial reduction in rates. A portion of the bills sent to be borne by the wireless company so that all parts of the country would be benefited by an equal footing. There was a condition under which the syndicate would hand over to the government all the wireless stations on the Pacific cable, it would also transmit business received over the Pacific cable at Montreal to Britain at the same rate.

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FOUR KILLED ON N. T. LINE

Blaze in Residency 46 on Line of National Transcontinental Has Fatal Results—Cause Unknown.

Quebec, May 5.—Four men lost their lives and two others were probably fatally injured in a fire at residency No. 46 on the line of the National Transcontinental Railway, last night. The victims are three brothers named Lacroix of La Tuque, and Hamel, a timekeeper, who was visiting the Lacroix for the night. The names of the injured men cannot be ascertained as they are still unconscious. No one in the vicinity knows them.

Residency No. 46 is 230 miles from Quebec, and is occupied by the engineer of the section, while the building in which the men lost their lives was closed by The Lacroix brothers were rodden, and Hamel was a timekeeper from another portion of the line.

The syndicate was prohibited from making any traffic arrangements or combines with any other wireless cable or land line company without the sanction of the Ocean Telegraph Board. The syndicate would build and operate its stations in Canada and in Britain at its own expense. It had undertaken to complete its system within 12 months from the signing of a landing license by the government. It had deposited ten thousand pounds as a guarantee of its good faith. Half of that sum would be refunded when the company had expended \$50,000 in all and the other half when the balance would be returned when their service had been proven satisfactory. No subsidy would be given to the company which simply enters Canada as a competitive concern. The contract is for five years, and it contains a clause permitting the government to take over the whole system by expropriation or arbitration. In case Canada should decide to have a state-owned service. Pending the organization of the new Ocean Telegraph Board wireless rates will be under the control of the railway commissioners.

Favor Government Cable. Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux and Hon. Wm. Pugsley favored a government cable, and the former said that he had heard the wireless did not work satisfactorily at certain hours of the day. Mr. Lemieux was told that the contracting company had not a night and day service. In reply to Mr. Emerson, Mr. Pelletier stated, at the close of the discussion that the new contract would not provide a cable of its own. He asked another opposition member whether the government would be wise in stretching wires across the continent.

Mr. Meighen of Portage La Prairie introduced a bill to provide for the incorporation of co-operative credit societies. He explained that it followed the principles embodied in the bill brought before the House in 1911 by Hon. J. D. Monk.

Ocean Freight Rates. With the consent of the House the member for Portage La Prairie moved the adjournment for the purpose of discussing the alarming increase in ocean freight rates on the North Atlantic.

He said that the augmentation of charges had begun when the Liberal government was in power and had continued under the present administration. He cited a number of commodities upon which the charges had been increased from twenty per cent to sixty per cent in the last few years. It might be concluded that the transportation companies had contrived to absorb for themselves the whole benefit of the British preference. There might be some justification for an increase in view of the increased cost of the loading and unloading of vessels and of shipbuilding, but the actual increase was out of proportion to these factors.

Mr. Meighen cited statistics showing the alarming rise in rates for freight on the coast.

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WOMEN FEAR GOOD PAPERS

Proceedings of Yesterday Afternoon's Session of National Council of Women Convention in Montreal.

Montreal, May 5.—The afternoon session of the National Council of Women convention was held at the hall of the Church of St. John the Evangelist where the Montreal council's milk station is situated. The delegates were given opportunity to inspect the actual operation of the station, while Mrs. Smilie described the system, by which pure milk was supplied at nominal cost for the use of babies, or given free where families were too poor to pay for it. Mothers' meetings were also held, at which practical instruction was given in the care of infants.

Dr. J. George Adams, of McGill University, gave a helpful address on the subject of "Child Welfare." Mrs. Louché described the work carried on by the Melville church in Hospital Social Service. "The Social Service and Hospital Efficiency," was the title of an address by Miss Helen R. Reid, B. A., director of the Social Service department of the Victorian Order of Nurses. She described the methods followed by that body, and while giving due credit to the agencies, she endorsed the views expressed by Miss Wadley, head worker in Bellevue Hospital, New York, that social service work to accomplish the best good should be done under the direction of the hospital as an integral part of its administrative system.

Following the addresses, a tea was served by the ladies of the Montreal Irishwomen's Club.

PEACE PARTY IN NEW YORK

Delegates to Conference to Consider Celebrating the Century of Peace Between Britain and United States.

New York, May 5.—New York formally welcomed within its doors today the delegates from Great Britain, Canada, Newfoundland and Australia to join American representatives in a five day conference looking toward a centenary celebration of the treaty of Ghent.

Mayor Gaynor welcomed the visitors to the municipality, and Alton E. Parker, on behalf of the American delegation, then was honored at this gathering through the selection of C. De Bruyne, alderman of that city, as chairman. Mr. De Bruyne, Lord Wearmouth and Sir Edmund Walker, all members of the delegation, made addresses in promotion of continue peace.

From the city hall the delegates went to the Waldorf Astoria to become guests at a luncheon given by the Pilgrims Society. Chancery M. Depey welcomed the conferees in the presence of Walter H. Page, Ambassador to Great Britain, former American minister to London, and other distinguished citizens. Sir Arthur Lawley spoke for England, Sir George Houston Reid for Australia, and Sir Edmund Walker for Canada.

ROGERS' PASS TUNNEL A BIG UNDERTAKING

Winnipeg, May 5.—It is said here today that it has been practically decided by the Hon. J. J. Foy, Minister of Railways, to acquire from the Canadian Pacific Railway the contract for the construction of the Rogers Pass double track tunnel through the Selkirk mountains. The contract will also include the construction of seven miles of double track on each side of the tunnel, making a total length to be double-tracked, including the five miles of tunnel, of about twenty miles.

The number of men to be employed is not announced but it is said the work is to be completed inside of four years.

AGED MONCTON MAN DEAD. Moncton, N. B., May 5.—Ex-Alderman J. T. Forbes, who retired this morning from all over the system east and west are in semi-annual session today and tomorrow at the local C. P. R. office. Matters discussed will include all conditions pertaining to motive power and rolling stock.

BAD FIRE RAGED IN MONCTON THIS MORNING

WRECK ON P. E. ISLAND RAILROAD

Seven Freight Cars on Accommodation Train Turn Turtle—Passenger Cars Remain on the Rails.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., May 5.—One of the worst wrecks in the history of the Prince Edward Island Railway occurred this afternoon about a mile east of Mount Stewart, when seven freight cars of the accommodation train from Georgetown left the rails and turned turtle. Three of the cars were loaded with potatoes, the others being baggage and empty freight cars. Fortunately the passenger coaches which were filled with passengers remained on the track. The overturned cars are badly damaged and much of the freight will be a total loss, one car being loaded with eggs. The passenger cars were brought to Charlottetown by the Souris train. The work of repairing the road which was badly torn up will be commenced today.

Another Dreadnought Launched by Germany

The "Grosser Kurfuere" Will Have Displacement of 27,000 Tons—Armed with Ten Thirteen-inch Guns.

Hamburg, May 5.—A new dreadnought battleship was launched today to take the place of the old Kurfuere Friedrich Wilhelm, sold to Turkey in 1910. The ship was christened Grosser Kurfuere, by Prince Oskar, a son of the Emperor. She is a sister ship of the Koenig, launched in March last, and was designed to displace twenty-seven thousand tons. It is said she is to be armed with 14-inch guns.

PECULIAR ACCIDENT TO I. C. R. BRAKEMAN

Moncton, May 5.—Joseph LeBlanc, an I. C. R. brakeman was seriously injured in a peculiar accident at Newcastle this afternoon. Russell's special had come in from Nepsiguit Junction with a train of ore and was dumping the cars at Newcastle docks. LeBlanc was standing on a loaded dump car when the bottom was released and he was carried with the ore into the bin below sustaining serious injuries.

Express Car Burned; Contents Total Loss

Calgary, May 5.—It was learned here this morning that the express car on C. P. R. train No. 13 was completely destroyed by fire east of Medicine Hat late Thursday night. The contents of the car were valued at approximately \$125,000, and are a total loss.

There were hundreds of consignments, mostly to Calgary people. The company has no information as to the cause of the fire.

PERSONATION CHARGED IN OTTAWA ELECTIONS

Ottawa, May 5.—Another sensation in the local ballot box stuffing charges was sprung in police court today. The corporation which is owned by the American Printing Company, operates five hundred thousand spindles in the manufacture of cotton cloth to supply the print works. It employs five thousand hands with a weekly payroll of about thirty-five thousand dollars.

LAURIER IN TORONTO. Toronto, May 5.—The Conservative stronghold turned out in tremendous numbers tonight to hear Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The arena in which the meeting was held accommodated something over seven thousand people and then, literally, thousands were turned away. All those who did get in were ticket-holders. Inside the hall the enthusiasm was unrestrained and when the leader of the opposition arose to speak he was given a remarkable ovation.

At 2.15 A. M., Church and Hall were Burned and Flames Spreading

LOSS ALREADY EXCEEDS \$50,000

Blaze Caught in Victoria Rink—Baptist Church Total Loss, Methodist Church Afire—Wild Man Runs Amuck.

Moncton, N. B., May 6.—About 1.30 this morning fire was discovered in Victoria rink, which was all ablaze, and at two o'clock was totally destroyed.

At a later hour the Baptist Brotherhood Hall was on fire as well as the Baptist church and parsonage, while the Knights of Columbus Hall, the Methodist church and other buildings were threatened.

Cinders carried a long distance set many roof fires, but these were extinguished by the ladder and bucket brigades. The loss is now \$150,000, and if the Baptist church and parsonage and other threatened buildings go, it will be \$50,000 to \$100,000.

As the Victoria Rink has not been occupied for some time, the fire must have been of incendiary origin, or possibly set by a tramp.

LATER. At 12.15 a. m. the Baptist church is now a total loss and the Methodist church is on fire. Cinders are flying in all directions and there are incipient fires on dozens of roofs but it is hoped to prevent further spread of the flames.

The loss will surely exceed \$20,000. The insurance cannot be learned. Valuable Horse Killed. A valuable horse belonging to Mr. Blamack Steves of this city was almost instantly killed today in a collision on St. George street between a light driving rig and Mr. Steves' wood team. In the collision the shaft of the driving wagon was driven eight inches into the chest of the draft horse, with the result that the latter animal died to death a minute or so later.

Wild Man Runs Amuck. Leaving frightened women, unopposed fences and overturned hen houses behind a man named Richard, who is said to have been at Bouchette, this afternoon, spread consternation throughout Sunny Brae, a suburb of this city. After an exciting chase which covered about three miles, and cost him some two hours to cover, the man was finally run down and captured by one of the city officers.

SEVEN MILLS WILL CLOSE IN FALL RIVER

Fall River, Mass., May 5.—The Fall River Iron Works Company today posted notices stating that the seven mills of the plant would be closed for an indefinite period next Saturday. No reason for the shut-down was given. The corporation which is owned by the American Printing Company, operates five hundred thousand spindles in the manufacture of cotton cloth to supply the print works. It employs five thousand hands with a weekly payroll of about thirty-five thousand dollars.

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