

GRAFT CASE--

Indictments Withheld Pending Revelations Shepps is Expected to Make

CROPS SUFFER--

Prolonged Period of Wet Weather Does Damage Through Province

LIFEBOATS

NOT FIRST
ESSENTIAL

Report of Shipping Committee of Board of Trade.

SPEED TOO HIGH

Recommend Regulation of the Rate Liners Should Travel at Sea--Buoyancy of Vessel After Accident Should be Insured.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—The merchant shipping advisory committee of the board of trade, which was re-elected last week, has today issued its report. The committee states that the disaster demonstrated the extraordinary difficulty of saving passengers in utilizing their full capacity, even in calm weather, the boats already provided, and declares that the security of the passengers is best attained by the adoption of all possible precautions to insure the buoyancy of the vessel after a casualty and by securing the most efficient means of communication with the shore or with other vessels.

HAY WAS GOOD

WHEAT HER BAD

First Official Statement This Season by Agricultural Department — Dampness Almost Ruined Potato Crop.

FREDERICTON, Aug. 15.—Information sent to the Department of Agriculture would indicate that the hay crop varies from fair to a very good crop, but the weather has been such as to spoil much of it and to prevent the harvesting of any of it in prime condition. The large bulk of the crop on August 12th was still uncut.

EXTEND TIME FOR

CAR FERRY TENDERS

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Aug. 15.—The railway department has extended for a month the time for receiving tenders for the Prince Edward Island ferry which was to have been in today. Several British and American firms are figuring on the work.

WANT FINAL

ACTION ON CANAL BILL

Effort Will Be Made to Push Matter Through Both Houses Today--Battle Royal Likely.

OPPONENTS WILL

MAKE HARD FIGHT.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The Panama Canal Bill agreed to yesterday by the conferees of the house and senate, will be pushed for final action in both bodies tomorrow. Opposition is expected from those who oppose free tolls to coastwise ships, or who object to other provisions of the bill, notably the railroad and anti-trust sections.

PASSES CHEQUES

ON BOGUS ACCOUNT IN RAILWAY TOWN

George A. Carter, Alias McDonald, Raised Some Easy Money in Moncton and Amherst.

MONCTON, Aug. 15.—A young man named George A. Carter, or McDonald, was in town last week and succeeded in working off at least two cheques that are apparently worthless. Buying a small quantity of tobacco at Armstrong and McFarlane's stand in the city market on Saturday he tendered a cheque for \$6.60 purporting to be drawn on C. S. McLeod and received the change. The same day he tendered a similar cheque for \$6.75 at Wetmore's lunch car and also got the change. The cheques were sent to Amherst but returned with the information that no such person as McLeod was known there.

LIGHTNING BOLT

PARALYZES TRADE OF CLAREMONT, N. H.

Claremont, N. H., Aug. 15.—A bolt of lightning paralyzed business of this town late today. Entering the power house of the Claremont Power Co., it started a fire which destroyed the switchboard and caused a loss of about \$15,000. The shutting off of

EXPECT SCHEPPS' STORY

WILL BOLSTER EVIDENCE



THUGS WHO DID THE KILLING IN NEW YORK POLICE MURDER.

District Attorney Whitman Asks Grand Jury to Hold Back Indictments Till Missing Links Are Supplied by Gunmen's Paymaster--Urges Reward for Capture of "Gyp the Blood" and "Lefty" Louie.

New York, Aug. 15.—At the request of District Attorney Whitman the grand jury today withheld the filing of its pending indictments against the murderers of Herman Rosenthal in order to hear the testimony of Sam Schepps now on his way here from Hot Springs, Ark., in the custody of Assistant District Attorney Ruben. While the County Prosecutor believes that the evidence thus far submitted to the jury is sufficient for the purpose of indictment he advised the jury today that it would be best to hear the testimony of Schepps in order to further strengthen the evidence.

PLANS POWERS

DUKE HAS BUSY DAY

Attends Functions at Halifax — Will Receive Degree at Kings Today--Princess Patricia Opens Kermesse.

HALIFAX, Aug. 15.—The following message was sent today by His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught: "To the King, England: 'On the occasion of the dedication of the tower commemorating the first overseas legislative assembly, I send you in the name of the representatives of Canada, of its provinces, of Australia, of Newfoundland and of England, dutiful expressions of loyalty.' (Sgd) 'ARTHUR.'"

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AUSTRALIA

ANXIOUS TO RETALIATE

Would Increase Preference on Goods Carried in British Vessels to Compensate for Tolls.

FORESEE GRAVE

TREATY TROUBLES.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—Melbourne telegrams indicate that strong feelings have been aroused in Australia over the Panama Canal Bill, and Premier Fisher, of the labor ministry of the Commonwealth has made representations to the imperial government, especially concerning the proposal to grant free tolls to American coastwise vessels. Both Australia and New Zealand have declared for a similar preference in favor of the Empire as against foreign ships in what they, on the American principle, regard as a maritime trade between all ports of the British Empire.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—A London cable says: The gravest anxiety was felt today for General Booth, head of the Salvation Army, who has been sinking slowly for several hours. His doctors admit that his condition is critical. Inquiries concerning him and expressions of sympathy have been received from men and women of the highest position throughout the world. The aged general is unconscious much of the time.

DR. GEORGE MURPHY MARRIED

Yesterday Near Boston — Parents Present at the Ceremony.

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DIVER WEST

PINNED TO THE BOTTOM

Sunken Scow Breaks Connection With The Surface

COMRADE SAVED

Unknown Man Employed at the Same Work Rescued in Nick of Time and Hopes of His Recovery Are Entertained.

PORT BURWELL, Ont., Aug. 15.—Pinned beneath a sunken scow about a mile out of Port Burwell, Edward West, of Port Huron, Mich., lies dead on the floor of Lake Erie and another whose name has not yet been ascertained lies here in a precarious condition.

VISIT WILL

HAVE EFFECT

Rear Admiral Tate Says Canadian Ministers' Trip to England was Huge Success — Urges Programme.

OTTAWA, Aug. 15.—"What the Canadians do ought to be in addition to our own naval programme," asserted Rear Admiral Tate, Superintendent of the British Naval Dockyard at Portsmouth, who arrived in the city this evening. Further than this he would not comment on naval matters. "I will say, though," he added, "that the Canadian Ministers' visit was a huge success, and should be fraught with the most far reaching result towards strengthening of the British Empire."

SOUTHAMPTON TO

HAVE MEMORIAL TO PILGRIM FATHERS

Laying of Buttress Stones of Tower Attended by Representatives of British and American Organizations.

SOUTHAMPTON, Aug. 15.—The second annual observance of Pilgrim's Day was marked today by the laying of the foundation stone of a memorial to set forth from this port 300 years ago in search of religious liberty.