

BAD WEATHER DELAYS TEES

WEST COAST SWEPT BY GALES FOR WEEK

Alberni and Clayoquot Canneries Have Good Pack and Continue Operating

Heavy gales and cross seas were encountered almost all the trip by the steamer Tees, Capt. Gillam, which returned to port Thursday night from Clayoquot and way ports. The Tees was delayed two nights going up the coast, at Sechart and Clayoquot, and at Banfield coming south. Southeast winds and big southwest swell, a peculiar condition which is often found off the west coast, gave the steamer her first real shaking up since the spring. On Sunday when the Tees reached Sechart she found the steamer Otter had returned to the whaling station after getting out for Victoria.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE AT COMOX

Large Sum Will Be Expended—Repair Work on Wharves Completed

Comox, Oct. 7.—The government pile driver has been put on its gridiron for the winter after five months' work up north and near this place. The workmen have repaired Trent river bridge, which cutted in the forest fire. They also renewed Qualicum bridge and repaired the wharves at Mary Island and Reid.

The road gang will shortly open up McConnell street to the Nob Hill beach, and a large sum will be spent on the main road above the wharf.

Mr. Boehne of Cape Lard, secured two fine painters for the same going. Mrs. and Miss Hall are shortly leaving Comox.

LOCAL NEWS

The provincial government has made a grant of \$2,500 to the Campbell relief fund.

David Power, representing E. G. Prior & Co. Ltd., arrived at Fort George last Wednesday evening, having ridden there from Hazelton, a distance of upwards of three hundred miles, which was negotiated in eighteen days, with one horse.

A wedding event of considerable local interest took place at Vancouver Thursday afternoon. The contracting parties being Lieut. Hoskin, of the R. M. S. Empress of Japan, and Miss Vera Gosnell, of Victoria. The honey-moon will be spent in California. Miss Gosnell has a brother who lives in Victoria who extend all good wishes.

The Driland hotel has been leased for a term of five years by J. A. Weldon, secretary of the Terminal City Club. The new management will take charge of the hotel on Wednesday. Mr. Weldon, who is popular, was chief clerk at the Vancouver hotel, and has had an extensive hotel experience in Chicago and in South Africa.

Messrs. W. G. and C. M. Cameron, clothiers, of Johnson street, have sold out to Messrs. Patterson and Dorman, formerly engaged with Messrs. McCandless Bros., of Johnson street. W. G. Cameron has been in business on Johnson street at the same stand for the past 27 years. A coincidence in connection with the change in business ownership is the fact that W. G. Cameron has also disposed of his property on Government street which forms part of the parcel of land purchased by the Grand Trunk Pacific for hotel purposes. On this property, Mr. Cameron has resided for the past 25 years.

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WANT NORMAL SCHOOL HERE

TRUSTEES DECIDE TO COMMENCE CAMPAIGN

All Local Public Bodies Asked to Join in Request to Provincial Government

(From Thursday's Daily.)

If the steps taken at last evening's meeting of the school board are followed, Victoria will, in all probability, have a Normal school of her own. Trustee McNeill presented the following resolution: "That the school board request the city, through the board of trade, Victoria branch of the Vancouver Island Development League, Trades and Labor Council and the Local Council of Women to join it in organizing a large deputation to wait on the provincial government and urge the necessity of instituting Normal school work in this city."

The trustees have been contemplating this move for some time, as they recognize that the school facilities here are not sufficient. The deputation will wait on the government on Tuesday, November 1, and present their case. The committee will gather all necessary facts to prove that a Normal school is required in this city.

Trustee Officer Edwards made several recommendations to the board, organizing a large deputation to follow up his work more successfully. Trustee McNeill suggested that the principals of the various schools have reports ready for the officials when they are called, showing the number of absentees. At present the teachers keep him waiting and a great deal of his time is thereby lost.

Trustee Mrs. Jenkins wished to know how many children under the age of fourteen were employed in Victoria.

To this Mr. Edwards said that he had only met with one case.

It was decided that if there are any parents in this city who are sending their children to work under the age stipulated in the School act, they should be summoned and made an example of.

The trust officers were instructed to visit the different telegraph offices and other agencies where boys are employed to find out whether any such youths are engaged there.

A letter was received from Fire Chief Davis, who complained of the laxity of the teachers in not having sufficient fire drills. On a motion made by Trustee Riddell, the superintendent was instructed to notify the principals that weekly drills must be held. This duty had been neglected and yet is of vital importance.

The report of the building and grounds committee was presented by Trustee Riddell. He stated that the sanitary work at the South Park school was not being done satisfactorily and he urged that the plumbers be requested to complete their job immediately. The work at the Moss Street school is progressing favorably and he estimated that the contractors will have finished their work by Wednesday next. At the George street school the heating (Continued on page 6)

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JOHN A. TURNER FIRST IN FIELD

WILL BE CANDIDATE FOR THE MAYORALTY

Approaching Contest Promises to Be Liveliest in History of the City

(From Thursday's Daily.)

As will be seen by advertisement in another column, John A. Turner will again be a candidate for the mayoralty at the forthcoming municipal elections. Mr. Turner was a member of the aldermanic board last year and in the election in January last, notwithstanding that there were four candidates in the field, came within eight votes of being declared elected. His friends express the utmost confidence that he will be victorious in the forthcoming fight. Very shortly a meeting of Mr. Turner's supporters will be held for the purpose of organizing for the campaign.

The name of Alderman Fullerton is also mentioned in connection with the approaching contest for the mayoralty; and it is understood that in response to requests from many friends he has signified his intention of becoming a candidate, though he has not as yet made any formal announcement to this effect. Mr. Fullerton has served the city in the capacity of alderman for twelve years, and is therefore well qualified, on the ground of experience, for the higher position. He is popularly regarded as the champion of the rights of the workers of the city and in that quarter would get a very enthusiastic support.

Ex-Mayor Dr. Lewis Hall has been asked to run again, but has declined to do so, his private business requiring all his attention.

Signs are not wanting that the forthcoming municipal contest will be one of the most interesting in the history of the city, there being two issues, at least, which will arouse the electorate to a degree of activity which has been absent from municipal contests for a number of years past. These are the questions of securing a new source of water supply and that of improving general conditions of Victoria.

Though the bylaw providing for the acquisition of the holdings of the Esquimalt Water Works company will be submitted to the judgment of the ratepayers prior to the date of the municipal elections, it is doubtful, whatever the decision, whether the improvement of the water supply of the city will be removed from the list of debatable questions during the progress of the campaign.

In regard to the moral reform question, the order of the police commissioners to the effect that the restricted district shall be abolished at the end of the present month is likely to give rise to a situation of some interest, inasmuch as the discussion during the progress of the campaign.

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Centres Under Martial Law. The anniversary of the execution of Francisco Ferrer is passing in Spain to-day with every manifestation of martial law. The entire army is under arms, the reserves have been mobilized and the cities are thronged with troops. At Barcelona martial law already has been declared and Premier Canalejas announces that in the event of an uprising the king is confident of the support of the army. It is reported that Alfonso personally will command his forces. All leaves of absence have been suspended. Reports from Barcelona indicate that the great stone prison, Spain's "bastille," is guarded carefully by a heavy garrison, for fear that an attempt will be made to dynamite the noted jail, in which hundreds of Republican prisoners have been shot to death and in which Professor Ferrer was executed after a farcical trial.

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MEETING AT BELMONT. Says Aviation Meet Will Increase in Air Navigation. (Continued on page 6)

New York, Oct. 13.—That the approaching Belmont aviation meet will give tremendous stimulus to the interest in air navigation in America, is the opinion of John Moissant, who made the famous Paris to London flight recently.

"In America flying is rare," said Moissant, "and when an aviator leaves the ground it is an event. In France aviators fly for hours at a time, and it is getting so that one can hardly look aloft without seeing a manbird."

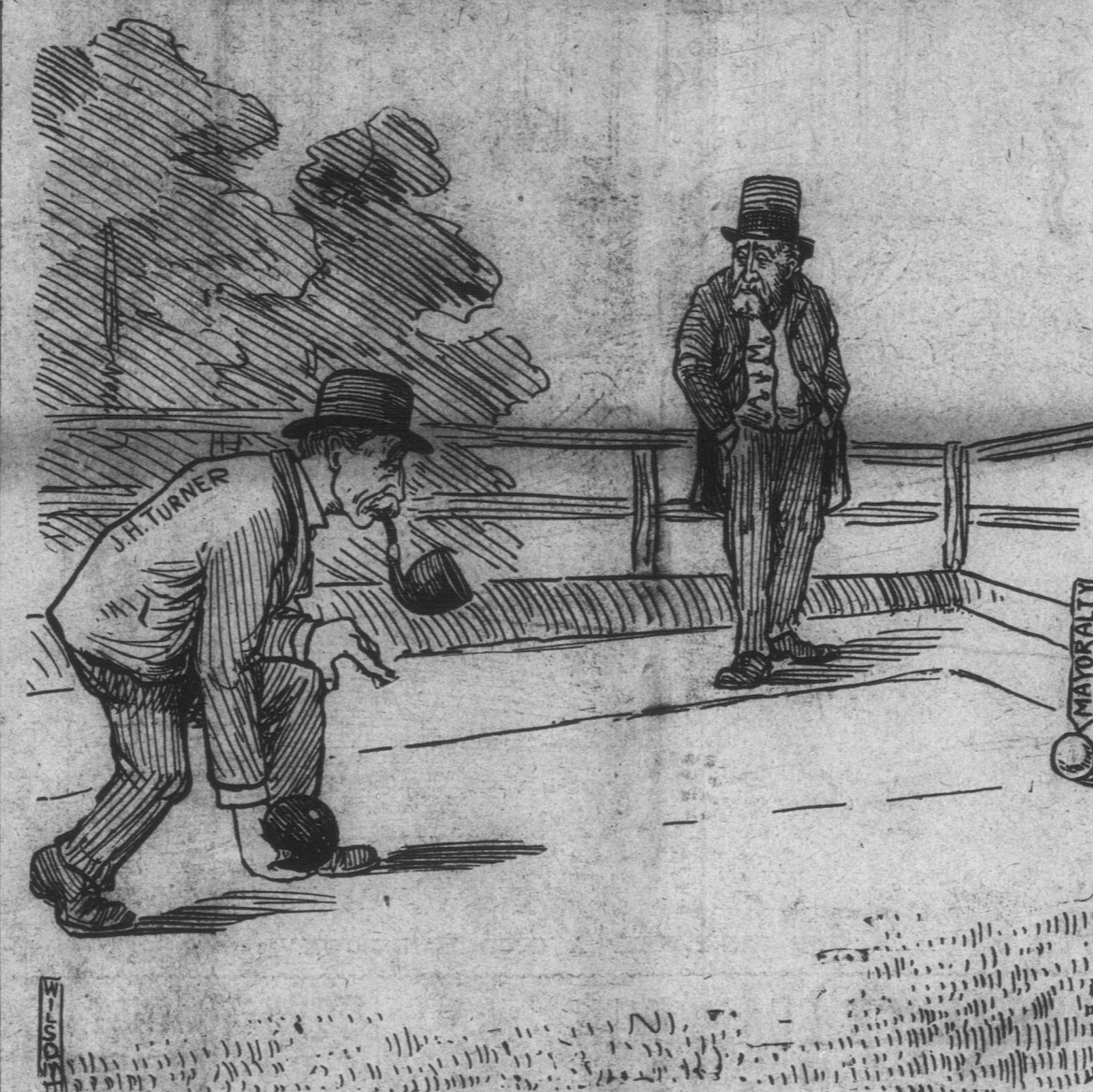
Will Attempt Long Flight. St. Louis, Oct. 13.—That he would fly from St. Louis to Kansas City at the conclusion of the Belmont aviation meet was announced to-day by Aviator Le Blanc. He will use a Blériot monoplane in his attempt.

JEWELS STOLEN. Men Break Windows of Winnipeg Stores and Take Jewelry Valued at \$500. (Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Oct. 13.—At two this morning when the noise of a long line of cars returning to the barns drowned their operations, one man threw a stone through the store's window and his confederate abstracted \$300 worth of jewelry. Proceeding to Main street and pursuing similar tactics they took \$200 worth from Matthew's jewelry store. The men have not been caught yet.

FINED FOR ASSAULT. (Special to the Times.)

Huntsville, Oct. 13.—For applying a coat of tar and a black snake whip on the person of a young man named Fisher Thomas Spiers, a well known farmer of this district, was this morning fined \$10.



AN EARLY START. J. A. T.—"I wonder if there will be any other entries!"

SITUATION IN SPAIN GRAVE

UNREST INCREASES IN THE PROVINCES

Report That Preparations Are Being Made for Removal of the Royal Family

(Times Leased Wire.)

Madrid, via Hendaye, Oct. 13.—A great industrial strike on the railroads of France and the unrest in Spain to-day threatens to precipitate the fall of the already tottering throne of Alfonso XIII.

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SEEKS GRANT FOR SELKIRK EXPOSITION

Winnipeg Deputation Interviews Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. W. S. Fielding

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Oct. 13.—A Winnipeg deputation headed by Mayor Evans, waited on Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. W. S. Fielding to-day repeating the request urged in Winnipeg in August for a federal grant of \$500,000 towards the Selkirk Centennial Exhibition in 1914.

The premier said the government had not had time yet to discuss the matter again, but would do so before the estimates for the session were prepared and give an early answer.

TO ENLARGE STEEL WORKS AT IRONDALE

James A. Moore Says \$10,000,000 Will Be Expended on the Plant

(Times Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 13.—Upon his return from a visit to New York, James A. Moore to-day announced that about \$10,000,000 will be invested in enlarging the steel works at Irondale, located on Port Townsend bay, that has an independent steel mill as its sole industry.

The millions were raised, Mr. Moore said, through the sale of bonds. Two million dollars' worth of the bonds have already been sold, and every dollar of the balance will be available, according to Mr. Moore, the moment funds are needed for enlarging the Irondale plant. Mr. Moore announced yesterday that the Carnegie Trust Company of New York City is acting as trustee for the bonds, and that friends of that institution have purchased the securities.

WILL WAGE WAR AGAINST STANDARD OIL

Texas Interests, Headed by J. W. Gates, Ready to Begin the Struggle

(Times Leased Wire.)

New York, Oct. 13.—Financiers' struggle one of the bitterest financial struggles in years when the Texas oil interests, headed by John W. Gates, begins operations against the Standard Oil Company.

Announcement has been made that Gates has just completed arrangements for a fight against the octopus, and is now waiting to make the initial move. With a view to underselling Standard, Gates and his lieutenants have established 32 stations in the east and will shortly open a distributing station in Brooklyn from which the lower priced oil will be sold.

Gates has opened up extensive offices in the financial district and he will direct operations there.

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ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW FRENCH GOVERNMENT

Bloodshed Marks Strike Which is Developing Into Revolutionary Movement—Police and Strikers Fight in the Capital

(Times Leased Wire.)

London, Oct. 13.—A dispatch to the Globe from Paris this afternoon says: "The railroad strike has developed into a revolutionary struggle for the purpose of overthrowing the government."

"Bloodshed and rioting are imminent. "Scenes approximating the French revolution are expected when with the troops half-loyal to the republic and half favorable to the 'syndicate' are ordered to suppress anti-government demonstrations."

Paris, Oct. 13.—Blood flowed in the streets of Paris to-day when the first real fight between strikers and soldiers was waged for more than two hours. At least six men and two women were seriously hurt. One soldier was reported killed.

The battle began when 300 police advanced a meeting of strike leaders in progress in the office of the La Humanite, a Socialistic newspaper, and demanded that they submit to arrest. The leaders refused and barricaded the doors of the building.

Under Premier Briand's instructions, that they were enemies of the republic and plotters against it, the police ordered them to surrender, threatening to fire through the windows if the order was not obeyed.

M. Jaures, leader of the men in the building, appeared at a window and shouted defiance.

"We will surrender only when you come and take us," yelled Jaures. As he stepped back into the building, a bullet crashed through the window above his head. It was answered from within the building and a battle which lasted nearly two hours was on.

Immense throngs surrounded the building on the outside and the police charged and counter charged them in an effort to keep the space around the building clear. Men and women were run down and one woman was reported killed.

Reinforcements were rushed to aid the sorely tried police and after a sharp conflict the mob was dispersed. A scattering party turned their attention to those in the newspaper office. The Laborites were still barricaded. Most of them appeared to be armed and shots were fired from the building.

Four men were treated at La Broca and De La Carite hospitals and many more are said to have been injured and taken elsewhere.

In charging the crowds, the troops and police had orders to use the flat of their swords, which probably was

responsible for the small number of casualties.

The strike was even more effective to-day than yesterday. The northern line ran a few trains but no attempt at regular service was made. The eastern and western lines made a spasmodic effort to resume traffic but failed.

Food trains heavily guarded started shortly after noon but the presence of armed men on the cars did not prevent hostile demonstrations on the part of the strikers.

Non-striking railroad men were given permission to-day to arm themselves to protect their lives and the trains against the strikers. Immediately the news was spread the strikers made a rush for arms and thousands of armed men are now parading the streets. The situation is considered desperate.

Following the riot at La Humanite offices, six prominent labor and Socialist leaders were arrested. The deputies who were at the meeting in the newspaper offices were allowed to go free.

Cloaked by the strike disorders, Apaches have been busy to-day and last night throughout Paris, and many reports of crimes have been received. Holdups, burglaries big and little, street brawls and other minor disturbances have occurred and the police charge their increase to the labor troubles which have resulted in the almost total withdrawal of policemen from patrol duty.

Steps are being taken to rush the proposed whipping post ordinance through the Chamber of Deputies, which convenes next week. The ordinance calls for the punishment by whipping of all such offenders and it is believed will result in a material decrease of these crimes.

Workers As Engineers. Paris, Oct. 13.—(Latter-) Trains are moving this evening in France, manned by the exiles of the engineer corps. The first reserves have been called in to the colors in preparation for morning trains, and women were

Many strikers are numbered among the reserves. Official reports are that they have responded to the call. Whether they will refuse to man the trains as soldiers, which they refuse to man as strikers, remains to be seen.

Premier Briand issued a statement saying he believed the backbone of the big strike has been broken by the military. He declared his belief that the strikers would obey to the letter and join the reserves.

An urgency session of the Chamber of Deputies of the department of the Seine to be held to-morrow was called this evening. The government's purpose to end lawlessness in connection with the railroad strike has been announced, and steps will be taken at the session to carry out a programme of repression.

LABOR UNIONS AND OSBORNE JUDGMENT

Conference Will Be Held in England to Consider Line of Action

(Times Leased Wire.)

London, Oct. 13.—Intense interest is being manifested throughout the British Isles in the effort organized labor is planning to make in the next session of parliament to have the Osborne judgment virtually make political activity on the part of any labor union illegal.

A joint committee, representing the three national labor organizations of Great Britain—the Trades Union Congress, the Labor party and the General Federation—has determined on a conference just prior to the opening of parliament on November 17, when it is hoped to get such a unanimous and emphatic expression of opinion against the Osborne judgment from the entire labor element that the lawmakers will not dare to allow it to remain effective.

SAILS FOR SOUTH AFRICA. Duke of Connaught En Route to Cape Town to Open First Union Parliament.

London, Oct. 13.—The Duke of Connaught has taken his departure for South Africa to open the first union parliament. King George, Queen Mary, Duke of Argyll, Lord Roberts and Earl Crewe were present at his departure to bid him farewell.

The Union Castle liner Balmoral Castle, on which the Duke of Connaught is voyaging, has recently undergone considerable alterations. In the reconstruction which has taken place some fifty or sixty cabins have been thrown into ten large rooms—five on each side of the ship.

NARROW ESCAPES AT MONTREAL

MEN DRIVEN TO ROOF OF BURNING BUILDING

Several Firemen Sustain Injuries—Property Loss Estimated at \$100,000

(Special to the Times.)

Montreal, Oct. 13.—Twenty-five business concerns, including banks, dentists, dressmakers and others, were wiped out, three men narrowly escaped death, being caught on the top of the building, and several firemen sustained severe injuries at a fire early this morning, which practically wiped out the King's Hall, situated on St. Catherine street, west, between Drummond and Mountain streets, in the heart of the up-town business area.

John Jones and Edward Coates, who were asleep in the building when the fire broke out, and whose escape was out of, were forced to the roof of the building and were in great danger before rescued by the firemen. Dr. H. H. Adams, dentist, who happened to be in his office when the fire broke out, also had a thrilling escape, being forced to descend from the third story by means of a rope.

The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

ALLEGED CONSPIRATOR. Mexico City, Oct. 13.—Gustav Madelro, a brother of Francisco Madelro, is in prison here charged with having tried to induce a number of army officers to inaugurate a revolution in Mexico against the government.

GIRL'S BODY FOUND IN CREEK. Colgate, Okla., Oct. 13.—The nude body of a white girl was found in a creek near here to-day. The head had been cut off and one foot was severed. No identification was made when the body was found.