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## LIVES IN DANGER—S. S. Freia Lost at Mouth of Bay of Fundy

## ARSON IN LONDON—Suffragettes Try to Burn Noted Gallery

# PARCEL POST BILL MAY COME UP THIS SESSION

### If Liberals Do Not Block It, Bill May Be Introduced.

### WOULD BE GREAT BOON TO PEOPLE.

Lemieux, However, Intimates that Opposition will Work Against it—Growth of Rural Mail Delivery Shown.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, May 30.—The policy of the post office department was under review in the House today when the estimates for that branch of the public service were taken up in committee of supply. There were some encounters between Hon. L. P. Pelletier and his predecessor in office, Mr. Lemieux, and the former clearly stated his position with regard to the establishment of a parcel post system.

"I am anxious to give this great boon to the public," he said, and stated that schedules of rates and other details were being worked out by the officials of the department.

He hoped that the opposition would not treat as controversial the bill before the House which merely authorized him to go ahead, and, therefore, strengthened his position. If the bill were passed, he pointed out, a plan for a parcel post system might be prepared in a few months. If the proposed legislation was made a contentious question he would not seek to delay prorogation by pressing it.

Mr. Lemieux and his colleagues of the opposition at once intimated that they would oppose the bill on the ground that it did not fix the rates of postage and they will be responsible for a postponement of action on the question.

During the day Mr. Pelletier announced that he was preparing to provide increases of pay for the letter carriers and also postmasters and also to do something for the railway mail service. He indicated that the number of rural mail routes had been doubled since the present administration took office in October, 1911. There were then 614 routes; there are now 1385. The number of delivery boxes on the routes was 16,015 in 1911. The number now is 55,000 and will be 71,600 when all those already authorized are installed. Mr. Pelletier defended his wireless bill, which he believed would break the back of the cable monopoly.

Mr. Lemieux asked for a general statement of revenue and expenditure of the Post Office Department for the year, pointing out that under his management there had been substantial surpluses for a number of years. He commended the appointment of Mr. Fiset as law clerk of the department nor did he criticize the increase of personnel in the service, but he thought the increase of salaries in the outside service would require some explaining.

The new stamp vending and advertising machines were also alluded to by the ex-postmaster general—"Those machines in the streets bearing other inscriptions than the King's name and coat of arms."

During his term of office, Mr. Lemieux said several offers had been received from persons anxious to furnish postage stamps free to the government if permission were given to print advertisements around the stamp. Stamp vending machines had also been offered free provided advertisements were allowed to be displayed upon them.

"I refused these offers," said Mr. Lemieux, "because I did not consider it dignified to have the King's name and the royal coat of arms appear with patent medicine advertisements, or something of that kind, attached to it." He hoped no advertisements would be allowed to appear on the streets in this way. Mr. Lemieux explained that when he decided to authorize the stamp vending machines it was with the idea of their being an accommodation to people in the lumber camps, as well as in the large hotels and other public places, where, on Sundays, for instance, stamps could not be had at the post offices. But he was astonished when told in the house that he had signed a contract for these machines for 20 years. He had no recollection of having signed a contract for that inordinate length of time.

It was signed on the 21st of May, 1911, said the postmaster general, by the deputy minister. "I had no knowledge of it," repeated Mr. Lemieux, "but I do not blame him."

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## QUEAL AND FINN WON TEAM RACE

New York, May 30.—William Queal, of Alexandria Bay, N. Y., and William Kolehmainn, of Finland, won the ten mile international professional team running race at Ebbetsfields, Brooklyn, today. The winners' time was 45 minutes, 4 1-5 seconds. Tom Longboat and Alfred E. Wood, were the second team and J. Meadows and Ted Crooks, third.

# SURPRISED AT ATTITUDE OF GRIT SENATORS

### New Zealand Minister Expresses Astonishment at Liberal Speeches on the Naval Aid Bill in Senate.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, May 30—Sir Robert Buchanan, the oldest member of the New Zealand parliament, and who is now in Ottawa, called on the Prime Minister this afternoon. He is deeply interested in agricultural matters and has visited the Central Farm at Ottawa. He will also go to Guelph and Winnipeg.

While not wanting to express an opinion on the naval matter lest it be interpreted as interference, he remarked that he was astonished at some of the statements he had heard by Liberal senators in the naval debate. He was particularly impressed with the utterances of Sir McKenzie Bowell which he regarded as remarkable for a man of ninety. He observed that when New Zealand had given its Dreadnought it was a free will offering and considered above party politics.

## FRENCHMAN WINS GREAT AUTO RACE

### No Fatalities Although Two of the Drivers Were Seriously Injured During 500 Mile Grind at Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Ind., May 30.—Joules Goux, a Frenchman, driving a French car, the Peugeot, won the third annual five hundred mile automobile race at the speedway today in 6.31.33.45 at an average speed of 76.59 miles an hour.

No fatal accidents marred the running of the race, although two were seriously injured, when the Mason, driven by Jack Tower, upset on the back turn, due to a tire blow out. Tower's right leg was broken, and Lee Dunning, his mechanic, had three broken ribs, and internal injuries.

Charles Merse, who finished third in a Stutz, brought the biggest thrill to the crowd, estimated at a hundred thousand, when he drove the last lap of the race with his car on fire. The flames broke out in the upper stretch turn, and Merse refused to stop at the pits until he had circled the track another time, and finished the race. Coming down the home stretch in the finish, Harry Martin, Merse's mechanic, climbed out on the hood of the car and unbuckled the straps so the pit man could extinguish the flames.

Four out of the eight foreign cars entered finished in the prizes, the other four being forced out by broken parts. American car driven by Spencer Wishart, finished second, seven laps behind the winner. The sunbeam, an English car driven by a Frenchman, Albert Guyot, came in fourth. The other foreign cars in the money were:

Pilete's Mercedes-Knight (German), which was fifth, and Mulford's Mercedes (German), seventh.

The three Italian cars were forced out of the contest.

The race was a little more than ten minutes slower than last year's contest.

### ST. JOHN COUPLE IN DIVORCE ACTION.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, May 30.—James Reynold Durning, of St. John, is the plaintiff and his wife Florence G. Durning is the defendant, in a divorce case which will be tried here during the August session of the divorce court.

The couple were married in St. John on September 28th, 1905, by Rev. R. P. McKim, the plaintiff being 19 years of age at the time and the defendant 18. Mr. Durning is a native of Albert Co., while his wife is a native of St. John.

The divorce is being asked for on statutory grounds. Baxter and Logan are proctors.

# TREATY OF LONDON HAS ENDED WAR

### Eight Months Struggle Between Balkans and Turkey Over.

### "PEACE OF LONDON" SIGNED YESTERDAY

Montenegrin Premier Signs Treaty But Claims His Country Has Been Unfairly Treated.

London, May 30.—The eight months war between Turkey and the allied Balkan States is ended. The "peace of London" was signed today in the picture gallery of St. James' Palace.

Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Secretary, presided over the formalities. The following peace delegates signed the preliminary treaty.

Osman Nizami Pasha for Turkey, Dr. Daneff for Bulgaria, Stejan Novakovitch for Servia, Stephanos Skoloudis for Greece and M. Popovitch for Montenegro.

M. Popovitch, the Montenegrin chief delegate, after signing the preliminary treaty on behalf of Montenegro, delivered a short speech in which he said:

"We have signed the preliminary treaty because nothing else remained for us to do. We are glad to have peace, but are profoundly dissatisfied with the terms we have been obliged to accept. We have been despoiled of the fruits of our victories. We have been made the whipping boy of Europe. Great Britain took the leading part in depriving us of Scutari. We look here to secure a modification of the Albanian frontier so as to give us lands for cultivation and a natural route between Podgoritza and Ipek."

The actual ceremony was very brief. The delegates signed the treaty without reading it, evidently in full confidence that all seven articles were in such wording as the powers chose to have them.

The Bulgarian delegate proposed that peace become immediately effective without ratification of the treaty. This proposal was rejected and the delegates then left after having agreed to meet June 2 to consider the advisability of an eventual annexed protocol.

After informing the ambassadorial conference of the signing of the peace draft, Sir Edward Grey suggested that the conference limit its discussions to three questions—a constitution for Albania, the delimitation of the southern frontier of Albania, and the status of the Aegean Islands. The ambassadors are now awaiting further instructions from their governments regarding a constitution for Albania, but the conference is working in greater harmony and expects to conclude its labors by the end of June.

The relations between the Balkan allies show a distinct improvement. The postponed meeting between the Servian and Bulgarian premier is now definitely fixed to take place on the frontier tomorrow evening. The latest suggestion for a settlement of the quarrel between the two countries is that Servia and Bulgaria denounce the old treaties and conclude a new alliance, providing for a joint administration of Macedonia.

Belgrade, May 30.—The Pravda says Bulgaria is ready to negotiate with Servia for a revision of the treaty of alliance on conditions that all the Balkan governments order a demobilization of their forces.

## ITALY GLAD THAT PEACE IS SIGNED

### Great Satisfaction at Vatican and Querinal—No Hostility is Felt Toward Greece.

Rome, May 30.—The signing in London today of the preliminary peace treaty between the Balkan Allies and Turkey caused great satisfaction both at the Quirinal and the Vatican, and the hope was expressed that further complications between the Balkan states would now be avoided.

In government circles it was said that Greece should understand that Italy holds no hostile feelings against her, but is merely desirous of protecting her own interests in the Adriatic, where her position is preponderant.

# IS IT GREAT CORRUPTION FUND NEXT

### Ottawa Hears Liberals Are Busily Raising "War Fund."

### Is This What the Telegraph Recently Issued an Appeal For?

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, May 30.—The building up of a huge corruption fund seems likely to result from the latest activities of the Liberal machine which has been at work here all session blocking legislation in the hope that the government would provide a general election to satisfy the ambitions of a few Liberal ex-ministers and ex-members.

Rumor has it that a personal appeal has been made and is being made to the Liberals in Ontario and in some of the other provinces to send in contributions of one dollar and upwards toward a "legitimate expense" fund to be spent if an election can be brought about immediately, or retained for use when the next general election comes on in due course. The money will be sent in to Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The appeal seems to be meeting with a ready response. Large numbers of letters are coming in at the parliamentary postoffice addressed to Sir Wilfrid Laurier on a printed form and marked "free."

In some cases the more careful contributors are taking the precaution of registering the dollar.

## OVER OCEAN IN AIRSHIP

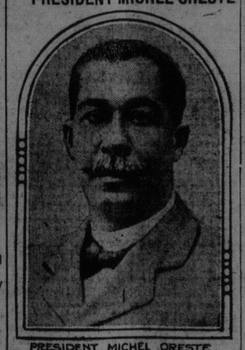
### Lt. Bellington Who is Now at Sydney Plans to Start Within the Next Eighteen Months

Halifax, N. S., May 30.—The aerial flight across the Atlantic will probably be made within the next eighteen months, said Lieut. Vere Bellington, at Sydney today. Lieut. Bellington is a member of the British army aeronautic corps, and a brother of Lieut. Bellington killed at the Oxford Army manoeuvres in England a year ago. The trans-Atlantic flight, he explained, is now practically a question of petrol supply, for while a machine can carry only a little more than sixty gallons, some six hundred are required for a two thousand mile trip. The flight would best be made in a machine incorporating the principles of both biplane and monoplane.

### MRS. PANKHURST'S CONDITION.

London, May 30—Mrs. Pankhurst is being closely guarded by the police at the home of her friend in the West End of London. They report that she is not as ill as she was at the time of her former release from prison, but the officials of the Women's Social and Political Union declare she is at the point of death. No visitors are permitted to see Mrs. Pankhurst.

### TRANQUILLITY PROMISED BY THE ELECTION OF PRESIDENT MICHEL ORESTE



PRESIDENT MICHEL ORESTE

Since the election of the new President of Hayti, Michel Oreste, recently the Republic has been in a quiet state, and tranquillity is promised for the future. It is the first time that without military pressure all parties have joined together to elect this sympathetic and popular man. Mr. Oreste is fifty-four years old. He is a lawyer, having been admitted to the Bar in 1882. He has been in the Chamber of Deputies, was at one time Attorney General and was twice a Senator.

# WILL SECURE TEN MILLIONS FOR MISSIONS

### Rev. Dr. Grant to Provide Church Plant for Presbyterians.

### WILL PUT HIS PLANS BEFORE CONGRESS

Many Subjects of National Importance to be Discussed by Presbyterian Congress Opening in Toronto Today.

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Toronto, May 30—Chinese missions will be discussed at the Presbyterian Congress to open here tomorrow. It is believed that an appeal will be made to the churches of Great Britain, the United States and Canada, to come to the aid of the Chinese republic in the way of sympathy and help. Rev. Dr. R. P. McKay, former moderator of the assembly, who is in charge of foreign mission work, says that there is need today for twenty thousand young men of British education in China. Rev. Dr. A. S. Grant, who has been the main cause of the holding of the present congress, will put before the congress his plans for the future work of the church. Dr. Grant says the Presbyterian church in Canada is in proportion to its numbers, richer than any church in the Dominion, and as rich as any church in the world. He states that ministers are in great need of financial support and of proper equipment. He proposes to raise, if necessary, ten million dollars and to see that every mission field and church in the Dominion is provided with the necessary plant.

"Christianity has failed," said Dr. Grant, "because it has not been given a chance."

He proposes that the wealth of the rich men of the church should be secured for tis great purpose, and his success so far is taken as an assurance of what he will do in this regard in the future. It is conceded here that Rev. Dr. Murdoch McKenzie, of Honan, China, will be named as moderator of the assembly on Wednesday night of next week, when the election takes place. The programme of the congress contains among other the following names:

Rev. Dr. G. G. McQueen, Edmonton; Rev. Dr. Murdoch McKenzie, Honan, China; Rev. Dr. Geo. Hanson, Montreal; Rev. J. Campbell White, New York; Professor Graham Taylor, Chicago; Dr. Robt. Johnson, Montreal; James Balfour, K. C., Regino; President Gandier, Knox College, Toronto; Rev. John McNeill, Cooke's church, Toronto; President Falconer, Toronto University; J. A. Patterson, K. C., Mr. A. MacDonald, editor of the Globe, Toronto; Matthew Parkins, Prof. R. Law, Rev. C. W. Gordon, Winnipeg; Rev. C. M. Wright, Fort George; Rev. Dr. W. T. Herridge, Ottawa, and Hon. J. K. Flemming, Premier of New Brunswick.

These men will deal with such questions as "Training for Service, by Means of the Home, the Press, the Church, the College." "The Church's Opportunity in Canada;" "Canada's Opportunity Abroad;" "The Foreign Problem in Canada;" "The Rural Problem;" "The Social Application of the Gospel;" "Evangelism;" "Temperance," and "The Stewardship of Money."

## BRIDE OF A FEW HOURS IS SUICIDE

### Girl of 17 Years Shot Self—Received a Letter Shortly After Wedding—Tore It Up Before She Died.

Montreal, May 30.—Mariana Lanza, 17 years old, for thirty-three hours the bride of Juspero Godanolo, shot herself through the heart with her father's revolver tonight and died instantly. The motive for her act is attributed to a letter which she received this morning a few hours after her marriage to Godanolo. She tore the missive into bits after reading it and gave no information to anyone as to its contents.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Cunningham and child of Vancouver, B. C., are in town, the guests of Mr. Cunningham's parents in Autumn street.

# CREW OF THE FREIA ALL REACH SHORE IN SAFETY

## VICTIMS OF FARMERS BANK PRESS CLAIMS

### Members on Both Sides of the House Feel Some Relief Should be Given Them.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, May 30.—The claims of the Farmers' Bank victims are again being pressed upon the government, and the general concensus of opinion among members on both sides of the house seems to be that some measure of relief ought to be forthcoming.

There is no official information available as to what will be done, or as to the extent of the aid which may be granted.

The losses amount to approximately a million and a quarter, and it is expected that the double liability, of which not much more than forty per cent. is likely to be collected will take care of the preferred claims only.

## THE ROYAL ACADEMY IS SET ON FIRE

### Evidences that Militant Arson Squad Was at Work—Tacks on Streets a New Stunt.

London, May 30.—An attempt was made tonight to set fire to the Royal Academy. Although the usual votes for women placards were not found, the police suspect that militant suffragettes are responsible for the attempt to destroy the building in which are housed some of the world's greatest works of art.

Shortly after the exhibition closed for the night, a watchman discovered in a small room on the ground floor a cardboard box filled with rags and cotton saturated with oil. A number of wax papers were bound about the box. Four of these were burning when the watchman found the box, which had been so placed that the flames from it easily would have communicated with the walls.

The suffragettes resumed their campaign of destruction tonight in the Lewisham branch post office, which they had attacked several times previously. They set fire to the letters in the building and the flames were extinguished only after a number of them had been destroyed.

Bottles containing corrosive mixtures and addressed to Reginald McKenna, home secretary, were found today in a mail box. Railway telegraph and telephones were cut today in various places in Wales. Suffragette literature was found scattered near the scenes of these depredations. Automobile drivers and cyclists in the Doncaster district made complaints today that tacks which punctured their tires were scattered over the highways.

### NO ONE BLAMED FOR MONTREAL ACCIDENT

Montreal, May 30—Although the verdict in the wreck commission enquiry into the fatal collision, which occurred last fall between the C. P. R. liner Montreal and a schooner below Quebec, in which a man was drowned, has not yet been made public, the result of the enquiry is understood to be in effect that in consequence of the gale which was blowing at the time the collision occurred, no one is blamed for the fatal result. The mishap, according to the same information, was purely accidental, and therefore the court feels justified in exonerating all concerned.

### FELL 400 FEET AND LIVES TO TELL OF IT

New York, May 30—Falling four hundred feet from an aeroplane today, Arthur Lampham, a youthful parachute jumper, landed feet first in a Staten Island marsh and was buried to his neck in the mud. With ropes and boards he was extracted. At a hospital he was found to be suffering from shock. Lampham was taken up by Harry B. Brown, an aviator, and was to have made a five hundred feet drop. His parachute failed to work when he made his leap.

### Norwegian Ship Broke Cable at Yarmouth in Storm.

### LADEN WITH LUMBER FOR BAHIA BLANCA.

Anxiety Felt for the Safety of Twenty Men Who Went to Rescue of Ill-fated Vessel.

Halifax, May 30—A storm that swept over Yarmouth last night with a raging sea all of today, caused the total destruction of the Norwegian ship Freia, whose crew escaped and imperilled the lives of twenty men on board the stranded steamship. Gerald Turnbull, which had been placed there to salve her. It is believed the Turnbull will stand the strain and that it will be possible to get the men off tomorrow.

The Freia, which was loaded with lumber and cleared for Bahia Blanca, was at anchor awaiting a number of men for the crew. She rode through last night's gale and made good weather of it. This morning as the storm was abating the cables parted and she was cast ashore on Sunday Point broadside on. The thirteen men on board were able to jump ashore. Immediately after she struck, her masts went by the board, her deck load commenced to go, and shortly afterward the hull broke in pieces. The Freia was formerly an East Indiaman and she registered 1600 tons and was owned in Norway.

The Gerald Turnbull has undoubtedly gone to pieces, but the sea is still running too high for anything definite to be obtained from the scene of the wreck. Before the storm came up the wrecking steamer Bridgewater was standing by. Her pumps had been transferred to the Turnbull and had twenty men placed on board.

Captain Landry of the wrecking steamer Bridgewater says his ship hung on to the anchorage in hopes that the twenty men on the Gerald Turnbull could come off, but as the wind increased and the sea arose this was impossible. This morning, for self preservation, the Bridgewater slipped her cable and put to sea. Much anxiety is felt for the safety of the men on board the Turnbull. Through the mist she can be seen lying in about the same position as formerly, the seas breaking for a mile or more around her.

## THE SENATE HAS PASSED BANK ACT

### Minor Changes Made in Measure but They are of Technical Nature — Adjourned Until Monday.

Ottawa, May 30.—The Senate today completed the consideration of the Bank Act. A number of amendments proposed by the department of finance were adopted. They are all of a technical character and do not affect the principle contained in the bill. An amendment which was also adopted provides that banks "may" establish stock transfer agencies in each province. As the bill came to the Senate this clause declared that banks "shall" establish such agencies.

The amendments were approved and the bill read a third time. The Senate adjourned until Monday afternoon.

## INQUEST AT PARRSBORO

Special to The Standard.

Parrsboro, N. S., May 30.—An inquest was held before Coroner Rand, this afternoon on the body of H. E. Conley, found dead yesterday. The evidence showed the deceased had been drinking, but appeared to be all right when last seen alive. The verdict was in accordance with the evidence. It has been ascertained that the deceased has a brother at Fall River, Mass., who will arrange for the removal of the body.

### P. E. ISLAND MAN LEFT LARGE ESTATE.

Vancouver, May 30.—The will of the late J. E. Lefurgey, formerly of Charlottetown, P. E. I., has been filed for probate. He left estate valued at $300,000.

### CONSPIRACY IN COREA.

Seoul, Korea, May 31.—Twenty Koreans have been arrested in the province of Chung-Hy-Ong, charged with conspiracy in planning the organization of an army to fight for the restoration of the independence of Korea.