

CANADIANS WIN IN BISLEY MEET

Private Clifford Won Prince of Wales Match and \$500. Other Members of the Canadian Rifle Team Ranked Well Up Among the Winners of Prize Money in Yesterday's Fixtures.

Bisley, July 18.—Private Clifford, a Canadian, won the first prize in the Prince of Wales contest today with a score of 81 out of a possible 85. The trophy was the National Rifle Association's badge and \$500. The contest was seven shots at 300 yards and ten shots at 600 yards. The Imperial Tobacco Company's trophy was shot for today the distance was 1,000 yards and the number of shots ten.

Table listing names and scores for the Bisley meet, including Clifford, Morris, Roberts, McKeljohn, Van Carmichael, Spittal, Hall, McLaren, Russell, Trainor, W. O. Morris, Richardson, Wolfenden, Stuart, Freeborn, Bayles, Bibby, Patterson, Martin, Guthaus, Hodson, and Dover.

The Alexandria in the services rifle championship and in the all-comers and grand aggregate was also fired today. There are two ranges of this competition, 200 and 500 yards, seven shots at each. The Canadian scores at the 200 yard range were: Freeborn 32, F. Morris 34, McKeljohn 31, Carmichael 30, Bayles 29, Bibby 33, Patterson 30, Spittal 34, Hall 32, Russell 32, Trainor 32, W. O. Morris 32, Richardson 34, Wolfenden 31, Guthaus 31, Hodson 32, White 30, Dover 31, Stuart 30, Blackburn 34, Clark 32, Clifford 32, Martin 31, Mortimer 34.

In the Prince of Wales competition, open only to winners of the National Rifle Association gold, silver or bronze medals, and winners of affiliated associations or counties, silver or bronze medals, the Canadian scores at the 200 yard range were: Freeborn 32, Clifford 32, F. Morris 34, Roberts 32, McKeljohn 31, McLaren 34, Bayles 30, Bibby 31, Patterson 33, Spittal 34, McLaren 32, Russell 32, Trainor 30, W. O. Morris 31, Richardson 34, Wolfenden 31, White 30, Mortimer 33, McHarg 31, Richardson 32, White 32, Stuart 31.

The following are the scores at the 600 yard range in the Prince of Wales—10 shots each: Clifford 48, F. Morris 43, Roberts 40, Spittal 40, McLaren 44, McHarg 44, Richardson 39, Stuart 41. Col. Barton's regulations under the regulations governing the first stage of the King's Prize were won by the following Canadians: 1st, Cadet Burt, who scores 85; Cadet Daniel, third, 81; Cadet Hargarty, fourth, 81; Cadet Young, seventh, 78; Cadet Paulette, ninth, 72; Cadet E. L. Kerr, eleventh, 69; Cadet H. D. Kerr and Cadet Lawson, 68 each. Lance Corp. Trainor was third in the range prizes at 200 yards, winning £3 6s. Corp. Mortimer was 27th, winning £1.

In the range prizes at 600 yards, Lance Corp. Trainor won first prize, £5. Capt. Milne won third prize, £2, and the following Canadians shot off tonight for places in the second stage of the King's prize: Patterson, Mortimer, McKeljohn and Spittal.

INTERESTING RUMOR FROM THE CAPITAL

House of Commons Lobbies Alive With Reports Regarding Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Next Move.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., July 19.—The report is in circulation in the lobbies tonight that a proposition will shortly come from the government that the opposition allow the reciprocity agreement to pass with the understanding that it shall not come into force for twelve months and, in the meantime, the people will have an opportunity of expressing their opinion upon it after redistribution. While the rumor cannot be traced to any authoritative source it is being actively discussed. To such proposition had reached Mr. Borden tonight.

MONTGONITES ARE THRIFTY

Ratepayers in Railway Town Are Hustling to Pay Their Taxes and Save the Five Per Cent. Discount.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, July 19.—Payment of city taxes to date are nearly fifty thousand dollars, or about five thousand ahead of last year. Tomorrow is the last day for the five per cent. discount. A meeting of the Provincial Board of A. O. H. was held here today, concluding tonight. Only routine business was transacted. Those present were P. J. McManus, president, Halifax; G. L. Murphy, Sydney; Thos. L. Kane, Fredericton; A. D. Francis, Sydney Mines; John McCloskey, provincial secretary, St. John; P. Hennessy, provincial treasurer, New Brunswick; John S. Walsh, Campbellton; and John Doherty, Montreal.

MANUEL ASKED AID FROM GREAT BRITAIN

Deposed Portuguese King Was Willing to Barter African Territory for Military Aid—His Offer Refused.

Lisbon, July 19.—The street car strike at Oporto has reached an acute stage and the leaders are trying to launch a general strike. Daily conflicts between the strikers and the police culminated yesterday in the calling out of the infantry and cavalry who were met with volleys of stones and revolver shots. The troops charged and routed the strikers, many of whom were injured. The military occupies the principal points of the city. A sensation has been caused by the announcement of the discovery at the Necessidades Palace of a small coffer containing secret correspondence between the deposed King Manuel and German governments. King Manuel and his relatives foreseeing the revolution asked for foreign intervention offering in compensation Portuguese territory in Africa. Great Britain and Germany refused to interfere. The correspondence with the other secret letters will be read before the National Assembly.

Sergt. Bayles in 8th, 23rd and 29th respectively each won £1. Prize winners in the Imperial Tobacco competition were: Guthaus 37, McKeljohn 49th, each £2; Wolfenden, 54th; Bibby 55th; Roberts, 71st; Richardson, 95th; McHarg, 95th; Clark, 101st; W. P. Morris, 113th, each £1. The following Canadians shot off tonight for places in the second stage of the King's prize: Patterson, Mortimer, McKeljohn and Spittal.

REMARKABLE PRESUMPTION OF GRAFT AND SCANDAL IN NEWMARKET CANAL JOB

More Evidence of Dominion Government's Incompetence, or Worse—Department of Railways and Canals in the Limeight this time.

Departmental Engineer in Charge of Initial Work on Newmarket Canal, Claims his Plans were Changed "Unwarrantedly" and Cost of the Undertaking Greatly Increased—The People of Canada Must Pay the Bills.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., July 19.—"Abandon principle and unman yourselves all engineers who take employment here." This adaptation of Dante's celebrated inscription over the portal of Hades is recommended by E. J. Walsh, C. E., to be engraved over the entrance to the department by railroads and canals. Mr. Walsh's suggestion is found in a return asked for by Captain Tom Wallace and tabled in the House by Hon. Charles Murphy in regard to the Newmarket Canal. The report of Mr. Walsh, who was the departmental engineer in charge of the work during its initial stages is the most scathing condemnation of the whole Newmarket canal project yet made.

In a report to the minister under date of Jan. 20, this year, Mr. Walsh goes into the whole history of the Newmarket Canal and alleges that he has been made a scapegoat by the minister. "In the debate in the House of Commons," he says, "the government through silence, and the minister of railways and canals by subtle suggestion and implication, have allowed and caused the whole blame for this unpopular expenditure to fall upon myself." Mr. Walsh characterizes statements made in regard to him by various members in the House as absolutely foundationless. He goes on to say apropos of the minister's attitude, "I have been made a scapegoat by the minister. In the debate in the House of Commons, he says, 'the government through silence, and the minister of railways and canals by subtle suggestion and implication, have allowed and caused the whole blame for this unpopular expenditure to fall upon myself.'"

Plans Were Changed. "Section No. 2 of the east branch Holland River," says Mr. Walsh, "was unwarrantably changed and the cost unnecessarily and enormously increased." "That I had recommended a standard of construction commensurate with the amount of traffic likely to be available and that instead of adopting the standard of construction which had copied the elaborate plans of the costly Soulanges canal."

Mr. Graham did not make the explanation in the House or in this interview but made, Mr. Walsh says, remarks discourteous to him and inferentially reflecting on his standing as an engineer. Mr. Walsh in September, 1904 was instructed to make surveys for the improvement of the east and west branches of the Holland River. In January, 1905, Collingwood Schreiber, chief engineer of the department, told Mr. Walsh that an estimate for the east branch improvements was required at once and to see Sir William Mulock about it. "I informed Mr. Schreiber that the surveys were not far enough advanced and that there was no sufficient data for a reliable estimate. He said, nevertheless, it had to be made."

ROYAL GEORGE CAME WITHIN HALF AN HOUR OF ATLANTIC RECORD

Quebec, July 19.—The steamer Royal George, of the Canadian Northern Steamship Company, which arrived this morning made the fastest passage so far this season. Her actual time from Nash's Point to Father Point was five days and twenty-three hours. This is but half an hour more than the record made by her sister ship the Royal Edward last year.

The Royal George brought the American detective Burns, who has been in London, endeavoring to trace David H. Kaplan and Milton Schmidt, wanted in connection with the McNamara trial. The Royal George also brought a party of 54 Boy Scouts, who brought the actress, arrived here today on the Olympic, the custom inspectors deprived her of a fifteen thousand dollar diamond pin which was sent to the appraisers store for valuation. Mrs. Belmont believed that the duty had been paid on the pin when she obtained it, but the custom officers thought otherwise.

LORD KNOLLYS TO RETIRE. London, July 19.—Truth says that Lord Knollys, principal private secretary to King George is to retire. He will be succeeded by Lord Stamfordham.

FREDERICTON MAN ELECTED PRESIDENT

Dr. William Crockett Heads the Association of Canadian Clubs—Horace A. Porter, a Provincial Vice President.

Winnipeg, July 19.—At this afternoon's session of the Association of Canadian Clubs, the following officers were elected: Hon. President, Chas. R. McCullough, Hamilton, Ont.; President, Dr. Wm. Crockett, Fredericton, N. B.; Vice-President for Nova Scotia, B. McGillivray, Halifax; Vice-President for New Brunswick, H. A. Porter, St. John, N. B.; Vice-President for Quebec, George Lyman, Montreal; Vice-President for Ontario, Gerald H. Brown, Ottawa; Vice-President for Manitoba, R. H. Smith, Winnipeg; Vice-President for Saskatchewan, Chas. Hodgins, Regina, Sask.; Vice-President for Alberta, H. B. Bennett, Calgary; Vice-President for British Columbia, D. Van Kramer, Vancouver; Hon. secretary, Amos O'Brien, Montreal, N. B.

The next convention will be held at Fredericton, but the date has not yet been decided. A number of resolutions were passed at the closing session, among them being votes of thanks to the Calgary Club for initiating the uniform nationalization work throughout the Empire which has been taken up by the imperial conference, that it is not advisable for the convention to take specific or controversial legislation, that it is regrettable that it is so costly to have news of imperial interest sent to and from Canada; that these clubs that have taken active parts in promoting the better celebration of Dominion Day deserve thanks and recognition; that the incoming executive and news of the department, handed Mr. Walsh a letter written by A. J. Grant, another engineer, proposing changes in the Newmarket canal and largely increase the cost both of construction and maintenance without yielding any adequate advantage.

BROKE HIS NECK TO AMUSE HIS FRIENDS

Ohio Man Killed Himself While Treating His Friends to Spectacle of an Impromptu Hanging.

Bewster, Ohio, July 19.—While amusing his friends on the steps of his boarding house here last night, Earl Stow, 22, jokingly declared he would show how man hangs himself. He slipped a towel around his neck and threw the loose end over a cornice, but in doing so stumbled, falling so he broke his neck and died instantly.

TORONTO MILITIA SUFFER THE LOSS OF A CLUB BY FIRE

Toronto, July 19.—Fire in the Copeland Chatterton Building at 75 and 77 Queen street west, early this morning wiped out the handsome club room of the Grenadiers' Sergeants Mess, causing a monetary loss to the mess of over \$5,000, and destroying the collection of 1885. Copeland Chatterton lost \$10,000, their stock of stationery and office devices being badly damaged by smoke and water. The Grenadiers' Sergeants Mess were damaged \$4,000 worth, and the damage to the building will be \$10,000.

SHOW GIRLS ENTER NOT GUILTY PLEAS IN THE STOKES CASE

New York, N. Y., July 19.—Pleas of not guilty on all three counts were entered today by Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad to the charge of shooting W. E. D. Stokes. They were indicted yesterday for attempted murder and for assault in the first and third degrees. Their counsel was granted ten days in which to change the pleas or to make any motions. The bail bond of \$5,000 on each case was continued. The trial probably will occur in October.

CANADA'S CENSUS A DISMAL JOKE

MONTREAL CARPENTERS ON STRIKE

From 100 to 300 Men Are Out For Higher Wages—Men Claim Strike Comes at Inopportune Time.

Montreal, July 19.—As usual in the early stages of a Montreal strike both the Carpenters' Union and the master contractors declare themselves confident of coming out on top in the struggle now going on. The contractors estimate that only about 100 men have quit, but at the Labor Temple the number of strikers is placed at 300. There are 1,500 members in the Union, but so far the strike only affects those working for contractors who refuse to pay the Union minimum rate, a flat rate of thirty-five cents an hour. The strikers declare that they can force the contractors to come to terms by making the strike a general one, while the contractors declare that there is plenty of labor only waiting for employment and that there are any number of non-union carpenters in the city. Both sides declare it will be a fight to the finish.

There is a good deal of criticism among the men of their leaders for choosing the present time to strike, as they declare that nearly all the big jobs have been already finished, whereas a strike a month or six weeks ago would have forced the contractors to come to terms as such big jobs as the Canadian Pacific Railway extension and the labor commissioner's works had only been entered upon. About fifteen constructions are more or less affected by the strike.

A STORM IN A TEA POT

Arrest of French Consular Agent by Spaniards Has Been Made Subject of Official Apology From Madrid.

Paris, July 19.—The Spanish ambassador to France, J. Perez-Caballero, today called on M. de Zelves, the French Foreign Minister and expressed the regrets of the Spanish Government for the arrest lately of M. Boisclair, the French consular agent at Alcazar, Morocco by a Spanish patrol.

NO CHANGES IN THE RITUAL OF THE "SONS"

National Division Sons of Temperance Turns Down Suggested Changes in Secret Work of the Order.

South Manchester, Conn., July 19.—Portland, Maine, was selected as the place for the next annual meeting of the national division Sons of Temperance, today at the second session of the convention which is being held here. Orville, Ont., was among the contestants. The ritual committee today reported unfavorably on the adoption of a new ritual.

A MEXICAN TOWN UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Douglas, Ariz., July 19.—Agua Prieta, Mex., is under martial law. None has been allowed either to enter or leave the town since 9 o'clock this morning.

Another Evidence of Bumbling Methods of the Ottawa Administration

Judging from Revelations in Parliament Yesterday, the Present Census will be Most Remarkably Inaccurate and Incomplete.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, July 19.—We have had another day of the curious struggle, quiet listless, perfunctory and yet with a touch of grimness which so far has been the note of this revived session. What actually happened was that members talked of various subjects until about 5.30 o'clock and that from 5.30 o'clock until the hour of adjournment, certain Conservatives delivered speeches upon reciprocity. Values shift and change strangely. Really the most interesting things of the day took place in the miscellaneous performance of the afternoon. We learned something about the census, and the government made interesting announcements of a policy of non-interference, "let them fight it out themselves," policy in regard to the coal strike on the western prairies.

These are of intrinsic importance, yet in the ebb and flow of party warfare, the important facts are that the Liberals said not a word on reciprocity and the Conservatives debated it, and another day drifted by without a vote. "Obstruction," yell the Liberals. True, they have not discussed the subject adequately from their point of view. For example, they have not even made the effort to reply to Mr. Jameson's crushing analysis of the fallacies of reciprocity as applied to the fishermen on the Atlantic coast. True, not a single Conservative has spoken twice in the committee. But these are mere details. This steady debating of the subject does not suit the Liberal book. "So obstruction it must be."

The Ontario Fire Losses. Geo. Gordon, M. P. of Nipissing, submitted a brief statement of conditions in the devastated district. Here is his summary: Porcupine—Wiped out. Cochrane—Wiped out. Golden City—Has suffered.

Kelso—Three-fourths wiped out. Vicinity of Matheson—A considerable community of settlers burned out. Bellwood—Wiped out by another fire; twenty-five families destitute. So far, Mr. Gordon said, sufficient supplies of food and clothing have been sent in and there has been little or no suffering for lack of such necessities. But it will be necessary to supply the people in the burnt districts with considerable sums of money, and up to Monday, when he left for Ottawa, no relief of this sort had been applied.

He noted that these new towns, being in their early stage of capital expenditure, have contracted considerable debts; the improvements represented by those debts have largely disappeared, and the task is to get new men to go in and assume responsibility for these old debts. All with great concernness on Mr. Gordon's part. Mr. Fielding referred Mr. Gordon to his answer yesterday.

The Coal Strike. Then the matter of the Lethbridge coal strike, which has been running on for months already. Mr. Goodlove brought it up. He quoted the gruesome prophecy of a Canadian Pacific authority that, thanks to the strike, settlers will be frozen to death in the winter which is coming. There was a feeling that the Lethbridge act had done nothing. Instead of helping, it had been a means of preventing the parties from coming together. They had allowed the situation to drift on.

Some persons, he said, are trying to create the impression that if the dispute is kept up long enough the government will take over the mines and pay the men a fixed rate of wages. This was merely prejudicial to the situation, it merely raised false hopes. The government had no such intention. Also Mr. King urged that the people of the prairies should not pin their faith to an early settlement, but that they should get out of their own sources. It was a question of open shop versus closed shop, and very likely to become a test of endurance.

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