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British Treasury Takes Issue With U.S. Secretary In Debt Controversy

RIVER SECTION

York, Carleton Counties Experience Terrific Blow

LIGHTNING PLAYS

States Mercury Climbs to 107; Scores Die; Some Go Insane

REPORTS received today tell of estern part of New Brunswick last ight, with trees blown down, barns verturned and other damage done. There was also an electrical demonstorm was not severe. Despatches from the U. S. report temperatures as high as 107, with scores of deaths and some cople driven insane. The Saint John temperature today, in contrast, ranged from 55 to 77.

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While Saint John had a somewhat mild visitation from last night's electrical storm, other parts of the province were not so fortunate. The storm assumed cyclonic proportions in the northwestern part of the province and elsewhere, according to information received at local leadquarters of the N. B. Telephone Company, considerable damage to the lines in York and Carleton counties is reported. The wind storm has been reported from those districts to have been one of the worst in the memory of the inhabitants, though lasting only a short time.

On the road between Frederictor and Springhill, a distance of five miles, it large trees were blown down, carrying with them the telephone company's wires at different places along the highway. A crew of men were rushed to the scene late last night, and the system will be in normal working order by this evening.

A great deal of trouble was reported on the lines between the capital and Woodstock, but normal conditions had been restored this morning. In the vicinity of Florenceville, six poles and 28 spans of wire were down, and a special crew were kept busy all day getting the lines in order.

In the same district, it was reported that nine barns were blown down by the wind which assumed tremendous velocity and which has been described as the nearest approach to a cyclone ever experienced in that part of the province. Just prior to the storm there, the sky became as dark as ink and the clouds were so lowering as to appear to be almost touching the treetops.

One large cable was broken in Fredericton, but the local office reported this morning that this had been repaired and the entire system would be working in the usual way by tonight. Kingston peninsula came in for its share of the storm, the forked lightning display being described as very vivid and terrifying. The telephone company, however, reported only one line in rouble, and no reports have as yet been received as to any property damage or injuries to persons.

NOT GREAT IN CITY

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Lightning followed the electric light wires into the home of J. W. Cassidy, Brookville, and set fire to the window curtains. The fire was quickly put out, the only damage done was the destruction of the curtains.

Two of the C. P. R. telegraph poles near Quispamsis were struck and one quite badly splintered by the bolt. Repairs were made this morning and at noon service was back to normal.

DANCE HALL IS HIT

Special to The Times-Star
ST. STEPHEN, July 28—In the big
thunderstorm last night Murphy's hall
at Rolling Dam, which had just been
rebuilt after having been destroyed by
fire a short time ago, was blown down
while a dance was going on. James
Fowler, of St. Andrews, and Patrick
Scullin of Rolling Dam, both had legs
broken and were brought into the
Chipman Hospital. Miss Steen was also
badly hurt. It was a miracle that
more were not injured.

STORMS BRING RELIEF.

NEW YORK, July 28—Destructive storms brought weather relief today to New England and the Middle Atlantic States but increased by three-score the death toll from a heat wave that piled up new high temperature records.

Within 24 hours 57 deaths were added by heat and strom to Wednesday's toll of two-score killed in the east and mid-west. The mid-west got relief in rain and cooling breezes early yesterday, but the east sweltered until last night.

fast night.

There were 29 deaths in New England traceable to the heat or storms, 10 in New York city, 11 in New Jer-

What Will The Rt. Hon. Mr. Meighen Say Tonight?

THE Premier of Canada, the Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, speaks

THE Premier of Canada, the Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, speaks tonight in the Imperial Theatre. He will have a great, an expectant, a vigilant audience.

What will he say, definitely and concretely, to meet the expectations, the hopes, the anxieties of Saint John, of New Brunswick, of the Maritimes at large?

To what definite lines of betterment for these provinces, to what measure of real justice, to what statesmanlike and courageous remedies for the Maritime situation will he commit himself and the party for which he speaks, so that we all may know what this general election holds for us in case Mr. Meighen and his supporters are in control of the next House of Commons?

These are questions to which tonight's meeting will furnish the answer. There is no disguising the fact that unless that answer is reasonably definite and satisfactory any party appeal for support, any analysis and arguments dealing with the Canadian political situation as a whole, will leave this public cold.

Whatever Hon. Mr. Meighen may say tonight, the city and province—and the whole Maritime division—will compare his

utterances with those to be made in this territory at a later date by the Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King, and the comparison will be close and exacting. For the people of the Maritime Provinces are asking today one question chiefly, and it is: "What Does this General Election Mean so far as These Provinces are? The people hereabouts know that the statements concerning the Maritimes made thus far in the campaign by both leaders have been vague and couched in generalities which by no means meet the case, and which are not marked by a true appreciation of the Maritime situation or by any real recognition of the Dominion-wide sentiment, so frequently and powerfully expressed, demanding that justice for New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island which will give them the full fruits of partnership in this Confederation and that measure of contentment which is their due. utterances with those to be made in this territory at a later date

CHARLOTTETOWN RESOLUTIONS

AT CHARLOTTETOWN on November 6 last a highly representative conference, called together after much searching preliminary work, adopted eight resolutions dealing with the situation here under review. These resolutions set out the principal needs and demands of this division of Canada, specifying what we are asking from both political parties, in short from the Parliament of Canada. Let us summarize briefly:

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1.—That the Dominion Government should institute and finance an immediate and aggressive immigration policy specifically for the Maritime Provinces, continuing the same for not tewer than ten consecutive years; and that this policy involve adequate organization both overseas and in the Maritime Provinces.

2.—That in the opinion of this conference the Maritime Provinces should be conceded a revision in freight and express rates to modify the disabilities under which they labor in marketing their goods in other parts of Canada, detailed representations concerning which will be made to the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada during the general freight rate investigation now being conducted by that body. (As to this matter, there is needed from the leaders of both parties a binding engagement that any beneficial judgments brought down by the Railway Commission will be implemented by Parliament under the leadership of the party which is dominant after September 14.)

3.—Resolved that in the opinion of this conference the equipment of the ports of the Maritime Provinces should not only meet present requirements but be well in advance of those of the future; and that in the interests of the whole country, and as a national undertaking, immediate steps should be taken by the Dominion Government to this end.

4—Resolved that in the opinion of this conference Maritime exporters and importers should, in order to compete in export markets, be granted a substantial reduction in existing rates to the nearest seaport, and the rates so established applied equally to and from Saint John, West Saint John, Halifax, Montreal and Quebec throughout

5.—That the federal Government be urged to make a much larger annual appropriation for the purpose of developing our fishery resources and for the expansion of export markets.

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petent trade commissioners to promote adequately her export and im-7.—That coking plants should be established at central points in

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8.—That the disabilities of Prince Edward Island with regard to trade and commerce should be modified by the erection of needed frost-proof warehouses and the construction of deep-water terminal facilities; that another car ferry steamer be built and put into service; that the C. N. R. service from Sackville to the Island points be brought up to date, and that the cost of the present and the enlarged ferry service be charged to the consolidated resure of Canada.

WHERE DO THE LEADERS STAND?

THE work at Charlottetown was not done in a corner. It THE work at Charlottetown was not done in a corner. It vastly increased the interest which the other provinces had displayed in the Maritime cause, and it was followed by the great Winnipeg conference which, after hearing the Maritime representatives, passed the following resolution unanimously—the first of all the resolutions to be adopted:

"Therefore be it resolved, that this conference urge the Dominion Government immediately to take such steps as may be necessary and justifiable by the circumstances as will remedy the accompanie disciplination which now provent the Maritime Pro-

the economic disabilities which now prevent the Maritime Provinces from realizing those advantages which under Confederation and the subsequent development of the Dominion of Canada should have accrued to them."

THUS the matter stands at date. What will the Rt. Hon.
Arthur Meighen say tonight to his fellow-Canadians in these
provinces? What will the Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King, in turn,
say when he addresses the people of the Maritime Provinces
from the platform of the Imperial Theatre?
What is to be the National railroad policy of this country?

Is the Transcontinental a Canadian or a foreign institution? We paid for it. Is it to be employed, or is any other part of the C. N. R. system to be employed, to build up American lake and seaboard cities at the expense of our own ports or our own people, or is there to be a resolute all-Canadian railroad policy, employing the hundreds of millions spent in Canada in railway construction for the benefit of its own people and the upbuilding

New Governor Pays High Tribute to Baron Byng

LONDON DINNER

Duke of Connaught Lauds Can-ada; Hon. L. C. Amery

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ONDON, July 23.—"It will

Viscount Willingdon of Rat-ton, Canada's new Governor General, made this statement in the course of an address on his new post, which he made at the dinner in his honor here

The function was attended, among other notables, by the Duke of Connaught, formerly Governor-General of Canada; Right Hon. L. C. Amery, secretary for the Dominions, and Hon. P. C. Larkin, Canadian High Commissioner in London.

TRIBUTE TO BYNG.

CANADA'S INFLUENCE

Viscount Willingdon told of the pride with which he had encountered Senator Raoul Dandurand when the French-Canadian statesman was president of the Assembly of the League of Nations. He instanced the great services of the Canadian Mission Hospital in India; also how Madras had secured forest lumbering engineers from the Dominion. In China he had come across young railway engineers who had gained all their previous experience in Montreal. In China, also, he had learnt the increasing importance of Canada's export trade.

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LEADER OF LORDS

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"The general impression of the Dominion can be expressed in two words," he said, 'Confidence and optimism.'

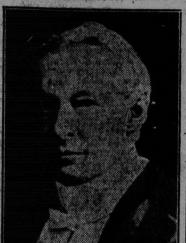
"It seemed to me wherever I went that Canada was saying 'We gave our best during the war, but we want no thanks, because we were only doing our duty; we have passed through a bad time since, but we think we see the light shining through the clouds; we are perfectly confident that we shall get through our difficulties. Above all we are devotedly loyal to His Majesty the King and determined more and more to become a pillar of support to the Mother Country and the British Empire.'"

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not only of the port cities, but of all the territory served by this

What will the Hon. Mr. Meighen say with respect to thisin forthright, definite and binding language? And, in turn,
what will the Rt. Hon. Mr. King say when he comes here?
We in the Maritimes know too well from long and bitter experience the value—or the lack of value—of vague pre-election
promises. We know that political leaders hesitate to make binding political commitments here, fearing these will embarrass them and their party in the other provinces. Nevertheless, we must all know just where the leaders of both parties stand on these issues, and now is the hour in which that must be made clear beyond the possibility of misapprehension.



achieve her great purpose. I shall do my utmost to ensure the prosperity and progress of the Dominion."

BLOCK CHANGE FROM TRAMS TO RUSCES

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Canadian Press
LONDON, July 28.—The Marquis of Salisbury, Lord Privy Seal and leader of the House of Lords, who is the sole cabinet minister included in the British delegation to the Empire parliamentary conference, is to leave for Canada two weeks in advance of the remainder of the delegates, it was learned yesterday.

In Avon River

WINDSOR, N. S., July 23.—Warren Connors, 20, was drowned last evening in the Avon river, near his home at Avonport. He entered the water about 9.30 with a chum and shortly after his companion missed him. The body was found this morning at low tide.

TO INVESTIGATE FIRE

Fire Marshal Hugh H. McLellan left this afternoon for St. Martins to investigate conditions in connection with the fire which occurred there on Wednesday morning.

Havander of the delegates, it was learned yesterday.

The Morning Post suggests that the longer stay of the Marquis in the Dominion will afford him an opportunity of conferring with Governor General Byng and leaders of the political parties regarding the recent events in Canada's parliament. The paper says that the Imperial government would undoubtedly welcome first hand information from one of its leading members in connection with the constitutional questions which have arisen in Canada following the refusal of Lord Byng to graht Right Hon. Mackensie King a dissolution of parliament.

39 Others Hurt as Vehicle Overturns on Bank

HAD FLED HEAT

children, Were on Motor Excursion

NYACK, N. Y., July 23.—Ten women and children out of BLOCK CHANGE FROM
TRAMS TO BUSSES

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Sydney Council Refuses Request of Cape Breton Electric Company

Canadian Press

SYDNEY, N. S., July 22—The city

Women and children out of 48 who sought to escape the heat of New York city in a bus excursion are dead today and the driver of the bus, which overturned, is held in the New City, N. Y., jail.

Three others of the passengers were on the danger list at the Nyack hospital, and all the rest were injured.

The passengers were returning to their homes in Brooklyn after spending the day in Bear Mountain Park.

WAS NOT SPEEDING

Commissioner Bullock Favors Frequent Conferences On Taxation Matters

COMMISSIONER T. H. BULLOCK of the Saint John harbor and ferry department is naturally gratified with the handsome total of taxes collected in the last few days under handsome total of taxes collected in the last few days under the five per cent. discount allowance, but is cognizant of the unrest in the public mind over recent large increases in the general levy. It reminds him of the fear and apprehension following the great Saint John fire of 1877 and thinks at no time between these dates have the people been so worked up over the state of the matter of finances.

THIS confirms in his mind, the Commissioner says, a suggestion made by him to Mayor White and other confreres that frequent conferences be held by the Board of Assessors, the Common Council and if needs be R. T. Hayes, Dr. W. C. Kierstead of the U. N. B. and W. E. Scully, who with the late Dr. J. Roy Campbell were prominent in framing the present assessment system. In such stressful times when a hard-pressed business public and the worried wage carrier were smarting under generally decreasing economic earner were smarting under generally depressing economic conditions all increases in taxes, he said, might well be discussed by the builders of the act, the civic administration and those public servants who personally handled the tax situ-

THE PERSONAL ELEMENT

THE Commissioner was not so sure the act itself was at THE Commissioner was not so sure the act itself was at fault. No doubt it had inconsistencies and pressed particularly hard in certain sections, but it must be remembered times were dull and the public mind was highly inflamed. If there was plenty of money going and Saint John was enjoying its pre-war prosperity, it was doubtful if the present unrest would have occurred at all. And again there might be some personal element that had crept into the administration of assessment matters that had caused irritation. Therefore, he thought his idea of conferences of all official parties interested might relieve the situation. Until such conferences ested might relieve the situation. Until such conferences were held the justice of the new system could not be exactly determined. If after that the general public desired to make a further probe and create amendments to the act the voice of the people should prevail.

\$13,000 Due Him

Can See No Grounds for Discrimination by America

ONDON, July 23.—The B ish Treasury Department has ments by Andrew Mellon, secretary of the U. S. Treasury, and Acting Secretary Winston, of the Treasury, in which the contention was set forth that Great Britain had negotiated a large part of her loan from the United State for any leasurement. States for purely commercial, as distinguished from war pur-

N. S. IS ANNOUNCED

Will Make First Appearance at

will Make First Appearance at the cast of the crossing, suddenly swerved to the right, then started rolling down a slight incline. Willeaser said they are all the started rolling down as alight incline. Will make First Appearance at the right, then started rolling down as alight inclines. Will make First Appearance at the right incline will be less and heard the frightened screams of the women and children as the machine reached the bottom of the hill and crashed against a store window, it rolled over.

24 KRPT IN HOSPITAL

The fire department and a crowd that gathered worked frantically to free the screaming victims. Every available conveyance was used to take the injured to the hospital. The first to appear was lumbering ice wason. Fourteen of the injured were sent to their homes after first aid treatment. Lastro was taken to jail and 24 were kept in the hospital. No charges had been filed against Lastro and add McLennan, former member of the PORT HOOD, N. S., July 23.—Dona and McLennan former member of the Provincial Legislature was selected by scalamation as Liberal member for the constituency and no other names will be convention held here yesterday. The nomination was moved by Dr. Alex. W. Chisholm, former Liberal member for the constituency and no other names a ware of first and the reported it very het in the house of Commons on the party of the constituency and no other names and the property of the constituency and no other names are after which he will only the party of the constituency and no other names are as the carry of the constituency and no other names are as the carry of the constituency and no other names are as the carry of the constituency and no other names are as the carry of the constituency and no other names are as the carry of the constituency and no other names are as the carry of the constituency and no other names are as the carry of the constituency and no other names are as the carry of the constituency and no other names are as the carry of the constituency and no other names

If the United States Govern could find Frank Vincent, this in-Jured soldier, it would give him \$13,-000 compensation. He disappeared six years ago, after his discharge.

HELPED ALLIES

ominion Cereals Furnished France and Italy, While England Used American

ublic by the British Treasury

WAS HELPING ALLIES

Churchill in the House of Commons of July 19.

The Chancellor of the Excheque quoted the United States Secretary of the Treasury as having said that Britain borrowed a large proportion of he debt for purely commercial, as did that from war purposes, to meet commercial obligations maturing in the United States, to furnish India will silver to buy food and to maintain echange. United States loans to Brain, according to Secretary Mellewere not so much to provide was upplies as to furnish sterling home and foreign needs and to se Britain from borrowing from her opeople.

The communication then proceeds.

"A further statement, reported to have been issued by the United States Treasury, while largely confirming the facts cited by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, refers to certain further points of detail, on which comments access desirable.

The Weather

TORONTO, July 28—An area of high pressure is centered over the Great Lakes and the weather is now fair in all parts of the Dominion. Showers occurred yesterday in many districts from Ontario to the Maritimes.

FORECASTS:

MARITIME—Light to moderate northwest winds, fair tonight and Saturday.

Victoria Sa. m. Yesterday night
Valence Sa. m. Yesterday night
Calgary 50 80 48
Edmonton 56 80
Winnipeg ... 58 Winnipeg 56
Toronto 66
Montreal 72
Saint John 68
Halifax 68
New York 80