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KING WELCOMES TO CONFERENCE

Bitter Opponents Assemble For Home Rule Arrangement

NO RESULTS SO FAR

First Session Lasts Hour and Half and Adjournment Made Till Tomorrow—Some Criticism of King's Action

London, July 21.—So deep is the interest taken by the public in the crisis over the Irish Home Rule question that great crowds gathered today outside Buckingham Palace to witness the arrival of the party leaders to participate in the conference inaugurated by King George.

The Right Hon. James Lowther, speaker of the House of Commons, who was chosen to preside over the conference, was the first to arrive. He was quickly followed by the eight men who represent the various parties.

The meeting of the Conservative and Liberal leaders on such an intimate footing was apparently friendly, but could not have been cordial as Premier Asquith and Andrew Bonar Law have been bitterly opposed to the Home Rule bill.

Mr. Asquith, leader of the Liberals in the House of Commons, and David Lloyd George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, were the first to arrive.

For the first time in his reign, King George is criticised strongly, though respectfully, by some of the other conferees.

The Manchester Guardian says: "Any such transfer of the substance of responsibility and initiative, if it has actually taken place, is of course, to be deprecated."

The Daily News takes a stronger attitude, saying: "There are profound misgivings on the Liberal benches, where impatience at the obstacles put in the path of the government is reaching the breaking point."

Several Liberal members of the House of Commons opposed to the conference, called a caucus of their sympathizers, which probably will adopt resolutions of a similar character to those passed by the labor members last night, referring to undue interference of the crown with the labor movement.

Says He Sent \$1,500 To H. F. McLeod In Connection With Valley Railway Contract

John S. Scott Declares That McLeod Acknowledged That He Received It

The Witness States His Belief That it Was Necessary to Pay to Get The Work, as a Previous Contract Given Them and For Which They Did Not Give on Stand—McLeod Says He Will Speak Fearlessly When Proper Time Comes

John Scott, a contractor on the Valley Railway, swore this morning that he had paid \$1,500 to Hon. H. F. McLeod, then a member of the provincial government, in order to secure a sub-contract.

The witness tells of the payment of the money through an express company and a bank because Mr. McLeod did not want his name mixed up in the transaction.

Mr. McLeod was in the court and took an active part in the proceedings. His chief activity was in protesting against the form of questions and the line of questioning until Mr. Carvell reminded him that an innocent man was rarely concerned with technical objections.

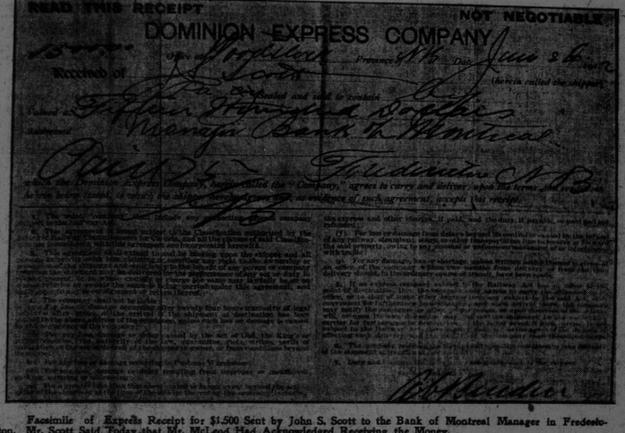
Mr. Carvell, a director of the St. John and Quebec Railway Company, was on the stand when recess was taken for lunch. His stock had been advanced to him by H. E. MacDonnell, and he had paid nothing for it.

Mr. Carvell said that it gets back to the fact that serious charges were made and the commission decided to admit any matters which might be brought forward.

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THIS DOCUMENT WAS PLACED IN EVIDENCE AT TODAY'S SESSION OF THE DUGAL INQUIRY



Facsimile of Express Receipt for \$1,500 Sent by John S. Scott to the Bank of Montreal Manager in Fredericton, Mr. Scott Said Today that Mr. McLeod Had Acknowledged Receiving the Money.

STRIKE SITUATION IS SERIOUS

Ottawa, July 21.—(Special)—At the office of the prime minister, the Hon. C. J. Doherty, minister of justice, and the superintendent of immigration, this morning there was much anxiety over the threatened strike of the Hindus at Vancouver.

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TEN CARDINALS AT GREAT CONGRESS

Two Hundred Archbishops and Bishops Also There

THIS YEAR AT LOURDES

Special Interest in Eucharistic Congress—Pontifical Mass at Famous Shrine by Cardinal Who Will Represent the Pope

Lourdes, France, July 21.—Ten cardinals, and 200 archbishops and bishops from all parts of the world are to attend the international Eucharistic Congress to be held here this year, starting tomorrow and lasting until July 29.

The Pope will be represented by Cardinal Granata Di Belmonte, Genoa, who will preside over the sessions of the congress.

On Sunday morning the presiding cardinal will celebrate pontifical high mass before a temporary altar erected in front of the historic grotto.

The golden jubilee celebration and conversion of the Knights of Pythias company of the province opened in Halifax yesterday and will continue during the week.

Henry Warner and William O'Keefe have returned home after a two weeks' vacation spent on the Belleisle.

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BOY SHAH NOW HOLDS THE REINS

Sixteen Year Old Ruler of Persia Takes Oath of Office

Teheran, Persia, July 21.—Sultan Ahmed Mirza, the sixteen year old Shah of Persia today on attaining his official majority, took the constitutional oath of office.

The little Shah, accompanied by the regent drove to the palace in a glass coach, drawn by eight white horses.

Large bodies of police and troops were stationed along the route. On entering the palace the Shah bowed to the assemblage and then pronounced the constitutional oath.

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WOMAN IS DROWNED WHILE BATHING IN THE RIVER AT MATAPEDIA

Campbell, N. B., July 21.—Mrs. Margaret Gallant of Balmoral, a few miles from Campbellton, was drowned while bathing in the Matapedia river and the body was brought to town last evening to the home of her sister, Mrs. John Boudreau.

Mrs. Gallant, who was spending the week end at Matapedia, while in bathing with some friends chanced to go beyond her depth and was carried to her death by the current.

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AWAITING ARRIVAL OF LABOR MINISTER

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Weather Bulletin section with a small illustration of a person and text about weather forecasts.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh south-westerly winds; fair and warm with a few local showers today, and fair and cooler on Wednesday.

New England Forecasts—Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; moderate west winds.