

WILL HOLD AN ENQUIRY INTO STRIKE CAUSE

Judge Kendrick Takes Unprecedented Stand by Refusing to Grant Injunction Against Garment Workers.

New York, N. Y., Feb. 17.—By refusing to grant temporary injunctions on the complaints of employers against the garment workers now on strike, and announcing that he would grant permanent restraining orders only after a hearing, Judge Kendrick of the state supreme court today took the important stand with reference to the strike that has been in progress since January 1.

Rochester, N. Y., Feb. 17.—Seven arrests on minor charges marked a demonstration of striking garment workers this afternoon in front of the shops of two independent manufacturers. Two policemen were hurt.

SOCIETY GIRL SHOT HERSELF

Miss Helen Newby Found With Two Bullets in Heart—No Cause Given for Terrible Deed.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 17.—Miss Helen Newby, twenty years old, daughter of a few miles north of Harrisburg, was shot by a revolver in her heart. Miss Newby left her home yesterday for a tramp across the mountains, she being accustomed to such walks.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT TO RETURN IN MAY

After Accompanying Duchess and Princess Patricia to England Governor General Will Come Back to Canada.

Toronto, Feb. 17.—The short visit to Toronto of the Duke of Connaught on Saturday will probably not be the last, as was generally expected. After accompanying the Duchess and Princess Patricia to England the Duke is planning to return to Canada for an indefinite period.

BUILD WIRELESS STATIONS.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Feb. 17.—To facilitate the construction work on the Hudson Bay Railway the government is arranging for the erecting of wireless telegraph stations which will provide communication between Le Pas and the end of the line, at the Bay.

BUNNY ITALY IN MANTLE OF SNOW.

Rome, Feb. 17.—The exceptionally cold weather prevailing throughout Italy reached its climax tonight in a snowstorm after the temperature had fallen several degrees below zero. In Messina the weather has been the severest in 20 years. Mount Etna is entirely white with snow and presents a magnificent spectacle at night. The snow and ice in Sicily and Calabria.

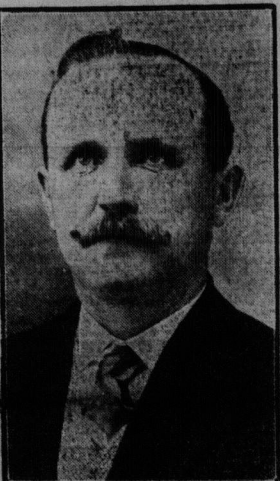
FARMERS STRONG FOR GOVERNMENT POLICY

New Brunswick Farmers and Dairymen Grateful for Increased Aid to Agricultural Education—Optimistic Speeches Mark Opening of Convention in Fredericton—Good Attendance Despite Storm.

HON. DR. LANDRY REVIEWS PROGRESS OF AGRICULTURE IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Feb. 17.—Imbued with a new spirit of confidence in the future of their province in view of the assistance promised to the agricultural sections by the federal and provincial governments, the farmers and dairymen of New Brunswick assembled here today for their 37th annual convention.

Despite the storm which rendered travelling disagreeable, the attendance at the meeting this evening, was one of the largest ever seen at a gathering of the kind in Fredericton.



HON. D. V. LANDRY, Commissioner for Agriculture.

Enthusiasm and boundless optimism in the future greatness of the province characterized the meeting. Throughout the address by officers

of the association and others who took part in the inaugural proceedings of the convention there was an undercurrent of faith in the possibilities which will be opened up for agriculturists and dairymen by the increased assistance to be rendered by the government, and a deep feeling of appreciation for the assistance was expressed both in the course of the meeting and among the delegates.

In the addresses of the speakers, reference was made to the material progress of the past year and prospects for the next.

The speakers of the evening included J. L. Smith, president of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association of New Brunswick; C. Ashley George, vice president; Hon. Dr. Landry, commissioner of agriculture; Bishop Richardson, and C. N. Vroom.

President L. H. Smith, of Lower Cove, occupied the chair and opened the meeting with the following address:

Gentlemen of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association: In calling this meeting to order I wish to say that it is a pleasure for me to see delegates present from all parts of the province representing the different branches of agriculture. This shows that you are interested in the advancement and prosperity of our good province and are willing to help to promote increased interest in the work of our association.

New Brunswick one of our greatest assets from an agricultural standpoint is a school system which will give to the young a practical agricultural education.

MUST TELL WHERE THE CASH WENT

R. C. Miller Summoned Before Bar of House of Commons.

Manager of Diamond Light and Heat Company Claims He Spent \$41,000 to Get \$117,000 Government Contract.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—The House of Commons today issued an order for one R. C. Miller to appear at the Bar of the House to answer for contumacy in refusing to answer questions addressed to him in the committee of public accounts.

The case arises out of an investigation of last session. Some time ago a Montreal concern known as the Diamond Light and Heat Company, got contracts from the government aggregating \$117,000. These were examined by the committee and it developed that Mr. Miller, who was president of the company, had deposited to having spent \$41,000 in getting the business.

When summoned to give evidence Mr. Miller could not be found and as the session ended soon afterwards the investigation ended temporarily. At this session the committee took it upon themselves to give evidence of Mr. Miller and questioned him. He declared that he had expended \$41,000 in getting the contracts but refused to tell how, and the committee took it upon themselves to issue a subpoena for Mr. Miller and questioned him. He declared that he had expended \$41,000 in getting the contracts but refused to tell how, and the committee took it upon themselves to issue a subpoena for Mr. Miller and questioned him.

Mr. Miller had stated that none of the money had been paid to any senator, member or official.

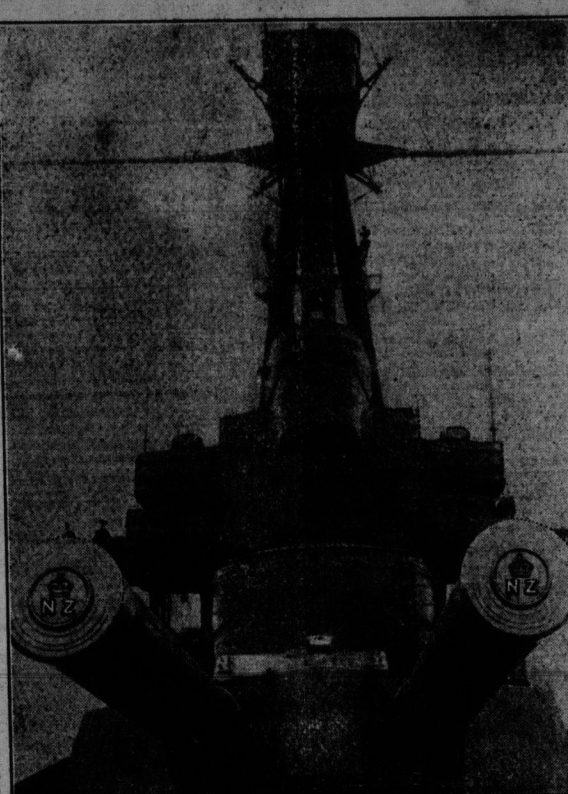
Sir Wilfrid Laurier still pressed for delay. Mr. Meighen pointed out that in 1891 Michael Connolly had been summoned to the bar of the house with less notice than in this case. Sir Wilfrid Laurier persisted in his opposition but the speaker ruled that further notice was needed and the order was passed. Mr. Miller is to appear tomorrow at three o'clock.

The whole of the afternoon was occupied with the reading of the bill to increase the capital of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company from ten to fifty million. Mr. P. Maclean moved that the new issue should be put under control of the railway commission. This was declared by supporters of the bill to be invidious especially as the company could get more ample powers under the General Companies Act than it actually possesses under its special legislation.

After a long debate division took place at six o'clock and Maclean's amendment was defeated by 74 to 36. All the Conservatives except W. F. Maclean voted against the amendment. In the course of the debate Hon. Geo. P. Graham stated that when he was minister of railways he had corresponded with the home government with a view of establishing a joint British and Canadian board to control ocean freight rates between Canada and the Mother Country but had failed to induce the British government to consent.

LONGSHOREMEN ON STRIKE IN NEW YORK. New York, N. Y., Feb. 17.—Because the head stevedore of the North German Lloyd Line in Hoboken dismissed one of the longshoremen today one thousand men working alongshore went out on a strike. The men quit work while loading the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II, which is due to sail tomorrow morning. Officials of the company say, however, that they will be able to send the steamer away on time.

THE GUNS OF H. M. S. NEW ZEALAND



A View of the Fo'ble Guns of His Majesty's Battle-Cruiser New Zealand, Contributed by the Dominion to the Imperial Navy. The New Zealand is now on a 40,000 mile Cruise to the Overseas Dominions and will Visit Vancouver.

THE INSPECTION BY THE KING

Portsmouth, Wednesday, Feb. 5.—All naval men and all Colonials appreciate the honor done to the Service, and especially to the patriotic people who voluntarily contributed the huge battle-cruiser New Zealand for the Empire's defence, by His Majesty's visit to the Colony's name-ship today.

Though the primary object of His Majesty's visit was to see the levitation which in the course of a 40,000 mile voyage is to show the Colonies and the world how the alterations of the Empire are taking their part in securing Great Britain's naval supremacy, the King did not confine his inspection to the New Zealand. During the afternoon His Majesty saw one of the latest class of submarines, an under-water ship which carries two guns and is equipped with wireless apparatus; the King George V, an enormous super-Dreadnought battleship; the Queen Elizabeth, which at present is an uneven, inert mass of ribs and plates, but in the near future will sail the seas possessed of greater offensive power than any other war vessel afloat; and the gigantic floating dock, capable of lifting and housing the biggest warship built by the brains and muscles of Britons.

It was a great and instructive day, and when the New Zealand sails tomorrow, on one of the most memorable naval cruises in history, the crew of the gallant ship will bear with them happy recollections of their Sovereign's good wishes.

New from the builders' hands, the great vessel presented a splendid appearance, her tall grey sides and the four huge barbettes, each with its pair of 12in. guns, towering high above the wharf. More statistics give but a poor impression of the sense of might and power which a modern battleship conveys to the mind. There is something so formidable, even threatening in the aspect of the mighty fabric which mere description can only feebly portray.

Here are a few figures which give in tabular form some details of New Zealand's munificent gift:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes H. M. S. NEW ZEALAND, BATTLE CRUISER, Length 590ft, Beam 80ft, Draught 30 1/2 ft, Displacement 18,800 tons, Main armament 8 12in. B.L. Mk. X 45 calibre guns, Weight of broadside 6,800lb-3 tons, Auxiliary armament 16 4in. B.L. Mk. VII. 60 calibre guns, Armour protection, belt 12ft. wide, 4in. to 6in. thick, Two Submerged Torpedo Tubes, Eight Twin Searchlights, Complement: 789 Officers and Men, Turbine Engines, four Propellers, 44,000 horse power, 31 BOLLERS, Speed 27 knots-31 1/2 miles per hour, Ship carries 3,200 tons of coal and 830 tons of oil fuel, Cost £2,000,000.

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POLICEMEN ARE INDICTED FOR GRAFTING

Inspector and Two Patrolmen Arrested in New York in Connection with Police Investigation.

New York, Feb. 17.—Police Inspector Denis Sweeney, and two policemen, alleged to have acted as his collectors of police graft, were indicted this afternoon by the extraordinary grand jury.

The policemen, Hartigan and Robinson, were immediately arrested on bench warrants. The indictments grew out of the recent confession of Police Captain Thomas Walsh.

Inspector Sweeney was arraigned and released on \$10,000 bond for a hearing next Wednesday. The checkbook belonging to John Tancredi, owner of a small restaurant in the upper east side, the stubs of which showed many entries of payments to "gendarmes," police of ten to twenty dollars per month, was exhibited to the grand jury today by District Attorney Whitman. Tancredi was also a witness and, according to his story, while he had no bar and did not violate the law, he was forced to pay the collector for the police every month, he said. Tancredi's name was given to the district attorney by Policeman Eugene F. Fox.

STRIKE OF RAILWAY FIREMEN REGARDED AS CERTAIN TO COME

Conferences Continue Between Unions and Railways Affected, But There is Little Hope of Averting Trouble.

New York, Feb. 17.—In a final effort to avert a strike of their 34,000 firemen the conference committee of managers of the fifty-four eastern railroads affected, held a conference tonight with Judge Martin A. Knapp and W. G. G. Hanger, the federal mediators, and it was said, made a new proposal which the mediators will carry to the adjustment committee of the firemen's union.

The firemen's committee today met the mediators when a proposal was made as coming from the managers, but nothing could be learned as to its provisions or the nature of the firemen's reply. That the managers held another conference is taken as indicating that their first proposal today was rejected.

The firemen were still waiting at their headquarters at a late hour tonight to hear the latest proposal of their employers for a settlement from the attitude of the delegates, it was evident that no hope was held out that the railroad managers would agree to their demand for arbitration by a board of three members as provided by the Erdman Act.

PRESIDENT WILSON BEGINS ACTIVE WORK

Engaged all Day in Conference with Members of Legislature Regarding Policy—Will Pass Anti-pass Bills.

Fronton, N. J., Feb. 17.—President-elect Wilson had the busiest day today since election. From early morning until late tonight he was in his office in the state house actively engaged in conferences with members of the legislature with a view to pushing forward policies which he has been advocating.

The Democratic members of the house in their conference with the governor declared they were unanimously in favor of passing the seven anti-trust bills which have already been passed by the senate. The measures will become law tomorrow.

TRAINS IN COLLISION, SIX MEN ARE KILLED.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 17.—Six men were killed and a number injured when a sand train ran into a freight train at a crossing at Derry, Pa., tonight. The victims were employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad on nearby stone quarries.

ADRIANOPLE AFIRE.

Constantinople, Feb. 17.—As a result of the renewed heavy bombardment of Adrianople, the quarter adjoining the St. Sophia mosque was devastated by fire this afternoon. About fifty houses and shops were destroyed and the fire is still burning.

CANADIANS AGAINST PROPOSED DYKE IN THE DETROIT RIVER

Interests Clash at Special Meeting of International Joint Committee on Waterways.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 17.—American and Canadian shipping interests clashed today at a special meeting in Detroit of the international joint committee on waterways when arguments were heard for and against the proposition to erect a dike in the Detroit river at the upper end of Bois Blanc Island, which is now being considered by the federal government. The Canadian forces were united in opposing the plan. President William Livingstone of the Lake Carriers' Association, urged it.

The dike has been proposed to overcome a possible lowering by two inches of the Detroit river when federal improvements which are now being made, and which will result in the widening of the stream are completed. It has also been asserted that the dike will prevent a dangerous cross current in the channel of the Detroit river which would otherwise be a menace to navigation.

SUFFRAGETTE ARMY MET WITH A HOSTILE VOLLEY OF SNOWBALLS

Were Rescued from Serious Position by Cavalry from Pennsylvania Military School—Making Good Progress.

Chester, Pa., Feb. 17.—The "Marching Pilgrims" bound from New York to Washington in the cause of women's suffrage, had their first hostile reception since their hike commenced, at Lelleville, a small village to the north of this city this afternoon, when they were snowballed and almost routed by a crowd of small boys. A squad of cavalry from the Pennsylvania Military College went gallantly to the rescue, put the young opponents of the movement to rout and escorted "General" Rosalie Jones and her army to this city where they will spend the night.

Prominent women suffragists from Wilmington, Delaware, joined with sympathizers in this city in giving the pilgrims a reception of a nature which did much to make them forget the hardships of their march from Philadelphia.

Despite the snow-covered ground all of the army managed to walk the entire fourteen miles from Philadelphia, and no desertions have been reported. The Philadelphia recruits finished in good condition.