

OPTIMISM THE THEME OF AMBASSADOR JAS. BRYCE

Great Britain's Representative At Washington In Illuminating Address Before The Canadian Club Last Night Deals With The Larger Questions Of Empire—Predicts a Bright Future For St. John—His Opinion Of The River Scenery.

WHAT HE SAID IN POINTED BRIEFS. "Yours is the port for an ever increasing number of inter-oceanic lines. To continue, I may say, gentlemen, that every occasion on which I have come back to Canada I have been increasingly struck by the rapidity of her growth. In all matters which the colonies have to suggest for the strengthening of the Empire as a whole, the Mother Country is ready to stand back of them. The colonies know what is best for themselves and by that very fact they are kept in sympathy with one another and in a common bond with the Mother Country. You have a great future. Here in the Maritime Provinces I cannot say that you have all the advantages of the fertile west, still you should feel that prosperity to any part of the Dominion means the same to you. You hold the keystone to the situation. With the development of your splendid resources, capital must eventually come your way."

"Canada and her future" was the subject of a stirring and eloquent address delivered before the Canadian Club last evening in the Assembly Rooms at Keith's Theatre, by the Rt. Hon. James Bryce, British Ambassador to the United States. Mr. Bryce, who is already famous in the worlds of literature and diplomacy, has made a close study of Canada and the Canadian people, and the theme of his address last evening was for the proper conservation of certain resources of the Dominion and the development of others. He referred to the forests of the country in particular, to the proper preservation of which, he said, he was

glad that steps were being taken by the governments of the different provinces. He was glad to know that although Canada was a vast country, her splendid railway systems were bringing about the unification of her hitherto scattered population. Optimism for the future was the keynote of his speech, while the devotion of Canadians to Canada was also emphasized. His Excellency's address was cheered again and again. Luncheon was served by the King's Daughters Guild and covers were laid for about three hundred people. Seats to the right of the president were occupied by the guest of the evening, Hon. Mr. Bryce, Premier Hazen, and Rev. R. A. Armstrong, while to the left were Lt. Governor Tweedie, Mayor Bullock, Dr. T. Dyson Walker and Mr. W. H. Thorne. The Nickel Orchestra, assisted by the Bush Quartette, furnished an excellent programme of music during the progress of the luncheon. Letters of regret for their inability to be present at the luncheon, were received from the president of the Woodstock Canadian Club, from Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer, Hon. Justice Landry, and Hon. George E. Foster. The Chairman's Introduction. When luncheon was concluded at 7.15 Mr. C. B. Allan, the president, in a brief speech introduced the guest of the evening. Mr. Allan said that he felt specially honored at the privilege of presiding over a meeting to meet such a distinguished visitor. The Canadian Club in its day had had the honor of entertaining many eminent and prominent men, but none more so than the guest of the evening. The well known reputation of Mr. Bryce in the field of literature and diplomacy was convincing evidence of the fact that he was one of the leading men of the world today. He felt that the honor was not alone to the club in having so distinguished a visitor, but belonged to the city and to the Province. The presence of His Honor the Lieut. Governor and the Premier of the Province he considered as further evidence of this fact. He hoped the visit of Mr. Bryce and Mrs. Bryce had not been entirely devoid of interest to the club. Continued on Page 2.

PYTHIANS IN SESSION NOW AT HALIFAX

23rd. Annual Convention Opened At Citadel City Yesterday Morning Spent In Receiving Reports.

GRAND CHANCELLOR'S GLOWING REPORT.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, Aug. 17.—The 23rd annual convention of the Grand Lodge K. of P. of the Maritime Provinces, commenced in the Legislative Assembly Chambers this morning, with Grand Chancellor A. McDonald in the chair. The Grand Lodge adjourned at one o'clock and this afternoon enjoyed a recreation on the harbor and North West Arm. The Grand Lodge convened again at eight o'clock and after a short session the subordinate lodge convened and the Union Lodge team, of St. John, conferred the rank of knight on four candidates before a large assembly of knights. The Grand Lodge convenes again tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Before the opening of the Grand Lodge this morning, Mayor Chisholm welcomed the knights to Halifax on behalf of the city and extended the freedom of the same. The Grand Lodge opened in due form when the report of the Grand Chancellor McDonald was adopted. Continued on Page 3.

PROHIBITIONISTS WIN IN THE SOUTH

15 Of The 21 Counties Of South Carolina In Which a Plebiscite Was Held Yesterday—Vote For No License.

Charleston, Aug. 17.—The unofficial returns from the elections held in 21 of the so-called "wet" counties of South Carolina for the purpose of allowing the voters of each county to choose between prohibition and the county dispensary system, state that the prohibitionists have been victorious in fifteen of these counties. Only a small vote was polled.

DAUGHTER A PREY TO HER CRAZY FATHER

Fiendish Act Of Ontario Farmer Who Kills His Daughter And Then Takes His Own Life—Thought Insane.

THE ONLY WITNESS TO TRAGEDY A BOY.

Special to The Standard. Norwood, Ont., Aug. 17.—Thomas Willoughby, a farmer living about two miles from here, shot his daughter, a girl about twelve years of age, through the breast with buckshot about 3 o'clock today. The shooting occurred in the woodshed in the rear of the house. After killing her he washed and dressed the body, carried it in the house and placed it on the couch. Then he took a dose of poison, ending his own life. The only witness of the tragedy is a boy about 12 years of age who can not give a very lucid account of it. Mrs. Willoughby was in Norwood at the time and knew nothing of the dreadful affair until reaching home. Mr. Willoughby has been sick for some time and despondent. It is thought he was insane. He was about forty years of age, and is survived by a wife and two small children.

CROWN OF GALICIA OFF ON LONG VOYAGE

Steamer Leaves Sydney With 5,000 Tons Of Steel Rails For Prince Rupert—A 15,000 Miles Trip.

Special to The Standard. Sydney, Aug. 17.—With a cargo of 5,000 tons of steel rails for Prince Rupert, the steamship Crown of Galicia has left here on her long voyage of 15,000 miles around the Horn. It is probable that she will take the Straits of Magellan en route, but will have to stop at several points both on the journey down and the long haul up for coal. This is a long voyage of 15,000 miles, but it is expected that the Crown of Galicia will reach her destination at the end of September. She is a vessel of 3,140 tons.

Repairs To Wrecked Bridge Will Be Completed Tomorrow

Toronto Construction Company Rushing Reconstruction of Trestle Recently Demolished -- Cause of Disaster Likely Due to Recent Rains, Says Engineer -- Injured Men Rapidly Recovering -- Body of Victim Sent to Home for Interment.



The Bridge Over Mullin's Brook Before And After The Disaster Of Saturday. In The Upper Illustration May Be Seen The Construction Train At Work, And In The Lower The Wreck Of The Locomotive Beneath Which The Body Of The Victim Was Taken.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Aug. 17.—By Thursday repairs will have been made to the mammoth trestle over Mullin's Brook on the G. T. P. railway construction four miles west of McGivney Junction to allow working trains to use the bridge and to proceed with the work. Since the accident occurred the work of making repairs has proceeded rapidly as it is of vital importance that the immense fill should be finished before the winter sets in. The fill which is being made by means of the temporary trestle is being done by the Toronto Construction Co. themselves, although they subcontract the cuts on either side of the place, this work having been done by the firm of Rigby and Hylands who have their headquarters in this city.

Engineer Returns. This evening H. H. Charles, the resident engineer at McGivney Junction returned here after spending his vacation at his home in Ontario. He made a careful and complete examination of the trestle today and stated that the accident was one of those unaccountable things which happen on large construction contracts. Great care had been exercised in the erection of the trestle, the work having been done under the supervision of one of the best experts in Canada, and it was thoroughly examined and tested before allowed for use. The accident was not due to any defect in the trestle work Mr. Charles said, but was probably caused by the snow and ice in the old dump sliding out owing to the heavy rains recently and the gradual melting process.

A Young Man. John McMullin, the Cape Bretoner, who was killed in the accident, was a young man, only 27 years old. His remains have been sent to his home at Boston, C. B., for interment. The injured who went through the trestle with the work train, are all making excellent progress and Howard Patterson, of Mountain, Ont., the engineer in charge of the "dinky" engine on the construction train, will soon be released from the Victoria hospital where he has been undergoing treatment for the painful burns he received about his head and body. It is a difficult proposition to get anything in the way of a definite estimate of the amount of damage the Toronto Construction Co. must bear on account of the accident.

BAPTIST MISSION UNION IN SESSION

Opening Meeting Of Convention At Moncton—Informal Reception Held And Registration Concluded.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, Aug. 17.—The registration of delegates and an informal reception by the local unions was the programme of the Maritime Laymen's Baptist Missionary Union this evening. There were organ selections by Prof. John Guy of Moncton and Prof. Hiram Ball of England. Solos by Miss Mary Steeves and Mrs. Fred Crandall, reading by Miss Sarah King Dohson of the Emerson School and selections by choirs including the Diadem Chorus. The first regular meeting will be held tomorrow at 10 o'clock when the committees will be appointed and the union reported. In the afternoon there will be an address of welcome with a response from Mrs. A. A. Archibald of Truro after which Mrs. D. Hutchins of St. John will give her address. Provincial reports will follow and at 10 o'clock a public meeting with addresses on the Grand League by Mrs. J. W. Peters of Bridgetown, N. S. and Mrs. I. C. Archibald, returned missionary from Chicacoale, India.

ONTARIO MEMBER SPEAKS AT HALIFAX

W. B. Northrup M. P., For East Hastings Makes Splendid Impression In Citadel City—Vigorous Arrangement.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 17.—W. B. Northrup, M. P., of East Hastings, Ont., addressed a political meeting tonight and made a splendid impression. He reviewed the record of the Laurier government and asked the people to decide if they had not done much to blacken the fair name of Canada. Reaching this conclusion it was the duty of the electorate to turn them out so that better men might administer our affairs. Mr. Northrup leaves for Sydney by the morning express on Thursday. He will spend two or three days in Cape Breton. Mr. Northrup's wife accompanied him. Today he visited the Northwest Arm, the guest of Senator MacKeen and this afternoon he was a spectator at the maritime lawn tennis championships.

HOPE NOW TO SAVE WRECKED SCHOONER

Myrtle Sold Yesterday At North Sydney — Realized \$300—New Owners Hope To Float And Repair Her.

Special to The Standard. North Sydney, Aug. 17.—The schooner Myrtle ashore at Lingan, was sold at auction today, together with her cargo of 92 tons of coal. The proceeds of the sale were a little over \$300. The purchasers were Robert Musgrave and John Tuck, both of this town. The cargo will be taken out at once and an effort made to float the vessel. She is not as badly damaged as at first thought and if the weather is favorable she will probably be floated within a week and brought here for repairs.

CANADA AND AUSTRALIA ARE HOT IN COMBINATION

Report Recently Sent Out Through American Agencies Impugning The Existence Of A Pact Between The Two Dominions With Reference To The Japanese Peril Is Characterized As Bosh—Australia's Naval Policy.

Special to The Standard. London, Aug. 17.—The despatch sent through American agencies and published broadcast throughout Canada, and referred to in today's Times in a special despatch from Ottawa, as representing Canada and Australia as combining for the use of local fleets in the Pacific in order to "Meet the Japanese Peril" causes the Canadian delegates to the Imperial Defence Conference to wonder who is authority for such "Bosh." The Canadian Associated Press has the highest authority for stating that the story is "absolutely a fake." Japan has not been mentioned or discussed in any way by the Imperial Defence Conference. The scheme of naval defence agreed to by the Australian representatives and the Admiralty is described as completely satisfactory to Australian national sentiment. The Australian fleet does not pass automatically under the control of the Admiralty during the war but will be placed at its disposal if, when the necessity arises, it is recognized in war time that the navy must be under a central control. Ample provision will be made for the interchange of officers, though for some time the Imperial navy must supply officers and men. No "dreadnoughts" will be given, the money being spent on cruisers.

4 DAYS IN JAIL FOR SMART FOREMAN

Exactd \$1.00 Per Head From Foreigners Employed In Handling Freight At Montreal.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Aug. 17.—Taking advantage of the ignorance of conditions on this side of the Atlantic, four Bulgarians paid Joseph Charron \$100 for jobs unloading vessels, Charron being employed as a stevedore foreman. The payment came to the ears of the shipping companies and they instituted a prosecution, and today Judge Choquette sentenced Charron to four days in jail. Two other men accused of a like offence elected to stand a jury trial. The practice of taking advantage of the ignorance of foreigners has become somewhat common on the Montreal wharves and the shipping companies are determined to wipe it out. Charron's sentence was made light as he had agreed to refund the money he so obtained.

SAILORS RESCUED FROM JEALOUS SEA

Long Island Life Savers In Spectacular Deed—Took Off Captain And Crew From Wrecked Schooner.

New York, Aug. 17.—Long Island life saving station savers after a six hours battle added another victory against the sea to their long list of remarkable rescues, today when they brought safely to land the captain and crew—seven souls in all—from the three masted schooner Arlington, of Boston, which went ashore early this morning in the driving rain and fog off Long Beach on the south shore of Long Island. The eight members of the crew, Madden Pierson, a Swede, put off from the schooner on a raft, with the hope of reaching shore with a line, was swept out to sea by the tide and was lost sight of. It is believed that he perished. It was at first reported that Pierson had been picked up five miles to the south of Rockaway Beach, but this was not borne out. The rescue of the schooner was witnessed by cheering guests of the Nassau Hotel at Long Beach, and by hundreds of cottagers. And strangely the boat was indirectly responsible for the vessel's plight, for Captain Ira Small, after having lost his bearings, mistook the glimmering lights, in the structure for those of a liner in mid ocean and thus misled, ran aground.

STRIKING RIOTERS WILL STAND TRIAL

Men Who Engaged In Fight With Police At Port Arthur Last Week Will Have To Answer For Conduct.

Special to The Standard. Port William, Ont., Aug. 17.—The first lot of men to come up for trial in the riot of last Thursday appeared this morning before Magistrate Felling for a preliminary hearing. Out of eight prisoners seven were committed to stand trial for participation in the riot and the case against the other was held over, as a witness wanted was not present. Rev. James Crisp left yesterday for Coverdale, Albert county, to visit his daughter, Mrs. W. D. Geldart. He will return on Thursday.

GREEK FLAG MUST GO FROM CRETE

Powers Notify Administrator Of Island That Unless Orders Are Complied With Irreparable Damages Will Follow.

Canea, Island of Crete, Aug. 17.—The foreign consuls here, on behalf of the international squadron, which is now anchored in Canea Bay, today notified the Cretan government that the Greek flag will be hauled down on Wednesday morning and they warned the government that irreparable consequences will follow any attacks made on the international landing parties. On receipt of this warning, the Cretan authorities issued an appeal to the people not to obstruct in any way the action of the powers.

LUMBERMAN IN STRANGE MISHAP

Nova Scotia Man Caught On Raft Of Logs And Whirled To Mill—Quick Action Of Another Saved His Life.

Special to The Standard. Millidgeville, N. S., Aug. 17.—Alexander Jackson, had a strange ride last week which he will probably remember as the ride of his life, for, wedged between two logs he was whirled down a millway until he was on the verge of the rapidly revolving mill wheel itself. A small drive of logs had been brought down the river and Jackson, who was inexperienced as a log driver attempted to go across the logs and fix the boom. He happened to cross at the front of the drive and when he was in the middle of the stream, and right at the mouth of the sluice, he lost his balance and was thrown forward. At the same time the sluice way was opened and he was sucked into it. Caught between two logs he was whirled for nearly three hundred yards in the rapidly moving water to what seemed certain death or at least frightful injury. By some lucky chance a mill hand saw him in time to drop the door of the mill wheel and thus saved his life. The logs brought up with terrific force against the door and Jackson was knocked insensible by the force of the impact. He was taken out and beyond a severe fright and a few bruises, he was none the worse for the experience that he calls the "ride of my life."

RIVER COMMISSION RESUMES SESSION

International Board Acting In The Interpretation Of The Ashburton Treaty—To Meet Today At Van Buren.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Aug. 17.—The International Commission taking up the St. John river difficulties will resume their sessions at Van Buren, Me., tomorrow, and on Thursday they will visit Grand Falls and make an inspection of the development work in progress there as well as inspecting the plans of the commissioners will return to Van Buren and on Friday will resume the taking of evidence. A festival is being held at Scully's Grove this evening by the union men of the city in aid of the striking members of the boat and shoe workers union who are out at the Hart Boot and Shoe Company's factory. Hon. J. K. Flemming, Provincial Secretary, was in the city yesterday.

NEW STAMPS FOR U. S. Washington, Aug. 17.—Postmaster General Hitchcock today signed an order for the issuance of a new two cent stamp in commemoration of the Hudson-Fulton celebration which will be held in New York state Sept. 25 to Oct. 9.