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**REPRESENTATION
OF P. E. ISLAND IN
HOUSE OF COMMONS**

Premier Matheson to Make
Final Appeal to Redistribu-
tion Committee.

**ASKS SIX MEMBERS
FOR THE PROVINCE**

Committee Likely to Compro-
mise on Four, Which Pro-
vince Now Has.

Ottawa, March 12.—Premier Matheson of Prince Edward Island has returned to Ottawa to make a final appeal for increased representation for his province. He will appear before the Redistribution Committee today or tomorrow and present the case of his province. He will ask that the original representation of six be restored. This is not likely to be granted, but the Island may be allowed to retain the present representation of four.

**THE TWO WOMEN
HAVE DISAPPEARED**

Two of Lady Missionaries at
Lao Ho Kow Missing Since
Town Was Sacked.

London, March 12.—A despatch to the Central News from Shanghai, China, today, says that two women attached to the station of the China Inland Mission at Lao-Ho-Kow, in the province of Hu-Peh, have been missing since that town was sacked and burned by brigands yesterday. The two women are Miss E. Black and Miss J. Black.

The China Inland Mission, to which the two missing women missionaries are attached, is a British society, with headquarters in London. It was represented in Lao-Ho-Kow by five persons, one missionary and his wife with three other women, two of whom were the Misses Black.

The brigands when they sacked the city killed Dr. T. Froyland, a Norwegian missionary, and wounded several others, including Rev. O. M. Sama, another Norwegian, both belonging to the Norwegian Lutheran China Mission Association, with headquarters in Norway. This society was represented in Lao-Ho-Kow by eight people, three male missionaries, two of them with their wives, and three other women.

Two other missionaries, with wives, belonging to the Christian missions in many lands, also a British society, were in Lao-Ho-Kow at the time it was sacked. Altogether there were seventeen persons attached to Protestant missions in the city.

**TRUE BILL AGAINST
JACK KRAFCHENKO**

For the Murder of Bank Man-
ager Arnold at Plum Coulee,
Manitoba.

Morden, Man., March 12.—A true bill was brought in this morning by the jury against Jack Krafchenko on the charge of murdering A. M. Arnold, manager of Plum Coulee Branch Bank of Montreal and robbing that institution.

**MAIL STEAMERS
ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN**

St. John, March 12.—The Royal Mail steamer Victorian, Capt. Cook, from Liverpool, with 499 passengers and 1,356 packages of mail, docked at noon today.

The C. P. R. steamer Lake Manitoba, Capt. Evans, from Liverpool, with 256 passengers and a large cargo, also arrived this morning. The passengers and mails are going forward by special C. P. R. trains.

Seventh Day Adventists, who have until the present met in a rented hall, have purchased a lot on Douglas avenue and will proceed with the erection of a church costing \$6,000.

**U. S. REGIMENTS
SENT TO BORDER**

Washington, March 12.—Two more regiments of United States troops were moved to join the Mexican border patrol today.

Two battalions of infantry at Fort Thomas and Fort Logan and the 17th Infantry at Fort McPherson, Ga., were loading baggage trains and assembling field equipment to move to La Folia and Eagle Pass, to become part of a military force in the State of Texas.

**Militant Threat to Make
Mincemeat of the Beautiful
Westminster Abbey Windows**

MISS ZELLE EMERSON.
Zelle Emerson, the American Enthusiast, Upholds the Work of
Destruction Being Carried on by the Ill-Balanced
Minds in the Suffragette Army.

London, March 12.—"Our next move probably will be to make mincemeat out of these beautiful old windows in Westminster Abbey."

This threat was uttered by Zelle Emerson, the militant suffragette from Michigan, commander of Sylvia Pankhurst's East End "People's Army" while Miss Pankhurst is in jail.

Miss Emerson talked of Miss Richardson's attempt to make ribbons of Velasquez's Venus.

"It is a shame that we are forced to such extreme measures," said Miss Emerson, "but other and more peaceful measures have failed, and there is no other resource left. No one seems to care when we destroy ordinary property, but when it comes to cutting art treasures in which the whole world feels common ownership people sit up and begin to take notice."

"I consider the destruction of Velasquez's Venus one of the most effective blows ever struck for the cause in England."

Government Powerless.

The Government is powerless to deal with militancy. Home Secretary McKenna, when asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether the Government contemplates further legislation with a view to preventing militant outrages, replied: "I should be very glad to hear suggestions."

"Deport them," cried a member. "Where to?" asked Mr. McKenna. "South Africa," replied the member, with recollections of Premier Bother's coup. Laughter greeted this sally, and the incident ended.

**MONCTON'S NEW
SITE FOR MARKET**

Business Men of Town Do Not
Agree as to Where It Be
Placed.

Moncton, March 12.—The Trades and Labor Council requested the City Council to build a new market on St. George street. The proposed market site, which is near the one on which the market building was recently destroyed by fire, is not central they claim.

At a meeting of the market committee last night the West End business men and others appeared in support of the Labor Council, while Main Street business interests were also represented by speakers, who argued that it would be a blow to Main Street business men to erect a new market building far from the site of the old one.

The Fire Committee has decided to purchase nine hundred feet of rubber fire hose, about two hundred feet of hose having been destroyed in the recent fire. A hundred feet of hose was purchased from Estey Co., St. John.

J. K. Haskell, assistant secretary treasurer of Moncton Tramways Electricity and Gas Company, will leave soon for Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he will enter the employ of a large oil producing company. Mr. Haskell belongs to Bradford, Pa., and has lived in Moncton two years.

**MILITARY SPIRIT
THROUGH RUSSIA**

St. Petersburg, March 12.—The extraordinary military estimates just submitted to the Russian Duma amount to over \$80,000,000, showing an increase of thirty per cent as compared with the extraordinary army estimates of 1913. This amount is quite apart from the ordinary appropriations for the army.

**IMPROVEMENTS AT
THE COTTON MILL**

Company to Install Beam Dye-
ing Plant at Cost of About
\$12,000.

Marysville, March 12.—C. Leonard Mackay, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., who is Grand Chancellor of the Maritime Domain Knights of Pythias, will pay an official visit to Marysville Lodge, No. 18, K. of P., on Thursday evening, March 19th.

The Canadian Cottons, Ltd., are about to install a beam dyeing plant in their factory here. The new system will cost about \$12,000 and will prove a great improvement over the old system now in use. An organized fire brigade will also be formed in connection with the mill. A hose reel capable of carrying 500 feet of hose has been purchased. With this addition to the water works system installed last fall, the property of the company is well protected from fire.

When the new council is elected it would be a good move to have an organized body of men for fire protection service. The management of the cotton mill are having a steam chime whistle, for fire alarm purposes, placed in position. This will supply a long felt want in the town.

**ARMY AVIATORS
FELL INTO THE SEA**

Jaffa, Palestine, March 12.—Two Turkish aviators, Nuri Bey and Ismail Bey, fell into the sea today while flying to the south of this port. Their aeroplane had broken down and they made a rapid glide to the water, where they were able to disengage themselves from the machine and managed to swim ashore. Both were in a state of extreme exhaustion when they reached shore, and were taken to a hospital, where Nuri Bey expired later in the day.

**HUERTA HAS NOT
YET SOLVED THE
MONEY PROBLEM**

Mexican President Has Given
Up the Idea of Starting
Federal Bank.

**REBELS ADVANCING
ON TORREON AGAIN**

A Combined Attack is Expec-
ted by the Federals at Any
Moment

Mexico City, March 12.—Adolfo de la Loma, the minister of finance, in a formal statement today, announced the definite abandonment by the government of its idea of starting a federal bank. No substitute scheme for the bank was announced, but Señor de la Loma said the patriotism of Mexicans insured the funds required by the government being raised in some manner.

Communication with Torreón has been cut. The capital has no exact advices from there, though it is known that there has been fighting to the north and that a large force of rebels is said to be approaching Torreón from the west. A rebel attack is expected at any time.

An insignificant movement in one of the barracks here was suppressed today. Three conspirators were arrested.

Villa Ready to Advance.

Chihuahua, Mex., March 12.—Everything is ready for the advance on Torreón, General Francisco Villa declared last night, after witnessing a review of the artillery corps. "I will soon order the advance. I have food for 30 days, ammunition for 15 days of fighting, unless the cartridges are wasted, and the water supply in the vicinity of Torreón, which has given us some concern, has been solved."

The rebel leader would leave a garrison of about 600 men in this city.

Conditions along the east coast of Mexico were summarized today by Rear Admiral Fletcher in the following report to the navy department: "Rear Admiral Radio reports from Tampico that Federal troops in that vicinity are concentrated at Tampico. No news of the Constitutionalists."

**SIX MONTHS FOR
VENUS SLASHER**

Public Prosecution Doubted
Whether May Richardson
Was in Right Senses.

London, March 12.—May Richardson, the militant suffragette who on Tuesday hacked the celebrated Velasquez picture, known as the Rokeby Venus, in the National Gallery, was today sentenced to six months' imprisonment for her crime.

The case against Miss Richardson was dispersed in record time. She was arrested on March 10, taken to Bow Street police court and committed for trial by the magistrate on the same day. The grand jury yesterday returned a true bill against her, and today she was tried and convicted by a jury at the London session at the Old Bailey.

The public prosecutor, in addressing the jury on behalf of the government, said that one might well doubt whether the prisoner was in her right senses. There was, however, no medical evidence to show that she was a person not responsible for her actions.

Miss Richardson, who had been on a "hunger strike" since her arrest, in replying to the charge, said it had been premeditated, and she pleaded guilty.

**TROUBLE OVER
SEPARATE SCHOOLS**

English and French Speaking
Catholics of Ottawa Each
Want Own Schools.

Ottawa, March 12.—The stormiest meeting ever held by the Ottawa separate school board reached a climax last night, when the English section moved that the Ontario Government be asked by the board to enact special legislation, whereby the separate schools might be so divided that the English speaking Catholics and the French speaking Catholics might each elect their own board of trustees.

Amid a tumult of protest, Chairman Genest ruled the motion out of order, contending that only two school systems, the public and separate, are recognized in the laws of Ontario, and only one board of trustees is allowed each.

SENATE'S TRIBUTE.

Ottawa, March 12.—The death of Sir George Ross, late Liberal leader of the Senate, was referred to in the Senate yesterday by a number of men of both sides.

**Predict British
Election in July**

Nationalists Will Not Agree to With-
drawal of Time Limit to Home Rule
Concessions and the Only Way to
Settle Question is by Appeal to People

New York, March 12.—A cable to the Tribune from London says: Members of Parliament are still devoting themselves single minded to consideration of the many aspects of the new Irish question. Every other topic has sunk into insignificance and the smaller questions which occasionally interest the average member are all laid to one side. Every one at Westminster is preoccupied with the many phases of the Irish situation created by Monday's debate, and naturally yesterday's visit of the Nationalist leader to Mr. Lloyd George at No. 11 Downing street is being keenly discussed.

Then activity of the Chancellor of the Exchequer in the recent private negotiations between the government and Mr. Redmond is a matter of notoriety and that there is some hope for a settlement is common knowledge. The breakfast party of yesterday therefore is attributed to a desire on the part of Lloyd George to persuade the Nationalist leaders to accept Sir Edward Carson's offer to call an Ulster conference if only the time limit be dropped.

In this, however, there is reason to believe that he has failed, as Mr. Redmond is too afraid of Irish criticism to go so far, but the reserves of Mr. Lloyd George's diplomacy are not exhausted. In spite of his efforts, however, the belief is now that the negotiations for further concessions will fail, that the bill will pass as it stands, and that a general election will follow, probably in July.

New York, March 12.—A special cable says: "Home Rule continues to absorb all interest. The Irish leader assured the correspondent, in the House of Commons last night, that Asquith's proposal of Monday represented the utmost limit of any concession to which he would go, and that the Government's attitude was now adamant against all further concessions or modifications. The opposition at present declares it is impossible to accept the proffered concessions, so a deadlock has been reached for the present."

The Government intends now to proceed with the Home Rule bill, leaving it to the opposition to decide whether they will have the bill with or without the Asquith county plebiscite scheme.

It is an open secret that this temporary scheme offered by the Government was solely to please the King, who advised that an effort be made to meet the Ulster objections. In last resort, if the King is still irritated by Ulster bluff, he can dismiss every minister and force a general election, but politicians who are closest to him are likely to advise him not to take a course so hazardous, perhaps even for the monarchy.

The situation is still big with possibilities, because the King shows signs of being frightened out of his constitutional position and of taking sides.

The Budget has been the absorbing feature of interest about the House today, there being very little business on the programme for this morning, as only two committees were meeting.

The Public Accounts Committee organized and re-elected Mr. Pinder of York as chairman. The meeting passed off quietly with no criticism being offered by the opposition members as to the accounts.

Within a short time sixty-five pages of the report were passed by the committee, including all the items of revenue and the expenditures for the Administration of Justice, Agriculture, Auditor General, Contingencies, Executive Government, Forest, Fish and Game Protection, etc., down to the Farm Settlement Board were passed.

Mr. Pinder enquired as to where the Auditor General's report had been printed. "It is such a clean cut, good looking job," suggested Mr. Jones of the "Gleaner," suggested Mr. Jones of Kings. "Well, The Gleaner gets well enough paid to give good work," insisted Mr. Pinder.

Mr. George W. Fowler, M. P. for Kings, who is acting as counsel for the sheriffs in their application for increased remuneration, arrived this morning, and the sheriffs' case will be heard by the Government some time today.

Last evening the Government held a meeting and concluded consideration of the estimates for the year. A delegation from Westmorland county were also heard regarding some local matters from that county.

**THE KARLUK MAY
DRIFT PAST POLE**

If the Vessel Escapes Being
Crushed, May Come Out
North of Greenland.

Seattle, Wash., March 12.—A News despatch from Dawson, Yukon, says E. S. Ironsides, collector of customs at Dawson, has received a letter written at McPherson by a friend, who interviewed Vilhjalmur Stefansson, commander-in-chief of the Canadian Arctic exploration expedition, who was there last month. The letter says Stefansson has gone back to Herschell Island, off the mouth of the Mackenzie River, and intends to start out immediately over the Arctic.

Continuing, the letter says: "Stefansson thinks that the exploring ship Karluk, which was blown from the vicinity of Point Barrow, Alaska, into the Arctic ice field during a blizzard last September, leaving Stefansson and three other scientists ashore, may forestall Captain Ronald Amundsen in his coming attempt to drift across the Pole. The Karluk is provisioned for five years, and Stefansson seems to be of the opinion that she will be carried across the Pole by the ice and come out north of Greenland, if she escapes being crushed."

These humpback salmon came from the Puget Sound region in the State of Washington, State Supt. E. E. Lake of the Green Lake hatchery, where conditions are much similar, is a question that the commissioners would very much like to know.

NEW YORK POLICE GRAFT.

New York, March 12.—There was panic in police circles today when it became known that Commissioner Mackay would bring to trial an inspector who is accused of collecting graft from keepers of disorderly hotels. The investigation, in which the commissioner secured his evidence, has been going on secretly for several months.

**THE DOMINION
ELECTION LAWS
TO BE AMENDED**

Committee Receiving Advice
of Prominent Jurists of the
Dominion.

**AID RAILWAY MEN
TO CAST THEIR VOTES**

Procedure in Election Trials to
Be Simplified and Costs
Reduced.

Ottawa, March 12.—The Justice department has drafted two important amendments for the consideration of the committee on electoral purity. The first of these is designed to meet the case of railway men who are called away from home on election day, and this indicates that the Government is anxious to meet the railway men's proposals. This is for the consideration of the committee to see what can be done. The second amendment is to the Contrived Elections Act, and the purpose is to reduce the cost of trials through the simplification of procedure. It would also have the effect of accelerating decisions.

Definite results in the improvement of the election law is expected as a result of the committee's work.

Hon. C. J. Doherty has written to Sir William Meredith, Chief Justice of Ontario, and to Chief Justice Davidson, of the Superior Court of Quebec, asking that they submit their views on the electoral law in Canada today for the advice of the committee. A number of witnesses also are being called.

**GOVERNOR AND MRS.
WOOD ENTERTAIN**

Double Dinner Will Be Given
This Evening—150 Pre-
sented at Reception.

The second double dinner of the season is to be given at the Queen Hotel this evening by the Governor and Mrs. Wood. Covers will be laid for thirty-four and those present will be: His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Wood.

Mr. Speaker and Mrs. Dickson. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fraser Winslow. Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Jones. Mr. and Mrs. L. P. D. Tilley. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gregory. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Wetmore. Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Hanson. Captain and Mrs. M. E. Roscoe. Lieutenant and Mrs. Lyne-Evans. Hon. Dr. Landry. Mr. J. L. Stewart, M. L. A. Mr. A. J. Witzell, M. L. A. Mr. J. B. Hachey, M. L. A. Miss Borden. Miss Lockhart. Miss Shepherd. Miss Powell. Miss Mahoney. Miss Stairs. Rev. F. L. Carney. Mr. G. W. Harrison. Major F. B. Black, A. D. C. Mr. William Cruikshank, P. S.

Reception Yesterday.

About 150 attended the third reception given by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Wood, at the Queen Hotel yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. George J. Clarke, of St. Stephen, and Mrs. W. B. Dickson, of Hillsboro, poured, and Miss Marion Crockett, Miss K. Holden, Miss Grace Winslow and Miss D. Thompson served. Mrs. Wood was assisted in the receiving by Miss Powell, Miss Borden, Capt. M. E. Roscoe was acting A. C., and Mr. William Cruikshank, Private Secretary, completed the staff. Offen's Orchestra was in attendance.

**VANCOUVER MAN
DENIES ANY GRAFT**

Vancouver, B. C., March 12.—Absolute denial was given last night before Justice Murphy by Water Superintendent Madison to charges of graft preferred against him by Andrew McBeath. Madison informed the court he had been in the employ of the city twenty-six years, and that during that time, to the end of last year, there had been no complaints against him. He had been taken by counsel over the various amounts he was alleged to have received from the firm of Robertson and Godson, and denied he ever received a cent from that firm, or any other, in his capacity as water superintendent of the city.

TO WED IN APRIL.

New York, March 12.—Miss Helga Dinamore Huntington is to be married to Vincent Astor, in Strathburg, N. Y., Thursday, April 30th. It is expected that the ceremony will be performed in the Church of St. Margaret's. A reception will be held in Hopland House, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Huntington.