

Imperial Government Committed to Action.

Failure of Negotiations With Miners--Germany Outdistances Trade Competitors--Mayflower Will Fish in Gulf of St. Lawrence.

GERMAN PROPOSALS

NOT SATISFACTORY.

LONDON, April 28. Premier Lloyd George declared in the House of Commons to-day that the British Government was committed to action as far as the Westphalian coal fields were concerned, if the German reparations proposals were unsatisfactory. He added, "It is not for me to say whether another opportunity will be given Germany or not. Speaking of the German offer Lloyd George said, "I very much regret to say that they are thoroughly unsatisfactory, and I wish it had been possible for me to say they alter the situation."

MINERS ARE OBSTINATE.

LONDON, April 28. The Miners' Federation, by an overwhelming majority, rejected the Government's new offer looking to settlement of the coal strike by increasing temporarily the subsidy to the industry from seven million four hundred thousand pounds to ten millions.

DEADLOCK REACHED.

LONDON, April 28. Negotiations which have been in progress with the purpose of endeavoring to end the coal strike, reached another complete deadlock to-day when the Miners' Federation rejected the Government's latest offer. Rejection was made by an overwhelming majority of the Miners' Delegates, because the offer "fails to concede the fundamental principle for which we stand." All delegates of mine workers who have been attending the conference in London, are returning to their respective districts. Although the miners themselves could over-ride the decision of the delegates, this is considered unlikely. Frank Hodges, Secretary of the Miners' Union, says the Government offer would mean a reduction in miners' wages of four shillings in July, and four shillings and six pence in August, and that this was more than they could agree to.

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES.
LONDON, April 28. The Cabinet held a special emergency meeting to-day evening, to consider measures for the maintenance of essential services in connection with the coal strike. Among the new orders, according to the Daily Mail, is the establishment of the Curfew, compelling lighting and heating companies to withdraw supplies at a fixed hour each night.

GERMANY OUTSTRIPPING ALLIES.
NEW YORK, April 28. Germany, through economy and the sacrifices of her working people, has set down to real production, and is outstripping the United States and Allied nations in the fight toward normality. Charles M. Schwab declared to-day in an address before the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, "Germany to-day can put a ton of steel in England at a price twenty dollars cheaper than England can make it and a better quality," he said, "and is selling pneumatic tools in Detroit, where formerly we shipped such machinery to Germany and sold it cheaper than she could make it. The

difference is solely a matter of labor costs. It is estimated that five million men are out of work in this country. It is accordingly of supreme importance to the working man as well as to the capitalist to restore our prosperity."

BRITAIN'S UNEMPLOYED.

LONDON, April 28. According to returns published by the Labor Department of the Board of Trade, there was at the beginning of the present week a million eight hundred thousand persons out of employment in the United Kingdom. The increase over the previous week was eight thousand. Unemployment figures have been greatly augmented as a consequence of the miners' strike, but even an early settlement of that trouble holds little prospect of absorption of the vast army of unemployed, who are presenting a problem of increasing difficulty and danger.

PAYING UP.

MONTREAL, April 28. It was estimated at the Income Tax Offices here to-day that during the present week from three to four million dollars had been paid in, or an average of close to a million a day.

CUTTING WAGES.

NEW YORK, April 28. The American Steamship Owners' Association announced to-day it was ready to comply with the wishes of Rear Admiral Benson of the United States Shipping Board and cut wages fifty (?) fifteen per cent. May 15th, instead of approximately thirty-five per cent. as first proposed.

MAYFLOWER ON MAIDEN TRIP.
BOSTON, Mass., April 28. The schooner Mayflower, Boston's candidate for the International Fishing Vessel Race hours next fall, will set out to-day on her maiden salt fishing trip to the Magdalen Islands, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. As she slipped out of port in a haze, she was hailed by ships' bells, sirens and fog horns. At her wheel was Captain Henry Larkin, her skipper, and beside him stood Carl Francis Adams, who sailed the Resolute to successful defence of America's Cup in the International Yacht Races last year. Adams, who is a member and director of the syndicate that built the Mayflower, was to try the fisherman under his hand during the run down the coast before stepping ashore at Gloucester.

A BLOODY HOLD-UP.

HOUSTON, Texas, April 28. In the bloodiest payroll hold-up in the history of the oil fields of Mexico, a band of fifteen Mexican bandits held up officials of the Asol Oil Co. and obtained approximately thirty-five pesos in Mexican gold near Tampico, April 21, according to delayed advices reaching Houston. Ten persons were killed, including two bandits in the fighting that accompanied the hold-up.

BRAND DUBITS, GERMANY'S GOOD FAITH.

PARIS, April 28. "The German propositions are also

lately unacceptable and made under such conditions as to justify us in doubting Germany's good faith," Premier Briand declared to press correspondents here this evening. He added, "the presence of America in our council would help immensely in the settlement of many questions. The German Government is unable to add itself to the reactionary element that dominates its policy. Well, we are going to help them get rid of that element and we are going to do it in the right manner."

SERIOUS RIOT IN INDIA.

BOMBAY, April 28. The Times of India says to-day, a serious riot is reported to have occurred at Malegaon, northeast of Nasik. Telegraph wires in that district have been cut and no details of the riot have been received, although a number of constables are reported to have been killed and a sub-inspector and magistrate injured. Troops and police have been sent to the scene.

AUSTRALIA'S POLICY.

MELBOURNE, April 28. Reviewing Australia's economic position to-day in a statement in the House of Representatives, Premier Hughes said the Government recognized the necessity for economy, but he would not vote for curtailment of expenditures for defence, unless assurances were forthcoming in respect of the Pacific.

Civic Commission Weekly Meeting.

The weekly meeting of the Municipal Council was held yesterday afternoon. Acting Mayor Mullaly presided and Councillors Morris, Peet, Ayre and Jackman were present. After the reading of minutes of the previous meetings the following matters were considered. A communication was read from Solicitor R. T. McGrath in reference to the road now being opened by the R. C. Corporation, Merrymount Road. It is expected satisfactory arrangements for the transfer of this property will be concluded in a day or two.

W. F. Coady asked reconsideration of his claim for compensation owing to his premises being flooded through choking of sewer, John Street. The Council adheres to its previous decision in this matter. E. G. Cousens requested attention be given the "piling" which supports the new South Side Road. The road referred to was built by the Government some years ago, and is therefore a matter for the Department of Public Works.

J. C. Wheeler asked attention to Road Quidi Vidi Terrace. This was referred to the Road Inspector. A. S. Rendell & Co., Fire Insurance Agents, solicited share of Insurance on Municipal property. Application was ordered filed.

W. B. Jennings asked attention be given light Blackmarsh Road. Alex. Stewart referred to necessity of new light being placed on Water Street, near Brennan Street.

Thos. Runney will be given permit to repair dwelling Hamilton Avenue. Application of N. J. Murphy to repair house, Hitchings Street, was referred to the Engineer.

H. J. Stabb & Co. applied for permission to install gasoline tank near their premises. This matter was referred to the Inspector General.

Job Bros. & Co. asked if provision would be made for traffic across the Long Bridge while proposed alterations were in progress. Same will be provided for.

The following plans were passed subject to the Engineer's approval: Geo. Walters (extension), 160 Beaumont St.; Dr. G. N. Murphy (extension), Duckworth St.; W. Crane (garage), Waterford Bridge Road; F. G. Chislett (garage), LeMarchant Road. Residents Sudbury Street asked that concrete drains and other improvements be made to this street. If petitioners are prepared to contribute half the cost of these improvements according to the frontage of their properties, the work will be undertaken.

Properties on Pleasant Street which project on street lines, are to be expropriated for street widening purposes.

Supt. Dwyer reported on the work done in connection with the cleaning of city streets, etc., and of the satisfactory manner in which this work was carried out. The motor truck which was used in the cartage of mud, etc., cost the city \$17.51 per day which included the wages of the driver, labor attending, etc. Upwards of 2,000 loads were carried by the truck from the city streets within ten days.

City Engineer Ryan reported on the new 6-inch main which is being extended to the Poor Asylum, Sudbury Street; that the Torpedo Head recently imported for trunk and other sewers was giving general satisfaction; and that progress was being made on the new road from Merrymount to Freshwater.

After the reading of the reports of Health Officer Brehm, and heads of other departments and the passing of pay rolls and bills, the meeting adjourned.

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Wesley Epworth League.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

At the annual business meeting of the Wesley Epworth League held on April 25th, the following officers for the coming year were elected:

President—Mr. Mark Pike, re-elected.
1st Vice-Pres.—Mrs. Mark Pike.
2nd Vice-Pres.—Mr. Victor Churchill.
3rd Vice-Pres.—Miss Lizzie Butt.
4th Vice-Pres.—Miss G. Kinsman.
Secretary—Mr. Chesley Harnett.
Cor. Secy.—Miss W. M. Taylor.
Treas.—Miss Lena Taylor.
Asst. Treas.—Mr. Allan Pelley.
Organist—Miss Gladys Sparkes.
Epworth League Representative—Mr. A. W. Martin.
Convener Prayer Meeting—Miss W. M. Taylor.
Convener Look-Out Committee—Mr. E. N. White.
Convener Poor Asylum Committee—Mr. Herbert Fry.
Convener Visiting and Relief Committee—Miss Gladys Cook.
Convener Missionary Committee—Miss Winnie Taylor.
Convener Tract Committee—Mr. Herbert Fry.
Convener Social Service and Evangelism—Mr. F. Chislett.
Convener Literary Committee—Mr. A. W. Waterfield.
Convener Social Committee—Mr. Harry Chaplin.
Convener Floral Committee—Miss Florrie Rose.
Convener Miscellaneous Committee—Mr. E. N. White.

Snowed Up.

Railway Passengers have Faced Some Unpleasant Dilemmas in Severe Winters of the Past.

Curiously enough, some of the worst instances of trains being snowed up have occurred at a time when spring might be considered to be well on its way.

During the last days of April, 1908, a violent snowstorm raged over the whole of the country, being especially severe in Scotland. A train from Glasgow to Port William was snowed up not far from Rannoch Station for a day and a half, early attempts at rescuing the passengers having failed.

This occurred during Saturday evening, but as the train was heated by steam the passengers felt no alarm, as they expected an early rescue. A snow plough with a gang of railwaymen proceeding to the relief was delayed, and a second breakdown, gang sent from Glasgow was, in its turn, snowed up the other side of Rannoch.

Fifteen Feet Deep.

The stranded passengers thought their troubles were over when the engine and plough reached them from Port William, but the snow drifted again, and prevented its return.

It was only late on the Sunday afternoon that the relief gang managed to clear away the snow sufficiently to allow the train to return to Rannoch.

A day or two after Christmas, in 1906, people travelling between England and Scotland had a lively time. Six trains were snowed up near Hawick, and one which left Kyle of Lochalsh ran into a drift fifteen feet deep, the locomotive being covered.

A train from Dundee to Edinburgh found its way blocked, and the fourteen passengers spent an uncomfortable night, cold and hungry. A relief train shared the same fate. The next day provisions from St. Andrews reached them, but it was several hours before they were able to leave the train.

More fortunate were the passengers of a train snowed up for three days in Derbyshire. Partly derailed by the snow, the driver's attempt to get on with one coach failed. Fortunately, there was an inn not far away, and to this the passengers struggled, the driver and fireman stopping with the train until it was dug out.

The "Great Blizzard."

The "Great Blizzard" of March, 1891, is famous in West Country annals. It was on this occasion that six unfortunate passengers—two women and four men—were snowed up in a train on Dartmoor from Monday night until Wednesday morning, a period of thirty-six hours. The first night they spent huddled together in one carriage, and at seven in the morning the lamp, their only source of warmth, went out.

Then the guard and fireman set out for Doustant, and managed to struggle to the station. At three in the afternoon three railwaymen turned up with a bottle of brandy and water, cocoa, bread-and-butter, and cake. There was only one piece for each of them, but it was a welcome relief, and with care, the brandy lasted until eight in the evening.

Almost frozen, and famished with hunger, they spent another miserable night, this time in the dark, but next morning, when it grew light, they were pleasantly surprised to see a man close to the line. This proved to be a farmer searching for sheep, as the weather had moderated. Although his farm was only some two hundred and fifty yards from the train, the weather had been so bad he was quite unaware of its presence.

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Special Sale of Dress Muslins and Cottons.

The fine weather of the past few days is an indication of fine days to come, and you will no doubt need something new in Summer Apparel. We have made Special Reductions in all lines of Summer Dress Materials. CALL and SEE THEM.

COTTON CREPE.

2 bundles only Cotton Crepe, good long lengths; assorted colors. Reg. Price 70c. yard. Sale Price 50c. yard.

FANCY SATEENS.

3 bundles only left of Fancy Sateens, suitable for Coat Linings. Value for \$1.00 per yard. Sale Price 75c. yard.

DRESS MUSLINS.

2 bundles Muslin Dress Remnants in good lengths, suitable for making Child's Dresses or Blouses. Reg. Price 40c. yard. Sale Price 28c. yard.

COTTON CASHMERE.

A few pieces of Colored Cotton Cashmere, shades of Pink, Sky, Purple. Reg. Price 50c. yard. Sale Price 37c. yard.

BLUE CHAMBRAY.

1 piece only Blue Chambray, good washing material; will make very pretty Overalls for Children. Reg. Price 40c. per yard. Sale Price 27c. per yard.

WALL PAPERS.

Our Wall Paper Sale has been such a tremendous success that we are continuing for another two weeks. Values from 30c. to 80c. per roll. During Sale all one price, 25c. per roll.

Marshall Brothers.

FOR 10 DAYS ONLY SPECIAL SALE OF MATTRESSES

Extraordinary
Good Values.

Limited Supply--to be Featured at
BAIRD'S Prices.

DO NOT MISS THIS SALE.

These Mattresses are dependable quality, made with wool top, part wool and soft filling; assorted sizes. Come and see for yourself. Just the make that particularly suits you.

NOTE OUR PRICES FOR THIS SALE.

WOOL MATTRESSES

Size 4 x 6 feet.
Regular \$24.40 for \$19.50
Size 4-6 x 6 feet.
Regular \$25.50 for \$19.50

WOOL TOPPED MATTRESSES.

Size 3-6 x 6 feet.
Regular \$ 7.50 for \$5.85
Regular \$10.50 for \$6.95
Regular \$13.20 for \$8.75

WOOL TOPPED MATTRESSES.

Size 4 x 6 feet.
Regular \$ 6.20 for \$4.95
Regular \$ 7.75 for \$5.25
Regular \$ 9.75 for \$6.50
Regular \$11.20 for \$7.50
Regular \$13.40 for \$8.95
Regular \$15.70 for \$10.50

WOOL TOPPED MATTRESSES.

Size 4-6 x 6 feet.
Regular \$ 8.00 for \$6.25
Regular \$11.50 for \$7.95

James Baird
LIMITED

but he soon made the passengers as comfortable as possible.

Foot-Warmers as "Duck-Boards."

By this time the engine was quite hidden by the snow, which the wind had driven into most of the carriages, so that in several of them it was as high as the hat-racks, though doors and windows were shut tight.

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that steam heating has taken its place but some of those held up by the same snowstorm found the warmers useful in a curious way. A train came to a standstill not far from St. Austell, in Cornwall, and some of those aboard knew their position, and that if only they could reach the high road, shelter was not far off.

But between the line and the road was a deep ditch into which the snow had drifted, and would engulf any who tried to cross it. To go round meant

losing the way, in all probability, but some bright mind suggested that they might make a bridge across the drift by means of foot-warmers. The experiment was tried and it was found possible to cross the snow in this manner, and, after a struggle with the wind, the snow-bound passengers reached warmth and shelter. Answers.

Eat Mrs. Stewart's Home-made Bread—April 29, 1921.

Household Notes.

Cool bread on a wire cake rack, so that there will be circulation of air around it.

The paper which comes wrapped around butter may be used for greasing cake pans.

An omelet is done if, when you lightly touch it, the egg does not stick to your finger.

Winesap Apples,

50c.
60c.
70c.
per dozen.

For the larger sizes, special box price, weight 40 lbs. or about one-third of a barrel. Just the size for family use.

Goodwin's "Grand Lake" Washing Soap, 3c. and 5c. bar.

Libby's Plate Beef, 12c. lb.

Vasasseur Desiccated Cocoanut, finest Ceylon, 25c. lb.

Nestle's Thick Rich Cream.

Heuman's Starch.

Good Laundry Starch, 14c. lb.

Pearl Tapioca, very finest grade, 12c. lb.

New Hay Seed.

Pastry Flour, Stock's Patent.

C. P. EAGAN,
Duckworth Street & Queen's Road