

COAL CO. IMPORTING MEN; STRIKERS EXPORTING THEM

With 200,000 Tons of Coal at the Bank Heads, and 4,000 Tons Mined Each Working Day, the Outlook Is For a Protracted Fight—Clergyman and Labor Leader Meet To Discuss the Situation—Solicitor of Coal Company Makes a Protest To the Attorney General of Nova Scotia.

Special to The Standard.

Gloucester, N. S., July 20.—From a careful review of the strike situation today it can be said there is no indication of the settlement in sight. There is no stampede from the ranks of the strikers to the collieries, and of the workmen who are members of the P. W. A. a few have joined the strikers. Strike leaders claim they have 5,500 men on the rolls, while the Company refuse to give out a statement as to the number of men in the collieries. The one important feature of the situation today is the remarkable increase in the output claimed by the Company. The output, according to the Company, is increasing by leaps and bounds, and at four o'clock today 7,565 tons had been shipped from the different collieries. Investigations show, however, that the increase was not in the coal mined, but in the bankheads. The actual amount taken from the pits up to four o'clock was 4,489 tons, and the remaining 3,076 was taken from the banks.

That can hold out the longest, will win. With about 200,000 tons of coal at the bank heads and about four thousand tons of coal mined in each working day, the outlook is bright for a protracted fight. The only move that is being made toward a settlement of the struggle is from the outside. One of the prominent strike leaders was asked last night to visit the most influential clergymen in the strike district. The strike leader was asked what was the best the U. M. W. of A. would do to bring about a settlement. No definite reply could be made to the question, without further consideration by the strike leaders, and the clergyman and the labor leader will meet again in a few days. Another clergyman was closeted for over an hour with the strike officials this morning, and the whole situation was thoroughly discussed. It could not be ascertained who is behind the move on the part of the clergymen, to bring about a settlement, but the strikers have made no effort in that direction. A small sensation was caused at No. 3 today when Mrs. McNeill the wife of a well known resident of the colliery district, was arrested by one of the Coal Company's special policemen and taken to jail. The charge against Mrs.

McNeill is throwing stones at Company's police. Company's Solicitor Addresses Letter To Attorney-General Pipes. In a letter to Hon. W. T. Pipes, Attorney-General of Nova Scotia, L. A. Lovett, solicitor for Dominion Coal Co. has raised objections to the action of Magistrate A. D. McCulloch, who is considered in sympathy with the U. M. W. Mr. Lovett states that when strikers and their sympathizers have been arrested for alleged assault and interference with workmen the U. M. W. supporters or their solicitors have procured the release of the person charged, by putting up bail, and have immediately gone to another magistrate and had an information against the peace officer who made the arrest for kidnaping. "The law is thus being made a farce by these arrests and charges," says Mr. Lovett. The Company's solicitor further asks the Attorney General to write to each of the three acting magistrates directing them as to their duty in not issuing these warrants in such circumstances as above detailed, so that in the future the Company will at least be able to get along without these methods of unfair retaliation being resorted to.

FINED \$200 FOR KILLING THREE MOOSE

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OPPOSITION PARTY GREATLY REDUCED

Bentley Elected, But the Returns Show the Increasing Weakness of Opposition Party and the Growing Appreciation of the Government's Good Work—Opposition, Which Carried Every Parish in Last Election, Only Succeeded in Retaining Two, and in One Majority Falls Far Short.

Despite the frantic efforts of the Opposition to retain its somewhat venerable grasp of the political situation in the county of St. John the election of yesterday reduced its former plurality of 307 to a bare majority of 47 and while it succeeded in electing its candidate, in the person of A. F. Bentley, it serves to point eloquently to the fast weakening hold of the Robinson party hereabouts. J. P. Mosher, the Government nominee, put up a great fight.

It seemed as though the election of Mr. Mosher was assured, but later details turned the tables and accomplished the election of the Opposition candidate by the narrow margin of 47 votes. An analysis of the corrected returns evidences the fruition of Mr. Mosher's great efforts to win the constituency, while it can do no other than spell their ruin to a party which ever since the notorious serryman-riding practices some 20 years back, has been able to retain its hold of the county with notable and substantial majorities. But the returns show more. They show

the party that is seeking a return to the old order of things. The coterie of Opposition spellbinders that has been stumping the country for weeks past in an effort to hold down the old majority, had a justification last night at Fairville for the apparent purpose of forgetting the somewhat disquieting outcome of the election. Robinson, Sweeney, Copp, Lowell, McAlpine and Dr. Curran, headed by the City Cornet Band paraded the street in front of the Orange Hall and dined at considerable length and with no little eloquence on the "glorious victory" achieved by Mr. Bentley. Then the entire bunch repaired to the hall, where more speeches were delivered and more bouquets exchanged.

The Growing Popularity of the Government. That has honestly administered the affairs of the province and point to a continued and increasing support of that Government despite the tactics indulged in by those who seek to accomplish its downfall.

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The Returns. The following is in detail the corrected list of the returns: Lancaster, Mosher Bentley 419 499. Lorneville, 57 47. Simonds, No. 1, 139 132. Simonds, No. 2, 80 75. Simonds, No. 3, 54 34. Musquash, No. 1, 58 53. Musquash, No. 2, 32 19. St. Martins, 176 213. Majority for Bentley—47.

The Waning Influence of the Opposition. At the last general election the then Government carried every parish in the county. Yesterday it carried but two, Simonds and Musquash, which for many years have sustained the Federal Government, having changed their allegiance. In Lancaster the Lowell majority of last year was almost wiped out, being reduced from 155 to 70. St. Martins contributed the only gain to the Robinson force, the former majority of 30 having been increased by 7.

Despite the threatening aspect of the weather which continued throughout the day, a vote fully up to that of the last general election was polled. The day passed off rather quietly and in no disorders of any magnitude were reported.

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THE PACIFIC CABLE RATES THE MOVE TO REDUCE THEM

The Proposal To Establish a Government Line Before the Imperial Press Conference—Premier Asquith Interviewed, and Hon. Mr. Lemieux Asked to Press the Matter Upon the Attention of the Canadian Government.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, July 20.—P. D. Ross, Ottawa delegate to the Imperial Press Conference has returned home. "It is practically assured," he said today, "that there will be a continuation of conferences as before we left London arrangements were made to organize a central committee to communicate with various parts of the Empire regarding future conferences. It is quite likely that the next conference will be held in Winnipeg in 1912. Important practical issue of conference," said Mr. Ross, "was the reduction of the Pacific cable rates, which would mean cheaper cable news all around the British Empire, and an emphatic and unanimous demand for state-owned electric communication across the Atlantic, either Imperial cable or state-owned system of wireless communication. It was made clear that a combination exists among all Atlantic cable companies, which unfairly maintain high cable rates, and which have an agreement form which none of the existing companies can

withdraw, except upon considerable notice beforehand. It is certain such a condition cannot be remedied by any further private competition, except that of Marconi, and it is more than possible that as soon as Marconi gets his system in an extensive working order, for at present its capacity is limited, his company might also enter existing cable combination. "The Imperial Press Conference, in a motion moved by myself and carried unanimously after a thorough discussion, seconded by Mr. Dufour of Winnipeg, demanded that Government action should be taken to establish a Government line, and evidence was produced to show that such a line could be established by the Governments of Great Britain and Canada, on a paying basis, at lower rates than are now obtained by cable companies. A deputation from the conference impressed these views on Premier Asquith in Great Britain, and the Canadian delegates to the conference will shortly request an interview with Hon. Mr. Lemieux, our own Postmaster General, to press the matter upon the Canadian Government."

PRESTON AGAIN; COMPLAINTS REACH OTTAWA

Special to The Standard. London, July 20.—The Canadian Associated Press understands that very strong letters have been sent from the Colonial Office to the Right Hon. Sir Claude MacDonald, Premier of Ontario, at Tokio, pointing out that the policy of Mr. W. T. R. Preston, the Canadian Trade Commissioner in London, for direct trade between the Canadian and Japanese merchants and manufacturers without the intermediary services and profits of the foreign middlemen has had a very disturbing effect on commercial circles in the Orient.

DOMINION IRON AND STEEL CO. CONTRACT

For Construction of One Hundred and Twenty New Ovens Which Will Take Care of 1,000 Tons of Coal per Day. Sydney, N. S., July 20.—The United Coke Company of New York have secured the contract for the erection of a number of coke ovens for the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, the work to be started immediately. The number of ovens to be constructed is one hundred and twenty. The new oven is of a different type and has a much greater capacity for cooking than had the old ones.

CLEMENCEAU GOVERNMENT HAD SENSATIONAL DOWNFALL

Climax Came Suddenly Last Night Under Dramatic Circumstances at the Conclusion of Violent Debate on Naval Scandals—A Veritable Duel—Clemenceau Lost His Head—President Falliers Stupefied But Accepted His Resignation.

Paris, July 20.—The Clemenceau Cabinet resigned tonight. The Clemenceau cabinet fell suddenly tonight under dramatic circumstances at the conclusion of a violent debate over the naval scandals, extending over several days. M. Delcasse, chairman of the investigation commission, led the attack upon the naval administration, especially during the incumbency of M. Pelletan and M. Thomson, former ministers of marine. But M. Picard, who succeeded M. Thomson, had promised in the name of the Government to complete a series of reforms, both in the administration of the department and the methods of construction and the chamber was ready to vote confidence in the Government when an incident occurred which changed a majority into a minority.

CANADIAN BANK STATEMENT FOR MONTH JUNE

An Increase in Loans and in Deposits, in Assets, Liabilities and in Note Circulation. Special to The Standard. Ottawa, July 20.—The June bank statement shows the chartered banks of Canada 22 numbering 31, as compared with 32 in May, the increase being the disappearance from the list of the Banque St. Jean. The figures generally show an increase. Current loans in Canada, for example, stand at \$535,212,269, as against \$528,313,141 a month ago, and deposits on demand at \$226,480,468 as compared with \$216,316,222 a month ago. Deposits payable on notice stand at \$455,178,476 as against \$453,599,117 at the end of May. The assets total \$1,055,271,919 as against \$1,044,020,533 and the liabilities \$870,192,322 as against \$861,023,144. The note circulation is \$70,170,491 against \$68,593,229 in May.

NEGRO LYNCHED.

Paducah, Ky., July 20.—Without first a shot, a man took Albert Lawson, a negro, who on Sunday shot Sheriff R. M. Compton, from the parish jail tonight and hanged him to a milberry tree, a few yards from the prison. About thirty minutes later the dead body was cut down.

ALL SHOE MAKERS IN LYNN MAY BE CALLED OUT ON STRIKE

Lynn, Mass., July 21.—As a result of the failure of three of the shoe factories of this city to accept the standard wage scale submitted by the N. P. A. R. C. Employees Union, the members of this union in the factories of the Caunt Company, P. J. Harney and James Phalen and son, will go out on strike tomorrow morning, according to a statement made tonight by business agent Frank Kidder, of the organization. The strike will affect between 175 and 200 men and should the strike last for three or four days, it is said, these factories will have to close down.

POPULATION OF MONTREAL.

Put Down This Year By Lovell At 390,000, An Increase of 17,000 Over Last Year. Special to The Standard. Montreal, July 20.—Lovell's directory shows a population of 476,334 for the city and outskirts, otherwise known as the urban district of Montreal. The city proper accounts for about 390,000. Last year urban district, 454,000, city proper, 373,000.

AMERICANS TO PARTICIPATE IN CHINESE LOAN

Washington, July 20.—American participation in the loan of \$27,500,000 to be negotiated by the Chinese Government on the Hankow-Sze-Chuen R. R. and other enterprises, will be arranged to the entire satisfaction of this Government, thus assuring the maintenance of the Open Door in China.

BOLIVIA AND ARGENTINE AT SWORDS POINTS

La Paz, July 20.—It was officially confirmed tonight that the rupture between Bolivia and the Argentine Republic is complete, diplomatic relations having been broken off.

FAILED TO AGREE.

Conciliation Board Was To Arbitrate Case Between Canadian Northern Railway and Employees. Special to The Standard. Winnipeg, July 20.—The conciliation board which was called to arbitrate the case between the Canadian Northern Railway and its men has failed to agree.

BOY DROWNED.

Methuen, Mass., July 20.—Harvey Perreault, aged 7, of this town, was drowned in Harris Pond, three miles northwest of this town, late today. The boy was one of the summer campers on the pond and had gone out in a boat with other boys and in playing about the boat accidentally fell overboard.

NEW AIRSHIP RECORD.

Washington, July 20.—A new record for aviation in America was established by Orville Wright, in the Wright aeroplane late today, at Fort Myer by a spectacular flight of one hour, 20 minutes and 45 seconds duration. The longest previous flight in the United States was of 74 minutes, made by Mr. Wright at Fort Myer last fall.