

SHELDON SET AT LAST

Montreal Blind Pool Swindler Arrested in Pittsburg. Attempted Sensational Getaway, but Police Were Too Sharp. He Swindled Canadians Out of \$500,000 and has been Missing from Montreal Since Oct. 1--Newspaper Exposed Him

Pittsburg, Pa., March 27.—Charles D. Sheldon, alias Charles D. Washburn, of Montreal, who was wanted in that city on charges of embezzlement...

On October 13, he suddenly disappeared before the officials had an opportunity to investigate further. It was then learned that he had closed his accounts at several banks...

SCOTT ACT CAMPAIGN ON THE NORTH SHORE

First Gun In Anti-Liquor Crusade Fired By Rev. George Wood In St. Andrew's Church, Chatham.

Chatham, N. B., March 27.—The first gun in the election campaign, from the standpoint of those favoring the enforcement of the Scott Act, was heard in St. Andrew's church, last evening...

COAL MINERS WILL STRIKE

Calgary, Mar. 27.—All plans are completed for strike for all miners in Alberta and British Columbia on April 1. The railways and towns are laying in a large stock of fuel...

MR. FIELDING IS 35 YEARS BEHIND TIME

Sir James Whitney's Comment on Finance Minister. Fielding's Limit Is To Get "a Bag Of Potatoes And a Hake Of Fish Into The Boston Market," Says Whitney.

Toronto, Mar. 27.—Sir James Whitney, commenting today on Hon. Mr. Fielding's remarks at Montreal, regarding the anti-reciprocity resolution passed by the Ontario legislature...

CHANGES IN SHIPPING ACT

Important Amendments Regarding Pilotage, Etc., Announced In The House Yesterday—Banque du Canada.

Ottawa, Mar. 27.—In the House today Mr. Brodeur brought in a bill to amend the Canada shipping act. The more important changes are: 1.—All seagoing vessels must take pilots for the St. Lawrence, the St. John and the Minas Basin pilotage authorities...

Changed Name of New Bank. The "Banque Du Canada" is not to have that name. Mr. Fielding announced that the promoters of the charter had consented to the name being "La Banque Internationale Du Canada." In that form the bill was passed.

Mr. Borden brought up a report in an American newspaper that the American government has arranged with the Canadian government to send another United States cruiser up the canals to the Great Lakes.

Hon. J. K. Flemming Nails Telegraph Liar On "Fatal Admissions"

Campaign of Misrepresentation and Falsehood Strikingly Illustrated by Provincial Secretary in Interview with Standard.

Every Statement He Made During the Carvell Massacre, at Meductic, Saturday Evening, was Distorted and Perverted by the Lying Organ of the Robinson-Pugsley Plunder-bund—Here is the Proof.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., March 27.—The St. John Telegraph's campaign of misrepresentation and falsehoods was never better illustrated than their cooked up story appearing in today's issue of F. B. Carvell's meeting with Hon. J. K. Flemming at Meductic in the York County bye-election.

THROWN IN FRONT OF A FAST TRAIN

Wilfred Flemming Victim Of Peculiar Accident In Moncton—Thrown From Carriage Directly Under Train.

Moncton, N. B., March 27.—Wilfred Flemming, aged 18 years, a painter's helper, was the victim of a shocking accident at the Church street crossing, as the C. P. R. express from Halifax was coming into Moncton this afternoon.

Young Flemming was driving in a wagon with his employer, A. E. Metzler, painter. They had just turned the corner of St. George street and were passing along the road by the Church street retaining wall, which is close to the track.

CANADIANS IN GOTHAM HELD LIVES OF WORKERS VERY CHEAP

Annual Meeting Of Canadian Society In New York Held Last Night At Delmonico's—Election Of Officers.

New York, N. Y., Mar. 27.—The Canadian Society of New York held its annual meeting and election of officers tonight at Delmonico's, the election resulting as follows: President, Alexander C. Humphreys, president of Stephens Institute, Hoboken; 1st vice-president, Thomas N. Jarvis, 1st vice-president of the Lehigh Valley Railroad; 2nd vice-president, John F. Steeves; 3rd vice-president, the Rev. Charles A. Eaton; 4th vice-president, Walter Scott; treasurer, Frank W. McLaughlin; secretary, Wyle C. Margeson; directors, to serve three years, William W. Johnstone, Allan Cameron, and William H. Tweedwell.

MORE 'TOMMYS' FOR JAMAICA

Kington, Jam., March 27.—The local papers print the report that upon the completion of the Panama Canal the Jamaican garrison will be strengthened by the addition of 1,000 British infantry. A hint of this was given by one of the chief military officers during a debate in the legislature last month.

A GREAT DAY FOR THE ROXBURGHES

London, Mar. 27.—The King and Queen were the guests at dinner to-night at the Duke and Duchess of Roxburgh at Chesterfield House, the Duchess of Roxburgh was Miss Mary Goslet, of New York. The Duke accompanied King George and Queen Mary when as Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York they went through Canada in 1901.

INDICTMENT FOR GRAFT

Woodstock, Ontario, Councillor Charged With Offering a Bribe As The Price Of Government Job.

Woodstock, Ont., March 27.—Late this afternoon the grand jury brought in a true bill against John Youngs in connection with the charge that he offered B. E. Butler a bribe for the latter's influence in getting the jail governorship and in the case of the charge of Youngs agreed to accept \$50 for his influence in connection with the sale of the East Zorra gravel road, the jury found no bill. Youngs was arrested and arraigned, and pleaded not guilty. Youngs is a councillor.

MANY YET UNIDENTIFIED

Thirty-three bodies, most of them shorn of all semblance to human form, lie unidentified tonight at the charnel pier morgue. Twelve persons, most of them girls in their teens, are fighting for life in hospitals. Half a hundred funeral trains trilled through the east side and the Italian district near the factory and as many more are scheduled for tomorrow. The unidentified will be buried in a single grave but will be held as long as possible to give relatives and friends an opportunity to claim them.

BAD STORM IN PHILADELPHIA

VICTORY IS CERTAIN FOR MOREHOUSE

Provincial Government Candidate in York a Sure Winner. Enthusiastic Reports From All Quarters—Hon. John Morrissy Calls Upon All Liberals To Support Hazen Gov'l.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., March 27.—The last lap of the whirlwind campaign in the bye-election promises to produce some of the greatest excitement ever in evidence in a campaign in this constituency.

Today the chief topic of conversation has been the joint debate in which Provincial Secretary Flemming and F. B. Carvell engaged at Meductic on Saturday evening. One of the jokes of the campaign is the cooked up and distorted report of that meeting which appeared in the St. John Telegraph this morning, hundreds of copies of which were distributed in this city and elsewhere in the hope of offsetting the real effect of the meeting.

In face of what Mr. Carvell's own friends, who attended the meeting, says the Telegraph is not taken seriously. Mr. Carvell's words to all his friends do not claim victory for him at Meductic. They only will go as far as to say that it was "about a draw." Such an admission on Mr. Carvell's part ought to be good enough to let the independent and intelligent people know what really happened.

Today arrangements were completed for Hon. Mr. Flemming to meet Mr. Carvell in another joint debate at the City Opera House on Wednesday evening, but Mr. Carvell declined to meet Mr. Flemming tomorrow night at Marysville and discuss the general issues of the campaign and Mr. Copp of the opposition who was substituted for Mr. Carvell will meet Hon. Mr. Landry who will take the place of Hon. Mr. Flemming who, with Solicitor-General McLeod, will speak at Canterbury on Tuesday night.

Tonight one of the largest and most enthusiastic political meetings ever held in Fredericton was held by the provincial government party at the Opera House. Mayor Thomas acted as chairman.

O. S. Crockett, M. P., dealt with the St. John Valley Railway project, and showed that the Hazen government had made all their progress to date in the face of the obstruction of the federal government and the provincial opposition.

Hon. H. F. McLeod dealt with provincial matters generally and the St. John Valley Railway from the provincial end of the argument. Continued on page 2.

New York, March 27.—The fixing of the blame for the loss of 142 lives in the Washington square fire of Saturday drew to a focus today the energies of the district attorney's staff, the fire marshal, the coroner, the state labor department and Borough President McAnany, of Manhattan. Dozens of investigations collected every scrap of available information. Grand jury members turned personal probes, and an additional grand jury offered their aid to the district attorney and declared that some one should be prosecuted for the disaster.

That the probes found evidence that doors as exits swung inward; the crumpled fire escape in the airshaft, the one fire escape blocked by iron shutters when opened, an empty water tank on the roof, and the practice prevalent among cutters of lighting cigarettes a few minutes before quitting—all this and what is yet to be ferreted out, will be placed speedily before the grand jury for action, District Attorney Whitman announced.

To Investigate Tenements. The tenement house department summoned owners of half a dozen faulty structures to police court as a preliminary step to a far-reaching investigation of tenements. One man was held for violating the law, and other cases, it was announced, will be pressed tomorrow. Fire Marshal Rogers summoned the proprietors of the Triangolo Waist Company and several employes to testify at a public investigation, largely to inquire into the truth of the reports that doors leading to fire escapes were blocked.

Cigarette Started Fire. "So far as I can discover," he said, "there has never been a fire drill in this factory. In my opinion it would take 700 girls three hours to reach the street by the one fire escape in that building. Nine-tenths of the employees

Death and Destruction in Wake of Electric Storm.

Buildings Demolished, Houses Unroofed and Railway System Tied Up. Damage will be Very Heavy—Roof of Police Station Blown Off and Every Window Broken—One Man Killed.

Philadelphia, March 27.—A severe electrical storm, accompanied by a high wind which at times blew with cyclonic force, swept over the northern section of this city shortly after six o'clock tonight, leaving destruction and death in its wake.

Buildings were demolished, houses unroofed, and the New York division of the Pennsylvania railroad was placed out of commission temporarily by the demolition of its tower at Holmesburg, cutting off all telegraphic communication. New York trains are being routed via the Cooperstown, which branch of the Pennsylvania Company was not in the path of the high wind.

Tacony, the section where the greatest damage occurred, was completely cut off from the rest of the city. Telegraph, telephone and trolley wires were blown to the ground, and it was hours before the details of the catastrophe reached the central section of the city where the storm did not appear. The police station at Tacony was demolished. The evening square of policemen were preparing to leave for their beats when the roof of the building was blown off and every window broken by a sudden gust of wind. At the Tacony station of the Pennsylvania railroad an unidentified man was killed when a portion of the structure was blown away.

Many Houses Demolished. Many houses in this section were unroofed or completely demolished. In the manufacturing section of Kensington in the northeast toward Tacony several factories were destroyed, trolley wires were blown down and roofs of houses hurled to the centre of the streets.

A corner section of the three story brick factory of John Blinn and Sons, manufacturers of woollens at Trenton and Allegheny avenues more than 100 feet in width, was torn away, wrecking much valuable machinery. Three hundred and fifty men who were employed here, it is said, will be out of work for at least two weeks. The factory of the Enterprise Co-operative, nearby was struck by lightning, but the flames were extinguished before much damage had been done.

Churches and Halls Unroofed. In the fashionable section of Germantown the storm also caused havoc. The cupola of St. Michael's church, at High and Beynton streets, was blown off. Jones Hall, at Germantown and Sharon street, also lost its roof, as did the factory of the American Metal Company at Hermal street and Germantown avenue. Telegraph and telephone communication was also destroyed, but up to a late hour no lives had been reported lost in this section.

So completely was the Penna railroad line tied up that no trains were sent over the New York division from this city and tickets to Philadelphia were unobtainable at the New York end of the line.

cannot speak English, yet I could not find out the fire escape."

The fire marshal said he was confident a sign of Yiddish or Italian pointed to the cause. He by a cutter and thrown in a heap of clippings had started the fire.

A relief fund for the sufferers is headed by a \$5,000 donation by Andrew Carnegie, The United States Hebrew Charities, the Austrian Hebrew Free Burial Association and other organizations come to the profit with aid.

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Final figures place the death list at 142; 153 bodies were taken from the scene of disaster and nine died in hospitals. The list will be swelled, surgeons say, by others who still living, have no chance of recovery.