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PROSPEROUS TIMES FOR SHIPBUILDERS

Day, Night and Overtime in Building of Warships

RECORD YEAR IN BRITAIN

If, as Expected, Ten More Are Ordered This Year, it Will Mean Twenty Eight Great Armored Vessels Under Construction

(Canadian Press)

New York, Jan. 8—A London cable says:

The present year will see a new record in British warship building. The naval dockyards and great shipbuilding firms have already twelve battleships and battle cruisers in hand for the navy, apart from vessels nearly completed. In addition there are six battleships or battle cruisers building in England for foreign powers.

If ten new British ships are ordered this year, as is expected, there will be twenty-eight armored ships of the largest size building in this country, with a displacement of more than 650,000 tons.

The completion of this enormous fleet with speed will demand most careful organization. It is feared that there must be serious delays in construction. Already the recent British programmes are heavily in arrears.

The difficulty which confronts both dockyards and private firms is to obtain the skilled labor required for ship construction. There is an insufficiency of workers at the dockyards, where day and night shifts, as well as overtime, are being worked. All indications suggest that the admiralty will have to revise its calculation that the largest battleship can be built in two years.

Shipowners are rejoicing in prosperous times and there is every likelihood that the flourishing conditions in the English shipping industry will continue.

COAL FROM STATES CHEAPER IN ENGLAND THAN HOME PRODUCT

That's the Story in London Today—Welsh Owner to Investigate

London, Jan. 8—American coal owners are prepared to furnish British consumers with supplies of coal at lower prices than those fixed by the coal producers of the United Kingdom.

According to a statement published today in the Shipping World, David Alfred Thomas, head of the Welsh coal combination, will sail for New York on January 11, in order to visit the great coal fields on the Atlantic border and it is possible that he may put the matter to a practical test.

RICHESON'S BROTHER TO BE A MINISTER

Blackstone, Va., Jan. 8—Earl Richeson, brother of the Rev. Clarence V. Richeson, who was electrocuted in Boston last spring for the murder of Miss Avis Linnell, has entered the Blackstone Academy, a preparatory school, to fit himself for the Baptist ministry.

He arrived here a day or two ago from his home in Amherst and entered upon his studies with vim. It was through the influence of E. S. Ligon, principal of the academy, that young Richeson determined to take up the ministry.

STEAMER CAPSIZES AT WHARF; FOUR DROWNED

Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 7—The steamer Cheslake, Captain Colts, of the Union S. S. Company, is capsized along the wharf at Vanada, Turedo Island, sixty miles from Vancouver, and four lives have been lost, according to a wireless message.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service.

The depression which has been hovering over the Mississippi Valley is now passing to the Atlantic coast with increasing energy. Snow is falling from the Great Lakes to the maritime provinces and cold wintry conditions prevail through out Canada.

Probabilities Here.

Strong winds and gales, easterly, shifting to westerly; snow and rain, turning colder again on Thursday.

ROCKEFELLER IS NOT ABLE TO TALK

Doctor Says He Will Practically be Silent For Rest of His Life

(Canadian Press)

New York, Jan. 8—William Rockefeller will probably never be able to appear as a witness in the finance inquiry being conducted by the Pujo committee in Washington, in the opinion of Dr. Walter F. Chappel, his physician, who says that the only way he could answer questions in the witness stand would be in writing, for speech might result in strangulation, so serious is the condition of Mr. Rockefeller's throat.

Doctor Chappel practically said that Mr. Rockefeller must be silent for the remainder of his life. In the Bahamas, where Mr. Rockefeller is now resting, he is keeping very quiet and it is declared that his every little wish has to be written, for every effort to speak involves the hazard of a laryngeal spasm.

TAX RATE MAY BE TWO CENTS HIGHER

City Improvements Have to be Provided For— Increased Assessment

The improvements which the city commissioners are making and planning cost money, and the citizens will have the privilege of contributing a larger share of taxes than usual to meet the bills during 1913. The estimates are not yet complete, but the present indication is that the expenditure for 1913 will show an increase of from $40,000 to $45,000 over the figures for 1912. This increase will be made up by larger appropriations for public works, fire, police, light and ferry, the department of public works providing $22,000 of the additional amount.

To finance for this it is probable that the tax rate, which was 1.96 in 1912, will be raised to 1.98, the limit fixed by act of legislature. As it is impossible to raise the rate any higher than this, the balance of the amount will have to be secured by increasing the assessment. This will make it necessary for the assessors to find about $2,0.0,000 more property on which to collect taxes and will mean an increase in the assessed values of the majority of properties.

The commissioners were in session this morning from eleven o'clock until after one discussing the estimates for the departments controlled by Commissioner McLellan, and will resume at three o'clock this afternoon.

JOHN E. REDMOND'S DAUGHTTR BRIDE

Married Today to Max Green, Chairman of Irish Prisons' Board

London, Jan. 8—The marriage of Max Green, chairman of the Irish Prisons Board, and formerly private secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and Miss Johanna Redmond, youngest daughter of John E. Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalist party, took place today.

The bridal pair received many handsome gifts from members of the Irish party and other members of the House of Commons.

LAY CLAIM TO LAND ON WHICH CHURCH STANDS

Paris, Jan. 8—The plaintiffs in a most interesting civil law suit in America involving the ownership of a large amount of real estate in Buffalo will start from Havre, for New York on Saturday.

The claimants are three in number—Henry LeCoutleux Le Caument; his brother Louis, both of whom are great grandsons of the French pioneer, Louis Le Coutleaux, and Baron Emmanuel De Bizi a great great grand son of the pioneer. Only the first two will go to America.

Their object is to recover the land which is now the site of the Catholic church of St. Louis in Buffalo. They allege that as heirs at law of the original Le Coutleux they are the rightful owners of the church land as well as that of the adjoining property now occupied by a private residence, because the conditions of the deed by which Le Coutleux transferred the property to the Catholic church of the state of New York had not been carried out.

RAILWAY CLERKS VOTE TO STRIKE IF DEMANDS NOT MET

New Haven, Con., Jan. 8—By a vote of 679 to seventy-five, clerks employed by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company yesterday voted to strike if the company does not grant their demands for a minimum wage of $2.25 a day, an eight hour day, an increase of salary of twenty-five cents a day, and other smaller demands.

Some minor demands have already been granted and the clerks feel hopeful that the others will also be.

FALL OF ADRIANOPLE SEEMS IMMINENT

Garrison Seeking Terms on Which To Give In

80,000 REPORTED SICK

All Within Walls on Short Rations —London Report Says Powers Have Given Turkey Three Days in Which to Accept Peace Terms

(Canadian Press)

London, Jan. 8—A despatch to the Times from Sofia gives reports from Adrianople to the effect that the rations in the invested town have been reduced to one-fourth. Eighty thousand persons are sick without medical aid or the means of obtaining warmth.

On Monday Turkish and Bulgarian delegates met to discuss terms of capitulation. The Turks demanded that they be allowed to retain their arms, but the Bulgarians refused to grant this.

A message from Bulgarian head quarters in the field, adds the despatch, requests that thirty civil servants be sent immediately to occupy the public posts at Adrianople.

Constantinople, Jan. 8—Nazim Pasha, the minister of war, and Noradunghian Effendi, minister of foreign affairs, went yesterday by special train to meet the Bulgarian commander-in-chief, General Savoff. They returned to Constantinople in the evening. The object of the meeting was not divulged.

Constantinople, Jan. 8— Kapamachian Effendi, the Armenian prefect of Van, has been assassinated, according to an official report received here.

A London despatch to J. M. Robinson & Sons says:—"The powers will give Turkey three days in which to yield to the demands of the Balkan allies, according to reliable information in diplomatic circles. If by that time the Porte has not revealed its intention of submitting to the demands it will be notified that all Europe insists upon peace in Southeastern Europe. While indications are that the powers are generally united to prevent resumption of hostilities, the attitude of Austria still remains a puzzle. Despatches from Vienna declare Austria has decided not to allow Montenegro to take Scutari. This may prove a new element of danger."

A New York despatch to J. M. Robinson & Sons says:

"The Times says the powers have authorized an official statement that they have agreed to take joint action immediately to prevent Turkey from causing renewal of hostilities, and will make direct representations to Constantinople and to the peace delegates in London.

MASTER PLUMBERS ARE IN SESSION HERE

Business Sessions in Keith's, Banquet in Victoria Hotel

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Society of Domestic, Sanitary, Heating and Plumbing Engineers, is being held in Keith's Theatre Assembly rooms today. About forty master plumbers from the city and elsewhere are in attendance, including the president and secretary and members of the Fredericton, Moncton, St. Stephen, Woodstock and Campbellton associations. George Blake of this city is president and presided at this morning's session, which began at ten o'clock. D. J. Shea of Fredericton is the vice president and Peter Campbell of this city is the secretary.

The morning session consisted mostly of the transaction of routine business, and the roll call of members. The meeting adjourned at one o'clock for an hour. At this afternoon's session officers will be elected and busines sof importance transacted.

This evening the members of the St. John Master Plumbers' Association will entertain the visiting plumbers at a banquet in the Victoria Hotel. An excellent programme of speeches and toasts has been prepared and a very enjoyable evening is expected. A musical and literary programme has also been arranged. Besides the plumbers, representatives from many of the wholesale plumbing houses in Upper Canada and other places will be in attendance.

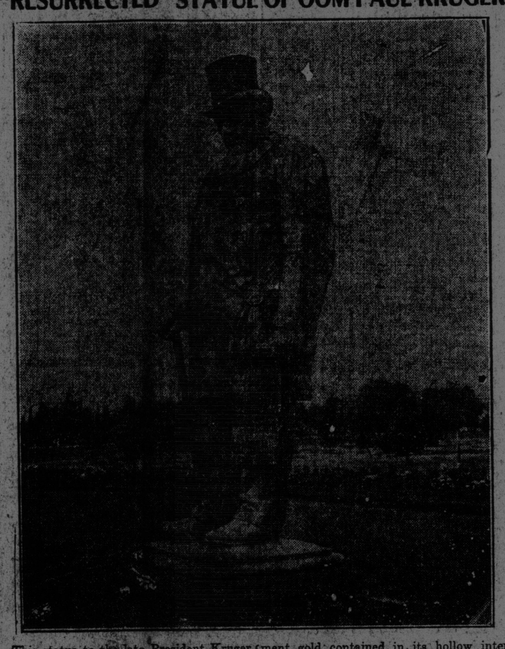
Among thase here from outside places are G. S. Dorman, E. A. Brooks, William Watson and G. R. Parker from Moncton, and D. J. Shea, E. Hanley, A. R. Farrell and B. H. O'Brien from Fredericton. The St. Stephen and Woodstock delegates were expected to arrive on the noon train. The Campbellton delegates are also expected to arrive for the afternoon session.

FLOATING PALACE TO START ACROSS THE ATLANTIC ON MAY 7

Hamburg, Jan. 8—The Hamburg-American Company's new liner Imperator will sail on May 7 on her maiden voyage to New York. The Imperator is the largest liner in the world. She is an eleven story floating palace, 919 feet long, with engines of 80,000 horse power. Her displacement is 50,000 tons and she can accommodate 5,000 passengers.

Among other features the Imperator is fitted with three electric elevators, a winter garden, summer houses, a theatre, a gymnasium, a Ritz restaurant, swimming bath, a ball room, telephone and a cottage cafe. The first class dining saloon is in the Louis XVI. style. It is 300 feet long.

"RESURRECTED" STATUE OF OOM PAUL KRUGER



This statue to the late President Kruger has just arrived at Pretoria, from Lorenzo Marquez, where it was hidden thirteen years ago during the Boer War. The story was at that time that it was worth its weight in gold, as there were thousands of pounds of South African government gold contained in its hollow interior. There was nothing in this story, but it was only recently that the statue was taken to Pretoria, where it will be erected under British auspices, in Princess Park, and later unveiled with appropriate ceremonies, by the British governor, general of South Africa.

IMPROVEMENT BUT AT A FEARFUL COST

In Building Aqueduct From Catskills to New York, 800 Men Killed, 3,800 Hurt

New York, Jan. 8—A death list as long as those of the country's worst mine disasters has been reported in the building of the new aqueduct from the Catskills to this city, according to figures published today.

Since the first pick was struck 800 men have been killed and 3,800 injured, most of the accidents being due to explosion of dynamite.

The engineering work is said to be second only to that of the Panama Canal, where 1,087 deaths from violence have occurred in the eight years of canal building. At present there are about 11,000 men employed on the aqueduct, which is still far from completed.

DIE OF STARVATION IN ARCTIC EXPLORATION

German Expedition Suffers Severely —Food to be Sent

Berlin, Jan. 8—The committee of the projected German arctic expedition which is to explore the Northeast Passage has learned that the preliminary expedition, now at Spitzberg, is short of food. The committee is preparing to send a supply.

It is reported that a majority of members of the expedition have died of starvation. A despatch from Christiania says that Ritachel, a member of the expedition, reached Adventure Bay on December 21, half dead from cold and hunger.

TWENTY-TWO CARS HERE

First Delivery Over The G. T. P. — Eight More Cars With Flour to Come

Twenty-two cars in the first G. T. P. cross country wheat train arrived in the city last night about five o'clock over the I. C. R. for shipment of their consignment of flour to South Africa. The remaining eight cars which went to compose the train, are due to reach here tonight or tomorrow. The flour is in the regular freight cars, but because of the fact it was brought over the G. T. P. more interest than ordinarily would attaches to it.

Lou Scholes Injured

Toronto, Jan. 8—Lou F. Scholes, of "Diamond Sculls" fame, seriously slashed his wrist last night while assisting Detective Tipton in opening a suitcase which belonged to a delinquent patron of the Athlete Hotel, Harry Barnes, of Elmvale, Ont. He had previously been arrested on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences, preferred by Charles Wills.

Have it Mild in England, Too

London, Jan. 8—Birds are singing and butterflies flitting through Kentish gardens, which are full of flowers. In Wales, at Rhosonsea and other places, roses are blooming and scores of other varieties of flowers are being picked daily. Weather experts say there has not been such a mild winter here since 1868.

Dark Day in Boston

Boston, Jan. 8—Navigation in the harbor was impeded yesterday by a thick fog which settled over the city and suburbs. The mists and heavy clouds made the morning so dark that nearly all business establishments in Boston found it necessary to use artificial lights.

Demurrage Law Declared Void

Montpelier, Vt., Jan. 8—The railroad demurrage law was declared void yesterday by the supreme court on the ground that it conflicted with the inter-state commerce law. The Vermont demurrage law permitted shippers to hold cars four days for unloading.

DOCTOR PERFORMS OPERATION ON SELF

Desperate With Pain and Unable to Find Surgeon

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 8—Driven to desperation by pain and his inability to find a surgeon who could relieve him, Dr. W. M. Beck, of Clarkfield, Minn., stood before a mirror in his office, made an incision just below his left jaw, cut away the flesh from the point of the chin, almost to the left ear, scratched the bone and then sewed up the wound.

His operation, however, failed to relieve him of a growth which threatened to destroy the jaw bone, and he is in a local hospital, where another operation has been performed.

When Dr. Beck performed his own operation he was aided only by a nurse. She was the first to give way under the strain.

ATHLETIC LAWYER SUICIDE

Overcomes Attendants and Hurls Himself From High Window of Hospital

New York, Jan. 8—William Shine, a twenty-seven year old lawyer of Orlando, Fla., committed suicide just after midnight by jumping from the fifth floor of the New York hospital, where he was a patient. He was an athlete, and two attendants who twice threw themselves upon him to save him, were easily overpowered by the frantic man.

MONTENEGRIN KING WRITES PLAY; STAGED IN LONDON

London, Jan. 8—London is promised a novel time in the matter of dramatic presentations. It is nothing less than the production of a play written by a king. It is entitled, "The Empress of the Balkans," and the author is King Nicholas of Montenegro.

If it is produced it will be in an independent theatre. The piece is said to be full of intense patriotism and a wonderfully poetic picture of the country.

COUNTESS OF ABERDEEN AND MISS ASQUITH IN PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia, Jan. 8—Independence Hall, and children playgrounds claimed the interest of the Countess of Aberdeen and Miss Violet Asquith who arrived here yesterday from Washington. They are the guests of Doctor and Mrs. Tait McKenzie, formerly of Montreal.

After a luncheon the visitors were shown the open air playgrounds and other places of interest. They will go to New York tomorrow for a visit of two days, and expect to sail for home on Saturday.

ENSURE A PLACE FOR THE MINORITY

"GANNET ROCK" ON WRECKAGE

Boards Washed Ashore at Petite Passage—Presentation to Clarence Jameson M. P.

(Special to Times)

Digby, N. S., Jan. 8—A lot of wreckage is coming ashore at Petit Passage. It consists of boards and shingles, all painted white.

Among other things is a board containing the name "Gannet Rock." That is the name of a bay light house.

Friends of Clarence Jameson, M. P., met in the Royal Hotel last night and presented to him a gold watch, imported for the occasion by James M. Keene & Son. It has the following inscription:—"Presented to Clarence Jameson, M. P., by his constituents in recognition of services to Digby County." The presentation was made by Mayor Short. Mr. Jameson made a suitable reply, after which he discussed the naval bill and other political topics.

MANY AT FUNERAL OF JUDGE EMMERSON

Floral Tributes, Telegrams and Letters Received by Bereaved Family

(Special to Times)

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 8—The funeral of Judge Frederick W. Emmerson was held this afternoon and many attended from various points throughout the province as well as this city. A private service was held in his late residence in Church street at two o'clock by Rev. G. A. Lawson, pastor of the First Baptist church, assisted by Rev. D. MacOdrum, pastor of St. John's Presbyterian church. The cortege then proceeded to the First Baptist church, which was crowded.

The church was draped by a committee of ladies of which Mrs. A. E. Killam was chairman. Service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Lawson. The body was then viewed by a large number of friends, after which the funeral proceeded to Elmwood cemetery. At the grave Judge M. N. Cockburn of St. Andrews, high chief ranger of the I. O. F., read the beautiful burial service of the order. He was supported by Rev. B. H. Thomas of Dorchester, supreme orator. A very large number of floral tributes came from the family, the I. O. F., the Masonic fraternity, the First Baptist church and affiliated organizations and friends. Many telegrams and letters of condolence have been received by the family from societies and friends.

Chatham, N. B., Jan. 8—The high physician Doctor B. A. Marven, past high chief ranger, George W. Mersereau, the deputy supreme chief ranger, P. C. Johnson, officers of the High Court of New Brunswick, I. O. F., left this morning for Moncton to attend the funeral of Judge F. W. Emmerson.

THREE MORE FINES IN YEAR FOR LIQUOR SELLERS

Latest Phase of The Enforcement In Chatham

Chatham, Jan. 8—Quite a breeze was occasioned at a town council meeting last evening when Alderman Neale said he had received no notice of a meeting of the police committee at which it was decided to give the liquor dealers three more fines each during the remainder of the council's term.

Alderman Snowball said the meeting was a customary one held after a meeting of the committee of the whole and that had Alderman Neale attended this meeting he would have heard all that went on.

Alderman Neale said that Alderman Snowball agreed to enforce the Scott Act for revenue only and Alderman Snowball denied this unqualifiedly, saying he was merely carrying out the wishes of the board.

HER WEDDING PRESENTS BURNED

Boston, Jan. 8—Because of a fire which destroyed all her wedding gifts together with the home of her parents in Dorchester, Miss Louise Parker is prostrated.

The bride-to-be, who is twenty-four years old, announced her engagement to Chester Marshall of Jamaica Plain last fall, and in anticipation of the wedding, which was soon to take place, she had been the recipient of many costly gifts from friends. These wedding presents were kept in a room on the second floor. When the fire broke out near the room there was no time to save anything.

Do Not Want M. P's All Nationalists or All Orangemen

HOME RULE AMENDMENT

Sir Alfred Mond Moves it, Redmond Seconds and House Adopts it—Affects Several Constituencies—Question of Calling Overseas Representatives

(Canadian Press)

London, Jan. 8—The House of Commons by a vote of 311 to 81 last night, sanctioned an important amendment to the home rule bill. It was moved by Sir Alfred Mond, Liberal, and seconded by John Redmond, the Irish leader.

It provides for the introduction of proportional representation into the constituency which returns three or more members, with the object of securing representation for the Unionists and the Nationalists where either form the minority party.

The constituencies affected are Dublin City, Dublin county, Belfast and Cork city. The voters will indicate their order of choice of candidates and the surplus vote of the high man will be distributed among the others in that order. Sir Alfred Mond showed that under the ordinary system Dublin and Cork would send only Nationalists to the parliament, while Belfast would be represented entirely by Orangemen.

Mr. Redmond, in supporting the amendment, said it would be a misfortune for Ireland if the first national election should result in the sending of no Unionist representative from the whole of Munster, Leinster and Connought to the parliament. Therefore, he said he felt justified in sanctioning this "narrowed and limited experiment."

Premier Asquith unhesitatingly accepted the amendment in behalf of the government as an attempt to deal with a particular case and only as regards the question of Irish parliament.

A proposal by Sir H. Carlist to an amendment to clause 8 by providing that the Irish senate should consist of 100 members instead of forty was rejected by a majority of 122. Seven clauses were disposed of.

Overseas Dominions and Home Rule

The statement of Premier Borden of Canada to the effect that the members of the British cabinet and the opposition leaders had explicitedly accepted the principle that the overseas dominions were entitled to share in the responsibility of the direction of their imperial policy was brought up in the House of Commons last night by Dr. D. V. Pirrie, Liberal member for North Aberdeen. He asked Premier Asquith whether, in view of the desirability of the settlement by consent of the changes involved in the home rule bill, he would summon a conference of representatives of the dominions.

Mr. Asquith replied that he feared that this would be impossible.

Mr. Pirrie pressed his inquiry, quoting Premier Borden as saying that the question was very closely affecting the future destiny of the empire and saying that, however difficult the task might be, it was not the part of wisdom or statesmanship to evade it.

Mr. Asquith answered that "no question will require more careful consideration."

SHORTHAND DIARY OF JOHN WESLEY FOUND

Interesting Letters Also Come to Light in London Headquarters

London, Jan. 8—The Chronicle announces the discovery of interesting manuscrips of John Wesley among the archives at the Wesleyan headquarters in London.

These include many letters and a complete diary of the last ten years of Wesley's life, written in shorthand.

DEAKIN RESIGNS AS OPPOSITION LEADER

Melbourne, Aus., Jan. 8—Alfred Deakin, leader of the opposition in the commonwealth house of representatives, resigned that position today, acting under the orders of his doctors. He announces his intention of retiring from public life at the dissolution of the present parliament.

To Abolish Bonus System

Regina, Sask., Jan. 4—The introduction of a bill to abolish the system of bonusing industries in the cities and towns throughout the province is directed at American promoters, who have received in the last few years, large sums of public money as bonuses for establishing various industries in the west.

SEE SATURDAY'S TELEGRAPH

The Telegraph next Saturday will contain an illustrated short story by Richard Harding Davis, and a famous picture by Charles Dana Gibson.

There will be a comic supplement for the children, grown-up and otherwise.

The news service of The Telegraph has been enlarged for 1913, and, in addition to the world's news, there will be an uncommonly generous supply dealing with events in New Brunswick.

Get Saturday's Telegraph—two cents a copy.