

FEAR NOW FOR THE SAFETY OF S. S. ROSALIND

ed Cross Liner Six Days Out From Halifax For St. Johns, Newfoundland, Is Now Four Days Overdue.

NEW ORLEANS PUTS IN TO HALIFAX

Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 5.—Fears are entertained for the safety of the Red Cross Liner Rosalind, which sailed from here Tuesday for St. Johns, Nfld. The Rosalind is now six days. When under ordinary circumstances she could make the voyage in fifty hours. On Wednesday the Halifax agents received a message from the commander stating that they met tempestuous weather and up to that time had only made eighty hours. At midnight tonight no tidings had been received at St. Johns of the steamer.

GUSTAV OF SWEDEN WORKS AS STEVEDORE

Sweden's King Sheds Royal Robes For Overalls—Intends To Mix With All Classes Of Laborers.

Stockholm, Dec. 5.—King Gustav inaugurated a new departure for sovereigns on Saturday. Disguised as a stevedore he spent most of the day carrying sacks of coal from a lighter. In an interview after it was all over the king said that this was only the beginning. He intended to mix with all classes of laborers, so that he might ascertain their opinions and wishes. Already, he added, he had obtained many valuable hints from the men with whom he worked.

REV. ANNA HOWARD SHAW ADDRESSES STRIKERS

Suffrage Orator With Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont And Other Women Climb Rostrum In New York.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 5.—Thousands of striking shirtwaist makers crowded the Hippodrome today as the guests of Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont to learn from Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes, the Rev. Anna Howard Shaw and other women suffrage orators of the alliance between the ballot and better economic conditions. The striking girls protested that they did not want to strike and that they hoped the time would soon come when they would never have to strike. Dr. Shaw told them that she believed them and had no doubt many of them preferred home life to industrial strife. She said:— "But it is men as tailors, bakers and weavers who have taken our household work away from us and driven us into general industry. "Women are not in factories and sweat shops to escape the duties and pay of motherhood. They do not take the pay of men and work longer hours because they like it; it is because they cannot help it."

EARL GREY LEAVES QUEBEC FOR AMHERST

Quebec, Dec. 5.—His Excellency Earl Grey arrived in Quebec yesterday morning. He spent the night here and proceeded to Nova Scotia today.

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTOR GETS ANOTHER TRY

Montreal, Que., Dec. 5.—The contract for the sub-structure of the Quebec Bridge, has, it is understood, been awarded to Mr. M. P. Davis, of Ottawa, who built the original pier work. The price for the new work is stated to be about \$2,500,000.

Five outbuildings on the Thomas farm, Salem, Mass., were destroyed by fire last night, at a loss of \$19,000.

TO INTERFERE WITH KELLEY CASE

Ottawa Will Appeal to Washington In Case Of Alleged Smuggler Recently Arrested In Vicinity Of The United States Boundary Line—Mr. Carvell Interviews Prisoner In Portland Jail.

Special to The Standard. Portland, Me., Dec. 5.—Hon. F. B. Carvell, of Woodstock, N. B., was here tonight to investigate the case of William J. Kelley, of Richmond, N. B., who is held by the federal authorities, awaiting his arraignment on an indictment charging him with assault on Deputy Collector of Customs Frank Burns, of Fort Fairfield, in April, 1902 and also on the charge of smuggling and resisting an officer at the time of his recent arrest, November 17, last. Kelley claims that his recent arrest was on Canadian and not American soil as the federal officers allege.

Interviewed Kelley. Mr. Carvell had an interview with Kelley in the Portland jail and also had a conference with United States District Attorney Robert T. Whitehouse who will conduct the prosecution of the case against Kelley. Neither gentlemen would give out the details of the conference yet Mr. Whitehouse admitted that the trial of Kelley of the seven year old arrangement which had been set for December 10 in the United States district court had been postponed until December 28 in order to allow Mr. Carvell to be present. In the meantime the grand jury undoubtedly will be asked to consider the charges of smuggling and resisting an officer.

A Detective. The most startling new feature with the case was brought out when Mr. Carvell admitted that it was the claim of the Canadian that a man who accompanied him at the time of

the arrest was no friend of his as the federal officers alleged, but a detective hired by the officers especially to entice him onto United States soil. The officers had previously stated that an unknown man had been after Deputy Collector Peters had fired a shot at him and that Kelley had afterwards admitted that he agreed with this man to cart his contraband stuff across the line. Mr. Carvell says that this man introduced himself to Kelley as a Mr. Black, and that he was a total stranger to him. Mr. Carvell would not detail his interview with Kelley, but he did intimate that it gave him sufficient grounds to warrant bringing the matter to the diplomatic attention of Washington.

The Woodstock member was Kelley's attorney at the time the United States government, instituted extradition proceedings after the alleged assault on Burns, and his client won out. At the time Kelley, North Carolina claimed that he acted in self defence. Burns shot at him twice, the first bullet passing through one side of his face and the other luckily striking a belt buckle. That the United States authorities have already begun to prepare for the case is evident through the fact that Deputy United States Attorney Jenks has been surveying the place for the Federal authorities where it is alleged the arrest of Kelley took place and also the scene of the alleged assault which the former place is at Union Corners, Me., 40 rods from the Canadian Line, and the latter spot nearby and 60 rods from the Canadian line.

UNITED STATES TO DESPATCH BIG ONES NOW

Sand Bars Not Intervening, a Small Fleet Of Uncle Sam's Battleships Will Be Sent To Nicaraguan Waters.

PRESIDENT TAFT IN CONFERENCE

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 5.—Orders from Washington that four of the modern warships now at the yard be prepared for immediate sailing, caused great activity today at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. The new battleship Michigan has been ordered into commission and is to sail for Hampton Roads on next Thursday. Another battleship, the Idaho, is being prepared to sail at a moment's notice, but her destination is being kept secret. The new armored cruiser Columbia has been ordered to the Brooklyn navy yard, where she will be converted into a transport and will be held in readiness to convey additional marines to Central America if necessary. The new torpedo boat Smith, which recently completed her trial trip, and was accepted by the government, is being prepared for departure for the torpedo station at Newport, R. I., on Tuesday.

Despairing of quickly freeing the auxiliary cruiser Dixie from the mud flats at Pea Patch Island in the Delaware River, where she has stuck since last Thursday, the government today had the marines and stores aboard the straggler cruiser removed to the auxiliary cruiser Dixie. It is probable that the latter vessel will get under way tomorrow.

Taft in Conference.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—President Taft tonight called Secretary of State Knox into consultation at the White House, and the report spread that the topic under discussion was the matter of sending to Congress a hot and stinging special message against the revolution in Nicaragua. Neither the President nor Mr. Knox would say anything of their conference. It is regarded as likely, however, that the Nicaraguan matter was uppermost in the President's mind. The discussion took the form of outlining a policy that will cover the whole Central American country. So far as the news is concerned, the day was uneventful.

Unofficial But Vociferous.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—The Central America junta, composed of diplomats and others from the five tributary republics between Yucatan and South America, is one of the latest acquisitions of the capital of the United States. While it has been meeting regularly ever since Secretary Knox sent his famous letter to President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, it has managed to keep its existence in mystery. The junta is working steadily on plans that have to do with the future of the little states washed by the waters of the Caribbean Sea.

Passenger Trains are from one to four hours late in St. Paul tonight.

According to an official statement, the Northern Pacific has all the switchmen here that it needs and new arrivals are shipped west. Endorsed Stand. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 5.—Unions affiliated with the Chicago Federation of Labor today entered the strike taken by the striking railroad switchmen in the northwest, and pledged the strikers moral and financial support. Attacks were made in the meeting on the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen for its refusal to support the strike. It is understood that if a strike is ordered in Chicago, the switchmen belonging to the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen will go with the switchmen who are members of the switchmen's union.

PULLMAN COMPANY DUSTING CANADIANS

Replacing Canadian Staff With American Importations—Alien Labor Law May Be Enforced.

QUEBEC TO OTTAWA BY THE C.N.R. NOW

First Tram Over Newly Completed Section Carries Five Hundred Passengers—New Country Opened Up.

Special to The Standard. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 4.—There is some excitement in local railway circles over the recent move by the Pullman Company in dismissing a number of Canadians in their offices at Montreal. It is understood that this is only the start and the Pullman Company intend to replace the Canadians all along the line by Americans. The men let out in Montreal are the local superintendant of platform men and office clerks. The local superintendent for the Pullman Company in Toronto, is an American and was appointed only a few weeks ago and it is expected that another American will be here in a few days from the United States to do duty on the platform. The Canadians who are being dismissed have the entire sympathy of all other branches of the train service who will, it is understood, take the matter before the Dominion Government with a view to having the alien labor law enforced.

LIBERALS CHOOSE BATTLE GROUND

Effort Of Government In England To Force Veto Of Lords As Main Issue In Campaign Successful—Conservatives Unable To Sustain Tariff Reform Slogan.

London, Dec. 6.—If, as has been freely said, the plan of the Conservative leaders were to force tariff reform to the front in the election campaign and, as far as possible, thrust the question of the veto into the background, their plan has already miscarried. The campaign both in the press and from the platform, is being waged with a bitterness not seen in British politics in many years, but it is exclusively upon the question of the action of the Lords. All the election manifestos issued up to the present by the Liberal, Radical, Labor and Socialist parties have put the attack upon the Lords to the forefront, as have all the speeches on the government side. More significant still is the fact that the whole religious body of the country, Anglican, non-Conformist and the Catholic, appears to be against the Lords' pretensions.

A Great Effect. The Archbishop of Canterbury's abstention from voting in the division in the House of Lords, and the Archbishop of York's frank denunciation of Lord Lansdowne's resolution undoubtedly had a great effect. Following on the manifesto issued by the National Council of Free Churches, which declared that the action of the House of Lords "makes reforms supported by non-Conformists impossible," the Church Times, the most influential and widely circulated church paper together with the Christian World, and the organs of the Methodist, Baptist and Catholic sections, declare for the Commons in the struggle against the Lords.

In the meantime neither Mr. Balfour nor any other Conservative leader has advanced any defined scheme for tariff reform or has given the slightest indication of how the Conservatives propose to find the money to replace the rejected budget proposals. The Conservative Morning Post editorials this morning warn the party that the coming contest will be a critical and severe one and that if the Unionist cause is to triumph, its adherents must display tactical ability as well as courage and vigor. It will be the height of folly says the paper, to fight on ground selected by the Liberals and the Unionists must remember that tariff reform is the only possible alternative to the rejected budget. The Post's warning is timely, for the Unionist speakers and newspapers are mainly occupied in showering abuse upon their opponents' tactics.

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JOHN DILLON WILL NOT HANG FOR MURDER

Sentence Of Eccentric Book Agent Commuted To Life Imprisonment Upon His Being Declared Insane.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 5.—John Dillon, alias Smith, who was sentenced to death at Montreal for the killing of a policeman, and was himself badly wounded, will escape the death penalty. The alienists appointed by the Government to examine his mental condition have declared him insane and by order in council his sentence has been commuted to imprisonment for life.

NEW CONNECTIONS FOR PENNSYLVANIA

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 5.—With the completion of the Pennsylvania R. E. tunnel under the East River, New York, and the securing of nearly all the land rights needed in the enterprise, it is stated in railroad circles here that the plan will be pushed for the connecting of the New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. system with the Pennsylvania R. R. at Long Island City. The new connection will be made jointly by the New Haven and Pennsylvania companies, through a third corporation, known as the New York Connecting Railroad Company. Its total cost is estimated at not less than \$16,000,000. The viaduct and bridge over Hell Gate, 17,000 feet long will probably cost not less than half that sum and the work will take three years.

TO TEST WIRELESS UNDER ALL CONDITIONS

United States Navy Undertaking Thorough Test Of Wireless System Of Telegraphy In Tropics And Arctic.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 5.—The scout cruisers Birmingham and Salem, equipped with the most elaborate wireless outfits ever placed aboard an American war vessel, sailed from the Charlestown Navy Yard on a cruise which will necessitate the reeling off of thousands of miles through tropic seas and Arctic ice flows for a thorough and complete test of wireless telegraphy under all conditions of latitude and climate.

LAURIER MAY YET BE FORGED TO QUIT SEAT

Definite Rule Requiring a Resignation In Such Cases Within Seven Days Of Opening Of Parliament.

SPEAKER'S DECISION TO BE DISCOVERED

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 5.—The question of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's status as a member of the House of Commons, sitting for both Quebec East and Ottawa, is by no means settled even by the Speaker's ruling of Thursday last that he could sit for both seats as long as he liked. The ruling could be reduced to an absurdity by assuming that if the Premier can sit for two seats, he would be entitled to sit for three, or even a score, if he wished. It is probable that notice will be given the Speaker tomorrow that the ruling will be discussed on Tuesday. It will certainly be discussed this week, whether the Premier resigns one of the seats or not.

The question turns upon the rule of the Canadian Parliament which reads, "In all cases not provided for hereinafter, or by sessional or other orders, the rules, usages and forms of proceeding of the House of Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in force on the first day of July, 1857, shall be followed."

A session order of the British Commons renewed at the beginning of every session and which no member returned for more than one constituency must elect which he will represent within seven days of the opening of the session. When Speaker Marcell made his decision he expressed his doubts whether the British House of Commons was in session on July 1, 1857, or not, but even if it were he has not been able to find that the rule had been observed in this country, in fact, he said the practice in Canada had been far from uniform, and there had been no formal ruling on the subject.

No Doubt. The Standard learns that as to the first point there is no doubt whatever. An examination of the journals shows that the British House of Commons was in session on July 1, 1857. Therefore the rule of the British House, in force on that date and according to its own enactment the rule of the Canadian Commons. The question has been placed in the hands of Mr. A. S. Meighen, who though one of the youngest men in the House, is a very able lawyer. In conversation with The Standard today he pointed out that the rule had been observed by the Canadian Commons until Sir Wilfrid Laurier came into power. He finds that members elected for more than one constituency made their declarations in the House on the seventh day unless in cases where there was a protest.

The member who has broken the rule worst is Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, who allowed fifteen months to go by before he declared whether he would sit for Nicolet or Gaspé. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who has been a member for Quebec East since the general election of 1908 has only broken the rule so far as this session is concerned for there was a protest against his election in Ottawa which was only disposed of last fall.

DR. PARKIN UNABLE TO SPEAK AT CAPITAL

Distinguished Educationalist Will Not Be Able To Deliver An Address Before Canadian Club As Planned.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 5.—Dr. Geo. R. Parkin has sent a telegram to A. R. Slipp, M. P. P., secretary of the Canadian Club, regretting his inability to come here and make the first address before the Canadian Club, owing to the short time at his disposal in America. At Christ church Cathedral this evening Mr. Stanley Farrar the Cathedral organist gave an organ recital. He was assisted by Mr. Eimer Hanger, formerly of St. John, who sang "Fear Not Ye, O Israel." The W. S. Harkins Co. concluded a successful engagement of the Opera House last evening and leaves tomorrow for Campbellton. The river still remains open and mild weather causes the water to keep almost at freshet height.

TO MAKE TORONTO A SEMI-DRY TOWN

Special to The Standard. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 4.—Toronto will be dry after one o'clock on Saturday and six o'clock through the week, if the new municipal temperance movement has its way. The movement is simultaneous with the one now in progress in Montreal and was launched last night by the West End Christian Temperance Society.