

SAVING UNITED STATES WANTS TO BE

Taft Suggests Re-Course For The Aggrieved SPECIAL MESSAGE Urges that Courts be Authorized to Settle Disputes Arising From Collection of Tolls on Foreign Shipping Passing Through Panama Canal.

Washington, Aug. 19.—President Taft closed a day of conference on the Panama Canal Bill with a special message to Congress suggesting the passage of legislation which would permit American ships to travel free to test the legality of this provision.

It was the belief here tonight that a determined effort will be made to meet the President's wishes, although some leaders, particularly in the Senate, were inclined to believe that the message meant no further action in regard to the canal at the present session.

Mr. Taft explained that he was anxious to sign the present bill, but wished to assure other governments of the fairness on the part of the United States.

The President's suggestion in addition follows: Treaty Not Repealed. That nothing contained in the act entitled 'An act to provide for the opening, maintenance, protection, and operation of the Panama Canal and the sanitation and government of the Canal Zone,' shall be deemed to repeal any provision of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty or to affect the judicial construction thereof, or in anywise to impair any rights or privileges which have been or may be acquired by any foreign nation under the treaties of the United States relative to tolls or other charges for the passage of vessels through the Panama Canal, and that, when any alien, whether natural person, partnership, company or corporation, considers that the charging of tolls or the enforcement of any other regulation under and pursuant to the provisions of this act violates in any way any rights, liberties or privileges, such alien shall have the right to bring action against the United States for a redress of injury which he considers himself to have suffered and the district courts of the United States shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine such cases and to decree the appropriate relief and from the decision of such district courts there shall be an appeal by either party to the action to the Supreme Court of the United States.

Recourse for Aggrieved. "This language," continued the message, "negatives absolutely any desire on the part of Congress to repeal the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty or to violate its provisions by this legislation and leaves open to any person who feels himself aggrieved by the provisions of the act an opportunity to appeal to our courts. After full examination of the treaty and of the treaty which preceded it, it is concluded that the exemption of the coastwise vessels of the United States, from tolls, and the placing of tolls upon vessels of all nations engaged in foreign trade is not a violation of the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty, but distinguished lawyers in the house and senate differ from this construction and the Secretary of State has received an informal protest from the British government that the contemplated legislation is in violation of her treaty rights."

"I am sure it is not the intention of Congress to violate the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty or to enact anything inconsistent with its provisions and that it certainly is not its purpose to repeal by subsequent enactment the law of the land. It is of the highest importance, however, that this attitude should be made clearly known to the nations of the world and that we should avoid any appearance of equivocation."

Wanted Action. The message after being read in the house was referred to the inter-state commerce committee on action of Democratic leader Underwood. The committee has adjourned for the session and Chairman Underwood sought to have the bill left on the speaker's table, but the house immediately voted otherwise.

"It's gone to bed so far as the

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THE WEATHER

PRICE TWO CENT

CANADA'S ROYAL GOVERNOR GENERAL SPENT A BUSY DAY IN THE CITY OF THE LOYALISTS

Officiated at Opening of Playground, Viewed Courtenay Bay Works and Unveiled Memorial Tablet Duke of Connaught Everywhere Accorded Stirring Reception by Thousands of Patriotic Citizens-- St. John en fete to Receive Distinguished Visitors.

Marked by varied and frequent manifestations of patriotic fervor, replete with impressive scenes and inspiring incidents, offering opportunities for all classes of citizens to take part, the welcome accorded to the royal party yesterday, was well worthy of the occasion as well as the traditions of the Loyalist city.

In every part of the city His Royal Highness was met with a splendid reception. Even the weather man extended a warm welcome, for the day was bright with sunshine and of a genial temperature. Every part of the programme for the entertainment of the royal visitors was carried out as arranged; the city was en fete, nearly everybody took a holiday; and the celebration was an unequalled success.

In the morning the royal party with their attendants, landed at Reed's Point, and were escorted to the court house by a guard of honor, and presented with an address by the civic authorities, after which the royal procession passed through some of the principal streets of the city. The Duke and Duchess, accompanied by the Duke's children, were met at the Landing on the east of the city by the Mayor and the members of the Executive Council of the Union Club where a banquet was tendered by the mayor.

At the same time Princess Patricia was entertained at luncheon by Miss Hazen, daughter of the minister of marine and fisheries at the family residence on Hassen street.

At 2:45 o'clock the Imperial Army and Navy Veterans, who had assembled at S. C. Irvine's office on Princess street a little earlier, marched to the club and formed up in a semi-circle in front of the German street entrance to the club. A few minutes later about 50 men of the 28th N. B. Dragoons in command of Capt. J. Starr Tat rode into German street and formed up in front of the club in readiness to escort His Royal Highness to the playgrounds.

Shortly before three o'clock His Royal Highness, accompanied by His aide-de-camp and Col. Lovelace came out of the club. As His Excellency stepped out on the sidewalk the Veterans saluted, and Sgt-Major Irvine removing his hat, read the following address: To Field Marshal, His Royal Highness, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, Governor General of Canada. Your Royal Highness: We, the undersigned Veterans of the Imperial Army, resident in St. John, have the honor to extend to you in all humility and with every desire to ask your acceptance of this humble tribute of welcome to New Brunswick.

It is a commendable feature in the king's regulations, which forbid the services of men from subordinate to their superior officers, nevertheless we cannot refrain from expressing our appreciation of the various military capacities have never been exceeded.

HOME RULE SPELLS RUIN FOR IRELAND

Ex-Unionist Minister States Bill is Poorly Drafted and Predicts Determined Resistance in Ulster.

Most Suitable Man for Post and Has Solid Support of Party.

Montreal, Aug. 19.—Right Honorable Walter Hume Long, M. P., former chief secretary of Ireland, today, in an interview with the Duke of Connaught, are on a brief visit to the city. Mr. Long, as was to be expected from an ex-Unionist Minister, declared himself very emphatically against Home Rule, in an interview today, and expressed the greatest confidence in Mr. Bonar Law.

"We have grown to love and esteem our adopted home, and our adopted brethren. It unhappily the day should ever come for a man to arms, we can assure Your Royal Highness the 'Assembly' will sound from coast to coast with an uncertain ring."

It is impossible, said Mr. Long, that the House of Commons may not pass the Home Rule Bill, certainly the House of Lords will not pass it. I have not yet had any conversation with Lord Lansdowne on the question. The Home Rule Bill is a badly drafted measure. It will not make us friends with the Nationalists, and it will alienate the Loyalists, and it will alienate the Loyalists.

"The measure becomes law Ulster will certainly take some strong step to make the working of the act impossible. Whether it will take the form of a provisional government, I cannot say. Ulster will not have the bill at any price. It means ruin for Ireland, and tremendous trouble for themselves. Ireland would have to be divided into the north and the south, and the two things which are held to be impossible."

It was also found that Mrs. Murray's sister and her children were in the house and had all been murdered. The bodies of the four children were found in a silver vase carefully deposited in the front room. The bodies of the children were found in a silver vase also 232 in English gold and silver indicating that the family was not in financial difficulties. Four of the bodies, comprising one woman and three children, and not as was at first stated, a man, woman, and two children, were found carefully laid in a row in a charred bedroom. Their clothing and the murderer's body was discovered close by with a revolver and a can of petrol in the hands. The bodies have been taken to the town hall where they lie in coffins. Great crowds have surrounded the house and the town hall throughout the day.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, Aug. 19.—A smash up occurred in the railway yard at Halifax tonight when the incoming suburban engine crashed in a head-on collision into a shunting engine. They did not meet on the same rails, but the shunter extended a little beyond the point leading into the other track and the suburban struck the corner of the shunter. The pony trucks were knocked off the suburban and the engine otherwise considerably damaged.

TRAGIC WOMAN IS IN SAD PLIGHT

Mrs. Michael Sullivan Destitute in Montreal After Futile Search for Long Missing Husband.

Montreal, Aug. 19.—Absolutely destitute, with a fretful little boy clinging to her shoulder, Mrs. Michael Sullivan, of Tracadie, N. B., was the subject of much sympathy at Windsor street station today.

Mrs. Sullivan and her baby, who is so ill that she fears he will die before reaching home, arrived from New York last night where she has for the past month searched for her husband who left home three years ago but who had written promising to meet her on her arrival there. During the first year after the father had left, she received occasional remittances from him, but for the past two years she has heard nothing from him.

GENERAL BOOTH SINKING FAST

New York, Aug. 19.—Salvation Army headquarters here announced today that Miss Evangelina Booth, daughter of William Booth, had received a private cable message saying that her father was sick and that the message was not given out but word of the general's death was expected any time.

Berlin, Aug. 19.—According to reports published by a news agency the complete retirement of the Kaiser from court functions may be ordered this winter because of her continued ill health. It is also reported that the fourth transfer of Crown Prince Frederick William from Danzig to Potsdam is occasioned by the intention of the Crown Princess Cecilie to replace the Kaiser at social functions until the latter has regained her strength.

There is no disposition on the part of the house leaders so far as they would indicate tonight to attempt to press a resolution of the character of that recommended by the president. There was an informal conference between Representative Shirley, of Kentucky who talked with the president on the subject, and others, who have taken a prominent part in Panama legislation in the house and the sentiment expressed was that there would be no further legislation and that the president vetoed the bill, the whole matter would go over to the December session of Congress.

KILLS FOUR, WOUNDS ONE, SUICIDES

Captain Hicks Murray Committed Quintuple Crime in Fit of Insanity—Mystery Enshrouds Murder.

Former Officer Rented House in Name of Mythical American.

Eastbourne, Eng., Aug. 19.—Captain Hicks Murray, formerly of the famous Scots Greys, committed this morning in a fit of insanity early in the day a crime which shocked the public mind. He shot and killed his sister-in-law and her three children dead, wounded his wife and then committed suicide.

STATION IN CHINA GRAVE

Rumored that Dr. Sun Was Assassinated on President's Orders—Assembly Threatens to Impeach Yuan.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 19.—Dr. Sun Yat Sen, first provisional president of China, was assassinated today in Peking by troops acting under orders supposed to have been given by President Yuan Shi Kai, according to an unconfirmed report in local Chinese circles. The news has reached Dr. Sun's son and daughters who are on the Pacific coast.

The rumor was not credited at the Chinese consulate or in the offices of where no news of an attack upon Dr. Sun had been received. At the consulate the report was dismissed as entirely improbable.

James Ward Rogers Defied the Law For Years TRADED IN IVORY

Supposed to Have Netted Him Fortune—British Troops End Romantic Career After Difficult Hunt.

London, Aug. 19.—Hunted down by British soldiers in the depths of the jungles of Central Africa, where for years in defiance of all authority he had pursued the career of an elephant poacher and illicit ivory trader, James Ward Rogers, an American is dead. He was shot down by a little force of troops which had been sent into the wilderness in pursuit with orders not to return without the outlaw dead or alive.

MANY JOINED BOGUS 'GRANGE'

Some Three Thousand New Brunswick Farmers Subscribed One Dollar Each to Alleged Society.

Special to The Standard. Hartland, Aug. 19.—For several months past a man named James Sirois has been going through Carleton County purporting to be organizing a farmers' grange similar to the co-operative society in the United States. Each party who joined paid Sirois one dollar and received a membership card. It is believed that at least 3,000 joined the society, of which one Dr. Cleveland St. John is the reputed president.

Several of the farmers became suspicious and on Saturday night Sirois was arrested by Officer A. R. Foster on complaint of William Hallett and was admitted to bail by M. L. Hayward, Justice of the Peace. Today the trial was held and the evidence taken under consideration by the justice a decision to be given on Monday. As soon as the proceedings terminated Sirois was again arraigned on a warrant issued by Justice John Barnett, charging him with obtaining money from Sydney Merritt by falsely pretending that he was Dr. Cleveland, Mr. Barnett refused bail and the prisoner was remanded to Woodstock jail until Saturday next. The matter created considerable interest and the village was crowded with members anxious to surrender their membership cards and receive their money back.

AGREE TO BUILD SINGLE WARSHIP DURING THE YEAR

Washington, D. C., Aug. 19.—Conference on the naval armaments bill agreed today to provide for one battleship at a cost not greater than \$15,000,000. An appropriation of \$2,350,000 is to be available for the beginning of the work. No agreement was reached as to size, dimensions nor armament. The naval bill in other respects was adopted as approved by the previous conference, and is now acceptable to the house and senate.

If his reply should be unsatisfactory the national assembly will summon him to explain in person. If his explanation personally should prove unsatisfactory then the house will impeach President Yuan Shi Kai or the whole Chinese government.