

WESTERN ONTARIO BORE BRUNT OF DISASTROUS WIND STORM

60-Mile Gale Causes Great Havoc—Buildings in Many Cities Blown Down, Trees Uprooted, Car Lines Tied Up For Hours.

Toronto, Dec. 1.—Toronto was swept by a windstorm, the fury of which has seldom been equaled here, at a little past eight o'clock on Saturday night. It was heralded by the failure of the electric lights. Just short of 8 o'clock in the residential districts the street cars came to a stop. Within a few minutes the street lights faded out. They came on again shortly, and hardly had they begun to glow when the storm came in all its fury.

The wind snapped trees like matches, blowing dead on from the south, and blew the rain before it in sheets. It tore the roofs off houses and factories; it left line upon line of fallen fences; telegraph and telephone wires, caught by the falling trees, came down in the direct confusion. In homes near the lake the inhabitants felt their abodes rock like a ship upon a stormy sea. Away out on the lake the water leaped in mountains, and the well-sheltered bay was too rough for navigation. Above all, in the dark clouds a mysterious blue-green sheet of light came and went, fast and yet too slow for lightning, and added to the terrors of a fearful night.

One death resulted from the storm, George Dowson being killed on Ontario street by a falling tree.

At half-past 8 the machine for ascertaining the velocity of the wind at the storm signal station showed the gale raging at the rate of 78 miles an hour. This is a record for Toronto. Later in the evening the wind veered round to the west, and in the opinion of some the change of direction saved Toronto from a still worse storm. Although, according to the Meteorological Office, the wind storm on Saturday night was not the worst Toronto has experienced, it reached a velocity of 60 miles an hour here. In Buffalo, with which the Meteorological Office was unable to establish communication until 10 o'clock last night, the wind reached a velocity of 80 miles an hour. In Toledo it was 68 miles an hour, and in Windsor 50 miles an hour. It is believed that in other points nearer the centre of the storm the velocity was greater than in any of the towns mentioned, but owing to the incomplete-

ness of its reports the Meteorological Office could not make any definite statement in this connection tonight. The disturbance was first noted in the Lower Mississippi Valley on Friday night, and was caused by the existence of an area of low pressure there. It was not until late Friday night that it showed signs of gathering strength, but its development was rapid, and on Saturday it commenced to move in a north-easterly direction, gathering strength on the way. It crossed over Lake Michigan and Georgian Bay, with the centre of the storm passing in the vicinity of the Soo.

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Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Nov. 30.—Though a wild storm has been raging over Lake Superior since yesterday, no reports had been received of any accident on the lake up to 6 o'clock, neither the Canadian Ship Canal nor the American Ship Canal having heard of any damage. The only vessel which has passed through here to-day was the steamer Uley, which was down-bound, and had a rough passage over Lake Superior. The wireless station here has no reports of any trouble.

MINERS MUST RESUME WORK

Persons Violating Injunction Cited For Contempt.

Indianapolis, Nov. 30.—Coal must be mined and every miner, operator or any other person who has acquired knowledge of the temporary injunction and who thereafter violates its terms, will be cited for contempt to-day, declared Dan W. Simms, special Assistant United States District Attorney.

Mr. Simms issued a statement of warning to all. It has been indicated here that if the miners do not return to work after the posting of notices by the operators that the mines will be operated in compliance with the decision of the Government, many men will be brought before Judge A. B. Anderson in Federal Court here next week to face a charge of contempt.

Mr. Simms said that every officer and miner connected with the United Mine Workers of America has full knowledge of the terms and provisions of the temporary injunction, and that every local has received a copy of the withdrawal order cancelling the strike.

"Coal will be produced, and every miner, operator, or any other person who has acquired knowledge of the temporary injunction and who thereafter violates its terms will be cited for contempt," the statement says. "In addition to this," it continues, "all persons, whether miners or operators, whose acts of conduct bring them within the inhibitory terms of the Lever Act will be prosecuted."

The Government also is having difficulty with the mine operators, it is understood, and prosecutions of the operators are in prospect unless they comply fully with the Government's orders, it was indicated.

The post-card is 49 years old in Britain.

Big Radio Depot For Vancouver, B.C.

New York, Nov. 30.—The Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of Canada will build in the vicinity of Vancouver, B.C., a powerful radio depot. The station, which will cost \$2,000,000, will handle commercial business between Canada and the Orient. A station of like power and cost will, of course, be built in Japan.

Negotiations are being carried on with the Governments of Canada and Japan for licenses to construct and operate the two stations necessary to establish direct communication across the Pacific.

British Girls Sail For Canada

London, Nov. 30.—A party of 62 girls and women sailed from Glasgow for the Pacific yesterday. All of them had been selected strictly in accordance with the Canadian Government regulations. All were eager to exchange the stale old world for a life of freedom in the households of Ontario.

"Five conducted parties of about the same strength will sail for Canada during December. Winter weather will not deter these enthusiasts, who have likewise undertaken to go to any part of Canada."

Plymouth Elects Lady Astor.

A despatch from London says: Lady Astor has been elected to Parliament to succeed her husband, the new Viscount Astor, by 5,000 majority. "Everybody is capable of being convinced by common sense," said Lady Astor. "Mine was a campaign of common sense."

Her husband's majority in the election last year was nearly 12,000, which shows a loss to her sex of nearly 7,000. The vote stood: Lady Astor (Unionist), 14,495; W. T. Gay (Labour), 9,292; Isaac Foot (Liberal), 4,139.



The only kind of striking record just now.

Weekly Market Report

Breadstuffs.
Toronto, Dec. 2.—Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$2.30; No. 2 Northern, \$2.27; No. 3 Northern, \$2.23, in store Fort William.

Manitoba oats—No. 2 CW, 88¢; No. 3 CW, 86½¢; No. 1 feed, 83½¢; No. 2 feed, 81½¢, in store Fort William.

Men, barley—No. 2 CW, \$1.53½; rejected, \$1.55½; feed, \$1.35½, in store Fort William.

American corn—No. 2 yellow, \$1.70; No. 3 yellow, \$1.69, track, Toronto, prompt shipment.

Ontario oats—No. 2 white, 88½¢, according to freights outside.

Ontario wheat—No. 1 Winter, per car lot, \$2 to \$2.06; No. 2 do, \$1.97 to \$2.08; No. 3 do, \$1.83 to \$1.99, f.o.b. shipping points, according to freights.

Ontario wheat—No. 1 spring, \$2.02 to \$2.08; No. 2 spring, \$1.99 to \$2.08; No. 3 spring, \$1.95 to \$2.01, f.o.b. shipping points, according to freights.

Peas—No. 2, \$2.60.
Barley—Malting, \$1.50 to \$1.52, according to freights outside.

Buckwheat—\$1.30 to \$1.33, according to freight outside.

Rye—No. 3, \$1.37 to \$1.40, according to freights outside.

Manitoba flour—Government standard, \$11, Toronto.

Ontario flour—Government standard, \$9.50 to \$9.60, Montreal and Toronto, in bulk bags. Prompt shipment.

Milled—Car lots, delivered Montreal freights, bags included: Bran, per ton, \$45; shorts, per ton, \$52; good feed flour, \$3.15 to \$3.50.

Flour—No. 1, per ton, \$22; mixed, per ton, \$21 to \$23, track, Toronto.

Straw—Car lots, per ton, \$11.50 to \$12.50, track, Toronto.

Country Produce—Wholesale.

Eggs—New laid, cases returnable, 80 to 85¢; held, 55 to 60¢. Butter—Creamery solids, 61 to 63¢; co. prints, 62 to 64¢. Honey—White, per lb., 20 to 21¢.

Live poultry—Hens, 4 to 5 lbs., 18 to 25¢; hens, under 4 lbs., 15 to 20¢; hens, over 5 lbs., 25 to 26¢; spring chickens, 15 to 28¢; roosters, 15 to 20¢; ducklings, 22 to 28¢; turkeys, 30 to 38¢.

Eggs—No. 1, 60 to 61¢; select, 63 to 64¢; new laid, 85 to 90¢. Butter—Creamery prints, 65 to 67¢; choice dairy prints, 57 to 59¢; ordinary dairy prints, 50 to 53¢; bakers', 45 to 50¢. Oleomargarine (best grade), 35 to 37¢.

Cheese—New, large, 31½ to 32¢. Maple syrup—Per 5-gal. tin, 33 to 34¢; do, one-gal. tin, 31½.

Provisions—Wholesale.

Smoked meats—Rolls, 30 to 31¢.

Five-Shilling Note
For Great Britain

A despatch from London says: Great Britain is going to have five-shilling notes, which at the present rate of exchange are equivalent to one-dollar bills.

The present high price of silver is responsible for their introduction, and if the cost keeps at its present height some substitute will have to be found for lesser valued coins.

Largest of Shells Driven Through Thickest of Plate

A despatch from London says: Sir Robert Hadfield announces that the largest caliber of armor-piercing shells has been driven in recent British tests through the thickest of modern armor plate. This feat in gunnery, he says, will render the British big guns, weighing something like 180 tons, unsurpassed in naval engagements in the future.

hams, med., 37 to 38¢; heavy, 33 to 34¢; cooked hams, 49 to 51¢; back, plain, 47 to 48¢; backs, boneloss, 49 to 52¢; breakfast bacon, 42 to 46¢; cottage, 33 to 34¢.

Barreled Meats—Pickled pork, 34¢; mess pork, 34¢.

Green Meats—Out of pickle, 1c less than smoked.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clears, in tons, 32½¢; in cases, 28 to 29¢; clear bellies, 27 to 28¢; fat backs, 32 to 33¢.

Lard—Tierces, 29 to 29½¢; tubs, 29½ to 30¢; pails, 29½ to 30½¢; prints, 30½ to 31¢. Compound lard, tierces, 29½ to 30¢; tubs, 29 to 30½¢; prints, 30 to 30½¢.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Dec. 2.—Oats, extra No. 1 feed, 90½¢. Flour, new standard grade, \$11 to \$11.10. Rolled oats, bags, 90 lbs., \$4.50 to \$4.55. Bran, \$4.50. Shorts, 55¢. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$24 to \$25. Cheese, finest eastern, 21¢. Butter, choicest creamery, 68 to 68½¢. Eggs, fresh, 90¢; selected, 66¢; No. 1 stock, 58¢; No. 2 stock, 55¢. Potatoes, per bag, car lots, \$2.05 to \$2.35. Dressed hogs, abattoir killed, \$25. Lard, pure, wood pulp, 20 lbs. net, 91¢.

Live Stock Markets.

Toronto, December 2.—Choice heavy steers, \$12.50 to \$13.50; good heavy steers, \$12.50 to \$13; butchers' cattle, choice, \$11.50 to \$12; do, good, \$10.50 to \$11; do, med., \$8.75 to \$9.25; do, com., \$7 to \$9.50; bulls, choice, \$10 to \$11.50; do, med., \$8.75 to \$9; do, rough, \$7 to \$7.25; butcher cows, choice, \$10 to \$10.50; do, good, \$9 to \$9.25; do, med., \$8 to \$8.25; do, com., \$7.25 to \$7.50; cutters, \$5.25 to \$6; butchers' bulls, com., \$5.50 to \$6.25. Good veals, \$14 to \$17; med., \$9 to \$13; grass, \$6.50 to \$7. Ewes, \$7 to \$8; lambs, good, \$13.75 to \$14; com., \$12.50 to \$13.25. Hogs, select, \$16.75 to \$17; lights, \$15 to \$16; heavies, \$16; sows, \$12.75 to \$13.

Bodies Picked Up
From Ill-Fated Myron.

A despatch from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., says: After nearly a week's patrol of the north and south shores of Lake Superior and Whitefish Bay, searching parties were successful on Friday in picking up five bodies above Salt Point, in Whitefish Bay, from the ill-fated steamer Myron. The remains arrived here Friday night. No word has been received as to their identity.

War area in Northern France and Belgium is estimated to contain 3,000,000 tons of copper, of which one-third may be reclaimed. Sectors where hard battles raged are said to have 250 tons of iron to every 2½ acres.

The wonderful improvements in farming made in the last 250 years have been due mainly to two things: The introduction of grasses and clover, and the invention of labor-saving machinery.

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT MERCHANT MARINE FLEET OF 23 SHIPS

Completed Before End of 1919 Unless Severe Weather Hinders Construction of Many Large Steel Vessels Now Under Way in Dominion Ship Yards.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Unless severe weather upsets the present expectations, the Canadian Government Merchant Marine Fleet will number twenty-three vessels before the end of the present year, according to Mr. Alex. Johnson, Deputy Minister of Marine. It is hoped that sufficient vessels to bring the total to the above number will have been delivered before the end of next month.

The Canadian Navigator, a steel vessel of 4,350 tons, built by the Canadian Vickers yards at Montreal, has been completed, made her trial trip and handed over to the Government.

The Canadian Spinner, an 8,350-ton steel ship, will have her trial trip and be delivered before the end of next week, it is expected. She will, after being handed over, leave Montreal either for Halifax or St. John, to load for South American ports.

An instance of rapid shipbuilding work has been accomplished by the Vickers works in the case of the Cana-

dian Planter. This ship, which is of 8,350 tons displacement, was launched on the afternoon of November 22, the boilers were installed on November 23, the engines installed on November 24, and, it is expected, unless severe weather upsets plans, to turn the vessel over to the Government before navigation closes.

The Canadian Settler, which is being built at the Tidewater Yards, at Three Rivers, Que., will, it is expected, be handed over on Saturday morning next, while the Canadian Rancher, also from the same yards, will be delivered before the close of navigation. Another vessel on which delivery is expected before the close of navigation is the Canadian Traveller, being built at the Lewis yards. The Canadian Railer, under construction at the Wallace Shipyards, Vancouver, is expected to be complete and handed over before the end of the year, making the twenty-third vessel of the Canadian Government Merchant Fleet in commission.

SOMALILAND BACK TO BRITISH RULE

Reverted to Barbarism During Great War.

A despatch from London says: The loss and recapture of that thankless tract of scrub desert called British Somaliland, on the southern shore of the Gulf of Aden is one of the unwritten pages of the great war. When the Camel Corps was withdrawn from Somaliland and sent down to take a share in the German East African campaign, the offlying regions of the protectorate reverted to barbarism. This was the only part of the British Empire lost in the war. Sixty-eight thousand square miles just slipped out of the Empire and nobody noticed it.

Among the gallant band now recovering its yard by yard, is a young officer named Ransome, who was one of the army of four Britishers which invaded German East Africa two days after the war was declared and fired the bush along a hundred miles of border.

The Germans saw pillars of smoke and imagined a great army and feared to attack. Meanwhile British reinforcements arrived and the country was saved from butchery by one of Ransome's companions, armed with a sporting gun, made for shooting humming birds without disturbing the plumage.

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ENGLAND.

Miss de Lancy, who for many years was housekeeper for the House of Lords, has retired.

Rev. G. H. Aitken, rector of Lambeth, died suddenly after a short illness of only two days.

Handicraft classes for disabled service men have been started at the London County Council School of Arts and Crafts.

Seventeen thousand people attended the military tournament at Olympia, and three thousand were unable to obtain admission.

The result of the election held at Guildhall was that C. S. Ashdown and Charles Eves were elected as sheriffs of the city of London.

Factory plant is in great demand in Great Britain, and buyers are paying the Government large prices for its surplus war material.

The Board of Agriculture has purchased forty acres of Fordingham Recreation ground for a colony of demobilized soldiers and sailors.

The death took place recently near Rochester of ex-Gunner Chapman, who took part in the Baltic expedition under Sir Charles Napier.

A service was held in Westminster Abbey in memory of eight choristers and four members of the Abbey staff who fell in the war.

While Rev. Samuel Hosking, vicar of Coalville, Leicestershire, was preparing a peace sermon, a blood vessel burst in his brain, and he died immediately.

Lloyd George's son-in-law, Major T. Carey Evans, R.A.M.C., has returned to London from Baghdad, where he has been serving with the forces.