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THE GOVERNMENT AND MARCONI COMPANY

British Cabinet Approves Policy of Fisheries Department and Contends for Adoption of Similar License.

(From Monday's Daily.)
In an interview at Ottawa Hon. W. Templeman, Acting Minister of Marine and Fisheries, made the following statement:

Relative to the statements being made by the manager of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company in connection with what he claims to be the unfair manner in which the department of marine and fisheries is administering the law passed in 1905 for the regulation and control of wireless telegraphy in Canada, it would perhaps be advisable to give the reasons which influenced the government in bringing wireless telegraphy under its direct control.

One of the greatest difficulties with which the practical working of wireless telegraphy is confronted is interference; that is to say, experience has proved that only a very limited number of stations are capable of operation within the range of the station or stations without interfering with each other, and in order that wireless telegraphy could be utilized as an aid to navigation, for the purpose of communicating from ship to shore, (the most important use to which wireless telegraphy has up to the present time been put), as well as for commercial purposes, it was deemed advisable to limit the number of stations to a few, and to place all the leading nations of the world that were most international agreement be arrived at that would bring all wireless telegraph stations, whether on shore or on ship, under the

Direct Control of the Government upon whose territory or ships they were situated.

To this end a preliminary conference was convened at Berlin in 1903. This conference agreed to a protocol which formed the basis of the wireless convention which was held at Berlin last October, at which the following nations were represented: United States of America, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Norway, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Siam, Uruguay, Roumania, Mexico, Greece, Netherlands, Monaco, Persia, Portugal, Belgium, Chili, Denmark, Egypt, Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria and the Argentine Republic.

The most important article, in fact, the pivotal point, discussed at this convention, was Article 3, which reads in its amended form as follows: "Coast stations and ship stations are bound to exchange telegrams with each other without regard to the particular system of radio-telegraphy adopted by these stations."

It was deemed essential to the satisfactory working of stations operating under an international agreement, that the multiplication of wireless stations belonging to different companies operating in the same zone should be prevented, for reasons which are perfectly obvious, to grant a monopoly to any one wireless company.

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Barred From Communicating the fact with a passing ship because of the latter's contract with the Marconi Company. The refusal of the Marconi Company to inter-communicate with other systems was considered so dangerous to shipping interests that all nations were forced to agree unanimously to the inclusion of Clause 3.

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In this connection it will be of interest to quote the Rt. Hon. Sidney Buxton, the British Postmaster General, who in speaking at the colonial conference on the 14th May last, said: "I hold strongly the view that while it is perfectly true that we are in a dominant position in regard to wireless telegraphy at the present time, it is to our advantage to have inter-communication between the various systems and it is to our disadvantage to have a particular system in this country which refuses to inter-communicate. I would like to say as emphatically as I can that the Board of Admiralty, who after all are the people most concerned in this matter, think it would be a very serious matter if this convention were not ratified. They have stated publicly, and they have sent the following message to the Marconi Company: 'We are in favor of the effective range of the station or stations without interfering with each other, and in order that wireless telegraphy could be utilized as an aid to navigation, for the purpose of communicating from ship to shore, (the most important use to which wireless telegraphy has up to the present time been put), as well as for commercial purposes, it was deemed advisable to limit the number of stations to a few, and to place all the leading nations of the world that were most international agreement be arrived at that would bring all wireless telegraph stations, whether on shore or on ship, under the

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PUNISHING THE KOREAN DELEGATES

PRINCE YI HAS BEEN SENTENCED TO DEATH

Life Imprisonment for Associates—The Prince Will Remain in United States.

Seoul, Aug. 12.—The Korean Supreme court has passed sentence upon members of the Korean delegation to the Hague. Prince Yi Sang Sil has been sentenced to be hanged and Yi Wichow and Yi Chun sentenced to imprisonment for life.

Blames Japanese. New York, Aug. 12.—News that he had been sentenced to death and that his associates in the ill-fated mission to the Hague had been sentenced to life imprisonment, was conveyed to Prince Yi, nephew of the Emperor of Korea, at the Broadway Central hotel here today.

"The Japanese of course are responsible for this," the Prince commented. "I do not blame them so much, however, as I blame the traitorous Koreans who have sold themselves to the Japanese. The only effect of this action against me will be to add energy and enthusiasm to the work of patriotic Koreans for their country. This order for my execution will certainly be carried out if I ever go within Korean or Japanese jurisdiction. It would be mere suicide for me to return to Korea. If I could gain anything for my country by putting my head into the Japanese noose I would be very glad to do so. I cannot see that I would serve any good purpose by doing so now, and it is not my purpose to return to Korea. I shall keep up my work for Korea here, and I shall be glad to see the day when I can return to my country."

Prince Yi recently sent to President Roosevelt a request for a private audience. The Prince received a reply in which the president stated he would have no time at present to grant such audience. Prince Yi said he accepted this as a declaration from the president to see him, and would make no further effort in that direction.

HIGH PRAISE FOR ISLAND FRUIT

EXHIBIT WAS THE FEATURE OF FAIRS

Herbert Cuthbert and J. W. Martindale Return from Their Tour in Middle West.

(From Monday's Daily.)
Herbert Cuthbert, secretary of the Tourist Association, who, in company with J. W. Martindale, was in charge of the local exhibit at the Winnipeg, Brandon, Regina and Moose Jaw fairs, has just returned home, stated to the Times to-day that the object of the exhibit had been accomplished in every way, and that success had attended it at all four shows.

"The intention of the association in preparing and exhibiting this representative collection of local fruits, flowers and shrubs was not merely to advertise Victoria, for, as one newspaper man put it, Victoria does not need advertising, but to impress upon the minds of those inspecting the fact that this district offers opportunities for those who wish to engage in fruit growing and other pursuits, such as are unrepresented in any other part of the province," said Mr. Cuthbert. "How far that object has been attained may be gathered from the fact that the number of people who viewed the exhibit at the four fairs amounted to, approximately, 100,000, and that it received more laudatory press notices than any other exhibit shown at the big Winnipeg exposition. Add to this the distribution of nearly 20,000 pieces of literature dealing with this city, and issued by the association, and you will understand the amount of good that the exhibit has worked for the city. The chief piece of literature that we gave away was an extract from 'An Outpost' magazine, and held by the shatterered timbers, from incineration. In addition to the cabbage being smashed several box cars were badly broken up."

Crushed to Death in Collision on the Northern Pacific. Tacoma, Aug. 11.—C. B. Carl, a Northern Pacific freight conductor, was instantly killed in a rear end collision between his train and the train of Brakenham and Rodgers, both slightly injured.

Conductor Killed. Cheyenne, Wyo., Aug. 12.—The Wyoming land board has just announced the opening under the Garry Act, of 150,000 acres of the Eden Valley land in Sweetwater and Fremont counties, north of Rock Springs, on the Union Pacific railroad. Thirty thousand acres are now available for public entry. The land is irrigated from the public domain under the Garry Act.

Automobilists Rejoice. New York, Aug. 10.—The maximum penalty for autos exceeding the speed limit in New York city has been placed at \$10 by a decision of the Supreme court. Justice Trux's decision is regarded as a victory for the various return associations whose representatives have for a long time been urging less severe punishment for speeders.

Census of Canal Zone. Panama, Aug. 12.—A census of the canal zone, just completed, shows nearly fifty thousand inhabitants of the zone. About twenty per cent. of the total are white.

JOURNALISTS ENTHUSIASTIC

CANADA EXCEEDED THEIR EXPECTATIONS

Deeply Impressed by the Wonderful Activity and Indications of Substantial Progress

Nelson, B. C., Aug. 12.—The scenic glories and the boundless resources of the Kootenay have been revealed to the British journalists who were guests of the C. F. R. during the past three days. A delightful sail down the picturesque Arrow lakes on the palatial C. P. R. steamer Roseland, followed by a visit to Roseland, where a descent was made to the 1,600-foot level of the Centre Star and other mine prospects. The party met a number of citizens, who showed them every attention.

The party left for the Flat this morning, stopping over at Poflage Lake, and reaching Winnipeg Wednesday night. They will be entertained there by the Canadian Club and be the guests of the attorney-general in the evening. On Thursday they will resume the homeward journey, reaching Toronto on Sunday next.

The impression of the party gained through Canada was voiced by T. B. MacLachlan, of the Scotsman, who said "Canada has in every respect exceeded my highest anticipations, notwithstanding all I had read of the wonderful activities. I did not expect to see in the west such indications of substantial progress. Our journey through the great wheat plains was a constant succession of surprises. I have been deeply impressed by the vigor and courage of the Canadian people, charmed by their kindness and warmth of heart. Of the majestic splendor of British Columbia it is needless to speak. One can only look upon it in silent wonderment."

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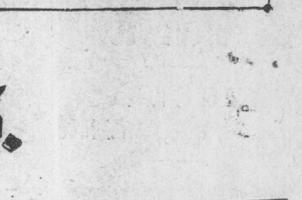
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LOST LIFE WHEN SKIFF CAPSIZED

YOUNG MAN DROWNED IN HAMILTON BAY

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Hamilton, Aug. 12.—Through the accidental upsetting of a skiff in the bay on Saturday night Wm. Court, age 21, was drowned. His step-brother, Jos. Jobson, had a narrow escape being rescued in an exhausted condition after being in the water nearly an hour with his clothes on.

Quebec Politics. Montreal, Aug. 12.—Premier Gouin, of Quebec, speaking at St. Susteche Sunday, said he could not say when the Quebec elections would take place. Regarding the attacks on one of his ministers, Mr. Turgeon, in connection with the Baron Legins matter, he produced a sworn declaration from Mr. Turgeon that in connection with the sale of lands there never was any question of an election fund. Premier Gouin's speech is regarded as a declaration that Mr. Turgeon will remain a member of the government. The premier also declared that the government would insist on an investigation into the affair.

May Be Reorganized. Toronto, Aug. 12.—It is understood strong efforts are being made to reorganize the Southwestern Furniture Company which was declared to be practically insolvent a short time ago.

Municipal Union. Fort William, Aug. 12.—Delegates and visitors to the annual convention of the Canadian Municipalities, which is being held at this city this week, have commenced to arrive. The city has put on its best clothes in their honor, and the buildings are decorated. An enthusiastic welcome was delivered by former Mayor Dyke.

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