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FAIR AND COOL

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# Sugar Order Suspended Until Reviewed Premier Postpones Tour to Hear Case

## LEGALITY OF **BOARD ORDER** IS UNCERTAIN

Minister of Justice Says Legislation Creating Commerce Board Has Been Exceeded.

PREMIER POSTPONES HIS WESTERN TOUR

Sugar Order is Very Likely to be Definitely Cancelled After Meeting on October 20.

Ottawa, Oct. 14. - Action by the Government in regard to the order of the Board of Commerce fixing the of granulated sugar at twenty cre cents per pound and confining sales to Canada came with dramatic swiftness tonight when it was an nounced that the order had been sus pended pending a hearing before the Governor in-Council on Wednesday October 20.

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Unless reasons can be shown for contrary action at the hearing, the order of the Board will doubtless then be finally rescinded. Meanwhile, as stated, it is suspended.

Owing to the importance of the measure and his desire to be precent at the hearing, and until the question is finally disposed of, Premier Meighen has decided to defer for one week his Western tour. All dates of meetings at mounced are, therefore, postponed for that length of time.

The decision of the Government was arrived at today after a full consideration of the effect of the regulations possed yesterday by the Board.

This decision, which is set out in an order in-council based upon a report made by Hen. C. J. Doherty, Minister of Justice, sets out the view that the regulations passed by the Board of Commence are very probably illegal and that, whether strictly illegal or not, they are of a character never to tended by the legislation establishate the Board. The view is further expressed that they seem designed to effect a purpose wholly outside the Board of the outside in view of the very great importance of the question involved, opportunity will be given to all interested for and against to be heard by the Government in-Council if they so desire, and Wednesday, October 20, at 10:30 a. m., has been fixed as the date of hearting.

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TWO DRIFTERS

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To the Country's Trade.

London, Oct. 14—Alber committing that the Government has committed to the Miners' Executive to the effect that the Government has explored and exhausted every are solution.

Proposals Reasonable

In a letter to Robert Smillle, the Miners' leader, the premier expressed the rejection of proposals "so supreme likely to bring about serious disaster to the country's trade.

The premier reviews the Government appoints out how, finding that recent in creases in wages have been followed the other with a support of the premier attemption of the province of the p

# CAPE BRETON

Crews Have Narrow Escape from Going Down With

Halifax, Oct. 14.—Boisterous weath-

er on the Atlantic has wrought havo to the latest flotilla of trawlers and to the latest fictilla of trawlers and drifters which left this port on Sunday last. Two trawlers and three drifters sailed for Inverness, Scotland. Today one of the trawlers returned here and reported the loss off the Cape Breton coast of two of the drifters. the crews of which were saved. The other trawler was last seen heading for Sydney with the third drifter in tow. On board the TR-54, which returned here, were the crews of the two lost drifters. They had a narrow escape from going down with their boats, one crew being reached as the ship's decks were awash. The drifter sank ten minutes later. There were eight men on each of the drifters. High seas had swept over the boats and extinguished the fires.

## **CREW OF REDONDA** IS PICKED UP BY U. S. S. CHELOHSIN

Vencouer, B. C., Oct. 14.—A wireless message to the Union Steamishlo
offices here this afternoon from the
United States steamer Chelohein stated
that that vessel had taken on board
the thirty members of the crew of the
Seattle steamship Redonda.
Seattle, Oct. 14.—The steamer Redomaic was reported in advices several
days ego to have dropped her propeller. She is believed to be proceeding to Seattle under tow.

## SHIPS COLLIDE IN FURIOUS HURRICANE; FOUR MEN MISSING

James Carruthers" Left in Sinking Condition After Striking U.S.S. "Surveyor"

Prince Rupert, B. C., Oct. 14. The steamer James Carruthers collided with the United States steamships Surveyor in a hurricane at 11 o'clock Tuesday night, off Green Island. The Surveyor, a much lrager vessel, was carrying 74 men on the way from Alaska. The Carruthers tore a hole in the Surveyor, about eight feet above the water line which was soon patched. The impact put the Carruthers in a sinking condition. Four men are missing from the Carruthers. They are James Mansileld, Newfoundland; Alex Murray, Nova Scotia; C. Kerr, Scotland, and Geo. Anderson, Norway.

## **EVERY EFFORT EXHAUSTED TO AVERT STRIKE**

Gov't Still Ready to Explore Every Avenue Which Might Prevent Calamity.

LLOYD GEORGE IS DISAPPOINTED

Regards Threatened Coal Strike as Most Disastrous to the Country's Trade.

dure the trials imposed by the rejection of the offer in the knowledge that the proposals made by its elected government have received the support of the rost responsible and experienced minds in the federation.

## **CONFERENCE OF** MINE WORKERS **ENDED YESTERDAY**

## **JUGO-SLAVS ARE MASSING TROOPS** AT THE FRONTIER

Geneva, Oct. 14.—Telegrams from Klangenfurt say that the Jugo-Slava dissatisfied over the results of the plebscite, are massing troops at the plebscite, are massing troops at the frontier. In the Carinthia district it is reported 21,852 votes favoring union with Austria were cast, while those in favor of joining Jugo-Slava number 15,696.

## ONE ARRESTED FOR DEATH OF MISS STEVENS

Wilful Murder is Verdict Rendered by the Coroner's Jury in Edmundston Tragedy.

TWO MORE ARRESTS ARE EXPECTED HOURLY

William St. Pierre, 28 Years of Age, Held on Suspicion of Crime When Probe Over

## "WAR BOOM OVER" IN OLD ENGLAND AND PRICES DROP

English Optimistic of Giving the Knockout Blow to High

London, Oct. 14—The high cost of a living in England is at an end. The improvement of the control of the cost of t

During the past six months the average fall in prices on raw materials has been thirty per cent. Rubber products have come down fifty per cent, tin has tumbled twenty-five per cent, copper six per cent, merino wool forty-five per cent, and American cot ton thirty per cent. ton thirty per cent.

The only sensational decline among food staples, however, was the thirty per cent. drop in the price of sugar.

DISCOURAGED FISHERMEN GOT HUGE MAKEREL CATCH

## WORLD NEWS TODAY MRS. MATHEWS

Fieral Government suspends or-der of the Board of Commerce fixing sugar prices and prohibu-ing importation. Case will be re-viewed at Ottawa on Oct. 20. Legality of the order is much consciously.

ing.
William St. Pierre arrested at Edmundston, N. B., in connection with the murder of Miss Minnte

with the murder of Miss Minnie Stevens.

Mrs. Louise Mathews, charged with murder at St. Andrews, N. B., will take the stand today in her own defence.

Butter and beef drop in prices on Montreal market.

Kingston, Ont., penitentiary authorities discover plot for a big jail delivery.

Two drifters from Halifax are lost off Cape Breton, but crews are saved.

### THE BRITISH ISLES

Cork City Hall raided by the military. Riots and ambuscades reported from many parts of Ireland and seweral civilians and soldiers have been killed.

Lloyd George will not recode from position he has taken in British mire trouble, and a strike next Monday looks certain.

UNITED STATES

Four seamen are missing as a result of the collision between "James Carruthers" and the "Surveyor" in the Pacific.

Sugar prices in the United States are quoted by many places as low as 11 cents per pound.

## MOST DARING ATTEMPTS AT JAIL DELIVERY

Plot to Blow Portsmouth Penitentiary off Map.

AGENCY AT WORK

FROM THE OUTSIDE

Quest for Evidence Reveals Several Cans of Nitro-Glycerine and Some Fuses.

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 14.—One of the most daring attempts at jail delivery ever known in Canada has been discovered at Portsmouth penitentiary here, according to a sensational story pub-lished by the Kingston Standard this evening. Evidence is said to have been uncovered showing the part of the plot was to blow the penitentiary off the face of the earth. It is said that enough mitroglycerine to destroy the big prison has been discovered, along with some fuse and a number of deadily weapons.

When the prison authorities became suspicious of the plot they put under ciose confinement four convicts, it is said, and kept them segregated. The feur are believed to be: Symondskt, who in August, 1914, escaped from the Pertsmouth penitendiary and almost killed Guards Dowsley and Tatteh and who was recaptured at North Bay; "Cigarcetie" Brown, "Wash" Kallis, who was sent from the prison at Edmonton, Alberta, to the penitentiary here for safekeeping, and a urlaoner

# WITNESS FOR OWN DEFENCE

Woman Charged With Murder to be Called to Give Own Version of Alleged Crime.

### BABE'S CLOTHING IS **IDENTIFIED IN COURT**

Crown Case Against Upper Mills Prisoner Completed and Verdict is Expected.

St. Andrews, N. B., Oct. 14.—Hearing in the case of The King against ing in the case of The King against Mrs. Louise Matthews, of Upper Mills, charged with the murder of her infant daughter by drowning in the St. Croff River, occupied the attention of the Circuit Court all day; it is expected to be finished tomorrow. The case for the Crown closed with the evidence of Albert H. Robinson, of Upper Mills, at whose home there Mrs. Matthews gave birth, while separated from her husband, to the little one whose body was found in the St. Crofx River, and the evidence of Mrs. Mary S. Cox, of Calais.

Mr. Robinson's evidence told mostly of the birth of the child on May 15, of the absence of the young mother and child when he returned from work on the evening of May 27, and the return of the mother on the night of May 28 last without the child.

He identified clothing on the body when it was fished from the river on June 5 as supplied by him to the mother from a supply that was in his home. Mr. Robinson is a widower, and a few years ugo had for a house sceper for a short lime a young married woman whose child died while she was with him, and the listle garments exhibited in evidence belonged to this housekeeper, lira Mabel Hazen. Mrs. Mary S. Oox, of Calais, with whom Mrs. Hazen was making her home when her child was born, also oid-entified the clothing in this case as

## DEEPENING OF ST. LAWRENCE MUST BE UNDERTAKEN

Part in Project.

Toronto, Oct. 14—At a luncheom given by the Toronto Board of Harbor Commissioners to the International Joint Waterways Commissioners here today, at the conclusion of the commission sitting in this city, R. Home Smith, who presided, said that it the United States did not see its way clear to make the deepening of the control of Board of Health.

Montroal, Oct. 14.— The Presby-terian Synod, in session here passed a recolution today regarding cold styrtentiary were aroused some time ago, and they at once began a thorough irrestigation. This investigation is said to have resulted in laying bare the scheme to blow up the peniteatiary. The queet for evidence against the supposed plotters involved the tearing away of some structure in the prison, and this revealed several cans of nitroglycerine and some fuse. The weapons, which included rifles and shotguns, were unearthed in another part of the peniteatiary.

Agency From Without.

One disquieting feature of the aleged plot, according to the Standard, is the belief that the explosives and fivearms could not possibly have been taken into the institution by convicts, and that some other agency than that of the suspected prisoners must have engineered the daring scheme. What the Standard, is gency it, or who are behind it.

### EXPECT ANOTHER "FLU" OUTBREAK

Toronto, Oct. 14.—Anticipating another outbreak of Spanish influenza this winter, Dr. C. J. Hastings, M. O. H., for Toronto, has issued instruc-

## MacSWINEY CONSCIOUS

## FIFTY PER CENT. **CUT IN PRICES** OF ALL MUSLINS

New Bedford Cotton Mil Closing and Butter and Beef Cheaper in Montreal Market

New York, Oct. 14.—Selling agents for two lines of widely known bleached muslins announced today that drastic price cuts would be made tomorrow. One ed today that drastic price cuts would be made tomorrow. One line will be cut from 35 cents to 20 cents a pard, while another will be reduced from 31 to 19. In the first case the cut represents a decline of 50 per cent, for the high record.

### Mills Shutting Down.

Boston, Oct. 14.—The Sharp Manufacturing Company announc-ed today that all its mills in New Bedford would close tomorrow for an indefinite peroid. Prevailing conditions in the cotton market were given as the reason.

Montreal, Oct. 14.-Ad ecline in Montreal, Oct. 14.—Ad ecline in the price of butter and of beef was reported at the Bonsecours Market here today. Butter is 3 1-4 cents a pound cheaper, wholesale at 53 1-4 cents and one cent cheaper for the case. Beef has dropped about a cent a pound.

## POLICE TRAIL IN TRAGEDY OF NEW YORK

# Canada Would Do Work SYNOD TAKES RAP Alone if U. S. Fails to Take AT COLD STORAGE

Montreal, Oct. 14. — The Preebyterian Synod, in seasion here passed a
resolution today regarding cold s'orage plants, which, if acted upon by
the Government, might be a means of
knocking out Mr. High Cost and guarautee heathlier foods.

The resolution reads:
"Whereas, the high cost of living is
doubtless caused by profiteeping,
therefore recommended 'that our Government be asked to place all cold
storage food supplies under control of
the Board of Health, which shall have
power of seizure and sale before they
become unfit for use."

man Down 150 Foot Steel STOP COTTON MILLS

Toronto, Oct. 14.—While hundreds of people stood breathlesson terre firma, Joseph Moulday, construction foreman, carried the unconscious body of Frank Carvell, a fellow workman, down a 150 foot steel mast of a hoist derrick, at the King Edward Hotel extension here. Carvell had the ingers of his left hand taken off in the hoisting machinery aloft, and had fainted. Moulday will be recommended for the Humane Society's 1866 saving medal.

# CITY HALL AT CORK RAIDED BY MILITARY

Every Person in the Building Rounded up and Personal Search Made.

### TWO PERSONS KILLED. FOUR WOUNDED

When Soldiers Attempted to Raid a Tailoring Shop on Talbot Street, Dublin.

Dublin, Oct. 14—At 2.30 o'clock this afternoon an officer and two soldiers in a turneted armed car visited the Phibsborough bank to draw their pay. While the officer was in the bank, four young men opened fire on the car, wounding one of the soldiers. The other soldier vigorously returned the fire of the assalants, one of whom, a civilien, was wounded in the head and died later.

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The officer rushed out of the bank, revolver in hand. No shots were fired and the members of the attacking party escaped.

## Cork City Hall Raided

Cork, Oct 14—The first raid on the Cork City Hall since Terence Mac-Swiney, the Lord Mayor, was arrested asst August, took place shortly before noon today when four lorries, filled with soldiers, took possession of the building. The raiders temained for more than as hour. They made one arrest, John Eager, a clerk in the Highways Department, on whom they found a ticket for a raffle of a revolver.

Every person in the building was rounded up, and, with hands in the air, was sent to the corridor on the second floor, where a personal search was made. In the meantime ther was a systematic search of the var-ious department offices. Officials of the Treasury Department assert that 32 pounds, which were private funds, are missing from the safe.

of the count adjourned until Friday morning, with the announcement by P. Elmer McLaughlin, counsel for the accused, that Mrs. Matthews would testify in her own behalf when court opens. Much interest centres in what she will tell, for ever since she was arrested in July she has told no story to anyone unless it be her attorney Mrs. Matthews has been a model priscoper during her sojourn in the jall.

DEEPENING OF ST.

Part of Stock is Gone and Police Think it Was Used to Wreck Morgan Building.

Wreck Morgan Building.

New York, Oct. 14 — Ten cases containing a bout 500 sticks of dynatics with two lorries and an artempted to raid a building a policeman on duty, when solders with two lorries and an artempted to raid a building and four others wounded, in containing about 500 sticks of dynatics will tell, for ever since she was strested in July she has told no story to anyone unless it be her attorney oner during her sojourn in the jall.

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their contents remery, the police hope, may a lead in solving the Wall Street explosion.

The dynamite was brought to Manhattan by federal authorities who are trying to ascertain how the dynamite got to the island.

SYNOD TAKES RAP

AT COLD STORAGE

The disorders assumed such a serious aspect that the soldiers were summoned and with the aid of the police put down the rioting.

Patrolling Streets

Vould Place Them All Under Control of Board of Health.

Londonderry, Oct. 14—In consequence of the disorders Tuesday night an armored car patrolled the at feeted area and extra troops were placed on duty. There was considerable revolver fighting last night.

## MADE IN GERMANY CARS TO RUN ON BELGIAN RAILROADS

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HEROIC WORK BY

GANG FOREMAN

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The Commission are to the order is filled. Advices to the Trade Commission are to the order with Germans and will pay for the railway material with foodstuffs which are to be supplied to Germany.

# TWO DAYS WEEKLY

Manchester, Eng., Oct. 14—A ballot of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners today on short time resulted in a majority for stoppage of work on

. London, Oct. 14—A War Office re-port says: "A review of the whole situation in Mesopotamiz gives hope