

# DRURY PROMISES THAT GAS PROBE MAY BE REOPENED

Big Delegation From District Wait on Govt. and Urge That Recent Awards Are Most Unfair to the Consumers.

TORONTO, Aug. 23.—The Drury Government has undertaken to use its good offices with Gas Referee Henderson to secure a reopening of the investigation into the natural gas situation in Western Ontario, which resulted in a sharp increase in rates to the many municipalities dependent upon natural gas for light and fuel.

The promise was given by Premier Drury today to a deputation representing nearly all the municipalities concerned, but it was qualified by the condition that the Government would only go so far as it could without influencing or forcing the referee's decision.

The premier made it very clear that the matter having reached the referee by an agreement by the municipalities to submit the matter to arbitration, the Government could not step in and interfere.

## Allege Unfairness.

The position taken by the deputation was that the order of the referee increasing rates was not fair to the consumers, since the investigation last spring had not covered enough ground, and that they had not been able to submit much important evidence. They asked, therefore, that the Government help them to get the matter reopened before the referee.

## LETTERS OF GRATITUDE

Eloquent language and illustrations in advertising may appeal to many, but after all it is the honest, sincere letters from women, overflowing with heartfelt gratitude for health restored by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, that convince other suffering women that there is a medicine that will help them also. Many such letters are being published in this paper from day to day, and it is to any woman's advantage who suffers from female ailments in any form to give this old-fashioned root and herb remedy a trial.

## Eyes Weak?

If your eyes are weak and work-strained; your vision blurred, if you find it difficult to read and must wear glasses, go to your druggist and get a bottle of Bon-Opto and use it as directed. It will strengthen your eyes, clear vision, and sweet relief will make you tell your friends about Bon-Opto.

Note: Doctors say Bon-Opto strengthens eyesight 50% in a week's time in many instances.

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When your child is restless, peevish, sleepless, or when convulsions threaten, it indicates the ravages of worms. Miller's Worm Powders get promptly at the root of the trouble and restore the digestive organs to a healthy condition. Sold by all druggists.

## Smoke T&B

Smoke a pipe and enjoy T & B



DELICIOUS AND REFRESHING EVERY little movement means more thirst. THE COCA-COLA COMPANY, Winnipeg, Montreal, Toronto.

## Girls! Girls!! Clear Your Skin With Cuticura

Scaly, Chapped, Itchy, Etc. Each Small Jar 15c. Cuticura Soap, 25c. Cuticura Lotion, 25c. Cuticura Cream, 25c.

## DON'T DO THIS!

LEONARD EAR OIL RELIEVES DEAFNESS AND STOPS HEAD NOISES. Simply Rub it Back of the Ears and Insert in Nostrils. Proof of success will be given by the druggist.

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# NEW CANADIAN COMPETITION BY CUT RATES

Important Testimony Given Before Interstate Commerce Commission.

ARE CHARGES TOO HIGH?

Farmers Offer Effective Evidence at Hearing in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Witnesses for western grainmen testified before the interstate commerce commission today that eastern railroads had reduced rates on grain from Chicago to Atlantic ports for export in order to meet competition from Canadian carriers which previously had effected radical reductions. The hearings are being held to determine whether domestic rates on grain and hay should be reduced. The grainmen introduced the testimony, they said, to combat impressions that the reductions on export grain would benefit the farmer and increase the amount of grain exported.

Placed in Record.

Over the objection of attorneys for the railroads, the testimony was placed in the record by the commission.

It said: The proposed reduction is to meet competition of the lake and rail rates from Chicago via Buffalo and Georgian Bay ports.

The movement of grain from Chicago via the lake routes during the present season has been estimated at 1,400,000 bushels, of which 1,100,000 bushels or 78 per cent of the total, had moved by lake this year.

While Daniel Kelly, rate expert for the South Dakota Railroad Commission, was the chief witness, Commissioner Porter asked whether the solution to the whole problem of high rates would not be a reduction of operating expenses and whether another wage reduction of railroad workers could not be expected to lower the rates.

Mr. Kelly replied that in all probabilities both could be expected.

BRITISH CAPITALISTS MAY INVEST MILLION IN DAVIDSON MINES

Big Deal Will Be Discussed at Meeting Today.

TORONTO, Aug. 23.—An important addition to the working capital of the Davidson Consolidated Gold Mines will be available, if the deal proposed by Vice-President and Managing Director H. H. Sutherland is ratified at the special meeting of the shareholders tomorrow.

This will mean the provision of about £200,000 invested by a party of British capitalists as a result of Mr. Sutherland's visit to England, from which he has just returned.

Representatives of the new investors in Davidson are expected to attend the meeting in the persons of Sir Archibald Mitchell, Bart., and John Hambly, directors in the well-known firm of A. Mitchell & Co., Ltd., London, bankers and stock brokers, London, accompanied by J. Stanley Holmes, M. P., and G. Whitehead, a member of the staff of the Davidson Consolidated Gold Mines.

Editor of The Statist, all of whom arrived in New York on Saturday last. They will spend a day or two in Toronto, after which they will visit Northern Ontario and inspect the mines in Forcuna, Kirkland Lake and Cobalt, later making a few days' fishing in Lake Temagami.

Sir Archibald Mitchell was a partner in the firm of Lord Rhinoceros for many years, and is considered one of the keenest of the younger group of financiers in London, who have come to the fore during and since the war.

"I expect to see a flood of English money come here for investment in Canadian gold mines," said Mr. Sutherland tonight. "England has made a great deal of money out of gold, but the South African mines have passed their best. Sixty per cent of them could not now operate at a profit except for the premium on gold now paid. Many English holdings will turn to Canada."

WILLING TO REPAY \$3,000 TO THE GOVT.

Interesting Evidence at Probe Into Alleged Exchange Frauds.

TORONTO, Aug. 23.—Continuing the investigation of alleged frauds upon the Government by soldiers who cashed English money at par on the pretence that it represented army pay and allowances only, the commission this afternoon heard Major Ernest H. Greenwood, a first contingent man, who cashed £1,300 at different dates.

Greenwood estimated that only about £700 of this was pay and allowances. He had made some profitable investments in England. "It looks to me as if you owe the Government the exchange of £600," declared J. W. Godfrey, K. C., acting for the Government.

Greenwood replied that he was willing to repay the amount.

W. J. Dyson also consented to pay back the exchange on £1,070 he had received after it was shown that this sum came from a pension and from property disposed of in England.

Charles E. Barker, an iron worker of Hamilton, was shown to have collected exchange twice on the same money and undertook to pay back \$119 to the Government.

GOT DOLLAR REWARD FOR RETURNING \$11,000

BOSTON, Aug. 23.—One dollar reward for returning \$11,000 erroneously sent a charitable institution was acknowledged today by Roger Mitchell, manager of the book department of the Morgan Memorial. He promptly donated the gratuity to the institution.



ANOTHER LITTLE DROP WOULDN'T DO HIM ANY HARM!

# CHILD'S DEATH WAS ACCIDENTAL JURY DECLARES

No One to Blame for Chatham Fatality, Is Verdict.

CHATHAM, Aug. 23.—"We, your jury, empaneled and sworn to inquire into the accident causing the death of Charlotte Marshall on Saturday, August 20, find that, according to the evidence, death was purely accidental, and no blame can be attached to anyone."

This was the verdict brought in today at the inquest of the death of Charlotte Marshall, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Marshall, Victoria avenue, which occurred a few minutes after she was run over by a car driven by Mark Jones of London, Ontario, on Saturday.

This was the second fatality that occurred in this city within a week. The funeral of the little girl took place from the family residence yesterday, and interment took place in St. Anthony's Cemetery.

A local teamster appeared in the city police court today charged with assaulting a boy of tender years. It appears that the boy persisted in riding on the rear of the wagon of the teamster, who was unwilling to keep him off. The teamster, when all other means had failed, proceeded to administer punishment to the youngster, which was the cause of a charge of assault laid against him by the boy's parents.

Chief Groves stated that the boy, both to the boy and the teamster, and commended the teamster for his endeavors to prevent youngsters from riding on the rear of wagons.

Wife Is Missing.

High County Constable Peters received a complaint from a Dover Township farmer today to the effect that his wife and two children had disappeared from his home. The farmer stated that he had been out of the house for some time and had not seen his wife or children since.

Three fires occurred in the city today. The first alarm was sent in at 1:30 o'clock this morning and the other two at noon, within a few minutes of each other. Both the motor trucks and the horse trucks were kept busy during the hour of the fires. Very little damage was caused.

In Bad Shape.

Arthur Smith of this city, after an orgy with large quantities of whisky, was arrested last night by the county police. Smith was in terrible condition and, after his arrest, was moved to the hospital, where he was placed under medical care. Sometime during the night he escaped from the hospital, although dressed only in night attire. He was later caught by the police.

Will Deport Woman.

A Belgian woman and woman appeared before Magistrate Arnold in the county police court today charged with living in a manner that was likely to endanger the morals of the youth of the city. The woman was admitted to the court, according to the evidence, the woman was already married to a man, and she was charged with living with a man who was not her husband. She left her husband because he was a "bad" man and had treated her "rough."

The man was fined \$50 and costs and the woman is being held by the police until arrangements are made to return her to the U. S.

A large deputation from the Municipal Gas Consumers' Association left today for Toronto to wait on Premier Drury and his colleagues for the purpose of voicing a protest against Referee Henderson's decision as to the natural gas rates. The city is represented by City Solicitor O. L. Lewis, K. C., and Mayor F. H. Brisco.

CHEAP LUNCH FOUNDER LEAVES \$104,000 ESTATE

OTTAWA, Aug. 23.—The will of the late Mr. Napoleon Lafreniere, former well-known restaurant keeper, was filed for probate this morning, and shows that the estate of \$104,000 was left entirely to his wife, Mrs. Alexandra Lafreniere.

Mr. Lafreniere was the originator of the cheap lunch of the vessel Joseph Maui, a French-Canadian, and a third member of the crew, who professed not to know the name of the vessel, was held for a hearing later upon his refusal to give the information desired. The case has been held in the Raymond Street Jail, Brooklyn, as material witnesses since the vessel was seized.

REFUSE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS IN COURT

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—Michael Murphy and Robert Pike, members of the crew of the British schooner Henry L. Marshall, which was seized by the coastguard cutter Seneca off the New Jersey coast last month, were held in court today for their refusal to answer questions concerning the personnel and the alleged running activities of the vessel. Joseph Maui, a French-Canadian, and a third member of the crew, who professed not to know the name of the vessel, was held for a hearing later upon his refusal to give the information desired. The case has been held in the Raymond Street Jail, Brooklyn, as material witnesses since the vessel was seized.

# EMIR FEISAL TAKES THRONE OF NEW STATE

King George Sends Personal Message of Congratulation to Ruler.

AN IMPORTANT ALLIANCE

Britain Replacing Provisional Native Government of Mesopotamia.

BAGDAD, Aug. 23.—In the courtyard of the Government buildings at 6 o'clock this morning Prince Emir Feisal formally ascended the throne of the Irak region. A great assemblage witnessed the ceremony.

Sir Percy Cox, the British high commissioner for Mesopotamia, read a proclamation declaring British recognition of Feisal, as king, and handed him a personal message of congratulation and greeting from King George. This message announced the approach of a new era in the history of the Irak region, and the conclusion of a treaty "to consolidate the alliance into which we entered during the dark days of the war."

Great Britain's decision to replace the provisional native government of Mesopotamia by the creation of an Arab state, to be built up around Baghdad, was announced in the House of Commons by Winston Spencer Churchill, the colonial secretary, on June 14. It was indicated by Mr. Churchill at that time that Emir Feisal, son of the king of the Hedjaz, would be chosen head of the new state. King Hussein, it was added, had already consented that his son Feisal should be a candidate for the throne.

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# HATRED OF ENGLAND IN GERMAN BOOKLETS

Great War Veterans Want Govt. to Ban Them Immediately.

OTTAWA, Aug. 23.—That large quantities of German booklets containing insulting references to Great Britain and the other Allied nations were being rushed into Canada and that the practice must cease immediately were the opinions expressed today by high officials of the Dominion command, Great War Veterans' Association. These booklets, it is alleged, were being received by persons in positions of authority and without the consent of the recipients.

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# RUSH OF FRUIT IS OVER AT LEAMINGTON

Special Express Service Is Being Discontinued Shortly.

LEAMINGTON, Aug. 23.—The fruit season, which has been heavy this summer, is nearly over, and the Dominion Express Company, which has been sending out several cars each day during the summer, will likely discontinue this extra service at the end of the month. The tomato season is finished, and melon shipments do not warrant the extra service. The fruit will be shipped east by the P. E. R. trains instead of sending it west to Windsor, where the larger markets on the P. E. R. trains.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bastien of Amherst, Mich., are spending a few days with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Bastien, Marlboro street west.

Fairly large quantities of fish are being caught by the pound net fishermen this season, but unfortunately the price is not very high at present. The fish are shipped to the Canadian and American markets by express from here.

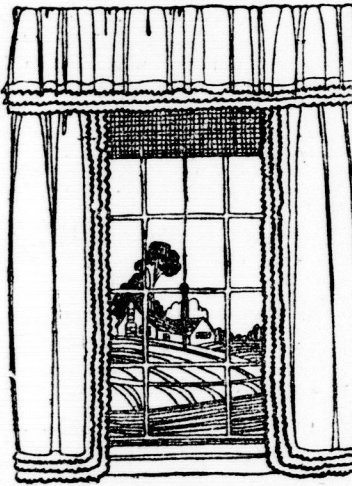
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gorman, returned missionaries from China, will spend the week in Wesley Church next Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Gorman have spoken of their work in Leamington before, and have always been met with large audiences.

Ray Kenyon, formerly of this town now residing in Windsor, who has been seriously ill for the past few weeks at the home of Mrs. Kenyon, Victoria street, is much improved in health and has left to resume his position with the Kenyon Hardware Company at Windsor.

TO FORM INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL FOR WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG, Aug. 23.—Organization of a joint industrial council, similar to the Whitley Councils of England, may be effected in Winnipeg before the winter, according to T. A. Stevenson, of the department of labor, Ottawa, who is attending the Trades and Labor Congress. The joint industrial council, Mr. Stevenson states, will be organized in the building trades.

Monthly meetings to discuss the problems of the industry will be held.



New Ideas in Drapery

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# August Sale

GOOD windows add materially to the attractiveness of the home, and it is to enable you to "dress up" your windows that we are offering the following specials from our Drapery Department at such low prices. In many cases the prices quoted are less than factory costs, and it is questionable if such another opportunity will present itself again for a long time to come. Certainly you can purchase these specials on our club plan, and at no extra cost to yourself.

## Colored Scrim

This includes our entire stock of regular 40c and 50c Scrims, light and dark grounds, in a host of beautiful color combinations, suitable for any room in the home. At, yard... **15<sup>c</sup>**

## Colored Repp

The popular material for window drapes, wide enough to split; colors green, rose, blue and cream; regular to \$2.75 yard... **\$1.25**

## 48-Inch Cretonne

All the latest colors and patterns, including shadow cloth effects; regular price \$1.50 yard, for... **95<sup>c</sup>**

## 36-Inch Cretonne

These Cretonnes have only been in our stock about ten days, and were purchased to sell at 75c yard. A good assortment to select from. Per yard... **50<sup>c</sup>**

## Marquisette Curtains

These are regular \$35.00 Curtains, 2 1/2 yards long, in ivory. In this special we have eight of the best selling patterns, but there's only about six pairs in each pattern to sell, so do not hesitate. Pair... **\$11.50**

## Lace Curtains

All 2 1/2 yards long, in white only; regular \$2.50 a pair. At our special price they are actually less than factory cost, so don't miss this bargain. Pair... **\$1.85**

## Colored Sateen

38 inch goods, in the choicest of colors and designs, suitable for covering comforters and cushions or for bedroom side curtains; regular 40c a yard, for... **29<sup>c</sup>**

THOMAS