WEATHER FORECAST

MARITIME PROVINCES
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TRIPOLI IS HEMMED IN BY TURKS

Islamites are Having All Better of Present Struggle With Italians — Regulars Reinforced by Warlike Natives.

EXCELLENT DISCIPLINE.

Paris, Nov. 23.—That the town of Tripoli is virtually beseiged by the Turks and that Home is in no better situation is the opinion of a correspondent of the Temps who has succeeded n joining the Ottoman forces near Zouagher. He telegraphed regarding the Turkish side of the war under date of November 12 and says that it is certain that after a month and a half, after large expenditure and serious losses, the Italians are no further advanced than on the day following their disembarkation. If the Turkish forces are inferior in numbers to the Italians they make up in confidence what they lack in numbers.

"I expected to find disaster and discouragement. On the contrary, everywhere I met order, discipline and contentment.

"Patient and ready for everything the Turkish soldier is accepting all without complaint. If he suffers, he knows its for the empire of Islam, while the Arab knows that if he dies, Paradise with Mohammed will be his."

The food of the Turkish army is frugal but sufficient. Arms are adequate, many carrying rifles captured from the enemy. The correspondent did not find any dissensions among the Arabs and the Turks. The Arabs whose forces had just been swelled by the fierce war-loving natives of Misrata, are most enthusiastic, insisting that they should be marched towards Tripoli to recapture it.

The correspondent is unable to divulge the numbers or plan of defence and offense of the Turks, merely saying that their foreign military attaches must have made helpful observations.

ST. JOHN MASONS ON NORTH SHORE

Officers of Grand Lodge of New Brunswick Officially Visited Brethren in Dalhousie—Enjoyable Function

Special to The Standard.

Dalhousie, N. B., Nov. 23.—Dalhousie was honored yesterday by a visit of the Grand Master and grand officers of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick. The visitors included R. W., H. S. Bridges, Grand Master; D. C. Firth, Deputy Grand Master; F. J. G. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer; C. D. Jones, Grand Director of Ceremonies; J. Twining Hartt, Grand Secretary; A. E. G. McKenzie, as Senior Grand Warden. Restigouche Lodge, No. 25, F. and A. M., was officially visited. The G.M. and officers were received by officers and members of the lodge with Grand Lodge honors. Grand Master Bridges spoke of the progress of the Order in New Brunswick and stated that it was never more flourishing, nor possessed of more vitality than at the present time. A portion of the third degree work was exemplified by the visitors and all then sat down to supper in the banquet hall of the lodge room and this brought to a close a pleasant and profitable meeting.

The visiting grand officers proceeded to Campbellton today to assist at the opening and dedication of Campbellton's new Masonic Hall this evening.

The Dominion Coal and Steel Company intend building a large stave factory on their premises this winter to manufacture nail kegs for their nail plant in Sydney, C. B., which is under construction at present.

The International Pulp and Paper Company shipped their last cargo of pulpwood from this port for the season yesterday, the plant here having had a very busy season.

John B. Delaney received the appointment of tidewaiter at this port this morning. Mr. Delaney is a native of Dalhousie and town councillor.

BOSTON WOMAN HAD CASH AND JEWELS

Boston, Mass., Nov. 23.—In the possession of an aged and feeble woman who was taken to headquarters today on a shoplifting charge, the police were surprised to find nearly $500 in bills and coins, three diamond lockets, seven shirtwaists and eight bank books showing deposits in Newport, Providence and Fall River banks of over $10,000. The woman said she was Mrs. Catherine McCann, Fall River.

PRELATE ARRIVES.

Naples, Nove. 23.—Cardinal-Designate Wm. H. O'Connell, of Boston, arrived here on board the steamship Canopic and was received by a large assembly of local clergy this morning.

SIR EDWARD GREY TO RETIRE FROM GOV'T

British Secretary for Foreign Affairs May be Succeeded by Hon. James Bryce--Several Other Resignations from Cabinet May Follow

SPLIT IN LIBERAL PARTY

London, Nov. 23.—The belief prevails in political circles that Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, will retire from the cabinet after his eagerly expected exposition on foreign relations on November 27 in the House of Commons, and that James Bryce, ambassador to the United States will succeed him.

The resignation of the foreign secretary will almost certainly be handed to the prime minister should any lack of confidence be shown in his policy during the debate which will follow his statement on Monday.

Sir Edward Grey, who, during the earlier years of his occupancy of the foreign office, received the almost unanimous support of all parties, has recently been the object of continuous attacks, not from the opposition, but by means of his own party. The secrecy with which diplomatic negotiations have been carried on has aroused the ire of the radicals, who latterly have received some support from the more moderate Liberals. The disclosures regarding the Anglo-German conversations with respect to Morocco, and the statements that these two countries were on the verge of war, have given the Radicals another opening, and they are now, it is understood for the retirement of Sir Edward, declaring: "We won't be drawn into war without knowing the reason why."

The Radicals favor an Anglo-German understanding and accuse Sir Edward Grey of balking their efforts in this direction, either by his own design or through the influence of anti-German officials in the foreign office. Should Sir Edward resign, Viscount Haldane, secretary for war and Reginald McKenna, the home secretary will likely follow him.

Jas. Bryce is the man thought most likely to be his successor as Mr. Bryce would be supported by the entire party as he was when the Unionists attacked him for the part he took in the negotiations on the subject of reciprocity between Canada and the United States. By a tacit understanding the Unionist leaders support the government's foreign policy, or at least refrain from criticizing it. They like the moderate Liberals, argue: Why turn a brilliant diplomatic victory into defeat by sacrificing the victory in order to secure the good will of the vanquished Germans.

The lobby is full of rumors of other troubles besetting the government. It is said in Unionist quarters that the cabinet is not able to satisfy John Redmond's home rule demands which have increased through fear of the growing O'Brienite strength in Ireland and the laborites are dissatisfied with the findings of the royal commission last August, with respect to the railway strike. They blame the cabinet for failure to secure recognition of the unions.

The prime minister, it is true, is under moral obligations to avoid a crisis during the King's absence, but it may be beyond his power to do so.

WOODSTOCK IS THE SITE OF UP-TO-DATE HOSPITAL

L. P. Fisher Memorial Hospital Opened Yesterday--Said to be Best in Province Outside St. John.

Special to The Standard.

Woodstock, Nov. 23.—The formal opening of the Carleton county L. P. Fisher Memorial Hospital took place this afternoon and evening. Hundreds of people from town and county were present. A luncha was served all in attendance by the ladies' auxiliary of the hospital. Speeches were made by Rev. F. J. McMurray, chairman of the board of control; F. P. Dibblee, one of the executors of the Fisher estate, and a member of the board; Mayor T. C. L. Ketchum, member of the board; Warden H. D. Stevens, a member of the board; Donald Munro, M. P. P., chairman of the building committee; W. B. Belyea, a member of the board and Dr. T. F. Sprague.

Votes of thanks were given to the ladies' auxiliary, to the ladies of the W. C. T. U. for furnishing a ward for children and to Miss Lane, the matron of the hospital. A letter was read from Premier Flemming regretting his absence and enclosing a check for $25. The chairman of the meeting, Rev. Fr. McMurray, stated that he believed the hospital was the finest one in the province outside of St. John. A Toronto gentleman present said in location it was the best in Canada.

Admirable Situation.

The hospital is situated in the upper end of the town and was the residence of the late L. P. Fisher. It is a handsome building in the centre of 10 acres of land with a large orchard in connection and surrounded by many shade trees. It is worth at least $75,000 and $4,000 has been spent in heating apparatus, etc. and in preparing for the admission of patients. The executors of the Fisher estate are A. B. Connel and Col. Dibblee, who set apart $10,000 to be invested to assist in the maintenance of the hospital. The county gives $750 a year, the town $500 a year and the province $500 annually.

A rented building has been used as the hospital since March 11, 1902. The first directors were the warden, the mayor, Rev. Fr. Chapman, Rev. G. D. Ireland, Drs. Rankine, Hand and Sprague and W. B. Belyea.

The directors in charge of the new hospital are, Rev. Fr. McMurray, chairman; W. B. Belyea, Col. F. H. J. Dibblee, Donald Munro, John Connor, J. C. Hartley, Warden H. D. Stevens and Mayor T. C. L. Ketchum.

AN EARLY MORNING FIRE IN WEST END

Residence of Mrs. W. C. R. Allan Damaged This Morning—Parrot Suffocated by Smoke in Cage.

About two o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the outhouses adjoining the residence of Mrs. W. C. R. Allan, on King street and an alarm was sent in from box 114. The West End fire companies were soon on the scene, but when they arrived the fire had broken out through the roof and had a good start. The flames illuminated the sky and it looked from the east side of the harbor as being really worse than it was.

The wood-shed where the fire started was near Duke street and when it was discovered the dwelling and the drug store were well filled with smoke. A few streams of water were soon playing on the fire but the firemen found it a difficult task to overcome the blaze. After an hour's work the fire was under control but was still burning. The blaze, however, did not reach the drug store, the dispensary or the dwelling although they were filled with smoke.

The damage done is estimated at about $600, and it is fully covered by insurance. There was one life lost during the conflagration and that was when one of the firemen in groping through the smoke discovered Mr. Allan's pet parrot lying suffocated in its cage.

The alarm caused hundreds of citizens to turn out, and there was a great deal of excitement.

Mrs. Allan wishes, through The Standard, to express her thanks to the firemen for their excellent work in stopping the fire where they did.

CHARLES W. SPENCER DEAD IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Nov. 23.—The death occurred today of Charles W. Spencer, one of the best known railway men in the east, after an illness of four days. He was stricken last Monday with nervous breakdown, which caused him to collapse as he was leaving his residence. He was removed to bed and seemed to rally, being able to take a walk on Wednesday. Yesterday however on attempting to rise he suffered another seizure, and shortly afterwards expired.

SHAREHOLDERS TO GO TO PRIVY COUNCIL

Toronto, Nov. 23.—"The shareholders of the Farmers Bank will carry the matter to the Privy Council before they will pay their double liability. They have already raised 5 per cent. of the money to do it." This was the statement made by I. E. Weldon, of Windsor, counsel for the Farmers Bank relief association, which together with the Farmers Bank defence league, will tomorrow wait on the minister of finance to ask for relief for shareholders and depositors in the defunct Farmers Bank. The first named association represents the depositors, and the second the shareholders.

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNED BY CANDLE LIGHT

Electric Lights Went Wrong on Parliament Hill Last Night —Hon. Mr. Monk Answers Mr. Pugsley.

A BRIEF SESSION.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—Ice crippled the Ottawa Electric Company's power house tonight and the debate on the address paused most precipitately. The House of Commons found itself plunged in darkness and by the light of candles casting a glimmering illumination, adjournment was effected. It was a curious example of man's modern dependence upon mechanical agencies.

The accident came about 7 o'clock during the recess for dinner. The city was plunged in darkness, save where the rival wire lighting company gave illumination. In some parts of the city the houses found their light restored after half an hour or so, but Parliament Hill remained dark. The hour for resuming the sitting came; there was a subdued glimmer in the chamber rendering darkness visible, from an oil lamp and two of the Speaker's silver candelabra.

Mr Speaker Sproule was followed to the chamber by candles and very necessarily they were in the pitch dark corridors. Once there Mr. Mondou, who had been speaking, moved the adjournment of the debate and Mr. Monk, the senior minister present, moved the adjournment of the House.

During the afternoon Mr. Monk finished his speech. Mr. Lemieux replied. Mr. Mondou, of Yamaska, spoke for a few minutes before the 6 o'clock recess came. It was purely a Quebec day.

The purport of Mr. Monk's speech was a denial of dissension within the government; a declaration of loyalty to and liking for Mr. Borden, and a declaration that when the people pronounced upon the naval issue, the verdict would be accepted. He had voted for the resolution of March, 1909 because there was reason to believe that a condition of emergency existed. The moment of danger to the Empire was not the moment in which he and his friend would discuss the relations of Canada with the Mother Country.

The resolution had referred to the proposals of the British Admiralty in 1907; those proposals were that the British navy should maintain the supremacy of the seas and protect the trade routes while the Dominions guarded themselves against raids, provided naval bases, etc.

The plan brought forward by the government was different. He denied that there was disloyalty in disapproving this plan; they were ready to accept unreservedly the verdict of the people. Further, the navy proposed by the Laurier government was useless. Nobody would dream of defending the country with cruisers of the type ordered.

In conclusion, he said: "Mr. Pugsley asked me to say if we would do anything with regard to the port of St. John, N. B., which he had under consideration just before the vote of the people relieved him of the exercise of that function. We will, but my honorable friend is not quite right, if the report of the transportation commission on that matter is well founded, and the government seems to have pigeon-holed it the moment it received it, you cannot consider only one port. You must consider the claims of St. John, you cannot overlook the claims of such a great port as Quebec. You must take all the ports and consider them in a general plan and in connection with that I venture to say this is one of the greatest problems before us pressing for urgent solution. If at that time the government had taken it up seriously and had expended $20,000,000 or $25,000,000 judiciously the work would have been that much ahead of what it is today. This is one of the problems we have to solve.

Mr. Lemieux made the usual attack on the French Conservatives as Nationalists. He declared that Mr. Monk had expressed hostility to the resolutions of March, 1909. He declared that Mr. Borden had avoided Quebec through the campaign and had not addressed a French Canadian audience.

Quebec had been working on duplicity demagogy and sectionalism. The Nationalist movement had been advertised as a movement to found a Roman Catholic centre to hold the balance of power.

Mr. Mondou in the few minutes during which he spoke proclaimed himself a member of the Conservative party which always had stood for equality and liberty. The first raising of the racial cry in Quebec had been in 1896, when the Liberals inaugurated their double faced policy. He declared that he had nothing to do with Mr. Bourassa, the only time he had addressed a meeting with him had been when Mr. Bourassa was a Liberal and they had opposed each other.

In the Senate.

In the senate, Senator Casgrain introduced a bill relating to the sale of bread. It provides that no person shall make or sell bread in Canada except in loaves weighing six pounds or in loaves of one half or one quarter that weight but that small bread may be offered for sale in any weight not exceeding twelve ounces. The bill requires every person selling bread, to have suitable scales convenient and to weigh bread whenever requested to do so by a purchaser. Twenty-five dollars is specified as the penalty.

Premier Borden tonight gives notice of two government bills. One to amend the department of state act, and one to amend the act establishing a department of external affairs. The object is to take the department of external affairs away from the department of state, and place it directly under the first minister as part of the privy council office. Hon. Mr. Doherty, minister of justice, gives notice of a bill to amend the enquiries act.

ALIENISTS DECLARE THAT SPENCER IS NOT INSANE

Prisoner Charged with Murder is Feigning, is Opinion of Experts Called to Stand Yesterday --Not First Time He Has Shammed Insanity.

FAVORITE TRICK IN JAIL.

Springfield, Mass., Nov. 23.—It is the expectation of attorneys for the commonwealth and for the defence that the case of Bertram O. Spencer charged with the murder of Miss Martha B. Blackstone, will be in the hands of the jury by tomorrow night. The commonwealth plans tomorrow forenoon to complete its rebuttal testimony with the calling of two or three alienists and the defence will follow this with brief testimony in sur-rebuttal.

The lawyers have agreed to allot two hours to each side for arguments and if there are no unexpected delays or interruption, the jury will be charged and given the case tomorrow evening.

When Dr. C. P. Hooker, county physician, who examined Spencer in the Springfield jail, took the stand this forenoon, the defendant glared at him. When the witness testified that he had said to the prisoner, "Spencer, you are faking," Spencer rose to his feet and angrily denounced the witness, declaring that Dr. Hooker had tried to poison him at the jail. After officers had overpowered the prisoner he was quiet for the remainder of the day and appeared to pay little attention to the testimony.

Several witnesses for the State testified today that at the time they knew Spencer he appeared in normal, mental condition. A convict from the state prison, Horace M. St. John, who was sent to the Bridgewater State Hospital for sixteen months, after, as he testified, he had feigned insanity, was put on the stand late today.

One day, according to the witness, when Spencer was singing in a rehearsal for a play to be given by the inmates, St. John remarked to him that one who could sing and draw as well as Spencer, did not seem to be very insane. Spencer thereupon made various queer motions with his head and body and told the witness that if he did not do those things the doctors would think he was sane. St. John said he was convinced that Spencer was feigning insanity.

Witness said he told Dr. Elliott, superintendent of the insane department of the Bridgewater Hospital, of what Spencer had said; that he wrote to Dr. Elliott last August and talked with him about it last month. The witness was sent back to Charlestown prison on October 27, last. One of the witnesses said he asked Spencer why he killed Miss Blackstone; why he did not merely hit her and make his escape. He said Spencer replied: "Dead people tell no tales."

Cross-examined St. John said that while at the Bridgewater institution Spencer had told stories of cruelty on the part of the guards, but that in one case when Spencer had declared a guard had hit him, Spencer admitted to witness that he had struck himself. Asked why he feigned insanity, witness said he thought he would like Bridgewater better than Charlestown.

The first alienist called by the state Dr. Leonard A. Baker, first assistant physician at the Bridgewater Hospital Insane Department, testified that he he had observed Spencer almost daily while he was at Bridgewater. He declared Spencer mentally defective to a certain extent but not insane. He said he was present when the prisoner St. John, told Dr. Elliott his opinion of Spencer.

Dr. H. C. Quinby, Superintendent of the Worcester State Hospital, was examined at greater length.

Attorney General Swift read a long hypothetical question covering Spencer's movements on the night of the murder and asked the witness if these acts coincided with those of a sane man.

"They are consistent with the actions of a sane man," replied Dr. Quinby.

Asked another hypothetical question including most of Spencer's confession of numerous robberies in addition to the murder, witness said that a person committing such acts and describing them in this manner, was able to distinguish between right and wrong and knew there was a penalty for his acts.

"Assuming all this to be true, what do you think of such a man?" asked the Attorney General.

"I think he is not insane," said Dr. Quinby.

The last witness of today was Dr. D. H. Fuller, of Boston, a visitor for the state board of insanity. He said he went to Bridgewater in February last to investigate reports that Spencer was being ill-treated. He could not reach at that time any definite conclusion as to Spencer's sanity. He examined Spencer in Springfield this fall and was convinced that he was sane. All his acts, he testified to in the trial, he said, were consistent with those of a sane man, who knew right from wrong, and he was not governed by irresistible impulses.

Dr. Fuller was still under direct examination when court adjourned.

WILL HAVE SCHOOL FOR DETECTIVES

New York Plans a Course of Lessons With Twenty-five Headquarters Men as Their Pupils.

SCIENTIFIC WORK.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 23.—A municipal school for detectives will be opened at police headquarters tomorrow with 25 central office men as pupils. The course of study will last for 30 days, the class meeting every afternoon for an hour and a half. Another batch will replace them when they graduate.

The course of study will embrace the finger print system of identification, scientific identification by description of the features and facial characteristics and French methods for the detection of criminals.

Capt Faurot, head of the criminal identification branch of the central office will be principal of the school and men famous in New York police annals will address the class from time to time. Capt. Faurot has equipped himself for the work by several months' study abroad.

POISONED WITH VARNISH.

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—Henry Dwarkin, a jeweller, is dead at his home here from the effects of drinking a quantity of fine varnish under the impression that it was sherry. Dwarkin was hunting for some soldering acid when he came across the bottle of varnish, and thinking it was wine, swallowed a mouthful.

M'GILL ON FINAL DAY FOR FUNDS

Collection Passed the Million Dollar Mark Yesterday and Reach $1,500,000 Required Before This Evening.

N. CURRY'S GENEROSITY.

Montreal, Nov. 23.—The fund for the relief of McGill, which is being raised by a five-day whirlwind campaign, today passed the million dollar mark and is well on the way to the fifteen hundred thousand dollar point, which the committee must reach to obtain the hundred thousand dollar subscription of Mr. Robert Reford, who offered the sum on the express condition that a million and a half be raised. Tomorrow is the last day of the campaign and the canvassing committees have until 6.30 p. m. to collect $366,000. Today's subscription included $30,000 from E. A. Robert, and $30,000 from Dr. Milton Hersey; $25,000 from Sir Hugh Graham and $25,000 from Mr. Nathaniel Curry, president of the Canadian Car and Foundry Company, and president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. Mr. Curry's gift is looked on as all the more generous as he has spent but two years in the city, being a recent arrival from Nova Scotia, where he was well known as the benefactor of Acadia University.

THREATENED WITH DEATH.

New Orleans, Fla., Nov. 23.—Witnesses for the prosecution in the Los Angeles Times dynamiting case, have been threatened with death after having withstood repeated efforts of agents of the defense to bribe them, declared Wm. J. Burns, the detective in an address today before the state secretaries section of the American bankers' association. Mr. Burns bitterly arraigned Samuel Gompers, president of the Federation of Labor; Eugene V. Debs and other "would-be leaders" of organized labor.

WORK OF ASSOCIATED CHARITIES

A Year of Activity Told of in Encouraging Reports Submitted to Annual Meeting Last Evening.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

The 12th annual meeting of the Associated Charities was held last evening in the board of trade rooms. W. S Fisher, president, occupied the chair, and a large representation of the total membership was present.

The meeting was perhaps one of the most interesting and profitable ever held by the association. Many of the difficulties encountered in the struggle with the city's poverty by the organization were taken up and discussed in practical manner. That an ounce of prevention is better than a pound of remedy seemed to be the keynote of the meeting and the inspiring addresses heard during the evening emphasized the importance of educating the needy ones up to those methods of living which will promote a spirit of thrift, economy and industry, and sanitation, rather than encouraging a hand to mouth existence by mere relief of the needs.

The causes of the poverty found in the city were discussed, some attributing them to lack of employment while others saw in intemperance and dissipation the root of the disease.

A decision was reached to ask the common council to further increase the grant to the association.

In the course of the address many valuable suggestions were offered by different speakers, for the direction of the society in its efforts to cope with the situation. Among them was one by W. Frank Hatheway to the effect that the solution of the problem might be found in inculcating in the working class a spirit of thrift and economy, which can be efficiently done by devising a practicable scheme by which this class of the city's population can on easy terms acquire land suitable for homestead, and be encouraged to build and own their houses. Nothing, he claimed, makes for better workman or citizenship, than for the man to feel that he has a home of his own and that he has both feet on the soil.

After the opening address by the president the reports for the year were received.

Annual Financial Report.

Balance from previous year,	$ 54.86
City Grant	300.00
Receipts.	
Swinney Fund, per Trinity church	$ 10.00
Leinster street Baptist church	3.00
Main street Baptist church	5.00
St. David's church	5.00
Subscriptions and donations	413.50
Interest	3.61
Amount due Treasurer	.26
	440.37
	$795.23
Expenditures.	
Mrs. Hall's salary	$420.00
Miss Robertson's salary	200.00
Office Rent	60.00
Telephone	15.00
Printing, etc.,	32.17
Affiliation to King's Daughters	2.00
	$729.17
Balance	$ 66.06

WM. YOUNG, Treas.

Secretary's Report of 12th Annual Meeting.

Ten board meetings were held and 21 conferences during the year. There were 2,315 applications received as follows:

Requests for employment	798
Seeking relief	257
Maids	294
Men	156
Women by the day	402
Boys	36
Women to do sewing at home	22
Housekeepers	24
Nurses	21
Requests from employers in the city	150

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FUND FOR M'NAMARAS

American Federation of Labor and Union Officers Will Give Week's Pay to Defence Fund.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 23.—By a vote of 196 to 7 the convention of the American Federation of Labor late today requested all salaried officers of the Federated and affiliated unions to give one week's pay to the McNamara defense fund.

President Gompers estimates about $60,000 will be thus added to the fund, now reported to be $240,000.

Another action aimed to help the McNamaras was the adoption of a resolution framed by President Gompers himself, endorsing the candidacy of Job Harriman, the Socialist candidate for Mayor of Los Angeles, and calling upon wage workers all over the country to give such moral and financial support to Harriman's campaign as lay with their power.