

WEATHER FORECAST

MIDDLE PROVINCES
Strong Winds and Gales, Northerly and Westerly with Snow.
Temperature at 3 A. M. 24 Degrees Above Zero.

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MANY STRIKERS RETURN TO WORK

Owners Report 40 P. C. of Employees of One Mill Again at Work.

STRIKERS DENY STATEMENT

Quiet Day Passed in Lawrence
—Permission to Strikers to Attend Funeral Anna Lopozzo Rescinded.

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 31.—Encouraged by the presence of militiamen who are constantly in evidence in the streets on foot and on horseback more operatives reported for work in the textile mills of the city today than on any day since the strike of 20,000 employees began nearly three weeks ago. The mill agents gave out a statement tonight to the effect that in one of the larger mills fully 40 per cent. of the regular force reported for work during the day.

A still more marked accession is expected throughout the remainder of the week, as the fear of intimidation is removed and the people become assured that there can be no renewal of the violence of Monday, says the statement.

The strikers, however, deny any desertion from their ranks at a general strike meeting today representatives of one nationally after another reported their people standing fast. Most of those who are working are said to be French Canadians and other English speaking operatives.

Today was one of the quietest since the inception of the strike. The arraignment in court of Strike Leader Joseph J. Eitor and his lieutenant, Arturo Giovannitti, who were arrested at midnight charged with being accessories to the murder of Anna Lopozzo, provoked no trouble of any kind, although it had been feared that a demonstration might result. After pleading not guilty and being held without bail, the two were taken to the Essex county court of correction to await a hearing on Feb. 9. Extra militia guards were on hand in case of trouble. But they were not needed.

Col. Sweetzer, the military commander rescinded the permission he had granted for a parade in connection with the funeral of the strike leader. A man for fear there might be an outbreak among the body of 10,000 strikers who had planned to participate. Word of his action did not reach the strikers until several hundred had gathered about the undertaking establishment where the line of march was to have been formed, and it was necessary to send a squad of soldiers to the scene to disperse them. When the militiamen appeared the crowd quietly melted away. Late this afternoon the woman's body was quietly laid away in St. Mary's cemetery, the funeral procession consisting of only the hearse and one carriage.

An autopsy was performed today upon the body of John Rami, the Syrian, who was stabbed during a small sized riot yesterday morning in an effort to determine whether he had been stabbed by the bayonet of a militiaman or had died of a knife thrust from some one in the crowd. If the autopsy settled the question the authorities did not make the fact public. Col. Sweetzer has decided that there shall be no parade.

Boston, Jan. 31.—The movement for an investigation by the legislature at Boston, of the strike situation took a definite step today when the house sent to the senate a bill calling for an inquiry to be made next Saturday. This action was taken after the house had refused to accept the report of the committee on rules urging that the investigation be postponed. The order will come up in the senate tomorrow.

CAUCUS FAVORS PROROGATION AT AN EARLY DATE
Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Jan. 31.—A ministerial caucus was held this morning and will be continued tomorrow. The session programme is under discussion and the opinion of the members as expressed in caucus is understood to be unanimously in favor of an early prorogation. The date of the South Renfrew by-election will be probably fixed for some time in the first or second week in March. This will permit the holding of the election on up-to-date lists and in compliance with the statute.

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DEATH OF HON. B. F. PEARSON LAST NIGHT

Prominent Resident of Halifax —Was Lawyer, Journalist, Promoter and Politician—Formerly of St. John Sun.

WAS ONE OF NOVA SCOTIA'S GREAT MEN.

Special to The Standard.
Halifax, Jan. 31.—No man was better known in Nova Scotia than Hon. B. F. Pearson, K. C., who died at 9.30 o'clock tonight. It is safe to say that no man was better liked nor more generally respected and honored and his death at a comparatively early age will be generally regretted.

He had long been threatened with the disease which now proved fatal, an affection of the kidneys. More than two months ago he was stricken seriously ill and was removed to his home on the North West Arm, the site of Joseph Howe's birth place, never again to leave his bed alive. For a brief time Mr. Pearson seemed to improve but the physicians and family realized that there could be no permanent improvement, life being sustained largely by artificial means.

SENATE MAY BE USED TO BRING ON SECOND DEBATE
Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Jan. 31.—A movement is on foot in the senate to make political use of the ne temere decree. The proposal, as intimated to your correspondent today, is to have introduced in the Upper House a bill for a uniform marriage law, closely following the lines of the Lancaster bill.

MEMBERS OF HULL COUNCIL FACING CHARGE OF GRAFT
Ottawa, Jan. 31.—Notice has been given by Alderman Thibault of the Hull City council that at the meeting of that body on Monday he will move for a commission to be appointed by the Superior Court to investigate charges of corruption against members of the council for the year 1911. This sensational announcement is said to involve the question as to whether certain aldermen whose names are not mentioned were paid sums of money by certain contractors and as the enquiry, which will undoubtedly be granted, covers the transactions of the whole year, and the expenditure of hundreds of thousands of dollars, little else is likely to be talked of in the neighboring city for many weeks to come.

GIROUX AGAIN IS CANDIDATE

Citizens' Association in Montreal Issue "Black List" of Candidates Who Figured in Grafting Regime Before Inauguration of Board of Control—Warm Municipal Election Campaign Closes With Polling Today.

Montreal, Jan. 31.—Polling tomorrow will bring to a close one of the warmest municipal election campaigns that Montreal has yet experienced. Although tomorrow's elections only decide the membership of the city council and the occupant of the chief magistrature's chair, the members of the Board of Control having two more years in office, the latter have become involved in the struggle through the candidature for seats in the council of members of a reactionary group opposed to the power of controllers and eager to see it weakened.

The reactionaries consist for the most part of ex-aldermen, either directly or indirectly discredited by the Royal Commission investigating municipal finances and administration in 1909, or open to attack through having been members of a clique of twenty-three aldermen in the 1909 council who consistently voted the city's money to high tenders for public works to the great profit of certain middlemen. These aldermen were unable to hold their seats in the elections of 1910, but have since been campaigning in preparation for the present election.

AIM TO CUT RATES OF EXPRESS
Washington, Jan. 31.—A reduction of approximately 30 per cent. in the express rates of the country, it is developed today, is the real desire of the shippers pressing the inquiry of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Testimony of witnesses indicated that this was the motive behind the inquiry.

REFUSE TO HELP CREW OF SUCCESS
Washington, Jan. 31.—The British schooner Success, of the Liverpool, crew washed overboard, is off the coast of Florida, appealing to passing vessels unavailingly for help to get to a haven of safety, according to wireless despatches to the navy department.

FLAT DENIAL OF INSINUATIONS OF THE LIBERALS
Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Jan. 31.—B. Bennett, of Calgary, arrived in Ottawa tonight after his visit to England. Mr. Bennett is not ready to tell what he learned of the political situation in Great Britain, but on another matter was less reticent. It will be recalled that as soon as Mr. Bennett was safe out of the country on his way to England, a story was circulated in the liberal press of the west, originating in Winnipeg, to the effect that he had expressed himself as favorable to closer relations with the United States and free access to the United States for the products of the west.

U. S. NAVY MAY BE AUGMENTED WITH AUXILIARY SHIPS
Washington, Jan. 31.—The decision of the Democratic caucus against the building of any battleships as part of this year's naval program may have the unexpected effect of adding materially to the navy's auxiliary fleet. Serment today indicated that a substantial program adding to the navy's auxiliary ships would find widespread support in the House.

PENNSYLVANIA RY. MAKES CUT IN ITS OPERATING EXPENSES
Philadelphia, Jan. 31.—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company's total operating revenue, expenses and net operating revenue for the year 1911, shows a decrease for both the lines east and west of Pittsburgh. Compared with the figures of the previous year, according to the figures issued today in connection with the company's December statement they are as follows: Lines east, total operating revenue \$225,993,935; decrease \$2,834,251; Total operating expenses, including taxes accrued, \$177,230,078; decrease \$472,979; Net operating revenue \$48,763,856; decrease \$2,257,271.

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MR. BORDEN'S HOT SHOT FOR OPPOSITION

Liberals Wanted South Renfrew Election Rushed, But Dropped Subject After Hearing Few Home Truths.

NATIONALIZATION OF TELEGRAPH LINES.

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Ottawa, Jan. 31.—The Liberals this afternoon made an attack upon the government for not issuing the writ in South Renfrew, and ran up against a counter attack from Mr. Borden, so effective that they dropped the debate rather suddenly. The way was thus opened for some real work and two Conservatives occupied the rest of the afternoon in advocating reforms in the postal and telegraph and telephone services of the country.

CONFESSION DID NOT SAVE M'DERMOTT
New York, Jan. 31.—James McDermott was convicted of manslaughter in the first degree by a jury this afternoon, notwithstanding the testimony of his sister, Mrs. Theresa Martin, that it was she and not the defendant who stabbed to death Chas. Muldoon in the back room of a saloon. The woman made this confession yesterday when promised immunity; but the judge charged the jury to take into consideration when weighing her testimony that she had lied to the coroner, and that she was a participant in a saloon brawl.

POSTMASTERS ARE UNDERPAID SAYS THE DELEGATION
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Ottawa, Jan. 31.—Representatives of the postmasters' association of Canada saw the postmaster general today and asked for better financial treatment. They base their appeal on the increased cost of living and reduced revenues from stamp sales following the reduction in the price of postage.

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Winnipeg, Jan. 31.—"Arrest that man for me," said Chief Morality Officer Eddie to Sgt. of Detectives Smith in the police court today, leaning over and tapping one of the audience on the shoulder. The capture proved to be one of the most notorious white slave traffickers on the continent, sought for by police of every city, from New York to Vancouver, but supposed to have sailed for Europe. Collins is his present alias, and Eddie recognized him from a police gazette photograph.

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