

Bluenose Wins Back Cup Trophy.

Challenger Defeated Elsie in Great Race--Ex-Imperial Couple Taken Prisoners--Allies Opposed to Hapsburg Restoration--Railway Strike Will be Limited in Numbers.

EMPEROR AND HIS CONSORT CAPTURED.

BUDAPEST, Oct. 24.—The Emperor Charles and ex-Empress Elza were captured to-day near Sopron, and are now confined in the castle at Tara Tavoros, guarded by companies of Government troops. Oostenburg's troops covering the retreat of the former rulers were ordered to surrender and are prisoners.

HAPSBURGS BARRED.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—The Allied Governments remain firmly opposed to the restoration to the Hapsburg dynasty, declared Prime Minister Lloyd George in the House of Commons to-day. He added that necessary steps would be taken to insure the Emperor Charles' removal from the country.

IRISH CONFERENCE CONTINUES.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—The conference between the British Government representatives and Sinn Féin leaders, which was resumed this afternoon, adjourned at 7.25 this evening. The length of the session was meant to mean that a serious effort is being made to compose the differences arising out of the recent message of James De Valera to Pope Benedict. The Government is understood to have decided clearly before the Sinn Féin delegates its ultimatum or declaration, that Great Britain will deal with Sinn Féin only as part of the British Empire, and not with representatives of Sinn Féin as plenipotentiaries of an independent Republic. The Prime Minister made the Government's policy clear to the House of Commons before he walked over to the Irish conference at his official residence in Downing Street. He said, Mr. De Valera's message was "a grave challenge"; that the Government's position on that question (meaning independence) had been made abundantly clear; and that the conference could not proceed upon any other basis.

BLUENOSE WINS THE TROPHY.

HALIFAX, Oct. 24.—Canada captured the fishermen's blue ribbon of the seas, off Halifax harbor to-day, when the fishing schooner, Bluenose, of Lunenburg, Captain Angus Walters, defeated the fishing schooner, Elsie, Captain Marty Welch, by nine minutes and thirty seconds, in the second race for a forty-mile course, under a light to moderate N.W.W. wind and smooth sea. It was a clear-cut decisive victory, proving that "the big fish" as some jesting fishermen labeled the Bluenose when she was under construction last winter, is just as much a success on wind in light weather as she was on Saturday when stormy winds did blow. Once again it was windward work that told the tale. The Elsie had much the better of the start, and in the reaches of the first three legs of the course, all of more than twenty-seven miles, the Yankee schooner maintained the lead. The Bluenose was close on her heels. The

boats, however, had been on the wind only a few seconds, when it was seen that the Bluenose had established herself in the weather position, and the distance between the two vessels became apparent. The Bluenose steered into the wind, pointing higher than the defender. The course to-day called for a reach of six miles due south to the inner automatic buoy of Chebucto Head; broad off of eleven and a quarter miles south by west to Sambro Lightship; gybe around this mark; close haul of nine and half miles, north east by east to south automatic buoy; dead beat to windward of six and a half miles north west to inner ward work to the finish line, six miles away due north. The official finishing time of the Bluenose was 2.21.41 and Elsie 2.31.12. The Boston schooner Mayflower, under four lowers, met the contestants off the harbor this morning, but was left behind by both vessels when rough water was struck.

STRIKE PROSPECTS LESSENING.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—The threatened railroad strike, if it takes place as scheduled, will be limited to 475,000 train service employees, switchmen and telegraphers. This became certain to-day when the signmen followed the example of nine other "standard" unions and voted to remain at work. Approximately 1,525,000 railroad employees are now on record against the strike.

U.S. USURERS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—An amendment to the Foreign Debt Refunding Bill, providing that the rate of interest to be paid the United States by the Allies should average five per cent, was defeated, to-day by 138 to 68.

SNOW IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—Severe weather prevailed in the British Isles. Snow has been reported in places as far apart as Caithness and Brighton. There have been heavy falls around the Coast.

WAR INSURANCE.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—Insurance against outbreak of war between the United States and Japan on or before December 31st, 1922 was effected in the London market to-day at the rate equivalent to odds of about 19 to 1 against the risk, according to the London Times.

STORM IN CUBA.

HAVANA, Oct. 24.—A tropical storm raged over the province of Pinar Del Rio and to-night was reported in press despatches as heading toward Florida. Owing to stormy weather in the Gulf sailings between Havana and Florida ports have been temporarily cancelled. Vessels destined for Mexican Gulf ports are also being held in harbor.

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Author's Note.—This is a short dramatic offering with a moral which should effectually prevent others from going in for politics.

ACT I. SCENE I.

A cosy study in a house (We hope so—Editor) in a rising city, presumably Port Union. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries discovered seated in a deep arm chair with his head in his hands and his feet on the coal scuttle. He is dressed with scrupulous care, and in his button hole there rests an enormous peony. He looks worried and now and then a scarcely suppressed sigh leaves his lips. He removes his face from his hands and speaks.

"Oh, what a life is mine, oh, what a life. Must I forever dwell amidst ceaseless strife And never know the peace of calm content. But always find existence trouble-pent. Must I forever live to be despised, I, who have held the power many prizes. To be a thing of scorn and frequent jeers. I, who did once inspire many fears In men? And now they look at me with scorn And like the maiden I am left forlorn They want me to resign, but shall I do it? If I do that I wonder if I'll rue it. (He sighs mournfully and releases into silence. A knock is heard and Mr. Scammell enters. He wears a cherubic smile and an excellently fitting suit. ("That's what I want. Who's his tailor?"—Editor.) He beams on Mr. Coaker and says. "My gallant chief, cheer up I pray It is not meet to look so sad On such a very perfect day. Now cheer up please, and do look glad."

Mr. Coaker.
"Tis well for thee my good friend Jack To be as cheerful as you are The troubles that are mine, you lack. No trials are there your smile to mar."

Mr. Scammell (sympathetically).
"What are your troubles, noble chief. What can there be to cause such grief As I see written on your face?"

Mr. Coaker.
"I fear me Jack, I've lost the place That once within the sun I held. The mice at last the cat have belled. My former greatness is no more And that is what I now deplore. (An outburst of sobbing on the part of the audience would be very appropriate at this juncture. We would suggest that all should come provided with onions and two large pillow slips in case natural tears cannot be evinced.)

Mr. Scammell.
"Oh, come now sir, don't give up hope. We may yet with this trouble cope. There is one man whose name is law, He'll help us out. Get Collishaw."

Mr. Coaker jumps to his feet, upsetting his chair in his excitement. He dances about stinging at the top of his voice.

SCENE II.

A private car on the Bonavista "flor." A gentleman who looks like Mr. Collishaw discovered seated. He is reading a letter aloud.
"Dear Super-six, I need your aid. If I'm not from the scene to fade; So come at once, I am no croaker. But need you badly, yours Bill Coaker."

Speaks to himself:
"The Union wants me once again. From Coaker's letter that is plain. He knew I could not well forget him. I go to see what trials beset him."

ACT II. SCENE I.

Same as Act I. Scene I.
Enter (r) Messrs. Coaker and Collishaw in earnest conversation.

Mr. Collishaw.
"It is a difficult position."

Mr. Coaker.
"Oh, come now, don't make that admission."

Mr. Collishaw.
"It is you know. You can't deny it. There's no use trying to pass by it. You've made a mess of all you've done. Your race, I fear, is almost run. But I shall see what I can do. To make your outlook seem less blue." He sits down and produces a cigar which he lights and soon he is lost in the volume of smoke which he makes. Mr. Coaker resumes his melancholy attitude in the big chair before the fire in which unsold Government pit props blaze merrily. Both he and Mr. Collishaw are thinking furiously, although it is difficult to perceive owing to the latter's smoke screen. Suddenly Mr. Collishaw jumps to his feet. He cries: "I've got it, I've got it! of schemes, I'm a great weaver."

Mr. Coaker (interrupting).
"What have you got, I hope it's not measles or a fever?"

Mr. Collishaw (excitedly).
"A plan, a plan—but someone comes, hush, hush." Enter a servant.

To Mr. Coaker.
"A telegram for you, sir, and I see that it's marked rush." (Exit servant.)

Mr. Coaker tears open the message and reads aloud.
"To Coaker, Morgan is advisor

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To us now on Railway matters No decision could be wiser. He stops and says to Mr. Collishaw, "They have gone as mad as haters." Continues reading.

"He's a man each one admires Hope you like it, R. A. Squires." With a low moan of "Oh, Collishaw, we are too late. How can one fight against his fate."

Nfld. Poultry Association.

Last night's meeting presided over by Henry W. LeMesurier, Esq., C.M.G., and Secretary White, was a great success. The principal business was finalising arrangements for the annual Poultry Show to be held from November 30th to December 2nd in the C.L.R. Armoury. The Old Commodore's Lodge, C.L.R., have applied for permission to sell teas and private refreshments in aid of the Brigade funds and the Poultry Club have given their consent.

Judge Laundry cannot come and award the prizes, but is arranging to send another judge to do the work. He is also sending some lantern slides to aid in the publicity propaganda now being organized by Con-vent A. J. Bayly, of the Board of Agriculture, who will likely give a series of lectures at Middle Light—Kelligrows, in the school house on Thursday night, on the invitation of the Rev. Hugh Fahey. It is hoped to visit other nearby settlements at the invitation of any clergyman or society that will provide a hall free of cost to the Nfld. Poultry Association, who, on application, send lecturers at their own expense in order to try and boost poultry culture in the colony.

Another Silver Cup has been offered for competition this year. The flower show section will be larger than ever. The Florist representatives Messrs. Alex. Brown and Burley have finalized matters as follows: (1) Silver Cup to the competitor winning the most number of points on the following classes: (2) Table of plants

any special flowering or foliage; (2) Cut Chrysanthemums only; (3) A bouquet of flowers; (4) Vase of Cut flowers. For second section or private parties not in competition with florists, (1) Flowering plant; (2) Foliage plant. Points to count as follows: first prize counts three points, second counts 2 points and third counts one in the florists or first section of the flower exhibit. The third section will be the vegetables confined only to florists and members of the Poultry Association on account of shortage of space. (1). Prizes for best collection of vegetables—three ribbons. The Judge for flowers, etc., will be Mr. Otto Ruch assisted by a lady to be selected later by the Association. Secretary White claims the show is going to be better than ever, having had already notice of birds from Chancey's famous Barré Plymouth Rock yards at Grand Falls; from Crabbe's Station three crates of Buff Orpingtons and R. L. Reds, to be shipped by Mr. James Pike; a big shipment will also come from Bell Island Poultry Association as the Wabana men are ambitious and want to knock down one or two of the big cups. A feature of this year's show will be a model poultry house containing a pen of thorough-bred White Leghorns.

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German Fish in Oporto.

A cable from Oporto, dated October 24th, gives the following fish stocks at that port:
British 31,657
Consumption 6,867
German 2,285
Judging by the latter it appears that a new competitive element has arisen in the Portuguese market, Germany being now a shipper there. The following vessels are advised as having entered: Gordon M. Hollett, Port Union, General Ironsides.

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