

## GOVERNMENT DETERMINED TO HAVE THOROUGH INQUIRY INTO CHARGES MADE BY DUGAL

THE MOST SEARCHING INVESTIGATION INTO CHARGES PERTAINING TO CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT AND VALLEY RAILWAY WILL BE INSISTED UPON, GOVERNMENT DECIDED AT MEETING YESTERDAY — COURSE RECEIVES EMPHATIC APPROVAL OF ALL MEMBERS PRESENT — OFFICIAL STATEMENT GIVEN OUT — HOUSE WILL ADJOURN TODAY UNTIL AFTER EASTER TO RESUME SOME DAY NEXT WEEK.

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There will be the fullest and most searching investigation of all the charges which have been made in the legislature by Opposition Leader Dugal impugning the personal character of Hon. J. K. Flemming, and regarding the St. John and Quebec Railway Company's financial affairs. The government met in the executive council chamber this afternoon following the six o'clock recess of the house and this evening there was a caucus of the government supporters when the announcement was officially made that the government had decided upon having a thorough investigation of all the charges carried on.  
The announcement of the course to be pursued by the government was unanimously approved by the caucus and later on an official statement was given out for publication and will be found herewith.  
Mr. Dugal's notice of motion for a committee to inquire into the charges that Premier Flemming through Superintendent of Scales Berry exported \$100,000 from the holders of crown timber land leases will come up in the house tomorrow afternoon. The programme announced then is that the house will adjourn tomorrow, probably late in the afternoon, so that the members can leave for their homes by the evening trains until some day next week, probably Tuesday or Wednesday.  
Reports were circulated about the house this evening to the effect that a story had been sent out that F. B. Carvell, an assessor, had been authorized by the estate of the late Timothy Lynch to proceed in the courts for the recovery of \$1,830 alleged to have been paid into the alleged fund by the estate, Hon. J. K. Flemming, Superintendent of Scales W. H. Berry, the agent of the Royal Bank of Canada at Newmarket and other to whom the money is alleged to have passed are named as parties to this alleged suit. It was further stated that the evidence back of the Dugal charges was laid before Lieut-Governor Wood today. The estate of the late Timothy Lynch holds 122 square miles of crown timber land.

## Thorough Investigation Will Be Insisted Upon

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## Carranza Justifies Action of Gen. Villa

His Minister of Foreign Affairs Says Spaniards Were Too Active in Movement in Favor of Huerta.  
Juarez, April 8.—General Carranza tonight gave out a statement dealing with the subject of the expulsion of foreigners, justifying Villa's action, and stating that Spanish property would not be confiscated. A similar statement on the subject of confiscation was made by Mr. Fabola, Carranza's minister of foreign relations. The points made by Fabola are included in the Carranza statement, which is as follows:  
"The Spaniards have been deported from Mexico on account of their active participation in the movement in favor of Huerta. This expatriation of the Spaniards has been done as a favor to them in order to save them troubles of a serious nature. Their presence in Mexico tended to inflame our soldiers. In the case of Mexicans who have assisted the Huertistas the penalty is death.  
"So far as Spanish property is concerned, it will not be molested, as to do so would be contrary to the principles of the revolution. General Villa is perfectly justified in his action in driving out these obnoxious persons and his act is in accordance with our constitution providing that all pernicious foreigners shall be deported from the country, because we require an absolute neutrality of foreigners in the affairs of the country. Later, after proper investigation, it is found that any of these Spaniards has never meddled in political affairs they will be allowed to return to Mexico."  
Juarez, April 8.—General Villa took over the four principal banks of Torreon, according to a report which he telegraphed to this city. His prize does not include money or negotiable securities, however, as the bankers took the precaution of shipping these out when Velasco evacuated the city. He has the buildings and furniture, however. The banks affected are the Banco Nacional, the Banco de Laguna, the German and South American Bank, and the Bank of London and Mexico.  
Mexico City, April 8.—The rebels are concentrating in the vicinity of Monterrey, according to information received here today. General Blanquet, the minister of war, says he does not fear an attack on Monterrey, as the garrison is strong, but it is known that additional troops are being sent there.  
The fighting around Amplico still continues, although details are lacking.

## INSURANCE COMPANIES ARE ASKED ABOUT

Dr. Price, M.L.A., Asks Government Concerning St. John Insurance Companies.  
Fredericton, April 8.—In the legislature this afternoon Attorney-General Clarke introduced a bill to provide for the reopening and operation again of the Gloucester county iron mines.  
Another feature relating to the bill was the notice of inquiry by Dr. Price of Moncton whether the government was aware that other companies represented by William Thomson & Co. St. John, the agents of the National Benefit Life and Property Assurance Company of London, England, licensed in this province, but refused a license by the superintendent on insurance of the Dominion government on the ground that it could not qualify under the Dominion Insurance Act of 1910. The inquiry further asked if the government was aware that other companies represented by William Thomson & Co. and unlicensed under the Dominion act, notably the United London and Scottish, the British Union and National and the Property Insurance Co. of London, England, had failed to pay losses occurring in Moncton and the government was asked to state whether it will accept taxes coming due June 1st from fire insurance companies who have failed to obtain a license from the Dominion government.  
The inquiry also asks if the attention of the government had been drawn to the fact that the Rimouski Fire Insurance Co., represented by E. L. Jarvis of St. John, had become insolvent and unable to pay a loss under its policy of \$20,000 held by the city of Moncton on its market building. The government is asked what steps will be taken to protect the public interest in this regard.  
Fredericton, April 8.—The house met at 3.55.  
Hon. Mr. Clarke introduced a bill to amend the act relating to the Gloucester County Iron deposits, which, on the ground of urgency, was read a second time, also a bill relating to reporting in the supreme and other courts.  
Dr. Price gave notice of inquiry regarding the connection of the firm of William Thomson and Co. of St. John with certain unlicensed insurance companies.  
Mr. Stewart (Northumberland) said he had been asked to read the following inquiry of which notice had not been given.  
"It is not an injustice to the tax payers of St. John to have one John B. Jones, Inspector of Liquor Licenses, a candidate for commissioner."  
Hon. Mr. Clarke said he appeared to him that the inquiry was slightly out of order, but if the honorable member would take his personal opinion, it would be that the matter was entirely for the people of St. John to decide and not the legislature.  
The house went into committee with the bill relating to the city of Moncton, with some amendments, one of which was that on the taking of any plebiscite to decide on the site of a new market, the site of the old market should be one of those to be voted on.  
The bill relating to the town of Campbellton was also agreed to with amendments.  
The house took recess at 6.15.  
The house resumed at 10.45 and went into committee, with Mr. Melanson in the chair, and agreed to the bill to amend the act to incorporate the Miramichi Bay Shore Railway Company, and reported progress on the bill to create the Miramichi police district.  
The house again went into committee with Mr. Lockhart in the chair, and agreed to the bill to amend the act to amend the act relating to the city of Moncton, with amendments, and the bill relating to certain payments by the town of Sussex to the municipality of Kings.  
The house adjourned at 11.15 o'clock.

## SENATE'S ACTION ON NAVAL BILL CRIMINAL

BECOMES A SEPARATE DEPARTMENT  
Fruit Division Will Have Mr. Johnston as Director — Responsible Directly to Minister of Agriculture.  
Ottawa, April 7.—Hon. Martin Burrell has organized the fruit division in the Department of Agriculture as a separate branch of the department. The first commissioner will be Dan Johnston of Forest, Ont., who will be directly responsible to the minister. Since 1906 the fruit division has been under the general direction of J. A. Ruddle, the Dairy and Cold Storage Commissioner with the late Alex. McNeill as head of the fruit section.  
However, Mr. Burrell is convinced that the fruit industry now demands the special attention of an expert head and Mr. Johnston will begin his duties on May 1. He will have the supervision of the fruit industry and all matters in connection with it. There are now over 500,000 acres of Canadian orchards. Mr. Johnston was for two years president of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association.

## MARTIN MUST RESIGN SEAT IN THE HOUSE

New Mayor of Montreal Will Probably Have to Withdraw from House of Commons.  
Montreal, April 8.—The election of Medric Martin, M. P., as mayor of Montreal will probably mean that he will have to resign his seat in the House of Commons at Ottawa unless he wants to lay himself open to a charge of disqualification as chief magistrate of this city. The charter of the city specifies that members of the board of control, of which the mayor is an ex-officio member, must not have been one of the paid public officers.  
Mr. Martin's resignation as a member of parliament would open the St. Marie division of Montreal. Mr. Martin is a Liberal.  
The final results of the municipal election show that the English minority has lost two seats in the city council and that whereas it has forty per cent. of the voting community its representation is only twenty per cent. With the confirmation of the election of Duncan Macdonald to the board of control the English representation in that body remains unchanged.  
Outgoing Mayor Lavallee, at his leave taking of the employees at the city hall today broke down and wept openly.  
It is understood that the new mayor, Medric Martin, has placed his resignation as M. P. for St. Marie's division of Montreal in the hands of Speaker Sproute.

## DEATH OF WELL KNOWN WINDSOR, N. S., MAN

Windsor, N. S., April 8.—The death occurred today of John M. Smith, of the firm of Bennett Smith & Sons. Mr. Smith was sixty-six years of age, was one of the best known business men in the province. He was largely interested in shipping, particularly the Battle Line of steamers running to St. John.

## TWO KILLED BY COLLAPSE OF A WALL

Toronto, April 8.—Two men were killed outright and five were more or less seriously injured through the collapse of a wall of the Independent Clock Company's burned out premises, 379 Richmond street, about 2.35 this afternoon. The dead are: Harry Cohen, 130 Wellington street, aged 26, and Jacob Sandersky, 4 Danvers ave., aged 23.

## LEGAL FIGHT ON BEHALF OF MONTREAL CABARETS

Montreal, April 8.—An array of legal talent has been engaged to put up a fight for the five Montreal cabarets whose licenses have been cut off by the license commission. On behalf of the cafes writes of certiorari and mandamus have been applied for, the principal ground alleged being that the judgment of the commissioners was published in the evening newspapers before it was formally announced.

## SEVEN KILLED BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION

Charge that Had Missed Fire Struck by Steam Shovel — Man Blown Into Cogs of Machine is Ground to Death  
The Dalles, Oregon, April 8.—Seven men were killed outright and one is dying, and half a dozen others were injured on the Dalles, Calif. government canal works, near Big Eddy, just before noon today, when a heavy charge of dynamite that had missed fire was struck by a steam shovel. Engineer Kinder, who was working the shovel that struck the dynamite, was blown into the cogs of his machine and ground to death. It was thought at first that only three men had been killed, but soon after it was discovered four more were buried beneath tons of rock. Workmen at once began digging for their bodies.

## RATHER A PECULIAR PROCEDURE TO FOLLOW

Why MacKenzie King, Political Critic of Government's Administration of Labor Laws Should be Called to U. S. Capital.  
Special to The Standard.  
Ottawa, April 8.—The Ottawa Journal today says: "Some criticism is expressed on Parliament Hill concerning the action of the U. S. Commission on Industrial Relations in ignoring the Minister of Labor and inviting his political opponent, MacKenzie King, to Washington to give his views on the administration of Canadian labor laws. This is regarded by many as a breach of international etiquette. Official books of foreign governments usually preserved rigidly the rule of consulting only the administration and not its political critics when the question considered is in connection with the laws of the country consulted."  
Halleybury, Ont., April 8.—Sheriff Caldwell has seized the entire mining plant and equipment of the Swastika Mining Company at Swastika, and has set April 18 as the date of sale. Several thousand dollars in wages is demanded by the men from the Halleybury office. The lot includes nearly \$100,000 worth of machinery and equipment.

## SUIT AGAINST BIG TRUST CO. IS RENEWED

Well Known English Investors Suing Knickerbocker Trust Company on Charge of Fraud.  
New York, April 8.—The suit of a score of widely known English investors against Henry E. Huntington and the Knickerbocker Trust Company, charging fraud in the organization of the National Consolidated Wire and Cable Company, of which they were stockholders, was restored today to the docket of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals. It was brought in 1911 and was dismissed by Judge Ward in the Federal District Court on March 11, 1913.  
The restoration of the suit to the docket opens the way for civil actions against Huntington and the defendant company for the recovery of their investments in the National Steel and Wire Company, which was absorbed by the National Consolidated Wire and Cable Company.  
Among the complainants are the Right Rev. Francis Mostyn, Lady Alfred Paget, Clementina Mostyn, Vincent Acton, Mary Matilda Weld, Cecilia Paget, Constance Susanna Blount, Amy Paset and Alberta Paget. Judge Hunt, of the Circuit Court, said that the National Steel and Wire Company had no income outside of the operation of subsidiary companies. One of these, the Safety Insulated Wire and Cable Company, the Court said, was bought by Huntington and Everett B. Webster for \$15 a share and sold to the National Steel and Wire Company for \$70.

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## PREMIER WILL ASK GRANT FOR NEEL'S FAMILIES

Intends to Ask Parliament to Vote \$10,000 to Help Relatives of Victims of Sealing Disaster.  
Ottawa, April 8.—When parliament meets this afternoon Premier Borden announced that he had been in communication with Hon. John R. Bennett, acting premier of Newfoundland, in respect to the recent disaster which had caused great loss of life and now seemed to be even greater than was first apprehended, as small boats were held as the fate of the steamer Southern Cross. He had extended the sympathy of the Canadian government and the Canadian people and on behalf of the government had volunteered to give practical evidence of Canadian sympathy by a grant to assist the families of the lost. He would accordingly ask parliament for a grant of \$10,000 for the purpose.  
"The action of the government in this matter is worthy of commendation," commented Sir Wilfrid Laurier, "and will have the hearty support of this side of the house."  
VOTE \$5,000 TO HELP FAMILIES OF VICTIMS.  
Toronto, April 8.—Toronto city council today voted \$5,000 to assist the families of the seal hunters who perished off the coast of Newfoundland. If necessary the council will apply to the Ontario legislature for power to make this grant.

## ELECTION IN ENGLAND THIS SUMMER?

The London Standard Announces Dissolution of Parliament in June With Elections in July.  
London, April 8.—That the government have definitely decided to dissolve parliament toward the end of June, with a general election in July, is announced by The Standard. This plan has already been suggested in other quarters, since the government expect, unless the unexpected happens, to be able to place the Home Rule bill on the statute books by the end of June. T. P. O'Connor, writing in Reynolds's Newspaper, characterizes "a new election before the bill is placed on the statute books, a referendum on the total or permanent exclusion of Ulster as a series of impossibilities, yet declares his strong conviction that the bill will finally be passed without leaving Carson any excuse for keeping up the show of an army."  
Sir Edward Carson will spend the Easter recess inspecting various regiments in Northeast Ireland.

## WRESTLING MATCH.

Montreal, April 8.—Raymond Cezaux defeated John Ferrell in straight falls in a roughly contested wrestling match here tonight. The first fall in 25 minutes, and the second in 23 minutes.

## DECIDES VESSEL IS AMERICAN BUILT

The Allita Formerly Owned by J. P. Morgan, Declared Exempt from Foreign Tax.  
New York, April 8.—The steam yacht Allita, of which J. P. Morgan and H. M. Flagler were former owners, is legally an American built vessel although originally constructed in Montreal, according to a decision made today by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, which declared the Allita exempt from foreign tax. The finding reverses the decision of the lower federal court that the yacht was assessable at \$7 per gross ton.  
The Allita, launched as the Gadabout in 1892, was schooner rigged and of seventy-two tons.  
DOMINION OFFICIAL IN LONDON.  
London, April 9.—Mr. Gussow, of the Dominion Agricultural Department, who has been attending the international congress on plant diseases at Rome, has arrived in London. Mr. Frank Pedley, former deputy minister of the Indian Affairs Department, has arrived from Egypt.