

TUNISIAN LINER WITH LARGE CARGO IN RECORD TIME

Allan Liner To Sail At 8 A. M.—The Saloon Passengers—Hesperian Will Arrive Here Sunday.

The Allan R.M.S. Tunisian, Capt. Fairhead, will sail for Liverpool via Halifax this morning about 8 o'clock, and will take away a large general cargo including 96,000 bushels of wheat and large consignments of flour, which were loaded on the steamer in record time. She will also carry 225 passengers, thirty saloon, forty-five second class and 150 steerage.

POLITICAL THE SURGES

Continued From Page One. Places for Joseph Albert Pease, the chief Liberal whip; Sir Henry Norman, assistant postmaster-general; and Mr. E. B. Seely, under-secretary for the colonies, whose constituents found them under, may soon be snuffed out by the Liberal party.

Asquith Speaks. Premier Asquith, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Lloyd George, and other members of the cabinet, made speeches tonight in various parts of the country. Asquith's new light on the situation, although Mr. Asquith's declarations did not have the confidence they heretofore have had.

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Telephone Company Presents Its Case

Facts And Figures Showing Justification For The Increase In Rates—Claims Comparisons Made Were Out Of Date—Alleged Discrepancies Said To Be Non-Existent—Reasons Why Committee's Report Should Not Be Acted Upon.

The New Brunswick Telephone Company which is admitted by the Board of Trade committee appointed to consider the increase in telephone rates in this city to have been "willing to discuss the question in a friendly spirit and to furnish all the information they had in their possession, regret that the committee had not sufficiently informed themselves of the facts before making a report.

The telephone company is composed of nearly a thousand stockholders in the province, who have invested their money in the enterprise with a full knowledge that the nature of the business itself involves an element of risk but they are not willing to conduct their business upon conclusions arrived at by a committee who admit that they have not obtained any statistics from the parliamentary report of 1905; who declare that the Central Telephone Company "was taken over at too high a figure," yet admit "that the issue of capital stock did not receive from us the attention we bestowed upon the issue of the capital stock of the New Brunswick Telephone Company prior to the merger."

It appears that the committee accepted a list of telephone rates printed on PP 24-28 of the parliamentary report which contains no information later than 1904.

An analysis of the list printed in the parliamentary report shows that thirteen of the places quoted had only from 100 to 500; thirty-six had from 500 to 1,000; twenty-five had from 1,000 to 2,000; four had from 2,000 to 3,000; one had 3,700; two had 5,000; two had 7,000 and had 9,122 'phones, making a total of 128 cities or places.

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GOLF IS POPULAR WATER PASTIME FOR ENTHUSIASTS

Local Links Well Patronized By Devotees Of The Game—A Boost For St. John's Climate.

Why not advertise St. John as possessing a climate that enables the rounds in connection with the energetic attempt that is now being made to boom the city? This suggestion was made to The Standard yesterday by an ardent golfer who had just returned from the links after enjoying a couple of rounds.

While in other places the citizens pick their steps through the mud, in St. John the ground is frozen hard and, as usually the case at this season of the year, there is very little snow. The links are in good order and the number of players has a record.

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LARGE INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP OF G. B. OF R. EMPLOYEES

Officers Elected At Meeting Of St. John Division Last Evening—Total Number Enrolled Now 3,000.

Fifty applicants were received into membership of St. John Division No. 8 Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees at the annual meeting last evening held in Foresters' Hall, Charlottetown. The large increase brings the total membership of the order up to 3,000, of which 1,000 are in the intercolonial. The order is only a year and six months old.

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C. S. MAYES TO BRING GOVERNMENT TO BOOK

Action To Be Commenced In Exchequer Court For \$60,000 Next Term—Improper Measurements Are Alleged.

Mr. G. S. Mayes, of this city, has an unsettled account with the government in connection with his dredging contracts. Those who have read the affidavits in connection with the charges made by Mr. Mayes at the time of the last general election will remember that mention is made of a sum of \$5,000 kept back by the government.

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LAWYERS ENGAGE IN UNPLEASANT SCENE CURREY CASE

Dr. L. A. Currey The Defendant Makes Pointed Remarks About Mr. A. H. Hanington Who Suggests Perjury.

Hearing on the return of a summons in the case of Mary Elizabeth Currey vs. Lemuel A. Currey (separation suit) calling upon the defendant to show why the court should not grant an order to compel him to furnish alimony pending the appeal and with suit money to carry on the appeal occupied the attention of His Honor Mr. Justice McKeown in chambers yesterday. A feature of the proceedings was a scene between Mr. A. H. Hanington, K. C., who with Mr. M. G. Teed, K. C., appeared for Mrs. Currey, and Dr. Currey, the defendant in the suit.

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