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FOUR PEOPLE WERE OVERCOME BY FUMES FROM A GAS STOVE AND ONE WOMAN MAY NOT LIVE

Arrangements Were Being Made to Remove Patient to Hospital and When Ambulance Arrived, Patient, Nurse and Visitors Were Found Unconscious.

Overcome by gas fumes while making arrangements for the removal of a patient to the hospital, three women and a man were found in an unconscious condition at 89 1-2 West Bloor street Saturday night by the driver of the ambulance for which they had previously phoned. Mrs. James Meredith, aged 60 years, 744 Euclid avenue, is in a very serious condition. Mrs. H. S. Meredith, aged 23, 89 1-2 West Bloor street, is also critically ill, while Mrs. Moore, a nurse from Muskoka, still remains in a stupor despite the efforts of the physicians to revive her. The three women are in the Parkdale Hospital, and their recovery remains in doubt. Mr. H. S. Meredith, however, is in no danger.

Mrs. James Meredith is the mother of Ald. J. W. Meredith. The premises at Bloor street are owned and occupied by H. S. Meredith, who conducts a tailoring establishment and real estate office. The kitchen to the rear of the store and the upstairs rooms are used for domestic purposes. For some time past Mrs. Meredith jr. has been feeling ill. On Saturday it was decided to send her to the hospital to be operated on for appendicitis. Mrs. Moore, the nurse, summoned Mrs. Meredith sr., to come over and get the patient ready to be moved. During the afternoon, the wife of Alderman Meredith also dropped in to assist. A kettle was placed on the gas stove in the lower kitchen, and the gas lighted. Mrs. J. W. Meredith left shortly afterwards, complaining as she did so of an odor of gas.

After completing a sale in his office, Mr. Meredith walked towards the kitchen and detected gas. He rushed up the stairs and attempted to get in to the front room. The fumes were too strong. The man dropped to his knees and had to crawl to a window. He attempted to open this, but was too dizzy. Wm. Cody, a member of the firm of Cody Bros., Undertakers, drove up to the door at 7 o'clock. Running upstairs, he, too, felt the effects of the poisonous gas, but succeeded in throwing open a window. In the front room, still in bed was Mrs. Meredith jr., she was unconscious. Mrs. Meredith sr. and Mrs. Moore lay in the middle room at the head of the stairs, the latter on the bed. In the rear room the Cody brothers found Mr. Meredith, dazed, but still conscious. The three women were placed in the ambulance and rushed to the Parkdale Hospital. It was to operate on Mrs. Meredith jr. at once. Convulsions set in with the result that there is little hope held out for her recovery. Dr. R. S. Conboy has charge of the case.

SIX IN FAMILY FROZE TO DEATH

Were Overtaken by Blizzard—Mother Found With Baby Clapsed to Her Breast.

Special to The Toronto World. RAPID CITY, S. Dak., March 16.—Overwhelmed by a blizzard on the open prairie, 16 miles from here, A. F. Perry, his wife, three daughters and a son, who were trekking from the Black Hills, were found frozen to death Friday morning, according to word just received here. Another son may have perished, while a third, dazed, was found riding aimlessly in search of the others. With their household belongings in a prairie schooner and the two older sons driving their 26 cattle ahead, they left here, despite repeated warnings. Out on the prairie the full force of the storm struck them. Perry blundered his balking horses with gunny sacks, but in vain, and finally set them loose. They reached the Milton Fraser ranch. Too frozen to climb back, he died beside the wagon. Mrs. Perry's body was found with her infant son clapsed to her breast in a last attempt to appease his hunger. The three other children were huddled about her. Her skirts and underclothing were bound about them. Two men who started to search for the Perrys are missing and no word has been received from the brother.

VANCOUVER WOMAN DIED ON STEAMER

Mrs. McNea, Warned Against Undue Exercise, Played Shuffleboard Daily.

Special to The Toronto World. NEW YORK, March 16.—Mrs. Minnie McNea of Vancouver, B.C., died on board the steamer Baltic, which arrived today from the Mersey. Mrs. McNea was stricken Friday, immediately after dinner, with apoplexy. She died at 8 o'clock. Mrs. McNea was 42 years old and well-to-do. She had separated from her husband and was crossing the ocean with George F. Williams, a business man of Vancouver, who was to marry her after she got a divorce. She was troubled with heart disease and had been warned against undue exercise or excitement. Nevertheless, she had played shuffleboard every day at sea.

PROSPECTS FOR IRELAND NEVER WERE BRIGHTER SAYS JOHN REDMOND IN ST. PATRICK'S DAY MESSAGE

Special Cable to The World. LONDON, March 16.—(Copy-right.)—John E. Redmond, the leader of the Irish parliamentary party, sends thru The World this important St. Patrick's Day message: I send hearty greetings to the Irish and the friends of Ireland on this festival of St. Patrick, the national apostle of Ireland, and can assure them that never have the prospects for the old land been brighter, nor more full of hope and promise. All the anticipations of the last St. Patrick's Day, with regard to the home rule bill, have been fully realized and today it is as certain as almost anything can be that the bill will be passed thru all its stages and placed on the statute book before the end of May next year if not before.

The rejection of the bill by the house of lords on its first being sent up to that assembly by the house of commons, need not dishearten or disappoint the friends of Ireland. The passage of a parliament act for which the Irish party was largely responsible, has limited the veto power of the house of lords so that it has now only a power of delay, whereas formerly it had the power of destruction. The bill will be sent to the lords the second time in the course of a few weeks, and then if the lords again reject it, it will be passed the third time by the house of commons, and become law under the provisions of that parliament act in May of next year.

The opponents of home rule are no longer able to mislead the electors of Great Britain. They are in despair at the impossibility of evoking any sympathetic response in their campaign in the English constituencies. It is clear that the people of Great Britain have become convinced of the justice and urgency of the Irish demand and they are determined that it shall be met on the lines of the bill for which the prime minister stands sponsor. The present position of the Irish cause is due in a very large measure to the generous, unfailing support accorded it by citizens of Canada and the United States of all classes and sections. That support was and is one of the most precious assets of Ireland and we feel sure it will not be wanting to us in the concluding stages of our winning fight for justice and liberty.

GALT HARD HIT LIGHT CUT OFF

Citizens Share Brantford's Misfortunes—Protest Against Inactivity of Government.

GALT, March 16.—(Special.)—Three-fourths of the population of Galt are sitting in darkness. Yesterday about noon the natural gas supply suddenly ceased. Kitchen ranges went cold, furnaces, domestic and in the workshops were put out of commission as night fell. That large part of the community dependent on the illusive vapor for light in stores, public buildings, industrial plants and dwellings fully realized the disabilities, discomforts and losses attending gas closure. News came that the break in the service was due to a break in the trunk main at Brantford, caused by the Grand River flood, and that chances were against resumption for three or four days. The cold snap has accentuated the hardship of the situation, more particularly in homes which have only gas for heating and lighting. Industrially the effects are very severely felt. There has been an unprecedented run on the coal oil dealers and the supply is not adequate. Lamps are selling like hot cakes. The grocery stores have run shy of candles, so great has been the demand. From all quarters come tales of straits to which citizens have been put.

Surrender or Closure

The Canadian Parliament is about the last assembly of its kind that remains unlimited discussion. It is a valuable privilege, provided it is not abused. But the result of the present obstruction is likely to be some kind of closure. Why not try to keep this privilege? The Liberals can say that having exhausted every constitutional means at hand to delay the passage of the Naval Bill they leave the responsibility of what they consider a bad measure on the government party and retire from the struggle. They could even say we will let the bill thru the commons, but we may advise our majority in the senate to defeat it. That would be constitutional. But even here you strike a state of affairs in England very different from our own: The Liberals have partially wiped out the veto of the house of lords and intend in the reorganization of that body, announced last week, to do away with it almost altogether. We are right up to closure if we follow the example of the Liberals in Great Britain, and will soon be up to the veto of the upper house. A reasonable suggestion to avoid closure would be for both sides to agree, on the introduction of a bill, on the number of days it is to occupy the time of the house and to live up to that agreement. Otherwise we are up to closure now. Or the opposition must quit the fight.

SUFFER RIGORS IN BRANTFORD

Gas Main Washed Away by Grand River Flood—Dykes Resist Pressure.

BRANTFORD, March 16.—(Special.)—Hundreds of people suffered from cold here today, as a result of the high water of the Grand River, washing away the big gas main which is the main supply to this city. The break occurred in exactly the same place as it did during the freshet last year. The pipe projects across Cockshutt bridge, and runs along the top of the ground some distance from the bridge. People today had to resort to all kinds of makeshift measures to keep warm. In case of sickness, acute suffering is reported. Mayor Hartman proposes an investigation into the gas company's methods, as a year ago there was great suffering for three days from the break down. The water in the river went down appreciably today, but factories in the Holmedale had to close down on Saturday and the water works system was imperilled. A close watch is being kept on the dykes which are reported in good shape. Several inches of mud washed over the track was responsible for the derailment of a Brantford and Hamilton Radial car, above Ancestor, early this morning. The passengers were transferred to another car, being forced to walk ankle deep in mud some distance.

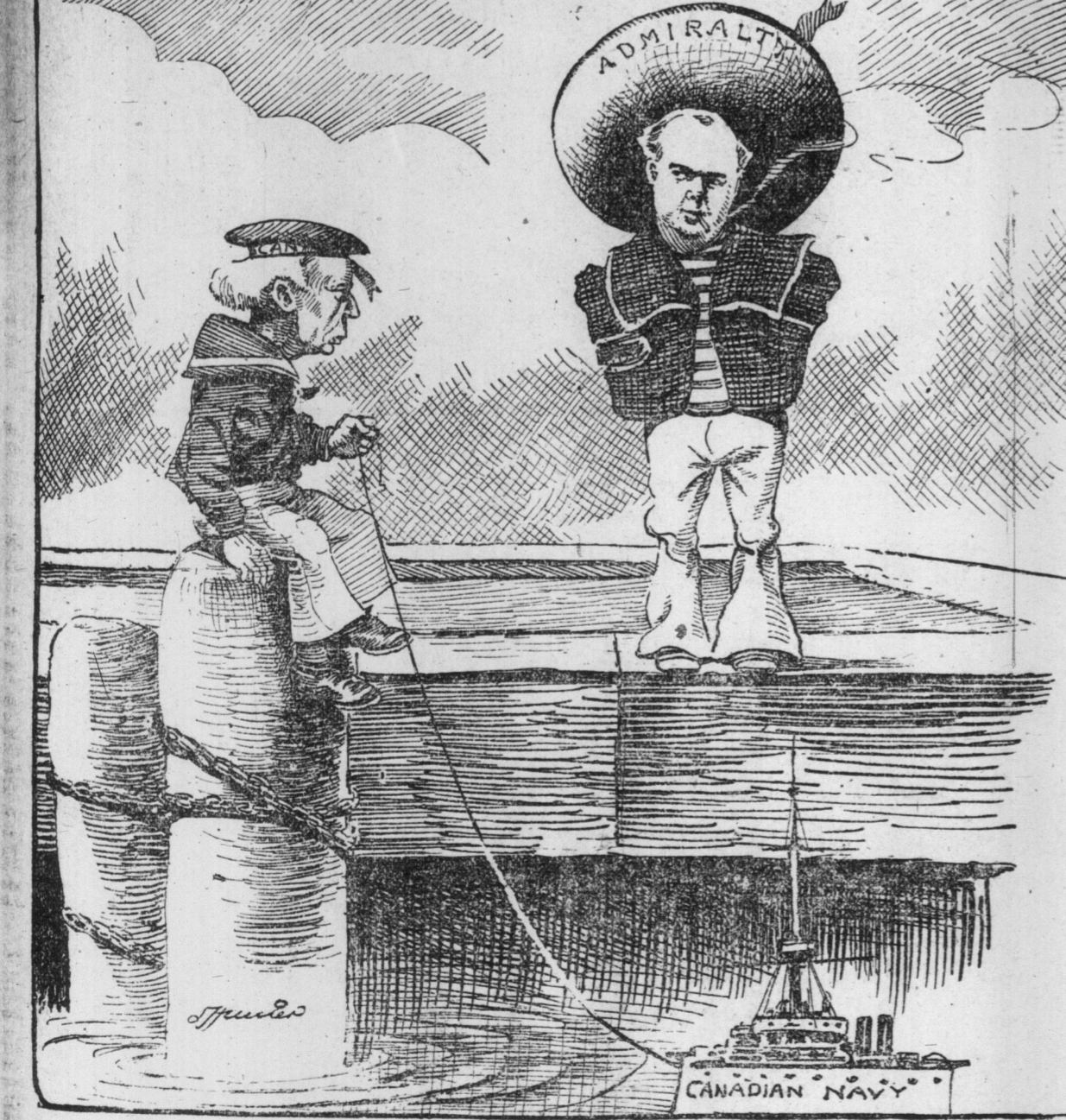
RIOTOUS SCENES IN COMMONS WITH DR. CLARK STORM CENTRE AIR IS FILLED WITH EPITHETS

Speaker Sproule Threatens to Name Red Deer Member For Defying Rules of House and Pandemonium Follows—Premier's Tactful Handling Relieves Situation Almost Unparalleled in Tensity—Opposition Will Continue the Fight, Despite Borden's Warning.

OTTAWA, March 16.—(Special.)—Scenes of violent disorder, perhaps unparalleled in Canada, and seldom exceeded in the mother parliament, characterized the closing hours of Saturday night's debate on the naval bill in committee of the commons. There was open defiance of the chairman of the committee and of Mr. Speaker himself, who took possession of the house in order to quell the uproar. Dr. Michael Clark, Liberal member for Red Deer, was "named" by the Speaker and threatened with suspension. Had it not been for the prime minister, who induced Dr. Clark to make an explanation and the Speaker to withdraw his censure, something like a riot might have been precipitated. The house had been more or less disorderly all evening on both sides of the chamber, but the climax drew near about 9.30, when Mr. Robidoux of Kent, N.B., who was acting as chairman of the committee, rose to his feet apparently to rule upon a question of order which had been taken upon his assuming the chair at 5 o'clock. This point was to the effect that Mr. Robidoux had no authority to preside, having been called to the chair, not by the Speaker, but by Richard Blain of Peel, who preceded him as temporary chairman of the committee. HURLED EPITHETS. When Mr. Robidoux, as chairman, rose to end the protracted discussion, there were loud cries of protest from the opposition benches, and Dr. Pugsley, stepping into the aisle in front of his desk, insisted upon Dr. Neely, member for Humboldt, who had risen at the same time as the chairman, being heard first. In the uproar that followed many members on both sides of the chamber rose to their feet and there was a medley of cries and counter cries. Such terms as "Rebels," "Russian methods," "Shame," "Howling mob," "Rattlesnakes," were hurled back and forth across the chamber. Mr. Speaker Sproule, who a few moments before had entered the chamber in his robes of office, ascended the dais, and commanded order. His voice for the time was lost in the whirlwind of noise. He maintained his position, however, calling loudly upon the members to take their seats and directing the chairman of the committee to rule at once upon the question of order. In time nearly all the members resumed their seats, but the volume of noise but slightly abated. In his place, thoroughly enraged, his voice audible above the mighty uproar, also his words were lost in the confusion, stood Dr. Michael Clark of Red Deer. From his place of authority, no less incensed, and with a voice piercing and strident, Mr. Speaker Sproule commanded silence. "I will name you, Dr. Clark," he shouted to the Red Deer statesman, "for open defiance of the rules of the house." "Name us all," chorused the members of the opposition. "Name and be damned," somebody shouted. It looked for the moment as though an appeal might be made to physical violence, and an English visitor in the gallery observed that the desks alone prevented a general rush of members. It was a great tribute to Mr. Borden that at the moment he arose to speak the din and uproar all but subsided. He began rather ineptly by expressing his regret at the "painful scene created by the members of the opposition." This was at once resented and might have precipitated another conflict. The prime minister, however, mollified his opponents, and upon his suggestion Dr. Clark arose and stated that he had merely endeavored to ask by what rule or authority the Speaker had taken possession of the house, and that he had intended no disrespect to his honor or to the house. Upon this Mr. Borden asked the Speaker to withdraw his censure, which was done accordingly. TUMULT REVIVED. An hour later another contentions scene, but one much less turbulent, occurred. Mr. Blain of Peel was in the chair and Mr. Martin of Regina was speaking. The latter incidentally observed that a mild form of closure had been twice put in use that day. This, for some reason, got on the nerves of Chairman Blain, who sharply called the member for Regina to order. "You must withdraw that remark," he said. "I will not," Mr. Martin retorted. In the colloquy which followed, amid uproar on both sides of the chamber, Mr. Martin said that members had been "gagged." This expression he later withdrew, but remained defiant by refusing to withdraw the reference to "closure" unless authority for the ruling could be shown him. Conservatives called "Put him out," and Liberals retorted, "Try it." "CLOSURE" OFFENSIVE WORD. Another scene of confusion followed, and again the Speaker took the chair. He sustained Mr. Blain's ruling, and commanded Mr. Martin to withdraw his statement about closure. Again the prime minister intervened, and after statements by Mr. Graham and Mr. Martin, it was agreed that the use of the term "closure" was not unparliamentary unless used offensively. Mr. Martin at once protested that he did not use it in an offensive sense, and this closed the incident. Almost immediately afterwards the prime minister moved that the committee rise and report progress. In doing so, he said that while the minority had rights, the majority must rule, and he wanted to inform hon. gentlemen," he said, "that we propose to carry out that policy for which we have the mandate of the people."

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SUFFRAGETTES IN HYDE PARK TARGETS FOR MANY MISSILES POLICE DEFIED BY HUGE MOB

Clods of Turf, Oranges and Miscellaneous Other Articles Showered Upon Mrs. Drummond and Supporters—Hoodlums Equipped With Trumpets and Bells Successfully Drowned Words of Speakers.

LONDON, March 16.—(Can. Press.)—The suffragettes who again attempted to hold a Sunday afternoon meeting in Hyde Park were mobbed by a crowd of 10,000 persons. They were pelted with clods of turf, oranges and other missiles, and when the police were escorting them from the scene the rioters tore off the hats and cloaks of the women and even struck some of them in the face. For two hours the park, where demonstrations until recently were held in peace, and Oxford street nearby, were the scenes of the wildest disorder. The trouble began when "Gen." Mrs. Flora Drummond mounted a wagon and started to speak to the great assemblage, which was largely made up of youths who had armed themselves with ammunition of various descriptions, or with trumpets, mouth organs and bells. Her appearance at the front of the platform was the signal for an outburst of deafening noise and a bombardment of missiles. She had hardly uttered a word when a clod of turf struck her in the mouth. Mrs. Drummond maintained her good nature, smiled at her tormentors and continued her speech amid a veritable tornado of abuse, cat calls, ragtime choruses and cries of "Go home to your children." Pelted for Half Hour. For half an hour the crowds shouted, sang and pelted the suffragette

TORONTO UNION FORMER BANKER NOW MAY STRIKE READY TO FIGHT

Three Thousand Garment Workers Will Demand Wage Increase and Improved Shop Conditions. Charles W. Morse Back in New York Prepared to Regain His Standing in Financial World.

Special to The Toronto World. NEW YORK, March 17.—Charles W. Morse, formerly a millionaire banker and speculator, and once head of what was called "The Ice Trust" when President Taft freed from Atlantic penitentiary, on Jan. 19, 1912, on the recommendation of specialists who declared he had not more than a year to live, returned to New York from Europe today on the Kaiser August Victoria prepared to make a hard fight to regain his financial standing in the financial world and to punish his enemies. "I did not pay much attention to American stocks while in Europe," he said, "they are having trouble over there with everybody hoarding gold and preparing for a war that they expect may come any moment. In Germany many and France it is almost impossible to get gold, England is the only place where gold moves freely."