

MONCTON HAS PROBLEM OF MORE WATER

City Engineer Reports That Better Service Is Imperative—Will Cost In Vicinity Of \$213,000 To Install.

COUNCIL MOVING IN HEALTH MATTERS

Special to The Standard. Moncton, Jan. 6.—Unless a general act is promoted by the Provincial Board of Health, the city council of Moncton will apply at the session of the Legislature for a special act to prevent expectation on the sidewalks and other public places in this city.

During last year the city of Moncton sold 4 per cent. bonds to the amount of \$151,000, bringing a premium of from 7 1/2 to 8 1/2. Of this amount \$51,500 was required to retire maturing bonds and the balance was spent on extensions of and additions to water, light, sewers and new engine house.

The city is now face to face with the problem of providing a larger and better water supply, the estimated cost of which is placed by the city engineer at \$213,000. This would include the building of a new reservoir, with a capacity of 24,000,000 gallons, and a high level reservoir with a capacity of 32,000,000. The capacity of the present reservoir is 220,000,000 gallons, and the new reservoirs would give the city a capacity of 600,000,000 gallons, equal to the consumption of a city of 20,000 people for 312 days, at an average of 80 gallons a head.

ARBITRATION IN SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE

Effort Now Being Made To Adjust Labor Difficulty Among Railways Operating Out Of Chicago.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 6.—Proceedings in the controversy between the officials of the railways operating out of Chicago and their switchmen will be begun at the office of the Interstate Commerce Commission next Wednesday. The negotiations will be conducted under the Erdman Act.

The differences to be considered are precisely those which resulted in the strike of the Northwestern switchmen. Negotiations for a settlement of the Northwestern strike were abandoned today. Chairman Knapp made the following statement: "The conferences that have been held during the last few days between Mr. Perham, the president of the Order of Railway Telegraphers and the head of the railway branch of the American Federation of Labor and Chairman Knapp of the Interstate Commerce Commission and Commissioner of Labor Neil have been adjourned without accomplishing anything definite. If any new developments occur and if the outlook for an amicable adjustment should become more promising, the mediators will again take up the case and try to bring about an adjustment."

PRINCIPALS IN COBALT FRAUDS COMMITTED

Wilkinson Cohen et al Must Face Jury On Charge Of Theft—Dimitius And Reas Acquitted.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 6.—On charges of illegal trafficking in ore, J. F. Wilkinson, J. Zevetz Jacob Cohen, Mordecai Kowchinsky, Niel Lander, Alexander John, George Barber and James Reas, were all committed for trial that morning by Magistrate Denison. Mr. Reas was admitted to bail as being innocent and Reas were acquitted. The evidence taken was that of witness inspector and the detective who made the arrests.

MANY VICTIMS OF BLIZZARD IN THE WEST

Reports Now Coming In Tell Of Several Fatalities Caused By Recent Storm—Three Children Dead.

SASK. SHERIFF AMONG MISSING

Special to The Standard. Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 6.—Reports drifting in from the west show that the late blizzard caused several deaths. W. Clark, a farmer of Lang, perished while driving a load of hay to town. Three little children, named Mel-drum were frozen to death going from their father's place south of Yellow Grass to the home of their grand parents, two miles distant. Laurence Tremblay, 6 years of age, lost his life near Estevan, Sask. Sheriff A. V. Whitehead, of Weyburn, who left to drive into South County New Year's Day is missing and it is feared has perished.

BALLINGER-PINCHOT CONFAB WAXES WARM

Letter From Pinchot To Senator Dollem Read Yesterday In United States Senate Adds Zest To Controversy.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 6.—The Ballinger-Pinchot controversy was made doubly intense today by the reading in the senate of a letter addressed by Mr. Pinchot to Senator Dollem, in which the course adopted by L. R. Galvis with the assistance of Messrs. Price and Shaw, of the bureau of forestry was warmly approved. The chief forester not only upheld the criticisms of Secretary Ballinger, but suggested that the city council be practically all the brook privileges in the vicinity, so that there will be no difficulty on this account.

TO INVESTIGATE GEORGIA ACCIDENT

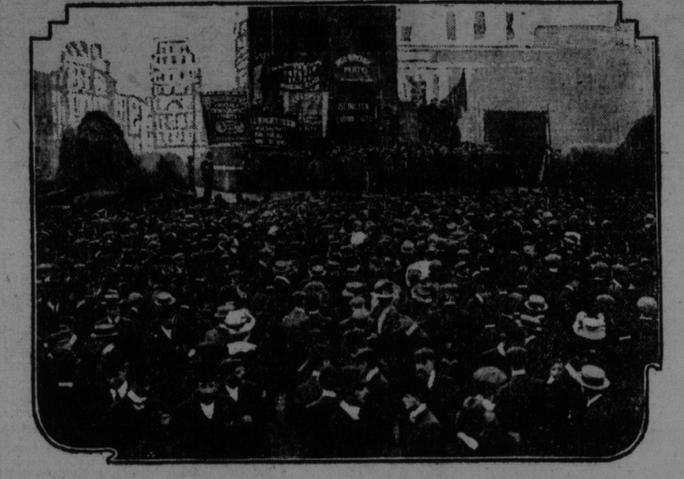
Causes Which Led To Series Of Mishaps That Befel United States Battleship To Be Probed.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 6.—It was evident from development today that an investigation will follow the grounding of the battleship Georgia here late yesterday while she was steaming for Hampton Roads, following navy yard repairs after collisions first with the battleship Nebraska and later with the collier Vestal, when the Vestal's propeller blades punctured the Georgia's plates below the water line. It became known today there was no Virginia pilot on the Georgia yesterday but one had been asked for. The Georgia, uninjured, today put to sea under orders which sends her to Guantanamo in advance of other vessels of the fleet now assembling in Hampton Roads preparatory to departure for mid-winter manoeuvres in southern waters.

PROGRESS IN WHITE SLAVE INVESTIGATION

New York, Jan. 6.—John D. Rockefeller, jr., foreman of the grand jury which is investigating the "white slave" traffic in New York, had a consultation today with George K. Turner, the writer whose article attracted attention to the subject this fall. Mr. Turner is to testify before the investigating body next Monday. Today he outlined some facts in his possession to Mr. Rockefeller and District Attorney Whitman.

BALFOUR'S WAR SCARE IS DENOUNCED BY LIBERALS



A GREAT MEETING IN TRAFALGAR SQUARE, LONDON, DURING THE PRESENT CAMPAIGN—PHOTOGRAPH SHOWS SPEAKERS AND LEADERS ON THE EXPANSIVE BASE OF NELSON MONUMENT.

Premier Asquith, David Lloyd George and John Burns Refute Unionist Leader's Accusations of the Unpreparedness of the Navy—England Never at War With Germany, Says Chancellor, Who Adds That In Any Event She Is Able To Take Care of Herself.

London, Jan. 6.—Premier Asquith, David Lloyd George, John Burns and other members of the government, occupied tonight in denouncing A. J. Balfour's alarmist references to Germany, and refuting his accusations of the unpreparedness of the navy.

Chancellor Lloyd George, who received an ovation at Peckham, a London district, described Mr. Balfour's speech as the last resort of a thoroughly desperate man who saw that his cause was lost. Mr. Balfour had indulged in plucking the German eagle's tail feathers and tail-twisting had become a discreditable practice, he said, even in America. He was sorry to see the leader of a great party and an ex-premier reduced to the extremity of following in the footsteps of the most discredited type of politicians in the United States; such talk was dangerous to the world's peace and a disgrace to British politics.

Never With Germany. Great Britain, the chancellor went on, in her time, had waged war with almost every country, but never with Germany. On the contrary, she had generally had Germany fighting with her. During the past decade,

Great Britain had built nearly double the number of battleships constructed by Germany, but if the ratio was reversed he would not be afraid, because Great Britain had the men behind the guns. "But," he added, "we will continue to build warships faster than Germany." With reference to the effect of the budget on trade the chancellor took the unusual course of prematurely announcing to the meeting the returns of the Board of Trade for December. They show an increase in exports over December of 1908, amounting to \$21,940,000. The biggest year British trade ever saw was 1907, and the chancellor pointed out, trade for the last month was better than in December, 1907, by \$5,000,000 and over in exports, and if they took both exports and imports, it was better by \$25,000,000. Furthermore, the increase in imports was not in manufactured goods, but raw material and food. It looked as though the coming year would be the biggest British trade year since 1907, by the foundation of the Empire.

Unassailable Superiority. The Prime Minister, speaking at Bath, reiterated his statement that

so far as equipment and armament were concerned, the British navy was in a position of unassailable superiority and the British shores were more completely secured than at any time within memory. He then ridiculed Mr. Balfour's attempts to engineer a German scare, and suggested that the ex-premier's German friends were "pulling his leg."

The premier referred in a bantering way to Mr. Balfour's nobility on the subject of tariff reform. Mr. Chamberlain, he said, was the pontiff who married tariff reform to colonial preference and Balfour, who might have forbidden the ban, but did not, apparently thought he could effectually disguise the bride's features by a veil of impetuous generalities. Mr. Balfour tonight at Ipswich, followed Lord Lansdowne with regard to the reform of the House of Lords, "by all means," he said, "let us reform the House of Lords, in order to strengthen it."

He proceeded: "Let us ask any American citizen whether he thought life would be worth living if the elaborate precautions taken by the framers of the con-

2 BOATS FULLY AWAKE MISSING FROM PORT NOW

Blizzard Robbed For The Most Part Of Its Prey—Six Men Still Unaccounted For—Exciting Story.

FISHERMEN TELL OF BATTLE WITH DEATH

Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 6.—The blizzard that swept the Nova Scotia coast Tuesday, carrying twenty five vessels out to sea has been robbed of most of its prey, only two boats with six men are now missing. The missing boats and their crews are as below: Hazel Mand, ten tons, hailing from Dover, Master, Captain James Rhyndol, brother-in-law to Captain Boudro of the Tribby and cousin to Captain Rhyndol of the Mito, wife and two children, John Rhyndol, brother to captain, wife; Norman Fouger, single.

Janina, ten tons, hailing from Whitehead, Master, Captain R. Munroe, married, Austin Munroe, son, Courtney Fultimate, Captain Buckingham is fearful regarding these boats one of which is open.

Nothing short of amazement expressed the feelings of those who at Whitehead today viewed the battered and broken hulk that protected and saved the lives of Harvey Munroe and his crew of two others during the last two days and nights in the awful blizzard that swept them twenty miles of the coast away from Whitehead. Frost bitten, hungry and almost discouraged with their frail boat well made to solve the mystery by digging down from the street level. At one point the tunnel split into two branches, one of which headed for the bank vaults and the other for the jewelry shop. In all the diggers had uncovered about fifty feet of burrowing, with no trace of the body of Finkelstein, late tonight.

Harvey Munroe is a man thirty three years of age in the prime of life but he shows the marks of the terrible anxiety of the last forty eight hours. In danger every moment of being swamped, they threw over the fish and balled for their lives with pumps and buckets.

CIVIC CAMPAIGN IN BOSTON SEETHING

Fitzgerald And Storrow Hold Monster Meetings, The One In Faneuil Hall; The Other At Tremont Temple.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 6.—The extent to which Boston's new charter has broken down former municipal par-

POTATO WAREHOUSES DESTROYED BY FIRE

Aroostook County Concerns Lose \$25,000 In Spectacular Fire Yesterday—Five Buildings Totally Destroyed.

Port Fairfield, Me., Jan. 6.—Five buildings, containing 14,000 bushels of the finest grades of Aroostook county potatoes, at Easton Station, on the Bangor and Aroostook R. R., ten miles south of here, were destroyed by fire, at a loss of \$25,000.

It is believed that the fire started from an overheated stove in the building occupied by R. T. Prentiss Company. The buildings, which were connected, were owned by the Prentiss Company and by J. H. Frazer, C. A. Powers, George L. Whitaker and Elmer Cossin. The buildings and potatoes were together insured for \$18,000.

MILLER IS ASKED TO APPEAR BEFORE FACULTY

Principal In Michigan Football Hoax To Be Disciplined By College Football Authorities—Must Justify Action.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Jan. 6.—At a meeting of the engineering faculty this afternoon to consider the case of J. Joy Miller, of Detroit, the University of Michigan football star, who recently was declared to have been ineligible to a position on the 1909 team, a letter was drafted to Miller citing him to appear before the faculty tomorrow. He will be asked to show cause why he should not receive such discipline and punishment as the faculty has decided to inflict upon him.

ROYAL PALACE IN ATHENS ASHES NEAR ATHENS

Athens, Jan. 6.—The royal palace at Tatoi caught fire at 10 o'clock this evening, while the royal family were gathered around a Christmas tree. The flames spread rapidly and soon the right wing of the palace was practically destroyed. The fire is believed to have been due to illuminations on the tree. The royal family made a hasty escape and so far as known, no one was injured. A large force of firemen were soon on the scene and they were assisted by sailors from the English and Russian warships, but at a late hour it was feared that the whole edifice will be destroyed. The Tatoi palace was the king's summer residence.

GAZING INTO HOLE PULLING IT AFTER HIM

Disappearance In New York Leads To Discovery Of Pretty Plot To Rob Bank Of Cash.

\$10,000,000 THE SUM THEY AIMED AT

New York, N. Y., Jan. 6.—An actual case of the man who crawled into a hole and pulled the hole in after him is puzzling the police here tonight. And there is more interest in the hole than the man who dug it, for a cursory inspection soon showed that from an unobtrusive aperture in the floor of a tenement house cellar, the hole presently stretched into a tunnel and the tunnel pointed in the direction of the vaults of the East Side branch of the Fourteenth Street Bank with deposits of \$10,000,000 and toward the safe of a jewelry shop next door in which there lay \$60,000 worth of diamonds and jewelry.

To Gather Firewood. Isidor Garbus ran to the police today with a tale of the disappearance of his brother-in-law, Isaac Finkelstein. The man was last seen, he said, in the cellar of the tenement house where they lived. Isaac went down stairs to gather firewood. He did not return and under the wood-pole Isidor found a mound of fresh earth. The foundations of the house, he told the police, must have collapsed on his brother-in-law.

After a building inspector had crawled a little way through the tunnel which was unshored, an effort was made to solve the mystery by digging down from the street level. At one point the tunnel split into two branches, one of which headed for the bank vaults and the other for the jewelry shop. In all the diggers had uncovered about fifty feet of burrowing, with no trace of the body of Finkelstein, late tonight.

CANADA A COLONY SAYS JUDGE MATHIEU

French-Canadian Jurist Raps Popular Fallacy Of Dominion's Status—King By The Will Of The People.

Montreal, Jan. 6.—Judge Mathieu, a noted Canadian jurist, in an address delivered tonight before the St. James Literary Society, took objection to the claim constantly made that Canada was a nation. "We are only a colony," said Judge Mathieu, "our constitution is as integral as it can be made in view of the fact we are a colony and therefore a dependency." Judge Mathieu made the rather peculiar remark that in styling himself King "By the Grace of God," King Edward had apparently forgotten the Act of Settlement in omitting to add, "And by the will of the people."

LORD STRATHCONA AIDS EMERGENCY HOSPITAL

High Commission Cables \$25,000 For Temporary Relief And Promises \$100,000 In Eradication Of Typhoid.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Jan. 6.—Sir Hugh Graham received a cable this afternoon from Lord Strathcona in London stating that he was cabling him \$25,000 for the emergency hospital which has been opened in connection with the typhoid fever outbreak and that he was prepared to subscribe \$100,000 towards the eradication of the causes should a citizens fund be started. The emergency hospital has so far received forty cases and others are being brought in hourly. The local subscriptions so far amount to about \$25,000.

EMPEROR OF IRELAND TO RESUME SERVICE SOON

Liner Has Been Thoroughly Overhauled—Will Sail From Liverpool For This Port Feb. 11—Sir Thomas On Board.

Montreal, Jan. 6.—The Empress of Ireland, of the C. P. R. which is now being thoroughly overhauled, after her accident last fall, off the Mateau coast will make her first sailing of the winter from Liverpool to St. John on February 11. Captain Forster will again be in command and Sir Thomas Shaghnessy and Mr. G. M. Bosworth are returning from England on the ship.