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SUFFRAGETTES WILL HAVE TO BE ORDERLY

Seventy Non-Militant But Athletic Sisters Will See to It

A TALK BY LLOYD GEORGE

Chancellor to Reply Tonight To Questions of Miss Pankhurst—360 M. P.'s and Lords to Be on Platform in Anti-Meeting Next Week

(Canadian Press) London, Feb. 22—The non-militant suffragettes have arranged for seventy of their "stalwarts" to act as stewards for their meeting tonight in Albert Hall, when Chancellor Lloyd George will give an address.

These seventy athletic young women will be dressed in physical culture costumes and will maintain order and lead summarily with any persistent interrupter. Each one will have a good account of herself in a rough and tumble or resisted action of any militant sister, who does not wish Lloyd George to answer adequately some of the awkward questions to which Miss Pankhurst has asked him to reply.

When the anti-suffrage meeting takes place in this hall next Wednesday, 300 members of both houses of parliament and their wives will be on the platform. The women will include Lord Curzon, Lord Curzon and Lewis Harcourt. Each ticket holder pledges not to interrupt the meeting.

PREMIER IN CITY

Hon. Mr. Fleming Has Faith in Future of St. John—Meets Tomorrow

Hon. J. K. Fleming arrived in the city at noon today from Hartland and Victoria. The premier will meet with the other commissioners of the Jordan Sanitarium tomorrow morning, and at this meeting they will consider the final plans for remodeling the present buildings and hope to have everything ready to make an early start on the work as soon as the weather will permit.

The provincial government will meet later in the day and another business will receive a delegation from the N. B. Temperance Federation asking for the enactment of a law providing for provincial prohibition. A delegation from the New Brunswick Fish, Forest and Game Protective Association will also wait on the government to present their request that they be given control of the fishing in the south branch of the Orontic for the use of the public.

Premier Fleming has been following with great interest the activity in St. John and the other evidence of development here and said this morning that he had strong faith in what the immediate future holds for this city.

WEATHER BULLETIN Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

9 A. M. WEATHER REPORT. Max. Min. Dr. Val. Toronto: 21 10 NW 34 Snow Montreal: 14 12 SW 16 Snow Quebec: 16 10 SE 56 Snow

Forecast—Heavy south to west and northwest gales, clearing and turning colder on Friday.

Saint John Observatory. The Time Ball on Customs building is hoisted half its elevation at 12.45, full elevation at 12.30, and drops at 1 p.m. Standard time of the 9th Meridian, equivalent to 5 hours Greenwich mean time.

Local Weather Report at Noon. Thursday, Feb. 22, 1912. Highest temperature during last 24 hrs 42. Lowest temperature during last 24 hrs 22. Temperature at noon 38. Humidity at noon 88. Barometer readings at noon (sea level and 32 degrees Falt), 28.88 inches. Wind at noon—Direction southwest, velocity 38 miles per hour; clear.

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AMERICAN COAL FOR THE BRITISH NAVY

Orders for Delivery at Gibraltar or Vigo are Reported

In New York it is Said There Will be Difficulty Filling Big Orders in Addition to Regular Business—Hard Job to Handle It

(Canadian Press) London, Feb. 22—A sensation has been caused in the British coal trade by the statement that the British admiralty has arranged for supplies of American coal to be delivered at Gibraltar or Vigo.

The steamers Blenheim and Teespool have been chartered in London in the last few days to load about 17,000 tons of coal at Norfolk, Va., or Newport News early in March. It is believed that further charters will be placed. It is understood that the admiralty wishes to reserve what Welsh coal is available.

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HOME RULE BILL EARLY IN MARCH

London, Feb. 22—A circular announcing the Irish Nationalist bill, which will be introduced in the House of Commons shortly before the date of the election, has been issued.

GEORGE BERNARD SHAW BREAKS OUT IN NEW PLACE

Solver of All Problems Now Arranges Home Rule Matter

London, Feb. 22—The latest contributor to the home rule controversy is George Bernard Shaw, who suggests that what is wanted on both sides of the channel, is a little more protestantism.

"The greatest terror of poor old Rome, of a Pope who is less personally than any atheist, and less powerful than the meanest surplice and protestantism," he says, "is cowardice. That is the unvarying symptom and penalty of want of faith. There is one and only one remedy for this cowardice, and that is force. There is only one chance for priestly tyranny under home rule, and that is the chance of protestantism insisting that the church shall be given power to set the Roman home in order."

"The most pressing need of Ireland today," proclaims the dramatist, "is the establishment of the Roman levy taxation without audit or responsibility, and practical probabilities and clear their imaginations of thumb screws and stakes and faggots, and nuns on the rack, we should have Irish Protestants asking the Home government to make Roman Catholic church establishments a feature of the home rule bill, while the priesthood would be invited to resign their present irresponsible power and riches."

GALWAY TO CANADA STEAMSHIP ROUTE

British Parliament Will Be Asked to Authorize Creation of Irish Harbor

London, Feb. 22—During the present year, parliament will be asked to authorize the construction of a railway and harbor at Galway with a view to the establishment of a Galway-Halifax route, by which it is contended that the Atlantic passage could be completely in from two and a half to three and three-quarter days. This is a non-contentious one and gains are expressed that these works may be begun early next year.

Colonel H. H. McLean, M.P., came home this morning from Ottawa.

NOTING ON SHIP ERNE?

Boston Shipping Circles Agitated Over Circumstances Attending Loss of Vessel

Boston, Feb. 22—There is a suspicion in shipping circles that a mutiny may have occurred on board the British ship Erne, which was abandoned at sea on February 8, while on a passage from this port to Boston.

The disappearance of Capt. Eckett, his wife, the second mate and Robert Hay, the passenger, has not been explained satisfactorily to the agents and owners here. According to the story told by the men, the Erne is said to be the only remaining lifeboat and with his wife and the other two disappeared during the night.

The master will be thoroughly investigated, and the government here may be requested to take a hand in the search for evidence. The Erne is doubtless still afloat as her cargo of lumber would buoy her up for weeks.

Several sea captains who knew Captain Eckett declared that he was not the kind of a man to desert his ship in such an emergency. He had sailed vessels out of the port for many years and was known as a capable seaman. For about eight years he was commander of the barkentine Allanville, of the Essex fleet.

Then he bought a master's interest in the schooner Miles M. Merry and for a time engaged in the coal carrying trade. When he was ashore one trip, the Merry was wrecked on the Jersey coast and Captain Eckett went to England and brought back the Merry.

Mrs. Eckett accompanied her husband on all of his voyages, and they made their home in Boston. Captain Eckett was about fifty years of age. The Erne was abandoned about 1,000 miles east of Boston. The vessel was the last to be seen, about 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 8, 1912. She had 1,200 and gross tonnage 1,000.

FOUR DAY BOATS FROM ENGLAND

London Times Confirms Report of Six 24-Knot Vessels—Will Be Armed

London, Feb. 22—The announcement from Montreal that a company, supported by a powerful group of British capitalists, had engaged in the building of four day boats to operate a line of four day boats between Great Britain and Halifax, was confirmed here today.

The London Times confirms the report that six twenty-four knot vessels will be built for the purpose of sending western American and Asiatic traffic via Canada instead of via the United States. It is several months since the vessels were ordered by the government, and will be armed for self-defense and for defence of Atlantic trade routes in time of war.

SUDDEN DEATH IN CHATHAM HOTEL

Eugene Doucet Passes Away—Natural History Association Election

Chatham, N. B., Feb. 22—(Special)—Eugene Doucet died suddenly in the Chatham Hotel this morning. He did not feel well in the evening and went out for a walk. Soon after he retired he left his room saying he could not sleep, and asking if he could sit up by the stove. He was given a buffalo robe and a blanket and told to make himself comfortable.

Early in the morning he asked for a doctor and Doctor Byrne was called. Mr. Doucet retired to his room when the doctor came and was found dead in bed twenty minutes later. He was forty-five years old and leaves a wife and seven children in his native town. He had allowed all his money to lapse. Mr. Doucet worked here with Mr. Hecker for five years and had worked for Mr. Barrow and Mr. Weldon. He went to work for Mr. Weldon on Tuesday morning after spending the winter at Rogersville. He was a good workman and had many friends.

NOVA SCOTIA LEGISLATURE

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 22—(Special)—The Nova Scotia legislature was opened this afternoon with the customary ceremonies. Doct. James F. Ellis of Guysboro was appointed speaker.

SIXTY MILE WIND AT PENSACOLA

Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 22—Considerable damage was sustained by small shipping in the Pensacola harbor early yesterday, when a sixty mile gale blew over this part of the Gulf coast. Pensacola was cut off from wire communication for a time.

HEBERT WEDDING LEGAL

Judge Charbonneau Gives Judgment In Montreal Ne Temere Case

Decision of Court is to Uphold Marriage of Marie Emma Cloutre and Eugene Hebert, Performed by Methodist Minister as Legally Solemnized—Will Be Appealed

(Canadian Press) Montreal, Feb. 22—Mr. Justice Charbonneau gave judgment this morning in the famous Hebert marriage case in favor of the wife. He practically holds that any officer authorized to solemnize marriage can marry any two persons who observe the ordinary formalities, including a marriage license, no matter what their religion may be.

The judge holds that the ne temere decree which was issued by the civil code which, he holds, authorizes all persons who are allowed to keep registers of civil status to marry parties. "As to the marriage between Marie Emma Cloutre and Eugene Hebert, solemnized by the Rev. Wm. Zimmerman, a Methodist minister authorized to keep a register of civil status, on July 14, 1910, he holds that it was performed legally. He upholds Madame Hebert's opposition to the judgment declaring the marriage illegal rendered by Mr. Justice Laurendeau. He finds that the withdrawal of the husband from the suit by filing of a desistment does not prevent the wife from seeking to establish her civil status by bringing evidence to prove that her marriage was legal and her children legitimate. He holds her children as legitimate and born in wedlock.

The entire case for the wife was placed before the court several months ago, the judge reserving the right not to adjudge upon the merits of the question of marriage provided he found that as a matter of procedure and practice it was legal to hear evidence in a cause under the action that the husband had withdrawn. The judge admitted the evidence under reserve, they sharply left the court, and the case was closed. The judge then rendered his judgment, which ended the case, and they departed from the suit and the lady won, and there was no hearing of evidence in the case. When the judge admitted the evidence under reserve they sharply left the court, and the case was closed. The judge then rendered his judgment, which ended the case, and they departed from the suit and the lady won, and there was no hearing of evidence in the case.

There was a tremendous crowd in the court room when the judge appeared on the bench, while the columns of the church and the court were blocked with reporters and lawyers. The judgment took His Lordship over an hour to read. After a long review of the facts he went into the merits of the case, and said the plaintiff value and his action that the marriage be annulled as to the marriage tie, but simply that the spouses and their children be legitimated. Commenting on the episcopal judgment, His Lordship said: "It must be noted that the annulling of marriage is the exercise of judicial power, whether such exercise be called a decree or a judgment, it is to the same effect. Judicial power is a part of authority and can be conferred only by the law which entrusts the functions thereof to a certain class of citizens and therefore to certain laws enacted by the legislative power. This authority is not here given so far back as the conquest. As all judicial authority disappears with the change of allegiance it would be useless to go beyond the session, to see what was the jurisdiction of the bishops in the case, or what was the officiation under the old French law. After stating that this question is now hardly contested and referring to judgments of the court of review rendered in the same sense the judge quotes the following summary of principles governing the case as laid down by Justice Colesau in a case of La Rue vs. Burgess: "This marriage, or, if you prefer it, that contract, has no other existence but that given it by the human law. Civil justice of the civil courts acts as to marriage is perfectly independent of all other authorities, even religious authorities."

The learned judge then said that "the decree has therefore no legal value until it is proved to be in accordance with the law. It would not even be of any use as proof of one of the judicial facts needed to establish a case, not being in the form of a document to what the law gives any authoritative value or in the form of evidence given under oath by an expert in the matter."

"We should therefore conclude that the first part of the Laurendeau judgment confirming the ecclesiastical decree was unfounded in law and that the second part concerning the civil effects of the marriage was unfounded in law since the marriage had not been annulled or declared null, either by the religious authority, which was not competent, or by the court of whom this had not been asked. This would justify the setting aside of the judgment and the dismissal of the action. However, as above mentioned, the defendant, the defendant, and of the other defendant, to declare the marriage valid, force the court to decide on the whole merits of the case, notwithstanding the insufficiency of the conclusions of the plaintiffs."

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CANADIANS IN OLYMPIC PROGRAMME

Representation of Dominion In Sports in Stockholm Arranged

WILL SAIL ON JUNE 15

Final Competitions Will Be Held in Montreal on June 8—Our Men in Rowing, Athletics, Swimming and Trap Shooting

(Canadian Press) Toronto, Feb. 22—The plans for the representation of Canada at the Olympic games in Stockholm this summer has taken definite shape as the result of the meeting of the Canadian Olympic committee yesterday. Chairman James G. Merrick presided and the other members present were E. Herbert Brown of Montreal, R. Tasker Steele of Hamilton, Rev. Dr. D. Bruce Macdonald of Toronto, and Secretary N. H. Crow.

The Canadian Association of Amateur Athletes have charge of the rowing section, and will carry out the trials as previously announced. All the Canadians, except possibly the trap shooters, will leave Montreal by the White Star Dominion liner Teutonic on Saturday June 15, for Liverpool. The athletic team will stay at Upper Norwood, London, training at the Crystal Palace grounds. They will reach Stockholm about July 2, a couple of days before the competitions.

Rowing, athletics, swimming and possibly trap shooting will cover the representation of this country in the Olympic competitions. Only in such branches of sport as there is reasonable expectations of success in a world competition will Canada be pitted against the nations. The Dominion Rifle Association having disapproved of sending any of the Blevy team, the Canadian shooters will be limited to the clay bird experts. Among those entitled to consideration are W. R. Wigg, individual champion of last Olympic, and W. R. Davies, champion of the Canadian Trap Shooting Association.

As swimming George Hodgson of Montreal and one other will probably comprise the representation. There is only one cycling event on the Stockholm programme, a race of 500 miles around Lake Malaren and the committee will not make any selection for that. The selection of the athletic team will be practically in the hands of the Amateur Athletic Union.

Provincial actions must have their nominations in the hands of Secretary Crow by May 27 in each case accompanied by the records of the individuals. A final competition will be held in Montreal on June 8, for the purpose of eliminating by the committee. This meet will be handled by the Quebec section and the amateur Athletic Union will defray the traveling expense to Montreal for those who take first or second places at these trials.

President Merrick will represent the committee in Stockholm and will also represent the Amateur Athletic Union at the conference to complete the alliance with the English and Australian bodies. The appointment of a coach was discussed but not settled.

GERMAN OFFICIAL TO VISIT LONDON

Von Stumm to Follow up the Good Work of Hallope

London, Feb. 22—Baron von Stumm, director of the political department of the German foreign office will visit London soon in an effort to create a better understanding between Great Britain and Germany, just as Lord Haldane visited Berlin on a similar errand.

The baron, who is known to have a cordial English sympathy, will have a cordial reception from the British government.

McLEAN KEEPS IT UP

Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 22—In the preliminary heats of the eastern indoor championship under the auspices of the International Skating Union, last night, R. M. McLean, of Chicago, won every heat in which he competed, easily carrying off the honors. Bush, the one-armed skater, of Vancouver, and Kaad of Chicago, qualified for most of the finals.

Champion Wheeler of Montreal got into the finals of the 400 yard dash.

They Joined Forces Washington, Feb. 22—The Underwood colonial tariff was passed yesterday by a vote of 178 to 127. The republicans voted against it.

WELL, THIS IS PRETTY NEAR TO SAYING SO

"My Hat is in the Ring," Says Colonel Roosevelt, in Promising Definite Statement About Nomination on Monday

Cleveland, O., Feb. 22—During the brief stay of Colonel Roosevelt in Cleveland, W. F. Eirik, well known locally in politics, greeted the former president, whom he knew well. "My hat is in the ring," replied Colonel Roosevelt. "You will have my answer Monday."