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THREE MURDERS IN NEW YORK STREETS

Stylish Girl Lure of One of the Victims.

Gunmen in Taxi Then Kill Him — Chauffeur Shot in a Sidewalk Crowd — Two Men on a Curb, Holding Dead One, Hail Car for Hospital.

(Canadian Press.)

New York, March 27. — Three men were shot to death under mysterious circumstances in New York last night and early today.

One man, lured by a fashionably-dressed young woman, was shot down by a pair of gunmen who fired from the windows of a taxicab. Another was slain as he walked through a crowd of pedestrians in 110th street at Fifth avenue. The third victim, propped between two men standing in a Brooklyn street, was loaded into a taxicab and taken to a hospital. He was dead upon arrival.

Henry Stern, a young chauffeur, walked in the 110th street crowd. A muffled report was heard. Stern fell to the sidewalk. He was taken to a hospital and died a short time afterward. He had been shot through the side. His clothing was badly burned by powder, evidence that a gun had been placed against his body.

An unidentified young man, well dressed, was seen conversing with a smartly attired girl in Madison street. They stood on the curbing. They quarrelled, bystanders said, and parted. Then she returned and again talked with the young man. A taxicab drew to the curbing, the door opened and two men fired. The woman fled.

Two men, supporting between them a lifeless form, hailed a taxicab in Brooklyn. They took James Meany, eighteen years of age, to a hospital, but he was dead from bullet wounds in the body. The men said he had attended a social entertainment with them, and gave the names of other persons who were there. Sixteen men and four women, who were present at the entertainment, were held for questioning.

AMHERST FIRE

The Lusby-McDonald Brick Building Ablaze—Loss is About $80,000.

Amherst, N. S., March 27—Fire this morning gutted the Lusby-McDonald brick building in Crescent avenue, causing a loss of approximately $80,000. Some is covered by insurance, although the householders in the upper flats of the building met with a total loss in most instances. The interior of the building was ruined by flames and water. The fire started beneath a barber shop occupied by William Alward. It ate its way through the walls and floor and gained great headway before the alarm was sounded at 3.25 a.m. The fire department made a record response and several streams of water were centered upon the conflagration in a very few minutes but it was three hours before the fire was under control.

The building was occupied on the ground floor by James Corney and Co., painters and decorators, E. J. Stonehouse, grocer; W. Alward, barber; Mrs. Crawshaw, bakery.

Mr. Corney carried stock valued at $9,000 and carried insurance for $5,000 with Douglas Rogers Company.

Mr. Alward was insured for $100 with the same company, while E. J. Stonehouse, with a grocery stock costing in the vicinity of $2,200 had only $600 in insurance, with B. J. Lawson. Mrs. Crawshaw was not insured, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Fownes and family of four children occupying the only residential quarters on this floor had their furniture badly damaged by water, and carried no insurance.

The second story, divided into apartments, was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. George Trenholm, Mr. and Mrs. Simon MacEachern and the Misses Corney. The latter were insured for $1,000. They lost practically everything. Mr. Trenholm got his furniture out, although it was badly water soaked. None of the other occupants of the apartments carried insurance.

The block is owned by James E. Lusby and Senator J. A. McDonald. They had insurance approximating $15,000. Six thousand of this was taken with Douglas Rogers Co., the remaining $9,000. with Saunders & Duffus, of Halifax.

Fire yesterday destroyed a house owned and occupied by Elischua Coates of West Amherst. There was no insurance. The loss is placed at about $2,000. Mr. Coates is about eighty-seven years of age and has been residing with his housekeeper. The two were unable to save any of the effects save some of the downtsairs furniture.

POSTPONE THE PARIS TRIAL FOR A MONTH

A Fredericton despatch says that the third trial of John Paris, charged with the murder of Sadie McAuley, is now slated for trial on Tuesday, April 25. Hon. James P. Byrne, attorney-general, said today that a motion for adjournment until that date would be made on his behalf by Dr. W. B. Wallace, K.C., in the St. John circuit court tomorrow before Mr. Justice Barry. His duties at the legislature, now in session, prevent the attorney-general from attending courts at present.

EXCHANGE TODAY.

New York, March 27—Sterling exchange heavy. Demand, 4.37. Canadian dollars 2 15-16 per cent discount.

City Can Distribute Hydro Cheaper Than Power Company

MUNICIPAL SYSTEM WOULD AFFECT IMPORTANT SAVING TO CONSUMERS

Engineers Kirby and Phillips, Mayor's Committee, Present Preliminary Report Showing What City Could do, Compared with the Company.

The Times herewith publishes the report on hydro by Messrs. C. C. Kirby and Herbert Phillips, which was today submitted to the mayor. It will be noted that while they estimate the cost to the consumer under civic distribution at 6.58 cents, compared with 6.22 cents if the New Brunswick Power Company got the Musquash current and distributed it, the power company rate of 6.22 makes no provision for the deficit on the street railway and gas plant, or for full interest on preference stock. It may be assumed the company would not agree to a rate which would not meet these charges, and would therefore want nearly ten cents instead of 6.22. If the company had to compete with a civic distribution plant, its charge would be over ten cents, since it would have to reckon in its steam standby and the higher cost of current.

On the other hand, the maximum for the city would be 6.58 for 4,900,000 kilowatt hours, and if it took 10,000,000 it would have at least 3,000,000 to give away; or, if it were sold, it would reduce the rate below 6.22.. A sale of 8,000,000 kilowatt hours would bring the civic rate down to four cents. If the city were content to take 7,000,000 kilowatt hours the rate would be reduced in proportion.

Even as the case stands, taking 10,000,000 kilowatts, with a possible present market for 4,900,000 kilowatts, the reduction from present power company rates would be 34 to 38 per cent.. Assuming that the city would rapidly develop a market for the balance of the current the reduction would soon be fifty per cent or more.

It should further be noted that in the estimated cost of $900,000 for a civic distribution system $177,000 is provided for an underground system in the congested portion of the city.

The fact for citizens to remember is that selling only 4,900,000 kilowatt hours they can get a rate of 6.58 and have without further cost at least 3,000,000 kilowatt hours to use for the expansion of industries.

If, on the other hand, the power company distributes the current it must add to the 6.22 an amount to take care of street railway and gas plant deficit and interest on bonds, which would deprive the consumers of any appreciable benefit from the opportunities for expansion provided by the Musquash development.

It is also assumed by the engineers in making the civic rate 6.22 that the city will be in keen competition with the power company, whereas the company in the same reckoning is assumed to have a free hand without competition. If the company had to compete with the city and produce power by steam, its cost of production would be increased over $50,000, whilst in this case it might reasonably be assumed that civic operation would not be required to pay $25,000 in taxes. Further, under these conditions of competition the city would take advantage of the commission's offer to supply current for the first three years at 3 instead of 3.2. These factors, together with the probable one that only 7,000,000 kilowatt hours need be taken, would make it possible for the city to operate at an average rate of about four cents whilst in competition.

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ULSTER ANSWERS THE LONDON CALL

Government Members to be There on Wednesday.

Lloyd George May Meet the Free State Men Today—Irish Republican Army Convention Scored — The Belfast Situation.

(Canadian Press Cable)

Belfast, March 27—The Ulster cabinet at its session today accepted the invitation extended by Colonial Secretary Churchill to a conference of Irish leaders in London, called in view of the disturbed conditions in Ireland.

Premier Sir James Craig, telegraphing acceptance in behalf of the Ulster cabinet, said members of the government will arrive in London on Wednesday.

Newspaper Man Arrested.

Dublin, March 27—The correspondent of the Freeman's Journal at Charleville, County Cork, has been arrested. Apparently, says the newspaper, the Irish Republican Army authorities there were offended by his report of an attempt to break up a pro-treaty meeting at Charleville. The newspaper adds that while it makes no demand for special privileges for the press, it considers the arrest part of a scheme by the "treaty wreckers" to strifle free expression of public opinion and to intimate individual journalists.

Plan Belfast Boycott

Dublin, March 27.—The convention of members of the Irish Republican Army held at Mansion House here yesterday, notwithstanding the prohibition issued by the Dail Eireann authorities against it, was in session for more than twelve hours. A resolution was passed unanimously reaffirming allegiance to the Irish republic. It also declared that the republican army should be under the supreme control of an executive which should draft a constitution for submission at a subsequent convention.

Among other matters on which the convention took decisions and concerning which the executive committee will later issue a full statement was to boycott Belfast and to extend the boycott to the six northern counties of Ireland.

An official statement set out that the delegates present numbered 220, that they represented 49 brigades, as well as four members of general headquarters and officers from eight divisional staffs and from three or four independent brigade staffs.

May be Stricken from Roll.

The convention ended late last night without having excited any outward demonstration, or ruffled the usual Sunday life of the city. The provisional free state government made no attempt to interfere with the proceedings and has not definitely stated that it will take any action, although it is generally supposed that those who attended will be treated as having separated themselves from the rest of the army, and their names may possibly be stricken from the army roll.

The action of the convention in unanimously adopting a resolution reaffirming the delegates' allegiance to the Irish republic met with strong condemnation among the supporters of the Free State.

The Irish Independent this morning says: "Many times in the past have our people become divided in a crisis, when unity was essential. Today we witness the same unedifying, deplorable spectacle. Disunion has been forced on the country. The resolution passed by the sectional convention amounts in effect to repudiation of the Dail, yet Eamonn de Valera insists that the Dail is the supreme authority in Ireland. In all democratically governed republics like France and the United States the army is strictly subject to the control of civil authority or the government for the time being. Wherever departures from that constitutional system have taken place, grave events, sometimes amounting to establishment of a military dictatorship have followed."

Dublin, March 27—Forty men took possession of the Orange headquarters in Dublin on Saturday night. They are thought to have been Belfast workers out of employment and to have made this move in retaliation for some seizures by the Unionists in Belfast.

Sergeant Gloster of the Royal Irish constabulary was shot and killed in Cork Saturday afternoon. Up to last night the total number of deaths for March in Belfast as a result of the disorders, was reported to be fifty-six, fifty civilians and six police and military officers.

In London

London, June 27.—Lloyd George is not expected to participate in the conference of Irish leaders in London, should that meeting be definitely arranged, but he is likely to see Arthur Griffith, president of the Dail, and Eamonn J. Duggan, Dail home minister, if they arrive today, as expected. It is generally believed that Michael Collins, head of the provisional government, will follow his colleagues to London, but will wait to learn what prospect there is of the Ulster premier, Sir James Craig, accepting the government's invitation before he starts.

The reports from Belfast say there is a considerable difference of opinion there as to the utility of the proposed conference in view of the unsatisfactory results of the last one, but nothing has been learned to suggest that the invitation will be refused. It will be the subject of discussion by the Ulster cabinet today and the reply is expected by tonight at the latest. Should the conference meet, it is not likely to be before Wednesday.

Belfast, March 27—Deaths of two wounded persons late last night brought the total of fatalities in the disorders of the week end to seven.

CLASH OF RADICALS AND CATHOLIC WORKMEN; SEVERAL ARE KILLED

Mexico City, March 27—Several persons were killed and others injured yesterday at Guadalajara, state of Jalisco, when radical demonstrators clashed with a group of Catholic workmen assembled in the main plaza.

As Hiram Sees It

"I see," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "they're gonto try next week to find out everybody in St. John that's got consumption. What's the idee? Gonto line 'em all up agin the fence an' ask folks to look at 'em? Or throw 'em into the harbor?"

"Neither," said the reporter. "They simply want to reach the people, young or old, who have or fear they have tuberculosis, and tell them how they may be cured. They are not going to make a show of anybody. If you think there is anything wrong with your lungs you merely have to go to a certain place at a certain hour some day next week, and it will not cost you anything to be examined and told whether you are in any danger or not. And if you are you will be told what medical experience has shown you ought to do, for your own sake and the sake of your family and friends. You are offered free something that may save your life."

"Well," said Hiram, "the's 'nothin' wrong with my lungs, but I hope them that needs advice 'll all turn out. Hanner was jist readin' las' night about how they'd cut down the death rate from consumption in some places. I mind when we used to think it couldn't be cured. It kin be cut down here, too—if them that hes the disease 'll do what they orto—yes, sir."

F. NOBLE BUYS HATHEWAY FARM

Large Property in Kingsclear —Liquor Theft from Drug Store.

(Special to Times.)

Fredericton, N. B., March 27—Frank Noble of this city has purchased from the New Brunswick and British Colonization Company a property in Kingsclear known as the Hatheway Farm, and will take possession in the near future. He at present is on the upper St. John River on business. The company acquired the property some years ago and developed it to a considerable extent as a fruit farm.

Seventy-five acres of the property is planted to apple orchards, making it one of the most extensive fruit farms in this part of the St. John valley. The production of the orchards is capable of extension.

The drug store of Percy G. Long, Marysville, was burglarized early this morning and liquor to the value of $50 or $75 was stolen. The front door was forced. No cash was taken. There is no indication that any stock other than the liquor was disturbed.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, March 27—Opening: Wheat—May, 1.30¼; July, 1.15¾. Corn—May, 58⅛; July, 61. Oats—May, 36¼; July, 38⅝.

NORTH END FIRE.

The North End firemen were called out about 9.15 o'clock this morning, in answer to an alarm from box 123, for a blaze in the apartments of Lemuel A. Colwell, 57 Metcalf street. Although the department was soon on the scene, considerable damage was done to the inside of the building and the furnishings. Slight damage was done to another flat of the house, which is occupied by I. D. Thompson.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

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

Synopsis—Pressure is low over the greater part of the United States and moderately high over Canada. The weather is showery in south-western Ontario and fair elsewhere in the dominion, temperatures are decidedly low in the west.

Fair, Then Overcast.

Maritime—Moderate winds, fine and mild today. Tuesday, fair to overcast, not much change in temperature.

Gulf and North Shore—Fair today and Tuesday, not much change in temperature.

New England—Rain tonight and Tuesday. Not much change in temperature, fresh east and southeast winds.

Toronto, March 27—Temperatures:

Stations	8 a. m.	Highest during Yesterday	Lowest night
Prince Rupert	34	42	32
Victoria	36	52	36
Kamloops	22	46	22
Calgary	*8	12	*14
Edmonton	*6	12	*6
Prince Albert	*26	12	*28
Winnipeg	48	16	*10
White River	20	32	10
Sault Ste. Marie	20	34	16
Toronto	33	46	32
Kingston	32	..	30
Ottawa	30	48	26
Montreal	36	44	32
Quebec	28	42	24
St. John, N. B.	40	42	32
Halifax	42	44	34
St. John's Nfld	34	30	24
Detroit	36	44	34
New York	54	72	52

*Below Zero.

FOR CONTROL OF THEIR OWN SPORTS

Reported Movement for Maritime Universities.

Bar Noted Hockey Player from This Game—Maritime Rugby Proposal—Baseball and Other Late Sport News.

(Canadian Press)

Fredericton, N. B., March 27 — All competing athletes at the U. N. B. who have been members of the football, hockey and basketball teams during the present academic years have forwarded the required affidavits to the maritime branch of the A. A. U. of C. in connection with the amateur sports clean up. It is said that President Covey agreed to meet the legal expenses in connection with the completion of the affidavits.

A movement is under way at the U. N. B. to have the universities of the maritime provinces take control of their own sports and athletics with an association of their own to be recognized by the A. A. U. of C. and affiliated with any similar intercollegiate organizations in Canada, to be known as the maritime intercollegiate athletic association. Those supporting this plan say that intercollegiate athletics and sports are controlled in that way in the United States.

Toronto, March 27—Vancouver will not agree to allow Eddie Gerard to play in Tuesday's Stanley Cup game and the locals will send Cameron and Randall back into action. Manager O'Donaghue offered Dunc Munro, of the Granites, $500 to finish the season, but the great defence man declined. St. Pats. also agreed to give Munro $3,200 for next year. The locals tried to secure Harry Watson of the same team with no better results.

Baseball.

New York, March 27—Chicago, which would rather beat New York at baseball than in population, had a measure of satisfaction at Dallas, Texas, yesterday, when in an exhibition game with the Giants, the White Sox punched the ninth inning offering of Pitcher Barnes hard and won 8 to 7.

While the Chicagoans were outdoing the Giants, the other New York clubs, Brooklyn and the Yankees, were engaged in a contest in New Orleans. The Brooklyn boys won, 8 to 5, due to the excellent pitching of "Dazzy" Vance, a former Yankee. Ruth suffered a slight injury to his side while at bat in the third inning and retired from the game in the fifth.

Melbourne, March 27—The Australian tennis association has cabled the Belgian association proposing that the Australian and Belgian teams play the first round in the Davis Cup matches about June 26, in New York.

Maritime Rugby.

Halifax, N. S., March 27—The Maritime Provinces Rugby Football Union has issued a circular to clubs and colleges under its jurisdiction asking the opinion of the various bodies on the matter of arranging a spring rugby season.

AUSTRALIA'S BID FOR ENGLISH BOYS

Recruit 6,000 for Farms and Save their Money for Them Until Majority Reached.

London, March 27—Premier Barwell of South Australia is attempting to recruit 6,000 boys in England between the ages of 15 and 18 for apprenticeship to South Australia farmers, under government guardianship. The boys are wanted to replace the 6,000 South Australians killed during the war.

Each boy will be paid four shillings a week for pocket money, the remainder of his earnings being placed to his credit in the state treasury, where it will earn 4 1-2 per cent interest, the whole sum being turned over to him when he attains his twenty-first year. This amount will enable him to become an independent farmer.

BUSY IN HARBOR

There are 22 Steamships in Port Here Today.

With the arrival of four steamers in port this morning, the number of steamers was increased to twenty-two, which is the largest at any one time this winter. Although some will be sailing every day through the week, a large number en route here are expected this week, and it is probable that this will be the busiest week of the winter port season. Much grain and potatoes are being shipped on these vessels. Sugar is the big import. There are also two ships in port, which will carry cattle away. One vessel due tomorrow has a cargo of nursery stock and another one is expected soon to load cement. Besides the trans Atlantic vessels, there was a big increase in the coastwise shipping this morning, many of the gas schooners making their first trip here this season.

BOYS STOLE $8

Two juveniles pleaded guilty to a charge of acting together and stealing a purse and $8 from Miss Dodge, 53 Pitt street. Detective Biddescombe said that the boys had been delivering some parcels for a man in the market and had taken the purse from a table in Miss Dodge's home. One of the lads had been before the court four months ago and he was sentenced to four years in the Boys' Industrial Home. The other was allowed to go on suspended sentence with the warning that if he was found out late or mixed up in any other scrapes he would also get four years. The boys said that they had divided the spoils, $4.50 to one and $3.50 to the other.

IS DEPORTED A FOURTH TIME

Beatrice Hebert Says She is Now Cured of Affection for Zinser.

Philadelphia, March 27—Miss Beatrice Hebert, a Canadian stenographer, whose love for Wm. Zinser, manager of a Philadelphia tourist agency, caused her to enter the United States against the mandate of the authorities, has been deported for the fourth time. She left the Gloucester, N. J., immigration station in charge of the matron, who will turn her over to the Canadian authorities at Windsor, Ont. From there, it was said, she will be sent to her mother's home in Toronto. Before leaving Miss Hebert told Commissioner Hughes that she had been cured of her affection for Zinser and that she would not attempt to return to the United States.

OPPOSITION TO WHARF EXTENSION

Indiantown Matter Before the Common Council — Bathurst Tender for Granite Curbing Lowest — Lancaster Lot Matter.

Arguments for and against the city granting permission for an extension of the D. J. Purdy wharf at Indiantown were presented at a commission meeting of the common council this morning. Mr. Purdy appeared to support his previous application for permission to extend while opposition to the scheme was presented by Philip Nase, of P. Nase & Sons.

Mr. Bullock said that since the application was made he had two or more objections to the proposed extension, so he asked all to appear this morning.

Mr. Purdy said an extension of twenty-five feet was required to handle the freight traffic at his wharf at Indiantown. He said it was almost impossible to do business under existing conditions.

The mayor said according to the plan it would shut the next man out if the extension was made.

Mr. Purdy said that Mr. Nase shut him out when he built his wharf and Mr. Nase would have the same chance as Mr. Purdy had to extend if he wished.

Mr. Nase said that if Mr. Purdy extended his wharf it would make the Nase wharf useless.

The mayor said he understood that Mr. Purdy and Mr. Nase had gone as far as they could together without reaching an agreement. He thought the matter should have more consideration by the city solicitor. This was agreed to.

Mr. Jones said he would like to look over the situation on the ground.

Granite Curbing Tenders.

Tenders for supply of 1,464 feet of granite curbing were opened and referred to Commissioner Frink and the road engineer for report; as follows:—J. H. Doody, $1.65 a foot; B. Mooney & Sons, Ltd., $1.75; Granite Street Pavement & Construction Co., $1.80; J. E. & D. P. Connolly, Bothurst, $1.83, f.o.b. St. John.

Commissioner Frink said last year the city got curbing at $1.10 which was advanced to $1.35, but the contractors forfeited their deposit.

Lancaster Property.

Regarding the proposed sale of some lots in Lancaster to L. W. Simms, Commissioner Bullock reported that Mr. Simms had offered to purchase a lot now owned by S. C. Tippett, Mr. Tippett to take another lot farther west.

The mayor said that Mr. Tippett had expressed to him the opinion that he did not wish to sell but would pay the city's price for the lot immediately in the rear of his present lot. He said that he did object to other lots being sold at a price less than that charged to him.

Commissioner Thornton said he understood that the lot prices were fixed by order-in-council and if it was desired to reduce them, the order should be rescinded.

The mayor suggested that the interested ones should get together with Commissioner Bullock and himself to see if their differences could not be straightened out. It was decided to try this arrangement.

A letter from the police magistrate for an increase in salary was held over until council meeting tomorrow as it was addressed to the mayor and council. A copy was enclosed for each commissioner.

Mr. Otterson, inventor and manufacturer of an eductor for the cleaning of catch basins, explained his apparatus to the council, offering to put one in the city for a trial test without expense or obligation. He said that the only one in use in Canada was in Halifax. He explained that the machine consisted of a five-ton chassis with a 1,200 gallon tank and pump, and said it would clean all the city catch basins but twice a year with a crew of three men at a reduction of fifty to seventy-five per cent. in cost. The machine was manufactured in Canada under Canadian patents. Each basin could be cleaned in four or five minutes at a cost of fifty cents, and 700 basins could be cleaned in a month. The cost was $11,000 net landed here for a heavy duty type, which could also be used as a flusher and as emergency fire apparatus.

The matter was referred to Commissioner Jones for report.

The mayor read a letter from the city solicitor in connection with a request by the Union of Canadian Municipalities, regarding the Vancouver, Fraser Valley and Southern Railway bill proposed for this session of parliament. Dr. Baxter said that no private bills had as yet come up but he would scrutinize the bill in question when it was presented. He said on the face of it the case of the union was a good one. He suggested that a resolution be passed expressing the hope that further charters should not be granted to purely local concerns or any legislation enacted which would interfere with the rights of municipalities at the instance of private companies.

On the recommendation of the mayor this suggestion was put into the form of a resolution and ordered forwarded to the secretary of the union.

TURKEY TO KEEP CONSTANTINOPLE

Also Would Have Large Part of Eastern Thrace.

Territories Adjoining Dardanelles to be Demilitarized—Straits in Care of International Commission—Decisions of Allied Ministers.

(Canadian Press Cable.)

Paris, March 27—Retention of Constantinople and a large part of Eastern Thrace by Turkey, the de-militarization of the territories adjoining the Straits of the Dardanelles whether allotted to Turkey or Greece, and that an international commission shall attend to the upkeep of the straits are proposals that [illegible] allied foreign ministers after five days of consideration of Near East questions.

The conclusions of Premier Poincare, Marquis Curzon and Signor Schanzer are believed to make a step towards a settlement of a question which has been one of the roots of unrest in the old world. The amicable offer of mediation between Turkey and Greece removes the dilemma facing the French either of taking a hostile attitude toward Turkey, or breaking with the Allies, and also removes the cloud created over Anglo-French relations by the Angora accord.

Paris, March 27—Turkey is conceded nearly all her claims, except those to Adrianople and part of Eastern Thrace, in the memorandum which the allied foreign ministers today forwarded to Athens, Angora and Constantinople, with a view to its acceptance as a preliminary peace settlement, revising the treaty of Sevres. The Enos-Hidia line in Thrace is modified so as to give Turkey more territory on the Bulgarian frontier, but the old Turkish capital or Adrianople is excluded.

Constantinople remains Turkey's and she retains Armenia with the population under the League of Nations, but she loses the Gallipoli peninsula and Mesopotamia. The foreign [illegible] the Greek and Turkish belligerents three weeks in which to reply to the proposed terms.

THE FREE STATE BILL IS THROUGH HOUSE OF LORDS

London, March 27—The Irish Free State bill passed its third and final reading in the House of Lords today.

REDUCTION IN C. N. R. EXPENSES

D. B. Hanna of C. N. R. Says Substantial Cut Possible, as Construction nearly Caught up with.

Toronto, March 27.—"The reason that a substantial reduction will be possible in railway expenditures this year," said President D. B. Hanna of the C. N. R., "is because last year, and in general since the war, we have pretty well caught up with our needed construction. Therefore this year there will be a possibility of less expenditure both for a construction and improvement programme."

NO CRIME FOR TEN YEARS.

Ancient Town of Kent Can Boast Fine Record.

Tenterden, in Kent, is positively the one town in England entitled to wear the white flower of a blameless life.

This community of 3,500 people has not had a case sent to its own particular sessions for more than ten years, which means that there have been at least forty maiden sessions. Moreover, there has not been a police court case of any description since the war.

The interesting thing is that the sessions court was granted to the people of Tenterden as a special privilege in recognition of the loyalty and fighting qualities of its male population hundreds of years ago.

MRS. HENRY CROSS

The sad word of the death of Mrs. Henry Cross, wife of the late Rev. Henry Cross, a former pastor of the Germain street Baptist church, came to the city this morning. She died at Southern Pines, North Carolina, on Sunday. Mrs. Cross is survived by one daughter, who was with her at Southern Pines at the time of her death, and one son, in Florida. She also leaves one stepdaughter, Mrs. H. E. Williams, of Redbank, N. J., and three stepsons, W. C. Cross, manager of Hall & Fairweather, of this city; Captain Francis E. Cross, of Newark, and Hugh S. Cross, of California. She will be buried at Southern Pines. Mrs. Cross was well known in this city and many friends here will be sorry to learn of her death.

BUILDING LAW CASE

George Bishara was before the magistrate today charged with putting up a building without a building permit. Inspector Carleton gave evidence. The accused was told that he was liable to a penalty of $20 to $100 and sent into jail.