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## THAW'S CASE WILL OPEN SHERBROOKE TODAY

His Lawyer Secures Writ of Habeas Corpus Which, if Sustained, May Free Him.

PERIOD OF LIBERTY  
LIKELY TO BE BRIEF.

Immigration Authorities Prepared to Take Steps at Once to Thrust Him Back Across Line—Possible Confederate Under Arrest.

Special to The Standard.  
Ottawa, Aug. 20.—Information has been received here tonight by the immigration department that Thaw has through transportation to Detroit but that it does not hold good, having been bought at Coaticook in Canada. Immigration inspectors Reynolds and Williams have informed the department to this effect, and instructions have been given them to ignore the transportation.

The highest authority in immigration circles here states to your correspondent tonight that in all probability the application for extradition will be refused tomorrow and Thaw will then be taken in charge by the immigration officials and deported.

Ottawa, Ont., August 20.—The Ottawa end of the Thaw case has undergone no change. The position simply is that developments at Sherbrooke are being awaited. If the proceedings to secure the extradition of Thaw are successful, before it becomes effective, there must be a fifteen-day delay and meanwhile the minister of justice, whose sanction of the extradition order is essential. The minister has the right to refuse it, if he disagrees with the judgment.

The immigration officials' instructions are to watch the progress of the case, and if the extradition proceedings fail, to take steps to deport Thaw by the route through which he entered Canada. No further instructions have been sent. The inspectors communicated with the department today, but made no special report, nor were any new instructions given. The outcome of the court procedure will be awaited before there is any further action by the department.

Sherbrooke, Que., Aug. 20.—Should Harry K. Thaw be declared a free man after the hearing of the habeas corpus proceedings here tomorrow morning—and it is considered practically certain that he will—he will be across the American border and in the State of Vermont by tomorrow night. The case, so far as the Canadian immigration department is concerned, is wholly in the hands of inspectors D. H. Reynolds and F. E. Williams, of Ottawa, and these two officials, immediately Thaw is released by the court, will take him into custody as an undesirable under the immigration act and rush the fugitive to Coaticook. At the immigration office there formal deportation proceedings are being conducted in the form of an official inquiry into the manner of Thaw's entrance into the country, and his past history, which, of course, is well known, debar him from remaining in Canada. These formalities ended, he will be taken on board a Grand Trunk train and conveyed to the border, where Messrs. Reynolds and Williams will hand him over to the American authorities.

The point of deportation will be Island Pond, Vermont, the nearest border station on the Grand Trunk, about twenty miles south of Coaticook. The "through" ticket to Detroit, on which Thaw hopes to evade the immigration authorities and continue his journey through Quebec and Ontario to the state of Michigan, will not serve that purpose. Though the immigration officials have not yet been shown the ticket by Thaw, they have learned that it was purchased in Coaticook, and reads from that point to Detroit. It is not, therefore, a ticket to another foreign port, and does not qualify as "through transportation."

The only hitch in the deportation is the fact that Thaw is not a citizen of the United States, and that he is not eligible to enter Canada. This would further delay action.

Thaw Professes Confidence.  
Harry K. Thaw was still confident this afternoon that all would come right in the end. He was pacing up and down the cell when seen by representatives of the press. Traces of worry were easily to be seen on his face. His eyes were a somewhat strained look, but he smiled cheerfully as he greeted his visitors.

Thaw swung round as the reporters entered and smiled pleasantly, but on first advances declined to make any statement as to his journey from Mataneau to Coaticook. However, when mention was made of the impudently bold statement of one of his alleged accomplices, Thompson, accused of aiding and abetting him to enter the country by stealth, Thaw denied the stealth part. Thompson was going through to Detroit, he said, and chose the Canadian route to avoid going through any of the other States.

"Do you expect to be released?" Thaw was asked.

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## COMMISSION TO LOOK INTO TAX SYSTEMS

Maritime Board of Trade Will Ask Government to Appoint One.

MEETING NEXT YEAR  
AT SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I.

Interprovincial Highways Endorsed—Spend Money on Our Own Youth and Keep Them at Home.

Special to The Standard.  
Newcastle, N. B., August 20.—The Maritime Board of Trade resumed at two o'clock. The following were enrolled: Hon. John Morrissey, Mayor; George Stables, Rev. S. J. MacArthur, Ald. Belyea, Ald. Mackay, W. J. Jardine, John McColm, Newcastle; W. S. Loggie, M. P. D. MacLachlan, James Harrigan, George Watt, Chatham; John Betts, Miller; T. Higgin, R. H. Jockin, Charlottetown; Dr. Price and H. W. Woods, M. L. A.'s.

President Lodge's report emphasized the necessity for providing all possible facilities for increasing the usefulness of St. John and Halifax as shipping ports or transcontinental freight. The intercolonial management had agreed to adjust new freight tariff to within ten per cent of the old.

He advocated employing a permanent secretary to give his whole time to the work.

Secretary Williams reported difficulty in collecting dues or getting answers from many smaller boards. A commercial man or insurance agent would make the best secretary until more funds are available.

The taxation question was introduced by Ald. Stuart, Newcastle, who favored tax reform in direction of cutting off poll tax, improvement of personal property and income taxes and increasing land tax with, perhaps, a business tax, regulated by floor space. There should be no property qualification for voting or holding office.

Landless men paid taxes indirectly to landlord, merchant and hotel keeper. He moved a resolution calling upon Maritime governments and legislatures to grant local option in taxation.

Messrs. Read, Milner, Walker, Williams and others supported the motion as a whole. Messrs. Loggie, Morrison and others in part. Messrs. Creighton, Mercey, the president and others opposed. It was laid on the table till the evening.

W. C. Milner's motion urging the Dominion government to take over at once and preserve such historic places as Louisbourg, Piquet, LaHave Mouth, Capso, Nerepis, Nashwaak, Beau-bair's Island, Rurit Church, etc., carried unanimously.

Endorsement of interprovincial ways was introduced by T. W. Butler, Newcastle, and carried.

Discriminating railway rates introduced by Ald. Belyea were condemned. Dr. Price urged intercolonial agents in Europe and on steamships. Mr. Butler would discourage emigration and spend money on our own youth.

When the board resumed session, Messrs. Morrison and Walker's amendment to Stuart's taxation resolution passed as follows: "That this board, recognizing the general dissatisfaction that exists with respect to the distribution of the burden of civic and municipal taxation particularly with respect to arriving at a correct valuation of personal property and income memorializes the local governments to appoint commissions at their next meeting to investigate the grievances complained of with view to providing remedy; also that a copy of this resolution be sent to the governments concerned."

The following resolution passed: Asking same rates to P. E. I. by water by land after car ferry is ready and demanding reduction of intercolonial freight rates.

The next meeting will be at Summerside.

FISH EXHIBIT AT TORONTO.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, Aug. 20.—In conjunction with the government exhibit of fish foods at the Toronto National Exhibition the Maritime Fish Corporation have shipped from the Atlantic coast almost every kind of fish food in the Atlantic ocean. This car is going all rail by Dominion Express and is being transferred to a cold storage plant especially built in the government building with glass fronts where the exhibit will be on exhibition. Included in this car are several large swordfish, just as they are taken from the sea.

## NOVA SCOTIA VILLAGE IN GREAT DANGER FROM FIRE

Martin's River But Few Hundred Yards from Path of Forest Fire.

INHABITANTS REQUEST  
IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE

Mahone Bay is Also in Path of Onslaughting Flames—Situation Regarded as Decidedly Grave—Lunenburg Asked to Send Help.

Mahone Bay, N. S., Aug. 20.—The forest fire in this section is now within a quarter mile of Martin's River and with the wind blowing due north, there is hourly danger of the whole village being wiped out. Mahone is none too safe, being in the path of the on-sweeping flames, which have opened up to a new strip of forest land. The men from Mahone who have been fighting the fire above Martin's River may be called upon at any moment to return to protect their own homes and the outlook is very dark.

Mayor Kinley, of Lunenburg, has been communicated with for the use of the town fire apparatus, and it is thought likely that the engine will be sent down to assist in the work of checking the flames.

The people of Martin's River who yesterday afternoon moved their belongings back to their homes, thinking the danger was over, are now taking them out again.

Large brush fires are also raging at other points along the south shore.

## DIGGS FOUND GUILTY ON FOUR OF SIX COUNTS

Erison Man Charged with White Slave Traffic—Liable to Five Years on Each Count.

San Francisco, Aug. 20.—In eloping with Marsha Warrington from Sacramento, Cal., to Reno, Nev., Maury I. Diggs, former state architect of California, was guilty of violating the Mann Act, which makes it a felony to transport women for immoral purposes from one state to another. This was the verdict tonight of the jury that tried him. Five years in the federal penitentiary is the maximum penalty.

There were six counts in the indictment, and the jury found a verdict of guilty on the first four. Each count carries a maximum penalty of five years and a minimum of one year in a federal penitentiary.

## WONDERFUL ESCAPE OF NEW YORK WORKMEN

Caught 400 Feet Underground When Fire Broke Out in Catskill Aqueduct Shaft House—None Injured.

New York, August 20.—Thirty-five workmen caught four hundred feet underground in a section of the Catskill aqueduct, in course of construction under Washington Heights, here, when fire broke out in the shaft house overhead tonight, were found unharmed two hours later when the fire was controlled. Their chief suffering had been from lack of air, cut off by the fall of the smoke overhead.

The fire was a spectacular one, and besides badly damaging the massive shaft building erected to apartment houses closely adjoining it on St. Nicholas Place and St. Nicholas avenue. Two of the apartment buildings were burned out and others damaged.

The damage to the shaft was about \$15,000. Damage to surrounding property was about \$100,000.

## MONTREAL HAS FIRE IN BUSINESS CENTRE

Two Break Out in Same Neighborhood—Damage About \$30,000—Man Held on Suspicion.

## MEXICO'S MAN ON HORSEBACK IN THE FIELD AGAINST HUERTA GOVERNMENT



When Francisco Madero was unseated by General Huerta as the constitutional leader of Mexico Governor Venustiano Carranza, of Coahuila, took his place and has been in the field against the Huerta government since the death of his erstwhile leader. From a few hundred loyal Maderistas in the state of Coahuila Governor Carranza has organized a formidable army, well armed and equipped with modern high power rifles and machine guns.

## DISARMAMENT QUESTION IS DISCUSSED AT HAGUE

Universal Peace Conference Adopts Three Resolutions Dealing With It—One Calls for General Treaty Pledging a Gradual Disarmament.

The Hague, August 20.—The chief work of the twentieth universal peace conference at its opening session here was the adoption of three resolutions dealing with disarmament. The first contained a request that the question of the restriction of armaments be included in the program of the next international Hague conference. The second protest against the sinister influence of persons interested in arms production in the Hague conference. The third recommended the consideration by peace societies of the draft of a general treaty for gradual disarmament. Prof. Quilide, of the University of Munich, proposed this resolution in order that the next conference shall be in a position to discuss the subject with full information at hand.

All the civilized nations were represented, the delegates attending numbering 950, many of whom were women pacifists. Premier Heemskerck, of the Netherlands, extended a welcome to the delegates on behalf of the "class country on international law."

Prof. De Loter, of Utrecht, was elected president of the congress. In his inaugural address the president proposed the idea of a super-national organization for the purpose of bringing about peace. This, he contended, would only be accomplished by the development of international law with absolute independence for individual states. Internationalism and patriotism were not, Prof. De Loter thought, incompatible.

Other speakers claimed that in spite of recent events in the Balkans the idea of universal peace clearly was progressing.

During the session compliments were showered on Andrew Carnegie and his late fellow worker, T. M. C. Asser, minister of state and delegate of the Netherlands to the first and second Hague conferences.

## FINDS COURT EXCEEDED ITS JURISDICTION

Chief Justice Mathers Hands Down Decision in Gimli Election Case—May Go to Appeals Court.

Winnipeg, August 20.—Chief Justice Mathers handed down a decision this morning in the application to set aside the substitutional service upon E. L. Taylor in the matter of the Gimli election case. It is stated that an appeal is to be taken to the court of appeal.

In brief the finding of the court is that under the Manitoba election law—which in this respect is unlike the Dominion law—the time of service cannot be enlarged a second time. Mr. Taylor having absented himself from the province during the fifteen days covered by the original order and its extension, counsel for the petitioners appealed for and obtained a second extension. Finally securing, in Mr. Taylor's continued absence, an order for substitutional service. The finding of the court is that the substitutional order based upon it was beyond the powers of the court of King's Bench. In rendering judgment the Chief Justice expressed regret that this would prevent the trial of the case on its merits, but said that of course the forms of law must be adhered to.

though the police are detaining a man who will have to explain his actions in court tomorrow. The fire was from accidents, and the damage is well covered by insurance.

## MEXICAN QUESTION IS NOW UP TO WASHINGTON

MINERS MAY  
MAKE ARMED  
RESISTANCE

Quantity of Ammunition Said to be Concealed in Nanaimo—Plot to Dynamite Police Headquarters.

Nanaimo, B. C., Aug. 20.—Rumors of a plot to blow up Vipond's boarding house on Robson street where a large number of the special police are quartered have reached the officers of the militia. A strong guard has been thrown around the place. It was asserted that a number of men held a secret meeting and agreed to dynamite the house last night. Another story which is given considerable credit is that a quantity of arms and ammunition has been discovered in the city. The flooding of No. 1 shaft of the Victoria Fuel Company commenced this morning several large centrifugal pumps being employed in drawing water from the harbor and pouring it down the shaft mouth. This will be continued until the workings have been flooded to put out a fire raging there. As most of the mine is beneath the harbor the leakage is considerable. There are 100 miles of workings and once they are filled with water it will take from six months to a year to pump the mine out.

## SHUT ABRUPTLY ENDED BY POLICE

Appear at First Night Performance of New Athletic Club and Halt Proceedings—Audience Get Money Back.

Montreal, Aug. 20.—The opening night of the newly organized Hochelaga Athletic Club ended abruptly tonight when Police Inspector Grand-champs stepped on the platform and announced to the crowd that the show was over. The announcement came just as two boxes, Knight and Quinn, had taken their positions in the ring and were ready to start a ten round boxing match. The entrance fee was refunded and the crowd dispersed quietly.

The Hochelaga Club was recently organized and about 400 members had paid the club fee of fifty cents which entitled them to witness the opening exhibition of boxing and wrestling for another fifty cents.

## THREE DROWN AS BOAT UPSETS

Heavy Breeze Cause of Tragedy—Grapplers at Lake Willoughby Seek Bodies in Vain.

St. Johnsbury, Vt., August 20.—A drowning accident occurred on Lake Willoughby about 11 o'clock yesterday morning, when a small boat in which a sail had been rigged was overturned by the wind about a half mile from the west shore of the lake.

Clayton Badger, aged 23, employed in Worcester, Mass.; Dana Tripp, aged 27, employed in Haverhill, Mass.; and his brother, Morton, Tripp, aged 21, of Orleans, Vt., were drowned. All were natives of Orleans.

Morton Tripp leaves a young wife. The others, like himself, are survived by their parents.

The cause of the accident is not known. The three young men set out in the small boat about 11 o'clock yesterday and had reached a point about half a mile from shore, near the water where the accident occurred, is about 175 feet deep, and there is little hope of the bodies being recovered. A diver will be sent down today, however.

AIRSHIP TOWS COMPANION.

London, Aug. 20.—The unusual sight of an airship towing her disabled companion was witnessed at Aldershot this afternoon. The British army airship Ets and a naval airship were out manoeuvring when the machinery in the latter vessel became disabled. The Ets attached a hawser to the other dirigible and towed her to the factory for repairs.

Huerta Government Has Definitely Turned Down John Lind's Proposals.

NEW OFFER MUST COME  
OR INCIDENT IS CLOSED

One Element in Mexican Government, However, is Favorable to Reopening Negotiations Looking to Continued Friendliness with Uncle Sam

Mexico City, August 20.—Further negotiations looking for a peaceful solution of the Mexican situation, following Provisional President Huerta's rejection of President Wilson's proposals, as submitted by his personal representative, John Lind, would appear to depend on Washington. If the United States government is willing to reopen the controversy there is every reason to believe that the Mexican government would be willing.

Frederico Gamboa, the Mexican foreign minister, in a statement issued last night, said that the negotiations between Mr. Lind and the Mexican government had not been entirely broken off, but that they were being continued confidentially. This communication was made to representatives of the Mexican newspapers for their publication this morning. It was the first news of the dispute given to the public through the local press since Monday morning.

Despite Foreign Minister Gamboa's statement, however, it is known here that Mexico's reply to the United States, while couched in diplomatic language, was a definite rejection of President Wilson's proposals as presented by John Lind.

Want Better Proposition.

Unless the Washington government sees fit to submit new propositions then the negotiations, it is considered here, will be closed. What the Mexican government may do appears largely a psychological problem.

The statements made by Dr. Aureliano Urrutia, Minister of the Interior, on Monday night, and subsequently given official denial both by Foreign Minister Gamboa and Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge d'affaires, that the United States government had been given until midnight of Tuesday last to recognize the Huerta administration is taken to indicate the attitude of at least a portion of the Mexican government, but the conservative element appears to have won the upper hand. This element is the one which is showing a tendency to continue friendly relations with President Wilson's personal representative, Mr. Lind, and it is even reported on good authority that overtures have been made to re-open the negotiations.

Lind is Optimistic.

Ex-Governor Lind today is awaiting instructions from Washington. He still is optimistic and believes there is more than a possibility that the Mexican government may yet elect to entertain the peace proposals rather than the alternative.

Regarding the character of any notes exchanged between the two governments Senator Gamboa, the foreign minister, and all the other government officials refuse to enter into any discussion.

The Mexican government yesterday sent to each of the foreign legations in Mexico City a note in which it was stated that the negotiations with ex-Governor Lind were continuing in a cordial manner and denying that minister of the Interior Urrutia had made any statement which might be regarded as an ultimatum to the United States.

On Friendly Terms.

That the personal relations between President Wilson's emissary and the members of the government here are friendly is indicated by the actions of Mr. Lind in sending to the Mexican foreign office a message of condolence on account of the loss of life in the explosion at Tacubaya, a suburb of the capital, yesterday, when nearly 100 persons were killed and 50 others injured.

FELIX DIAZ AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Aug. 20.—Gen. Diaz of Mexico arrived in Montreal tonight on his way to Europe. He will spend tomorrow in Montreal, leaving in the evening for Quebec to board the Empress of Ireland which will carry him to Liverpool.

Gen. Diaz is inclined to the belief that the present impasse with the United States should not be taken too seriously. He did not think that the United States would insist upon its attitude of non-recognition, but that President Wilson will eventually come to view the situation in a different light.

Gen. Diaz stated that he would be a candidate for the Presidency of Mexico at the elections in October. His friends are already working in his behalf and he himself expects to return to his country several weeks before the elections are held.