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WEATHER REPORT.

Toronto (Noon)—Mostly fair and cold; gales off the South and East coasts.

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Mexicans Entombed The Living

Terrible Atrocity is Charged Against the Rebel Forces

Madrid, Feb. 20.—Stories of the shooting to death of 75 Spaniards and the burial alive of a number of others, by Mexican rebels at Torreón, are published in most of the newspapers in Madrid and the provinces to-day.

Thirteen Lost With Steamer

Bremen, Feb. 20.—The large fishing steamer Forello, which left Goestemünde in the middle of December for Iceland, sank with her entire crew of thirteen men, according to despatches received here to-day.

Want England To Participate

London, Feb. 20.—Sir Arthur Conan Doyle to-day forwarded to Premier Asquith a petition signed by prominent British authorities, urging British participation in the Panama-Pacific Exhibition at San Francisco in 1915.

Echo of Kikuyu Controversy.

Dean of Canterbury Says it Shows the Tendency of The Church

Toronto, Feb. 20.—A cable to the Mail and Empire says that the Rev. Dr. Henry Wace, Dean of Canterbury, has raised, in an impassioned manner, the cry that the English Church is in danger from Romanizing tendencies.

7 Are Killed In Explosion

Glasgow, Feb. 20.—Seven workmen were killed, a large number injured, and many buildings destroyed to-day, by an explosion at the Nobel gunpowder works.

Englishman Murdered?

Washington, Feb. 20.—Secretary of State Bryan was advised to-day of the death of W. S. Benton, an English ranch owner in Mexico, who was recently reported to be in the hands of rebels. No details were given.

\$2,000,000 TO IMPROVE THIS WATERWAY.

The Canadian Government Plan Extensive Dredging Operations in the St. Lawrence.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—Improvements to the St. Lawrence route, more extensive than those which have been carried on heretofore, are planned by the Government for next season, and will cost at least a couple of million dollars.

House Debates Lobster Fishery

Union Members Plead For More Paactical Consideration For This Important Industry.

GOVERNMENT HOLDS UP COAKER SEALING BILL.

At the House yesterday afternoon petitions were presented (1) by Mr. Parsons from Harbor Grace. The petitioners want \$50 or \$60 to repair a slide-path, a winter road for woodsmen.

Mr. Stone had a petition from Porting to some valuable farming land in that section. Port Rexton also wants the dredge to be sent there to deepen the harbor so that fishermen may be able to moor their schooners in safety.

The members for Placentia and St. Mary's, Messrs. Frank Morris and Devereaux, asked for an allocation of \$250 to repair a railway connecting road at Arnold's Cove on the line of railway. This road, with a number of a like kind was made 20 years ago and in all that time not a dollar has been spent on them in repairs.

More Petitions Mr. Clift presented petitions from Pitt Cove, Shoe and Caplin Cove on the subject of bridge repairing. He would also like to say that the conditions of many of the main lines of road in the District of Twillingate were in a similar condition to those referred to by the honorable member for Placentia.

During the past two or three years large sums of money had been transferred from the votes passed by the Legislature for roads and bridges, and as he understood, had been used for telegraph and cable construction.

He understood it was the intention of the Government to raise a "loan" for Postal Telegraph and Cable work, and he (Mr. Clift) hoped the Government would act fairly and justly and return to Twillingate District the various amounts referred to.

Mr. Jennings had very much pleasure in supporting the remarks of his colleague, Mr. Clift, and trusted the Government would do right by Twillingate District in this matter.

From Bay de Verde Mr. Hickman presented several petitions from Northern Bay, District of Bay de Verde, pertaining to fishery matters which were referred to the Department of Marine and Fisheries.

A long list of questions put the previous day by Opposition members was then gone through. It was noticed that certain information asked for on several occasions was not forthcoming, as yet, and another "shake up" will be necessary unless all questions asked are promptly and fully answered.

The Prime Minister's motion to move the House into Committee of the Whole to consider an amendment of the Crown Lands Act respecting Saw Mills was deferred.

Before the final vote on Supply to the Department of Agriculture and Mines passed through Committee, Mr. Kent proposed an amendment, seconded by Mr. Clift, that the vote be not considered until the Minister fill

No less than fifteen high-power dredges will be working next year, mainly between Montreal and Quebec, and two of them will be the new ones under construction now at Collingwood. With so much equipment at work, rapid progress may be anticipated on the 35-foot channel.

The Canadian Government intend to let contracts for the construction of what is to be the largest dredge in the world. It is to be of the bucket type with a capacity of lifting fifteen hundred tons of excavation per hour and will cost about \$750,000.

Liberal Leaders Face Many Serious Problems

Home Rule, The Navy And Disestablishment Difficult To Solve Amicably.

Toronto, Feb. 17.—The Mail and Empire has an editorial on the situation in the British Parliament. If, it says, in the next few months the House of Commons passes the Government of Ireland Bill once more, that momentous measure will then be ready for the Royal assent, which, if given, will make the bill the first or the second to become law by the process prescribed in the Parliament Act of three years ago.

Not Happy

If the Government of Ireland Bill is thus placed on the statute book and brought into effect, the new order it is to establish in Ireland will not be a happy one. The Covenanters of Ulster are sworn to resist the authority of a Dublin Parliament empowered as the bill provides.

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Liberal Won't Countenance a Second Probe

Refuse to Consent to Re opening of "Marconi Affair"

London, Feb. 20.—The Government has definitely decided not to take any part in the new Marconi committee of enquiry set up by the House of Lords, and will not nominate any members to serve on it.

EMPIRE TOUR FOR PRINCE OF WALES

London, February 17.—It is understood that Sir John Anderson, permanent Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been directed by the King to draft a proposed route for the Prince of Wales' tour of the Empire, which is expected to take place in the autumn of 1915.

Mr. Coaker delivered an interesting speech, which was chock full of "meat." He had before him a copy of the report of Mr. Jeremiah Dece on the Lobster Fishery.

He pointed out to the committee in what respects the report may be relied upon and to what extent the deductions and conclusions of Mr. Dece were of no value or altogether erroneous.

Mr. Dece was shown to be away off in his estimate of the number of lobsters it takes to fill a case, and facts were adduced by the member for Bonavista which showed to the House that his knowledge of the points in the report which he had under review had been gained in the hard school of experience.

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3 Adventurers Will Make an Aerial Race

Will Compete with Curtiss in Trip Across the Ocean

New York, Feb. 17.—Three giant flying boats are being constructed in Europe to compete with Rodman Wanamaker's trans-Atlantic aerial expedition.

Thinks Karluk Crew Are Safe

Explorer Stefansson Thinks Bartlett and His Men Are All Right.

New York, Feb. 20.—A cable from London says that a despatch to The Chronicle from Point Barrow, Alaska, from explorer Stefansson, gives further details of the disappearance of the Karluk.

MUNN HAS SCHEME TO AID THE KARLUK

Would Establish Depots for Them at Melville Island

Montreal, Feb. 17.—H. T. Munn, whose plans for an Arctic trip were published in the Star last week, to-day further outlined his scheme for possible aid to Stefansson's party on the missing Karluk.

It is my intention to establish a base of operations at Pond's Inlet, in northeastern Baffin's Land," he said, "from which I shall develop the trade and fisheries and later prospect the district for minerals.

The Karluk was last heard of fast in the ice off northern Alaska. The record of ships caught under these conditions is unfortunately a bad one. Few of them get free again.

It would be a tragic thing should the Karluk party reach Melville Island only to find there was no means of their facing an Arctic winter.

I suggest, that the Government would be well advised to arrange with my expedition to establish relief on Melville Island, and leave a small party there to place records on the adjacent islands, stating that this had been done. My ship would return for these men next year.

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CANADIAN ORANGEMEN TO VISIT DUBLIN.

One Thousand to Take Part in July Celebration at Belfast.

Dublin, Feb. 17.—News has reached Belfast that 1,000 Canadian Orangemen hope to visit Belfast this year to take part in the July celebration.

The excursion is being organized by the Edmonton District L.O.L. and it is said, a special steamer will be chartered to bring the contingent.

WANTS A WIFE London, Feb. 15.—Nottingham Poor Law Guardians have received a letter from a painter in Toronto asking them to assist "in securing a young lady who will make me a good wife, whose intentions are to immigrate to Canada. True happiness is found in one's home rather than in the present system of rooming."

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