

KING GEORGE ACCUSED OF INTERFERENCE IN FAVOR OF ARMY OFFICERS

British Parliament Has Not Witnessed Such Obviously Hostile Criticism of the Throne in a Century

BOTTLE OF ACID IN POCKET OF DEAD MAN

Supposed Drunk Taken to Hospital Died in Less Than an Hour—His Name is Gillespie—Boy Consigned to Industrial Farm Jumped From Moving Car.

Thought to have been suffering from carbolic poisoning, a man named Gillespie died in the Western Hospital last evening.

Gangster Taken In Pool Room

Jumped from Car To Escape Guard

Declared by the police to be another member of the gang of shopbreakers founded several weeks ago, Walter Durgan alias Jack Mott, was arrested by Detectives Mitchell and Archibald in a Queen street pool room yesterday afternoon charged with breaking into a number of downtown clothing establishments.

GRAHAM ACCUSED N.T.R. PROBERS OF INTENT TO DISCREDIT PARTY AND SERVE INTERESTS OF C.P.R.

Lynch-Staunton and Gutelius Determined to Degrade and Destroy Road, He Declared in Vehement Speech—I. C. R. Surplus Was Three Hundred Thousand Dollars Last Year.

OTTAWA, March 24.—Hon. George P. Graham opened the debate upon the report of the commission which investigated the construction of the National Transcontinental Railway in a fighting speech this afternoon which had not concluded when the house adjourned at midnight.

Mr. Graham prepared his case exhaustively and upon many phases of it spoke with great familiarity from his connection with the work as the minister of railways and canals between 1907 and 1911.

Throughout his speech he declared over and over again the commissioners had been actuated by hostility to the Grand Trunk Pacific and had endeavored in every way to cripple and destroy this potential competitor of the Canadian Pacific.

Before Mr. Graham began his speech, Hon. J. D. Reid, acting minister of railways and canals, presented the financial statement of the intercolonial and a general review of the work of the department of railways and canals for the fiscal year ending on the 31st inst.

Captured Outer Defences

EL PASO, March 24.—A message received late today by Gen. Carranza's chief of staff from the latter's brother, who is with the rebel forces at Torreon, says that rebels have captured two castles in the City of Torreon.

VILLA BATTLING INTO STREETS OF TORREON

Outer Defences of Important Centre Have Apparently Fallen and Desperate Struggle is Raging—Villa Expects to Be Master of the City Today.

JUAREZ, Mexico, March 24.—The rebels under Gen. Villa, sweeping onward after their victory at Gomez Palacio, were fighting today in the very streets of Torreon, the great objective point of the campaign, according to a telegram received here this afternoon.

Dead Lying in Streets. El Correo, a Spanish newspaper, today printed a statement that many dead are lying where they fell in the streets of Gomez Palacio.

WORKMEN'S BILL TAKES EFFECT VERY SOON

Act Becomes Operative Not Later Than January, Nineteen-Fifteen, and May Be in Effect Much Sooner—Hundred Thousand Dollars Annually for Administration.

At the very latest date the Ontario workmen's compensation act becomes operative on January 1, 1915. Indications, however, point to the machinery of the new court getting into motion as early as November, and if the government finds it possible to have all things in working shape by this latter date there will be no delay in the proclamation.

The subject was introduced by a motion of Hon. Mr. Lucas calling for the adoption in supply of the clause which called for an annual payment towards the administration of the commission of a sum not exceeding \$100,000, the same to be drawn from the consolidated revenue fund as the lieutenant governor might direct.

Organization Necessary. The provincial treasurer who has piloted the measure thru the house thus far, threw attention to a press criticism concerning the day of pro-

KING'S 'INTERFERENCE' IS RESENTED WARNING GIVEN IN PARLIAMENT CAUSES OUTBURST OF CHEERING

Gen. Gough Has a Guarantee

DUBLIN, March 24.—Arriving at Curragh Camp today, Gen. Gough, commander of the third cavalry brigade, had a most enthusiastic reception. Addressing the officers he said he had a guarantee that they would not be employed to force home rule on the Ulstermen, but added that if they were ordered there for the protection of life and property and the preservation of order, it was ordinary duty and they would undertake it.

LLOYD-GEORGE MAY BE HEAD OF NEW RADICAL MINISTRY CONSPIRACY CHARGES HURLED

Col. Seely's Resignation is Rumored—Lloyd George, Churchill and Seely Alleged to Have Inspired Attempt to Coerce Ulster Without Consent of Premier Asquith

LONDON, March 25.—The Unionist morning papers fully admit that it was the King's influence which secured the reinstatement of Gen. Gough and the other officers. They express indignation at the attack of the Laborites on the throne and the army, and take pains to explain that the labor men are under misapprehension in supposing that the officers were so ready to fire on strikers.

Among the many unconfirmed rumors published is the report that Col. Seely, secretary of state for war, has offered to resign and is likely to disappear, as the minister responsible for the blunder which precipitated the crisis that split the cabinet, David Lloyd George, Winston Spencer Churchill and their adherents being angry at Premier Asquith and the moderates for yielding to the officers, and that the outcome is not unlikely

Hostile Criticism of Throne Has Created a Situation Almost Unparalleled—Labor Member's Words Applauded Not Only by Nationalists But by Number of Liberals.

Assurance Given Gen. Gough and Others That They Need Not Serve in Ulster Stated to Have Been Result of His Majesty's Direct Intervention.

LONDON, March 24.—Westminster continues to be a seething caldron over what the Liberals now denounce as the "mutiny of the army aristocrats" against democratic government. The fact has been established from all obtainable evidence that Gen. Hubert Gough and the other officers of the Third Cavalry Brigade demanded and obtained written assurances, which had been drafted by a lawyer, that they would not be ordered to fight Sir Edward Carson's Ulster volunteers, and that these assurances were obtained largely thru the personal intervention of the King.

Before they left London yesterday they sent telegraphic messages to their brother officers in Ireland that they had found support "from the highest quarters." On their arrival at Curragh camp today they were welcomed by a guard of honor with cheers, and related the outcome of their summons to the war office.

The throne, which has traditionally kept out of party controversies, both because of aloofness and also as a point of honor, with public men and newspapers, is involved in the discussion as it had not been before during King George's reign or that of his most diplomatic father. The section of the Liberals who opposed what they denounce as a surrender to the military oligarchy are criticizing the King with the greatest freedom. They resent his action in summoning to the palace Field Marshal Lord Roberts, who in his speeches advised the officers that they might properly refuse service in suppressing the Ulster irconcilables, and criticize his majesty for dealing personally with Field Marshal Sir John French, chief of the general staff, and Gen. Sir Arthur Paget, commanding the forces in Ireland, who, should have been dealt with, they think, only by the secretary of state for war in accordance with the customary official routine.

GETS DAMAGES FROM PAPERS

D. O. Lesperance, M.P., Sued Montreal Newspapers for Thousand Each and Was Awarded One Hundred

QUEBEC, March 24.—D. O. Lesperance, member of the house of commons for the County of Montmagny, was awarded \$100 and costs by Judge McCorkill today in two actions for damages, one each, against The Daily Telegraph and Le Soleil, the two Liberal papers in this city. The action arose out of articles published in the two papers in question concerning the location of the new graving dock at this port. Plaintiff asked for damages to the amount of \$1000 from each paper.

VERDICT OF MURDER IS RETURNED AT MONTREAL

Coroner's Jury Accuses Two Men Held for Killing of Policeman.

MONTREAL, March 24.—A verdict of murder against Arthur Foucault and Joseph Beauchamp, two of the alleged bandits who shot a couple of policemen two weeks ago, was returned by a coroner's jury today. Alphonse Foucault and Ismael Bourret, the other two riders in the death sleigh that figured in the shooting, are still at large, each with a price of \$1000 on his head.

Arthur Foucault and Beauchamp declined to make any statement at the inquest, but with the confessions they made on arrest, the police think they have enough evidence to secure conviction.

ARCHBISHOP IS SUED BY PRIEST

Father Gnam of Peterboro Accuses Toronto Prelate of Breach of Agreement.

WINDSOR, Ont., March 24.—The suit brought by Father Gnam of Peterboro for \$50,000 damages against Archbishop McNeill of Toronto, for an alleged breach of an agreement on the part of the archbishop to restore the plaintiff to his former position as parish priest of Petrolia, Wyoming and Oil Springs, was heard before Justice Britton in the assize court here today and judgment was reserved.

BODY OF THURSTON NOT INTERRED AT LONDON

Remains of Graham Were Identified Beyond Possibility of Error.

LONDON, Ont., March 24.—According to A. E. Silverwood, who journeyed to Toronto to identify the body of Jack Graham, one of the Woodbine Hotel fire victims, no possibility exists that the remains shipped here could have been those of Charles H. Thurston of Brampton. The finding of the Masonic and Hermetic pins on the body, together with other indisputable evidence, makes it certain that no mistake was made in identifying Graham, in Mr. Silverwood's opinion.

OFFICERS ROUT FUTURE SEANCE

Samuel W. Ramsden Arrested While Handing Out Valuable Information to a Roomful of Women.

Miss Leavitt, one of the police women attached to the Toronto force, does not believe in fortunes. She spent several evenings at 38 Givens street, where Samuel W. Ramsden held seances and claimed to be able to foretell the future. If Ramsden had been moderate in his prognostications Miss Leavitt might have had more faith in him. He told her that she would be married several times, and would have five or six children. That was going a little too far. And he said it on two or three different occasions.

The result was that Staff Sergeant McKinney and Officer Massey of the morality department paid a visit to 38 Givens street last night. They didn't go to have their fortunes told. When they got into the room where the seance was being held pandemonium broke loose. Thirty or forty people, mostly women, ranging in ages from eighteen to eighty, thought they were going to be taken in; but the officers thought they had been taken in enough, and placed Ramsden under arrest on a charge of telling fortunes.

Dineen's Special Hats. The Dineen line of special stiff felt hats for men is something for which the shop is justly famous. These hats come in three lines, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00, and are reproductions of the latest fashions by the world's best makers. See window display. The W. & D. Dineen Co., 140 Yonge street, corner Temperance street.

LOWERING



Illustration of a ship at sea, possibly related to the 'Lowering' headline.

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