

THE STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B. THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 1907.

ONLY MASSES OF CHARRED FLESH

Fifty Bodies Were Recovered During Yesterday.

Relatives of the Men Killed in Warship Explosion at Toulon Craze With Grief.

TOULON, March 13.—The efforts to recover the bodies of those killed by the explosion on board the French battleship Iena here yesterday, which have been conducted with energy for 24 hours, have not yet resulted in definitely fixing the number of casualties. But after the last roll call tonight there were still unaccounted for eight officers and one hundred and ten men. There is little doubt that all these missing men perished. The roll call was applied only to the crew of the Iena, but as it is believed that some 22 or 23 arsenal hands were engaged on board the battleship at the time of the explosion, it is feared that the total number of dead will reach one hundred and twenty. In the morning a naval hospital here was instructed tonight to prepare mortuary space for one hundred and twenty bodies.

Minister of Marine Thomson made a second visit to the Iena late today, after the dry dock had been emptied of water, and made a careful examination of every part of the battleship that was accessible. The interior steel planking and the partitions of the battleship show signs of having been subjected to enormous pressure. In many cases they are bulged out or indented. The gap in the side of the vessel acted as a safety valve for the vast volume of gas generated by the burning powder, without which the explosion would have had even more disastrous results.

All day long weeping mothers, wives and other relatives of the missing men, through the approach to the hospital, where they loved ones were still alive, and eagerly scanning the stretchers that were brought in.

Fifty bodies were recovered during the day, but only twelve of them could be recognized. The remainder were formless masses of charred flesh.

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The prince of the Asturias, a brother-in-law of King Alfonso of Spain, has arrived here to convey the condolences of his majesty to the French navy and to visit Rear Admiral Mancosen, who was wounded. The rear admiral attended King Alfonso during his majesty's visit to France.

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FREDERICTON WINS ITS CASE

Legislature Approves Dumping Sewage in River

By Vote of 23 to 19 Members Pass Resolution Making St. John River a Sewer.

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 13.—The house met at three o'clock. On motion of Hon. Mr. Sweeney the bill to authorize the issuing of debentures by the city of Moncton was referred to the committee of the whole to correct a verbal error agreed to, reported by Mr. Hazen, said the amount due to the Bank of N. B. A. at 14th February, 197, was \$1,043,153.98, of which amount \$899,408.11 was for capital expenditure authorized by law. The rate of interest charged by the Bank of N. B. A. is 5 per cent. net daily balance.

There was due to Bank of N. B. St. John, on Provincial Hospital account at same date, \$48,977.77 at 5 per cent; and at credit of sinking fund in People's Bank of N. B., Fredericton, the sum of \$13,879.48.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley in reply to inquiry by Mr. Hazen, said the amount due to the Bank of N. B. A. at 14th February, 197, was \$1,043,153.98, of which amount \$899,408.11 was for capital expenditure authorized by law.

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MR. MYLES TAKES CHARGE MARCH 18th.

ATTEND OUR Alteration Sale

If You Want to Save Money.

Among the inducements we offer is the Dry Goods Stock of I. Corkery, which will be sold for less than fifty cents on the dollar.

English Nap Cloth, Black and Blue, worth Four Dollars a yard, For \$1.50

English Beaver Cloth, Black or Blue, worth Three Dollars a yard, For \$1.00

Fancy Tweeds, Heavy Weight, worth \$1.50, for 75c

1,000 yards Silk Velvet, All Desirable Shades, worth \$1.50 a yard, For 25 and 50c

Broaded Silk Velvet, All Desirable Shades, worth \$1.50 a yard, For 25 and 50c

Fancy Dress Goods, worth \$1.25, For 25c

35c Silk Velvet Ribbon, For 10c

100 Gross Buttons, worth from 5 to 50c per doz., Sale Price 1 to 5c

Children's Black Cotton Hose, 4 pair for 2c

2,000 yds. 15c Prints and Muslins, For 7c

IN LADIES' Whitewear Department...

KINGS CO. PROBATE COURT.

HAMPTON, Mar. 13.—In the probate court, Kings Co., this afternoon, an action on petition of Fanny F. Parlee, widow, administratrix of the estate of the late Henry S. Parlee, of Studholm, farmer, deceased, to sell real estate, returnable today, it was on motion of Arthur Freese and with consent of the other counsel in the case, continued till Monday, April 8th, at the office of Judge McIntyre, Sussex.

Mr. Freese was made an executor of the estate of the late W. M. McNair, of Cardwell, deceased, on adjourned day only passed and a decretal was thereon. Ora P. King, proctor.

SENT "POP" TO JAIL SO SHE MIGHT SEE SUITOR

Daughter Admits She Lied When Accusing Father of Attacking Her.

WASHINGTON, Pa., March 13.—Edith Wise, the 16-year-old daughter of Constable Samuel J. Wise, today admitted on the witness stand that she had deliberately lied when she swore an information against her father charging him with an attack upon her.

She said she was mad as a cat when she wanted to get even with him because he interfered with my receiving the attentions of a young man. I thought that if I got put in jail he couldn't prevent the man from coming to see me.

Constable Wise is one of the oldest constables in point of service in Washington. Since his arrest last Thursday he has been in jail, but was released on his daughter's confession and taking the girl with him started home.

NEW QUICK FIRE RECORD.

Made by British Fusilier in China Squadron in Practice.

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In the commons Mr. Brodeur denied that there was any truth in the statements and doubted if Mr. Girard made them, as the press dispatches indicated.

Senator Landry called the attention of the senate to the dispatch. He seemed from the dispatch Hon. Mr. Scott was soon to yield the leadership of the upper house and he would inquire the foundation for the report and what notice the government proposed to take of it.

Hon. Mr. Scott said that the statement showed its absurdity on its face. Mr. Desaulles had been appointed in the Ottawa way by recommendation of his excellency.

Senator Landry—Will the government take any notice of the report? Hon. Mr. Scott—It certainly will not. Sir MacKenzie Bowell said: When I read the article I could not help congratulating myself on the fact that history repeats itself. It is quite evident that my honorable friend has some traitors in his camp, and it is an old saying that misery loves company.

Under such circumstances I can, from the bottom of my heart, sympathize with my honorable friend. The only difference between the event to which I have referred and the present occasion is that the honorable gentleman was forewarned and I was not. He can sit in the senate until the next general election, when his place will be usurped by one of his colleagues. Sir MacKenzie said that the interview alleged a bargain over a senate seat, and if what was stated were true the sooner the country knew it the better.

Sir Richard Cartwright said that if Sir MacKenzie Bowell or Senator Landry were willing to rise in his place and say that he believed these charges to be true and that he would undertake to prove them, the house would be bound to make an investigation. Until such declaration is made he would not consent that no attention be paid to the matter by the house.

Senator Loughheed continued the debate on Senator Ferguson's motion for the Hudson Bay papers. He said Sir Wilfrid Laurier had practically committed the government to the development of the tario and Saskatchewan were after the port of Churchill. Senator Loughheed thought none of the three should get the Dominion papers. He said that the government should build a national port owned and administered by the Dominion. The government should build and own the railroad from Saskatchewan to Churchill and should give free running rights to any railroad which desired to haul freight over it. He was confident that four transcontinental railway systems would make use of it. Docks and wharves and all port equipment should be built at Churchill by the Dominion and administered by a commission which would not only represent the federal government but the western provincial governments. If the federal government were not willing to bear the whole cost of equipping Churchill he knew that public sentiment in the west that the provincial governments would bear a share of the cost. There had been a land grant to aid building a railroad to Hudson Bay. The grant had lapsed. The government should not renew to a railroad company, but would do better to turn these lands which he estimated at five million acres, over to commission which could realize not less than five dollars an acre for them, thus providing a fund of \$25,000,000. Senator Loughheed said eight million dollars would build the road to Churchill, not being necessary. Another eight millions or a third of the fund should suffice to equip Churchill. This would leave about eight millions in the hands of the commissioners, which could be well used to bonus com acre by this route. The eight million dollars should produce three hundred thousand dollars a year. This would enable a bonus of a cent or a cent and a half a bushel to be paid for 10 grain carried out of Churchill. He congratulated the government upon having decided to develop the route.

The bill to establish the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railway employees' provident fund was given a third reading.

In the commons an amendment to the post office act was introduced transferring some powers from the superintendents of mail services to post office inspectors and allowing postal officials on business to travel free on lines subsidized by the government.

The power export bill was put through committee.

KING EDWARD SENDS MESSAGE OF PEACE.

PARIS, March 12.—While in this city recently King Edward sent a message of peace and goodwill to the Kaiser, through Prince Radolin, the German ambassador in Paris, during his recent visit to the French capital.

His majesty summoned Prince Radolin, and had with him a long conversation, during which he assured the ambassador that his visit to the French capital had no political significance, and was merely an expression of the personal pleasure of himself and the queen.

The assurance was timely, as a portion of the German press had begun to revive old stories of the king's hostility to Germany, and to suggest that the visit to Paris had some distinctly German motive. An official hint had the effect of putting an end to these journalistic hostilities.

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CANTON, C. March 13. — Horace McDonald, president of the Farmers' Bank of Canton, shot and killed himself at his country home this morning. He was known throughout Ohio as a breeder and buyer of high class sheep.