

MELTING THE DECKS OF THE SUNKEN MAINE

An Interesting Method is Being Employed to Remove Wreck of Famous Battleship From Havana Harbor.

Havana, Aug. 3.—The work of removing the wreck of the battleship Maine entered an exceedingly interesting and important phase this afternoon when there was begun the process of dissecting the shattered and distorted remains of the vessel by a gas blast apparatus.

The work was begun on the highest part of the wreckage above the central superstructure, which, at the present rate of progress, will be entirely cut away in a few days, greatly facilitating the exploration of the hull.

Some bones were found today embedded in the snarl of wreckage in the bow, but it will be some time before they can be extracted.

SENSATIONAL SUICIDE IN A SMALL HOTEL

United States Naval Lieutenant Found Dead in the Astor House With Bullet Hole in His Head.

New York, Aug. 3.—Lieut. Charles E. Brillhart, of the United States navy, was found dead in his room at the Hotel Astor in his room overlooking Broadway late today.

The coroner's immediate conclusion that the case was one of suicide. In one of his hands he clutched a 22-calibre revolver with all but one of the six chambers loaded.

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PREMIER ASQUITH WANTS HOLIDAY

Announces Parliament Will Adjourn on 18th, and Re-assemble in the Autumn—Will Have Much Business.

London, Aug. 3.—The government's legislative programme has become so congested that the cabinet at last has decided that it will be unable to clear the decks without resort to an autumn session, and today officially informed the House of Commons that parliament would be adjourned on Aug. 15 to reassemble in the end of October or the beginning of November.

The interim preceding adjournment will be occupied with the opposition up to Aug. 7, the disposal of the veto bill on Aug. 8, with the rest of the week devoted to the overruling of the bill and a resolution providing for the payment of members.

"Let the farmer have his turn"—This means good-bye to the grafters and with the dredging grafters away from the public chest what would become of the Telegraph and Times?

THE AMERICAN FLAGS ORDERED DOWN IN LONDON

Profuse Use of Stars and Stripes in Old Home Week Decorations in Ontario City Creates Row.

London, Ont., Aug. 3.—Hundreds of American flags that were put up in conspicuous places about the city in honor of next week's old boys' celebration, were today ordered down by Alderman Mitchell, chairman of the decoration committee.

At a meeting of the East London progressive association, held last night, the matter was discussed and many comments were passed on the action.

W. Pearson, a member quoted an instance of going to Detroit with a Foresters' celebration and of having to remove a Canadian flag which the men were wearing on their coats, before they would be allowed to walk up the street.

Here the discussion waxed warm and such expressions as "It will soon be all American flags," and "We are not going to give ourselves to Taft yet for a while," were heard.

The meeting was finally closed by instructing the secretary to write to the city council approving Ald. Mitchell's action.

This is the second time the American flag has been interfered with in this city. The first time was three years ago during an Orange celebration when a flag was torn from the balcony of the city hotel and trampled on.

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More Evidence in Camorra Trial

Viterbo, Aug. 3.—Marshal Capizutti concluded his testimony at the Camorra trial today explaining why he was convinced that Gennaro Cuccolo and his wife were murdered by the Camorra. He said that he recognized a ring taken from the home of one of the prisoners as belonging to Cuccolo.

McGrane Pleads Not Guilty

New York, Aug. 3.—Patrick McGrane the bell boy who was held as an accessory to the murder of Wm. H. Jackson, the broker, and who was indicted for receiving stolen goods, today entered a plea of not guilty to the charge. Abe Levy defends McGrane.

THE LIBERALS RESORTING TO PETTY UNFAIRNESS IN MANAGEMENT OF CAMPAIGN

Every Artifice Being Used to Handicap Conservatives.

Cabinet Ministers Using Franking Privilege for Campaign Literature.

More Light Thrown Upon the Row which Marked Last Hours of Dying Government.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Aug. 3.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has decided to open his campaign with a meeting on Aug. 15 at Simcoe, the county town of Norfolk, once the seat of John Charlton. The choice is peculiar in view of persistent hostility with which, when premier, he treated that veteran of Liberalism. It has been observed that the date selected for the general election, Sept. 21, is within one day of being the anniversary of the great Conservative victory of 1873.

The coincidences are striking throughout. It was a battle of protection, of the building up of the home market against the policy which denied the home market and looked to closer relations with the U. S. It was held just prior to the advent of a member of the royal family to the Hall. Even Sir Wilfrid Laurier's confidence finds its forerunner, Mr. Mackenzie expected to be embarrassed by the largeness of his majority.

Evidence accumulated that the dissolution was precipitated by some unexpected event, such as the quarrel in the cabinet between Mr. Oliver and Mr. Fielding. It transpires that the Liberals are behind hand with the circulation of their campaign literature.

The franking privilege ends with this week and vast quantities of Liberal pamphlets are uncut. The intention is to send them out under the frank of Hon. Geo. F. Graham as minister of railways and canals—the franks of members being of no avail. Not long ago the Liberals were criticizing Mr. Sirton for sending out copies of his speech and pamphlets during session time; Mr. Emmerson described it as an abuse of privilege to send anti-reciprocity speeches under frank in session time and an act of statesmanship to send out reciprocity pamphlets under a minister's frank after Parliament is dissolved.

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FRANCE IS NOT SATISFIED YET

Moroccan Situation is by no Means Cleared up as Germany Persists in Making Excessive Demands.

Paris, Aug. 3.—A semi-official note issued today states that the optimistic opinions emanating from London relative to the progress of the Franco-German negotiations are not borne out by facts as the German demands are excessive.

London, Aug. 3.—The decision to call a general strike here of the dock laborers has been postponed until Saturday. This action was agreed upon last night. It was the expectation that 20,000 more men would go out this morning. The Chamber of Commerce, however, is making attempts to have the dispute between the laborers and the employers arbitrated, and pending the outcome of such action the general strike will be held in abeyance.

A number of ships which have arrived in port since yesterday, will be sent to continental ports to have their cargoes discharged. The dock laborers at the continental ports have been advised not to handle any of the goods.

ONE CASE WHERE THE AMERICANS WANT HIGH DUTY

In Light of This, Would United States Give Canada The Best of a Reciprocity Treaty?

Boston, Mass., Aug. 3.—The New England Shoe and Leather Association representing some 300 of the leading individuals, firms and corporations, engaged in the manufacture of leather, boots and shoes and kindred products with an aggregate invested capital of more than \$300,000,000, sent a letter to President Taft today protesting against the action of congress in passing the so-called farmers' free list bill which removes the protecting tariff on shoes and leather and asking the president to veto the measure.

The association terms the act of congress as unjust, outrageous and indefensible attack on a great American industry.

Taft May Veto the Wool Tariff Bill

Washington, Aug. 3.—Alarmed over the possibility of an attempt to pass the wool tariff revision bill over the anticipated veto of President Taft, the regular Republican leaders of the Senate today set about to bring all the absent Republican senators to the city before next week.

"Let the farmer have his turn"—It might be wise for the people of Canada to make sure that it is the Canadian farmer who is referred to. Under the proposed reciprocity treaty it will work out the other way.

DOVE OF PEACE SETTLES DOWN OVER ALBANIA

Tribesmen Have Accepted Concessions Made by the Turkish Government and Will Return to Their Homes.

Cettinje, Montenegro, Aug. 3.—The Malissori tribesmen have decided to accept the concessions made them as a condition that they cease hostilities and return to their homes in Albania. The exodus from Podgoritz, 28 miles north of Scutari began today.

The Montenegrin minister of war told the tribesmen that it was the sincere desire of King Nicholas that the revolt cease and that they return forthwith to their homes in order that they might not fling away concessions which they should be satisfied. The revolutionists replied that they had little faith in Turkey's promises of amnesty, but would obey absolutely the king's advice.

LOST MONEY ON THE TRIP

Dr. Charles A. E. Harriss Will be Set Back \$50,000 by Sheffield Choir's World Trip.

Toronto, Aug. 3.—That Dr. Charles A. E. Harriss, of Ottawa, who shouldered the burden of an Empire tour for the Sheffield choir of England, will be \$50,000 out of pocket by the project, was the statement of Dr. Harriss' business manager, W. J. Robson, who has returned to Toronto.

The choir is now on its way to South Africa from Australia where immense audiences greeted the concerts and civic receptions were offered on every hand. During some weeks of the Australian and New Zealand trip the receipts went as high as \$40,000 a week and the average through the Canadian west was also very large. Such receipts, however, large as they were, have proved insufficient to meet the cost of the trip, which included such items as renting an ocean steamship and engaging an entire hotel.

PREMIER HAZEN WILL ARRIVE HOME TONIGHT

Band and a Large Delegation of Friends will Meet Him at Union Depot and Escort Him Home.

It is expected that Premier Hazen will escort him from the Empress to his residence. Otherwise the welcome to the Premier will be of an informal nature. In the evening the Carleton Cornet Band will give a concert in the grounds of Hazen castle.

Great interest is being manifested in the banquet to be tendered by his friends to Mr. Hazen on the 10th inst. Applications for tickets have been received from all over the province in appreciation of the leader of the local government, and the representative of the province at the Coronation of the King.

PEACE BUREAU ELECTS PRESIDENT

Berne, Switzerland, Aug. 3.—The first business session of the permanent bureau of peace was held this morning at University Hall, when the work in hand was outlined.

The conference elected Dr. Eugene Philipovich of the University of Vienna, president.

Four sub-committees were appointed to divide the work of the meeting. The sessions are private and no information of what is transacted will be given to the press except possibly at the close of each day.

THE FARMERS' FREE LIST

Washington, Aug. 3.—The house ways and means committee today refused to accept the farmers' free list tariff bill as amended by the senate and instructed Chairman Underwood to move that the house non-concur and ask a conference with the senate.

"THE PERIL OF THE AIR." Chicago, Aug. 3.—Physicians today reported the injury of five persons who narrowly escaped death late yesterday when an aeroplane dropped 100 feet into a crowd of spectators at West Hullman, Ills. Frank Bellia, the aviator, was uninjured.

CAN'T FOOL THE PEOPLE OF ALBERT

Usual Pre-election Promises of Public Works Will Have no Effect — Albert Conservatives Ready for the Fray.

Special to The Standard.

Albert, Aug. 3.—A gentleman close to the management of the Salisbury and Albert Railway, was interviewed by your correspondent today, and was assured that the smooth trick of trying to get a company to run the road through to Albert for two months on a rental basis until the elections are over, cannot be worked this time on Mr. Swan, the president of the company at New York.

The gentleman further said that Laurier government had ample time to negotiate with the owners of the road and could have made a paying arrangement but have failed to make good the promises so long hung out to the electors of Albert and that this time not even the usual palace car from the I. C. R. filled with railway officials and politicians would be run down to Albert between nomination and polling day.

Another gentleman from the Parish of Hillsboro stated that the usual staking of the ground for the new customs house and post office at Hillsboro which has occurred immediately before every election both Dominion and local for the last fifteen years had not taken place yet.

This gentleman said that it was now understood that a new and more popular site would be chosen partly because the Riverside lawyer who had spent about ten weeks looking up titles of the land could not satisfy the government that the ground chosen could be acquired by a good title from the reputed owner. The new lot, he said as would be staked off with cedar stakes so there would be no danger of their rotting before the work was commenced. In order to more fully draw public attention to the matter the new stakes would be longer and would be decorated with stars and stripes. Albert county Conservatives are ready for the fray.

TRouble STILL REIGNS IN HAITI

Ex-President Simon in Hiding on American Vessel While Port au Prince is in Sorry Condition.

Port Au Prince, Haiti, Aug. 3.—A number of persons appointed members of the new cabinet of public safety which was organized today having refused to serve that body again has been dissolved and still another is being organized. The members of the diplomatic corps are bending their efforts to secure an equal representation on the committee for the followers of Gen. Leconte and Gen. Firman and for citizens who have remained neutral in the struggle. This afternoon two groups of men composed of Leconteists and Firmanists fought in front of the telegraph office. Two men were killed. Later the city again became calm.

Ex-President Simon is still in the harbor on board the American vessel Bradford C. French.

LIKE A LAURIER CABINET SESSION

A Lively Row in The Hungarian Parliament Ends in Challenge to Sabre Duel—Exciting Scenes.

Budapest, Hungary, Aug. 3.—A lively fist fight to be followed by a duel with sabres enlivened today's proceedings in the lower chamber which recently have suffered from dullness in consequence of the prolonged obstructive tactics of the opposition.

An interruption of a debate started a row and finally Herr Pozsgay, a Kosuth partisan made a dive for Herr Paik of the government side. The latter met Pozsgay half way dealing him a staggering right hand blow between the eyes. Confusion followed and the president was obliged to suspend the session. Subsequently a duel was arranged.

Let us see. According to Mr. Pugsley's campaign speeches of 1908 the development of Courtenay Bay is about seven months over due. Those 10,000 ton ships he was so fond of predicting should have been carrying freight from St. John last winter.



THE GEORGE G. CLUETT TAKING ON BOARD A LONG CRUISE TO AID MISSIONARIES. WITH CARGO OF FOOD STARTS LONG CRUISE TO AID MISSIONARIES.