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PRESS DELEGATES HEAR BRITISH NAVY DISCUSSED

Reginald McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, Presided at This Morning's Session of the Imperial Press Conference

London, June 8.—The second meeting of the Imperial Press Conference was held here today under the presidency of Reginald McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty.

CHINESE NOTARY IS ARRESTED IN BOSTON

Chin Shue Taken in Charge Last Night, Charged With Smuggling Chinamen.

Boston, Mass., June 7.—The campaign of the government inspectors to end the smuggling of Chinese into this country in the vicinity of Boston, where it has been said to have flourished for many years, resulted tonight in the arrest of Chin Shue, a prominent Chinese merchant of the city and the only notary public of that race in this country.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN SESSION HERE TODAY

Premier Hazen at the Close of the Meeting Said There Was No Business of Public Interest

The members of the provincial government met this morning in their rooms, Church street, for the first time since the meeting of the executive council on June 7.

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS AT MONCTON

Moncton, June 8.—(Special)—The convention of the Catholic Order of Foresters entered on its regular session this morning when the delegates formed in procession at the Knights of Columbus Hall and marched to St. Bernier's church where solemn high mass was celebrated by Father St. Joseph.

MONTRAL TO HAVE A SECOND "CONEY"

Moncton, June 8.—(Special)—Moncton is to have a Coney Island, Isle Graciosa a few miles from the city, has been chosen as the site, and American experts are engaged in constructing an amusement place which will parallel the great New York resort.

MONTRAL STOCKS

Moncton, June 8.—(Special)—Stocks were remarkably strong today. Dominion Steel was prominent with an advance to 40 3/4 and preferred 25. Richardson 18 and Montreal Street Railway to 25. Other features were Pacific 18, Banker 22, Grand Trunk 20, Stovener 20, Lake of Woods 11 1/2, Power 12 1/2, Twin City 10 1/2.

P. E. ISLAND BUSINESS MEN ASKS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

Government Railway Board Hears Complaints From the Charlottetown and Summerside Boards of Trade—Charlottetown Hotel Damaged By Fire

Charlottetown, P. E. I., June 8.—(Special)—Fire broke out in the Queen Hotel here this morning burning a portion of the roof in the west end. Twelve rooms in the upper story were put out of commission and the furniture destroyed.

Changes could be made. He was anxious to improve the situation, but there was a deficit of \$90,000 to be met. He promised to send a traffic expert to confer with the railway authorities here as to the sources of business for the road and the best means of concentrating and increasing it.

Yesterday the railway board held a conference with the Charlottetown board of trade. The latter asked for improvement in the western time table, reduction of freight rates and the equalizing of the three short haul systems of transportation of the island with the contiguous haul of the other provinces with which it is in competition.

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COL. STEELE ON THE CANADIAN FORCES He Says 50,000 Able Bodied Men Could Be Raised if Occasion Required

Port Frances, Ont., June 8.—(Special)—Col. Steele, D. O. C., while here on a trip of inspection took occasion to refer to the conditions existing in the local companies of militia. He said he thought the main reason for the apparent lack of interest lay in the fact that the companies did not receive enough encouragement from the representative citizens.

WEST END LIQUOR CASE

W. C. R. Allan Fined \$100 for Selling Liquor in His Drug Store

After hearing evidence against W. C. R. Allan, in the police court this morning for alleged sale of liquor in his apothecary shop on King street, west end, on Wednesday, May 5, Judge Ritchie fined the defendant \$100 or three months in jail, and allowed him a week to pay the fine.

LATE LOCALS

A dog was run over by a street car on King street about 2 o'clock this afternoon and was later shipped to Detective Lucas.

W. E. Brown, of 215 Main street, lost a valuable furrier pup a few days ago. The dog had a black head and was highly prized by the owner, who would be glad to have it returned to him.

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But Not Before \$250,000 Damage was Done to Progressive Maine Town

125 Buildings Were Burned But No One Was Seriously Hurt—Loss is Well Covered By Insurance and Destroyed Buildings Will Be Rebuilt

Presque Isle, Me., June 8.—The fire which ravaged this town last night was extinguished about midnight. There were 125 buildings destroyed, with an estimated loss of \$250,000. No one was injured seriously.

This town, with its population of 4,000 people, awoke today to a situation as trying as could be presented to one of its size. Like other prosperous towns in Aroostook county, the citizens were fairly well protected by insurances, and there was no question but what the destroyed buildings will be replaced speedily.

Although there were several accidents of minor nature and a number of men were exhausted from their efforts in fighting the fire, no one was fatally hurt. Assistants from Fort Fairfield, Caribou and Houlton, and a favorable wind, saved the town from more extensive damage.

Ranger, Me., June 8.—(Special)—According to despatches received Tuesday afternoon at the general offices of the Bangor and Aroostook in this city, from Presque Isle, there were about 125 dwelling and business houses, and from forty to fifty warehouses, most of which were for the storage of potatoes, destroyed, in the conflagration at that place Monday night.

The railroad officials received notice of the fire about 5:30 Monday afternoon, and in a short time fire trains were on the way from Houlton, Fort Fairfield and Caribou. The B. & A. lost two cars filled with farm machinery, an empty box car and a flat car loaded with lumber.

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METHODISTS WILL MEET TOMORROW

Annual Meeting of St. John District of the Methodist Church Will Be Held at Sussex

The annual meeting of the St. John District Methodist Church will be held tomorrow in Sussex. The ministerial section will convene at 9:30 a. m. and the general conference at 3 p. m.

The following ministers are expected to be present: Queen Square—Rev. H. D. Marr. Springfield—Rev. Dr. Chas. R. Flanders. Rev. Dr. G. M. Campbell. Ramoth Street—Rev. Samuel Howard. Portland—Rev. N. M. Mackenzie. Carleton—Rev. Charles W. Squires. Carleton—Rev. Jacob Haney. Zion—Rev. James Clapp. Fairville—Rev. Chas. J. Deinstadt. Courtney Bay—Rev. J. B. Champion. Sussex—Rev. Dr. Rogers. Newtow—Rev. Mr. Rowlands. Hampton—Rev. Geo. A. Ross. Apohaqui—Rev. A. C. Bell. Springhill—Rev. Frederick Crisp. St. Martins—Rev. M. Leard. Welford—Rev. J. M. Parker. Kingsport—Rev. Stanley Young.

The chief work of the conference will be the preparation of the various schedules for the different churches, the balancing of receipts, funds, etc. The appointment of Rev. G. A. Ross to Fairville Methodist church will also be brought before the conference, which will also decide to which church Rev. Mr. Deinstadt, now of Fairville, Methodist church, will be assigned. The ministerial section will probably appoint a pastor for Ramoth street Methodist church to succeed Rev. Samuel Howard, who has accepted of the call to St. John's.

Preparations will also be made for the forthcoming assembly of the N. B. and P. E. Island conference at this session.

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SELF ACCUSED FORGER IN THE POLICE COURT TODAY

"Burgitt" or "Williams" or "Wilson" Had Quits of Conscience and Wanted Police to Hold Him for a Forgery Said to Have Been Committed in Three Rivers, Quebec

"I want to give myself up for forgery," said John Burgitt, alias John Williams and John Wilson at the police court this morning. He was taken into custody on Marsh Bridge between seven and eight o'clock last evening for intoxication by Patrolman James Semple of the north end police division. He inquired of the policeman if he was apprehended for forgery, and when he received a negative reply, he stated that he forged the name of Col. Hanbury-Williams, secretary to Earl Grey, in 1903, and claimed that he was a relative of Col. Williams. He talked of forgery, but it was only deemed the prattle of one who had over-estimated his capacity for alcoholic beverages. This morning, when the name of John Wilson was pronounced by the police clerk he responded, but vouchsafed that it was merely a non-plume, as his name was Burgitt. He said he was desirous of giving himself into the custody of the authorities and was fined \$4 or ten days for intoxication. Subsequently he was brought before the chief of police, to whom he declared that he was guilty of forgery to the extent of \$110 on the Union Paper Company at Three Rivers, Quebec.

He is thirty-eight years of age, and resided in Canada four and a half years ago. He arrived in this city on Friday, and is attached in an overall suit, the trousers of which are bespattered with mud. In consequence of the disclosure, Chief Clark telegraphed to Three Rivers, Que., to ascertain if Burgitt was really a fugitive of justice. In the meanwhile he will be detained at the police cells.

Charles Diggs, the ebony hued purveyor of matches and leeches, said he was but slightly intoxicated yesterday afternoon on Market Square, and the extent of his commiseration with the cup that cheers was a "free bit of ale, sah." The police clerk interrupted with the statement that Diggs was the most comical man that he had ever viewed. He was carted to the police station and the police resorted to all known methods to revive Diggs from his stupor, but all was in vain. He was remanded with Fred DeForest, who was intoxicated on Water street. Wilson Leitcher, a seaman, on whom a search knife was discovered, was fined \$4 or ten days, and the knife was confiscated.

John Dillon, who murdered Policeman Shea in Montreal, Get New Lease of Life.

Montreal, June 8.—(Special)—John Dillon, alias James Smith, who is on trial, for the murder of Policeman Shea over a year ago has another respite. Some of the evidence recently taken by Commissioner Archambault in Ireland was thrown out yesterday by Justice Cross on the grounds of irregularity, and will necessitate a new commission to Ireland.

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