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SAINT JOHN, N. B., MONDAY, MARCH 15, 1926

ONE CENT
In Greater Saint John.

TWO CENTS
Elsewhere

BULLETS FLY IN MISPEC LIQUOR RAID

TWENTY BAGS OF
CONTRABAND
ARE CAPTURED

Horse, Sled, Contents
Go Over Bank In
Scrap

INSPECTOR HIT

Grapples With Alleged Run-
ner, Who Points Re-
volver At Him

AFTER a stiff fight, in which re-
volvers were discharged, 20 bags,
containing liquor, mostly whiskey, were
seized by John Hunter, prohibition in-
spector, near Mispec early this morning.

The alleged law-breakers were come
upon by the inspector about 3:30
o'clock this morning on the Mispec hill,
and during an encounter, which fol-
lowed, a horse and sled, with its con-
tents, went over the bank. During the
fight the men in charge of the liquor
made their escape.

Inspector Hunter telephoned to the
city for assistance and Excise Officers
Alex Crawford and John Murphy and
Detective Patrick Biddiscombe re-
sponded. The liquor was brought to the
city and deposited in Pool's warehouse.

LAY IN AMBUSH

Inspector Hunter had been on the
look out for alleged runners for
several nights and while patrolling the
road about 1:30 o'clock this morning
he heard a team approach from the
direction of the city. Concealing him-
self with his son Walter, who was with
him, in the bushes by the roadside, he
saw the team go by and noted that it
contained persons of whom he says he
was suspicious.

He went to a neighbor's house to
warn himself and about 8:30 o'clock
he heard the team returning and rush-
ing to the road with his son, ordered
the occupants to stop. This they re-
fused to do and the inspector's son
seizing the horse by the head, the in-
spector grabbed the two men in the
sled and told them they were under
arrest.

POINTS REVOLVER.

"I'll give you arrest," the elder of
the two men replied. Hunter said,
backing up his words by pointing a
revolver at the officer's head. Hunter
grappled with his adversary. They
fell between the horse and the sled
and while the inspector was reaching
for his handcuffs, the younger of the
two men, Hunter says, hit him several
blows on the head with the butt end
of a whip. Two or more re-
volver shots were fired at the in-
spector, but he escaped injury with the
exception of some bruises on the head.

While the inspector was trying to
place the eldest man under arrest ef-
forts were being made by the other
to drive off with the wet goods. Hunter
says. During the confusion the horse
became unmanageable and the horse,
sled, whiskey and men tumbled over
the hillside, and slid down a distance
of about 50 feet. None was injured,
but several bottles of whiskey were
broken and the horses landed on the
sled, the alleged law breakers making
their escape.

LANDED ON SHORE.

Later investigation by the inspector
showed that the liquor had evidently
been landed from a boat near Burns
shore, there being indications that it
had been dragged from a boat to where
it had been landed on the sled.

Intend Flight,
Denmark To Japan

COPENHAGEN, March 15.—Two
Danish aviators, Lieutenants Botved
and Henschel, expected to start to-
day on a flight to Tokyo. Two Fokker
machines will be used. The route will
be over Germany, Poland, Rumania,
Bulgaria, Turkey, Persia, India, Siam,
Indo-China and China.

Duke of York Suffers
From A 'Flu Attack

ST. PAUL'S, Widen, Hertfordshire,
Eng., March 15.—The Duke of York is
suffering a mild attack of influenza,
and has been forced to cancel a num-
ber of engagements. He is visiting
here with the Duchess. They will
probably remain a week.

FRENCH INTEREST LACKING

PARIS, March 15.—The apparent in-
difference of the public toward the
Chambre of Deputies was exemplified
by the fact that more than 40 per cent
of the voters abstained from casting
their ballots in yesterday's election in
the second parliamentary division of
Paris, held to replace two deputies who
died recently. No absolute majority
was obtained by a candidate and a
second ballot will have to be held.

DUFF SILENT

OTTAWA, March 15.—Expectations
are that Wm. Duff, of Lunenburg will
be the next deputy speaker of the
House of Commons. Questioned this
morning, however, Mr. Duff intimated
that definite decision in the matter had
not yet been reached.

Hope of Settlement In League Crisis Now Centering On Sweden

N. S. Resident
Loses Life In
Train Mishap

TRURO, N. S., March 15.—Herbert
William Griffin, a well-known resident
of Onslow, was almost instantly killed
Saturday afternoon, when the double-
boiler he was driving from Truro to
his home was struck by a Springhill-
Truro train at a crossing in Onslow.
Both Mr. Griffin's horses were also
killed. He was 50 years old.

BIG DRIVE BEGUN
FOR LOCAL OPTION

Eight Million Signatures in Peti-
tion to Be Sent to German
Reichstag

BERLIN, March 15.—The largest
drive for local option ever planned in
Europe started yesterday and will con-
tinue for six weeks. It is expected that
eight million signatures will be pre-
sented to a petition to the Reichstag.
The drive was launched by "The
National Committee for Local Option,"
the executives of which include many
members of the Reichstag. The peti-
tion is to express "the demands of mil-
lions of the best representatives of the
nation for prohibition and it points out
that the consumption of alcohol, which
markedly decreased during the war,
had been increasing in the post-war
years to such an extent that today
three billion marks are spent annually
on alcoholic beverages, which is more
than the maximum annuities stipulated
in the Dawes plan of reparations."

TO CONFER ON LABOR

Representatives of Nations Meet
in London on Question of
Hours

LONDON, March 15.—An interna-
tional conference on hours of labor,
based on the Washington convention,
will begin at the ministry of labor to-
day. It will be called on the initiative
of Great Britain and will be opened by
Premier Baldwin. It will be attended
by representatives of France, Germany,
Italy, Belgium and Great Britain.

NASHWAAKSIS MAN
DIES IN WORKSHOP

David Boyd, Night Watchman at
McFarlane, Neill Plant, is
Found Dead

Special to The Times-Star
FREDERICTON, March 15.—David
Boyd, a well known resident of Nash-
waaksis, employed for 18 years as
night watchman at the plant of the
McFarlane, Neill Co., Devon, was
found dead in the workshop of the
plant at an early hour this morning.
Every clock but one in the plant had
been wound, so the supposition is that
death overtook him as he was attend-
ing to his usual duties. Heart trouble
caused his death, it is believed. He
died instantly, falling forward upon
his lantern which went out. The de-
ceased was 78 years old. He was born
in Nashwaaksis for the last 28 years.
He is survived by a widow,
three sons, Henry and John of North
Devon, and Herman at home, and
three daughters, Mrs. David Jones, of
Fredericton, and the Misses Phoebe and
Lila at home.

21 BELOW ZERO AT
CAPITAL ON SUNDAY

Temperature Near Record For
Winter—Mercury Rises 40
Degree Since

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FREDERICTON, March 15.—The
temperature in Fredericton last night
was officially 21 degrees below zero,
which was almost as cold as the coldest
night of the winter. The low tempera-
ture followed a low reading for
Saturday night when the mercury was
15 degrees below. At this time last
year this part of the province also was
experiencing cold weather, a tempera-
ture of 11 below having been recorded.
Today the temperature moderated
rapidly the thermometer showing more
than forty degree difference from last
night.

Man Is Burned To
Death In Longueil

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MONTREAL, March 15.—Wm.
Clair, of Longueil, Que., across the
St. Lawrence from Montreal, was
burned to death this morning when his
residence and store were destroyed by
fire. A report from that locality two months
ago said that dandelions were blossom-
ing in the fields.

STERLING EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Sterling
exchange irregular. Great Britain,
188 1/2; France, 860 1/2; Italy, 400;
Germany 23.80. Canadian dollars 7.32
of one per cent discount.

248 KILLED, 93
HURT IN COSTA
RICA RUN-OFF

Three Coaches Go Over
Fifty-Foot Embankment

NEWS CONFIRMED

United Fruit Company Rubes
Doctors And Nurses To
Scene of Accident

Canadian Press
SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, March
15.—Two hundred and forty-
eight persons were killed and
ninety-three injured in Sunday's
disastrous train wreck on the
Costa Rican railroad. It has thus
far been established. These cars
were derailed, one fell to the
bottom of the Volcania river from
the bridge over the stream, and
two others were left hanging from
a 190-foot precipice.

BOSTON, March 15.—News of the
wreck of the Costa Rican rail-
road, in which more than 250 persons
were killed on Tuesday, was con-
firmed this morning by Douglas A.
Hatch, of the cable bureau of the
Tropical Radio Telegraph Company,
a subsidiary of the United Fruit Com-
pany, owners of the line. One hundred
and seventy-eight persons were killed
and 93 injured, according to his in-
formation.

RELIEF SENT.

Mr. Hatch said the United Fruit
Company was rushing doctors and
nurses on a relief train from Port
Limon. The train was comprised of
six coaches. Three on the left side
of the tracks at Volcania River and
plunged down a 50-foot embankment.
The wreck happened at 11 o'clock Sunday
morning, but news of it was delayed
by lack of communication facilities.

The disaster is believed to have
been due to the overloading of the
train, which was carrying excursion-
ists to party organized to raise funds
for a home for the aged at Cartago.
The passengers were almost exclu-
sively farmers and laborers. Whole
families perished together.

All day Sunday was spent in re-
solving the injured and recovering the
bodies of the dead. The medical re-
lief work was quickly organized and
efficiently carried out. Hundreds of
persons of all classes went to the
scene of the disaster to help.

TRAIN MEN HELD

The local undertaking establish-
ments were stripped of available cof-
fins and others had to be built in the
railroad shops.

Three days of public mourning
have been declared.

The organizer of the excursion,
Professor Francisco Gomez Alagon,
was among the dead. The engineer
and conductor of the train are being
held.

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820 Farmers
Reach Canada
From Old Land

Canadian Press
HALIFAX, N. S., March 15.—
Something of a local record in
farm labor immigration was estab-
lished here this week-end when
three trans-Atlantic liners brought
a total of 820 foreign laborers to
Canada under the Canadian National
Railways scheme. This was re-
garded here as indicating that the
"spring rush" had begun in earnest.
The three separate parties were
made up of Swiss, Poles, Ukrainians,
Hungarians, Czechs, Slovaks,
Jugo-Slavs and Rumanians.

NEW GOLD FIND AT
RED LAKE REPORTED

Private Assays Give \$15 a Ton
Gold and 12-1-2 Ounces of
Silver

Canadian Press
TORONTO, March 15.—According
to a special despatch to the Star
from Hudson, Ontario, news of an-
other gold strike in Red Lake district
was brought out by Ernest Rivers, of
Toronto, who has been hired by
Canada under the Canadian National
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ONE KILLED, 3 HURT
IN ONTARIO CRASH

Gasoline "Jigger" Collides With
Rear End of Freight Train
Caboose

Canadian Press
CHATHAM, Ont., March 15.—John
Stockton was instantly killed, Percy
Wills had both legs broken and was
probably fatally injured and John
Lamb and John McDonald sustained
serious injuries today when a gasoline
"jigger" carrying four men crashed
into the rear end of a freight caboose
on the Michigan Central Railway tracks
two miles east of Ridgeway, Ont. The
men were engaged in section work and
belonged to Ridgeway. Stockton had
his neck broken.

World News In
Short Metre

TORONTO.—The Toronto
branch of the Canadian Authors'
Association passed a resolution at a
meeting here Saturday pledging
the branch's fullest support to the
copyright bill which has been in-
troduced into the House of Com-
mons by Leon J. Ladouceur, Conserva-
tive, Vancouver South.

MADRID.—A campaign for
clean books and in opposition to
immoral pictures is being waged by
the authorities throughout Spain.

VIRGINIA, Man.—Apparently
insane, J. Oscar Penitella, 65, a
lumberjack, shot and killed Mrs.
Wahlberg, 37, and Alice Leino, 51,
in their home Saturday, spent the
night in the cabin of a friend, and
took his own life Sunday.

ST. NAZAIRE, France.—The
Isle De France, the largest ship
about to fly the French flag and the
new pride of French steamship
line, was launched yesterday.

TURIN, Italy.—Dust-ster good
night kisses of engaged couples are
illegal here, the Superior Court has
decided.

Victoria, B. C.—Wm. F. Toimie,
73, a brother of Hon. S. F. Toimie,
B. P., former, Federal Minister of
Agriculture, died here yesterday.

P. Q. MAN IS KILLED

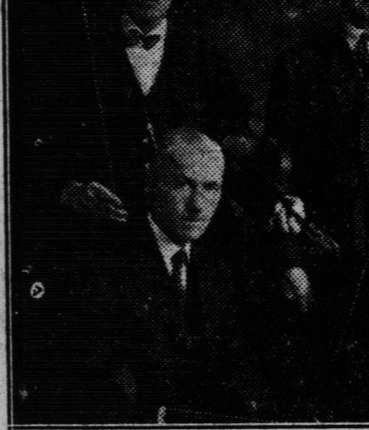
Neck Broken When Tie-load
Binder Hits Him on
Head

Canadian Press
KINGSEY, Que., March 15.—A fatal
accident occurred here Saturday when
Rudolph Belle, youngest son of Mr.
and Mrs. Henry Belle, was almost
instantly killed while in the act of
binding a load of ties onto a sleigh.
A chais, with which he and two com-
panions were attempting to fasten the
ties to the sleds broke, with the re-
sult that the binder flew back, striking
him on the head and breaking his neck.
He died within half an hour.

Conservatives Gain
Seat In Great Britain

Canadian Press
LONDON, March 15.—The Conserva-
tives have gained a seat from the
Liberals in the parliamentary elec-
tion for the combined English Univer-
sities, necessitated by the resignation
of Right Hon. H. A. L. Fisher, Liberal.
Sir Alfred Hopkinson, Conservative,
received 2,343 votes against 2,080 for
Ramsay Muir, Liberal.

Canadian Fiddlers In Old Time Contest



Seven competitors in First Old Time Fiddler's Contest in Canada, arranged by the Times-Herald news
papers of Moose Jaw and the Capitol Theatre. Back row left to right: Malcolm Beaton, 78 years of age,
winner of the Silver Cup and cash prize; Thomas H. Carefoot of Pasqua, Sask., L. H. Armstrong, Moose Jaw,
65 years of age; L. M. Smith, Moosebank, Sask., 57 years of age. Front row, left to right: T. A. Crain, D. C.,
Moose Jaw, winner of second place, 53 years of age; Mrs. C. H. Stephenson, Pasqua, Sask., 46 years of age,
winner of third place; James Gear, Tilsit, Sask., 63 years of age.

Senior Master of
Trinity School Dead

PORT HOPE, Ont., March 15.—
Prof. H. J. Petry, aged 65, senior mas-
ter of Trinity College School, died here
Saturday after a short illness. He was
born in Quebec City and educated at
Bishop's College, Lennoxville, where he
was later headmaster. His widow, two
daughters and one son survive.

SEAL COAT TAKEN
IN CAPITAL HOME

Burglar Walking Calmly Away
But When Pursued, Throws
Away Garment

Special to The Times-Star
FREDERICTON, March 15.—A rob-
bery of the boldest nature was per-
petrated at the residence of Dr. H. A.
Green, King street, Saturday night
shortly after midnight. The occupants
heard a slight noise in the front and
investigated and someone left by the
front door. Aubrey Clark, son-in-law
of Dr. Green, followed. He saw a
number of young men standing talk-
ing and asked if anyone had left the
house. They said a man had just come
out carrying a coat and was walking
up the street. Mr. Clark pursued and
the unknown threw aside the coat he
was carrying and made good his escape.
The coat was a seal garment belonging
to Mrs. Clark. Ten dollars which had
been in the pocket was gone.

2 FIREMEN KILLED

Three Others Hurt When Kala-
mazoo Church Gallery, on
Fire, Collapses

KALAMAZOO, Mich., March 15.—
Two firemen were killed and three
others were seriously injured last night
when the balcony of the First Metho-
dist Church in which they were fighting
a fire, collapsed.

Case Nears End

Action Against Barker House,
Fredericton, Likely Finished
Today or Tomorrow

FREDERICTON, March 15.—The
suit of S. L. Coleman et al vs. T. V.
Monahan is expected to be concluded
today or Tuesday. The case has been
a long one, starting on Tuesday last.
R. B. Hanson, K. C., M. P., who
has to go to Ottawa for the resump-
tion of the session, was not in court
this morning. After the defendant
gave his evidence, the witnesses were
those who had been employed about
the Barker House in various capaci-
ties. They were Robert Hallett, W.
H. Sutherland, L. C. Box, Fenton
Wood and Fred Cummings.
Counsel are to address the jury this
afternoon.

Stmr. Regina Brings
Year's Biggest List

HALIFAX, N. S., March 15.—The
largest passenger list to be landed at
Halifax from one steamer this season,
disembarked this morning from the
White Star liner Regina from Liverpool
via Glasgow. Those landing here in-
cluded 79 cabin and 715 third class
passengers the latter group being made
up largely of settlers for Western Can-
ada, who will leave this afternoon by
special train.

THUNBERG EQUALS
1000-METRE RECORD

Former World Champion Skates
Distance in 1.31 4/5 on
Home Ice

United Press
STOCKHOLM, March 15.—Clas
Thunberg, the Finnish skater today
equalled the world's record for 1,000
metres, according to a dispatch from
Helsingfors. His time was 1:31 4/5.

ROYAL BANK HEAD
OFFICE IS SOLD

Building Disposed of to Nesbitt,
Thomson Co.—New Struc-
ture Planned

MONTREAL, March 15.—The head
office building of the Royal Bank of
Canada here has been sold to the
Nesbitt, Thomson Company, Limited, it
was announced today. Possession will
be taken on May 15, 1928, by the new
owners, when the new 16-story head-
quarters of the Royal Bank will be
completed. The price involved in the
transfer was not given.

ALVENA IS SAFE

Schooner, Long Overdue at
Miami, Reaches Canal Zone
—Sister Ship Believed O.K.

Canadian Press
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 15.—
The marine department of the Cham-
ber of Commerce received a message
yesterday that the four-masted schooner
Alvena, reported long overdue, while
on the way from Aberdeen, Wash., to
Miami, Fla., had arrived at Balboa,
Canal Zone. Her sister ship, the Irene,
which was participating in a race to
Miami with the Alvena, was last heard
of off Lower California on January
16. She is believed to be safe.

KILL 27,000 SEALS

Newfoundland Fleet Makes
Good Day's Catch on
Saturday

Canadian Press
ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., March 15.—Six
steamers of the Newfoundland sealing
fleet reached the patch discovered last
week by airplane and killed 27,000
seals Saturday. The patch was found
to be somewhat smaller than was at
first reported but constituted a good
day's kill for the steamers first on the
scene.

Catholics Knighted
In Montreal Church

Canadian Press
MONTREAL, March 15.—An im-
pressive scene was witnessed yester-
day afternoon by a large congrega-
tion in St. James Basilica, when a
number of prominent Catholics from
various parts of the province were
made knights of the Order of Holy
Sepulchre by Monsignor Louis Barla-
sina, Roman patriarch of Jerusalem.

COUNTER PLAN
OF GERMANY TO
BE HEARD TODAY

Members Enter On 2nd
Week of Bitter
Dispute

SOLUTION HOPED

Agreement Expected To Involve
Sweden's Resignation
From Council

Canadian Press
GENEVA, March 15.—Again to-
day the members of the League of
Nations separated after a secret
meeting, without reaching an
agreement concerning the reorganiza-
tion of the Council in connection
with Germany's entrance into the
League.

By HENRY WOOD
United Press Staff Correspondent.

Nations today embarks on its
second week of bitter dispute, with all
hope of settlement of the contest for
Council seats apparently centering on
Sweden.

Foreign Minister Under has begun to
recede from the pinnacle of principle
from which he opposed the election of
any new Council member except Ger-
many, during most of last week.
Sweden may either renounce her oppo-
sition to the enlargement of the Coun-
cil by the election of Poland, or she
may resign her Council seat in favor
of Poland. Either course would prob-
ably result in immediate settlement of
the international debate.

The League Council was to meet
secretly and informally today to receive
any counter proposal that the Ger-
mans might have devised since last
night. If none is forthcoming and if
Sweden fails to participate in the
agreement, the scheduled meeting of
Tuesday would seem to be the last
chance for the consummation of the
peaceful work of Locarno.

GERMANY'S STAND.

Germany would either submit to
election to the league then, regardless
of the situation as it related to the
council, or she would withdraw her ap-
plication for league membership.
Sweden's position was clarified fol-
lowing the return of Chancellor Luther
and Foreign Minister Stresemann early
today from a conference with Under.
The Germans learned that Under had
telegraphed Stockholm requesting de-
finite instructions regarding Sweden's
offer to resign from the council in favor
of Poland.

AGREEMENT SEEN

Early today it was believed that the
secret council meeting would reach
agreement of some kind, and that the
agreement would involve Sweden's re-
signation from the Council.

PLAY ANOTHER SERIES

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 15.—
Fredericton High School and Bathurst
High School hockey teams will play an-
other series of home and away games
this week for the provincial interschol-
astic hockey title.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS—A very shallow low
area is passing across the Great
Lakes and another has come into
the northward of the western
provinces, while pressure is rela-
tively high to the northward of
Lake Superior and over the west-
ern states. The weather has moder-
ated somewhat in Ontario, but
has continued rather cold further
east.

Cloudy: Warmer.

FORECASTS:

MARITIME—Moderate winds,
somewhat higher temperature to-
day, cloudy with local snow fur-
ries tonight and Tuesday.
NEW ENGLAND: Probably
light rain with snow tonight and
Tuesday; colder with southwest
shifting northwest winds.
Temperatures.

TORONTO, March 15, 1926.
Highest during
8 a.m. yesterday, night.

Lowest
Victoria . . . 45 60
Calgary . . . 28 42
Edmonton . . . 24 44
Winnipeg . . . 20 30
Toronto . . . 22 30
Montreal . . . 18 18
Saint John . . . 12 22
Halifax . . . 18 28
New York . . . 28 32
Below zero.