

## MONTREAL HAVING DEAL FASDED STORM

Seven inches of Snow Fell in  
Twelve Hours.  
TWENTY-EIGHT MILE  
GALE LAST NIGHT.  
Yesterday's Fall a Boon to  
Hundreds of Unemployed  
Men—Will Cost About \$25,000  
for Removal.

Montreal, Jan. 12.—Montreal is in the grasp of the first severe wintry weather of the present season. Today's storm, in which upwards of seven inches of snow fell between midnight and noon, came as a boon to hundreds of the city's unemployed, providing them with temporary employment. With about fifteen inches of snow already on the ground the city now presents an appearance akin to the scenes of a few years ago when Canada's metropolis gained a world-wide reputation of the ice carnival city.

Frequently shifting winds during the morning gave the impression that two or more storms had effected a junction in this vicinity, each marked by a westerly or westerly-northwesterly wind, and the low temperature generally prevailing, resulted in a heavy precipitation of snow. The principal storm came from directly opposite points, east and west, the meeting of the winds resulting in a divergence first to northeast and then to northwest, the western disturbance apparently being the stronger.

The temperature, which on Sunday had fallen as low as seven below zero, however today around the zero point, for tomorrow and Wednesday a much lower figure is promised.

It is estimated that the present storm will cost the city the removal of about \$25,000 for snow removal. With the thermometer at 15 degrees below zero at eleven o'clock tonight, and steadily falling, the predictions point to the lowest temperature for some years.

With the drop in temperature the wind rose higher until it gained the proportions of a moderate gale at 28 miles an hour, which, combined with the severe cold, made the lot of the pedestrian and the outdoor worker far from pleasant.

All trains from a distance were reported from the quarters of an hour to an hour and a half late tonight. Incoming Toronto trains were upwards of an hour late, and from New York and Boston from an hour to an hour and a half behind time, and locals reported half an hour to an hour and a half delayed.

## ABANDONED SCHOONER PICKED UP AFIRE

The Glenafon Found in Gulf of  
Mexico by Revenue Cutter  
and Towed into Tampa, Fla.

Washington, Jan. 12.—The British schooner Glenafon, abandoned and burned to the main deck, was picked up afire in the Gulf of Mexico, and towed to Tampa, Fla., by a revenue cutter which reported the vessel's capture to the Customs and Excise department at revenue cutter headquarters. It is reported that an unknown merchant man, finding the Glenafon a derelict, set her afire.

## SOUTH AFRICA LIKELY TO HAVE A GENERAL STRIKE

Return of Votes from Centres Indicate Trades Will Go Out in  
Sympathy With Railway Employees— Towns All Under  
Military Protection.

Cape Town, Jan. 12.—Quiet prevails throughout South Africa tonight, but this may be the lull before the storm as the incoming bulletins from various centres make it practically certain that a general strike will be voted. The ballots received from the mines, along the coast, and elsewhere, in Johannesburg have voted similarly. The feeling is growing in Johannesburg that the situation is becoming more serious. The Capetown harbor workers have now been officially called out by the union, but their response will not be known until tomorrow.

A ballot by the Johannesburg branch of the Typographical union has resulted by a large majority in favor of a strike. This practically means that the people of Johannesburg will have no newspapers after tomorrow.

If a general strike is called it will be out of sympathy for the strike of the railway employees, many of whom have abandoned their posts and laid down their tools in the railroad work-

## TO GIVE WORK TO THE IDLE IN TORONTO

Grant of \$25,000 Voted by  
City Council for Work to  
Give the Unemployed a  
Chance.

Toronto, Jan. 12.—Steps were taken at the inaugural meeting of the city council today to help the unemployed. Mayor Hoekens suggested that an appropriation of at least \$25,000 should be made immediately in order that grading and other work of a similar character might be proceeded with by day labor, so as to give the largest number of men employment. The money was voted on motion of Controller McCarthy and Simpson, and the city treasurer was requested to report funds, the expenditures to be made under the direction of the Board of Control or by special meeting of the city council.

Another motion by Messrs. Simpson and McCarthy for the establishment of a registration office for the unemployed was referred to the Board of Control, with power to act—not de facto, as Controller Simpson expressed it, together with an order for a report from the heads of departments within the next forty-eight hours showing the public works that can be commenced immediately in order that as many as possible of those who are unemployed may be given work, long residents of the city and those who have families dependent upon them to be given preference. The various motions were passed unanimously.

## MR. BOWDER TO TAKE A REST

Physicians Order New Brun-  
swick's Representative in  
London to Give Up Work for  
a While.

Special to The Standard.  
Fredericton, Jan. 12.—Hon. H. F. McLeod, M. P. for York, will leave tomorrow evening for Ottawa to take up his seasonal duties. At the opening of parliament on Thursday he will move the address in reply to the speech from the Throne.

Mr. Harry McClary, who has been managing a large lumber operation on the Upper St. John River, for Randolph and Baker, St. John, has returned to his home at Springhill, suffering from an attack of typhoid fever.

Word has been received at offices of the Provincial Department of Agriculture of the serious illness of A. Bowder, New Brunswick agent in London, who is suffering from a complete physical breakdown.

Mr. Bowder has been advised by his physicians to take a complete rest for two or three months and in the meantime his son, W. R. Bowder, will be in charge of the New Brunswick office in London.

## HON. GEO. I. CLARKE TO BECOME ATTORNEY GENERAL IN PROVINCIAL CABINET

Understood in Political Circles  
This Change Will Be  
Made.

HON. DR. LANDRY FOR  
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY

Hon. James A. Murray Likely to  
Become Minister of Agriculture,  
and W. B. Dickson, M.  
L. A., New Speaker.

It is understood in political circles that Hon. George I. Clarke, now Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, will enter the Provincial Government as Attorney General.

The elevation of Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer to the Supreme Court bench, as announced in The Standard on Saturday, has made vacant the position to which Premier Flemming is expected to call Hon. Mr. Clarke.

The selection of a new Attorney General is only one of the important announcements which Premier Flemming will soon have to make, as there is another Cabinet vacancy caused by the recent resignation of Hon. H. F. McLeod, who has entered the wider field of Federal politics.

It is generally believed that there will be almost an entire reconstruction of the Cabinet as a result of the two vacancies and that Hon. Dr. D. Landry, who has been Minister of Agriculture since the advent of the Hazen administration in 1905, will be promoted to Provincial Secretary-Treasurer. Hon. James A. Murray, now a member of the government without portfolio and representative of the great farming constituency of Kings County, will become the new Minister of Agriculture.

Just how soon the changes will be officially announced is not yet known, but four by-elections will be necessary if the programme outlined above is carried out, viz.: one in York County, two in Charlotte County and one in Kings County. These by-elections will probably take place some time before the opening of the legislature, which is now scheduled for about the latter part of February.

The personnel of the Provincial Cabinet after the proposed changes have become effective will be as follows:

Premier and Minister of Lands and Mines—Hon. J. K. Flemming.  
Attorney General—Hon. George I. Clarke.  
Provincial Secretary, Hon. D. V. Landry, M. P.  
Minister of Public Works—Hon. John Morrissey.  
Minister of Agriculture—Hon. James A. Murray.  
Without Portfolio—Hon. J. E. Wilson.

There is also some probability of an additional forecast member being named when the other changes are announced. The elevation of Hon. Mr. Clarke to a Cabinet position vacates the Speakership of the Legislature and it is understood that Mr. W. B. Dickson, M. L. A. for Albert, who has been Deputy Speaker, will be proposed for this position when the approaching session of the Legislature opens.

Hon. George Johnstone Clarke, who is to become Attorney General, was born at St. Andrews, N. B., on October 10th, 1857. He was educated at St. Andrews and in Fredericton and then took up the practice of law, being admitted as an attorney on April 2nd, 1885. The following year he was called to the bar and in 1887 he was appointed King's counsel.

Hon. Mr. Clarke has been mayor of the town of St. Stephen, where he now resides, and warden of the municipality of Charlotte. He is the editor of the St. Croix Courier, published at St. Stephen, and has been one of the most prominent citizens of the St. Croix Valley. He was first a candidate for political honors in 1891, when he unsuccessfully contested Charlotte County for the Federal Parliament. He was again defeated for the Legislative Assembly in 1899, being first returned in 1903, since which time he has been twice re-elected.

Hon. Mr. Clarke is married and in religion is a Methodist. For the position of Attorney General of New Brunswick he is eminently qualified.

## Cold Storage Magnates Invade Washington

Armed With Proofs to Show That Refrigerator Storage of  
Foodstuffs is Not Contributing to the High Cost of Living

Washington, Jan. 12.—Cold storage plant magnates, with press agents and lawyers are in Washington clamoring for an opportunity to prove to the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce that refrigerated storage of staples has nothing to do with the high cost of living. They came to Washington confident they would be heard tomorrow, but the committee has put the bill introduced by Representative MacKellar, on which hearings were to be held, into storage for at least a month.

When Representative MacKellar introduced his bill, with a speech attacking the cold storage plants, it was referred to a sub-committee, of which Representative Covington of Maryland is chairman. In some way the word went forth that hearings were to be held tomorrow. But Representative Covington changed his mind, and the measure went to the regular committee calendar, where it will not be reached until some time in February.

## Will Appeal Against Release of Thaw

Attorney General Carmody Claims Judge Aldrich Exceeds Authority—Will Keep Close Surveillance Over Thaw if Given His Liberty.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 12.—Attorney General Carmody will appeal to a higher federal tribunal, the Supreme Court, if necessary, should Judge Aldrich of the United States Circuit Court of New Hampshire, permit Harry K. Thaw's release on bail. He also will take steps to stay any such order by Judge Aldrich, pending final disposition of the case by the higher court.

In announcing this determination tonight, the attorney general expressed the opinion that in entertaining Thaw's application for release Judge Aldrich had exceeded his authority. Thaw will be kept under close surveillance by New York authorities in case of his release and if he attempts to leave Judge Aldrich's jurisdiction his arrest will follow immediately. Mr. Carmody would regard the release of Thaw under bond as equivalent to giving him his permanent freedom, he said tonight.

## PARDON FOR USURER IS REFUSED

Gov. Glynn Says Criminal Mil-  
lonaire Should Not be  
Treated Differently From a  
Pauper.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 12.—Governor Glynn today refused finally to pardon D. H. Tolman, the convicted New York money lender.

District Attorney Whitman refused to say that he favored an absolute pardon for Tolman and this was the chief cause for the failure to obtain the prisoner's release. The governor requires the endorsement of the trial judge and the prosecutor in every case where he exercises clemency.

The governor said, in a statement, that the amount of indebtedness which would be cancelled by the notes Tolman promised to destroy, if released, and the number of people who would be benefited would be based on guess work. Tolman's offer of a bond as a guarantee of his sincerity was worthless, added the governor.

"The acceptance of such a proposition would open the way for men of means to secure a pardon that is not open to poor men," he said. "I know of no reason why a millionaire criminal should be treated any differently from a pauper criminal. I do not feel justified in inaugurating a precedent of this kind."

## CONDITION OF SIR JAMES NOT ENCOURAGING

Suffered Setback Yesterday—  
Considerably Weaker than  
on Sunday—No Immediate  
Danger, Doctors Say.

New York, Jan. 12.—According to the official bulletins the condition of Sir James Whitney, the Ontario premier, is not nearly so encouraging as it was during the last few days. His condition, however, is not so serious as it is being reported. He is now resting quietly, he said, and the prospect is that he will have a fairly good night.

The fact that Sir James had suffered a setback was but known in the hour until the forenoon bulletin was given out at 11.30 a. m. Up to that time the same guarded answer "no change" was made to all inquiries. After Dr. Biggs and Dr. Pyne had had their usual consultation they announced that the premier had had a poor night and that his condition was less favorable.

This was a distinct surprise, as since Thursday there had apparently been, if not a definite gain, at least a strong light on the part of the patient to hold his own, and this had encouraged all concerned to hope for the best.

Tonight the same pessimistic feeling was apparent with Dr. Pyne and Mr. Wallis as that which existed when the previous setback took place (last Friday). The fact that the patient has grown weaker in the meantime is not considered to have helped the case, and while those in charge do not admit that all hope is lost they are not looking forward to developments with any degree of confidence, although they maintain there is no sign for a fatal termination for some time.

## EARTHQUAKES IN JAPAN

Town of Kogoshima is Visited  
by Over Three Hundred  
Within Twenty-Four Hours.

Tokio, Japan, Jan. 12.—A series of 350 slight earthquakes shook the town of Kogoshima, at the southern end of the island of Kjusiu today and were followed by the eruption of a volcano on Sakura, a small island in the Gulf of Kogoshima, where two villages were buried in ashes.

The earthquakes continued incessantly and the work of rescuing the inhabitants of Sakura by boats which have proceeded there across the intervening three miles of water from Kogoshima is extremely difficult.

Ashe has fallen all day in Kogoshima itself and telegraphic communication with the capital is interrupted.

## EARTHQUAKE AND TIDAL WAVE STRIKE CALLOA

Seaport Inundated and Number  
of Hotels Flooded—Tele-  
graphic Communication with  
Interior Cut Off.

Lima, Peru, Jan. 12.—The seaport of Calloa was inundated today by a tidal wave accompanied at a quarter to two this morning by an earthquake lasting 55 seconds. No loss of life is reported.

The government is perfecting its plans for handling a general strike should one be precipitated, and all the towns in the disturbed area have been placed under the protection of troops. Reports from different districts are conflicting, but the general opinion is that the situation has grown worse. Meanwhile, the government is withholding the proclamation of martial law until the last moment.

## TITANIC CLAIMS CASE UP FOR HEARING TODAY

BOTH ARE  
BUNK FIDE  
DETECTIVES

Thiel Agency Reassures P. E.  
Island People; Also Cautious  
Against Violence—Immoral-  
ity Charges Not Supported.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Jan. 12.—Judgments were given in prohibition cases here today. George Caver and Owen Trainor were each convicted of first offences and fined \$100 and costs. The cases against Ronald Steele, and George V. Moore were dismissed. Another case against Carver was adjourned.

There was a case against Byron Brown of the Revere Hotel. The detectives swore that they purchased whiskey from him. The case was adjourned till the 19th.

Tomorrow the detectives will give evidence at Souris, where there are thirteen cases, druggists and doctors being among the defendants.

The Moral and Social Reform council, including almost all the clergymen of the city, held a meeting today with closed doors to deal with published statements re girls being kept in immoral purposes in a certain illicit liquor den. The council decided they must have more definite information before they could take action, the opinion being expressed that Charlottetown is one of the cleanest cities in Canada as far as red light houses are concerned.

Over Thirteen Million Dollars  
Involved in Argument.

CASE PROMISES TO  
BE INTERESTING.

Many Intricate Legal Questions  
Will Come Up for Decision—  
Eminent Admiralty Lawyers  
Taking Part.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Compensation for the stupendous loss of life and property when the steamship Titanic went to the bottom of the ocean will be up for consideration tomorrow by the Supreme Court. On the outcome of the argument of some of America's leading admiralty lawyers will depend whether the Oceanic Steam Navigation Company, the owners of the Titanic, must face the payment of some \$13,000,000 of claims, or whether its liability is to be limited to some \$90,000.

Intricate questions of law which have perplexed legal minds of the United States and Great Britain, ever since the Titanic's maiden voyage was ended by the iceberg's fatal blow, and which have not yet been decided by the British courts, will be up for decision.

The Navigation Company seeks to have the American court hold the Admiralty laws and rules of the United States applicable to the case and thereby limit the liability of the company to the salvage from the wreck, and the passenger and freight money received on the voyage, amounting in all to some \$90,000.

Claimants seeking to recover for loss of lives, baggage and freight have despatched about a score of lawyers to the Supreme Court with briefs in their behalf. Every inch of the ground upon which the Navigation Company is basing its claim to a limitation of liability is to be contested.

In the first place it is claimed that American law does not apply, because the disaster occurred on the high seas. Furthermore, it is contended that the American law contemplates limitation of liability only when the disaster results from the collision of two vessels and not when it occurs from striking an iceberg. Some of the lawyers also argue further that British law fixes the liability of the owner because the Titanic carried the British flag, and that the Supreme Court should so hold.

Should the British law be held applicable, the American court would have to determine whether it shall proceed to take jurisdiction of the claims and enforce the British law, or whether the claimants must sue in England. In either case, it is said, a prolonged contest would result.

Should it be found that the disaster occurred without the owner's fault or privity, the damages recoverable by the claimants under British law, it is said, would be about \$2,000,000. Should it be held the disaster occurred with the owners' fault or privity, it would be liable for full damages, now claimed to be about \$13,000,000.

## NEW POSTAL AGREEMENT

Exchange of Parcels Be-  
tween this Country and Aus-  
tralia Goes Into Effect.

Ottawa, Jan. 12.—Hon. L. P. Pelletier, postmaster-general of Canada, has entered into a new agreement with the government of the Commonwealth of Australia for the direct exchange of parcels under which the present rate of twenty-four cents a pound is reduced, either way, after the first pound to twelve cents a pound. The reduced rates take effect from the first of January, 1914. It will be a decided improvement on the previous rate and will no doubt lead to an increased volume of parcel post business between the two countries.

## STATE HIGHWAY FROM QUÉBEC TO AUGUSTA IS ANNOUNCED

Portland, Maine, Jan. 12.—A new highway 224 miles long, connecting Augusta and the City of Quebec, is assured, according to an announcement by the State Highway Commission today.

The Quebec government has appropriated \$300,000 to build the road from Quebec to the Maine boundary, a distance of ninety-three miles, and the remaining 131 miles will be constructed by this state.

## CANADA MAY NOT SEND A TEAM TO BISLEY THIS YEAR

Attempt of War Office to Revolutionize Conditions for King's  
Prize and Other Competitions Not Fair to Dominion  
Rifleman.

Special to The Standard.  
Ottawa, Jan. 12.—As foreshadowed in this correspondence, no Canadian team will be sent to Bisley this summer if the war office persists in its attempt to revolutionize the conditions governing the King's prize and other leading competitions at Bisley.

As noted some days ago, the element at the war office which desires to substitute so-called active service targets for the present bullseye variety obtained sufficient control to require the National Rifle Association to change the conditions of the leading competitions at Bisley. In part this was to be effected by "service" targets, in part by the introduction of rapid firing at certain stages, and in part by the forbidding of the aperture sight.

Col. Hughes, who during the holidays was in the west, returned the other day and took stock of the situ-

## ATTEMPT OF WAR OFFICE TO REVOLUTIONIZE CONDITIONS FOR KING'S PRIZE AND OTHER COMPETITIONS NOT FAIR TO DOMINION RIFELMAN.

His decision was rapidly reached. If the proposal made by the war office are insisted upon Canada will not send a team.

What particularly attracted the attention of the Minister was the proposal to bar the aperture sight. This seems to be aimed directly at the Canadian service weapon, for its design is such that the aperture sight is essential to its use; there is no middle sight and no place for it, the rear sight being an aperture sight. If this sight is forbidden the Canadian rifle cannot be used.

Colonel Hughes also disapproved heartily of the so-called active service target. As in all branches of knowledge the teaching of rifle shooting should proceed from the known to the unknown, and individual skill, for the testing of which Bisley exists, can best be proved by the bulls eye target.