

ST. JOHN DREDGING A SNAP FOR MR. MOORE; MINISTER WORRIED

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FLEMMING'S CRUSHING REPLY TO M'KEOWN AND OTHER EX-MINISTERS; A BAD DAY FOR MR. ROBINSON AND MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., March 25.—The debate on the speech from the throne today has been waxing warmer, and it is not expected to be finished until Friday evening.

Mr. Tweeddale, of Victoria, as expected, did not have the courage to take his place in the House this afternoon while the Provincial Secretary Fleming replied to the scurrilous charges made against him last evening.

Mr. Cope of Westmorland, followed the provincial secretary and concluded his address this evening. It was largely a re-hash of what had been said by previous speakers, with an opportunity for airing his grievances.

There has been a great desire upon the members of the government to draw Surveyor General Sweeney into the debate but he has studiously avoided the issue although it is likely that

had three watches. He gave them to old man Hatch.

Interpreters Scarce. Owing to inability to get interpreters a statement from Sepeplil was received, but the latter made a similar statement to Arosha two or three days ago.

Will Hang Just the Same. Fredericton, March 25th. The confession of Tony Arosha, on behalf of himself and Leon Sepeplil of the murder of Paddy Green, the Montreal jewelry peddler does not mean that the Italians will not have to go to the gallows on May 4th as sentenced by the court.

Attorney General Hazen stated after reading Arosha's confession, said that he did not expect it would interfere with the carrying out of the sentence of court that the two men be hanged on May 4th.

It may delay the carrying out of the sentence, however, Sandy Murray (the foreman of Emil Johnson's construction camp on the T. P. James Hatch, the old Italian, and his son Andrew will be charged with being accessories before the fact to the murder of Green. Murray is half Italian and half Scotch and comes from Montreal.

The Hatches also make their headquarters in this country in Montreal.

Acadia Wins From St. F. X. in Debate. Halifax, N. S., March 25.—Acadia University debating team won over St. Francis Xavier in an inter-collegiate debate at Antigonish tonight.

Fatal Race Conflict in Oklahoma. Guthrie, Okla., Mar. 25.—On the scene of the famous Cree Indian uprising of last year at Hickory Settlement, two negroes were killed, many wounded and forty captured in a battle between two deputy sheriffs and 100 negroes.

Funeral of Mrs. G. C. Allen. Moncton, March 25.—The funeral of the late Mrs. George C. Allen took place this afternoon from St. George's church and was largely attended.

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Mr. R. B. Emerson, chairman of the city school board, told the Standard last evening that he thoroughly admired the plan for physical improvement but he considered a move to teach the boys to kill to be a step backward for civilization.

Salute the Flag. His opinion, said Mr. Emerson, was not due to any lack of patriotism. In fact he had been thinking of urging the putting into effect of a plan to inculcate a thorough spirit of patriotism in every scholar, boy or girl.

When the pupils are assembled in the exhibition hall each morning Mr. Emerson thought would be the proper time for the salute.

Dr. H. S. Bridges has also expressed his disapproval of the scheme of Lord Strathcona as far as the shooting drill is concerned.

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I.C.R. CLERKS CAN'T GET MORE PAY TILL MINISTER REDUCES NUMBER

Special to The Standard. OTTAWA, March 25.—In the House today Mr. Borden brought up the report of the Board of Conciliation in connection with the freight clerks of St. John and Halifax and queried the following passage:

Your committee are of the opinion that it would make for greater harmony and better efficiency, if a system of classification of clerks were introduced. Not only would the above results accrue, but there would then be an available scheme for promotion which at present there seems to be lacking and which is a recognized cause of discontent.

He also quoted passages which have already been published deprecating intercolonial promotion of outsiders over the heads of men of long service, declaring the service to be overmanned, and recommending the dismissal of some and raising the salaries of the rest.

Mr. Borden's attention was directed to this. Mr. Borden asked, "and has he arrived at any conclusion as to what should be done?"

Mr. Graham said he could not agree with any suggestion that would make length of service an absolute qualification for promotion.

Mr. Daniel recalled Mr. Graham's statement that the intercolonial was not overmanned. In the light of that it would appear that the clerks were not too numerous, so that the report could hardly be correct.

All the minister had to do was to put men on the proper basis as regards pay. They were not paid enough. The House went into supply on supplementary votes for Quebec public works.

Salary \$500. The salary of Mr. Brown is \$500 a year with an allowance of \$10 for each lecture he may deliver on the annuity system, plus such contingent traveling expenses as Sir Richard Cartwright may approve.

Bad Storm Raged at Portland. PORTLAND, Me., March 25.—A severe wind and rain storm raged here tonight, beginning shortly before dark.

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He confessed the guilt of himself and Hatch, Andrew Hatch and Sandy Murray. Arosha says Murray told about the peddlars and the large amount of money they had, enough to make them all rich.

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