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## DON HANSON DROWNED IN ST. CROIX RIVER

### Capsized Boat Puts Three in Water

**W. A. Murchie, Lumberman,  
Saved by C. C. Whitlock,  
But Both Very Much Ex-  
hausted—Hanson Only Son  
of Former Mayor of Calais—  
Doctors Keep Up Efforts  
at Resuscitation.**

St. Stephen, Aug. 9.—(Special)—While out sailing about 8 o'clock this evening off De Monts Island, six miles down the St. Croix river, Don Hanson, only son of Geo. M. Hanson, ex-mayor of Calais, was drowned by the capsizing of the boat. The two other occupants, William A. Murchie and C. C. Whitlock, were saved.

Hanson's body was recovered about twenty minutes after the accident, but all efforts at resuscitation have proved unavailing.

The entire community has been saddened by the fatality, which occurred off De Monts where a number of prominent Calais families have summer cottages. Mr. Murchie, who is a senior member of the firm of James Murchie & Sons Company, Ltd., lumber dealers, Mr. Whitlock, a prominent Calais grocer, and Mr. Hanson were in a boat when it suddenly capsized. Mr. Whitlock it seems was the only one of the party who could swim, and through his efforts Mr. Murchie was taken ashore though both were in an exhausted condition.

Mr. Hanson, who was 24 years of age, was drowned in the shallows, his body being recovered about twenty minutes later.

Physicians were hastily summoned from Calais and at 11:30 p. m. Drs. Black, Miner and Mason were still endeavoring to restore life but it was feared there was no likelihood of success.

Mr. Hanson, who was an only son, was a student at Dartmouth, and a fine young fellow. He was very popular among large circle of friends. His father, who was mayor of Calais last year, and is a leading lawyer and politician, together with his mother and three sisters, survive.

At a meeting of the St. Stephen town council held this evening tenders for the reconstruction of the power house for the new water system were opened. Only two were received. B. Mooney & Sons, of St. John, bid \$15,300 and J. H. Nesbitt, of St. Stephen, \$9,750. Action was deferred until after the arrival of F. A. Barbour, the consulting engineer, who is expected here Saturday. It is regarded as probable that Mr. Nesbitt's tender will be accepted.

## FEARFUL OF FATE OF SECRETARY WILSON

### Goes to Inspect Packing Houses and Despatch Expresses Doubt as to His Return.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Secretary Wilson, of the agricultural department, has left Washington, presumably on a tour of inspection of meat-packing today, but no information of his whereabouts is available at the department.

The secretary left instructions that no information was to be made public concerning his trip. It is not known when he may return.

## LITHOGRAPH PRINTERS STRIKE IN MONTREAL

### Ceremony at Quebec Aug. 22.

## FUGITIVE CASHIER IS CAUGHT IN CHICAGO

### President of Wrecked Bank Still at Large, Though 100 Detectives Seek Him.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—Henry W. Hering, cashier of the Milwaukee Avenue State Bank, which closed its doors three days ago, was arrested in Chicago today. He will be released until his connection with the disappearance of nearly \$1,000,000 of the bank's funds is cleared up. Paul O. Steensland, president of the defunct institution, is still a fugitive, though nearly 100 detectives are searching for him.

Hering was arrested this afternoon, two hours later than the time he had announced for giving himself up. He was put through an examination as to his knowledge of President Steensland's alleged mismanagement of the institution. Hering declared he did not know where President Steensland was, and that he had had no communication with Steensland for more than a week.

Hering strenuously denied any responsibility for the failure of the bank, and maintains that if he was guilty of breaking the banking laws of Illinois, President Steensland was responsible. He declared he never had benefited a single dollar by President Steensland's system of banking.

Madison, Wis., Aug. 9.—It is reported that people who knew President Paul O. Steensland, of the Milwaukee Avenue State Bank of Chicago, saw him here last Sunday. Mrs. Inga Sandberg, his stepdaughter, being having seen her father for a week.

## WANTS TO REDUCE CANADA-BRITAIN. POSTAGE CHARGES

### Postmaster General of Mother Country Trying to Work Out a Plan.

## FEARS TO OFFEND OTHER COLONIES

### Hopes to Lessen Charges on Magazines, Periodicals and Newspapers Without Unduly Burdening the Exchange- Statement of a Year's Mail Be- tween Britain and Canada.

(Special to The Telegraph.)  
Montreal, Aug. 9.—A special London cable says: "In his annual report for the year ended March 31, the postmaster-general says the question of reduction of postage charged for magazines, periodicals and newspapers sent from the United Kingdom to Canada is engaging his attention, although there are obvious objections to making, in the case of Canada, arrangements more favorable than can be granted to periodicals, etc., passing within the United Kingdom itself, or to the other colonies."

"I recognize that in consequence of the geographical situation of the dominion the circumstances are exceptional and I am endeavoring to concoct some plan which will meet the end in view without unduly burdening the exchequer," he said.

"The following is the estimated weight of letters, post cards and other articles exchanged by the United Kingdom with Canada and Newfoundland:—

"Despatched from the United Kingdom: 18,700 letters and post cards and 616,000 circulars, book packets and newspapers.

"The number of parcels despatched to Canada was 172,000; received, 76,492. The amount of money order transactions between the United Kingdom and British America was £1,000,000 in the United Kingdom, £1,000,000 in British America, £545,584."

## COAL MINERS AT RIVER HEBERT STRIKE

### Cause Said to Be Cut in Wages to Meet I. C. R. Refusal to Pay Same Price of Coal as Last Year.

(Special to The Telegraph.)  
Amherst, N.S., Aug. 9.—The men at the Strathcona mines, River Hebert, went on strike today. The cause of the strike, they say, is the company seeking to enforce a reduction of ten cents a ton on the coal cutters. The I. C. R. authorities refused to pay the same rate for coal as last year, and the management of Strathcona are endeavoring to reduce the wages to meet the reduction in price.

About 100 men have quit work. C. F. Jamieson has resigned his position as editor of the Daily Telegraph, and resignation to take effect during next month.

## Master Plumbers Elect Officers.

### P. E. Islander to Jail for Life.

## CEREMONY AT QUEBEC

### First Canadian Car Made of Steel

## Opening of Industry Which Promises to Be Extensive.

(Special to The Telegraph.)  
Montreal, Aug. 9.—(Special)—The first steel car built in Canada has been completed at the works of the Dominion Steel Car Company, Ltd., at Blue Bonnet on the Lacine Canal, where the Simplex Railway Appliance Company of Canada has an extensive property and is setting up a large plant.

The car is the first of an order of 500 placed with the company by the C. P. R. It marks the beginning of a new industry which has been established in Montreal, an industry that in the not distant future is expected, with its affiliated activities, to represent a capitalization of from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

## DAVID RUSSELL'S OFFER

(Special to The Telegraph.)  
Montreal, Aug. 9.—The Montreal Star this evening publishes the following: "DAVID RUSSELL'S OFFER."  
"To the Editor of the Montreal Star: "Sir,—A dispute has arisen respecting the ownership of 157,000 acres of land, situated in the Saskatchewan Valley. The government has given title to these lands to Messrs. MacKenzie, Mann & Company in consequence of representations made in a letter addressed to the Hon. Frank Oliver, Minister of the Interior, dated June 19th, 1906, and signed by Mr. J. N. Greenfield.

"Mr. Greenfield has stated that he did not know the word 'subsequent' was embodied in this letter. The government, acting on this letter,

## SEIZE SMUGGLED LIQUOR STRIKE TIES-UP FREIGHT HANDLING

### Customs Officer Burnham Operates in Three Nova Scotia Towns

### Captures Wet Goods in Kentville, Chester and Parrsboro, and There is Promise of More Seizures, Implicating Prominent Shipping Men.

Digby, N. S., Aug. 9.—(Special)—H. B. Burnham, of the Dominion customs service, acting under instructions of Customs Inspector Fred L. Jones, has made important seizures of liquor in Kentville, Chester and Parrsboro, purchased from people who, it is alleged, smuggled it up St. Mary's bay.

Several more seizures will be made in the near future, and will implicate prominent shipping men in Digby county. Evidence is now being obtained and the offenders will be tried under the criminal prosecution act.

## NEW RATES MUST STAND

### Hon. H. R. Emmerson Will Not Change Halifax Rates on Cape Breton Shipments.

(Special to The Telegraph.)  
Halifax, N. S., Aug. 9.—The minister of railways and General Traffic Manager Tiffin had an interview this afternoon with representatives of the board of trade on railway matters at this terminal. The subject that has aroused most attention was that regarding rates on shipments to Cape Breton ports in touch with the I. C. R.

The board of trade asked the minister to restore those rates which had been reached after a conference between Manager Walter B. Pollock, of the New York Central, and representatives of the board of trade failed to reach an agreement. Mr. Pollock, who was authorized to act for the other railroads, informed the men that their demands would not be granted. He afterward reported his action to the officers of the marine departments of the province, and they agreed to support his attitude.

## THE SITUATION IN RUSSIAN EMPIRE

St. Petersburg, Aug. 9.—The sentences pronounced upon the strikers in the city were mitigated. It will be recalled that the papers in the cases of these men disappeared mysteriously upon the arrival at Sebastopol of Admiral Skrydloff, commander of the Black Sea fleet. Before he left Sebastopol the admiral intimated that he considered the condemnation of the strikers prearranged and unjust and said he thought the officers had been more to blame than the sailors.

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On the recommendation of the admiral, minister of Marine Biriulev, instead of confining the strikers, has ordered a complete hearing of the cases at the end of two months.

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Moscow, Aug. 9.—The governor of Moscow has asked the ministry of the Interior for a credit of \$500,000 for the remuneration of property holders who suffered losses in the revolt of last December. Among the sufferers are several Americans.

## THE TELEPHONE WAR; EFFECT IN SACKVILLE

## THE TORONTO CARPENTERS' STRIKE.

### Railway Commission and Express Tolls.

### Toronto Bribery Charge Dismissed.

gave titles to land selected subsequent to December 31st, 1905, but the authority of Mr. Greenfield, which I obtained for him from the Qu'Appelle Long Lakes and Saskatchewan Railroad and Steamboat Company, gave him power, to deal only with lands selected prior to December 31st, 1905.

"The government not intending, as I believe, to do any injustice to the company which I represent, by acting on this letter, entailed a loss to my company of over one million dollars. I have no doubt as to the ultimate result of my claims in a court of justice, but I delay incidentally that course of action as such that I am willing to settle our differences in a more summary manner. Having in view the amount involved, I have retained the following eminent counsel: Hon. F. L. Beique, Hon. A. G. Blair, Hon. William Pugsley, Messrs. Albert J. Brown, K. C., Robert C.

Smith, K. C., and C. S. Campbell, K. C., and have set aside the sum of \$50,000 for court costs and counsel fees. If, however, Messrs. MacKenzie, Mann & Co. will agree to an immediate arbitration, I will donate this sum of \$50,000 to the Montreal General Hospital. I would be willing to accept any three of the following gentlemen as arbitrators: R. B. Angus, E. S. Clouston, Sir George A. Drummond, Charles M. Hays, H. S. Holt, Charles R. Hosmer, Hon. Robert MacKay, Sir Wm. C. MacDonald, Robert Meighen, H. Stikeman, Sir William C. Van Horne.

"I take the liberty of naming these gentlemen without consulting them as I feel sure they will willingly lend themselves to such a project in the interest of such a worthy institution as the Montreal General Hospital.

"Yours faithfully,  
"DAVID RUSSELL."

Tugboat Crews in New York Harbor  
Out for Higher Wages.

New York, Aug. 9.—A strike of several hundred men employed as deckhands, oilers and firemen on railroad tug boats in this harbor, badly tied up the railroad tug boat fleet today. This, in turn, prevented the movement of a large amount of freight from the railroad terminals in Jersey City to Manhattan.

An attempt made late today to adjust the differences between six railroad companies having terminals in this city and the crews of the railroad tug boats operating in New York harbor, ended in a failure. The representatives of the Central railroad of New Jersey, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, Erie, Baltimore & Ohio, New York Central and Lehigh Valley railroads, which were most seriously affected, declined to accede to the demands of the striking crews for an increase in wages of \$5 to \$10 a month, and declared that they would fill the places of the strikers with new men.

The movement of freight on the roads from their terminals at New Jersey and Staten Island to New York city was badly crippled by the strike of the tug boat crews, which went into effect today, and many carloads of freight were stalled in the yards on the west bank of the Hudson river. It is feared that if the strike continues, representatives of the board of trade on railway matters at this terminal. The subject that has aroused most attention was that regarding rates on shipments to Cape Breton ports in touch with the I. C. R.

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Today's decision of the railroad officials to keep up a battle with the strikers was reached after a conference between Manager Walter B. Pollock, of the New York Central, and representatives of the board of trade failed to reach an agreement. Mr. Pollock, who was authorized to act for the other railroads, informed the men that their demands would not be granted. He afterward reported his action to the officers of the marine departments of the province, and they agreed to support his attitude.

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## HOW GEORGE PIKE DIED

### Jury at Fredericton Inquiring Into Drowning of St. John Man

### Some Evidence Taken But Mr. McRobbie, an Eye-witness, Is Wanted, and Inquiry Adjourns —General News of Fredericton.

(Special to The Telegraph.)  
Fredericton, N. B., Aug. 9.—The coroner's inquest on the drowning of George Pike was adjourned this evening until a future date, after the evidence of Captain J. B. Cudlip, Frank P. Starr, Wm. Taylor, Purser Upton and Dechand Pout, of the steamer Upton, had been taken. The adjournment was made to procure the evidence of Mr. McRobbie, who it was stated, was an eye witness of the accident.

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## GATLING GUNS TO KEEP OFF RESCUERS

### MONTREAL CONFIRMS PURCHASE OF PEOPLE'S BANK OF FREDERICTON

### Manager Meredith Says Negotiations Are Not Completed, Though

### BANK OF MONTREAL SECURES THE CONTROL

### \$300 a Share the Price Says Up- per Canadian Despatch—Fredericton Information on the Matter— Discussed—Transfer Not Im- mediate.

(Special to The Telegraph.)  
Montreal, Aug. 9.—Speaking of the reported purchase of the People's Bank of Fredericton by the Bank of Montreal, Manager Meredith, of the Bank of Montreal, declines to make any announcement except that negotiations have not yet been sufficiently advanced for an announcement from the bank. Despite the absence of an official confirmation it is known here that control of the People's Bank has been secured and that the shareholders will get \$300 a share for their stock.

Fredericton, Aug. 9.—The People's Bank of Fredericton has been sold to the Bank of Montreal. The transfer will be made at an early date, though nobody will talk for publication.

So far as can be learned, the sale was negotiated largely through W. B. Tennant, of St. John, and it is believed the directors have made a very satisfactory arrangement—one that will net the shareholders about \$300 for each share. Shareholders of the People's Bank will have the option of taking cash, the People's Bank shares of par value of \$100 being valued at \$300. Bank of Montreal shares at their latest sales have realized about \$250 on the \$100, and it is presumed that they will be realized somewhat around that value.

The Bank of Montreal pays ten per cent. dividend, while the People's Bank paid eight per cent. If cash is paid out, the stock purchased outright, it will mean \$400,000 for the business of the People's Bank, which has a capital of \$180,000, and a real estate value of \$100,000.

When negotiating for the Bank of New Brunswick some time ago, the Bank of Montreal offered to take over all the employees of the local institution, paying them on the staff on the same terms as the other employees, and it also offered generous treatment to the existing board of directors. Presumably similar treatment will be accorded the staff and directors of the People's Bank.

The People's Bank is owned largely in Fredericton and is a local institution, with a most honorable record. Its transfer to the Bank of Montreal, which already has an agency in Fredericton, is a matter of great financial interest. It leaves only two banks owned in the province—the Bank of New Brunswick and the St. Stephen Bank.

The Glenora tonight says:—  
"There was an opinion expressed today that arrangements connected with the transfer of the People's Bank to one of the largest financial institutions would be completed within a day or two, and this belief is probably based on the fact that it had been said there was to be a meeting of the directors of the People's Bank tonight to definitely settle the question."

The presence here also of the general manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, Mr. Pusey, gave strength to the opinion that the deal would be practically closed a few days hence.

"It is not to be expected that the directors of the People's Bank will take the public into their confidence at present, but it may be taken as a fact that the directors have concluded to accept the best offer made by the larger banks."

"Up till Tuesday the Royal Bank seemed to have the inside track, yet the general manager of that institution left town without having completed any arrangements with the directors of the People's Bank."

This is now considered to mean that the People's Bank has an offer other than that of the Royal before it, and that it was a more advantageous offer. Since then it has been learned that the Bank of Montreal is the other institution which is willing and anxious to acquire the People's, and it is also said, not only that its offer is more advantageous than the Royal's, but that the offer of the Royal was the limit and final. In this connection it is interesting to know that the recent record sales of People's Bank stock have been to people in St. John who are interested in the Bank of Montreal.

"It therefore looks now as if the Montreal institution will acquire the People's." (Continued on page 4, sixth column.)

## An Attempt to Liberate Lynchers Expected

## Rumors of Serious Trouble Being Likely at Salisbury, Where Negroes Were Victims of Mob Rule a Few Days Ago—Authorities De- termined to Uphold the Law.

Salisbury, N. C., Aug. 9.—While there are no visible signs of trouble, there are persistent rumors of the organization of a strong party to liberate from Salisbury jail tonight the lynchers of the three negro murderers of the Lyerly family. Geo. Hall, an ex-convict; Francis Cress, and "Bud" Bullock were arrested yesterday, and George Gentle, a well-known young man of this section; J. H. Goodman and John Cable, of Salisbury, are in jail and all will be tried on the charge of murder.

Gatling guns will be used by the military if an attempt to enter the jail is made. Governor Glenn is on the way here.

Early this morning the barn of the Lyerly's was burned. Some say the negroes fired the building in a spirit of revenge, but others believe that the lynchers touched the torch in order to arouse the wrath of the people against the negroes and in favor of the mob. No one has been apprehended for this crime. It is feared that the work of the incendiary will cause more trouble.

Saturday night is regarded as the dangerous time about the jail. The jail and court house will continue to be protected by soldiers.

## WILLIAM B. WALLACE FOR NEW BRUNSWICK

### Knights Templar Choose Officers at Montreal Meeting.

Montreal, Aug. 9.—(Special)—The Knights Templar concluded their deliberations today at 1 p. m. after the election of officers. The following is a complete list of those who were to guide the affairs of the society: Grand Master, Wm. Wallace, Supreme Grand Master, J. B. Tremblay, Montreal, re-elected; Deputy Grand Master, A. Campbell, London (Ont.), re-elected; Grand Chancellor, W. H. Whyte, Montreal, re-elected; Grand Chaplain, W. Richardson, Kingston (Ont.), re-elected; Grand Treasurer, C. F. Mansell, Toronto; Grand Secretary, P. F. Gordon, New Brunswick; Grand Registrar, W. McKellar, Stratford.

The Provincial Grand Priors were—Quebec Dist., E. A. Evans, Quebec; London Dist., Geo. Metcalfe, London; Hamilton Dist., A. E. Savage, Niagara Falls; Toronto Dist., R. E. Foytche, Whitby; Kingston Dist., K. Dewey, Brockville; New Brunswick Dist., W. Wallace, St. John (N. B.); Prince Edward Island Dist., Dr. Darroch, Kensington; Algoma Dist., D. J. H. Browne, Sault Ste. Marie.

## REPORT POPE ILL

### Pontiff Has Attack of Heart Weakness After Coronation Anniversary Ceremonies.