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## GOVERNMENT BANK ACT IS EXCELLENT FEATURE

### Former Manager of Bank Of Nova Scotia Talks of It.

### LIBERALS REFUSED TO MAKE REFORMS

### H. C. McLeod Says Legislation Introduced by Premier Borden will Prove of Great Value in Safeguarding Public and Banks.

Special to The Standard.  
Ottawa, April 3.—The examination of H. C. McLeod, former manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, was concluded before the Banking and Commerce Committee today, sittings being held morning, afternoon and evening.

Mr. McLeod congratulated the government on the excellent Bank Act, which it had prepared, and which was a marked improvement over previous legislation. Incidentally he criticized the former government for its refusal to make any real reform of the Bank Act.

He said that some years ago he had retired from banking because he was tired of urging reforms which he was assured, by an agent of the late government, would never be accepted. He had no desire to continue agitation for the public benefit which he had no hope of attaining. It was now with very great satisfaction that he found the government and this committee so strongly in favor of these banking reforms which he knew were immediately summoned and were closely followed by a huge crowd of excited people. It required the efforts of two companies of infantry to keep the indignant populace at a distance.

Zeppein IV, which is the latest and largest model, carried ten passengers of whom four were officers in uniform, a Prussian captain and lieutenant, and two Wurtemberg lieutenants. The captain explained to the other passengers that the Zeppelin was under a test prior to being taken over by the war department. He and the other officers had been invited to the bank. They left Friedrichshafen early in the morning bound for the Grand Duchy of Baden.

At the intention of making ascension trials the balloon was inflated to a height of 3,000 metres (about 9,750 feet), and had lost their course in the clouds. They were carried along by a strong east wind and had passed several times over certain points and then, observing the cavalry thought they had reached Saarbrücken. As they were short of gasoline they decided to land. They did not know they had crossed the French frontier.

The chief officer of the engineer corps at Lunville removed the engines from the engines so that the airship could not get under way and the cabin was searched for photographic apparatus, sketches or similar articles. Nothing of that nature, however, was found.

The German officers were permitted to telephone to Friedrichshafen for a supply of hydrogen and for mechanics.

Some of the spectators who witnessed the landing of the Zeppelin, say that she had a German flag flying, but when near the earth was hastily hauled down, torn to pieces and thrown away, apparently with the idea of avoiding any unpleasant incident.

After the German officers had answered the questions of General Leconte and had been searched they were taken in the mayor's automobile to a hotel.

The military engineers made careful examination of the airship. They found that she had been slightly damaged and was partially deflated. It will therefore be impossible to move the airship until hydrogen is brought from Friedrichshafen and repairs have been made. No instructions have yet been received from the Minister of War regarding the disposition of the airship. Meanwhile it is safely moored to iron stakes and will be watched all night by soldiers and sixty workmen, the latter having been especially hired by the German officers.

### Opposes Grain Loans.

In answer to the finance minister as to the several loans being extended to farmers for threshed grain and cattle, Mr. McLeod said in practice he had been opposed to this form of bank loan.

As to Mr. Emerson's amendment to insert a penalty clause for overcharge of interest, Mr. McLeod objected to any such restriction as calculated to close branch banks, particularly in the west. He thought the banks were entitled to charge a rate more for their services in that part of the country owing to special conditions.

Mr. Fiddie, of Kingston, inquired why there was a law if it could be over-riden.

Mr. McLeod understood the section to mean that the borrower had the right to refuse to pay the higher rate. On section 29 dealing with the amalgamation of banks, Mr. McLeod favored the idea of allowing this only in case of amalgamation.

Mr. White put the case of a bank wanting to amalgamate when the borrower was not in possession. Mr. McLeod said that a bank could be taken by others during the course of a merger.

### Question of Loan Companies.

The question of banks, or directors, being closely associated with trust and loan companies was raised by J. B. Armstrong. Mr. McLeod pointed out that the Australian act of 1893 was produced by such relations, the trouble starting with the banks.

F. B. McCurdy raised the question of banks holding real estate beyond the twelve years specified in the act. Mr. McLeod said that the rate of practice banks did hold for twenty or twenty-five years.

On the clause with secret liens Mr. McLeod said that the clause was in the interest of the borrower more than of the bank. If registrations were insisted upon there would be a great many borrowers who would be refused.

### Seeking Information Regarding a Rebel.

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Fredericton, April 3.—O. Seguin, of Montreal, was in the city today enquiring to secure information regarding one Joseph David, who is supposed to have fled in this province during the month of January, 1913. David was of French descent. He came to New Brunswick and although over 30 years of age, travelled through the country as a pedlar. He was of good family. Mr. Seguin said David could be found here, and Mr. Seguin would be pleased to be taken by others during the course of a merger.

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### Panning the Flames.

Miss Kenney, who presided, wondered if the judge in summing up realized that instead of stopping the agitation to win the vote he was only making the flames "go" they think, she asked, "That because Mrs. Pankhurst is in prison, the women are going to sit down like a flock of sheep until she comes out? Militancy will go on, and it will become more furious than ever."

The speaker rebuked the government and said that if Mrs. Pankhurst were sent to Holloway jail for what was called "inciting her followers to destroy property," Sir Edward Carson, J. B. Smith and other Undersecretaries ought to be sent to Pentonville, for they had not only incited their followers in Ulster to destroy property but also life. Pentonville is the prison to which those guilty of the more serious crimes are sent.

Miss Kenney said that the prosecutor had flattered them when he declared that the actions of the women are becoming intolerable, for that is what they intend to make them. The Women's Social and Political Union would send a message to the government that unless their leader was released and the other suffrage prisoners let out of jail, the militants would soon be down to work.

### Recent Experiments Between U. S. Cruiser and Arlington Station Prove Unqualified Success—May Use Kites.

Washington, April 3.—It was announced today that a preliminary report on the recent experience in radio telegraphy between the scout cruiser Salem on her voyage to and from Gibraltar, and the great wireless tower at Arlington, had proved this station to be second to none in the world, not excepting Eiffel Tower, or the great German wireless towers.

In the first test the contract requirement of the despatch of messages from Arlington to a vessel at least 3,000 miles distant could be only realized at night, but such messages were delivered to the Salem by day up to a distance of 2,383 miles. It was demonstrated too, that by the use of kites on the vessel with wire conductors, messages could have been exchanged throughout the entire transatlantic trip.

Results of interesting experiments made during this voyage with new forms of apparatus, are said to mark a new era in long distance radio communication.

### SUSSEX FIREMEN WELL ENTERTAINED

### Guests Last Evening of William McLeod and F. W. Wallace—St. John Veteran Firemen Present.

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Sussex, April 3.—Alderman William McLeod and F. W. Wallace entertained the members of the fire department at F. W. Wallace's parlors tonight. There were about 80 present and the guests were served with tea, coffee, ice cream sandwiches and a banquet. A feature of the gathering was the presence of two men who are past 83 years of age. They are John C. Boyer and Edward White, two veterans of the St. John Fire Department, and during the evening they gave a vivid account of their old fire fighting days.

Speeches were also given by Mr. McLeod, F. W. Wallace, N. A. McLeod, George H. Adair, J. A. Daley, chief of the fire department, Wm. Howard, W. H. Wallace, Clark Elliott, W. D. Golding, H. E. D. Golding and others.

During the evening 60 or more of these present subscribed their names as willing to form a Board of Trade. F. W. Wallace was appointed chairman, J. M. Kinney, vice-chairman, and Mr. Adair, secretary. A meeting will be called at an early date to take further steps in the organization.

### SALVATION ARMY MAN REMOVED FROM CAPITAL.

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Fredericton, April 3.—Captain White, the commander of the local corps of the Salvation Army, has received word that he is to be transferred from this city. Captain and Mrs. White have many friends who will regret their departure.

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### DOPE FIEND A MURDERER AT MAN BUREN

Montreal, April 3.—Crazed by drink and apparently suffering from the effects of cocaine or some other drug, Jean Deroche, alias Jack Rosch, a telegraph operator, shot and killed Eugene Venne, a grocer, in the bar room of Gaspar Thouin's restaurant, 304 Mount Royal Ave. East, late this afternoon. Three bullets were fired into Venne's body and he died within a few minutes of the shooting.

Constable Coteau, of the traffic squad who was on duty nearby placed Deroche under arrest and he was locked up on an open charge.

From what could be learned of the conversation of the two men in the bar, Deroche was accusing Venne of having attacked his character and he intended to get even.

### AGED FARMER KILLED BY TORNADO, OTHERS SERIOUSLY INJURED

Sturgeon, Mo., April 3.—William Mathie, 87 years old, retired farmer, was killed, his wife Mary, and his daughter Ruth, 24 years of age, were probably fatally injured and twenty-five other persons were less seriously hurt today by a tornado that passed within a half mile of Sturgeon. Twenty houses were demolished by the wind.

### PREMIER ATTENDS ST. STEPHEN PLAY

Special to The Standard.  
St. Stephen, April 3.—Before a large and appreciative audience "She Stoops to Conquer" was presented tonight in the St. Croix Opera House by the St. Stephen Dramatic Club. Hon. J. E. Fleming, premier of the province, and Mrs. Fleming were present at the performance and occupied a box with Speaker and Mrs. Clarke, Premier and Mrs. Fleming are guests at the Windsor.

The performance was under the direction and management of Rev. E. B. Wylie of the Presbyterian church. The piece was given an excellent production and reflected credit on those taking part and on the director. The audience was a large one and the play was thoroughly enjoyed.

### MONCTON ALDERMAN EASILY RE-ELECTED

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Moncton, April 3.—E. A. Fryer, who resigned his seat at the city council on account of a protest against him as lessee of a stall in the city market, was re-elected today as alderman for ward two, by 78 majority, defeating James J. McCann. His majority at the election in January was about 20.

### ANOTHER BIG DEAL IN KINGS COUNTY LANDS.

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Moncton, April 3.—Another big deal in farm lands was closed today by S. T. Harrison, in the purchase from Clifford W. Price of what is known as the Howard McCully property at Annapolis. This property consists of four thousand acres of farm lands largely intervals, also timber lands and a mill. The purchase was made for the Canadian Farm Lands Company, of London, England, and the price is stated at \$25,000.

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### Report from Headwaters of St. John River Tells of Cold Weather—Rain Needed for River Booms.

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The letter addressed by Mrs. Emerson to Secretary McKenna was as follows:

"I am the mother of Miss Zelle Emerson, who is now confined in Holloway jail. It was evident to me on my visit that her health had become seriously impaired by her confinement in prison and by your system of forcible feeding. She was also excessively nervous and broken down. I am extremely anxious about her and desire to have her examined by a physician of my own choosing, so that I may know exactly how much more she will be able to stand before being reduced to the dying condition that seems necessary for her release. I do not ask you to grant my demand as a favor but simply as the act of a man who is presumably a civilized being."

(Signed) ZELLE P. EMERSON, "Jackson, Mich."

American Indignant.

A certain section of Americans in England indignantly at the alleged inaction of the United States embassy, have instituted a movement for the removal from the embassy of Irwin B. Laughlin, who is acting as charge d'affaires.

The delegation which presented the letter to Home Secretary McKenna is highly elated over the news by which he was reached personally. In this connection Miss Scott-Troy said: "I am not sure that our friend Josiah Wedgwood would have entered such a willing messenger had he known the contents of the letter."

A petition signed by 125 prominent physicians including Sir Victor Horsley, Dr. Mansell-Moulin, Dr. Pemberton Peake, Dr. Cutbert Lockyer and Dr. Octavia Lewin has been sent to Home Secretary McKenna, strongly protesting against forcible feeding in jails, and declaring that "the cases where the operation is resisted are accompanied by immediate risk to the life of the patient. In addition there is danger of permanent damage to the health both of the body and mind."

Mrs. Emerson has sent a letter to Mr. Laughlin urging him to take immediate steps in her daughter's behalf. She says the tube used by the doctors had torn the lining of the nasal passage to such an extent that the process had to be discontinued, but the condition of the nose would probably result in permanent disability unless careful local treatment was received.

### STOCK EXCHANGES MUST INCORPORATE.

Albany, N. Y., April 3.—A plea for the passage of a bill to compel the incorporation of stock exchanges and to subject them to legislative and judicial control was made to the senate judiciary committee today by Samuel Untermyer, who said he appeared at the suggestion of Governor Sulzer. The mere act of incorporation, unaccompanied by supervision and regulation, Mr. Untermyer said, would be worse than useless.

### DIVIDEND DECLARED.

New York, April 3.—The directors of the United States Rubber Company declared today a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on the common stock, thereby raising the dividend rate from 4 to 6 per cent a year.

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