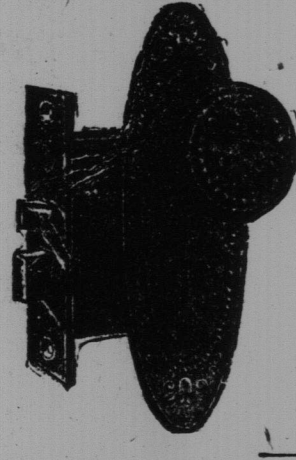


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FRENCH AUDITOR GENERAL WANTED.

French Members Urging Government in That Direction. Parliament Will Prorogue This Afternoon—Senator Ferguson to Lead the Opposition in the Senate.

(Special to the Star.) OTTAWA, Ont., July 20.—After a life of six months and ten days the first session of the tenth parliament will be closed at three o'clock this afternoon by His Excellency Earl Grey in person. The session has been the second longest on record. The longest session was in 1903, when parliament sat from March 12 until October 19, seven months and seven days. Sir Mackenzie Bowell has retired from leadership of opposition in the senate, and will probably be succeeded by Senator Ferguson, of P. E. Island, if he will accept the onerous position. An report of cabinet changes now in the air Senator Scott, secretary of state, says he knows nothing, but when Laurier so desires he will throw up his job with loyal cheerfulness. That Sir Richard Cartwright will retire is very possible, now that he can draw substantial indemnity as an ex-cabinet minister of over five years standing. Cartwright, while wobbling on his legs, is otherwise in finer fettle than last session.

French members are bringing pressure to bear on the government to appoint one of their race as auditor general, and it is expected that the bill will be held for over twenty-five years by an English speaking official. The senate last night passed the anti-trading stamp bill after a hot fight.

STRIKE COST UNION NEARLY HALF A MILLION.

NEW YORK, July 20.—Testimony has been given at a hearing before Commissioner of Licenses Keating, in this city, by the United States Mine Workers of America that they have spent more than \$400,000 in order to win a strike which began in the bituminous coal mines of Alabama and Tennessee. The statements were made by General Labor Agent Hugh Dewitt, of the Tennessee Coal and Railway Co. Dewitt asserted that the union contributed an average of \$5,000 a day for the maintenance of the bituminous coal mines in these two states, and that in addition to the \$385,000 spent by the organization the union has expended \$25,000 within the last three months for railroad tickets to enable strike breakers to return to their homes. The statements made by Dewitt were brought out in a hearing complaints against two large employment agencies in that city.

ANOTHER BANK FAILURE.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 20.—The city national bank failed to open its doors today. The bank held papers of C. J. Devlin, of Topeka, to the amount of upward of \$100,000 and the failure is the direct result of the closing of the First National Bank of Topeka, of which Mr. Devlin was the principal stockholder.

LATE SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived. July 20.—S. S. Concordia, Martin, from Glasgow. Schr. Prudent, Gayton, from New York. Schr. Harry Miller, Miller, from New York. Schr. R. P. S. Baird, from Calais, Me. Schr. Rothesay, Phipps, from New York. Schr. Tay, Spragg, from Stamford, Conn. Schr. Rowena, Merriam, from Boston, Mass. Coastwise—Schr. Jesse K. Gregory, from fishing cruise; star. Senlaco, McKinnon, from Halifax; schr. Rolfe, Rolfe, from Economy, N. S.; Alph B. Parker, Brooks, from Freeport, N. S. Cleared. July 20.—Schr. Fairplay, Holms, for fishing cruise. Schr. Valetta, Forsyth, for Boston, Mass. Coastwise—Schr. Eastern Light, Cheney, for Grand Harbor, N. B.; schr. Mary E. McLeod, for River Hebert, N. S.; schr. Abbie Verna, Morris, for Apple River, N. S.; schr. Pansy, Pike, for Matland, N. S.

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WANTED—Girl to take care of dental office. Apply after 5 p. m. De Magee, corner Germain and Carleton.
Stetson, Cutler & Company's big mill, at Indiantown, resumed work this morning, after being idle a week, due to repairs having to be made.

CHICAGO DRIVERS DECLARE STRIKE OFF.

Six Thousand Drivers Are Willing To Go Back To Work—Members of Other Unions Are Well Pleased.

CHICAGO, July 20.—The strike of the lumber drivers in this city has been declared off. The 6,000 striking employees of the lumber dealers voted on the question of stopping the strike, and were almost unanimously in favor of returning to their places regardless of the action of their fellow strikers. Other local unions of teamsters involved in the long continued struggle against the Chicago Employers' Association will take similar action by referendum vote if the recommendations of the teamsters' joint council are carried out. The Department Store Drivers' Union began voting today on the question of calling off the strike. The railway express drivers and the truck men will vote on the question tomorrow night. It was the action of the lumber drivers, taken without the sanction of the strike leaders that influenced the teamsters' joint council to adopt a motion advising the strikers in other local unions that the time has come to vote the strike off.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT HAS BEEN PROROGUED.

OTTAWA, July 20.—Honorable Gentlemen of the House of Commons: In relieving you from this laborious and long protracted session, I desire to express my hearty congratulations on the passage of the two important measures providing for the entry into the confederacy of the Province of Alberta and Saskatchewan. The unparalleled increase in the population during the last three years, of the areas that new provinces embrace, affords the strongest evidence that at no distant date they will be the homes of many millions of prosperous and contented people. The fair prospect of an unusually large harvest, not alone in the prairie provinces, but also in other parts of the wide Dominion will, I trust, under a kind Providence, be fully realized, justifying the hope that the stream of immigration now flowing into the Dominion will continue for many years to come, adding wealth to this highly favored land. The addition to the number of permanent inhabitants here you have authorized will enable my government to relieve the taxpayers of the United Kingdom of the burden of keeping up the garrisons at Esquimaux and Halifax. It is very gratifying to note that the revenue of the Dominion continues to maintain the high level it had reached two years ago, thus enabling my government to meet the increased expenditure chargeable against consolidated revenue, leaving a surplus to apply on capital account. The numerous private bills for industrial objects to which I have assented point to the existence of many enterprises. Gentlemen of the House of Commons, I thank you in his majesty's name for the supplies you have so liberally voted. Honorable gentlemen of the Senate; gentlemen of the House of Commons: In returning to you several homes allow me to express the hope that you will find abundant evidences of the growing prosperity of the Dominion meet again at another session some progress may have been made in the work of constructing the national trunk line of the railway so soon to become a necessity for the transportation of the annually increasing products of the west.

BAKERS' UNION WANTS MUNICIPAL BAKESHOPS.

NEW YORK, July 20.—The Journeyman Bakers and Confectioners' International Union, of America, is now sending an appeal to all bakers' unions in America calling on them to assist in the establishment of municipal bakeshops in all cities of the United States, Canada and Mexico. "Along with the public utilities," says the appeal, "the food product industry will be the one that will benefit the people. As it is now possible to put the control of the railroads, street railways, the post office, the telegraph, the manufacture of tobacco, the transportation and the lighting plants and even the savings institutions in the hands of a state or municipal government, so it is possible to have the food product industry, as well as all other industries, controlled in the selfsame manner."

CIGAR STUB CAUSES EXPENSIVE FIRE IN SACKVILLE

(Special to the Star.) SACKVILLE, N. B., July 20.—Fire broke out this morning at six o'clock, starting in the third story used as a practice room by the Citizens band. It is supposed to have originated from a cigar stub. The fire department was promptly on hand but the loss is heavy to C. C. Aard, of the town. A large quantity of paper being destroyed and other damage being done. The paper was issued on time however of the manufacture of E. B. Snaar's confectionary and W. I. Goodwin's book store suffered considerable damage to stock. All well insured.

SIXTEEN YEAR OLD NEGRO LYNCHED FOR ASSAULTING A CHILD.

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas, July 20.—A mob battered down the doors of the county jail and lynched Sam Queen, a 16 year old negro boy who attempted to escape as a result of this Tuesday night on the four year old daughter of William Karbach, a German farmer who lived on the outside of the town. The mob could not break into the cell where the prisoner was kept, so the leaders thrust their guns through the opening of the steel walls and fired three shots. The negro sank to the floor dead and the mob quickly dispersed. The tennis tea which was to have been held yesterday was postponed until to-day. The golf tea will be held this afternoon. The notices will be Mrs. Thos. Walker, Mrs. Shadbolt and Mrs. Edwards.

ASSASSINS FAIL IN CZAR'S PALACE.

Head of Russian Church Narrowly Escapes Murder. Russian Press and Their Comment on the Looked for Peace Conference—What the Various Leading Papers Say.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 20.—Reports of an attempt to shoot Constantin Petrovitch Fiodorostoff, chief procurator for the Holy Synod in the Tsarskoe-Selo in St. Petersburg as recounted by the Associated Press last night, have been confirmed. In spite of his greatly advanced age and illness, M. Fiodorostoff's nerves were unshaken by the attempt of his life. He drove to the Holy Synod and presided at a meeting, telling none of the colleagues of the occurrence until after the session closed. The procurator drove back to the station, and, alone and unguarded, returned to Tsarskoe-Selo.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 20.—The interview of the Associated Press with M. Witte on Monday last was telegraphed back to St. Petersburg from New York and was printed throughout the empire this morning, receiving high commendation from the press with the exception of the extremely reactionary Sviet and the Moscow Gazette. The Bourse Gazette declares the bulk of the Russian people share in Witte's view, which now, when the attention of the world is fixed on the peace conference, are of historical importance.

The paper added that "Russia's chief plenipotentiary does not attempt to conceal from foreign countries the internal situation in Russia. Strong men do not fear the truth. Falsehoods are the instruments of the weak. M. Witte leaves under good auspices, but he made it clear that upon the moderation of the Japanese demands depends the fate of the negotiations."

The Novoe Vremya heartily endorses M. Witte's statement that Russia does not covet peace at any price, and that both parties in Russia would unite to resist terms which might threaten the future of the country. "M. Witte's extremely impartial and temperate remarks upon the internal conditions and the future should prove instructive abroad," the paper adds, "and should benefit those who doubt the future destiny of the country."

The Slovo rejoices at the fact that after the weakness and vacillation which have marked the latter stages of Russian history the peace negotiations have fallen into strong hands, and while the paper admits that M. Witte will have no opportunity to retrieve the blunders of others, the Slovo hopes he may be successful in his mission. The Sviet, whose voice is still for war to the last ditch, sarcastically likens the departure of M. Witte to the pilgrimage of an old Russian prince who travelled to the far-steps to make obeisance to the chiefs of the golden hordes.

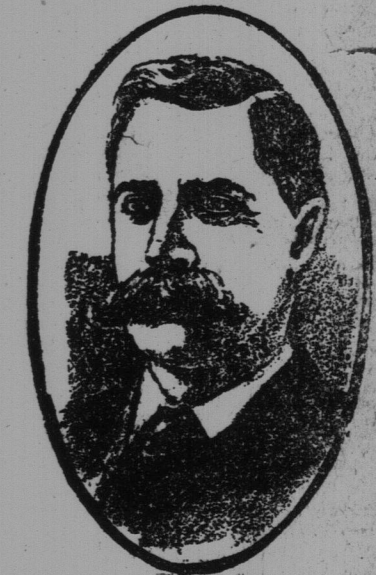
The Sviet concludes that peace is incompatible with the dignity of the country, which is not yet defeated. **MOONLIGHT EXCURSION.** The moonlight excursion of the members of Milford Temple of Honor, was a great success last evening. Starting shortly after eight o'clock with some 400 people on board the Polkanoket arrived at Watters' landing just before nine o'clock. A stay of over two hours was made, which was spent in moonlight walks, dancing and music of all descriptions. The night was an ideal one and when Indiantown was reached again about 11:30 everyone voted the trip a huge success. The band of the 62nd regiment accompanied the party and played many tuneful selections to the delight of all.

AS BETWEEN MEN. Six-year-old Frank appealed to his grandfather for permission to play in a pond, his mother and grandmother having refused to grant him the pleasure. Grandfather, who knew of the vain appeal to the maternal ancestors, asked: "Why did you come to me? Why not ask your mother or grandmother?" "Well, you see," replied Frank, "men understand each other better than women do."—New York Times.

Miss Z. A. Phillips, Chicago, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon, on a visit to her sister, Mrs. F. W. Roach, 155 Leinster street.

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ELIHU ROOT, of New York, appointed Secretary of State to succeed the late Mr. Hay.

THE OFFICER STARED. (From the Boston Herald.) A pickpocket was before Judge Forsyth in the Municipal Court the other day, charged with larceny from the person. The judge leaned over to the officer in charge of the case, and said: "I guess I'll fine him \$25."

"But he has only \$15, your honor," replied the officer. "Well, then, turn him loose in the crowd, and he'll soon get the \$10," said the judge in such a matter-of-fact way that at first the officer was taken in.

Planning out your next summer trip? Gracious no! I haven't recovered from Florida yet.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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