POOR DOCUMENT

MC 2035

The Evening Times ★ Star

VOL. XIX., No. 146 PAGES ONE TO EIGHT ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 1923 SIXTEEN PAGES—ONE CENT

To Hear Delegations Re The Grand Falls Next Wednesday

Delegations From Several Towns to Discuss Hydro Matter

Demand for 25,000 Horsepower Already in Sight—Edmundston Agrees to Take 5,000—The Government's Position.

(Special to The Times.)

Fredericton, March 23. — Premier Veniot has fixed Wednesday, March 27, as the date on which delegations representing the citizens of several towns in the northern part of the Province are to meet the Government to discuss the Grand Falls hydro-electric power development situation. Edmundston, St. Leonards, Grand Falls, Campbellton and possibly other towns will be represented.

Within the last few months several Boards of Trade and Town Councils have passed resolutions protesting against extension of the franchise of the International Pulp and Paper Company, a private corporation which at present holds the rights for the development of power at the falls, Hon. J. E. Michaud, minister without portfolio, said this morning. The resolutions also asked that, if possible, the Government itself undertake the development of the power.

No Franchise Renewal.

Since that time Premier Veniot has announced that the Provincial Government would not renew the franchise of the private company which expires on May 1. At the same time as he made this announcement to the Legislature he said that the Government would have an investigation into the cost of the development and the possibility of getting the practical assurance of a market that would justify the Government undertaking the enterprise. If these investigations were sufficiently reassuring, the probability was that the work would be undertaken. As a result of its enquiries regarding possible markets, Mr. Michaud said that the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission had reported that about 25,000 horsepower could be disposed of immediately, the town of Edmundston alone having agreed to take 5,000 horsepower.

M'TIGUE ACCEPTS OFFER TO BATTLE WITH CARPENTIER

No Decision Yet as to Where Bout Will be Staged.

Says But for Broken Thumb Referee's Verdict in Siki Bout Would Not Have Been Necessary—Conceded 28 Pounds.

(Canadian Press Cable.)

Dublin, March 23.—Mike McTigue declared today that he had accepted an offer to fight Georges Carpentier, but that it had not been decided whether the match would be staged in the United States or in Ireland. Referring to his recent bout with Siki, McTigue said:—

"My critics do not realize that I was giving away nearly twenty-eight pounds in weight to Siki. Neither do they sufficiently consider the tremendous disadvantage under which I labored as a result of the cut over my eye in the 11th round and the broken right thumb in the thirteenth round. If it had not been for the broken thumb there would have been no need for the referee to award the decision. You must remember that I am not a fighter. I am a professional boxer and prize fighting is not allowed in the United States."

C.P.R. BRIDGE CASE IN CHANCERY

Action to Compel Elevation of Bridge Commenced—Objection to the Hearing Made by Defendant—Compensation Case.

In Chancery this morning the case of the Attorney General of New Brunswick vs. the Canadian Pacific Railway was at last begun. This case has been on the docket for several sessions of the court, but had to be adjourned. It will be tried by Mr. Justice Grimmer. The case arises from objection taken to the new railway bridge at the reversing falls and the action is for an injunction to remove or raise "an obstruction to navigation across the Saint John river and to compel the St. John Bridge and Railway Co. to remove a bridge." Hon. W. P. Jones for the plaintiff this morning asked that for the present after the admission of certain facts necessary for argument the case be confined purely to points of law arising in the action. This was agreed to.

An amended statement of defence involving questions both of law and fact was submitted and argument on points of law begun. F. R. Taylor, K. C., for the defendant company, took a preliminary objection on the ground of constitutionality. He contended that the Attorney General of the Province was not the proper person to begin the case, but that the exclusive jurisdiction in matters affecting navigation lay with the Attorney-General of Canada under section 91 of the British North America Act, and under quoted sections of the Revised Statutes he pursued this contention.

At adjournment at noon the argument was being continued. The case will go on this afternoon. M. G. Teed, K. C., and W. G. Pugsley, jr., are associated with Hon. Mr. Jones for the Attorney General and A. F. Carter with Dr. Taylor.

Compensation Matter.

Argument of counsel was concluded in Chancery this morning in the matter of the Workmen's Compensation Board vs. the Bathurst Lumber Co., Ltd.

ANOTHER LIE RE HYDRO NAILED

Regarding propagandaa that is being freely disseminated to the effect that the consumer of hydro power would be called upon to pay for the line from the street pole transmission line to his house, Roy A. Willet, secretary-accountant of the Civic Commission, said this morning that this was as untrue as it was misleading. The contract says that the consumer will provide all lines connecting premises with the point of delivery. The point of delivery is the meter, and it is not the intention of the Hydro Commission to decorate street poles with house meters.

Barry Wilson, engineer to the Civic Hydro Commission, this morning received samples of guy wire clamps, service brackets and secondary pole spool racks complete with insulators. He said an inquiry had been sent out this morning for prices on copper wire and transformers for the main distribution system. Work was being done at present, he said, on plans for materials for the distribution system.

G. G. Hare, city electrician, said this morning with reference to the sub-station that the forms were up and the contractors were ready to pour concrete. Commissioner Frink, he said, had in hand the matter of the counting of poles owned by the city.

RESISTED ATTEMPT TO REQUISITION CHURCH VALUABLES

Evidence in Trial of Catholic Clergy in Russia—Differed from Orthodox Priests in Preventing the Search for Treasure.

(Canadian Press Cable.)

Moscow, March 23—The testimony at yesterday's session of the trial of Archbishop Zepliak of Petrograd, head of the Roman Catholic Church in Russia, and sixteen priests, showed that the Soviet officials encountered sharp resistance when they attempted to requisition the valuables in the Catholic churches of the former capital.

The Russian agents in their work of requisitioning valuables found young Catholic priests far different from the bearded clergy of the Russian Orthodox Church, most of whom even assisted in the requisition, the testimony indicated.

Young Priests Resist.

The young priest, Eismond, at the Church of St. Casimir, Petrograd, halted the requisitioners when they sought to examine the Host, declaring that they could pass only over his dead body. Kodkovich, the priest of St. Catherine's, Petrograd, refused to reveal the hiding places of the church treasures and called upon the congregation to defend them.

Father Yunavich, at the Church of the Holy Stanislaus, kept the services going from morning until night, holding the congregation in the church during the time set for the requisition.

Archbishop Zepliak, wearing a red hat and red belt, is the centre of the group of defendants, most of whom are young. Their lawyers are stubbornly contesting the accusations made by Nikolai Krylenko, president of the supreme revolutionary tribunal, who is acting as prosecutor.

COUNTY TAXATION.

The bills and by-laws committee of the Municipal Council met this afternoon at the office of County Secretary J. K. Kelley. It was expected that the matter of the position of the county in the case of the payment of income taxes by men living in the county and working on the steam railways would be taken up.

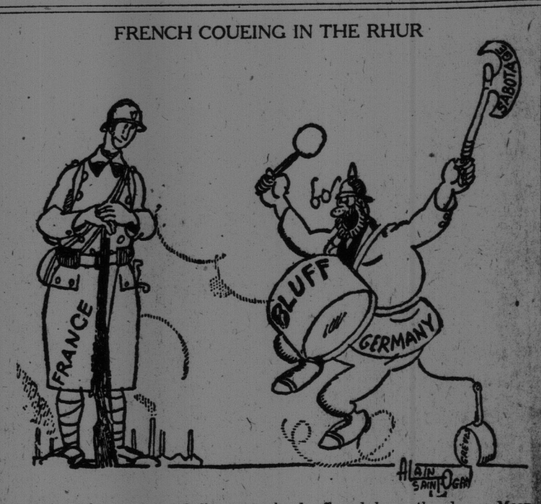
LIKELY REPEAT IT.

The play put on recently by members of the congregation of St. Matthew's church was so successful that there have been many requests for a repeat performance. It is probable that this will be given next week.

DID GOOD SERVICE.

In connection with the recent high tides, Hilton Belyea is understood to have made the statement that if it had not been for the flood gates at the head of Sand Point there would have been two feet of water over Rodney street, West St. John.

FRENCH COUEING IN THE RHUR



The Poilu: "Go on, holler your head off and bang the dum. Meanwhile, day by day in every way I'm g etting calmer and calmer."
—From the Echo de Paris.

GIVES £50,000 TO SAVE THE VICTORY

Nelson's Flagship, Rotting in Drydock, Will Be Restored— Saw Thirty-four Years of War.

(Canadian Press Cable)

London, March 23—The fund to save Nelson's famous flagship the "Victory" has been swelled by a gift of £50,000 from a "well wisher of the navy." For some time the old wooden man o' war has been rotting in her drydock at Portsmouth, but the work of restoring her will soon begin, so that she may ever be a symbol of wave ruling Britannia. It is expected that the craft will be kept in a drydock dedicated to her use alone, although the suggestion has been made that she be placed at the base of the Nelson Column in Trafalgar Square.

Nelson's "Victory" the fifth ship of that name in the British navy, was laid down in 1759. She saw thirty-four years of war.

The Times this week printed an appeal from Sir Doveton Sturdee in this matter.

Stood In Mortal Fear And Anguish Of Minister Husband

Wife of Rev. R. E. Knowles, Charging Extmere Cruelty, Receives Decree of Divorce—No Defence.

(By Canadian Press)

Toronto, March 23—Rev. R. E. Knowles, widely known as Canadian pulpit orator, author and journalist, and for seventeen years the minister of Knox Church, Galt, Ont., has been divorced from his wife, Emma K. Knowles, upon the petition of the latter to the Court of Common Pleas of Franklin County, Ohio, of which state Mrs. Knowles is now a resident and citizen.

The decree of divorce was issued on March 16, in Columbus, Ohio. The judgment was given by default, the defendant, R. E. Knowles, making no defence or opposition.

The plea on which Mrs. Knowles petitioned for divorce was that of "extreme cruelty," alleging that this had existed "ever since the inter-marriage of the plaintiff and defendant" and to such a degree that she stood "in mortal fear and anguish of him."

Einstein Resigns From The Nations League Commission

(Canadian Press Cable)

Zurich, March 23—Professor Albert Einstein, German scientist known widely for his theory of relativity, announces his resignation as a member of the League of Nations commission on intellectual co-operation, in a letter received by the league secretariat.

Prof. Einstein says he has become convinced that the League has neither the strength, nor good will necessary to accomplish its task.

GERMANY GUILTY; MUST PAY PENALTY

Senator Beaubien Says Hun Now Trying to Evade Responsibility— France's Loss in War.

(By Canadian Press.)

Ottawa, March 23. — Hon. C. P. Beaubien, in the Senate yesterday, dealt exhaustively with the problem of German reparations and the difference of opinion on French policy in the Ruhr.

Germany was guilty, declared Senator Beaubien, and Germany must pay the penalty of her guilt. Germany had inflicted on France a terrific loss in man power and industry, and was now clearly attempting to evade responsibility.

In France, of every two males between twenty-one and forty-two, one had been killed. Eighty-five per cent. of the manufacturing industries had been destroyed. This loss in men and industry had severely crippled the nation and made it more necessary that they should receive justice from the aggressor and protection in the future from that country.

GREEN WILL FACE MURDER CHARGE

Halifax Man Who Shot His Wife Recovering from a Self-inflicted Wound—Declines to Make Statement.

(By Canadian Press.)

Halifax, N. S., March 23.—Closely guarded by police officers, Roy Green, former Halifax taxi driver who last night shot and killed his wife at the home of her sister in Brunswick street, lies in Victoria General Hospital rapidly recovering from a slight bullet wound in his chest, self-inflicted. Physicians say he is not seriously hurt but they will conduct an X-ray examination. It is believed by the police that the bullet glanced off a rib and is the one they found on the floor in the room where the shooting took place.

Refuses Statement.

Beyond admitting to Deputy Chief of Police Palmer that he shot his wife, Green has made no statement. No particular motive has been advanced for the shooting but statements to the police allege that the couple never lived happily together and it is known that they have been separated since last December. Green often visited the house where his wife had taken refuge but all their meetings had been held at the doorway. He had never entered.

According to the story given the police there was an interval of about five minutes between the time Mrs. Green went to the doorway in answer to her husband's summons, and the firing of the first shot. As soon as Green is pronounced ready for discharge he will be arrested on a charge of murder.

An autopsy held last night revealed three bullet wounds on the body of the murdered woman. One bullet had passed clear through the neck and this was found on the floor of the room as well as the one believed to have been fired by Green into his own body. The revolver used was a 22-calibre.

NEW GOLD RUSH IN FULL SWING IN QUEBEC COUNTIES

(By Canadian Press.)

Quebec, March 23—The most promising gold rush that the Province of Quebec has ever seen is now on in full swing, and it has all the earmarks of a genuine thing which will possibly bring about the development of flourishing mining camps in the counties of Temiskaming and Abitibi, just east of the Ontario boundary.

Gold was discovered in these two counties early in 1922 and the rush of prospectors began in March of that year. Things went on quietly for a start, but the real stampede came in October when 250 claims were staked comprising about 50,000 acres of land, and this with other claims staked earlier in the year 1922 and since October would bring the total number of acres up to about 90,000

Mrs. Sire, Charging 'Dictation' By Mate, Granted Separation

Political Worker Testifies He Invited Woman to Share Their Home—Tried to Curb Public Activities.

Mrs. Lillian R. Sire, president of the Society for the Aid of Mental Defectives and Democratic political worker, New York, was successful this week in her Supreme Court action for a separation from Clarence D. Sire, who, she complained, not only tried to curtail her public activities, but to dictate to her the hours she should keep and impose other rules which she could not stand. She said the conduct of Mr. Sire amounted to cruelty.

Another detail of the martial life of which Mrs. Sire took exception occurred in the summer of 1916 while they were living in the country. Mrs. Sire said her husband invited a woman friend to share their home and acted as sort of maid to the guest, tucking her in bed and serving breakfast cooked by his wife to the guest in her boudoir.

Mr. and Mrs. Sire have been married thirteen years. She pictured Mr. Sire as a contrary husband. He wanted to fix the time she should go out and the time she should be home; he would refuse to let her go to sleep when she wanted to and would insist on her not getting up when she wished to. When he was at home, Mrs. Sire said, her husband would not permit her to read or engage in correspondence. Mr. Sire would make it a point to be at home whenever she had engagements with women friends, she asserted. To emphasize the alleged contrairness of her husband, Mrs. Sire testified that she met his objections to her club activities with a promise to resign from the clubs and also as president of the Society for the Aid of Mental Defectives, but he would not consent to that. Mrs. Sire added that her husband also was something of a flirt.

Mr. Sire was in court, accompanied by his attorney. He had answered his wife's suit with a denial of her allegations, but he did not take the stand. The question of alimony had been settled out of court and Justice Burr granted Mrs. Sire a decree of separation.

Mike O'Dowd Quits The Ring

Malone's Knock Out Brings Him to Decision—First in 120 Battles.

(By Canadian Press.)

New York, March 23. — Mike O'Dowd is through with the ring.

Discouraged by the first knockout of a long career, delivered recently by Jock Malone at O'Dowd's home, St. Paul, the scowling middleweight has turned in his gloves and will devote his time to more peaceful pursuits, his friends here declared today. With the knockout went recognition by the New York State Boxing Commission of the title of world's champion middleweight. The titleholder recognized elsewhere is Johnny Wilson of Boston.

O'Dowd said the knockout, the only one received in about 120 ring battles, was due to a sore leg, which he injured twelve years ago playing baseball. The limb has become increasingly less steady and, he said, he fought Malone virtually on one leg

"I leave the ring full of fight," Mike said, "but you can't defend yourself on one leg. Malone taught me that. So I'm through."

A MYSTERY IN HOSPITAL FIRE?

Evidence at Montreal Enquiry That Stranger Asking Information Seen Just Before Blaze.

(By Canadian Press.)

Montreal, March 23.—Evidence that shortly before the outbreak of fire at the Hospital for Incurables on Thursday, March 15, an unknown man had been enquiring in the vicinity of the building as to which of the nearby structures was the hospital, was given at the fire commissioner's enquiry into the fire here yesterday, by the engineer in charge, who claimed that the outbreak could not have been due to defective wiring since there were none in the attic where the fire started. It contained no combustible goods and its door was always locked, he said. The origin of the fire was a mystery to him.

Henry Labelle, architect, produced blueprints of the building and declared it to be a total loss. Insurance was $180,000 and value of the structure and contents made a total of over half a million dollars.

BOTH KNOWN HERE.

R. Fraser Armstrong, former town manager of Woodstock and a son of R. E. Armstrong, secretary of the St. John Board of Trade, is now engaged in a survey of financial conditions in the Victoria Hospital in London, Ont. It is expected that this work will take about three weeks. Mr. Armstrong is working in collaboration with Dr. H. L. Brittain, head of the Citizens' Research Bureau, and C. C. Wyatt, a financial statistician, and they will present a concerted report of conditions with possible changes for the purpose of economy. Dr. Brittain is known in St. John, having spoken before a meeting of the Canadian Club here recently on the subject of taxation.

As Hiram Sees It

"Well," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to The Times reporter, "I'm glad to know the folks in Noo York hes sich faith in old St. John. Gonto come down an' spend a lot o' money—aint they? That's fine. I tell you that there hydro's the thing. But I been wonderin' what some St. John folks thinks now that was weepin' an' wailin' last fall an' afore that over what was gonto happen if you didn't 'drop hydro like a hot potater. They must be awful glad they didn't hev their way about it—though I haint heerd none of 'em come out an' say so yit. They say the's a heap o' money in Noo York. Wont it be great if a lot of it comes down here when power an' gas gits good an' cheap an' helps to build up the town? An' you're gonto hev new street cars. I cal'late you wont know yourselves. I hear the young fellers with optimism in their hearts that sold that there common stock is gonto start fact'ries with the money, an' help the Noo Yorkers all they kin. You'll be able to stop any exodus all right. Yes, sir—you'll be dcublin' your popilation afore you know it—By Hen!"

Kills Girl Who Refused His Love

Youth Shoots Her at Door of Factory Where Both Were Employed.

Paterson, N. J., March 23.—Harriet Hunt, eighteen years old, of 47 Ryle avenue, was shot and instantly killed Tuesday by a youth whose love she had refused, Alfred B. Bonnema, eighteen, of 288 East Thirty-third street, Paterson. The shooting was done at the door of the Warner Ribbon Label Company, at 181 Ellison street, where they were both employed, as they were leaving for the day.

Bonnema had known her for three years, he told the police, and had loved her all that time. Recently he asked her to "keep company" with him, but she said that she wasn't old enough and that her parents wouldn't approve. Bonnema persisted in his attentions, and asked her again to accept his attentions. She laughed, and Bonnema took an automatic pistol from his pocket and fired five shots, four of which hit the girl. One of them struck her in the forehead, and she fell dead.

To Press For Adoption Of Daylight Time

Several Montreal Interests Urge Prompt Action and Form Permanent Association.

(By Canadian Press.)

Montreal, March 23.—Banks, railways, commercial, industrial, sporting and other organizations, representative both of employers and employes, met here yesterday at a meeting called by the Canadian Manufacturers Association, when prompt action was decided to bring every possible pressure to bear upon the City Council to induce it to adopt daylight saving time for the usual five months of the summer this year. The meeting resolved itself into the Montreal Daylight Saving Association as a permanent organization.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—Shallow depressions are centred this morning over the lower St. Lawrence Valley and Manitoba. The weather has been mild with light showers from Ontario eastward, while another severe cold wave has come in over Saskatchewan from the northward.

Maritime forecasts—Moderate winds, cloudy and unsettled with local showers. Saturday, westerly winds, partly cloudy.

Gulf and North Shore—Cloudy with light snow today and part of Saturday.

New England—Cloudy and colder tonight; Saturday, fair and colder, fresh to strong northwest winds.

Toronto, March 23.—Temperatures:

Stations	8 a.m	Highest yesterday	Lowest during night
Prince Rupert	38	42	36
Victoria	42	50	42
Kamloops	40	46	48
Calgary	4	44	4
Edmonton	*6	32	*6
Prince Albert	*18	26	*18
Winnipeg	20	26	6
Sault Ste Marie	14	36	10
Toronto	39	49	38
Kingston	36	42	34
Ottawa	36	32	32
Montreal	38	38	34
Quebec	30	30	28
St. John, N B	32	34	30
Halifax	36	36	32
St. Johns, Nfld	24	26	18
Detroit	38	54	38
New York	60	66	58

*Below zero.

Believe Government Liquor Being Sent From Quebec in Carloads

Toronto Police Think Vendors' Stamps are Genuine

Propose Taking Matter Up With the Quebec Government—Trainmen Alleged to Have Been Bribed with Bottles.

Toronto, March 23—That bootleggers are handling liquor from the Quebec Liquor Commission in carload lots is apparent from the seizure of whiskey made near the G. T. R. Danforth Station Monday morning by Inspector George Lydiatt and police of East Toronto Station. This evidence, police say, is shown by labels and wrappers on the 44 bottles of "Sandy McDonald" Scotch whiskey which the police say were in the carload consignment the Toronto whiskey-runners succeeded in carting away Monday morning.

The police believe the labels and stamps of the Government on each of the bottles to be genuine, and information received here will be investigated, and if found to be true the Quebec Government authorities will be notified. One man apprehended by the police claimed he had been given 44 bottles for his work in seeing that the car was run onto a siding so that it could be quickly unloaded into waiting automobiles. This whiskey, bearing the Quebec vendors' stamps, the police were told by the man, were part of the carload consignment which arrived from Montreal during the early hours of Monday. Most of yesterday was spent by plainclothesmen following up clues and endeavoring to secure sufficient information likely to result in members of several business firms being implicated.

TORONTO TO HAVE HIGHEST BUILDING IN BRITISH EMPIRE

C. N. R. Plans New Home, is Announcement of the Board of Trade President at Dinner.

(By Canadian Press)

Toronto, March 23 — Toronto is to have another skyscraper, the highest in the British Empire, to be built by the Canadian National Railways. The present building, used as ticket offices, at the northwest corner of King and Yonge streets, it to be replaced by a structure exceeding in height by sevtral stories the C. P. R. and Royal Bank buildings in Toronto, the latter now being the highest structure in the Empire. Announcement to this effect was made by President A. O. Hogg last night at a dinner of members and representatives of the council, executive and various committees of the Toronto Board of Trade.

NORWAY DECIDES TO PROHIBIT HEAVY WINES

Christiania, March 23—The Lagting, the first section of the Storting, yesterday adopted the bill for the prohibition of heavy wines in Norway. The bill was adopted by the Obelsting, the other section of the Storting, by a small majority, on March 19.

BLOCKADE BROKEN IN MANITOBA LEGISLATURE

Winnipeg, March 23—After an all night session during which Labor members carried on a filibuster the Provincial Legislature adjourned at 10.20 a. m. The blockade was broken on a technicality while John Queen, Labor, Winnipeg, was addressing the House.

Wm. Ivens, Labor member for Winnipeg, spoke from 1.30 a. m. until 7.45 a. m., and was followed by John Queen.

DOMINION'S SHARE IN NAVAL COSTS IS URGED IN HOUSE

British Member Suggests a Naval Conference of Empire

Canada's Action in 1909 Never Made Good, Says Bellacc—The Cattle Embargo Pledge.

(Canadian Press Cable)

London, March 23—Speaking in the House of Commons yesterday during the report of the navy vote, Sir C. Kinloch-Cooke, Conservative member for Devonport, urged that as, under the Washington agreement the Dominions were precluded from building further warships, the time had come when they should consider monetary contributions to British naval costs.

A naval conference representative of all parts of the Empire should be called, he declared.

Commander Bellace, Conservative, Mailstone, said Canada had passed a resolution in 1909 in favor of large naval contributions and had also suggested at the Imperial conference that the Admiralty should prepare estimates on a basis of £600,000 and also £400,000 yearly. The navy did so and found they could get five light cruisers and four destroyers fully manned for £400,000.

"We, however, never had that made good in any way," said Commander Bellace.

He suggested it was as virtual a promise to Great Britain for a naval contribution as ever was the promise in the Canadian cattle embargo pledge.

ONLY THREE CHIEF INSPECTORS THERE

J. B. Hawthorne Returns from Conference at Ottawa—New Restrictions Discussed.

(By Canadian Press.)

Fredericton, N. B., March 23.—John B. Hawthorne, chief inspector under the New Brunswick Prohibition Act, has returned from Ottawa where he attended a conference of the chief inspectors of the Dominion.

Mr. Hawthorne said that in addition to the Ontario chief who called the meeting only himself and the representative of Nova Scotia attended. The Prince Edward Island chief could not get to the mainland, Saskatchewan's chief sent word he could not attend and Alberta's chief sent a telegram with proposals for new restrictions. Quebec and British Columbia were not invited to send representatives.

The Ontario chief had a programme of new restrictions dealing largely with the operation of distilleries and shipments from Quebec which were discussed.

SIR JOHN SIMON OUTLINES THE PRINCIPLES OF LIBERAL PARTY

PEACE AS NECESSARY FOUNDATION FOR ALL SOCIAL ADVANCEMENT . .

Care in Relations With Foreign States to Avoid Complications — Indiscriminate Sympathy—Movement Towards Union Broken Down.

(Canadian Press Cable.)

London, March 23—Sir John Simon, one of the Independent Liberal leaders in the House of Commons, in an address to an assembly of Liberal candidates who had been defeated in elections, enunciated very dogmatically, as he himself expressed, the guiding Liberal principles and the Liberal foreign policy. Liberalism did not regard peace merely as the first of British interests, he said, but as a necessary foundation for all social advancement and for equal liberty at home.

Entangling Alliances.

An essential principle of Liberalism, Sir John said, was that the British government should so conduct its relations with foreign states as to avoid all entangling alliances and all complications and understandings that might at a later stage involve Great Britain in obligations which she had no intention to undertake.

Great Britain should have an undiscriminating sympathy with other countries and put to the forefront her constant aim to substitute international co-operation for national groups and rivalries.

Union Idea Fails.

London, March 23—Negotiations looking to a re-union of the two Liberal groups have apparently broken down.

A meeting of the Independent Liberals yesterday presided over by the leader, H .H. Asquith, passed a resolution declaring that co-operation in the lobby and in the constituencies should precede the establishment of formal machinery for re-union.