

Imperial Conference Discusses Empire Defence

No Publicity Being Given Irish Matters.

EMPIRE DEFENCE.
LONDON, July 6.
Questions, relative to the naval defence of the British Empire, were discussed at to-day's session of the Imperial Conference. Premier Lloyd George and the Dominion Premiers resumed consideration of the subject where it was left at yesterday's meeting. Opposition to discussion of this subject by Premier Meighen of Canada and others seemed to have broken down, and the Admiralty laid before members of the Conference a confidential memorandum, which was understood to have been the basis of yesterday's debate.

MILITARY AND AIR DEFENCE.
LONDON, July 6.
Problems of military and air defence engaged the attention of the Dominion Prime Ministers to-day. Field Marshal Sir Henry Wilson and Air Marshal Sir Hugh M. Trenchard, supported by a formidable array of experts and officials made lengthy statements, outlining the Empire's position respecting both land and air. Questions were asked and answered and the committee, on which Canada was represented by the Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Minister of Militia and Defence, was empowered to further enquire into both subjects and report back to the conference later on.

THE GERMAN VERSION.
BERLIN, July 6.
The version of the trouble at Beuthen, Upper Silesia, given by the Allgemeine Zeitung to-day declares that the people of Beuthen began acclaiming the Allies upon the Polish withdrawal, but that when the inhabitants started singing patriotic songs, the French attacked them with rifle butts. Some shots were fired, the account continues, Montaniers being killed and several Frenchmen being wounded, whereupon the French lost control with the result that several women and children were killed. Prominent citizens of Beuthen were taken as hostages, the newspaper adds, and an inquiry was opened. Early accounts of the Beuthen incident given Monday in Oppeln advices to the London Daily Mail declared that the French battalion entered the town amid hostile demonstration by the German population and that later Major Montaniers was shot dead by a civilian who escaped.

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DOOR OF RECONCILIATION OPEN.
LONDON, July 6.
The Parliamentary correspondent of the London Times says that well informed quarters expect Ramon de Valera to reply to Lloyd George with a counter proposal. While declaring that it is impossible to state exact Sinn Fein opinion on the subject, he says, it has been suggested in some quarters that Sinn Feiners would prefer if they enter the London Conference to have it called by the King and have a chairman who is not a direct representative of the British Government rather than Mr. Lloyd George.

SILENCE REIGNS.
DUBLIN, July 6.
In view of the importance and delicacy of the situation, those concerned with the peace movement have decided that silence is the best policy, consequently aside from the fact that General Jan Christiaan Smuts, South African Premier, has arrived and held private conversations with certain Irish leaders, there is virtually nothing known by the general public as to how matters are progressing.

CREDIT TOO BAD.
PARIS, July 6.
Representatives of Soviet Russia have been feeling out the ground in trade quarters in France with a view, they indicated, of placing orders for automobiles and other articles of commerce, but reports from commercial quarters are that they met with little encouragement.

STANDARD OIL EXPLOSION.
CHICAGO, July 6.
Eight men are dead, to-day, thirty-six others injured, ten so seriously that they may die, and property damage unofficially estimated at two million dollars, as a result of yesterday's explosion in the Standard Oil Company's Refining Plant at Whiting, Indiana.

MEXICAN COMPANIES MULCTED.
MEXICO CITY, July 6.
Oil companies, which have closed down operations in the state of Tamaulipas and Vera Cruz "without sufficient justification," were ordered to pay indemnification to employees, thrown out of work by their action, in a decree issued by President Obregon yesterday.

WILLARD IS WISTFUL.
LAWRENCE, Kansas, July 6.
Jesse Willard is willing to meet Jack Dempsey again, he said, to-day, on his farm near here. I would need four months for training and conditioning, then I would be ready for Jack Dempsey, he said.

MURDERING A GIRL.
BELFAST, July 6.
While shielding her brother from attack near Newry, a girl school teacher named McNeill was shot dead, says a message received to-day from Newry. The attack was carried out by a band of armed men.

THE DAILY OUTRAGE LIST.
DUBLIN, July 6.
It is officially reported that a masked man took Peter Keyes, a laborer, from his home at Rushin, Queens County, and shot him dead. Thomas McGonra of Tarmonberry, Roscommon, was shot and dangerously wounded by masked men in his father's house this morning. The engineer of a train conveying jurors to the Waterford Assizes from Lismore, to-day, finding the railway gates closed at Cappagh, ran through the gates, whereupon fire was opened from both sides of the grove.

CRAIG LEAVES FOR LONDON.
LONDON, July 6.
Sir James Craig, Ulster Premier, left Belfast for England to-night. It is understood his visit will concern private business and is not in connection with the proposed conference with Lloyd George. He intends to return to Belfast on Monday.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONVENTION.
NEW YORK, July 6.
Fifteen thousand delegates, representing eighty thousand Christian Endeavor Societies throughout the United States and the world, gathered in this city to-day for the sixth World's Convention.

CHOLERA IN RUSSIA.
STOCKHOLM, July 6.
Asiatic cholera is spreading rapidly in the whole of European Russia, according to the Public Health Recorder. There were sixteen thousand cases reported up to June 25.

THE SPANISH CABINET.
MADRID, July 6.
In the course of a conference with Senor Alenbe Salazar, late to-day, King Alfonso expressed confidence that the Premier, who earlier in the day had presented the resignation of his Cabinet, would be able to carry on the Government and asked him to consider for twenty-four hours whether

he would be able to reconstitute the Ministry. The Premier consented to make a further effort to reunite the dissident groups in the Cabinet.

BUSH FIRES IN NEW ONTARIO.
CORAL, Ont., July 6.
Bush fires sweeping over Northern Ontario, have already claimed two lives and caused losses of property running into millions of dollars. New Ontario is menaced by another conflagration such as visited the country ten years ago. Only early rain can save it.

REFUSE TO ACCEPT.
CHICAGO, July 6.
Responsibility for accepting wage reductions that went into effect on all railroads on July 1, cannot be accepted by the general chairman representing the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, Order of Railway Conductors, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and Switch Men's Union of North America. The chairman so voted.

Legislative Council.

TUESDAY, July 5.
The Council met at 4 p.m.
His Excellency the Governor arrived at 4.30 and gave his assent to the following bills: "Amendment to Woman's Patriotic Trust Fund," "An Act respecting the Nova Scotia Sulphite Co. Act," "Amendment to Marine Courts of Enquiry," "Amendment to the Law in relation to Lotteries," "An Act respecting the Board of Pensions Commission," "Amendment to Crown Lands Act," "An Act respecting the High Commissioner in the United Kingdom," "Amendment to Profiteering Act 1920."

"The cutting and Exportation of Timber for special purposes," "Amendment to the Law Society Act," "An Act further respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber," "Act to amend the War Measures Act 1914," "Act confirming an agreement with D'Arcy Exploration Co.," "An Act respecting the exportation of Salt Codfish," "An Act respecting the prosecution of the Seal Fishery," "An Act respecting certain diseases," "An Act respecting a Temporary Commission for the City of St. John's."

After the departure of His Excellency the Order Paper was taken up, and a bill entitled, "An Act to Amend the Act 11 Geo. V. Cap. 40 entitled: "An Act Respecting the Maintenance of Certain Public Roads," was sent to Committee of the Whole.
On motion of Hon. John Browning the Committee rose and reported progress, the hon. member being desirous that the Bill should be amended so that those who had paid excess taxes on their motor cars, would be entitled to a refund from the Municipal Council.

Hon. Geo. Shea thought that as it was a money bill the House had no authority to alter it.

Hon. John Anderson also spoke on the bill and said there was no need for an amendment as the Council was lawfully bound to refund any excess taxes that had been paid.

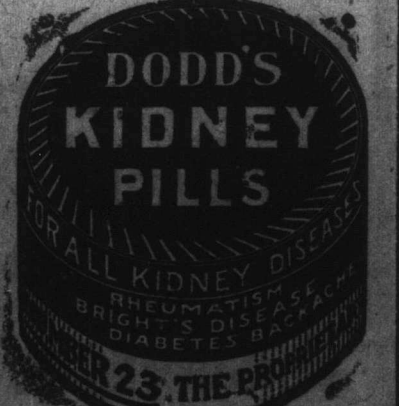
The Second Reading of Bill entitled, "An Act to Indemnify the St. John's Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public Works," was deferred.

A Bill dealing with Delinquent and Dependent Children was given a first Reading.
A Bill respecting the Extension of the Railway System was also read a first time.
At 6 p.m. the House adjourned till Thursday next.

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Schooner Lena, 3 days from Sydney bound to Carbonara, arrived in port last evening. The vessel has coal cargo for J. Rorke & Sons.
There was no report from the disabled steamer Chastanoga, yesterday, the ship being no doubt detained by the prevailing foggy weather, but should arrive here during the day.



Blair's Maltmed used by Physicians

House of Assembly.

TUESDAY, July 5.
The House met at 3.15.

The greater part of the session of the House was taken up by Sir John Croble who discoursed on a diversity of subjects and was engaged in some hot cross firing with the Speaker and several Government members. Mr. F. Archibald, independent member for St. John's, also spoke on matters appertaining to his district. It is worthy of note that since the junior member for St. John's took an independent stand a great deal of attention has been given to his district. In Mr. Archibald's opinion, the people of St. John's have a representative of whom they need not have the slightest fear that he will neglect any of their interests.

Mr. Archibald rose to ask Dr. Barnes a question, but as the Minister of Education was not present he asked the Prime Minister if there were any truth in the rumour that a number of men from St. John's had boarded a train to come to the city.

The Prime Minister said he knew that 10 or 12 men had started to come to St. John's to arrange for going to Badger, but they had not reached here. He said that Dr. Barnes was in the district. Some amusement was caused by the Prime Minister's statement that Dr. Barnes had gone to the district last evening, as he had been in the House up to adjournment time last night.

Sir John Croble asked if he flew there. Mr. Archibald asked if it were true these men were met on the way to town by Head Constable O'Neill and sent back.

Mr. Warren said O'Neill had been at Holyrood some time. He admitted that the detective had interviewed these men.

Mr. Archibald said he did not wish to encourage this practice of coming in by train.

Mr. Scammell—"Who is responsible for bringing them here?"

Mr. Archibald—"Would you like to know?"

Mr. Scammell—"It would be interesting to know."

Mr. Archibald—"Well, it is the Minister of Education who is encouraging it by giving money to the first lot that came in."

A wordy battle then ensued between these two members in which the honours fell to the member for St. John's. The latter, continuing, made an emphatic protest against the idea of a detective being sent to send these men back. He wanted to know who was responsible for it.

Mr. Warren—"I will accept all responsibility for it."

Mr. Archibald wanted to know whose fault it was that the detective was sent to meet the men. He obtained a promise that the men would be fixed up. Mr. Scammell who was the new champion of the Government to challenge Mr. Archibald, had another try at this juncture and was soon put hors de combat.

The independent member for St. John's has manfully withstood all attempts yet made to unhorse him. Mr. Archibald warned the Government that if they weren't careful they would have the whole country rising up against them.

Sir John Croble moved the adjournment of the House and the Speaker called upon ten honourable men to stand up in favor of the motion. Sir John protested and the Speaker asked him if he had any regard for the rules of the House.

Sir John Croble—"No, I have not. When have they been properly carried out?"

The Speaker—"Whose fault is that?"
Sir John Croble—"Yours."

A stranger here interrupted and the Speaker ordered him to be put out.
Sir John Croble—"If anybody is going to be put out, it will have to be me."

Upon the Speaker again calling up on the "ten honourable men" the Opposition sprang to their feet in a body.

The Speaker—"You can now go on. You have complied with the rules."

Mr. Sullivan—"Mr. Speaker, if you can't enforce the rules why don't you leave the chair?"

Sir John Croble—"There is not enough manhood in the crowd in charge to enforce the laws of the country. Can the Attorney General tell me anything about Emanuel Pike?"

Mr. Warren—"Very little except the news contained in one telegram I received."

The telegram in question was sent for and handed to Sir John. The Hon. Grace had been sent back by a detective said Sir John but Emanuel Pike could take four without paying his sales tax, and still we are asked for law and order. How could there be law and order when there was one law for the rich and one for the poor. He was the poor man's friend and if they couldn't find a leader he would take the job on. The case against Pike was postponed for 14 days in the hope that the House would then be closed. He asked the Prime Minister about a message of 175 words sent to Pike which the last named sent to a crowd of men on the wharf at Port au Basques. Pike would not be presented because the Government dared not do it. They were prepared to give Reid's grant of \$1,500,000. There was an ulterior motive behind it all. When he dealt with the railway he would tell the ulterior motive. There intention was to sell the country to Canada.

Sir John read an extract which was reprinted in the Squires' Manifesto and which contained the metaphor "Imperial God." Sir John wanted to know who the "Imperial God" was. Before concluding his lengthy address he apologized to the Speaker for an earlier misunderstanding but warned him that he desired to be treated as every other member.

A great deal of good humoured banter occurred between Sir John and various Government members. Mr. Foote being especially unlucky in referring to the "barber's cut" as the member for Port de Grave, seized upon the phrase to make the honourable member for Burn absolutely ridiculous. After more cross firing with Mr. Foote Sir John offered to resign and he would go down and meet him in Burn. Mr. Foote was not "having any," however. A few minutes later Mr. Vinicombe drew attention to the fact that there was no quorum present and in answer to the Speaker's bell three reluctant Northern members entered the House. Sir John continued his speech and declared that there must be equal rights for all but if this was denied the people it meant the end of the present Government. He drew the Speaker's attention to the fact that not an Executive Minister was present. Sir John said that the reason he was on his feet was because he wished to show the people the true state of the country and if they ever wanted a man to lead them he would be that man.

The Pulp and Paper Agreement Bill and the Warehouse receipt Bills were referred to select committee of ten which adjournment was taken until 3 p.m. to-day.

Five Mile Race.

Considerable interest is being evinced in the five mile race which will be run off on St. Bon's Campus this afternoon at St. Joseph's Garden Party. Some of our best known sprinters and long distance runners will face the starter, and if the time made by a few of the competitors in their try-outs within the past week is any criterion, there is every likelihood of a new record being established for this distance. The keenest rivalry exists among the different contestants and the public can rest assured of being treated to one of the finest exhibitions of running ever witnessed in this country.—adv.11

Fishery Supplies Bill and Salt.

The Government have asked the Board of Trade to approve the Fishery Supplies Bill, and with that object in view a meeting of the Supply Merchants was called to discuss this matter.

The principle of the Bill was the first point to consider, and it certainly cannot be compared favorably in a general manner with Fishery Supplying. When a merchant issues credit he does so on the character of the individual and his disposition for hard and intelligent work. It is giving a helping hand to a person he can trust, for their mutual benefit, and whom he believed intends to repay him in full.

The Government Bill for the regulation of supplies is in a very different spirit, and is drawn up more as a Bank Loan and mixes up fishery supplies, credit and bank loans in such an unworkable way that it cannot possibly be carried out satisfactorily.

For instance, the second clause states that creditors must rank in priority according to the order of time in which their respective supplies have been made. No practical person would suggest such a clause for nine out of every ten fishermen prosecuting the Labrador fishery looks for salt after arriving on the coast, and this bill states that this salt must be the last to be paid for.

There is no merchant issuing salt on the Labrador coast that will give out one hoghead on these terms therefore the fishermen will either have to pay cash down, send to the government for a supply or return home empty handed.

Then again when the merchant is buying fish next fall it will be necessary for him to get a sworn affidavit that all claims against the government are settled before he pays for the fish. Altogether the Bill is such an interference with business in a regular way that it is very unpopular with the suppliers, no two of whom can agree on the same interpretation of it.—Trade Review.

Household Notes.

An attractive dish is made by placing poached eggs on top of molded squares of macaroni and garnishing with grated cheese and parsley.

It is a great convenience to have a small refrigerator in the pantry to hold small things that need to be kept cool while a meal is in preparation. Delicious cookies can be made from the trimmings of pie crust. Knead the pieces together, roll out again, sprinkle with sugar and bake.

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