

### MINISTER REPLIES TO MINE WORKERS AGAIN URGES STEPS TO END DISPUTE

Frank Avowal Regarding Open or Closed Shop Would Clear the Air

Ottawa, Ont., July 24.—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King has sent to W. B. Powell, of the executive board of the district United Mine Workers of America, Fernie, B. C., the following telegram:

"Ottawa, July 22.—Replying to wire of June 21 from the executive board of District 15, U. M. W. of A., respecting reports of discussion on the industrial situation in western coal fields in the House of Commons on Wednesday last, would say the board is quite right in understanding the statements made by me with reference to the cause of the dispute were based upon opinions embodied in the report of the board appointed to investigate the dispute. Perhaps it should be pointed out that the board's report does not appear to pass any special reflection upon the miners in this connection, but I lay emphasis on the importance of both parties to the present dispute coming out into the open in regard to the principle in regard to the open or closed shop. It may be that from the point of view of the miners the question, as is mentioned in your telegram, is one mainly of wages. On the other hand, it may be that the mine operators are of a different opinion and that they are not fully aware of the extent which the union is prepared to concede the principle of the open shop, or have not made wholly apparent the extent to which they are prepared to concede the degree of recognition asked for. Inasmuch as the report of the board repeatedly emphasizes that a definite understanding upon this point would effectually reverse the inability of the parties to negotiate an agreement, might I invite the consideration of the miner and the operator alike to a suggestion I have made in reply to a communication informing me of a meeting of representatives of several boards of trade to be held at Macleod on Monday next, that an effort be made at this meeting to establish the accuracy of the opinion expressed by the board, to which exception has been taken by having both parties state frankly and openly their position on this question. Once the public is fully assured that it is the wages question and the wages question only which prevents an agreement, it should not be difficult to have a satisfactory settlement reached."

### SOLDIERS NOW ON DUTY AT CARDIFF

Many Persons Injured in Strike Riots—Streets Strewed With Wreckage

Cardiff, Wales, July 21.—Five hundred Lancashire Fusiliers arrived here to-day and occupied the buildings in the dock district. There was rioting by the shipping strikers throughout the night. The streets were strewn with wreckage and the hospitals are filled with victims of mob violence. Efforts are being made to open negotiations between the shipping men and the strikers, in the hope of reaching a settlement.

### NARROW ESCAPE

Nanaimo, July 22.—A bathing fatality was only averted yesterday by the presence of mind and prompt action of Thomas Matthews, Albert street, who without taking time to divest himself of his clothing, jumped into the water and rescued Lizzie Callow, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Callow, Nicol street, this city. The Callow girl, accompanied by several girl companions, was bathing in the vicinity of the Ferry Slips. Not being able to swim, the girls were wading in shallow water when suddenly Lizzie Callow walked into deep water, went beneath the surface and was disappearing for the second time when Mr. Matthews jumped in, as stated above and succeeded in carrying her to shore, where she soon revived.

### DR. A. FALCONER DEAD.

Halifax, N. S., July 24.—Alexander Falconer, D. D., father of Robert A. Falconer, president of Toronto University, died yesterday at Elmsdale.

### NEW SILVER COINAGE.

Ottawa, July 24.—The mint has received dies for the new silver coins and within a few days the face of King George will appear on the new silver coinage of the Dominion.

### FLAMES SWEEP CONSTANTINOPLE

TWO SQUARE MILES OF CITY DESTROYED Over 5,000 Houses Burned—Believed to Have Been Work of Incendiaries

Constantinople, July 24.—A conflagration which started yesterday afternoon continued until 3 o'clock this morning, by which time the flames were under control, practically because there was no further fuel in the path. The disaster was the greatest since the great fire in Pera, the European quarter, in 1870.

It is believed that the fire was the work of political incendiaries. It broke out simultaneously at several points in Istanbul, the ancient city, while the people were celebrating the anniversary of the new constitution.

The most formidable blaze flared up near the ministry of war, and was extinguished by a strong wind that swept the residential section near the southern coast.

From the square in front of the war ministry, east of the centre of Marmora, to the sea of Marmora, in the south, practically nothing was left standing. Two square miles of the city was destroyed.

It is roughly estimated that over 5,000 houses were destroyed. The greater number of these were wooden buildings, but several important stone structures were ruined.

The European quarter across the Golden Horn to the north and east was at no time in danger, owing to the direction of the wind.

Santa Rosa Inquiry. San Francisco, Cal., July 21.—The inquiry into the wreck of the steamer Santa Rosa, near Point Arguello, was resumed yesterday by Inspectors Bolles and Bulger, with First Officer Wm. Jackson as the main witness.

Certain passengers had charged that Jackson, who was off watch at the time of the accident, appeared to be intoxicated, which was vigorously denied by the witness. Jackson also denied Chief Engineer Miller's claim that he (Miller) had taken charge of the landing of the passengers. On the contrary, he said, he himself had worked hard all day, and made himself unpopular with the women, by ordering them to remove their hats as they went ashore in the nets. He feared their hats falling perfectly considerate.

The inspectors again subpoenaed Barney Frankel, the wireless operator, just as he was about to sail for Panama on an oil ship.

Messages of instruction sent to Capt. Faria by the Pacific Coast S. S. Co., regarding the removal of the passengers.

POLO CLUB'S PLANS. Kamloops, July 22.—At a special meeting held at the court house it was decided to form the Fruitlands Polo and Country Club, as a company under the Companies Act, and a memorandum of the association has been prepared for registration. It is the intention of the company to secure and prepare grounds suitable for polo and other sports, to construct a half mile track and eventually when circumstances warrant it to erect and furnish a club house on the grounds.

WELCOME RAIN. Minneapolis, Minn., July 24.—The proverbial "million-dollar rain" soaked Minnesota and the Dakotas yesterday. From different points in every state in the wheat belt come reports that water enough to carry growing crops through the crucial stage has fallen. The precipitation at Duluth was 2.65 inches.

### NO MORE TIRED FEET

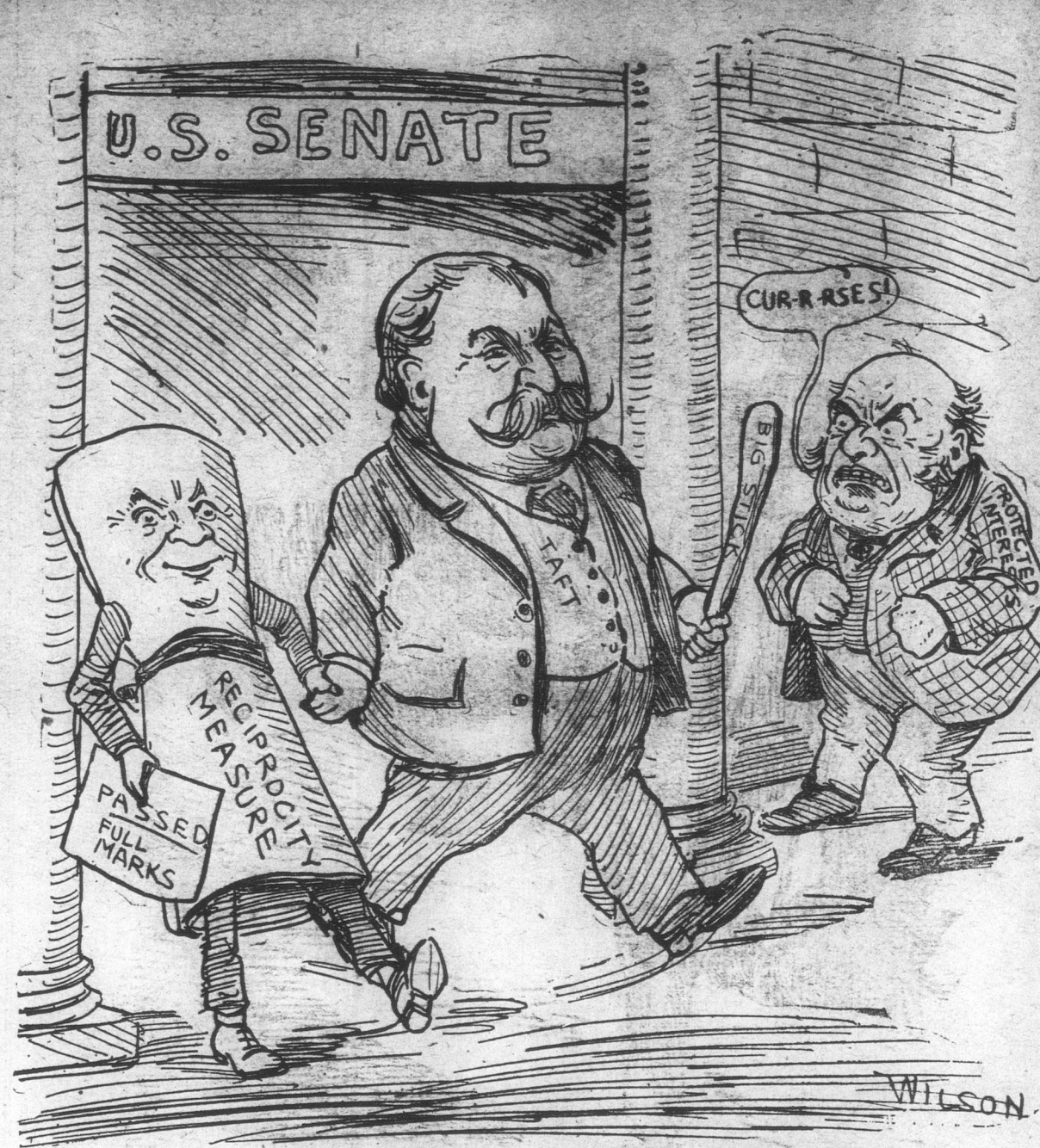
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### DISORDERLY SCENES IN BRITISH COMMONS

Opposition Members Howl Down Premier When He Moves to Consider Amendment to Veto Bill—Ultimatum to the Peers.

London, July 24.—Scenes of wild disorder marked the session of the House of Commons to-day. Half a dozen times Premier Asquith rose to move consideration of the Lords' amendments to the parliament bills and each time he was howled down by a din so terrific that Speaker Lowther had difficulty in making himself heard as he appealed to both sides to observe parliamentary decorum. Again Asquith essayed to speak, but was unable to prevail against the uproar.

After trying vainly for three quarters of an hour to get a hearing Premier Asquith cut short his projected speech and amid a hub-bub declared that if the Lords would not consent to restore the veto bill, even with reasonable amendment subsequently to its original form the government would be compelled to invoke the exercise of the royal prerogative of the creation of new peers.

No parliamentary event of modern times has so quickened the public pulse as the present political crisis arising from the veto bill and anxiety to know the exact terms of Premier Asquith's ultimatum. The peers crowded the house and its galleries in a way not seen before for many years.

The members of the lower chamber, usually so decorous, gave vent to their feelings by rising and cheering frantically and waving handkerchiefs as their respective leaders entered.

There were some groans from the Unionist benches intermingled with an occasional shout of "traitor," when Premier Asquith made his appearance.

The opening scenes of the historic house were among the stormiest ever witnessed. As he rose to speak, the premier was encouraged by a roar of applause from the radical and labor benches, but an answering volley of cheers came from the opposition, while a small group of stand-patters busily chanted "traitor, traitor, traitor," until Speaker Lowther warned them to control themselves.

Prominent among the disorderly was Lord Hugh Cecil, the Conservative "free-trader" from Oxford University, who incessantly chanted "divide, divide." This created fierce indignation on the radical side of the chamber, from which the members appealed to the speaker to metaphorically turn him out.

Frederick E. Smith, Unionist for the Walton division of Liverpool, injected the claim that the Unionists were entitled to protest in this fashion if they thought the cabinet had degraded the political life of the country. This led to a renewal of the outbreak.

Meanwhile Premier Asquith stood at the table waiting a lull in the storm.

### PREMIER FISHER NOW ATTACKED

London Globe Declares Australian Minister's Views Are Anti-Imperialistic

London, July 24.—The Globe says: "Before and after the Imperial Conference, Premier Fisher of Australia professed himself an Imperialist, declared his faith in the Empire and praised the notable advance in calling overseas into the inner councils of Britain. These reasons we find it hard to believe in the very anti-Imperial views ascribed to him in an interview ascribed to him in current Review of Reviews. Summarizing that interview, Premier Fisher's doctrine seems to be that we pay all the price of Empire and Australia shall have all the advantage until indeed the hour of danger comes, when Australia will consider whether she shall graciously continue to fly the Union Jack. If this be the settled opinion of the overseas dominions, the Mother Country will herself out the painter, and that sooner rather than later. Empire on those terms is not worth having. It is not an empire at all."

### ANGLO-JAPANESE TREATY.

London, July 24.—The Spectator, commenting on the new Anglo-Japan treaty, says: "Thanks to the qualifying clauses, the overseas dominions will never be asked to raise themselves with Japan against the United States. If the United States enters into a treaty, as we believe she will, with us, and regarding which some spirit has spoken as if it were already an accomplished fact, then we must think it more significant than the Imperial conference itself."

### MANITOBA'S LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

Ottawa, July 24.—It is understood that the order-in-council appointing C. Cameron of Winnipeg as Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba has been passed, and only awaits the approval of His Excellency the governor-general to become effective.

His first word was a signal for another cyclone, and for twenty minutes the premier stood unable to get in a word. Cries of "Hurrah for Redmond, the real leader," suddenly broke out from the Conservative benches. "We will listen to Redmond," they added, "but not the British aristocracy." "Let us scornful reply of the radicals," "look at them."

Sir Edward Henry Carson, Unionist for Dublin, then moved an adjournment. The speaker said he would be delighted to entertain the motion, but the proceedings had not yet started.

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### MORE PRIZES WON BY CANADIANS

Lieut. Morris, Bowmanville, Wins Territorial Rapid Fire Aggregate

Blaisy Camp, Que., July 24.—After Pte. Clifford, King's prizeman for 1910, the second best performance of a Canadian at Blaisy this summer was that of Lieut. F. H. Morris, Bowmanville, Ont., who won the territorial rapid fire aggregate with a score of 133, thus carrying off the challenge trophy and \$10. Scores in the territorial aggregate of War and Wantage all count in this aggregate. Morris shot with a Lee-Enfield. Pte. Clifford, 30th with 124, Wm. E. L. A. M. Blackburn, 35th, score 122, Wm. E. Staff, 35th, score 121, 12. Lt. F. H. Morris also shot into the open place for the Service Rifle aggregate, winning the silver jewel. Pte. Clifford was 5th, Freeborn 31st, Pte. Sergt. Martin, Calgary, 33th, each winning a bronze jewel.

### THE POPE'S HEALTH.

Pontiff Is Suffering From Cough—Audiences Abandoned For the Present.

Rome, July 24.—Pope Pius X. has taken cold and is suffering from a sore throat as well as experiencing the inconvenience of hoarseness. Dr. Ettore Marchiava, consulting physician to the pontiff, visited the latter to-day in company with Dr. Giuseppe Pontiffi, the Pontiff's private physician. They found the patient had a slight temperature and ordered that his audiences for the present be abandoned. It is believed that the Pope will be restored after a few days' rest.

### PRIEST DIES SUDDENLY.

Quebec, July 24.—Father P. Lessard, Curé of St. Ambrose Jean Levesque was taken suddenly ill yesterday afternoon while Bishop Roy was presiding at the building of the handsome parish church, which was mainly paid through his efforts. Father Lessard died shortly afterwards.

### YUKON'S OIL WILL

RETIRING COMMISSIONER TELLS OF

Cheaper Transport Would Do Much to Up Country

Vancouver, July 24.—The Yukon oil business more gold than silver in any one of the and the \$4,000,000 out surpassed by the big metal of this year is down from the north Commissioner Alex. K. C., who, with his far, returned to Vancouver on the steamship long stay in the Yukon. The trip down was he said, absolutely a failure to mar the ship. "A large proportion of the Yukon territory have been practically lost turned into profit few new discoveries in fact of any great extent that the discoveries have not some of the great and the lack of inducements to try to locate some of the Yukon territory portation rates and system that will for prospectors to trail in search of more gold. "There will be more opened up and many ed and operated in next few years. Lay certain to come in districts that so far tract the attention. There are large tracts which will pay big but which, to an industry of very limited spill future.

"In my view the of Victoria and Vancouver to have their boards mineral bodies taken securing cheaper transport for the Yukon. Even to develop and to favor of the north means to the cities of the Yukon territory, which the business must of necessity one of the best can taken by the local cases of the disease and those were in form. When he left July 8, there were cases remaining. (Concluded on page 5.)

### COAL SH

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### THE SUPERINTENDENT

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