

NEWS OF WORLD TOLD IN BRIEF

H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught Will Retain Office Here Indefinitely

LABOR MEN ANXIOUS

Montreal Trades and Labor Council Wish to Have Matter of Food Price Regulation Attended to Immediately—Pope's Sister Dead.

As intimated some days ago, His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught will remain in Canada as Governor-General as a consequence of the outbreak of war. The Duke's term has been extended indefinitely by the Imperial authorities. It is assumed that Prince Alexander of Teck, who was to have succeeded the Duke of Connaught in October, is to go on active service with his regiment, the Second Life Guards. Their Royal Highnesses the Duchesses of Connaught and Princess Patricia will, of course, remain at Rideau Hall, and the household will remain as formerly except for the departure of two or three of the Governor-General's aides, who have left to rejoin their regiments in England.

Organized labor in Montreal wants immediate action during the present session of the House of Commons with regard to the suggestion of the Trades and Labor Council that a commission should be appointed or adequate legislation passed to prevent prices of the necessities of life being raised on account of the war in Europe. At the meeting last night a letter was received from Sir Robert Borden promising as Premier of Canada, that their request would receive attention. A motion was made to place the letter on file, but Controller Ainey moved, in amendment, that as the question was too important for them to allow to rest without more assurance that there would be adequate and timely action taken by the Government, the secretary should be instructed to write again asking that the matter receive attention during the present session of the House of Commons. This was passed unanimously.

The Inter-Parliamentary Congress at Stockholm, to which Hon. G. H. Perley and Hon. Dr. Beland were appointed delegates, and due to open yesterday, has been cancelled. No news has been received here of Dr. Beland, who was last heard of in Belgium after his marriage.

The body of Pope Pius X. has been laid out in state for thousands to look upon. The pathos of his passing has been accentuated by the death of his sister Anna. Always she was at his bedside in moments of sickness, and she was kneeling near him when he died. She was assisted from the room, and collapsed soon afterwards. Dr. Amiel attended her, but alarming symptoms developed, with high fever, from which she did not rally.

According to information received in official circles last evening, Emperor William has ordered that resistance be made to the last to Japan's attempts to oust Germany from Kiaochow.

BANK PAYMENTS IN ITALY.

New York, August 21.—The Credito Italiano, through its local agent, an eastern company, announces that an Italian moratorium, declared on August 4, limits the banks demand liability for paying funds deposited prior to August 4 to 5 per cent. up to August 20, thereafter to another 5 per cent. up to September 10th, and to a third 5 per cent. up to September 30, after which banks become liable again for full payment on demand. Balances matured on funds deposited after August 4, are not subject to moratorium.

STILL HAS BIG FORCE AT HOME.

London, August 21.—Although England has sent over 100,000 men to the Continent, she still has in home lands 1,000,000 soldiers. These are divided as follows: 330,000 regulars; 300,000 territorials; 70,000 special reserves; 200,000 national reserves, in addition to 100,000 recent volunteers. Many Irish are enlisting for army duty.

A Swedish-Norwegian peace monument, erected on the Norwegian frontier near Charlottenburg, was unveiled.

AROUND THE CITY HALL

Mayor Martin Accused of Attempting to Build up a Political Machine by Contrivance of McDonald.

Controller McDonald and Mayor Martin had a lively discussion at the meeting of the Board of Control yesterday. Earlier in the session, Mr. McDonald referred to the acts of His Worship in regard to employees as Caesar-like, but yesterday the epithet was "The Kaiser of Montreal."

Though Mr. McDonald has the supervision of the fire department, he learned at the board meeting yesterday that he was not aware of important pending changes in the fire brigade. The resignation of District Chief Giroux was submitted and in the end accepted. It was when Mayor Martin announced he had a candidate for the job that Controller McDonald entered his emphatic protest.

"When Mayor Martin," said "Controller Ainey, 'takes upon himself the right of accepting an important resignation and proposes a successor without consulting the controller having charge of such department, it is arbitrary and unfair.'"

"It is ridiculous," said Controller McDonald. "But we know the Mayor wants to be surrounded by his own favorites, so he can run the city. He is trying to organize a political machine, and wants to be the Kaiser of Montreal."

Mayor Martin wanted the remark withdrawn, but the controller refused to do so. His Worship defended his action in the matter by saying that the resignation was a voluntary one, and was due to ill health, in proof of which he referred the members of the board to the official documents before the meeting.

As Controller McDonald wanted to defer the resignation till Chief Tremblay could be consulted, it was stated the head of the brigade knew the resignation was coming in.

In his letter to the board the retiring sub-chief stated that reasons of health forced him to resign after 21 years' service, and this was confirmed by Deputy Chief St. Pierre. The resignation was accepted by a vote of 3 to 2, Mayor Martin voting in the affirmative.

As Mayor Martin suggested the appointment of Capt. W. Sarrazin to the vacancy, Controller McDonald opposed this so emphatically that the appointment was laid on the table till the return of Chief Tremblay.

Another encounter followed when His Worship stated he had suspended Deputy Chief Hooper because the latter, without getting the consent of the Mayor, had ordered fire apparatus out of town in the vicinity of Back River, not far from where Mayor Martin has his summer residence.

Controller McDonald stoutly contended the Mayor had no right to suspend any official without the approval of the board, and after a sharp debate it was decided the first step was to get a report of what had occurred before suspending anybody.

Although the present pumping capacity is equal to ordinary demands for the disposal of the sewage in Point St. Charles it was decided yesterday to install another electric driven pump so as to be better able to deal with any surface water that in the event of a heavy rain would have to be pumped as well as the ordinary sewage. Men were engaged yesterday afternoon and last night in erecting the fourth pump close to another one near the corner of Wellington and Bridge streets. Each pump has a capacity of 2,000 gallons a minute.

The combined work of all the pumps yesterday was such that pedestrians were able to walk through the Wellington street subway at the close of the afternoon by utilizing a raised platform which had been put on top of the sidewalk. Another indication of the improved conditions was the disappearance of sewage from the streets where it has been stagnant since Monday.

EDMONTON'S LAND ASSESSMENT.

Edmonton, Alta., August 21.—Compilation of the assessments on land values only in the city of Edmonton, completed to-day, show a net total of \$191,287,310, an increase of \$3,340,590 over 1913. This is due to a large amount of new territory taken in this year for assessment purposes. The exemptions amount to \$22,573,310. The tax rate, which was 16 mills on the dollar in 1913, will be 17 or 17 1/2 mills this year. It is expected to raise about \$4,000,000 in taxes. The city's debt is \$22,251,496, of which more than \$10,000,000 is invested in municipal-owned public utilities, including street railway, electric light, power, water and paving systems. The floating indebtedness now is \$2,500,000. Mayor McNamara has arranged to sell \$4,500,000 worth of treasury notes in England, but this deal was declared off by Lloyd's bank in London when Great Britain became involved in war with Germany.

GLEANED FROM MANY SOURCES

Forts at Namur have not yet been attacked.

German cavalry has occupied Brussels and strong columns are following up the movement.

Belgian army is falling back on Antwerp without having engaged Germans.

Belgian War Office says Antwerp is prepared to withstand indefinite siege.

Death of Pope Pius will be made occasion for another effort to restore peace.

One long line of burning villages marks the German advance.

Carranza enters Mexico City. Promises reforms and says Clergy is country's worst enemy.

Bill introduced by Senator Smith, of Georgia, proposing licensing of cotton warehouses.

Ship owners on Pacific coast report no interference with traffic destined to Asiatic ports.

Explosive bullets have been discovered among the ammunition captured from the Austrians.

Fall River, Mass., tax rate is \$23.20, the highest in the history of the city and \$2.90 above the 1913 rate.

Lyons Chamber of Commerce is about to issue 2,000,000 one-franc notes to relieve currency stringency.

The Chicago Sheet Metal Workers' Union averted a lockout of 1,000 members by ordering all strikers to return to work.

The Germans are using a bayonet with teeth on it, which slips in easily but tears the flesh to pieces in the process of withdrawal.

Confirmation was received last night of the report that Emperor William had ordered resistance to any Japanese effort to seize Kai-Chau.

A receiver was appointed for the Cramer, Rogers Grocery Co., of Trenton, N.J. Assets have been placed at \$45,000 and liabilities \$53,000.

A New York banker says that to open the Stock Exchange would be to invite a "Roman holiday, plus a slaughter of the innocents."

As a result of recent advance in foodstuffs a chain of lunch rooms in Boston has advanced nearly every article of food from 5 to 10 cents.

An intimate friend of Herr Ballin in Hamburg calculates that war has put out of business 250 Hamburg-American steamers worth \$100,000,000.

Advance guard of German army operating through Luxembourg is believed to be engaging allies at Dinant.

Berlin dispatch via Rotterdam says every preparation is being made to defend Kiau Chau against Japan.

Plan to purchase ships finding less favor as flaws are pointed out in bill. Point made that United States cannot own vessels carrying contraband.

While French War Office announces "brilliant successes" in Alsace, it admits that in Lorraine Germans checked French advance.

For the purpose of improving breed of cattle in the Pacific Northwest, some important purchases of English cattle have been made in London for James J. Hill.

R. Beecher Howell, candidate for Republican nomination for Governor of Nebraska, was pelted with eggs when he attempted to speak at a street corner in Omaha.

George A. Webb, the negro accused of holding 13-year-old Catherine Darkin a prisoner in a New York public school for four days, was indicted on a charge of kidnaping.

Foreign opera singers and artists who go to the United States and earn their living, and later return to their native countries, must pay the income tax the same as American citizens.

Col. J. A. Currie, M.P., of the 48th Highlanders, of Toronto, who made his appearance in the Commons in his service uniform, stated that his regiment will go to the front 1,107 strong.

Sir Adam Beck is authority for the statement that full equipment for the remnants of the Canadian contingent will have been purchased by the end of the week.

A boy who fell on a circular saw in the village of St. Margaret, Que., was so badly cut that the physicians could observe the action of his heart, the outer covering having been opened up.

St. Louis rolling mill plant of National Enameling and Stamping Company, of Granite City, Ill., which has been idle two years, is to resume Monday with 1,800 men.

Because of war the Berwind-White Coal Mining Co. of Pennsylvania, which coals all transatlantic liners, will go on a three days a week schedule. 10,000 men are affected.

Since the European war began 2,161 men have been laid off at mines of Lake Superior district and 3,192 are working half time owing to the fact that there is such a narrow market for copper.

George E. Keth Co. has put its Brockton, Middleboro and East Weymouth factories on five-day schedule, seven hours a day, until further notice. Other Brockton shoe manufacturers say they must curtail soon.

James Brooks, a farmer of Manhattan, Kansas, was swimming in the Blue River when he was attacked by a catfish, which grabbed his hand and tried to swallow it. Some neighbors said it was a bull-fish.

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DOMINION'S ROYAL COMMISSION LEARN OF WEALTH OF N.B.

Found Eastern Province Had Richer National Resources Than Various Members Had Believed.

St. John, N.B., August 21.—The Dominion's Royal Commission, Sir Alfred Bateman presiding, closed a very profitable session at the board of trade rooms last evening. Evidence was taken on a number of subjects bearing upon the resources of the Province, also upon immigration and government railways. The Commissioners expressed themselves greatly pleased with the statements made, and with the opportunities which New Brunswick offered for desirable agricultural immigrants. The evidence taken was supplemented to some extent by a trip on the St. John River from St. John to Fredericton. The natural beauties of the river were a matter of frequent comment by the distinguished visitors. One likened the rugged surroundings on the lower part of the river to the fjords of Norway, another saw a resemblance to the Thames, but all were united on one point, that half had not been told of the agricultural advantages that this Province has to offer. Before leaving New Brunswick a section of the Commission made an inspection of the oil wells and oil shales of Albert County. The Commission also had an opportunity to study the methods of handling timber in transit from the forest to the saw-mills. After a visit to Prince Edward Island, the Commission proceeded to Quebec to take ship for Great Britain.

A Rich Asset.

One of the greatest assets that New Brunswick possesses is its orcharding possibilities. This fact has only begun to be recognized by our farmers in recent years. A very positive improvement is noticed this year in orchard conditions in this Province. One authority on the subject remarks:—"The prospects for commercial orcharding in New Brunswick are very bright, because of the relatively low price of land here and comparative cheapness of production, together with enormous saving in transportation rates. The apple lands of New Brunswick bring from 800 to 3,000 miles closer to the European markets than many other apple-producing sections of the North American continent, not only is the cost of transportation greatly decreased but our apples can be placed in the consumer's hands in better condition."

In a memorandum presented to the Dominion's Royal Commission by Mr. C. N. Vroom, president of the New Brunswick Fruit Growers' Association, the statement is made that New Brunswick is very favorably situated for growing extensively such fruits as apples, strawberries, raspberries, and cranberries. Especially is this true of the southern portion of the Province, where the proximity of the sea ameliorates the severity of the winter, and where the more tender varieties of apples may be successfully grown, as well as the harder varieties of plums, pears and cherries. Mr. Vroom says that in the past four years about 100,000 young apple trees have been set out in this Province, but the fruit industry is still in its infancy.

NOVA SCOTIA STEEL HAS MUCH ORE TIED UP IN GERMANY.

New Glasgow, N.S., August 21.—The Wabana, Newfoundland, plant of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company has been closed owing to the present war situation.

The open hearth furnaces at North Sydney are also in a state of inactivity.

The New Glasgow plant has sufficient business on its books to keep it going about one week longer, but the company officials state that they will use every endeavor to keep the plant from complete suspension of business.

The Eastern Car Company's plant is at present busy on an Intercolonial Railway order for 180 cars, which they will doubtless complete about the first of September.

Beyond this there appears to be no other orders on the company's books.

There is a persistent rumor here to the effect that the Nova Scotia Steel Company has large quantities of ore tied up in Germany.

FINANCING COTTON CROP.

New York, August 21.—Preparations are being made for a cotton conference in New Orleans, on August 27 and 28. The main problem now under consideration is that of finding a satisfactory method of financing the cotton crop. Pressure is being brought upon Congress to take prompt action for relief. New Orleans has been disturbed at a rumor that there was curb trading in New York, and that October prices showed a material decline.

Good Times Ahead

The sudden breaking out of war caused many to "run to cover." Like the chicken on whom the rose leaf fell, some of us became a prey to fear and were ready to declare "the sky is falling."

Now our vision is clearing, our alarm has fled, we have recovered our poise and our courage. We are seeing, also, our opportunity. Swiftly and almost overwhelmingly has come to us the perception of the fact that the competition of Continental Europe has been taken away. We are faced with a condition and an opportunity both tending to our advantage as a country of industry, agriculture and trade. Good times are ahead, if Canada and Canadians see and seize the present opportunity for enlarging their industries and trading.

We must be careful. We must have courage.

HAPPENINGS IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Consistent Hard Work Has at Last Landed the Greys at Top of League

ROYALS BREAK STRING

Visitors to Jersey City Pull Off a Victory—Dick Rudolph Wins Eleventh Straight and Puts Braves on Giants Heels.

Hard work has had its inevitable reward and the Greys are now in first place in the International League. Yesterday gave them the victory over Rochester yesterday and incidentally the top berth. The Royals broke a discouragingly long string of defeats yesterday by hammering the Skeeters into submission. They weren't the only ones to do the hammering though. In fact, Dale was hit fifteen times while the Royals' aggregate was twelve. The even dozen included a lot of good ones, however, and gave the visitors a 13 to 9 victory. Whiteman showed up particularly well, with four hits in five times up.

Dick Rudolph is making a good sized notch for himself in the hall of fame occupied by Walter Johnson, Mathewson and others of the breed. Yesterday Dick made the Pirates walk the plank, the Braves winning the game handsly by 6 to 3. He helped along his own game by knocking out a two bager and scoring a run and was aided in this offensive work by Connolly who hit safely twice in four times up. The Braves are now a scant three games behind the leaders.

Francis Outimet defending his title yesterday made a splendid 69 in the first round of the 72-hole final for the National Golf tournament at Midlothian Club, Outimet, however, fell off in the second round, taking 76. W. C. Hagen, Rochester, N.Y., 142, led the field of 45 in the first day's play, and gave him a good chance for the title. Outimet with 145, was third, temporary second place going to Tom McNamara, of Boston, who scored an evenly balanced 141.

Charles Evans, Jr., western amateur champion, and Warren K. Wood, former western title-holder, finished with 150 each. Jack Burke, Port Arthur, Ont. and G. R. Murray, Montreal, tied with 152, and George Cummings and W. J. Bell, Toronto, turned in cards of 158.

GOULD AFFAIRS IN ABEYANCE

Genuine Co-operation of All Interested Necessary, if Problems Confronting Railways Are to Be Solved.

New York, August 21.—The committee of bankers that has the matter in charge will not submit before September 1 even a tentative plan of readjustment to the holders of the 5 per cent bonds of the Western Pacific Railway Company, the next coupon of which is due on the date mentioned.

This will be chiefly because John F. Stevens, who has been commissioned to make a careful examination of the physical condition of both the Denver and Rio Grande and Western Pacific has said that it will take him five to six weeks to complete his work and that he does not care to submit a preliminary report.

Contrary to a published statement, a director of the Denver and Rio Grande says that the September interest will be paid to all bondholders and not simply to those who lodge their bonds with the depositary.

Those who are most familiar with the position of both companies say that there must be genuine co-operation on the part of all concerned if the problems confronting them are to be satisfactorily solved. These interests are confident that with this co-operation the task can be accomplished between the September 1 and the March interest periods.

BAR HARBOR FIRM AWARDED CONTRACT.

Bar Harbor, Maine, August 21.—Lima Locomotive Corporation has been awarded contract by receivers of Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad for 50 Mikado locomotives and five Pacific type locomotives. Contract will amount to over \$1,000,000.

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CANADA'S TRADE WITH FRANCE
TOTALLED \$18,088,000 IN 1913

Imports From Republic Amounting to \$14,276,000, Exports Reached \$3,812,000 in 1913.

Canada's total trade with France last year amounted to \$18,088,000, of which imports amounted to \$14,276,000, and exports \$3,812,000. The following table shows the total imports and total exports for the past twenty years.

1914	\$ 5,875,055	\$2,046,052
1913	5,842,889	626,976
1912	6,454,705	757,531
1911	5,765,546	1,946,432
1910	5,765,784	1,837,448
1909	7,881,748	2,319,569
1908	8,708,641	1,715,803
1907	6,677,959	2,141,552
1906	10,919,994	2,892,278
1905	12,127,867	2,097,699
1904	8,028,544	1,813,228
1903	6,842,998	1,145,854
1902	7,649,991	1,872,905
1901	6,489,897	1,048,608
1900	8,350,745	2,374,807
1899	6,091,406	1,478,552
1898	7,358,384	2,501,191
1897	10,887,189	2,648,017
1913	11,146,733	3,812,000
1912	14,473,833	3,402,394
1914	14,276,000	3,810,000

The principal articles imported by Canada from France follow:

Animals, living	\$ 63
Books	99
Total breadstuffs	193
Fruits and nuts	128
Brooms and brushes	136
Total cotton and manufactures thereof	556
Cream of Tartar	197
Proprietary Medicines	183
Total drugs	237
China, Porcelain, etc.	175
Fancy goods, including feathers, beads, combs, laces, etc.	534
Fish	41
Fruits and nuts	487
Furs and manufactures thereof	325
Glass and manufactures thereof	108
Gloves and mitts	716
Total hats	158
Hides and skins	1,929
Total metals, minerals and manufactures thereof	191
Total oils	189
Packages and parcels	219
Paper and manufactures thereof	151
Total perfumery	168
Diamonds	383
Preious stones	159
Ribbons	376
Total silk and manufactures thereof	1,264
Total soap	1,137
Brandy	1,137
Wines, non-sparkling	278
Wines, sparkling	852
Total spirits and wines	2,488
Pipes, etc.	156
Total canned vegetables	186
Total wool and manufactures thereof	1,406

Total imports \$15,528,000

The principal articles exported by Canada to France during 1913 follow:

Wheat	176
Total breadstuffs	257
Labrador, canned	967
Salmon, canned	76
Total fish	1,038
Total furs and manufactures thereof	451
Harvesters	178
Mowing machines	79
Total agricultural implements	631
Total metals, minerals and manufactures thereof	847
Wood alcohol	151
Wool and manufactures thereof	315

Total exports \$2,564,000

Total imports \$15,522,000

Total trade for 1913 \$18,086,000

ARGENTINE EXPORTS.
Buenos Ayres, August 23.—Exports of meats from Argentina to the United States during the past week totalled 10,000 quarters beef, 1,000 carcasses mutton and 1,000 carcasses lamb, compared with 12,000 quarters beef and 2,000 carcasses lamb the week previous. Since January 1, clearances amount to 547,000 quarters beef, 97,000 carcasses mutton and 63,000 carcasses lamb.