

REDUCTION OF ATLANTIC CABLE RATES DELAYED BY LEMIEUX! DECLARES PREMIER ASQUITH

Special to The Standard. London, June 30.—The committee of the Imperial Press Conference appointed to wait upon Mr. Asquith, in regard to the question of cable rates, met the Premier in the House of Commons this afternoon. The Hon. H. L. Lawson introduced the deputation, and having pointed out that the government spent a quarter of a million pounds annually in cables, said the Imperial News Service was now poor, dry and bloodless, and cheapness in rates was only possible through Government action. Canada expressed her anxiety for the company's operation by the Imperial Government, and he understood from a very high placed official now in London that Canada's enthusiasm had not diminished. Lawson remarked that the Imperial Press Conference did not wish to prejudice the issues between wireless cables, adding that Canada's subvention to Mr. Marconi was a valuable precedent. Cable Co. Combination. Mr. P. D. Ross, of Ottawa, speaking for the Canadian delegates, referred to the combination amongst cable companies, pointing out that a reduction of rates through Canada to Australia would inevitably reduce rates elsewhere. He had been stated that government action would be unfair to private companies, but the Imperial press did not want any government to run a state line of communication on a commercial basis. If the governments made the line pay, then the companies must be ready to meet the competition as well as that of private companies. The British government paid sixty million pounds yearly on the army and navy, and the small amount necessary for greater facilities of communication through the Empire would be well spent. The Canadian delegates on their return hoped to persuade the government to meet the Imperial government half way. The Hon. Mr. Lemieux had not changed his mind.

STRONG CONDEMNATION OF THE LAURIER GOVERNMENT

Representative Delegates from All Over Nova Scotia Deplore Neglect of the Government to Prohibit Use of Steam Trawlers Along the Atlantic Coast—Liberal-Conservative Convention Endorses Policy of Public Ownership of Public Utilities—Strong Resolution of Confidence in R.L. Borden.

Special to The Standard. Truro, N. S., June 30.—The Liberal-Conservative convention resumed this morning, the number of delegates being close to 300 and drawn from all over the province. The gathering met in a double capacity, first as the annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Conservative Association, but chiefly as a convention of the party in this province to make recommendations which will be formulated at a later time by the executive committee into a platform of series of resolutions setting forth the policy of the Liberal-Conservative party in provincial affairs in Nova Scotia. It was a great success, the most noted in the history of the province. The Officers Chosen. J. S. McLennan, of Sydney, was elected honorary president of the association; W. B. Ritchie, Halifax, was elected president and T. S. Rogers, of Amherst, vice-president. An organizer is to be employed and pending his appointment by the executive the secretaryship was left vacant as the offices may be merged. The elective positions of the executive were filled as follows:— C. E. Tanner, Pictou; J. C. O'Mullin, Halifax; Frank Stanfield, Truro; W. B. Ross, Halifax; Hector McInnes, Halifax; W. L. Hall, Liverpool; Geo. Henderson, Halifax; W. F. O'Connor, Halifax; P. C. Woodworth, Kentville. The Government Neglected. A series of resolutions condemning the Government's administration of affairs and setting forth the policy of the Liberal-Conservative party were adopted. Among the subjects discussed and passed upon were agriculture, the fisheries, mining, education electoral and political purity. The neglect of the Government to prohibit the use of steam trawlers on the Atlantic coast was condemned. A resolution was adopted pledging the Conservatives if returned to power to a policy of public ownership of public utilities so far as provincial

QUEBEC GOVERNMENT SEVERELY DENOUNCED BY PROMINENT LIBERALS—FOURNIER GREETED

Special to The Standard. Montreal, June 30.—Julius Fournier, editor of the Nationalist, of this city, who was sent to jail at Quebec for criticizing the administration of justice in that city and whose imprisonment aroused widespread indignation, was given a great popular reception on his return to this city tonight. Mr. Fournier arrived in the city at half past seven and was met at the station by a crowd which escorted him to the St. James Market Square in the east end of the city, where over ten thousand people had assembled. Mr. Fournier who was accompanied by Mr. Henri Bourassa and other prominent friends, was given an enthusiastic reception. He made a modest speech in which he declared that he accepted the demonstration as intended not for himself personally, but for the great idea he represented, freedom of the press. The editor of the Nationalist was loudly cheered. Mr. Bourassa aroused the audience by an eloquent speech in which he strongly denounced those Liberals who had abandoned Liberal principles and supported the tyrannical measures of the Quebec Government. Something of a sensation was caused by Senator Legris, a lifelong Liberal, appearing at the meeting and addressing the gathering, strongly denouncing the Quebec Government and the treatment of Mr. Fournier. Oliver Asselin and others also spoke.

CHAUFFEUR EXONERATED FROM BLAME REAL WORK HAS STARTED AT CAMP SUSSEX

Special to The Standard. Montreal, June 30.—After three minutes deliberation the coroner's jury in the case of William C. McIntyre, killed last night at Dixie, returned the following verdict:— "William C. automobile accident in the Parish of Dorval, on June 29, and the chauffeur is exonerated from all blame. Exonerated the Rate. Pierre Deloese testified that he had been driving at a rate of thirty-five miles an hour, which is more than the law allows. The Coroner in his address to the jury, says that according to law the chauffeur who had broken the law, by exceeding the speed limit, was guilty of manslaughter, and would up his address with the impressive words: "Charged Strongly. "Now, gentlemen, you have heard the evidence. I have explained the law to you. If you do not bring in a verdict of manslaughter against Pierre Deloese, you yourselves are guilty of perjury." The chauffeur Deloese, was warned at the outset by the Coroner, that in view of the fact that he was liable to be charged with manslaughter, that he did not have to answer any questions unless he chose. Deloese said that he had received instructions from Mr. McIntyre to drive to town, and he had followed those instructions. Then came the question of speed, he said: My auto was stopped to allow Mr. Molson to get out. Mr. McIntyre and others were invited to descend. Mr. McIntyre asked why the machine was going so slow, and Mr. Covans replied that there was too much tar on the road to allow speeding. Deloese continued that as the roads became good Mr. McIntyre told him to go faster. He then said that Mr. McIntyre and Mr. Covans exclaimed, "Go on, Go on," and evidently wished to pass the machine ahead. "We were then going very fast," he said. "In turning the corner the brakes slipped and the auto skidded against a pole. The left side of the auto struck the pole, tossing the auto to the other side and it slipped into the ditch. A MODEST REQUEST FROM WINNIPEG Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., June 30.—A Winnipeg deputation composed of D. C. Cameron, Ed. Martin, Chas. F. Roland and Horace Chevrier interviewed Sir Wilfrid Laurier today and asked for a grant of two and a half million dollars towards the Selkirk Centennial Exposition of 1912. The Premier said that he could promise nothing until he had consulted the other ministers. Hon. Clifford Sifton introduced the deputation.

HOW ST. JOHN'S CITIZENS WILL CELEBRATE CANADA'S FORTY-SECOND BIRTHDAY

Today is the anniversary of the birth of the Dominion of Canada, and all good Canadians, resident in St. John, will celebrate the day as loyally as they can. There will be enough methods of celebration to gratify all. Those who prefer a quiet day in the country, on the river or along the trout brook to a day in the city can satisfy their desire and the crowds who will be in the city will be gratified to see many of the inhabitants of this city who have a longing for the simple life whenever they can get it. For those who desire to stay in the city there are ball games, a road race, aquatic sports and other forms of amusement. Royal Salute. There is seldom much of a military tinge to the celebration of Dominion Day in St. John, but what little there is will be furnished today by the royal salute of twenty-one guns which will boom out from the Battery at the opening of the season on July 15, which will furnish the firing party. Athletics. On both baseball grounds there will be double-header games. The St. Joseph's and Marathons play on the Victoria Grounds, while on the Shamrock Grounds, the Shamrock and the John the Baptist in the morning, and the Clippers in the afternoon. Market Square, West Side, in the afternoon, will be the scene of a fifteen mile race. At Lily Lake at the same time there will be rowing and sculling races. A rowing golf links, members of the Woodstock Golf Club will play the St. John Club, while at Rothesay the Fredericton and Rothesay tennis clubs will meet. At Millidgeville. At Millidgeville the R. K. Y. C. will have the big day of the year. Cruises on the water will occupy the afternoon. In the evening there will be water sports followed by a dance and illumination. The City Cornet Band will furnish music during the day. At Westfield. The Westfield Outing Association will hold two races, for motor boats and rowing, on the water in the afternoon. There will be dancing in the pavilion in the evening. Fredericton and Sussex. Two out-of-town points of attraction will be Fredericton and Sussex. A big delegation of St. John horsemen will go to the capital to attend the second day's races of the opening meet of the Maritime Circuit. Sussex is always a place of interest to many St. John people on Dominion Day on account of the presence in camp there of the militia. A good many of the militia, interested in the St. John Corps under canvas and a military display is usually attractive on a holiday.

HOTEL THIEF ESCAPED AND RECAPTURED

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., June 30.—Frank Wilson, alias McIsaacs and several other names escaped from the county jail today about noon and for a time the police and officials were scouring the country for him. He was captured at Fredericton Junction tonight by Deputy Sheriff Winslow and brought back to the jail. Wilson was sentenced to six months imprisonment for thefts at Windsor Hall, this city and at the time he was sentenced it developed that he was then out on suspended sentence from St. John, where he committed a theft of upwards of \$50 from the Clifton House, St. John. He was an expert hotel thief and did his work skilfully but without success in escaping detection. It was the intention to have Wilson sent to St. John on the expiration of his six months' term here to serve out his suspended sentence for the Clifton House theft. This morning he was outside his cell in the jail building when suddenly he made a break for liberty. Mrs. Winter, wife of Deputy Sheriff and Jailer Geo. H. Winter, was in charge at the time, and was powerless when Wilson made his break for liberty. He succeeded in getting out of the jail building and then hustled through some gardens and back yards to St. John street. Securing a horse he drove to Rustagonish. There however he stabled the animal proceeded to Fredericton Junction. When the train arrived tonight at the junction the deputy sheriff got off the dark side of the train and once noticed an object on the rear side of McLaughlin's store. He gave chase but the object which was really Wilson, moved away rapidly. Believing that he might lose his man in the fire, and Wilson surrendered.

JACK JOHNSON OUTPOINTS TONY ROSS IN SIX ROUND BOUT

Pittsburg, Pa., June 30.—Jack Johnson, the colored heavyweight champion of the world, out-boxed Tony Ross of Newcastle, Pa., in a six-round contest tonight, given under the auspices of the National A. C. at Duquesne Garden. While the bout was declared a draw, on account of the state law prohibiting a decision in boxing tournaments, public opinion willingly conceded that Johnson had the better of the go from start to finish. It was a fast fight, both men being active during the entire six rounds. Johnson seemed out of condition. He repeatedly rushed Ross, but seldom landed effectively. The audience shouted wildly whenever Ross landed a telling blow, but hooted Johnson for his apparently rough work in the clinches. Referee Jimmy Dime said after the fight that Ross did remarkably well in the face of the fact that Johnson had an advantage over him in weight and height. Johnson refused to talk after the fight, while Ross anxiously begged for another opportunity to meet the colored fighter. Johnson sustained his reputation of being a shrewd business man by securing his \$2,000 guarantee from the managers of the National A. C. during the afternoon. Many Were There. Sporting enthusiasts turned out in force, prominent among them being Congressman J. Francis Burke and others near the ring. The preliminary bouts were rather tame. Johnson and Ross entered the ring nearly together. Johnson's reception was rather cool. Some of the house hissed when the big negro grinned over the audience. Ross smilingly acknowledged the applause from his home delegation and bowed to the rest of the house. First round—Johnson led left to stomach and repeated this blow with telling effect. Ross led right to jaw, Johnson sent a stiff left to Ross' chin, repeating the blow with a right counter, drawing blood from Ross' nose. With a left and right to face, Johnson staggered Ross who went to his knees, taking the count of nine, the first round. Second round—The men rushed to the centre of the ring, Ross leading fifth left to jaw. Johnson acknowledged the blow with a smile and sent a wicked left to Ross' face, following it with a counter to stomach. Ross' mouth bled freely. Johnson repeatedly swung a wicked left into Ross' face, rocking the Newcastle boxer on his legs. The men stuck to the centre of the ring, Johnson landing lefts to face with good effect until the bell rang. Johnson's round. Round three—Ross from the tap of the gong tried to make a better showing than in the two previous rounds. With a right to the stomach and a left to the jaw, he removed the grin from Johnson's face. Ross showed his extreme nervousness. Johnson continued to use his vicious left swing. Ross stumbled in an effort to get away from Johnson's jabs, and slipped to his knees, taking the count of eight for a rest. With right to stomach, Johnson finished the round with Ross hanging on Johnson's round. Round four—Johnson came up smiling with Ross in distress. Johnson goaded the Newcastle boxer, making remarks about his bloody nose and mouth. Johnson led with his left to the jaw and the men clinched. Ross made a vicious lunge, swinging his right to Johnson's jaw. This was the first effective blow Ross landed. The round ended with the men in the centre of the ring in a clinch. Johnson's round. Round five—Ross came up apparently groggy with Johnson sarcastically grinning over his easy fight so far. With a vicious left swing to the face Johnson rocked Ross. Ross tried bravely to stand off the big black, but there was no chance. Johnson was in and out like a flash, and Ross could not stop him. The gong saved Ross from further cruel punishment. Johnson's round. Round six—Ross came up willing and led with a left uppercut on Johnson's jaw. Johnson returned a right uppercut, closing Ross' eye. The men went to a clinch in the centre of the ring with Johnson beating Ross under mercifully with the left swing used so effectively in the previous rounds. The gong struck with Ross hanging on. Johnson's round.

ONE SAVED BUT TWO WERE DROWNED

Special to The Standard. Montreal, June 30.—Albert Hanna, Herbert Shaw and Archie Crossley, all three about 21 years of age, and members of well known Westmount families, left here this morning on the yacht Red Feather, of the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club, to take part in the Champlain celebration regatta, on Lake Champlain. This afternoon when nearing Sorel the boat was struck by a squall and damaged. Hanna managed to keep himself afloat until help arrived, but Shaw and Crossley perished. FREDERICTON LADY DEAD Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., June 30.—Mrs. Leslie White died here this afternoon of heart trouble and complications. One son and two daughters survive. Funeral at 3 p. m. on Friday.

BAY OF FUNDY OBSTACLE FISHING SEASON CLOSED YESTERDAY—MOST SUCCESSFUL IN YEARS

Yesterday was the last of the most successful lobster fishing season which the Bay of Fundy fishermen have known in many years. Since the opening of the season on July 15, the catch for the season has been largely in excess of any of recent years, both in the local trade branch, and in that which is devoted to export into the United States. Caused By New Regulations. The increase in the trade is largely due to the regulations as to the trapping of fish which went into effect this season. It was this year allowed to catch lobsters somewhat smaller than the size set forth in the old enactment. Formerly, fish dealers in the city could not handle lobsters less than 9 1/2 inches in length, if the fish were caught in the waters of St. John county, nor any caught elsewhere in the bay which measure under 12 inches. The present regulations are not so strict. Fish caught anywhere are legally saleable here if they are nine inches in length. Prices Were Low, But Year Was Good. Prices during the season were not high, but the number of fish caught made it a highly prosperous period for the fisherman. The wholesale price for large lobsters never went higher here than 23 cents, and the same size could be bought at other times for as low as 12 cents wholesale. Another feature of the year's trading in the concentrated-looking fish which tended toward keeping the price low lay in the fact that competition between buyers was much less in evidence than in former years. Fewer Buyers. Last season there were three buyers contending for that portion of the trade centred here, which is exported to the United States. These three kept prices up with their competition. This year there was only one buyer for the American trade, and another for the European trade. Large numbers of lobsters were exported from the county fishing places every day during the season except two. In the United States, the prices brought were high, in spite of the fact that perfect lobsters are not guaranteed, and that a fish with only one claw must be accepted as first-class. While the lobsters are just about a third of the past, the salmon fishing season is just now at its height, and prices are rapidly nearing that before the Fourth condition which is the salmon-fisherman's bonanza. Last year competition was so strong just before the American national holiday that fish were bought at \$2.25 apiece. Anything from five to ten pounds is counted a fish, while a salmon about twenty pounds counts as two. This was considered a wonderfully good price. Just now the price is at about \$1.75 per fish, and the prospects are good for something like last year's. SAILS AFTER COLLISION. Reedy Island, Del., June 30.—A misunderstanding of signals caused a collision between the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company's seagoing tug Swatara and the Norwegian fruit steamer Juan today, near Bombay Hook. The Swatara was cut amidship and sank before it could be beached. All hands were saved. The Juan was only slightly damaged and proceeded up the river. The Swatara was towing the barges Phoenix and Knickerbocker for Portland and Newhamly for Saco. They have been anchored off and will proceed with another tug.

YALE-HARVARD RACE TODAY MAY BE CLOSE

New London, Conn., June 30.—Crinson and the blue flouted by hundreds of over-night visitors to this town were the signs of the oft-repeated incident of the eve before the Yale-Harvard regatta tonight. Over from New Haven came the men of Yale, brim full of happiness over eleven hour news that their Varsity eight was in the pink of condition for a hard battle over the four-mile course and flushed with the joy that came from a very lively commencement day, honored by President Taft's presence and a victory on the ball field. Down from Cambridge poured several hundred loyal wearers of ruddy-hued colors, they too, happy in the prospect of not only a good race, but in the vision of a series of victories for every crew that wears the crimson. The Harvard men had every right to feel just as happy as the Yale men for they heard that Captain Cutler had won the toss for the two Varsity races and that Harvard would have the west course in all three races. It is generally supposed that in racing upstream and the Varsity race will be rowed in that direction, that there is an advantage in the smoother waters of the upper reaches of the Thames. Yale won the toss in the freshmen event and took the east side in that contest which will be rowed from the navy yard to the draw-bridge.

25 CHINESE GOT INTO U.S. FROM HERE SINCE JAN. 1—3 CAUGHT

Since the first of the present year, twenty-five Chinese have started from St. John to cross the American border in spite of the immigration laws. As only three of these have been captured, it is evident that there is a finely organized band at work in the profitable business of smuggling the yellow men into the United States. Speaking of the difficulties with his department has to cope in this connection, Mr. P. E. Miller, chief of the U. S. Immigration Department here, said yesterday that the Chinese were so cleverly assisted that very little could be done to stop them. It had been found that all of the Chinks who left this city for the border had one objective point—the town of St. Stephen. As soon as one of these lank-haired undesirables is seen aboard a train leaving here for Maine, news of his departure is wired to an agent in St. Stephen. All To The Same Place. This man meets the train on its arrival. Systematic shadowing on his part has resulted in the discovery that all of the Chinese travellers ultimately reach a certain establishment on the border city, just where the clue is lost. Of the three discoverers one was captured after he had had the trip by way of the Shore Line and the other two were found in the tool box of a C. P. R. car. Chinese smugglers do not let the brand of Uncle Sam defrauding which the immigration officials here are aware of. A week ago yesterday the department held up a woman who came here from Nova Scotia and was making an attempt to reach Portland. She was examined by a physician and was refused admission to the states on the ground of mental disability. On Monday the same woman was found on board the American boat Eastport. She stated that she had been stowed away aboard the boat at four o'clock in the morning. Permission to proceed was of course refused and she was brought back to the city by the Ransom B. Fuller yesterday morning. HIS WIFE MARRIED AGAIN. Lee, Mass., June 30.—George Hecox who has been missing from Lee for 45 years, appeared there last night and made himself known to his wife who had during his long absence married another man and been widowed. Hecox went out with the 34th Massachusetts regiment in the civil war, was wounded and remained long in a hospital and as he never returned home, was believed to have lost his life. Some years after his wife married Timothy Tucker. Hecox learned of this and decided to remain away and the fact of his being alive was never disclosed until the death of Tucker paved the way for his return. CLAIMS CIGAR IS A DRUG. Special to The Standard. Toronto, June 30.—Daniel Alger Wellesey street druggist, charged with selling a cigar on Sunday, pronounced through his counsel in police court this morning that would fight the case on the ground that a cigar is a drug. The authorities were nonplussed for the moment and the case was postponed a week.