

SUMMARY OF N.B. WATER POWERS BILL

Three Districts Proposed by Bill Introduced by Premier Foster Before Legislature. DESIGNED TO ASSIST INDUSTRIES OF PROVINCE

Not to Interfere With Honest Intention of Private Enterprises in Power Development. The following is a summary of the Water Power Development Bill introduced into the Legislature by Premier Foster yesterday.

The bill contemplates that there may be a member of the Government appointed to the commission, and this may be considered to be a good policy in order that the administration may keep closely in touch with the business being carried on. It is proposed by the Government to obtain the services of men who are well qualified to deal with the matters involved.

It will be the duty of this commission, from time to time, to report to the Government as to the conditions surrounding the question of water development in this province. Section 9 of the bill contains an enumeration of powers which the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may confer upon this Commission.

It will be noted by Sub-Section (13) of Section 9, that the Government may authorize the Commission to issue bonds and borrow money. Other sections of the bill provide that the Government may guarantee bonds of the Commission or advance by a bank a whole or a part of the amount of indebtedness which may be incurred by the Commission.

This year it will be necessary to leave the question as to the beginning of development to the Government and the Commission. It is contemplated that as the province unfolds itself, the Legislature next year and the following years will be held in connection with the Commission to limit to the sum of one million dollars, unless authority is given from time to time by the Legislature.

PICTURES IN OPEN DAYLIGHT SOON

If An Invention Just Patented is All That is Claimed for it.

NO MORE FLIRTING IN DARK THEATRES

Pictures Can be Shown in Open Air at Picnics and Other Outdoor Gatherings. (Copyright by Cross-Atlantic Cable Service.) London, March 26.—Daylight motion picture shows are in prospect here, and for the United States if an invention, for which patent rights in the two countries have just been granted, is all its inventor claims.

FORMER SUSSEX WOMAN IS SEVERELY INJURED

Fell Down Stairs, Breaking Both Arms, and is Not Expected to Live.

Special to The Standard. Everett, Mass., March 26.—Mrs. Kate Gordon, 70 years of age, a long resident of Sussex, N. B., who is making her home with her son, Capt. Hiram Gordon, of Florence street, was the victim in a serious accident today when descending the cellar stairs with a butcher knife in hand.

STRONGER TONE MONTREAL MARKET

Many Lines Made Gains—Atlantic Sugar Again Leader.

Montreal, March 26.—The market as a whole showed a strong trend on today's local stock exchange. The bulk of the net changes were gains, all of which amounted from one to ten points, while the few losses were confined to 1.2 points for Toronto Railway and one point in each for Canadian General Electric, Steamship, Dominion Steel Preferred and Riel and St. Lawrence Flour, and fractions for Shawinigan.

ST. JOHN WOMAN SENT BACK HOME

Moncton, N. B., March 26.—Mrs. Christiana Frost and her three young children, who were detained here by the Moncton police, Thursday morning, while skipping out of Montreal in company with a St. John man, were shipped back to their home in St. John today.

FLYNN GRATUITY FAVORED BY MANY PETITIONERS

Ottawa, March 26.—(Canadian Press)—There are many hundreds of persons in favor of the Flynn gratuity proposal, if one may judge by the number of petitions which reached the House today asking for the cash gratuity to veterans and dependents of veterans.

MORE POLICE FIRED AT

London, March 26.—Two constables of a patrol at Kiffonora, County of Clare, in Munster Province, were fired on last night, according to a dispatch from Dublin. One of the constables was badly wounded.

NEW GERMAN GOVERNMENT

Berlin, March 26.—Dr. Hermann Mueller, the Foreign Minister in the Bauer Cabinet, has been requested to form a new cabinet. It was unofficially reported today.

INQUEST ON THE MURDERED GIRL

Jury Found She Came to Her Death from Bullet Wounds at Hands of Clark.

MURDERER IS IN HOSPITAL

But Latest Reports Are That There is a Reasonable Chance of His Recovery. Special to The Standard. Grand Falls, N. B., March 26.—An inquest was held today into the death of Miss Phoebe Bell who was murdered yesterday by Norman Clark, who fired three shots into her body from a revolver. The evidence of several witnesses was taken and the jury brought in a verdict that the deceased came to her death from bullet wounds from a revolver in the hands of Norman Clark.

The jury was composed of Burton J. Riddett (Foreman), Charles Mignault, Fred Dixon, W. V. Powers, L. J. Burgess, Leo McLachlan and Dennis Paré.

"UNDERGROUND" WARFARE IN IRELAND CONTINUING

Almost Every Day Furnishes New Victims for the Hand of Mysterious Assassin.

London, March 26.—Almost every day furnishes a new victim for the "underground" warfare in Ireland. This morning, Allen Bell, resident magistrate, 70 years of age, and for many years a member of the Royal Constabulary, was dragged by a gang of some of whom were masked, from a crowded car in Dublin and shot four times in cold blood before the eyes of the passengers. Some of the passengers were women, who fainted at the sight. The assassins ran away and no arrests have been made.

WHITE CHILD TAKEN FROM SOME SQUAWS

Special to The Standard. Moncton, N. B., March 26.—A white child giving the name of Mary Doyle, and giving from near Barabois, Northumberland County, has been taken from some squaws living in the western end of the city and placed in the Children's Aid Home. The attention of the police was called to the child by a citizen who stated that the squaws were ill-treating the girl, who is about ten years of age. The police have been unable to find out how the child came to be in the possession of the Indians, but the suspicion is that she was traded to them for furs and other articles which the squaws are reticent on the subject.

PRESENTATION TO POLICE INSPECTOR

Moncton, March 26.—A J. Tingley, Chief of C. N. R. police on Eastern Lines, was waited upon Thursday evening by a delegation representing the C. N. R. police inspectors on Eastern Lines, and presented with a gold watch in honor of his sixtieth birthday. Among those present was Chief Inspector Page, of Toronto.

SINN FEINERS ARRESTED

Dublin, March 26.—Thirty-five prominent Sinn Feiners were arrested today. Five unknown men with passports for America were arrested on the point of embarkation for the United States this afternoon.

ANOTHER LORD MAYOR THREATENED

Waterford, Ireland, March 26.—The Lord Mayor of Waterford yesterday received a letter warning him to prepare for death.

TODAY'S PAPER

Twenty-four columns of advertising are crowded out of this morning's issue of The Standard.

\$1,500,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO ST. JOHN HARBOR

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 26.—From a reliable source The Standard correspondent is informed that the supplementary estimates are practically certain to contain an amount of one and a half million dollars for improvements to the St. John breakwater. The matter has been before the cabinet, and there is unanimous feeling that this work is urgent and ought not to be delayed. The recent visit of Hon. Arthur Meighen, with the western and Ontario members, to St. John has helped greatly toward preparing the proper atmosphere for the reception of the expenditure by the House.

GIBSON WOMAN VICTIM OF MOST BRUTAL ATTACK

From a Man Who Was Formerly Her Husband, Till Marriage Annulled.

ACCUSED HELD IN HEAVY BAIL

While Enquiries Are Being Made as to His Previous History and Conduct. Special to The Standard. Boston, Mass., March 26.—A brutal attack on a woman was revealed today in the Municipal Court. The victim was Mrs. Emma Smith of Gibson, N. B., who is stopping at 23 Seneca street, South End. Together with her two boys, Norman and Arthur, 13 and 14 years old, Patrick J. Duffy, a seaman, who lives in Worcester, was charged with the attack.

QUEENS COUNTY MAN COMES TO SHOCKING END

Hurled Headlong Into the Firebox of the Engine He Was Stoking.

WHEN IT COLLIDED WITH ANOTHER

While Scalding Steam Poured Down on Him—Body Charred Out of Recognition.

AUTO-SLEIGH IS LATEST INVENTION

'Wallie' Moore of Penobscot Made Eighty Mile Trip, and Says He Can Do Better.

Penobscot, March 26.—Victor (Wallie) Moore who several times in the past has come out with some new inventions started the residents of Penobscot last week. This time it is a Ford car on runners. All that is necessary to operate the machine is the fact that it come from Alina to Penobscot and from there to Apahquois a distance of eighty miles. Any person who has been over this hilly route in the summer can imagine it covered with runners of six feet of snow and will admit that Mr. Moore has some outfit for winter travel.

LYDD GEORGE DEFENDS ATTACK ON LABOR PARTY

Declaring the Aim of That Party is to Put an End to the Capitalistic System.

DOCTRINE OF PARTY THAT OF COMMUNISM

According to Inferences Drawn from Declarations of Those Leading the Party in England.

CANADIAN MAY HEAD NAVAL SERVICE

Ottawa, March 26.—The new director of the Canadian Naval Service, succeeding Admiral Kingsmill, retired, will be an experienced young officer of the Royal Navy. It is quite possible that it may be a Canadian. No one particularly is in view. It is known that inquiries are being made as to available men, and a selection will be made before long.

MANUFACTURE OF ALCOHOL BY PRIVATE FIRMS

Ottawa, March 26.—It is expected by industries interested that a bill will be introduced this session in the Canadian Parliament permitting private firms to manufacture industrial alcohol. This industry, at present, is a monopoly of the Government and the production is considerably short of the supply.

ELECTED CHAIRMAN

Toronto, Ont., March 26.—R. W. E. Burnaby has been elected President of the Canadian Council of Agriculture. Rodrick Mackenzie was elected Vice-President, and the following were named as Executive: J. A. MacLaren, Peter B. Wright, T. F. Chipman and C. Rice Jones.

THE REGENERATION OF RUSSIA BEGUN

Lenine, the Soviet Leader, is Developing Conventional Republican Government.

HE IS OFFERING INDUCEMENTS

To Experts in All Lines of Industry to Make Their Home in Russia to Teach the People Civilization.

(Copyright Cross-Atlantic Cable Service.) (By Col. Arthur Lynch, former Nationalist member of Parliament from West Clare.) London, March 26.—Peace with Russia is certain within a brief time. This does not mean merely the discontinuance of hostilities, but the formal recognition of the de facto Russian government, and resumption of all trade and diplomatic relations. I am able to make this statement today, after participating in authoritative conversations.

The Foreign Office, I am able to state, is now convinced that Lenin and Trotsky are masters of Russia. Lenin has formed the beginning of a coalition cabinet, to which he has admitted followers of Kerensky and a Menchevik minority party.

Very anxious for recognition by the Allies, he has recently made several concessions to European and American feeling, expressing himself as willing to violate mere theoretical principles of communism whenever they conflict with the real interests of the country. He has also done much to encourage education, and has expressed his determination to throw the gates of industry wide open to foreign enterprise. He has offered inducements to experts in all trades and sciences to make Russia their home, to teach Russian people to help them to reach the forefront of European civilization.

In a word, Soviet government is developing into conventional republicanism. On this basis, peace is being negotiated. Lloyd George had long been anxious to close the Russian Embargo, but the Foreign Office, particularly the leaders of government and the common sense of the cabinet, have held out against friendly relations and removal of the blockade. The blockade is now recognized as much of a failure as was the plan of Denikin and Kolchak, backed by the Allies, to restore Tsardom in Russia.

Even now, large numbers of financiers and merchants, promoters of industrial enterprises and a number of neutrals are waiting at border points, ready to take advantage of the immense trade possibilities immediately the gates are thrown open.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT HAS RESIGNED

After a Very Short Reign—Only Took Office on Thursday.

Berlin, March 26.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Cabinet of Premier Baer has resigned. Hermann Mueller, the Foreign Minister, has been authorized to organize a new Cabinet. The resignation of the Baer Cabinet, it is said, was due to pressure from the Foreign Minister, who has been extremely discontented with the Government's attitude since its return from Stuttgart. It is stated that Baer will have strong voice in the new Mueller Cabinet.

SALISBURY MAN TAKES OWN LIFE

Moncton, March 26.—Harry Beckwith, a native of the parish of Salisbury, who was taken to the Provincial Hospital at St. John on Monday last, took his own life by hanging on Wednesday, so his friends have been advised by the Hospital authorities. Beckwith was 41 years of age, and had been living in Portland, Maine, where his wife and one child still reside. Recently, Beckwith became mentally deranged, and was brought to his former home in the parish of Salisbury, in the hope that the change would be beneficial. As he did not improve he was taken to the Provincial Hospital, where he hanged himself two days later.

BRITISH STEAMER SENDS OUT S. O. S.

London, March 26.—The British steamer, Oriza, from Liverpool for Valparaiso, sent an "S.O.S." message from latitude 63 North, Longitude 5 West, (close off Lapey Head on the South Eastern coast of Wales) asking for assistance. The message said the steamer desired to be towed back to Liverpool as she was battling with heavy seas coming in from the westward.

HITS THE FARMERS.

Ottawa, March 26.—(By Canadian Press)—A clause in the Franchise Bill which it is claimed, will hit the farmers' organization in the West very hard and which was the subject of discussion at the council of agriculture, forbids any company or association other than one incorporated for political purposes alone contributing to aid any candidate or political party.

WATER POWER BILL BROUGHT IN BY PREMIER

Provides for Appointment of a Commission to Undertake Development.

OTHER SOURCES OF CHEAP POWER

Will be Dealt With, Such as Can be Derived from Coal, Oil, Gas, Peat and Other Sources.

In introducing the bill to provide for the development of the water powers of New Brunswick, in the Legislature yesterday, Premier Foster said:

In presenting this Bill for its first reading, I think it well to state that I should ask the attention of the House for a short time to give expression of my views with reference to the desirability of such legislation being placed upon our statute books with as little delay as possible, and to explain, to the House as briefly as possible the work accomplished by the New Brunswick Water Power Commission, a commission appointed by Order-in-Council the year following the advent of this Government to power, and to explain the main provisions of this bill which I present for the consideration of the House.

The plan upon the statute books of this province, legislation that will bring about actual development and accomplish something along the line of Hydroelectric development, is not only desirable, but is necessary. Water power transformed into electricity in the force that has stimulated Canada's industrial and commercial growth. Today, as never before, the world is devoting attention to the study and development of power projects because of their necessity for power which can be sold at a reasonable price, in that industries might be attracted, and that we might be able to compete with other countries in the development of our resources, and indeed if we are to attain that measure of success and our share of those industries and opportunities, we must try to provide cheaper power.

In this province water power legislation has been placed upon our statute books, but up to this time very little progress has been made toward the development of water power by interests, and it is high time, if we are to maintain our position in the commercial life of our Dominion, that the question of Hydro development be taken up seriously by the people of this province. Water power development on an extended scale, and it is these areas that have shown the greatest expansion in industrial lines. Cheap power attracts industries and power for manufacturing purposes cheaper than that which can be developed from coal under ordinary conditions is a great need in this province of coal. The rising price of coal has compelled the manufacturer and every worker to pay higher prices for power and light and only way for New Brunswick to secure a place in the water power arena, is to develop its water power. In Nova Scotia they are some years ahead of us, because in 1914 that province, by the Dominion Water Power Commission, took advantage of the offer in co-operation with the Government and Conservation. I am informed that conversations between New Brunswick officials and officials of the Dominion Water Power Branch relative to the extension of the same investigations into New Brunswick were carried on, but nothing was done, and it was not until this Government came to power that an agreement was made with the Dominion officials and the New Brunswick Water Power Commission appointed.

The agreement was entered into with the Dominion Water Power Conservation Commission was the same arrangement as exists between the Government of Nova Scotia and the Department of the Interior, by which arrangement we secured the services of Mr. K. H. Smith, to supervise the establishment of gauges, take necessary measurements, secure daily records of the run-off, which up to the present time has comprised the records of sixteen streams, covering practically every drainage district in the province. It was well along in the summer of 1918, by the time all these gauges had been put into operation, and no hydro-electric engineer could think for a minute of recommending the development of any stream unless at least a full year's record had been obtained. It will readily be seen that it is only recently that such necessary records could be placed before Mr. Smith by our Commission. Further preliminary examinations and surveys of some streams have been made by our Commission, and some of these have been checked and confirmed by Mr. Smith and his staff, so that the necessary information in both of the above respects is ready for submission to consulting hydro-electric engineer, and in case of his approval, the Commission will be in possession of such information as will enable them to start work during the coming summer if the Legislature passes favorably upon the proposed bill, which I now submit for consideration.

All kinds of propositions have been put up to me, one wants the Reversing Falls developed, another wants to develop the Petitcodiac river at a cost of seven or eight millions. We can-

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