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STEAMERS COLLIDE, ONE SINKS

St. Pierre Miquelon Strikes Renwick Near Halifax Sending Litter to Bottom With Three Men.

REMAINDER OF CREW WERE SAVED.

Special to The Standard.
Halifax, Dec. 27.—A despatch from North Sydney says the French mail steamer St. Pierre Miquelon, arrived here at 7 o'clock to-night, having on board the crew of the British steamer Renwick, Captain Chapman. The two steamers were in collision off Green Island about one hundred miles east of Halifax early this morning. The French boat striking the Renwick amidships, sending her to the bottom head foremost, and carrying down three of the crew who were sleeping in the forward part of the ship.

The accident happened about 3 o'clock. The weather was fine, with very little sea running. The Renwick was under charter for the Inverness Coal & Railway Company, and at the time of the accident was on her way from Fort Hastings to Bridgewater, N. S., coal laden. One of the drowned men was Wm. Wigginton, an Englishman 35 years old, unmarried. The names of the others are unobtainable. All were firemen.

The survivors lost all their belongings, as the steamer sank so quickly. The St. Pierre Miquelon was uninjured, and proceeded tonight to St. Pierre.

WOODSTOCK MASONS INSTALL OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR.

Special to The Standard.
Woodstock, Dec. 27.—Woodstock Lodge No. 11, F. and A. M., as usual on St. John's Day, installed its officers tonight. E. L. Hagerman, D.D., G.M., was the installing officer. A banquet was given the members after the exercises.

The following are the officers for the coming year: R. M. Gabel, I. P. M.; A. G. Fields, W. M.; E. K. Connell, S. W.; J. A. Lindsay, J. W.; Wm. Munro, secretary; H. A. Seely, chaplain; D. W. Kyle, D. O. S.; W. S. Skelton, S. D.; E. L. Aberton, I. D.; The Grand Woorvelton, I. G.; G. A. E. Hoard, organist; E. L. Hagerman, Tyler.

J. B. McNAMARA TOOK PART OF MACHINE OUT FOR REPAIRS

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 27.—Coincidence with the appearance of H. W. Pohlman, business agent of the Seattle Iron Workers' Union, as a witness before the federal grand jury, which resumed its investigation today into the nation-wide dynamite conspiracy, it became known that another resident of Seattle, Dr. G. D. Wagner, had appeared before the grand jury and given important testimony.

Dr. Wagner manages an electrical company, and according to the testimony, he is said to have given a man whom he afterwards identified by newspaper pictures as James B. McNamara, took part of one of his destructive machines to the Wagner Co. for repairs.

Another witness was William Brown, an employee of the Los Angeles Times. He testified that the morning before the Times building was destroyed, October 1, 1910, he met James B. McNamara in the basement near the spot where the actual explosion occurred. According to Brown, McNamara said he was looking for work as a newspaper mailer.

HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINE HAS ORDERED MONSTER STEAMER

Hamburg, Dec. 27.—The Hamburg-American line has ordered a 60,000-ton liner for the trans-Atlantic service. She will be constructed by Blohm and Voigt in their private yard here and will be a sister ship of the liner Imperator, which had a length of 890 feet and a 90-foot beam. The Imperator, which is to provide accommodation for 6000 passengers.

STATUS OF PERSIA IS THREATENED

Situation of Gravest Complexity Has Arisen—England Fears Present Measure of Independence Will be Lost.

FIGHTING IN STREETS OF TABRIZ CONTINUES

London, Dec. 27.—The Russian government has decided upon stern measures to suppress the disorders at Tabriz and other disturbed Persian towns. The situation of the telegraph lines makes it impossible to get a reliable narrative of the outbreaks. Yet it cannot be doubted that a situation of the gravest complexity has arisen.

As reports of Russian progress in Persia and stories of the indiscriminate killing of natives in Tabriz and Resht and of the destruction of Persia's constitutional government under Russian menaces continue to reach England, the people are becoming increasingly disquieted at the British government's complicity, which the Foreign Secretary, Sir Edward Grey, thinks is a matter of policy and compelled by the Anglo-Russian agreement.

Doubts have also been increased as to whether Persian independence will ever be restored to the feeble status it had before the last assault by Russia. If parliament were sitting there would undoubtedly be severe questioning of the government on this subject and an arraignment of the foreign office.

Tabriz, Dec. 27.—A mob of reactionaries after demonstrating against the constitution in the streets of Tabriz today destroyed the building of the Constitutional Club, they then proceeded to the residence of Shum-Ed-Dowleh, a former cabinet minister and requested him to assume the administration of the province of Azerbaijan. It is reported that Shum-Ed-Dowleh agreed to accept.

London, Dec. 27.—Two messages from Tabriz, Persia, received by English companies having agents there, say that foreigners residing in the city are in a bad plight. They are confined to their houses owing to the continued fighting in the streets, and are running short of supplies. There is some prospect of obtaining a further supply.

All communication with Teheran and Tabriz by means of the Indo-European Telegraph Company's wires, which is the usual route for telegrams have been cut off since Monday. Messages except those passing through St. Petersburg are very brief. They are forwarded first to Bombay and from there to London over the cables of the Eastern Telegraph Company.

DR. SUN APPEARS TO BE BOOKED FOR THE PRESIDENCY

Shanghai, Dec. 27.—The arrival of Dr. Sun Yat-sen has imparted an entirely new and forcible element into the ranks and councils of the revolutionaries. There is every evidence that Dr. Sun Yat-sen is receiving more consideration than the other leaders of the revolutionaries here.

His residence is crowded from morning till evening with representatives of all the provinces, generals and governors with whom he has continual consultations. On Jan. 28th it is thought he will be named president of a new republic and terms will be offered the Manchus dynasty.

IMMIGRATION TO CANADA SHOWS A LARGE INCREASE

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Canadian immigration figures now practically completed for the year, show a total of 351,595 as compared with 311,084 for last year. Immigration from the United States increased 4,000 being 125,399 for 11 months. The influx from Great Britain increased from 123,013 in 1910 to 141,835 in 1911.

Railway returns show a decided business revival. New Haven, Conn., Dec. 27.—The returns for the last few weeks of traffic upon the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company's system, indicates a decided revival of business, especially in the textile, wool and cotton industries of Connecticut and Rhode Island. In those industries there has been within a short time apparent increase of about 25 per cent. in production, and they are running upon a basis of about 75 per cent. of normal good times. The incoming business in raw cotton remains about the same as last year.

PROVINCE HAS THE BEST YEAR OF ITS HISTORY

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for Fiscal Year Published in Royal Gazette Shows New Brunswick in Flourishing Condition—Largest Provincial Revenue Ever Raised—Or Expenditure on Bridges Made Necessary by Neglect of Old Government to Make Repairs.

Special to The Standard.
Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 27.—The statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Province for the fiscal year ending October 31, appears in the Royal Gazette today.

The total ordinary revenue from all sources for the year 1911 was \$1,347,077.05, and the expenditures, \$1,403,546.85. In 1910 the total ordinary revenue was \$1,324,440.05, and the expenditures \$1,371,876.42. The increase in revenue in 1911 over 1910 was \$22,637, and in expenditures \$32,076.43. In 1910 there was a surplus of \$6,563.55, and in 1911 an over expenditure of \$56,469.80. Both the revenue and expenditure for 1911 are the largest in the history of the province.

The over expenditure in 1911 is wholly in the public works department, and largely for the necessary repairs of bridges. Since the present administration came into power they have repaired 2,438 bridges in all sections of the province at an expense of about three-quarters of a million dollars.

The expenditure for bridge repairs in 1910 was \$1,825,835 and in 1911 \$2,361,126.95.

The Consolidated Revenue Account of the Province for 1911 is as follows:

Expenditure.	1911	1910
Administration of Justice.	1,658.91	46,824.04
Agriculture.	3,900.00	1,600.00
Boys' Industrial Home.	9,000.00	9,000.00
Campbellton Relief (1 Geo. V. Cap. 31).	939.25	2,600.00
Colonization Roads (Geo. Sta. Cap. 28).	1,217.50	40,086.55
Contingencies, Depts. and Legislature.	619,328.71	276,855.78
Executive Government.	2,528.75	40,086.55
Education.	276,855.78	276,855.78
Free Grants.	1,125.00	791.03
Factory Inspector.	30,353.51	30,353.51
Fish, Forest and Game.	1,217.50	30,353.51
Guarantee Bonds Govt. Officials.	246,183.33	9,548.40
Immigration.	9,548.40	28,878.25
Jordan Memorial Sanitarium.	798.40	28,878.25
Legislative Assembly.	28,878.25	28,878.25
Legislative Library.	798.40	28,878.25
Liquor License Fund.	28,878.25	28,878.25
Mining.	488.74	488.74
Natural History Society.	600.00	600.00
N. B. Historical Society.	300.00	300.00
N. B. Rifle Association.	5,624.21	5,624.21
Probate Fee Fund.	2,528.75	2,528.75
Public Health—Hospitals.	3,900.00	3,900.00
Public Health—Salaries and Expenses.	13,063.03	13,063.03
Printing.	13,798.92	13,798.92
Provincial Hospital Maintenance.	3,674.41	3,674.41
Pensions, (Teachers) (10 Ed. 7. Cap. 17).	415,761.49	415,761.49
Public Works, Motor Vehicle Law.	503.82	503.82
Refunds.	1,832.64	1,832.64
Revisors.	255.79	255.79
Roads, Settlement Lands, (3 Ed. 7. C. P. 18).	4,682.14	4,682.14
Surveys and Inspections.	30,855.62	30,855.62
Stampage Collection.	277.56	277.56
Succession Duties Collection.	18,853.31	18,853.31
School Books.	25,308.50	25,308.50
Sinking Funds.	2,450.00	2,450.00
Supremacy, etc.	2,000.00	2,000.00
Tourist Associations.	2,000.00	2,000.00
Tuberculosis Commission.	600.00	600.00
Unforeseen Expenses, (Secretary's Salary).	2,417.16	2,417.16
Unforeseen Expenses.	1,403,546.85	1,403,546.85

Expenditure Chargeable to Ordinary Revenue

Wharves and Grain Elevator, St. John.	2,500.00
International Railway Subsidy.	56,300.00
Permanence of the Province, N. B. Railway.	156,028.20
N. B. Coal & Railway (10 Ed. 7. Cap. 4).	102,763.36
(1 Geo. V. Cap. 4).	8,816.01
Contractors' Deposits, Refunded.	8,161.38
Commuted Pensions, Withdrawn.	7,775.64
Debentures 4 per cent. and 6 per cent. Redeemed.	87,600.00
Bank of N. A. Loan, 1910, repaid.	268,314.26
Balance.	184,060.80

Receipts.

Balance from 1910.	\$621,260.96
Domestic Subsidies.	19,820.30
Territorial Revenue, N. B. Railway.	19,820.30
Settlement Lands.	48,278.03
Fee Provincial Secretary's Office.	2,270.00
Leases, Incorporated Companies.	5,720.60
Private and Local Bills.	2,434.19
Succession Duties.	16,209.05
School Books.	16,209.05
King's Printer.	16,209.05
School Books.	16,209.05
Liquor Licenses.	46,631.07
Probate Fee Fund.	1,995.15
Supremacy, etc.	25,089.63
Provincial Hospital.	1,462.00
Sales Agricultural Live Stock.	1,781.36
Potato Warehouses.	4,046.00
Jordan Memorial Sanitarium, Sale of Furniture.	3,854.26
Motor Vehicles.	3,854.26
Miscellaneous Receipts.	3,854.26

Total Ordinary Revenue \$1,347,077.05

Special Loan from Bank of New Brunswick for St. John Valley Survey 8,816.01

Loan from Bank B.N.A. 475,804.17

Loan from Bank of Montreal 310,221.18

Contractors Deposits 8,609.62

Commuted Pensions Deposited 33,643.59

Supreme Court Chancery Division Deposits 2,859.23

Probate Court Deposits 2,859.23

\$2,285,766.30

Manchester, Eng., Dec. 27.—The refusal of one man and two women to join a trade union, coupled with the decision of the master cotton spinners to close their mills three days in the week, caused a complete stoppage of a great portion of the cotton mills in northeast Lancashire this evening.

Efforts are already on foot to bring about a settlement, but as one woman who left the union after 20 years, because she believes that the benefits are not commensurate with the payments, persists in her attitude, and the master spinners insist upon their right to maintain an open shop a long and bitter struggle is feared.

There is danger too of the fight spreading to other industries. The lockout involves 160,000 weavers and nearly an equal number of spinners will be reduced to half pay. Unfortunately there are indications already of probable complications through the introduction of a new issue in the troubles of question of wages. This move has been taken by the weavers, who now declare that as a lockout has been decided upon they intend to make an advance of five per cent. in wages, a condition of any settlement.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 27.—Two men were killed and four other men, two women, and a boy were injured today when a wall of a building occupied by the K. J. Edinger Co., Frankford, collapsed. One of the injured men may die.

The dead are: Edward Mullen, 50 years old and Fred Hollingsworth, shipping clerk. There were about 70 men and women in the building when the crash came, and many of them had narrow escapes from death or injury. The cause of the collapse was the failure of the wall to hold a large water tank.

PROVINCES ARE LEAVING THE EMPIRE

Mongolia Will Declare Independence Simultaneously with Loss of Turkistan by China to Russia.

MONGOLIAN RAILWAY TO BE CONSTRUCTED.

Peking, Dec. 28.—Mongolia which almost equals China proper in size, will be proclaimed independent tomorrow, simultaneously with the cutting off from China of the vast dependency of Turkistan.

Both will pass under Russian influence and will practically become Russian protectorates. Russia will at any time be able to annex them. A grand khan will be named as monarch of Mongolia. The construction of the trans-Mongolian railway for which Russia has long sought permission from China will now be a matter of time. Europe thereby coming nearer to Peking by 3 or 4 days.

Russian influence will flank the Japanese sphere in Manchuria perilously and a Japanese alliance for the sake of preserving Japanese interests may sooner or later be expected. Russian officers and officials if not the Russian government proper, have influenced this action in Mongolia.

BRUTALITY OF THE PERSIANS CAUSED RUSSIANS TO ACT

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—A semi-official statement issued this evening says that the Russian government, in view of facts of foeharly aggression committed against the Russian forces and institutions in Tabriz, Resht and Suez, sometimes followed by brutal tortures of the wounded and base outrages against the dead, has decided that the severest punishment must be meted out, and Russian consuls are instructed to adopt the most stringent measures.

These measures as set forth in the statement, include the arrest and trial by court martial of all participants in the attacks, the disarmament of the ruffians and other troublesome elements, the destruction of places where resistance might be offered and whatever else is deemed necessary to establish order and secure the chastisement of the offenders.

QUEBEC PASTOR DECLINES CALL TO CENTENARY CHURCH

Quebec, Dec. 27.—Rev. Geo. H. Cobbleck of the Methodist church of this city, has declined a call to Centenary church, St. John, N. B., one of the leading churches of the Maritime provinces. This is the second time conference. This is the second time conference. This is the second time conference.

THOUGHT DELEGATES INTEND TO ELECT DR. SUN AS PRESIDENT

Shanghai, Dec. 27.—It is reported that the delegates of the provinces of China proper intend to meet at Nanking on Dec. 28th to elect Dr. Sun Yat-sen as president of the provisional government of the united provinces.

HEARING IN CASE AGAINST BRIDGES HAS BEEN POSTPONED

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 27.—George Bridges arrested Monday night at Monessen, Pa., a steel town near here while carrying a suit case containing 72 sticks of dynamite and fuses, was charged with larceny today by an official of the Henderson Coal Company, who alleges that the explosive was stolen from that company's magazine. A hearing at which Bridges' presidential relations has been postponed until Friday morning.

It is quite possible that the quarters recently vacated by the railroad will be secured, but the commission is proposed to get established in Ottawa and commence the work of hearing evidence early in January.

VERDICT IN TRINGLE FIRE CASE

Jury Finds Harris and Black Not Guilty of Responsibility For Holocaust—No Other Indictments.

CROWDS AWAIT THE DECISION.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 27.—The trial failed today in its efforts to fix the blame for the fire horror on March 25th, 1911 in which 147 young shirt-waist makers in a factory on the top floors of the Asch building were burned or driven to jump to their deaths on the pavement nine floors below. Verdict of not guilty was brought in late this afternoon by the jury in the prosecution of the factory known as the Triangle Waist Company, who are the only persons indicted in connection with the holocaust.

Unusual precautions were taken to prevent repetition at the court house today of the demonstrations which have occurred in a long series of mass meetings, parades and other expressions of sentiments hostile to the defendants since the fire. Only a few persons were allowed in the court room and the corridors and entrances were heavily guarded by extra police men.

The jury came in at 4:35 p. m., after deliberating for an hour and forty minutes. The pronouncement of acquittal was first taken quietly by the defendants, but after an adjournment to an ante-room, they gave way to their emotions in tears, when embraced by relatives and friends. As they passed out through a lane of policemen to the street, crowds of men, women and children awaited them. One hysterical man tried to press his way through the throng, crying in a high voice: "Not guilty, not guilty, not guilty; murder, murder, murder."

He fell on the steps of the court house in convulsions, gasping that he had lost a sister in the fire. An ambulance was summoned to take him to the hospital. By the time this excitement was over, the defendants had darted into a subway entrance and got free of the hostile crowd. King and Black were not charged in a wholesale manner with the deaths that occurred at the fire, but specifically with manufacturing in the case of Margaret Schwartz, a young girl who was found asphyxiated and buried near a door on the ninth floor.

The main argument of the prosecution and defence was directed against the door, the State introducing over a hundred witnesses in an attempt to prove that it was locked, and the defence refuting this contention by a mass of testimony.

ROYAL SPORTSMAN HAS NARROW ESCAPE AT INDIAN HUNT

New York, N. Y., Dec. 27.—A despatch from Bombay printed here this afternoon says: A sensational report that King George had a narrow escape from death while tiger hunting in Nepal was circulated here today. The story was told by a native who had accompanied the royal expedition as a game beater.

Although every precaution possible had been taken to protect the life of His Majesty, an enormous tiger, streaked with blood from several wounds and frantic with pain and rage leaped upon the elephant from whose back King George did his shooting, before it was finally put to death. The tiger was fired first, that honor being accorded all guests of the Maharajah. He missed and after the beast had been wounded in half a dozen places, it made the leap and landed upon the elephant, just back of the royal howdah. The King's nerve remained unshaken and the tiger fell to the ground with two well directed bullets through its head fired by the marksmen on either side of His Majesty.

MONGTON WOMAN DIES IN TORONTO

Special to The Standard.
Moncton, Dec. 27.—Information has been received here of the death in Toronto of Mrs. Margaret, widow of the late Samuel McKean, I. C. R. bridge inspector. The deceased lady was a daughter of the late Alexander Wright, of Moncton, long connected with the mining industry in these provinces. She was a sister of A. L. Wright, of Moncton, and survived by four daughters, Mrs. W. H. Burns, of Toronto, with whom she had made her home in recent years; Mrs. N. L. Lussier, of Toronto; Mrs. T. M. Williamson, of Harrisburg, Pa.; and Mrs. L. H. Somers, of Moncton. The remains will be brought to Moncton for interment.

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VICE-REGAL PARTY TO ATTEND FIRST GAME OF SEASON

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught consented this morning to extend his distinguished patronage to the opening game of the Interprovincial Amateur Hockey Union, which is to be played at the Arena Saturday evening, between the Stewarion and Renfrew teams.

COMMISSION IS GETTING READY FOR EARLY START

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—After calling upon Premier Borden, the minister of public works and the civil service commission, the members of the recently appointed commission which will conduct an inquiry into the government departments, held their first meeting this afternoon.

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