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PREDICT DROP IN PRICE OF SOFT COAL IN STATES

Hon. F. B. Carvell and Mr.
McLean on Rush Trip to
Washington.

New York, July 16.—A reduction in the price of bituminous coal was predicted yesterday by members of the subcommittee of railroad officials and coal operators, meeting here to complete details of a plan to relieve the coal shortage in New York city, New England and the northwest states.

Ottawa, July 15.—(Canadian Press)—The sudden departure for Washington this afternoon of Chief Commissioner Carvell and Commissioner McLean of the railway board to confer with the United States Interstate Commerce Commission in regard to the fuel situation in Canada and the United States, is an indication of the serious view of the coal problem taken by the Dominion and United States authorities. The trip to Washington is being made on the invitation of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

NO REPLY RE THE ARMISTICE

Russians, However, May
Have Accepted — Red Of-
fensive in Ukraine at a
Standstill.

Spa, July 16.—British officials here denied this morning that any reply had been received from the Russian Soviet government relative to the British proposal for an armistice between Russia and Poland.

Berne, July 16.—The Russian Bolshevik offensive in the Ukraine has come to a standstill, according to advices from Bucharest, which declares the counter-offensive of the Ukrainian forces is making progress. The Ukrainian armies are being backed up by growing forces of volunteers forming in the rear of the Bolsheviks, and aided by the extensive uprisings of peasants.

London, July 16.—The London Times hears that Gen. Wrangel, anti-Bolshevik leader on the southern Russian front, has declined the British proposal that he withdraw to the Crimea in connection with the projected armistice with the Bolsheviks.

A despatch to the London Times from Spa says it is reported there that the Russian Soviet government has accepted Premier Lloyd George's armistice proposal, but wants the peace conference

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SONS OF TEMPERANCE

Moncton, July 16.—The National Division Sons of Temperance session was continued yesterday.

The legislation committee recommended that steps be taken to urge upon the congress of the United States the necessity of prohibiting the sale of intoxicants on all American ships; that no increase in the percentage of alcohol in temperance drinks be allowed; that the amount of alcohol now permitted to be sold in the United States for medicinal purposes be curtailed; that temperance forces of Canada be called upon to unite and demand that there be a Dominion-wide law doing away with the importation, manufacture and exportation of intoxicants for beverage purposes; that number of certificates issued by doctors be greatly reduced; and that the Canadian government be called upon to have alcoholic contents of temperance drinks now sold reduced to one half of one per cent, as is law in the United States.

The delegates to the National Division were guests at a banquet this evening in the Baptist church, tendered by the Moncton city council.

Nova Scotia Fatality.

Stanley Sutherland of Brookfield, N. S., was killed yesterday afternoon when a car in which he was driving was struck at a railway crossing by the east bound Maritime express. He leaves his wife and five small children. His wife's brother died a few weeks ago as the result of an accident at Shubenacadie station, when one of his legs was cut off by a train.

YESTERDAY'S TEST OF ONE MAN CAR

The one-man street car was given its first test yesterday afternoon. The car ran to Indianatown and later along the king and Britain street routes. Those on board were the mayor and commissioners, T. H. McCauley of the New Brunswick Power Company, the city engineer, E. J. Terry, representing the Rotary Club; R. E. Armstrong, representing the Commercial Club; Fred Campbell, Ira D. Ferris and Gus Langheim, representing organized labor, and representatives from the newspapers. McCauley said the trip was reasonably fair but Mr. Campbell said inefficiency of the car was demonstrated. Mr. McCauley said that a further demonstration of the car would be made this afternoon a little after 3 o'clock, and other afterwards until the public was acquainted with the operation of this new type.

SUITS OVER PROPERTY.

Before Judge Chandler in the Supreme Court on Tuesday judgment was given in the case of Frank Browley, plaintiff, and George H. Waterbury, defendant. This was an action brought by the plaintiff for the return of deposit paid by the plaintiff on the purchase, by him at public auction, of property in Ches-

ter street. The defendant also made a counter claim for damages, giving as reason that the plaintiff has not carried out his agreement to purchase. Judge Chandler gave judgment for the defendant on the plaintiff's claim with costs and also gave judgment for the defendant on the counter claim for the sum of \$1 without costs. G. H. V. Belyea, K. C., Wyles & Lines were for the plaintiff and Kenneth A. Wilson for the defendant.

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INQUIRY INTO CHARGES.

Investigation of the charges made against Prohibition Inspector R. W. Demmings by Dr. T. S. Sprague commenced yesterday morning in Woodstock before W. M. Ryan of St. John as royal commissioner. Alphonso Niles testified that when he was injured in the theatre fire the accused gave him a drink of brandy. Joseph Topham of St. Stephen said that he asked the inspector for liquor and it was given to him. He had the flu at the time. John Lemahieu said he was given a drink at the theatre fire. In none of these cases was money given. W. F. Craig, a constable living in Perth, who has acted with Demmings in the enforcement of the act, said that they had arrested two men for bringing liquor across the border and that he asked the accused for a drink. The drink was given him from one of the bottles confiscated. He said that later he had asked Demmings for porter, saying it was for sickness. He got it. The inquiry is not yet concluded.

A FINE GIFT.

Speaking at a luncheon in Halifax yesterday, Roy M. Wolvin, president of the Dominion Steel Corporation, announced that a gift of \$250,000 was to be made by the company to Dalhousie University to provide more professorships in research work in connection with the natural resources of the province of Nova Scotia.

Golden Wedding.

A large number of friends called at the residence of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Morton, Allison avenue, Sackville, Monday afternoon and evening, to offer congratulations and best wishes on the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. During the evening Hon. Josiah Wood, a college chum of Dr. Morton, presented him with a purse of gold on behalf of his many friends and admirers. Mr. Wood spoke of Dr. Morton's college days and of his success in the ministry.

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