

QUEENSTOWN SHUT TO EAST BOUND SHIPS

British Admiralty Takes Unexpected Measures Under New Law Powers.

STERNER METHODS AGAINST IRISH

Sinn Feiners Say Attempt to Crush "Republic" Coming Very Soon.

London, Sept. 14.—Until further notice "no ship or vessel carrying passengers eastward bound is to enter the port or harbor of Queenstown," says a notice by the British Admiralty printed in the Official Gazette, tonight.

The order, which takes effect forthwith, was issued under the Restoration of Order in Ireland regulations.

To Break Irish.

The Sinn Fein intelligence department claims that it has learned that the British military government, acting in conjunction with certain members of the Cabinet, has decided to break the republican movement in Ireland before Parliament reassembles on October 19, according to the Daily Mail's Dublin correspondent.

MOTHER DENIED POSSESSION OF HER DAUGHTER

Newark, N. J., Sept. 14.—By a court decision handed down this afternoon, Mrs. Annie O'Brien, Moncton, N. B., was denied possession of her 12 year old daughter, Kathleen. The girl was awarded to Mrs. Lillian Delaney, who is the foster mother. Vice Chancellor Fielder, in announcing the decision, said he would insert a clause restraining the child's parents ever from attempting to gain possession of her.

NO WORD YET OF DRIFTING STEAMER

Halifax, Sept. 14.—No further word has been received at the local agency of the Marine and Fisheries Department concerning the French steamer *Huntington*, which yesterday was reported as being adrift with rudder and engine trouble off Scatarie Island, but it is presumed she is being towed to port by the tug sent to her assistance from Sydney.

SCHOONER LOST BUT CREW COME ASHORE

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 14.—A special cable from Turks Island, today, says, "Schooner *Mary Oxner* reported total loss at Silver Cays. Captain and crew arrived in vessel's boats at Grand Turk, September 14." There is no *Mary Oxner* listed in available shipping records, but there is a *Mary L. Oxner*, which is probably the one referred to. She is a new craft, and sailed from Lunenburg on July 29 for St. John's, Nfld., arriving there early in August and loading fish for Barbadoes.

EARLY HEARING IN FREIGHT APPEAL

Ottawa, Sept. 14.—Notices of appeal against the increased railway freight and passenger rates granted by the railway commission are again before the Cabinet Council for consideration today. It is expected that an early date will be fixed for the hearing of the appeals.

TWO BURNED TO DEATH IN AIRSHIP

Cleveland, Sept. 14.—Air mail pilot Walter Stevens and Mechanician Russell Thomas, both of Cleveland, were burned to death at 3 o'clock today when their plane caught fire at an altitude of 500 feet at Pemberville, Ohio, 15 miles south of Toledo.

TIME CHANGES OCT. 3

Montreal, Sept. 14.—The cities of Montreal, Ottawa, Quebec and Sherbrooke will all change to standard time on October 3, it was learned today.

Finance Minister Opens Tariff Study

Special to The Standard.

Mr. Henry Drayton, Minister of Finance of the Dominion, who started the work of the Tariff Commission yesterday at Winnipeg.

M'CURDY MAKING FINE CAMPAIGN IN COLCHESTER

New Minister Needed to Give Nova Scotia a Voice in the Government is Plea.

(Special to The Standard.)

Truro, N. S., Sept. 14.—With the election in Colchester only a few days away now, interest in the fight between the Hon. Mr. McCurdy and Captain Dixon, the Farmer-Liberal candidate, is at fever heat. Mr. McCurdy is making a splendid campaign with meetings every night.

In this he is being supported by a large number of very prominent speakers of the National Liberal and Conservative party. The emphasis is being laid on the fact that a member of the Federal Government can do more for Colchester and for the province than can any representative who must sit with the opposition.

Big Meeting in Truro.

A big meeting was held in this place last night with Capt. A. H. Chute, Senator Crosby and others as the speakers.

Captain Chute made a strong plea for the election of Hon. P. B. McCurdy. Mr. F. L. Fowke, who recently represented an Ontario constituency, said he was obliged to part company with Sir Wilfrid Laurier in 1917 on the conscription issue. During the war a strong, steady government was needed and such a government is needed now less now than then.

Referring to the present contest, he said: "The eyes of all Canada are upon you. Any school boy should know where the interests of Colchester lie. Unless McCurdy is elected you will be without a voice in the government of the country."

Case of Free Trade.

The establishment of free trade, he declared, would mean direct taxation and would be taking away the cause of our prosperity. The last man in the world who should want to destroy the industries of the country should be the farmer, for they provide him with a home market.

Senator Crosby said he was speaking in this campaign because Mr. McCurdy, as Minister of Public Works, would represent all Nova Scotia in the government of the country. He asked the electors of the country to stand by Mr. McCurdy and send him back to Ottawa so that this province might have representative in the cabinet to which it is entitled.

Speaking of the tariff on farm implements, he showed it was lower today than under the Laurier regime and even lower than that proposed under the Borden policy.

Speaking of the tariff on farm implements, he showed it was lower today than under the Laurier regime and even lower than that proposed under the Borden policy.

GREAT STORM SWEEPS OVER NOVA SCOTIA

In Digby St. Patrick's Church Was Hit Three Times by Lightning Bolts.

THREE HOUSES ON ONE STREET DAMAGED

At Broad River Young Man is Instantly Killed While in His House.

Special to The Standard.

Digby, Sept. 14.—One of the worst electrical storms which ever passed over this country took place this morning resulting in much damage. In Digby four places were struck, St. Patrick's Catholic church being the worst sufferer.

This building which stands on a high hill, was struck twice, if not three times. There are holes in the roof, front wall, foundation and the steeple is ripped to pieces. Windows were torn out and blown around and it will cost a great deal to repair the damage.

House Hit Too.

Acadville, the residence of John Murley was badly damaged. In Bear River the house of Stanley Sullivan was struck, the bolt entering the north end of the house and almost wrecking it. Beds were torn to pieces and portions torn out, but no one was hurt.

Man Killed in Liverpool.

Liverpool, N. S., Sept. 14.—Harley Bronhugh, son of Richard Bronhugh, a section man residing at Broad River, unharmed, aged 24 years, was instantly killed at his home this morning by lightning. His brother and sister were present and made every effort to revive him, but were unsuccessful. The house was torn up considerably, plaster and shingles being thrown in every direction. The tempest began last evening at seven o'clock and continued without interruption until this morning with a heavy rainfall.

Bridges Carried Away.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 14.—A heavy electrical and rain storm swept over the province last night and today. Damage is reported at several places, and the telegraph service to eastern points is interrupted.

A despatch from Port Hawkesbury says that no trains from Halifax or Sydney arrived there today. Several bridges at that place have been carried away and the iron bridge and concrete abutments at the head of Hawkesbury harbor are down.

HUN GUNS TO BE MELTED INTO FARM MACHINES

Berlin, Sept. 14.—Germany is offering premiums and rewards aggregating 200,000,000 marks as an inducement to the civil population to give up their military weapons, and as evidence of her sincere endeavor to disarm.

WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA.

Sir George Foster will speak in St. John in the interests of Hon. Mr. Wigmore on Friday evening.

Terrific lightning storms sweep Digby and Liverpool, N. S.

THE BRITISH ISLES.

Queenstown Port has been closed by the Admiralty against all east bound passenger ships.

Lord Mayor MacSwiney's condition is reported unchanged but some of the food strikers in Cork jail are said to be dying.

The British Cabinet will not alter its policy regarding the food strikers and Sinn Feiners except military will attempt to crush "Republic" before House of Commons meets.

ALBERT RAILWAY AN ILLUSTRATION

Elgin, Alma and Harvey Districts Visited in Quick Order by the Minister.

Special to The Standard.

Albert, N. B., Sept. 14.—Oulton Hall was filled this evening when the Hon. R. W. Wigmore, Minister of Customs and Inland Revenue, who is seeking reelection in St. John-Albert because of his elevation to a portfolio in the Federal Cabinet, arrived to speak on the issues of the day.

He gave a rousing reception and made one of the best addresses, although very brief, he has ever given in the province.

In the audience were many Liberals who had come to hear Mr. Wigmore give his reasons why the control of the Dominion should be along the lines recently adopted by the leaders of the two former parties.

Mr. John L. Peck and Mr. Lewis Smith, M. L. A.'s, spoke also and predicted a sweeping victory on Monday night. Mr. Wigmore has succeeded in having the line taken over and operated by the Government.

The Government, he declared, was composed of men who could do things, as this instance proved well.

OULTON HALL CROWD GREET MR. WIGMORE

Government Candidate Declared to be a Man "Who Gets Things Done."

ALBERT RAILWAY AN ILLUSTRATION

Elgin, Alma and Harvey Districts Visited in Quick Order by the Minister.

Special to The Standard.

Albert, N. B., Sept. 14.—Oulton Hall was filled this evening when the Hon. R. W. Wigmore, Minister of Customs and Inland Revenue, who is seeking reelection in St. John-Albert because of his elevation to a portfolio in the Federal Cabinet, arrived to speak on the issues of the day.

He gave a rousing reception and made one of the best addresses, although very brief, he has ever given in the province.

In the audience were many Liberals who had come to hear Mr. Wigmore give his reasons why the control of the Dominion should be along the lines recently adopted by the leaders of the two former parties.

Mr. John L. Peck and Mr. Lewis Smith, M. L. A.'s, spoke also and predicted a sweeping victory on Monday night. Mr. Wigmore has succeeded in having the line taken over and operated by the Government.

The Government, he declared, was composed of men who could do things, as this instance proved well.

In the audience were many Liberals who had come to hear Mr. Wigmore give his reasons why the control of the Dominion should be along the lines recently adopted by the leaders of the two former parties.

Mr. John L. Peck and Mr. Lewis Smith, M. L. A.'s, spoke also and predicted a sweeping victory on Monday night. Mr. Wigmore has succeeded in having the line taken over and operated by the Government.

The Government, he declared, was composed of men who could do things, as this instance proved well.

In the audience were many Liberals who had come to hear Mr. Wigmore give his reasons why the control of the Dominion should be along the lines recently adopted by the leaders of the two former parties.

Mr. John L. Peck and Mr. Lewis Smith, M. L. A.'s, spoke also and predicted a sweeping victory on Monday night. Mr. Wigmore has succeeded in having the line taken over and operated by the Government.

The Government, he declared, was composed of men who could do things, as this instance proved well.

Sir George Foster Coming To St. John

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Sept. 14.—Sir George Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, will leave on Wednesday for St. John, N. B., where he will speak on Friday in support of the candidature of Hon. R. W. Wigmore. The minister was anxious to have Prime Minister Meighen speak in St. John this week, but he has been compelled to remain in the capital by pressing public business.

TRADE CONGRESS DOUBTS WISDOM OF FREE TRADE

Fearful of Effect of Such Policy on Canadians in U. S. Branch Factories.

Windsor, Ont., Sept. 14.—The Trades and Labor Congress of Canada today approved without debate a clause in the report of the executive committee favoring the removal of question to customs duties from politics, and suggested that tariff decisions should be reached only after exhaustive enquiry, and with a view to enabling the worker to be paid proper wage standards.

"During the past year," says the report, "there has been carried on a very active campaign by certain interests for the adoption of a free trade policy in Canada. To the numbers of workers engaged by Canadian branches of United States industries and other industries claiming tariff protection as necessary for their exercise this question is a vital one."

Suggests Tariff Board.

Formation of a tariff board on which organized labor shall be represented is recommended.

Discussion of the proposal that the Congress should become a political organization occupied most of the session, and no decision was reached. The Congress was addressed by President Ollis Levy, of the International Boot and Shoe Workers' Union, and President C. Stillman, of the Confederation of St. Louis Teachers, who with Miss Mabel Gillespie, national representative of the Women's National Trades' Union League of the United States, were given seats on the platform.

'SNYDER' TOOK MUCH LEAD BEFORE DYING

Elephant Went Mad and Tossed Lion Cage Thirty Feet Away.

Salina, Kansas, Sept. 14.—It required five rounds from five army rifles, yesterday, to kill "Snyder," a trained elephant belonging to a circus showing here. The animal had gone mad and started to wreck the menagerie. He threw one cage, containing four lions, a distance of 30 feet, and upset a score of others.

THANKSGIVING WILL BE ON OCTOBER 18

Ottawa, Sept. 14.—Thanksgiving will this year be celebrated on Monday, October 18. A formal order to this effect will probably be approved tomorrow.

J. C. SAUNDERS PROMOTED

Ottawa, Sept. 14.—J. C. Saunders, Assistant Deputy Minister of Finance for several years, has been promoted to the position of Deputy Minister in succession to T. C. Boville, C. M. G., who retired last spring on superannuation.

ECREMENT CASE POSTPONED

Montreal, Sept. 14.—Voluntary statement in the case of O. Patenaude versus Arthur Evenden, ex-Member of Parliament and notary, the charge being one of false pretences, was postponed for eight days at the request of counsel for the defence today.

HUN WARSHIPS FOR TARGETS

London, Eng., Sept. 14.—Surrendered German warships are to be used as targets in gunnery experiments by the British navy. Among the craft selected for this purpose are armored vessels and destroyers.

IRISH FOOD STRIKERS IN CORK DYING

Hennessy and Kenny in State of Collapse and Condition Critical.

MacSWINEY STANDS LONG FAST WELL

British Cabinet's Attitude to Lord Mayor Unchanged by Cabinet Meeting.

London, Sept. 14.—"The Lord Mayor's condition is unchanged," says the bulletin issued tonight by the Irish Self-Determination League dealing with Lord Mayor MacSwiney, Cork, who is on a hunger strike in British prison. The league, it is said, obtains its information from members of the MacSwiney family, who visit him, and from Father Dominic, his spiritual adviser.

After a Cabinet meeting held today to consider industrial disputes, it was stated that the Government's attitude regarding Lord Mayor MacSwiney had undergone no change.

Reported as "Dying."

Cork, Sept. 14.—The prison physicians today informed the Associated Press that among the hunger striking prisoners in Cork jail there were no grave collapses during the night, but that the condition of Sean Hennessy and Kenny were extremely critical this morning, and that all the hunger strikers had been entered in the morning medical report as dying.

SOVIETS CLAIM POLES OFFER NO TERMS OF PEACE

Riga, Sept. 14.—Russian Bolshevik peace delegates who have arrived here to meet representatives of Poland and negotiate an armistice and a peace treaty considered the meeting here merely a continuance of the conference at Minsk.

"Our terms," said Adolphe Joff, head of the Soviet delegation, today, "were never answered by the Poles at Minsk, nor were any counter-proposals submitted. The Poles merely criticized our terms, but offered nothing in the nature of proposals." Before the conference can proceed, the Poles must make known the terms upon which they would base a treaty.

ENGAGED HERSELF TO FOUR PEOPLE

And Obtained Four Complete Wedding Trousseaus Before Police Stepped in.

Special to The Standard.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 14.—Mrs. Edith M. Snook, 55, mother of two children, and happily married, obtained four complete trousseaus from other men after becoming engaged to them and refusing at the last moment to make the journey to the altar.

She used the mails to beguile the prospective bridegroom-to-be. She has been arrested by post office inspectors on a charge of using the mails to defraud.

Mrs. Snook, the inspectors revealed, wanted pretty clothes and she hit upon a matrimonial agency as the medium through which to procure them. After obtaining the names of her victims from the agency she would enter upon a lively correspondence, representing herself as a youthful divorcee. She became engaged to four men, but when they insisted on setting a wedding date, she wrote that her parents had objected.

LADY PRESS GUEST DIDN'T MISS MEETING

Quebec, Sept. 14.—Keenest admiration for the women of Canada was expressed today by Miss Mary F. Billington, representative of the news paper women of England in the recent Imperial Press Conference, on the eve of her departure for home.

Miss Billington has the record of having attended every meeting, function and reception during the conference tour of Canada, in which practically every city and many country towns were visited.

SPLIT IN LABOR'S RANKS, BRANTFORD

Brantford, Ont., Sept. 14.—Announcement was made today following a meeting of the Brantford I. O. O. last night, that support would be given to A. W. Burt, late principal and at present on the staff of the Brantford Collegiate Institute, and also a Vice-President of the Independent Labor Party, if he were nominated for the federal riding of Brantford by the I. O. O. The I. O. O. had previously nominated Mayor Macbride, M. P. P.

G. A. RUGGLES DEAD.

Digby, Sept. 14.—George Albert Ruggles died recently at his home in Bear River, at the age of 87 years. The brothers, two sons and a daughter survive.