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TWELVE PAGES—ONE CENT

RECORD RUN TO THIS PORT BY ROYAL GEORGE

Six Days, Seven Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes

RUSH WORK ON MAILED

All Transferred in Hour and Forty-Eight Minutes, Which Also is a Record—Lake Michigan is in Today With Nearly 300 Passengers

With the arrival of the Royal Mail steamer Royal George in port this morning some records were smashed, one the trans-Atlantic trip to St. John, which the Royal George accomplished in 6 days, 7 hours and 24 minutes, and the unloading and getting away of the steamer's large mail cargo, which was done in one hour and forty-eight minutes.

The steamer tied up at the wharf a little before eight o'clock this morning and at 8.36 a start was made on the discharge of the 2,397 packages of mail. At 10.24 the last package was placed in the car and six minutes later the train was drawn out of the shed and shunted to the Union Depot where the passengers were taken on, and at 10.40 o'clock local time, or about two hours after the first bag of mail was taken out of the ship, the train was on her way to Montreal.

The 2,397 packages of mail matter and parcels post filled seven cars, four for Upper Canada and the west, one of excess and two for the maritime provinces. The Royal George, which is under the command of Captain F. J. Thompson, left Avonmouth at 8.08 p. m. on Dec. 31 and at noon next day had made 232 miles. Her daily runs for the following days were 437, 466, 480, 428, 427 and 290 miles. The actual time consumed in making the voyage of 2,600 miles was 6 days, 7 hours and 24 minutes. The steamer was delayed one hour by fog on Jan. 5 when in longitude 52.52 W, which would reduce her actual sailing time by one hour. This is the fastest time that has been made across the Atlantic to St. John.

Although the weather for the most part was cloudy and overcast during the voyage, the vessel was compelled to contend with much adverse wind, but two of the days were marked with very rough seas. The ship came through without accident, however, and landed her 165 passengers in good order. The passenger list was composed of eighteen first, thirty-three second and 114 third class. The following are the first cabin passengers:—L. D. Bruckeridge, L. E. Callaghan, C. H. Cross, J. F. Galbraith, R. B. Henderson, Mrs. Henderson, E. J. Horcroft, T. E. H. Jolly, A. D. Leybourne, J. McGrath, R. F. McMeekin, T. Molloy, J. B. Savage, J. Shirley, R. Smith, G. H. Stoker, J. T. Taylor and T. Graeven.

One of the officers on the Royal George, speaking to a Times reporter this morning said that, although the weather was foggy outside the harbor, no difficulty was experienced in coming up to this port, was safer and more convenient for steamers, as great caution had always to be taken in coming into Halifax harbor. In fact, he said that in real foggy weather, it was impossible to come in there at all on account of the treacherous ledges and shoals.

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN, THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS IN BRITISH PARLIAMENT, IS RETIRING

Veteran Statesman Feels Younger Man Should Take His Place and Son Will Be Candidate—Public Life to See Him No More

(Canadian Press) Birmingham, Eng., Jan. 7.—Joseph Chamberlain, the venerable British statesman, has decided to retire from parliament at the next general election.

part in the parliamentary struggle and help you to maintain the supremacy of the Unionist cause in Birmingham." Mr. Chamberlain will leave Highbury, his residence in Birmingham, next week for London, and after passing a few days there, will proceed on his usual winter visit to the south of France. There has been no change for the worse in Mr. Chamberlain's health recently. He is, however, nearly eighty years since he spoke in the house of commons, and nearly three years since he appeared there, and then only for a few minutes on the opening of the session of 1911, when he was assisted into the house, so that he might take the oath.

Younger Son May Succeed Him At the outset of his political career he was a radical, and he served under William Ewart Gladstone in several cabinets, as president of the board of trade and president of the local government board. He became a Unionist at the time of the break in the Liberal party over the home rule for Ireland question, and he was secretary of state for the colonies at the time of the Boer war. He is seventy-eight years old, and has been married three times. His third wife, to whom he was married in 1898, was Mary Endicott, only daughter of the late W. C. Endicott, secretary of war during President Cleveland's administration. Mr. Chamberlain was the chief commissioner for the settlement of the North American fisheries dispute in 1897.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN after serving as a member of the house of commons since 1876, during all of which time he has represented Birmingham. In a letter to the president of the Unionist Association of Birmingham, Mr. Chamberlain writes:—"Before leaving for the south of France, I think I ought to communicate to you the decision which I have arrived to retire from parliament at the next general election. I have not come to this decision without many regrets at the severance of a connection which has already lasted over thirty-seven years, and has been marked on the part of my constituents by ever-growing confidence and support, but I cannot hope again to do my work in parliament, and I feel that our city and the constituency of West Birmingham need the services of a younger man, who will take an active

part in the parliamentary struggle and help you to maintain the supremacy of the Unionist cause in Birmingham." Mr. Chamberlain will leave Highbury, his residence in Birmingham, next week for London, and after passing a few days there, will proceed on his usual winter visit to the south of France. There has been no change for the worse in Mr. Chamberlain's health recently. He is, however, nearly eighty years since he spoke in the house of commons, and nearly three years since he appeared there, and then only for a few minutes on the opening of the session of 1911, when he was assisted into the house, so that he might take the oath.

HUSBAND KILLED; LEARNS BY PAPER

Aviator Scout Shot by Federals in Mexico

ENGINE FAILED HIM Stopped When Over Enemy's Camp and He Was Captured—Wife Anxiously Waiting To Hear From Him When Newspaper Story Came

(Canadian Press) New York, Jan. 7.—A woman in Paris yesterday picked up Gil Blas, a newspaper, and there read a translated report of an article by Arnold Kruckman, aviation expert, telling of the execution of Didier Masson, a French aviator, by the Federals in Mexico last September. The woman was Madame Masson and until she chanced on the article did not know she had been widowed. For months she had not heard from her husband. Daily she had looked for news concerning him for she knew he had been employed as a scout by the Constitutionalists last spring.

The details which Kruckman obtained show that at sunrise, one morning, the little aviator was bound and led to the claybanked shores of Las Guaymas, where a grave was dug. Soldiers there shot him. Masson was killed by the Constitutionalists in last March to drive a military airplane. His compensation was \$500 Mexican a month. He agreed to fly at least four times a week over the enemy's fortifications or communications and obtain information. He crashed over the Federals stronghold at Las Guaymas and dropped bombs on the federals as a sort of daily amusement.

SAY POLITICAL CAREER OF WHITNEY MUST BE CONSIDERED ENDED That is Rumor—Holding His Own Today, But No Definite Improvement

New York, Jan. 7.—Doctor Fyne was of the opinion last night that the condition of Sir James Whitney had shown a slight, but not necessarily permanent improvement, and that he was holding his own.

HAPPY TIME AT GATHERING OF MISSION CHURCH CHILDREN The annual treat was given the children of the Sunday school of the Mission Church S. John Baptist last evening. After attending services at 8.30 the children gathered in the school room where a beautifully decorated Christmas tree was lighted. The ladies of St. Monica's Guild provided refreshments, which was enjoyed by 129 children.

THE REFINERY L. R. Wilson, of the Atlantic Sugar Refiners, Ltd., who came here on Monday with E. G. M. Cape, will return to Montreal tonight. Mr. Cape went back last night. While here they inspected the work and the general plans and were pleased with the progress made.

Canadian Northern Would Buy Intercolonial, Says Sir William Mackenzie

Toronto Says Negotiations Opened—Not Running Rights, But The People's Road Itself, What is Wanted

(Canadian Press) Toronto, Jan. 7.—The Canadian Northern Railroad has laid 1,260 miles of track during the year 1913, and has furnished the money to pay for it. These were the words of Sir William Mackenzie in the course of an interview last night, after his returning after driving the spike that completed the line of steel from Toronto to the Yellowhead Pass.

WIRELESS TO MEET THE C. P. R. LAND LINES AT FREDERICTON Newcastle Station to be One of Most Powerful in World—Final Tests Soon and Business in Spring—C. P. R. to Have Land Contract

(Canadian Press) Montreal, Jan. 7.—A. S. Baxendale, managing director of the Universal Radio Syndicate, which is preparing under contract with the Canadian government to establish a wireless telegraphic service between Canada and the United Kingdom, announced today that the Canadian station, now nearing completion at Newcastle, N. B., will likely be ready for operation in the early part of the year.

NOT HIS SON, SAYS ANDREW WATSON Strange "Identification" Story in Toronto Suicide Case

ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH DISAPPEARANCE OF SYRIAN PEDLAR Halifax, N. S., Jan. 7.—Edward Cook, aged twenty-two years, was arrested at Sheet Harbor last night in connection with the disappearance of Charles Asaf, a Syrian pedlar.

PARIS DE LEON IS DEAD Paris, Jan. 7.—Duke Alain Charles Louis De Rohan, Prince de Leon, died yesterday in his 70th year. He had been a Royalist member of the chamber of deputies since 1876. He fought in the Franco-German war.

MONTREAL BARRED FROM NEW LEAGUE

Circuit Complete and Franchise Refused

CHANGE GETS OLD TIMER Asston's Catcher as Coach For New York American Pitchers—McAllister Gets Match With Levisky—Spurs For the Defender Defiance

(Canadian Press) Chicago, Ill., Jan. 7.—Montreal is the latest city to be denied admission to the Federal League. Business men who applied for a franchise were told that the circuit had been completed for the coming season. Cincinnati recently was refused a franchise.

McAllister and Gibson Matched New York, Jan. 7.—"Bob" McAllister of San Francisco, a middleweight who secured a popular decision over Battling Levinsky on Monday night, was matched last night to meet Mike Gibson of St. Paul in a ten round bout at Madison Square Garden on the night of Jan. 12.

KING AND QUEEN TO IRELAND IN JULY New York, Jan. 7.—A cable from London to the New York American, says: King George and Queen Mary are already considering a visit to Dublin next July. It is understood that the king will conform his movements, so far as Ireland is concerned, to the advice of his ministers, and will adopt no course that will hamper any of the political parties.

TEACHING PEOPLE To Save Money At a recent meeting of bankers one of the speakers told them that it was the duty of the banks and trust companies to advertise in the newspapers.

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WEATHER BULLETIN Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, K. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

DAVID RICHARDS; PROMINENT LUMBERMAN OF NORTH SHORE, DEAD FOLLOWING PARALYSIS (Special to Times) Campbellton, N. B., Jan. 7.—David Richards one of Campbellton's most prominent citizens, was stricken with apoplexy two days ago and passed away at six o'clock this morning without regaining consciousness.