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Imperial Defence Committee.

A despatch received by the Federal Government from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, throws some light on the proposal that the self-governing Dominions be given representation on the Imperial defence committee.

Mr. Harcourt's despatch is dated Dec. 10th, and was sent to the governors of all the self-governing dominions of the Empire. It shows that the proposal, as now likely to become effective, was considered during the Imperial conference of May, 1911.

Mr. Asquith and I had subsequently several private conversations with him at which he expressed the desire that the Canadian and other dominion ministers who might be in London as members of the committee of Imperial defence should receive, in confidence, knowledge of the policy and proceedings of the Imperial government in foreign and other matters.

We pointed out to him that the committee of Imperial Defence is a purely advisory body and is not, and cannot under any circumstances become a body decided on policy which is and must remain the sole prerogative of the cabinet subject to the support of the House of Commons.

In a public speech which I made a short time ago I used the following words: "There is on the part of Canadian ministers and people a natural and laudable desire for a greater measure of consultation and cooperation with us in the future than they have had in the past."

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We hope in the near future to have our progressing town incorporated, and thereby secure means to add to its improvement, and tend to make it more attractive especially to summer visitors.

New Steel Bridge.

(At Montague, officially opened, with appropriate ceremonies, attended by an immense throng of enthusiastic people.)

Friday last was a gala day in the thriving town of Montague, and brought together an immense throng of people from town and country, who participated with enthusiasm in the ceremonies attending the official opening of the splendid new steel bridge erected by the Provincial Government.

The bridge and the principal buildings were gaily decorated with flags and bunting, and the people were out en masse. The new bridge has a single steel span 180 feet long and 16 feet wide. This is the longest, widest and heaviest span yet erected by the Provincial Government.

A fair test of its strength and stability were afforded during the opening ceremonies, when it was covered with teams almost its entire length, and the major part of the town's population were present. Under this immense strain the bridge did not give the slightest jar, and this notwithstanding that the riveting was not quite complete.

A special train conveying members of the Provincial Government and other visitors left Charlottetown shortly before 1 o'clock and arrived at Montague about 2:30 o'clock. Those on board the train included Premier Mathieson, Hon. James A. McNeill, Commissioner of Public Works, Hon. Murdoch McKinnon, Commissioner of Agriculture, Hon. W. S. Stewart, Hon. J. A. McDonald, C. C. MacDonald, M. L. A. Mr. L. E. McMillan, Secretary of Public Works, Messrs. Cotton and McIsaac of the Examiner and the Herald and several other gentlemen.

A great concourse of people were at the station on the arrival of the train. After brief friendly greetings, the visitors were conveyed to sleighs in waiting, and a procession was started. A. C. McDonald, Esq., Dr. J. D. McIntyre, Mr. Martin McKinnon and others in charge of arrangements were most assiduous in attending to the accommodation of those who had come by train. The procession started amid the ringing of gongs, the blowing of steam whistles and the enthusiastic applause of the assembled throng.

On behalf of the inhabitants of Montague and the surrounding country we tender you the thanks of this section of King's County for placing such a fine permanent structure as the Steel Bridge spanned the Montague River, which is now being opened for traffic.

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Present conditions in the money market and the recent sharp rise in foreign exchange rates were reflected today in the arrangement of the first exportation of gold in many months. \$1,000,000 in gold bars having been engaged for shipment to Europe on Saturday.

Hon. Frank Oliver could keep his seat when his fellow members of the House sang the National Anthem. We doubt if he will do so when his constituents have finished their voting in the next Dominion elections.

After the applause following Hon. McNeill's address had died away Miss Helena McDonald stepped to the side of the bridge and according to established custom shattered a bottle of champagne on the rail, accompanying the action by the words: "I hereby declare the Montague Steel Bridge open."

The ceremonies over, the procession of sleighs reformed and completed the course of the bridge and drove up and down the main street on both sides, the gongs ringing and the whistles blowing. The procession was led from start to finish by Miss Helena McDonald, who christened the bridge in a sleigh driven by Mr. Charles A. McDonald.

The injured were scalded, burned or struck by flying wreckage. The steamer John Quill carried aid to the injured and will return with them to Mobile tomorrow.

Boiler Explodes.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 9.—The river steambot James Staples was wrecked, her captain and perhaps four others killed and 80 persons severely injured when one of the boiler exploded near Bladen, Alabama, late today.

Rain of Gold.

New York, Jan. 7.—Money is pouring into New York in such enormous volume that the clerks in the large banks are working past their usual hours to handle the golden deluge.

LOCAL & OTHER ITEMS.

Latest accounts from the war conference in London indicate that the chances for peace are poor, and that hostilities may be resumed in a short time.

The Atlantic liner Uranian ran on a rock at Chignecto Head, near the entrance to Halifax Harbor. The steamer has her bow several feet out of the water as she hangs on the ledge.

A bad fire occurred at Souris yesterday morning. It broke out in the store of A. Corrie & Co. The building, which also contained the Branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, was burned to the ground.

The Hilary term of the Supreme Court, for Queens County opened in this city yesterday. The Chief Justice and the assistant judges on the bench. The docket is a fairly large one and includes two criminal cases, four civil jury cases, ten civil jury cases, and one judgment debtor case.

DIED.

WAKEFIELD.—On Jan. 9, at his residence 83 Bird St., Dorchester, Mass., Joseph Wakefield, formerly of Charlottetown, aged 73 years.

MAYHEW.—At the P. E. I. Hospital Sunday 12th Mrs. C. C. Mayhew, aged 65. She had been ill for some time. The remains were forwarded on Monday morning to her former home in Margate.

Intercolonial Railway.

CALENDAR FOR 1913. Bringing visions of comfortable and luxurious travel through territory unrivalled for scenic beauty the calendar of the Intercolonial Railway just received with the compliments of the Traffic. It is warmly appreciated as a happy reminder of past enjoyments and an inspiration for future travel.

Land grabbers were very active in securing concessions in the new territory to be opened up by the Hudson Bay Railway. This was before the present Government came into power.

Mail Contract.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 21st February, 1913, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, as required times per week each way, between Port Hill Post Office and Port Hill Railway Station, from the pleasure of the Postmaster General.

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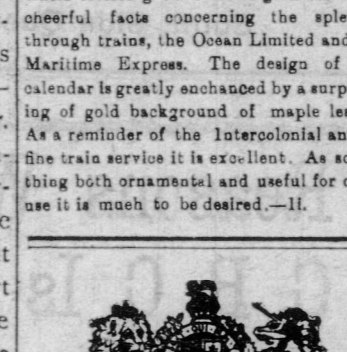
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