

UNITED STATES OFFICIALS OF NICARAGUA RAILWAY SEE END OF STRIKE

Ships Depart For Central American Waters—Navy Department Active—Zelaya Rises At Turn Of Affairs.

DECLARES AMERICANS' DEATH WAS JUSTIFIED

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—Naval forces of the United States are being moved forward tonight to both coasts of Central America to protect American life and property in Nicaragua by force of arms if the necessary arises.

Ready For War.

Besides the cruisers Des Moines and Tacoma, the gunboat Marletta are lying off Port Limon, Costa Rica, ready for any emergency.

With the departure this afternoon from Philadelphia of the troop ship Prairie with 700 marines on board for the isthmus of Panama, and if it is also decreed for Nicaragua and with the sailing from Magdalena Bay of the protected cruiser Albany, and the gunboat Yorktown for Corinto, on the Pacific coast of Nicaragua, the activity of the navy department on both oceans that wash the Nicaraguan shores became manifest.

Admiral Kimball has been a member of the naval board of examinations and retirements and of construction for more than a year.

Zelaya is Surprised.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 2.—The action of American secretaries of state in dismissing Bernardino Rodriguez, the Nicaraguan charge d'affaires at Washington, has greatly surprised President Zelaya who reiterated today his belief that the Nicaraguan government was justified in executing the American charge d'affaires.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 2.—Carrying a rear admiral of the United States navy, two battalions of marines and sufficient implements of war to conduct a vigorous campaign against the turbulent Central American republic of Nicaragua if necessary the auxiliary cruiser Prairie ran around on the soft mud of the Delaware River tonight, a few hours after weighing anchor at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, bound for the Caribbean. Tugs were hastily summoned from this city and with their assistance it is hoped to release the vessel so that she may be able to proceed early tomorrow morning.

LEFEBVRE STATUE COMMITTEE MEETS

Certain Now That Necessary Amount To Complete Memorial To Late Priest Will Be Raised.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, N. B., Dec. 2.—A committee from the alumni of St. Josephs University appointed to erect a statue to the late Father Lefebvre in memory of him, held its first meeting here today, and it was decided to proceed with the work at an early date.

Those present at today's meeting were Dr. Belliveau, chairman, Sheldac, Rev. Father Guertin, president, St. Josephs University, Father Roy, Father Cormier, Dorchester, O. M. Manson, Sheldac, J. J. Bourgeois, Dr. Richard, Ald. Rollin, Father LeBlanc and others of Moncton.

WINNIPEG EMERGING FROM NO CAR SEASON

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 2.—The Street Railway Company started another generator at Lac DuBonnet last evening, and will have another in commission today.

But Switchmen Have Another Story To Tell—Situation Regarded Grave By The Police Department.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 2.—Chief John J. O'Connor of the police department practically admitted that he considered the strike situation serious today when he issued orders requiring all members of his day force to stay on duty at the Central Station until 10:30 in the evening.

STRIKE BREAKERS MAKING AN APPEARANCE

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LOWER HOUSE TAKES UP CHALLENGE OF LORDS

British House of Commons Reiterates Its Claim to Nation's Purse Strings—Premier Asquith in Vigorous Speech Arraigns Opposition Leader—Great Constitutional Struggle Now On.

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self as a "House of Commons man" said: "It is the House of Commons, not the House of Lords, which sets the financial system of the country. If the House of Lords could touch the money bills, the whole executive machinery of the country would be brought to a standstill."

The amendment with which the Liberals listened to these quotations from Balfour against himself was only a "paraphrase" of the rights of the House of Commons, and the resolution was adopted by a vote of 249 to 134.

By this vote the opposing forces of the Lords and Commons are placed in a position of great difficulty.

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OTTAWA HOLDS UP CHECKS OF CONTRACTORS

Payment For Work On Grand Trunk Pacific Suspended Pending Investigations With Respect To Classification.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 2.—Grand Trunk Pacific contractors' checks to the amount of hundreds of thousands of dollars are being held up at Ottawa as the result, it is said, of investigations which have been in progress.

One company, which does much of its business in this city, should have received checks for \$170,000, or thereabouts, on the 20th of November on estimates sent in for the work of October, and they are not the only ones affected.

The result has been that the contractors are paying only what the accounts which require immediate payment and many accounts which can be carried over are being handled in this way.

Of investigation. All this is said to be the result of over-classification of work which the Grand Trunk Pacific Company are said to have made with the demand for a thorough investigation.

The terms of agreement under which the eastern end of the Transcontinental railway is being constructed call for the Grand Trunk Pacific Company to pay a certain percentage on entire cost of road as rental after the government has completed construction of the road, and it is said that the mock investigation which occurred a year ago is being followed by complaints on the part of the company which has caused checks to be held up until some sort of an investigation is held.

So strong have been the charges of over-classification that the Grand Trunk Pacific Company contends that it has gone on not only with the knowledge of the engineers of the road but also with the knowledge of the government and the National Transcontinental Commission.

Just what will eventually come out of the present state of affairs it is difficult to state, but it is said that before it is all over not only will some of the contractors' checks be held up but they will in some cases have to return money which they have already drawn, if charges which are made are substantiated.

TWO KILLED AT LONDON DERRY

Falling Wall In Iron Foundry Causes The Death Of Two And The Serious Injury Of Others.

Special to The Standard. Londonderry, N. S., Dec. 2.—A falling wall in the foundry of the Londonderry Iron Works today killed two men and badly injured two others.

The dead are: Alexander McLean, of Foley Village and Walter McCully, of Londonderry Station. The injured are: Lee Scarran, a boy of Londonderry and Howard Paley of the same place.

At Eleven O'Clock. The accident occurred this forenoon at eleven o'clock. For three days there had been a heavy gale, the worst and most protracted in a long time. It is thought that the vibration of the building caused by the tremendous velocity of the wind may have gradually weakened the wall at last, causing its collapse.

There is no other theory at present to account for it. The fall came with absolute suddenness. Fifteen feet of the top of the wall came down bringing a part of the roof with it.

Bricks and material from the roof crashed down on the men working at its base on the general foundry side, no damage being done in the pipe foundry. The two men killed were struck on the head, their skulls being crushed. McCully never moved after the fatal blow, McLean surviving for only two hours.

NOVA SCOTIA STEEL HAS RECORD OUTPUT

Special to The Standard. Sydney, N. S., Dec. 2.—The official figures of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company for November, show a new record output, beating the June output by four thousand tons, having produced \$1,140 tons of coal and 3,400 of 360 tons steel ingots.

3 OF MIZPAH'S CREW DROWNED REST RESCUED

N. S. Schooner Driven Over Bars Off Massachusetts Coast—Three Swept To Death—Others Saved.

BREECHES BUOY IS USED BY RESCUERS

Highland Light, Mass., Dec. 3.—Three men were washed overboard and lost from the British schooner Mizpah, as that vessel was driven over the bars onto the Inner beach between Peak Hill bars and Race Point tonight. Four other members of the crew were taken ashore in a breeches buoy by the life-savers from the Peaked Hill station. The schooner was bound from Lunenburg, N. S., for Boston, laden with potatoes, and had been driven far out of her course by the northerly gale of the past four days.

Captain Westerhaven was among those saved. The names of the others drowned or rescued could not be learned tonight.

Until his centredboard had scraped in crossing the outer rips, Captain Westerhaven had no idea of his nearness to land. Then he did not know that it was "Cape Cod's" beaches that lay before his vessel. He had been about ten days in getting down the coast, and as he was thrown far out of his course on Monday and Tuesday by the gale, and had headed in during the past two days, he did not know his whereabouts. It was pitch dark and he could make no observations. The brilliant glare of the Coston light flaring from the beach where it had been set by the patrol when he saw the schooner, was Captain Westerhaven's first warning. Then it was too late.

Halted momentarily several times, as the little schooner wavered over a jutting rip, the vessel was exposed to the heavy seas. These washed her decks carrying overboard at different times three of the crew. The others clung for their lives to masts and rigging while Captain Westerhaven bravely grasped his wheel, seeking vainly to avert the disaster which confronted him. It was of no avail. A short distance from shore the schooner struck a bar humped higher than the rest and there the crew awaited rescue.

Informing by the same Coston signal which the captain had seen, the station crew were soon on the scene with their apparatus. It was difficult to place a shot, to which was attached the line of the breeches buoy apparatus, across the schooner in the inky blackness, but after two attempts the line was secured on the schooner.

One at a time, the men were pulled ashore. Captain Westerhaven, true to the unwritten law that the captain shall be the last to leave, made the last trip.

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CAR MERGER NO COMBINE SAYS RHODES

President of New Canadian Car Company Explains Distribution Of Stock—Consolidation Imperative, He Says.

Special to The Standard. Amherst, N. S., Dec. 2.—N. Curry, president of the Canadian Car Company, accompanied by Mrs. Curry, leaves for Montreal on Saturday to take up his residence there. He addressed a meeting of foremen and officials of the Amherst branch this evening and afterwards entertained them to an oyster supper at the Woodcock Cafe where another enjoyable hour was spent.

Sketched History. In the course of his address Mr. Curry went over the ground that had led up to the merger. There was considerable rivalry between the companies and the interests of all were threatened—consolidation was necessary. It was, however, not a combine in any sense of the word, the most of the stock was in the hands of small investors. In London one thousand shares had been sold in individual shares, one thousand other shares had been sold in lots of five shares and one thousand shares in lots of ten shares and the profits would thus be distributed among men of small means in England who had faith in this Canadian security. He predicted that one of the different shops of the company would be in full operation and asked the foremen and men here to heartily co-operate with Mr. Robertson the new superintendent in making the Amherst branch a success.

On the orders of the day Mr. Curry drew attention to what he described as the kidnapping of a man named Kelley living in his constituency by United States officers. Seven years ago this man while taking a load of produce over the border had an

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fray with a United States officer. The latter fired at Kelly and Kelly used a stick with effect. A while ago he was induced to come near the boundary line and was seized by a number of men, gagged, carried off and thrown into jail in the United States. He asked if any steps were being taken in the matter.

Mr. Aylesworth said that the matter had been brought to his attention by a clergyman of the locality. He had replied that it was necessary to have the facts ascertained with the utmost accuracy, especially with regard to the exact place where the affair took place, and whether the men who seized Kelly were officers or not. He added that such cases arise occasionally, complaints sometimes coming from the United States and sometimes from Canada.

A Question of Status.
Mr. Lewis brought up a disagreement which occurred at the recent drawing room. The consuls general living at Ottawa absented themselves because it appeared that the rules of precedence, according to the colonial office, do not recognize their official status.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that the matter was of some importance not so much on account of the drawing room but because of the duties which the consuls general now are discharging. They are not of diplomatic status and yet have come to exercise by toleration functions akin to diplomatic functions. Their status should be regulated and was engaged the attention of the government.

Race Track Gambling.

Mr. H. H. Miller moved the second reading of his race track gambling bill. Its object, he explained, was to prevent and suppress the business of betting, pool making, etc., on or in connection with race tracks. It did not interfere with the carrying on of race meets. It did not seek to prevent private betting. Mr. Miller sketched the history of the law on the subject and went on to say that legislation on the line of his bill had been asked for by the Moral and Social Reform of Canada, and drew a strong picture of the gambling which prevails at the Woodbine, saying that in 12 days \$2,000,000 had been wagered with American bookmakers. He added an amendment to deal with the practice, which he said prevails especially in "chess" gambling resorts, or betting the interior with stout dealers so as to delay the officers of the law and give the inmates an opportunity to gamble.

Provincial Rights.

Mr. Monk opposed the bill. Racine is necessary, he said, to improve the breed of horses and bookmaking is necessary to the racing of horses. He also raised the question of provincial rights, saying that the Montreal jockey club has a charter granted by Quebec.

Mr. McCall, West Northumberland, suggested that the bill be given its second reading and referred to a special committee. The abuses which existed were in connection with pool rooms and handbook operators, rather than with race tracks, and he referred to the advertisements of tipsters which were published.

Mr. Campbell supported the proposal to send the bill to a special committee.

Mr. Cowan, Vancouver, supported the bill, arguing that the anomalies in the law should be corrected.

Mr. Wilson, Laval, speaking in French, opposed the bill on the ground of provincial rights.

Major Beattie, London, held that the matter did not belong to this House. The charge had been taken by the Province of Ontario and was a question for the local legislature. He defended the Woodbine which he described as a credit to the country. Tracks like those at Fort Erie and Windsor should not be allowed.

Mr. Miller had only touched the outer fringe of gambling, there were other forms far worse than what went on at the race tracks.

The petitions which had been sent in had been signed by a lot of young girls who knew nothing about the subject. Amid much laughter he said that he represented the only respectable community in Canada, he had not been called upon to present a single petition.

Supported Bill.

After Mr. Madden, Cape Breton, and Mr. Martin, Regina, had supported the bill, Mr. G. H. Barnard gave the experience of Victoria with its six days' meet. The state of California had suppressed race track meetings, a meeting had been started at Victoria and they had all the thugs and gamblers of the western states dumped on them. The experience had not been satisfactory and he was in hearty support of the bill.

Mr. Armstrong supported the bill suggested that an amendment be included in it to prohibit the publication of advertisements soliciting patronage for race tips.

Dr. J. D. Reid criticized the government for not having brought the bill in as a government measure, instead of leaving it to a back benchman. Mr. Osler, speaking as vice president of the Ontario jockey club, took the ground that "you may restrict, but you cannot suppress vice."

The Difficulty.

The difficulty was that the people who were looking after the morals of the country were trying to do their work by act of parliament and not by means of home and church influence. In his experience he had never known a case of one young man who had gone wrong through betting at races, but there was hardly a day in the week when he did not become aware of crucial cases where young men, boys and women were entangled through stock speculation. Today all over Canada there was in progress a wild gamble in mining stocks. He believed that more money had been wagered on the variety Ottawa football match, in itself a fine clean contest, than at the Woodbine in a week. Over Ontario more money was lost at bridge than at the Woodbine in a week.

Mr. Barker spoke on much the same lines making special reference to the Hamilton Jockey Club.

Mr. Carvell supported the bill, Col. Hughes described the bill as a desire to get Mr. Murphy out of a hole.

Mr. Aylesworth approved the proposal to send the bill to a special committee, observing that there was a strong feeling in the country in favor of suppression, and also a strong feeling

MR. MEHAREY IS
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Arrived in City Yesterday And Took Charge Of Clydesdales—Carleton Curling Rink The Place Of Sale.

Mr. Wm. Meharey, of Russell, Ont., who imported the sixty-four Clydesdale horses from Scotland for sale in this province, under an arrangement with the Provincial Government, arrived in the city yesterday morning and spent a busy day inspecting and looking after the horses.

Speaking with The Standard last evening Mr. Meharey said he was pleased with the lilies. They were a very good lot, of the best Scotch breeding. They had been obtained in different parts of Scotland, the majority coming from the south. As they had just come off the grass the trip abroad had been rather hard on them and consequently they were not looking as well as usual. They would be exercised and well looked after and would be in good condition by the time of the sale.

Mr. Meharey brought with him from Ontario a fine pair of stallions which will be sold along with the lilies. One of these animals was brought out from Scotland two years ago. The other was imported last April. Yesterday the horses attracted considerable attention as they were being exercised on the West Side and a number of people visited them in the stables of C. Smith and Co., where they are quartered.

Arrangements have been made to have the sale take place in the Carleton Curling Rink, on Tuesday, Dec. 14.

ing that tracks like the Woodbine should not be destroyed. In a committee the question could be examined with regard to points such as the effect upon the well conducted tracks of cutting off the book making privileges.

Mr. Murphy Replies.

Mr. Murphy after defending himself with regard to the granting of the famous charter, replied to Mr. Osler's remarks by saying that the lighthouse matches by observing that at those games there is no apparatus used to make illegal the publication of betting news. That would make the act applicable to newspaper editors, which have been vociferous in demanding this bill. Mr. Graham said that the insanity which prevails in Canada on the subject of bridge was mainly confined to the gamblers. The foundation of the trouble was being laid in the homes.

After Mr. Miller had replied the bill was given its second reading. It was the order of motion. Mr. McCall referred to a committee consisting of Messrs. Miller, McCall, Monk, Blain, Sinclair, Stratton and Martin of Regina.

The House adjourned at 11 o'clock.

THE SENATE

The Senate today took exception to the report published by the Auditor General on the subject of the seasonal indemnity drawn by certain Senators. A letter was read from the Auditor-General stating that he understood that certain Senators had taken by the Senate to his letter of September 9, on the ground that it suggested a doubt on his part as to the correctness of statutory declarations made by certain Senators to their attendance at last session. "I can assure you," wrote the Auditor-General, "that I had no intention, and have not for a moment entertained the idea that the declarations were not taken with good faith. I hope I shall not be found so far wanting in respect for the honor and dignity of the senate."

A Discrepancy.
The Auditor-General then explained that he had noted a slight discrepancy between the number of days certain Senators had declared themselves to have been in attendance, and the record of attendance contained in the proceedings of the Senate. He had been informed by the clerk that the attendance in the records was not to be taken as absolute accuracy, but that the declarations were to be accepted. He understood that in the cases referred to there was an error in the declarations owing to the fact that some Senators had expected prorogation on May 18, whereas it has not taken place until a day later, as when the attention of the senators had been called to this discrepancy they had promptly made refunds covering their extra days' absence. The matter was debated at some length.

Ratified Treaty.

The Senate today ratified the French treaty, passing the bill through all its stages. The only formality remaining is the giving of the assent of the Governor General, and it is understood that this will take place at a very early date.

WINTER PORT NOTES

Manifest were received at the Customs House yesterday for 35 cars of general merchandise for shipment. The S. S. Ameriana is due here this morning from Bermuda and Cuban ports.

The S. S. Salacia, Captain McKelvie, which sailed yesterday for Glasgow via Halifax, had a large general cargo, including 19,000 sacks of flour, 67,000 bushels of grain and 62 head of live stock. She will take a consignment of apples at Halifax.

The Royal Mail steamer Empress of Britain, Capt. Murray, was due at Liverpool, via Halifax this afternoon at 4 o'clock. She will take away 1,300 passengers.

PERSONALS

Miss Barnaby left last evening to visit Mrs. George P. Reid, Jarvis St., Toronto.

Mr. Harry Grath, inspector of machinery on the I. C. K., passed through the city yesterday on his way to Montreal.

Mr. James and a large general cargo. The Lake Manitoba of the C. P. R. is due here on Saturday from Liverpool with passengers and general cargo.

THE FRENCH HABITANT
SUBJECT OF CLOSING
LECTURE OF COURSE

Mrs. S. R. Melrose Corrects Misconceptions in Talk Before Natural History Society—Pure French Is Language.

The closing lecture of the historical course given by the Ladies Association of the Natural History Society was held yesterday afternoon. The subject, "The French Habitant," was ably handled by Mrs. A. R. Melrose who held the close attention of the large audience present as she described the characteristics and habits of the Habitant.

Many persons, she said, had an idea that the word "habitant" was coined by the late Dr. Drummond. This was a mistake. In a very early stage of the history of the colonization of Canada by France, the term "habitant" was used to describe the French settler, the tenant of the seigneur, the man who cultivated the land with the idea of a freehold, but who remained a serf. He has been a very pliable person, she said, very name whose his sense of his own dignity. Though he held his land under feudal tenure, he was not a serf. The name obtained official recognition in New France and has come to be the characteristic term of the French Canadian farmer.

The colonists of New France were of two classes, she continued, adventurers and peasants. The one coming for the fur trade, and the other to take up land. The peopling of Canada was due in the main to Louis XIV. He began to systematically ship men to the colony very soon after his accession. The destined emigrants were collected by agents in the provinces of France and seem mostly to have been a decent peasantry.

The speaker then gave an interesting account of the development of the country and the condition of the settlers in regard to the manner in which they were treated by the King. The fur traders, their religion and progress, were also dealt with in a thoroughly entertaining manner.

Through all these years, the lecturer continued, the habitant has clung to the language of his ancestors with extraordinary tenacity. It is often said that he speaks a patois. This is not true. While the Norman accent prevails in some of the rural districts and the educated classes have almost lost the French intonation, the almost pure French of the golden age of French literature, blurred however by Anglicism and slurred in the pronunciation.

The paper was closed with Dr. Drummond's poem, "The Habitant's Jubilee Ode."

ALTERATIONS TO THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Among the new books which have been added to the Public Library during the month of November are the following: Yellow God in Africa; Harrad; Interplay; Beatrice Harraden; With the Night Mail; Kipling; L. W. Wilson; William L. G. Sullivan; Revelation; Justin McCarthy; Courtship of Sybil; Hetty Beresford; Lovely Fland and other stories; L. T. Meade; My Lady of the Shadow; Mrs. Tomlinson; The Brothers Verger in Judgment; Eden; Phillippa; Sixty-Nine Burnan Road; W. Pettigrew; Hester Lane; Annie S. Swain; Peggy the Daughter; Catherine Tyndal; The White Sister; F. Marion Crawford; Hands of Compulsion; Amelia Barr; The Hand-Maid Gentle; The Builders; "This, My Son"; Robe Barin; Greater Power; Lorimer of the Northwest; Harold Bindloss; The White Nun; Richard Harding Davis; The Special Messenger; The White Sister; F. 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AGRESS TO BUST UP LOOK AFTER DIVORCE

Grace Van Studdiford Declares That Nothing Not Even Pending Divorce Will Interfere With Art.

Listen! An actress too busy to get a divorce! And she didn't have to go to Reno, Nev., for it, either. In fact, a judge was waiting in front of St. John's to hand her a decree making her two again, waiting until she got her waiting—and then he dismissed her (Grace Van Studdiford's) petition for divorce from Chas. Van Studdiford.

The career of the Van Studdifords has been financially monotonous by any means. The Chas. Van Studdiford married beauty Grace Quine, the singer, he had all kinds of money, being a wealthy real estate dealer in St. Louis. Fortune No. 1 was lost, Mrs. Van Studdiford returned to the stage, and the bank account once again assumed normal proportions. But fortune No. 2 followed in the wake of fortune No. 1—and the comic opera queen stayed on the stage.

McCaskey spoke of the province of Theology which was to be together with the Development of the work of the world would go forward with it at the thing that men needed for was the single, future which has been prepared to a great extent by the artist.

Van Studdiford filed suit for divorce last summer, and it is this petition that the court threatens to dismiss because the fair plaintiff says that she cannot appear before next summer.

Nothing is to be considered when weighed in the balance against my art—not even my divorce," was the actress' comment upon the decision.

3 TAKEN FROM SINKING SHIP

Nova Scotia Captain, His Wife And Child Principals In Daring Rescue Off Nantucket Yesterday.

Salsconset, Mass., Dec. 2.—The rescue by the seaman of the steamer "Vaderland," of Captain Edgar E. Bigelow and his wife and child and the crew of four men from the sinking schooner Eugene Borda, forty-five miles southeast of Nantucket Lightship was accomplished in the face of a terrific northeast gale and was accompanied with great danger. The rescue was made during the forenoon.

Wireless reports received here showed that the "Vaderland," bound for Antigonish, had been wrecked off Nantucket. The crew of the "Vaderland" was in urgent need of assistance. One of the "Vaderland's" boats was lowered, in spite of the heavy northeaster and turbulent sea which made the attempt hazardous.

The "Vaderland" was hoisted to, while the boat's crew after a hard struggle, gradually brought their boat under the lee of the sinking schooner. When the lifeboat was near enough to begin the actual work of rescue, Mrs. Bigelow and the child were taken off the schooner. The four men in the Borda's crew then followed, Captain Bigelow being the last man to leave the craft.

The return of the lifeboat to the steamer was made without difficulty, although the transfer of the occupants to the "Vaderland" was a delicate operation. As the shipwrecked ones climbed over the liner's rail, they were greeted with a round of cheers from the passengers.

The members of the "Vaderland's" boat crew were also given an ovation by the passengers.

A FEW RUSH ORDERS



GOVERNMENT TO VERDICT TODAY MEET HERE NEXT IN THE GLOVER DIVORCE CASE

Much Work Disposed Of At Monday's Meeting Of Provincial Administration In Fredericton.

Fredericton, Dec. 2.—The meeting of the provincial government came to a close with a long session last night, the meeting adjourning about midnight. This morning Premier Hazen and several other members of the government left for their homes and the others are remaining here today on departmental business.

The government will meet at St. John's next Thursday afternoon at the commissioners of the provincial hospital.

H. T. Scholy, of Centreville, Carleton county, has been appointed a notary public. James O'Brien, police magistrate for the town of St. George; Peter Campbell, police magistrate of the village of Norton, Kings county; and W. B. Belyea, has been appointed chairman of the board of school trustees of the town of Woodstock, and J. Rankin Brown has been appointed a member of the board in place of J. A. Hayden, whose term of office has expired.

Henry Thomas, of Centreville, has been appointed a provincial constable, and Harry T. Rogers, secretary of the highway board of the parish of Southampton, Carleton county, in place of Arthur Gibson, resigned.

George Gilbert has been reappointed chairman of the board of liquor license commissioners of Gloucester county. Oswald B. Lawson, chief of police of Chatham, has been appointed a provincial constable.

Alex. S. Campbell, of Solina, Kings county, has been appointed a coroner. The following provincial constables in Kings county have been appointed: Lewis J. Murray, of Penobscot; Richard Waterford.

Agricultural Licenses. The St. John city by-laws relating to the granting of auctioneer's licenses and relating to the public streets and the prevention of certain nuisances, were approved.

Three new agricultural societies, in Shippeagan and St. Isidore, Gloucester county, and Acadaville, Kent county, were granted letters patent of incorporation.

A proclamation will be issued in the Royal Gazette, declaring that no liquor licenses, either wholesale or retail, shall issue in the parish of Harcourt, Kent county, as the result of the recent no license election.

The applications for incorporation of the Golden Pledge, Limited, of Fredericton, A. F. Bentley and Son, of St. Martins, and the Canada Leather Company of Sackville, and the New Brunswick Skating Rink Association of Newcastle were approved.

**FREDERICTON MASONS
HAVE ELECTED OFFICERS**
Fredericton, Dec. 2.—At the meeting of the Fredericton Chapter Royal Arch Masons last evening the following officers were elected: Austin Dunphy, most excellent high priest; J. H. Hawthorn, king; J. F. McBurney, scribe; W. S. Hooper, secretary; M. Tennant, treasurer, and William Lockhart, tyler.

Hon. Dr. Landry and other members of the Government and members of the Legislature will attend the Winter Fair at Amherst next week.

PATTEN AFTER THE COTTON MARKET NOW

Man Who Cornered Wheat Declares That He Intends To Do The Same Thing With Cotton.

Special to The Standard.
New York, Dec. 2.—"I suppose they are going to get after me again, but I don't care. I'm in this cotton game now and I'm going to stick to it."

Jas. A. Patten, price-maker of the wheat and bread we eat, gives this statement to the bread-eating, cotton wearing public through the correspondent of The Standard.

And what are you going to do about it? "You were criticized by the country for your campaign for high wheat prices last season," I suggested. "Is this cotton campaign of yours anything like that?"

I was referring to the desperate fight he was now making with his millions to raise the price of cotton to \$17 a bale. He was sitting in the offices of the largest cotton broker in the Wall Street district.

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DILLON TO ESCAPE DEATH BY HANGING

Murderer Of Constable Shea Declared To Be Of Unsound Mind -- To Be Sent To Asylum.

Montreal, Dec. 2.—John Dillon will not be hanged for the murder of Constable Shea. Whatever few months remain for him on this earth, by the report of the physicians he has escaped death on the scaffold.

The report of the specialists, Dr. Phelan, of Kingston, and Dr. Burgess, of the Verdun Protestant Hospital for the insane for the mental condition of Dillon was made today.

In effect the report is that Dillon is not of sufficient sound mind to appreciate the sentence of deathly hanging and in view of this the crown would not be justified in carrying out the sentence of death pronounced upon September last.

"Does that report mean," Dr. Burgess was asked, "that Dillon will be taken to the penitentiary or the asylum?" His reply was: "It would hardly be fair in view of our finding that the man should be taken to the penitentiary. It seems to me that the only place for him will be the institution at Kingston for the criminally insane."

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1 Montreal Life Bond due 1st January, 1910, \$1,000.
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NEW BRUNSWICK FRUIT IN LONDON.

Announcement of the prizes won by New Brunswick in the Colonial Fruit Show at London will confirm the previous evidence that this province is not behind Nova Scotia, Ontario, or British Columbia as an apple country. The exhibit sent was not a large one, and was prepared at rather short notice, but it brings four medals to New Brunswick. Probably no eastern province can produce fruit which appeals to the eye like that grown in British Columbia or the Pacific States. In size and color the far western fruit is hard to beat. But fruit is not wholly intended for ornamental purposes, and in apples for use Eastern Canada has no reason to fear the competition of the luxuriant orchards of the western valleys. In flavor the eastern apple is superior to anything that can be grown on the other side of the continent.

The credit of the province as a home for farmers and orchardists has suffered from neglect. Until lately New Brunswick has hardly been introduced to the attention of the people of Great Britain. They do not come here to settle, and hardly visit or investigate because they have heard so little of the resources and capabilities of the province. A new era has dawned. We have begun to advertise. We are causing it to be known in the Old Country that this is a province to be considered by people seeking homes on this continent. Such an exhibit of apples as that sent to London goes some way toward showing what the province is, and what it can produce.

TRIUMPH OF THE HIGH CLASSIFIERS.

When Major Hodgins was district engineer on the Transcontinental, one of the engineers under him who, as he said, persisted in over-classifying the work of the contractor, was named McIntosh. Major Hodgins, going over his division, found that he was constantly classifying earth excavation as solid rock, and thus swelling the contractor's profits and the cost of the road. The superior officer proceeded to cut down these allowances. Then the contractor complained, and Mr. Gordon Grant was sent by the commissioners to investigate. This complacent officer told the engineers under Major Hodgins that they should classify liberally, and under his inspiration they made still higher classification. Major Hodgins was driven from Government employ. But he has been vindicated by Chief Engineer Lumsden of the whole work, who has in turn found it necessary to quit the service with a protest against the system of graft. But Mr. Gordon Grant has been appointed chief engineer in place of Mr. Lumsden, and what is worse he is made arbitrator on behalf of the Transcontinental on this very classification dispute. We may judge what protection the treasury will get from this officer. Moreover engineer McIntosh, against whose over-classification Major Hodgins took decisive action, has been promoted, and his salary has been raised from \$200 to \$275 per month.

Promotion for Grant and McIntosh, retirement for Lumsden and Hodgins. The men promoted are the high classifiers, the men dropped are the rigid inspectors.

It is not surprising that the railway is costing more than double the estimate. The engineers who made the estimate did not count on rock prices for digging dirt.

PATRONAGE TROUBLES.

It was doubtless hoped that the resentment caused by the appointment of Mr. G. H. Flood to the position of agent for the Marine Department would fade away and gradually die. Instead it deepens and gradually increases. Party men are inquiring among themselves whether any one in the community has influence except the group of dredgers and contractors who own the Telegraph, and who apparently have also the patronage of the province. Mr. Bowman, who sought this appointment, seemed to have qualification at least equal to those of Mr. Flood. He had also a strong support of Liberals who were thought to have influence with Mr. Pugsley. This all counted for nothing. Then Captains and Alderman Elkin had some knowledge of marine matters, and of the duties of the vacant office. He too had strong party claims and had good backing from leaders who worked hard in the election. But he had no chance with a connection of the McAvity family. Neither had Mr. Fred Barnhill, though he and his family and friends have been useful party men, and he also had qualifications fully equal to those of the successful aspirant. Now that it is all over, and the conclusion is just, what the disappointed applicants were warned by Conservatives that it would be, there is some searching of hearts to find out whether it is worth while for any one outside the ring to trouble himself about other patronage or party matters.

AN ELECTION AT HAND.

A number of foolish rumors were circulated a few weeks ago representing the King to be engaged in trying to effect an arrangement among the party leaders to prevent a conflict between the Lords and the Commons. There could never have been any basis for these reports. His Majesty would know that this was a matter to be settled ultimately by the people themselves, and one which could be arranged by no one else. Now we have the official statement that the King has promised to allow a dissolution, which consent would be given as a matter of course in the circumstances. The Lords have withheld their consent to the budget until the question should be referred to the people. The

Government and the Commons protest in the name of the people against the action of the Lords. Government and Opposition, Lords and Commons, profess to be willing to accept the popular verdict. There is, perhaps, no great virtue in this as it is what they must do in the end. But since they make appeal to the people the King has a simple duty. They have appealed unto Caesar; unto Caesar let them go.

A \$100,000,000 PROPOSITION.

Postmaster General Lemieux is reported as having announced in a London after dinner speech that the Government was about to take up the Georgian Bay Canal proposition. This confirms a statement to the same effect by Sir Robert Perks, who wrote to his constituents that he could not again be a candidate because he must give a large part of his time to the great Canadian enterprise.

It is certainly a large and costly proposition. The Government estimate is \$100,000,000 for the cheapest of the standards and routes proposed. This is double the estimated cost of the Moncton-to-Winnipeg section of the Grand Trunk Pacific. That section is now expected to cost \$125,000,000. The Georgian Bay or Ottawa River Canal will, on the same basis of excess over the estimate, cost over \$200,000,000. But if the cost did not exceed the estimate it would exceed the total capital outlay of the country before and since confederation on the whole existing canal system of Canada. This includes St. Peter's, \$650,000, Lachine, \$11,300,000, Beauharnois \$1,604,000, Cornwall \$5,300,000, Galops \$6,100,000, Rapide \$2,200,000, Welland \$28,000,000, Ste Anne's \$1,200,000, Carleton and Grenville \$4,200,000, Rideau \$4,100,000, Chambly \$600,000, Murray \$1,250,000, Trent \$6,000,000, Twp \$500,000, Sault \$5,000,000, Soulange \$7,900,000, with some smaller waterways.

The \$100,000,000 project, to cost probably \$200,000,000, will connect Georgian Bay and the Upper Lakes with the St. Lawrence by way of the Ottawa River. Should it become the great grain and produce thoroughfare from the West, as its promoters expect, it will put the lower lake canal systems out of business. Lakes Erie and Ontario would be side tracked. The Welland Canal would be used only for freight destined for Lake Ontario ports. Some five million dollars has been expended in the last eight or ten years on the Welland Canal alone, to say nothing of the vast outlay at Port Colborne. The construction of the other and rival canal would be such a complete reversal of transportation policy, that it is hardly likely that it has yet been decided to go on with it.

THE MILITIA BUILDING.

It is estimated that the new drill shed and armory in this city will cost \$200,000. This is about half the cost of the Halifax structure, we may, perhaps, regard it as an over estimate. As this sum of money is to be paid, a matter of a few thousand dollars in the cost of land is not important. When the work is completed it will be found that a similar structure could have been provided at a more convenient place at about the same cost. A well known militia officer, who is equally well known as an active Liberal, tells The Standard that if the establishment had been placed about the centre of the city it would have attracted to the force many more young men, and would have made it much easier to obtain and retain junior officers. The Militia Council, in the last report, laments the scarcity of young men disposed to go into training as officers in the militia. The opinion expressed to The Standard is that this difficulty is increased in St. John by the want of a suitable meeting place, and that the proposed building in the proposed location will do little to improve the conditions. There was an opportunity to give fresh enthusiasm to the service, and to widen greatly the interest in it. This chance seems likely to be lost.

WANT OF CONFIDENCE.

A surprising loss of confidence not only in the Intercolonial but on the Grand Trunk Pacific is exhibited in the eagerness of Halifax and other parts of Nova Scotia to have the Canadian Pacific extended into that province. It is not many years ago when the extension of the Intercolonial to Montreal, and the deal with the old Grand Trunk was to make the Intercolonial system a competitor with the Canadian Pacific even at St. John for western trade. Much more would the Government road compete at Halifax. That dream passed, and the Grand Trunk Pacific contract was made. The route was selected through the middle of this province, where there were few settlements, in order to get the shortest possible route to Nova Scotia. The cost of the Moncton-to-Quebec section of the Transcontinental is now placed at \$26,000,000. And still there is a clamor for the Canadian Pacific.

A potato dispute rages in Ontario. The Toronto News got hold of one at Pictou weighing 2 pounds, 11 ounces, and supposed that it beat the record. Then William Wall of Haliburton said that he had grown one weighing 3 3/4 pounds. Another Haliburton man had 59 potatoes weighing 30 pounds. While this last find was under discussion, an Old Country man produced a statement that Charles McGottigan, of Donegal, Ireland, had raised a potato weighing 3 pounds, which was then claimed to be the largest ever grown.

It will be interesting to hear from Commander Kingsmill concerning that well equipped lifeboat and seven able, well-drilled boatmen, whom he reported to be available at the life station at Seal Cove. Before the book containing this statement had been printed, it was found that the crew of seven consisted of coxswain Benson alone, and that he preferred his own fishing boat to the lifeboat which was kept at the station.

Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper put up all the serious fight there was in British Columbia against the McBride Government. The Liberal party seems to have been altogether effaced, and the whole opposition placed their hopes on him. Sir Charles Hibbert is an able man, but even he is not able to make anything out of Pacific Coast Liberalism.

The president of Nicaragua learns that the attitude of the United States towards insurgents in Central America is not the same that was expected of other nations when the United States had a rebellion of their own.

The Intercolonial board of management and the Marine Department are somewhat alike. Both escape responsibility for disasters by throwing the blame on the crews.

There are still two vacant senatorships in Nova Scotia, one of which has several years standing. So many politicians want these appointments that Mr. Fielding finds it hard to choose.

It is not a bad thing to be a curator and liquidator. Mr. Stavert is allowed \$16,500 for performing these solemn offices for the Bank of Yarmouth.

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PRISON INSTRUCTORS AND THEIR SALARIES

To the Editor of The Standard: Sir,—Will you please inform me, through your paper, the salary of the trade instructors at the Dorchester penitentiary? Your truly, H. B.

IN THE COURTS

PROBATE COURT. Estate of George E. Barnhill. The will of George E. Barnhill, late of Fairville, lumberman, who died on Oct. 26, was admitted to probate yesterday on the petition of the Eastern Trust Co., presented by Barnhill, Ewing and Sanford, advocates for the estate.

AUSTRALIA WANTS ITS UNIT BADLY

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 2.—Sir J. Forrest moved for the second reading of the naval loan bill and the adoption of a five per cent. sinking fund which would liquidate the debt in 15 years. The total Australian annual outlay for the new squadron will be £785,000, of which the Imperial Government contributes £250,000. Together the increase in expenditure does not exceed £235,000.

COUNTY COURT CHAMBERS.

Rubber Co. vs. Taylor. Before Judge Forbes Mr. C. S. Hanington for the plaintiff, in the case of the Merchants' Rubber Co., Limited, vs. C. Humphrey Taylor, obtained a summons calling upon the defendant to show cause why the appearance and plea should not be set aside. It was made returnable next Thursday.

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THE COTTON MARKET. New York, Dec. 2.—Cotton markets: Galveston—Firm, 14 1/4. New Orleans—Steady, 14 3/4.

MONEY ON CALL AT 5 1/2 PER CENT. New York, Dec. 2.—Close: Prime mercantile paper, 5 1/2 per cent.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TERDAY'S TRADING ON WALL ST.

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AMERICAN PRODUCE MARKET

New York, N. Y., Dec. 2.—Flour—Receipts, 26,707; exports, 12,624. Slow at unchanged prices.

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PRODUCE MARKETS

Special to The Telegraph. Montreal, Dec. 2.—There is an increased demand from foreign buyers for spring wheat flour and as bids incline some cases are in line with millers' views.

Ontario bran, \$20.50 to \$21.50; Manitoba bran, \$19 to \$20; Manitoba shorts \$22 to \$23; pure grain moultrie, \$32 to \$33.

Potatoes—The demand for baled hay continues good and the market is fairly active with a firm undertone.

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Vessels Bound to St. John. Ferndora de Larinaga, Port Natal, sld. Nov. 27. Benin, Barry, sld. Nov. 27.

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MYSTERY IN DEAL STILL UNSOLVED

New York, Dec. 2.—The mystery attending the sale of the Philadelphia National League Club remains unsolved. In spite of much pressure Horace Fogel, the new president of the club, declines to name the man who put up the money to complete the deal. Charles W. Murphy of the Chicago club, who has arrived in that city, has refused to deny or affirm the rumors that he and Charles F. Taff are Fogel's backers. Murphy denies that King has been sold to the Philadelphia club and says that he has not traded Zimmerman for Knabe. These denials have placed Fogel in an odd predicament but that does not seem to annoy him. Fogel says he is not pledged to vote for Heydler or Ward, but when the National League meeting convenes he will be compelled to show his hand. The latest advice received by local baseball men yesterday would seem to indicate that there will be a deadlock over the election of a new president. It is now said that Ward will have the votes of the New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia and Chicago clubs, while Heydler will be supported by Cincinnati, Boston, Pittsburgh and St. Louis. In that event Heydler will remain acting president and the big leagues will proceed on the usual lines.

Gleason and Rickard to Stage Jeffries Johnson Go Stormy Meeting at Hoboken Yesterday When Bids Were Opened--Coffrith In Alliance With Gleason and Rickard Secure Mill From Thomas McCarey Who Puts Up Game Fight To Defeat Them--Final Articles To Be Signed Today--Fight Scheduled For July 4, 1910.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 2.—The fight for the heavyweight championship of the world between James J. Jeffries and John Johnson will be held in California in the vicinity of San Francisco on July 4, 1910, and will be staged by "Tex" Rickard, of Nevada, and John J. Gleason, of San Francisco. Their bid of \$101,000 and two-thirds of the moving picture privileges to the contestants was formally accepted during a stormy meeting at Hoboken, N. J., this afternoon and the articles will be drawn up and signed tomorrow. It is believed that the fight will represent more cash than any other fight in the history of the prize ring.

M'GILL AND HARVARD AT PEACE AGAIN

Montreal, Dec. 2.—Peace has been declared between Harvard and McGill, and a team from Montreal will go to Cambridge in January to meet the crimson. Two years ago McGill was invited to send a team to play hockey against a septette from Harvard. The team went all right, but after it had been defeated and Harvard was claiming the championship of the territory from Beantown to the North Pole it was discovered that the seven which represented the Red and White was hardly a good intermediate aggregation. When the facts came out Harvard was rather disappointed and expressed some opinions in chafed tones. The result was that athletic communications were broken off and Harvard refused to allow McGill to go and play in their yard any more.

OPPOSED TO LENGTHENING OF SEASON

Chicago, Dec. 2.—President Johnson of the American League, declares there was no truth in the report that six club owners in his circuit favor a schedule of 168 games. He says his whole league is opposed to a lengthening of the present schedule, and furthermore that it will not stand for any change except one providing for fewer games than are played under the present arrangement.

CHICAGO CATTLE

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 200. Market steady. Steers, 60¢ to 85¢. Hogs—Receipts, 20,000. Market strong to 10 cents higher. Choice heavy, 8.30¢ to 8.40¢. Sheep—Receipts, estimated 16,000. Market steady. Sheep, 4.00¢ to 5.25¢; lambs, 6.75¢ to 7.75¢; yearlings, 5.00¢ to 6.00¢.

WHEAT MARKET STRONG

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 2.—Threatened spread of wheat with a strike caused a stampede among shorts in the wheat market today and transformed a previously weak market into one of decided strength. At the close prices showed net gains for the day of 1-8 to 7-8. Corn closed steady but oats and provisions were strong.

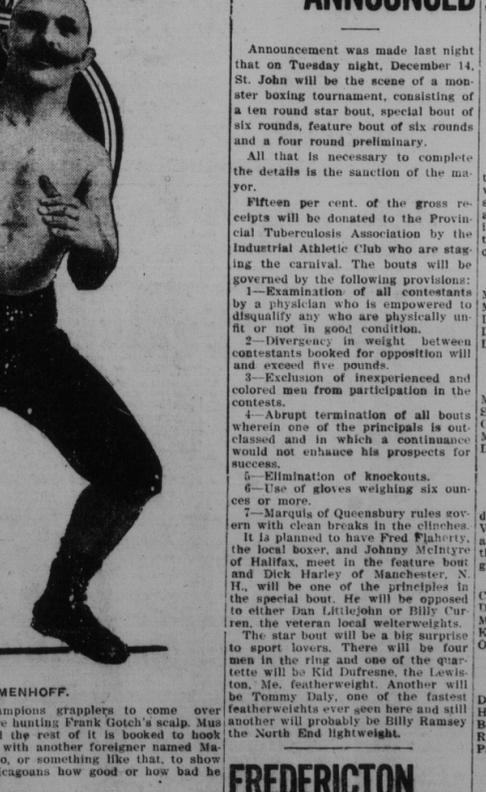
CLOSING STOCK LETTER

New York, Dec. 2.—The more serious aspect of the strike of railway switchmen in the west accentuated the normal tendency of the trading element to take profits on the rebound during the first hour today, therefore there was considerable selling pressure in evidence at various quarters of the market, which caused declines ranging from stout fractions to over a full point. It soon became evident, however, that no wide-spread alarm existed on this account and that the market was in a much stronger technical position than it was prior to the shake-out early in the week. The result was a gradual narrowing of the range and a subsidence of activity until a condition of practical inertia prevailed. This dullness on the decline was interpreted as a favorable sign as it indicates a considerable buying by the trading element with the result that the afternoon witnessed a smart rally which closed the close with prices steady. The specialties were the features throughout the list. The Gould stocks, especially Denver common, were strong in the latter part of the session while third Avenue for reasons traceable to the uncertain status of the company, declined to near its lowest range of the year. There were rumors, which received little credence in well informed circles that Denver common was to be placed upon a dividend basis but the underlying cause of strength, probably was the near completion of the Western Pacific road with the prospect of a materially larger through traffic as a result. Sentiment has undergone no perceptible change worthy of mention. Banking interests adhere to the opinion that the present is an inauspicious time for a bull market and that the professional element is inclined to operate for moderate profits on the long side, believing that work of congress at the next session has been definitely mapped out and discounted by the large interests.

DEATHS

Mr. H. A. Frye, of Frye's Island, died in St. John yesterday morning from pneumonia. Deceased was a son of the late Mr. Henry Frye, at one time a member of the provincial legislature for Charlotte county. Mrs. Charles H. Lee, of this city, who is very seriously ill, is a sister. Mr. Frye leaves a wife and five children.

Another Foreigner Here For Trouble



THIS HOCKEY PLAYER IS ON THE FENCE

Some people say there's nothing in a name. Maybe not, but there's a lot of letters in this fellow's moniker. He's one of the late importations from some place on the other side of the big salt, where they turn out near one from the old Montreal Wanderers, but though he has practically decided not to play in Nelson, he has not decided which of the eastern offers he will accept. He may stay in the west and play in Edmonton. His brother Frank also had offers to go east, and may go to Montreal, paying his own expenses and playing as an amateur with the Victorias. This is his idea at present but Lester wants him to turn professional. Neither "Slim" Griffith nor Tom Phillips will play hockey at all this winter if Nelson does not have a team. Nelson will not go after the Stanley Cup because the date given them was too late in the season. Their season lasts from January to the middle of February only.

ROSES WIN FROM THE SHAMROCKS

Win Three Points from Their Opponents in St. Peters' League--Standard Typos Wallop The Telegraph--Results In The Bowling Club's Tournament--Dufferin Hotel Trims Park.

Table with columns for team names and scores. Includes Shamrocks, Roses, Standard Typos, and others. Scores are listed for various matches.

FREDERICTON MAN MAKES NEW RECORD

Fredericton, Dec. 2.—On the Queen Hotel bowling alleys this morning Jack Sullivan broke the provincial candlepin bowling record formerly held by a St. John man at 147, and made the figure 151. The "pin" boy sported what seemed a sure spire, he started off with a spare and the score by each bowler follows: 18, 35, 64, 73, 88, 103, 118, 125, 142 and 151.

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YANKS HAVE FAILED TWICE TO LIFT CUP

Propros of the Americans recent failure to lift the Davis International Tennis trophy it may be remarked that this is the second attempt of American players to bring back this cup emblematic of international tennis and presented by Herbert F. Davis. Last year Beals C. Wright of Boston and Frederick B. Alexander of New York journeyed to the Antipodes in quest of the mug, and they were opposed by the same players that defeated Long and McLaughlin. In the first match at singles Brookes met Alexander and the Australian won 3 sets to 2, but Wright beat Brookes and Brookes. Wilding won from Alexander and the Australians won the doubles, making the grand total of the Davis International trophy 2-2. It was Brookes and Wilding who won the cup from England in 1907.

EXPECTING MUCH FROM DR. JOHNSON

Montreal, Dec. 2.—Mr. E. Herb. Brown, Dr. Fred J. Toon and Mr. Rubenstein the Montreal delegates at the meeting when the A. A. U. of Canada was formed, Saturday night, returned from Toronto yesterday well pleased with the work accomplished, and with the manner in which the final step ending the long negotiations between the C. A. U. and the Federation was taken.

LONDON AFTER COMING BIG NEGRO MILL

Boston, Dec. 2.—An offer for the proposed fight between Jack Johnson and Sam Langford, of Nova Scotia, was received here today from England. Corri, of London, who claims that he can assure the boxers 60 per cent of the gross receipts, which he estimates at \$50,000. Langford posted a \$10,000 forfeit last week.

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THE WEATHER.

Maritime - Strong northeasterly and northerly winds, clearing with light showers much same temperature Toronto, Ont., Dec. 2 - A pronounced cold wave is sweeping over the western provinces tonight, and temperatures in Alberta and western Saskatchewan are below zero. The Atlantic storm is pressing, but the weather in the Maritime Province remains unsettled. It has continued fine in Ontario, while light snow falls have occurred in Manitoba, and snow flurries further west.

New England Forecast. Washington, D. C., Dec. 2 - Forecast for New England partly cloudy Friday and Saturday, light to moderate northeast to east winds.

AROUND THE CITY

Address on Wireless Telegraphy. At this evening's meeting of the electric club of the Y. M. C. A. boys department an address will be given on wireless telegraphy by a local electrician.

Bridge Whist Party. Mrs. S. P. Crocker gave a bridge whist party yesterday afternoon in honor of her guest, Miss Webster, of "Hediac." The prize winners were, Miss Travers and Mrs. Powell.

Home For Incubables. The December meeting of the board of management of the Home for Incubables took place yesterday. One petition has been admitted since the previous meeting and both wards are now filled. Two applications for admission to rooms are under consideration.

The Local Option Campaign. A meeting of all citizens who are interested in the local option campaign in Sidney ward will be held in the lecture room of Carmarthen street Methodist church on Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. A similar meeting will be held in Stanley ward late in the week. The date will be announced later.

Rierson Inquest Tonight. Dr. D. E. Berryman, the coroner, empaneled a jury yesterday and will conduct an inquest into the death of Stanley Rierson, killed on the steamer Montrose on Tuesday. The inquest will be held in the court house at 7 o'clock this evening. The jury is as follows: J. F. Gleason, foreman; S. T. Golding, Theo. Gibbons, J. S. Armstrong, Geo. Wilson, B. Holt and Sydney Gibbs.

Protestant Orphan Asylum. Routine business was transacted at a meeting of the governors of the Protestant Orphan Asylum yesterday afternoon. The following subscriptions are acknowledged by the treasurer: A. O. F., \$5; Wm. Bruckhoff, \$5; Miss C. A. Patterson, \$1; Mrs. J. T. Caloun, \$1. Mr. Bruckhoff also contributed \$5 to the Christmas tree fund.

Mr. Pender will Report. The principal business at the annual meeting of the St. John Board of Trade next Monday afternoon will consist in receiving the report of Mr. James Pender, the board's delegate to the convention of the Chambers of Commerce of the Empire in Sydney, Australia. In the absence of Mr. W. M. Hathaway, M. P. P., Mr. Pender will present the official report. It is expected to contain many valuable suggestions.

No Decision Reached. Conference was held yesterday afternoon between Mr. A. P. Barhill and Mr. John Keefe, the Canadian representatives on the International Waterways commission, and Hon. W. P. Jones and Mr. J. Gregory, the counsel. No decision was reached regarding the date or place for the next meeting of the commission. A further meeting will be held in the city next week at which these details will be arranged.

N. B. Military Veterans. At a meeting of the N. B. Veterans Association, held last evening, a committee consisting of Messrs. Andrew Emery, Thos. McAfee, Geo. Gorham and Jas. Hunter was appointed to make arrangements for an entertainment in connection with the annual meeting to be held next January. A letter was read from Hon. Wm. Fugley promising to exert his influence in favor of a pension for the veterans.

Carleton Cornet Fair. The winners of the door prizes at the Carleton Cornet Band Fair last evening were, Mr. Wm. Smith, half barrel of flour; Mr. Gorbell, glass set; Mr. Wm. Sanderson, caddy of tea; Mr. J. Nason, half a dozen cans of corn. Mr. Wm. Sanderson won the bagatelle prize, a pickle stand. The prize in the excelsior game, a parlor lamp, went to Mr. Harry Duke. Mr. J. Nichols won a water set in the bean toss, and Mr. John Pollock won a lady's mantles set in the air gun competition. The 52nd band was present during the evening.

High School Alumnae Meet. The life and works of Robert Louis Stevenson was the subject considered by the members of the High School alumnae last evening at the residence of Miss H. Frink, Leinster street. The ladies who took part in the discussion were, Mrs. G. F. Scovill, Miss Madeline DeSoyres, Miss Gertrude Coster, Miss Florence Perry, Miss Grace Coster and Miss G. Lawson. During the evening Miss Helen Connor sang a solo. The next meeting of the society will be held on January 6 at the residence of Mrs. F. Sandall, Pitt street.

York L. O. L. Elect Officers. York L. O. L. No. 3, held their annual meeting last evening in the Orange Hall, Germain street, with Mr. Isaac Heroer in the chair. The reports submitted by the different officers showed that the year had been an exceptionally good one. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Worshipful master, Mr. Geo. A. Earle; deputy master, Mr. Geo. A. Gordon; chaplain, Mr. Geo. Oldyard; recording secretary, Mr. Walter Gray; financial secretary, Mr. C. M. Lingey; treasurer, Mr. Chas. Biens; director of ceremonies, Mr. J. Hazelwood; lecturer, Mr. R. H. McIntyre; deputy lecturer, Mr. Frank Gillette; inside tyler, Mr. A. Dibble; managing committee, Messrs. James Donnelly, Ralph Hinder, Charles Perkins, Simon Dible and James W. McAfee.

ENGLAND JEALOUS OF BELGIUM IS SECRET OF CONGO CHARGES

Belgium Consul-General Here On His Way Home From China Declares That King Leopold is Guiltless Of Inhuman Atrocities—China Will Have Standing Army Of 5,000,000 And Is Building Railways.

Mr. M. Gregoire, consul-general of Belgium in China, arrived in the city yesterday and will leave on the Empress of Britain this afternoon on the last stage of his long journey to his former home in Brussels. During a residence of three years in China, Mr. Gregoire has had an opportunity of observing the celestials at close range. To a Standard reporter last evening he disclosed some startling facts with reference to recent military activities displayed by the Chinese. "You will be surprised to hear," he said "that China has a standing army of 185,000 men. These soldiers are kept in perfect training and were mobilized at the last review. Thirty divisions are to be organized at once and as there are about 20,000 in each division this means over half a million soldiers. China could easily raise an army of 3,000,000, but at present the half million will be the limit. The officers and instructors are almost entirely Chinese, who have been trained abroad. Foreigners are now being dispensed with." "What will China do with such an army?" was asked.

Not All Laundrymen. "First of all," was the reply, "she will lock after her own neighbor, Japan, and will resist any aggression, but I see no menace in the awakening of this great nation. It is a mistake to believe that the whole population are laundrymen or coolies. These are the lowest classes. I found the majority of the people enlightened and educated. The statesmen whom I met spoke English fluently, in fact, much better than I did myself. "In railroad building the Chinese are making great strides. They are reconstructing a line into the region traversed by the Great Wall, and are putting into its construction the same industry and the same perseverance which made their rail one of the wonders of the world."

Affairs in the Congo. Previous to his service in China Mr. Gregoire represented the Belgian Government in the Congo Free State and he referred to the charges of atrocities which were committed in that country by King Leopold's agents. "I cannot understand," he said, "that Belgium should be singled out for savage attacks for doing what all other colonizing nations have done. What did you do with the Indians in this country and what is their condition today? Did you not grope your way from them? The whole trouble is that England is jealous. Little Belgium controls a territory five times as large as France and this does not suit the other nations. I know that a firm of Manchester merchants are responsible for the recent charges."

"It is true," added Mr. Gregoire, "that things have been done by Belgians which should not have been done, but the law was in force there and punishment was meted out. The Congo is ruled by the same laws as Belgium. It was under Belgium that the shameful Arab slave trade was stopped and we desire some credit for this."

When invited to talk of the internal condition of Belgium, Mr. Gregoire said that he had been away so much he preferred not to discuss these matters.

One of the pioneers of Prince Rupert arrived in the city yesterday in the person of Mr. H. R. Munro, a former Englishman, who will leave on the Empress of Britain today to spend Christmas in the old country. Mr. Munro says the report that Prince Rupert is about to apply for incorporation as a city is rather premature, as it will be some time yet before the terminal point of the Grand Trunk Pacific will elect a mayor and aldermen.

The grading of about 100 miles of the G. T. P. along the Skeena is now complete, Mr. Munro says, and a construction train is shunting about the yards in the vicinity of the town. Prince Rupert is all railroad and nothing else, and the population is very cosmopolitan. The navies are largely Montenegrins, but nearly every nation under the sun is represented among the property holders of the town.

Naturally, Mr. Munro said, the buildings are rather of a primitive nature, as the town lots were sold only last spring, but there is first class accommodation at the hotels, and the town is up-to-date with two newspapers.

Mr. Munro is now in business for himself and has much faith in the future of the infant city which promises to assume such large proportions.

The Allan Liner Grampian, Capt. Johnson, from Liverpool via Halifax, arrived off the island at 10 o'clock Wednesday evening and dropped anchor until 1.30 yesterday afternoon, when she docked at No. 6 berth. The Grampian was delayed for five days in Liverpool on account of a dense fog. Capt. Johnson said that it was the thickest fog that they have had in Liverpool for twenty years and that while it lasted not a steamer moved in the Mersey.

The steamer sailed on Nov. 22, carrying 300 passengers and 4,000 tons of general cargo for local merchants, and the West. Coming across the Atlantic, strong head gales were encountered with high seas. The Grampian was again delayed for eight hours off Halifax harbor on account of fog. After leaving Halifax, the steamer made a good run to the Lurcher Light but was compelled to drop anchor off the Lurcher for eight hours on account of a blinding snow storm. The work of unloading the steamer began last evening.

Premier Hazen and Hon. Robert Mackenzie returned yesterday from Fredericton, where they were attending a meeting of the Provincial Government.

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COLD WEATHER NECESSITIES THEY WILL SOON BE WANTED

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Waterbury & Rising King Street, Union Street.

Advertisement for 'ADENT' featuring an illustration of a woman's face and text describing the product's benefits for skin care.

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