BLACK HANDERS ARRESTED

Seven Men and One Woman Held in Toronto Jail

A despatch from Toronto says: With the arrest on Friday of seven men and one woman, the police believe they have broken up the headquarters of the Black Hand Society in Toronto, which for several months past has been keeping two-thirds of the Italian colony in the central part of the city in a state of terror.

As a result of information gleaned by the police, following the surrender of Frank Griro on a charge of murdering Francesco Seiaone, Sergeant of Detectives Alex. Mackie and the entire staff of detectives on Friday visited three restaurants conducted by Italians in York street, and placed under arrest fourteen people, and seized several dirks, letters and other articles. Of those brought to headquarters eight were detained, the remainder being given their freedom after giving satisfactory explanations for their presence in the places. After being examined those detained were taken to the jail.

As soon as certain individuals in the Italian colony learned that Griro was behind the bars they were not slow to enlighten the authorities upon some of the conditions under which the alleged Black Hand organization was being operated in Toronto. Fearing that some of the ringleaders might make their escape the police deemed it best to act promptly in the matter. Shortly after 2 o'clock the detectives visited 160 York street, a restaurant conducted by Joe Muselino, where they found seven men and two women; 165 York street, a fruit store, kept by Salvatori Sciarone, a brother of the murdered man, where there were five men, and 174 York street, a barber shop, conducted by James Rapola, who admitted selling the revolver to Griro, who fired the fatal shots. Rapola was the only occupant of the place.

The prisoners, who were very excited, when taken to headquarters stoutly denied any connection with the Black Hand organization in Toronto, though, according to information conveyed to the police, the headquarters of the organization in Toronto was located at Muselino's restaurant. A few days ago there arrived in Toronto a secret service detective from Naples, who figured prominently in the famous Camorra trial now in progress in Naples. He was walking along the street when he recognized two alleged Black Handers, who escaped from Naples following the commencement of the trial. As soon as they got a glimpse of him they boarded a street car and got away. This satisfied him that they were here for the purpose of operating, and their description was immediately given to the authorities.

Subsequently it was learned that they had been loitering around the places visited by the police in York street, but when the officers lined up the inmates in the different places the two much-sought individuals were not among the number. That the place kept by Muselino was used almost exclusively for those connected with the society as a meeting place the police feel certain. Muselino formerly kept a restaurant at 125 11th street, Niagara Falls, N.Y., which up till a few months ago was recognized as the headquarters of the Camorra Society in Canada.

Following the circulation of some mysterious letters on the Niagara frontier, where a large number of Italians were engaged in construction work in connection with the different power plants, Muselino was ordered to close the place and get out of the city. He came direct to Toronto, and opened the restaurant on York street, which, it is alleged, was used as a blind to cover up any operations in Toronto and vicinity.

MONTREAL CARS COLLIDE.

Wm. Stuart Killed and Several Other Persons Injured.

A despatch from Montreal says: Mr. William Stuart, a real estate agent, was killed and several people injured on Thursday evening, when a St. Catharine street car crashed into a crowded terminal car on the Bout de L'Isle line at the corner of St. Catharine street and La Salle avenue. The motorman of the St. Catharine street car, Elzear Langlois, was badly cut about the head and arms, the front of his car being smashed in when it struck the rear of the terminal car. The rear platform of the terminal car, where Mr. Stuart had been standing, was badly damaged. Langlois stated that the accident was due to the failure of the air brakes on his car to work. There is a steep grade on St. Catharine street by La Salle avenue, and owing to the air brakes not working he was unable to check his car when he saw the terminal car attempting to cross ahead of him.

STREAMS IN ROCKIES.

Secretary of Conservation Commission Will Investigate.

A despatch from Calgary says: With a view of ascertaining the source, power and possibilities of streams in the Rockies in eastern British Columbia and western Alberta, Mr. James White, Secretary of the Canadian Conservation Commission, Ottawa, will leave Calgary, where he is at present attending the Irrigation Convention, with two assistants.

SET SICK WIFE'S BED ON FIRE

Farmer Was Anxious to see If She Really Was Ill.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Charles Dubois, a farmer from St. Pierre de Wakefield, was brought to the Hull jail by Baliff de Coeli, of Hull, on a warrant charging him with assault on his wife and members of his family. He is alleged to have set fire to the bed on which his wife lay sick, just to ascertain if she was really ill or not. When the unfortunate woman jumped from the bed to escape being burned, it is claimed, he swore she was shamming sickness and made her work around the house. On another occasion, it is alleged he chased the whole family into the woods with two sticks of dynamite. Four years ago he stabbed a neighbor in the course of a quarrel and bit off the top of the man's thumb.

NO TWO CENT RATE.

U. S. Government Declined Australia's Proposed Arrangement.

A despatch from Melbourne, Australia, says: The United States Government has declined the Australian proposal for a reciprocal two-cent postage arrangement. Josiah Thomas, Postmaster-General of the Commonwealth, took the matter up with the Post-Office authorities at Washington a month ago. The question has been the subject of an agitation since the discontinuance of the mail service between Australian ports and San Francisco.

BRITISH M.P.'S TO BE PAID

A Resolution Was Moved by Mr. Lloyd-George and Carried

A despatch from London says: A resolution to pay members of the House of Commons $2,000 annually for their services was carried by a vote of 256 to 159. The resolution was moved by Mr. Lloyd-George in the House of Commons on Thursday. The Chancellor of the Exchequer said that Great Britain was the only country in the world that did not pay members for their work in Parliament, which now-a-days was so strenuous that the members had little time to attend to anything else.

The Unionists opposed the payment plan on the ground that it would be a violation of the principle of grantuitous public service, as well as improper for members to vote themselves salaries. Arthur Hamilton Lee, Unionist member for the Fareham division of Hants, who moved the official Unionist amendment against salaries, argued that the effect of the Chancellor's bill would be to keep out the best types and fill Parliament with professional politicians. Mr. James Ramsay MacDonald, Labor leader, denied that the measure would cause corruption, and said that it would "tend to help the tide of purity which is flowing over American politics."

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Aug. 15.—Flour—Winter wheat, 90 per cent. patents, $3.35 to $3.40, Montreal freight. Manitoba flours—First patents, $5.10; second patents, $4.60; and strong bakers', $4.40, on track, Toronto. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern quoted at $1.03 1-2c, Bay ports; No. 2 at $1.01 1-2c; and No. 3 at $1.00.

Ontario wheat—New No. 2 at 80c, outside, and old at 82c to 83c, outside.

Barley—The market is dull, with prices nominal.

Oats—Ontario grades, 40c, outside, for No. 2, and at 43c, on track, Toronto. New No. 2 at 37c, outside. No. 2 W. C. oats at 41c, and No. 3 at 39 1-2c, Bay ports.

Corn—No. 2 American yellow, 67c, Bay ports, and 72c, Toronto.

Peas—The market is dull, with prices purely nominal.

Rye—There is none offering, and prices are nominal.

Buckwheat—Nothing offering.

Bran—Manitobas, $20 to $21, in bags, Toronto, and shorts, $23, in bags, Toronto. Ontario bran, $21, in bags, Toronto.

BUTTER AND EGGS.

Butter—Dairy prints, 19 to 21c; inferior, 15 to 17c. Creamery, 24 to 25c per lb for rolls, and 22 to 23c for solids.

Eggs—Strictly new-laid quoted at 22 to 23c, and fresh at 18 to 19c per dozen, in case lots.

Cheese—Large, 13c, and twins, 13 1-4c per lb.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Beans—Small lots, $2.20 to $2.25.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. Combs, $2 to $2.60.

Baled Hay—No. 1 at $13 to $14, on track, and No. 2 at $11 to $14.

Baled straw—$6 to $6.50, on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—New, in barrels, $4.50, and per bushel, $1.25 to $1.50.

Poultry—Spring chickens, 20 to 21c per lb; fowl, 13 to 14c; turkeys, 16c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Aug. 15.—Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 42 3-4 to 43c, car lots, ex store; extra No. 1 feed, 42 to 42 1-2c; No. 3 C. W., 41 1-2 to 42c; No. 2 local white, 41c; No. 3 local white, 40c; No. 4 local white, 39c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.30; seconds, $4.80; Winter wheat patents, $4.50 to $4.75; strong bakers', $4.60; straight rollers, $4 to $4.10; in bags, $1.80 to $2. Rolled oats, per barrel, $5.75; bag of 90 lbs, $2.25. Millfeed—Bran, Ontario, $21 to $22; Manitoba, $20 to $21; middlings, Ontario, $24 to $25; shorts, Manitoba, $23; mouillie, $25 to $31. Eggs—Selected, 21 1-2c; fresh, 17 1-2c; No. 1 stock, 18 1-2c. Cheese—Westerns, 12 1-2 to 12 3-4c; easterns, 12 1-8 to 12 1-4c. Butter—Choicest, 23 1-2 to 23 3-4c.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Minneapolis, Aug. 15.—Close—Wheat September, $1.04 1-2c; December, $1.05 1-2c to $1.05 3-8c; May, $1.09 1-4; No. 1 hard, $1.08; No. 1 Northern, $1.06 to $1.07 1-2c; do., to arrive, $1.03 1-2 to $1.07; No. 2 Northern, $1.01 1-2 to $1.06; No. 3 wheat, $1.01 to $1.04. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 64 1-2 to 65c. Oats—No. 3 white, 41 to 41 1-2c. Rye—No. 2, 80 1-2c. Bran—$20.50 to $21. Flour—First patents, $5.20 to $5.40; second patents, $4.70 to $4.95; first clears, $3.55 to $3.75; second clears, $2.55 to $2.70.

Buffalo, Aug. 15.—Spring wheat—No. 1 Northern, carloads store, $1.12 1-2; Winter, No. 2 red, 93 1-2c; No. 3 red, 91c; No. 2 white, 92c. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 69 1-2c; No. 4 yellow, 67 3-4c; No. 3 corn, 67 1-2c, all on track, through billed. Oats—No. 2 white, 42 1-4c; No. 3 white, 41 1-2c; No. 4 white, 40 1-2c. Barley—Malting—$1.09 to $1.15. Rye—No. 2, on track, 87c.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Aug. 15—Choice steers, 5 1-2c per lb; medium, 4 3-4c; common, 4 1-4c per lb. Hogs—7 1-4c per lb. Choice cows—4 1-4c; medium, 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c per lb. Lambs—$5.75 to $7 each. Sheep, 3 1-2 per lb.

Toronto, Aug. 15.—Choice cattle, for export or butcher purposes, sold strong at $5.90 to $6.05, while there was a very keen demand for handy weight butcher heifers and steers from $5.60 to $5.90; medium and common grades of cattle were little changed at $4.50 to $5.50. Cows were steady at $4 to $4.60, bulls remaining at about the same level. Short-keeps are quoted as high as $5.60, with good feeders ranging from $5 to $5.50. Light stocker steers were firm at $4.25 to $4.75. Sheep are unchanged, with heavy ewes dull. Lambs were about 50c per cwt. higher. Hogs were unchanged.

RAN AMUCK WITH RAZOR.

Discharged Prisoner Sent to Jail for Thirty Days.

A despatch from Porcupine says: Tuesday night William Leroy ran amuck with a razor down the crowded street of Golden City. Wednesday he received from the Magistrate thirty days. Leroy two weeks ago was discharged from the prison gang on the Pearl Lake road. He tore up the ticket with which all convicts are furnished to get out of the country, and has been a nuisance ever since. Tuesday night he secured whiskey and brandished a razor, happily without accident.

MURDERED FOR THREE CENTS

3,000 French Sailors Witness Execution of Two Seamen.

A despatch from Toulon, France, says: Upon the order of their superiors, 3,000 men from the French fleet and garrison witnessed the execution of two seamen named Guegen and Lemarechal. The men were convicted by courtmartial of having murdered a comrade named Carrel in order to rob him of three cents. They were ordered to be shot in the presence of their fellows in the service.

FLOUR GOES UP.

Rise in Wheat Leads to Action by Milling Companies.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: All prominent milling companies have raised the price of flour 10 cents per sack of 100 pounds, and 20 cents a barrel of 196 pounds. The new price went into effect on Wednesday at noon. The increase is due to the rise in the price of wheat, October option being particularly responsible.

THE NEWS IN A PARAGRAPH

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE IN A NUTSHELL.

Canada, the Empire and the World in General Before Your Eyes.

CANADA.

Quebec will sell no more Crown water powers.

Another ten cent advance in sugar is announced.

Lord Strathcona sent a cheque for $10,000 to the Brantford Y.M.C.A.

Guelph may extend its limits, to take in the land occupied by Macdonald College.

Good average field crops for all the Provinces are reported in an official bulletin.

Fred Lefebvre, aged thirteen, was drowned at Haileybury while a man stood by and laughed.

President Creelman and Prof. Zavitz of the O.A.C. found the Niagara fruit crops better than had been reported.

A big radial road to connect Toronto, London, and Montreal is being financed, it is said, in Canada, England and France.

J. N. Muir, ex-principal of Victoria High School, Vancouver, alleges that 37 Governor-General's medals have been unfairly distributed in British Columbia.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The London dock strike is ended.

Affairs in Liverpool are still critical, and the strike is unsettled.

The veto bill passed the House of Lords by 131 votes to 114.

UNITED STATES.

John W. Gates, a noted United States financier, died in Paris.

GENERAL.

Disquieting symptoms in the illness of the Pope are reported from the Vatican.

Germany is very active in Africa, and there is much unrest among the natives bordering French Congo.

STEWARDS ARRESTED.

They Had Refused to Put Mail Ashore and Went on Strike.

A despatch from Montreal says: Fifty-seven men, comprising the entire contingent of first and second-class stewards on board the Allan Liner Victorian, were arrested and driven to jail on the arrival of that vessel from Liverpool on Friday evening. Their arrest was due to the fact that they had refused to perform their duties at Rimouski and during the voyage up the river from that point. The entire fifty-seven were taken into custody without a blow being struck and without any signs of trouble, and they seemed somewhat surprised that the company should have called in shore law to settle the difficulty. The trouble started when the vessel arrived at Rimouski on Friday morning and the stewards refused to assist in putting the mail ashore. This has been a grievance for some time, and was the cause of some little trouble last year, but since the spring, when the Allan Liners took to putting all the mail, except that for the Maritime Provinces, ashore at Quebec, the amount handled at Rimouski has been so small as not to cause trouble

SENTENCED TO CHAIN GANG.

Woman Must Don Bloomers and Work With Prisoners.

A despatch from Iola, Kansas, says: Iola city officials, with the exception of Municipal Judge Smeltzer, are up in arms because a woman has been sentenced to don a pair of bloomers and join the street gang from the city jail. Judge Smeltzer on Tuesday sentenced Mrs. Ella Reese to the street gang and ordered that city officials provide her with the bloomers. Street Commissioner Glynn refused to have a woman in the chain gang. Mrs. Reese did not go to work breaking rock or sweeping the streets on Wednesday because the bloomers had not been provided, and the officials say they will not allow the woman to carry out the sentence imposed upon her.

HEAT IN GERMANY.

Deaths From Sunstroke Reported From All Sections.

A despatch from Berlin says: The heated term continues unabated throughout Germany, and during the past few days the temperature has been higher than before. Deaths from sunstroke are reported from all sections. A water famine threatens some districts where the brooks are drying up. The thermometer in the side streets of Berlin on Friday registered 99 in the shade.

OUR TRADE WITH BRITAIN

Report on External Business Is Issued by Trade Correspondent

A despatch from Ottawa, says: John Bain, Imperial trade correspondent for this district, on Thursday issued a report on the external trade of the United Kingdom, as it affects Canada, for the six months ending June 30.

The total values of the merchandise imported into the United Kingdom from Canada and exported from the United Kingdom to Canada, during the first six months of each of the years, 1910 and 1911, were as follows:

Imports into the United Kingdom from Canada, 1910, £10,599,000; 1911, £8,481,000.

Exports from the United Kingdom to Canada, of United Kingdom produce, 1910, £9,511,000; 1911, £9,464,000; of foreign and colonial produce, 1910, £1,439,000; 1911, £1,478,000.

The exports to Canada were thus about the same in value as last year, but the imports from Canada were lower by two millions sterling, of which nearly one and one-half millions were due to diminished imports of wheat. Britain's wheat imports from Canada were £3,825,000 in the first six months last year, while in the same period this year they were only £2,422,000. Bacon and hams, however, show an increase from £695,000 to £1,027,000.

RIOTING AT LIVERPOOL.

Desperate Street Fights Between Strikers and Police.

A despatch from Liverpool, England, says: Serious rioting growing out of the strike which is in progress here occurred on Sunday afternoon. One policeman was killed by being struck on the head with a brick, and many persons were injured. An altercation between a policeman and strikers during a transport workers' demonstration at St. George's Hall started the trouble, which culminated in a general melee. After order had been restored and the strikers scattered, they gathered again in the Islington quarter and resumed their attacks upon the police and with serious results. One hundred thousand men were gathered in groups about St. George's Hall listening to speeches by labor leaders, and the scenes of violence following the attack upon a policeman necessitated the calling out of the police reserves. When they arrived one party of fifteen policemen was surrounded and disarmed, the rioters attacking them with their own bayonets. In the fight the commander of the police was dangerously wounded. During the course of the day forty policemen and sixty civilians were injured, many of them seriously. The temper of the rioters is shown by the fact that they even attacked the ambulance surgeons and the firemen who were called to extinguish incendiary fires.

DISORDER IN GLASGOW.

Street Car Strikers Attack Police With Stones.

A despatch from London, says: While the strike troubles in London are ended, the situation in the provinces is rapidly growing worse. In addition to rioting on Sunday at Liverpool, there were serious disorders at Glasgow, where the street car service had to be completely closed down. Thirty thousand workers met on Glasgow Green, and the strike leaders threatened drastic measures if the non-union men continued to take the places of strikers. Scuffles with the police led to wild scenes of disorder, in which there were stone throwing on the part of the workmen and baton charges by the police. Much damage was done to street cars by the strikers before the service was suspended. Cars were pulled off the tracks, and their trolley poles removed, windows were smashed and timbers were laid on the rails or strikers sat on the tracks in a body in order to impede the progress of the cars. Many persons were injured.

CONGO IN REVOLT.

Entire Province Has Risen and Seized Belgian Magistrate.

A despatch from Brussels says: The entire Oriental province of the Congo Free State, according to despatches received here on Thursday, is in revolt. The natives are said to have carried off a Belgian magistrate and are holding him as

A BRUTAL HUSBAND.

Set Fire to Mattress and Broke Wife's Jaw.

A despatch from London, Ont., says: Crazed by drink and angered by the thought that his wife, whom he had repeatedly abused in the past few weeks, would leave him as soon as the place in which they were living, was sold, Thomas Murray, of Second Street, London Junction, is alleged to have set fire to a bedtick in his house on Wednesday afternoon, and after Mrs. Murray had extinguished it, he struck her on the jaw, breaking it three times, and choking her. She ran to a neighbors for assistance, and while she was away, he is alleged to have set fire to the house a second time, this time being successful in burning it down.

UNHAPPY SPAIN.

Execution of Naval Mutineers Outcome of Republican Plot.

A despatch from Madrid says: The Spanish Government affirms, in explanation of the summary court-martial and execution of twenty-six men of the battleship Numancia, who mutinied while the vessel was at Tangier on Saturday, that the revolt was a Republican plot, in which about one hundred sailors were implicated. The Republicans appear especially active throughout the country, and the Government is correspondingly on the alert.

BIG STORAGE ELEVATOR.

Montreal Harbor Commissioners Will Make Extensive Additions.

A despatch from Montreal says: The harbor commissioners have further extended their plans with regard to the building of grain elevators, and have determined to add a storage elevator with a capacity of 850,000 bushels to the new elevator, which is to have a capacity of 1,772,000 bushels, now in process of construction. The whole will be completed by May, 1912, and the addition will be erected by next Fall. When complete the elevator will be able to handle 40,000 bushels inward per hour and, at the same time, 60,000 bushels outward. With this addition the capacity of the port will be over 5,000,000 bushels.

BIG RECEPTION PLANNED.

Duke of Connaught Will be Welcomed Officially at Montreal.

A despatch from Montreal says: It is planned by the City Council to tender an official reception to the Duke of Connaught upon his arrival in Montreal on or about Oct. 12, on his way to Ottawa to assume the Governor-Generalship. The letters have been written to Earl Grey's secretary and Mr. Jos. Pope, Under-Secretary, asking f the details of the time of the ar val of his Royal Highness, but particulars can be furnished them.

CROP CONDITIONS DECLINE

The Report From Washington Is the Worst For Ten Years

A despatch from Washington says: A tremendous decline in the condition of crops, general throughout the country, and traceable to drought during the last month, as indicated by official figures and estimates made on Wednesday in the monthly crop report of the Department of Agriculture. The report is the worst, as to general crop conditions, that the department has issued for any single month since 1910. The area most seriously affected extends from New York and Pennsylvania westward to the Rocky Mountains, embracing all of the great corn, wheat and hay-producing States in the country. In the Southern States, with the exception of Virginia and North Carolina, ample rains served to maintain generally favorable conditions throughout the past month. These conditions thus far continue to be favorable. Conditions on the Pacific coast and North-Western States are regarded as excellent, though during July that territory suffered from a brief but excessively hot period.