PARLIAMENT IS PROROGUED

H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught in Dissolving the Common Announces His Farewell

Ottawa, June 12.—Parliament was prorogued this afternoon, when the following address was delivered from the throne by H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught:

Speech from the Throne.

Following was his Royal Highness' prorogation speech:

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate: Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I am glad to relieve you from further attendance in Parliament after a session which has been marked by legislation of an important character.

The task of readjusting the representation of the people in the House of Commons and the provisions of the British North American Act, on a basis not open to just criticism, has naturally been a difficult one; but it has been accomplished in a manner which I trust will prove satisfactory to the electorate. This readjustment will greatly increase the representation of the four Western Provinces.

My advisers have not been unmindful of the necessity of completing with the least possible delay the great Transcontinental Railway systems now under construction; and the provision which has been made for necessary assistance to those great national enterprises will, I trust, not only ensure their early completion, but result in distinct and marked benefit to all portions of the Dominion.

The difficult question of providing a system of naturalization whereby the status of British citizenship thus acquired shall be recognized by law in all parts of the Empire has for many years engaged the attention of the Governments of the Mother Country and of all the self-governing dominions. The measure which has been passed for that purpose by the Parliament of Canada and which will find its complement in legislation passed by the Imperial Parliament and by the Parliaments of the other dominions, contributes to a great result upon which the Empire as a whole is to be congratulated.

It has been found necessary to make a partial readjustment of the tariff in certain important respects, and I have every confidence that this readjustment will prove of marked advantage, not only to the industries chiefly concerned, but to all the business and industrial life of the country.

The legislation which has been enacted to implement the resolutions passed by the International Conference on Safety of life at sea, provides more effective measures for ensuring in the future the safety of passengers and crews on ocean-going steamships.

The measure which has been passed for the more effective supervision of cold storage warehouses will, I trust, have important results by regulation in the public interest the condition and disposal of food products as stored.

It is confidently anticipated that the amendments to the existing laws respecting trust and loan companies will prove of marked advantage in securing greater uniformity as well as additional safeguards to the public.

The measure providing for a specially constituted commission to investigate shipping casualties of extreme gravity will afford the means of making a more thorough and exhaustive enquiry into such cases and of securing recommendations from competent experts as to requisite precautions to prevent such disasters in the future.

My advisers are constantly impressed with the necessity for greater and improved facilities in all the national ports of Canada, and they believe that the necessary provision of large dry docks which are essential for that purpose will be more readily consummated by the amendment passed at the present session.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I thank you for the liberal provision you have made for the public service.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate:

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

My term of office is drawing to a close, and this is the last occasion on which I shall have the honor of addressing you as Governor-General.

I consider it a fitting opportunity of expressing to you my fervent belief in the high destiny of Canada and in the manner in which Canadians will fulfil that destiny.

I desire to assure you that, after my official connection with you is severed I shall still continue to feel the greatest affection for the people of Canada and an unaltered interest in all that pertains to the progress and prosperity of the Dominion.

TRIED TO FIRE JAIL.

Attempt at Self-Destruction Carried Out by Alleged Murderer.

A despatch from Montreal says: Joseph Beauchamp, one of the two alleged bandits being held for trial next September on a charge of murdering Constable Bourdon at St. Laurent on Tuesday night, tried to destroy his own life at the Bordeaux jail, where he is incarcerated. He piled his mattress, table and chairs against the door of his cell and set fire to the pile. The smoke attracted attention and the flames were speedily put out.

ARMS NOT ALLOWED.

Minister of Militia Announces That Rules Will Be Enforced.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Col. Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia, stated definitely that there would be no relaxation of the King's regulations in regard to the proposed turn-out of the 65th Regiment under arms in the Eucharistic procession at Montreal. The regulations forbidding the carrying of arms by a regiment under such circumstances are not new, and the department does not intend to waive them in the present instance.

BUSH FIRES ALARMING.

Two Hundred Men Fight Flames at New Liskeard.

A despatch from Haileybury, Ont., says: An exceptionally warm spell coupled with a high wind has fanned scores of bush fires into flame again in the north, and while no serious damage has been done to date, the fires are alarming. In New Liskeard the fire department fought for eight hours to save Kennedy's lumber yard and the T. & N. O. station. From all points in the district smoke and flames may easily be seen. In the majority of cases the fires spring up in sections previously burned.

CAR ROBBERS SENTENCED.

Seven Former Employes of C.P.R. Convicted.

A despatch from Vancouver, B.C., says: Seven men formerly convicted of robbery at Kamloops assizes and sentenced to three years each in the penitentiary. For some time the Canadian Pacific divisional yards at Kamloops have been robbed and in all more than $10,000 worth of goods taken.

CROPS ARE SATISFACTORY

Harvest Promises to be Fully up to Average of Past Four Years

A despatch from Ottawa says: In a bulletin issued by the Census and Statistics Office preliminary estimates are given of the areas of the principal grain crops in Canada, as well as reports on their condition, according to returns made by the correspondents on June 1. The reports show that throughout the Maritime Provinces seeding was delayed through the lateness of the spring. In Ontario and Quebec the condition of grain is generally satisfactory, notwithstanding a long spell of dry weather. In many places, however, the meadows were beginning to suffer from the effects of drought. Conditions throughout the West were reported as generally favorable, though rains would be welcome, especially in Manitoba and Southern Alberta.

On June 1 the condition of field crops, as measured by a standard in which 100 represents the promise of a full crop, was very favorable. The points are as follows: Fall wheat, 79; spring wheat, 93; all wheat, 91; oats and barley, 92; rye, 89; peas, 92; mixed grains, 93; hay and clover, 90; alfalfa, 88; and pastures, 90.

Assuming that the conditions between now and harvest will be equal to the average of the past four years, 1910-1913, the above percentages represent the promise of yields equal to the four-year average in the case of spring wheat, rye and barley, and inferior in the case of oats by one per cent., and in the case of fall wheat by two per cent.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, June 16.—Flour—Ontario wheat flours, 90 per cent., $3.85 to $3.90, seaboard, and at $3.90, Toronto. Manitoba—First patents, in jute bags, $6.60; do., seconds, $5.10; strong bakers', in jute bags, $4.

Manitoba wheat—Bay ports—No. 1 Northern, $1, and No. 2, 98½c.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 at $1.03 to $1.05, outside, and $1.06, on track, Toronto.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario oats, 39½ to 40c, outside, and at 42c, on track, Toronto. Western Canada oats, 42½c for No. 2, and at 41½c for No 3, Bay ports.

Peas—Prices nominal.

Barley—Good malting barley, 56 to 58c, according to quality.

Rye—No. 3 at 63 to 64c, outside.

Buckwheat—90 to 93c, outside.

Corn—No. 2 American, 76½c, c.i.f., Midland.

Bran—Manitoba bran, $24 to $26 a ton, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, $26 to $27.

Country Produce.

Butter—Choice dairy, 17 to 19c; inferior, 15 to 16c; farmers' separator prints, 19 to 20c; creamery prints, fresh, 22 to 24c; do., solids, 20 to 21c.

Eggs—21 to 22c per dozen in case lots.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 10½ to 11c per lb. Combs, $2.25 to $2.50 per dozen for No. 1, and $2 for No. 2.

Cheese—New cheese, 14 to 14½c for large, and 14½ to 14¾c for twins.

Beans—Hand-picked, $2.25 to $2.30 per bushel; primes, $2.10 to $2.20.

Poultry—Fowl, 17 to 19c per lb.; chickens, 19 to 20c; ducks, 20c; geese, 15 to 16c; turkeys, 20 to 23c.

Potatoes—Delawares, $1.10 to $1.15, on track, here; and Ontarios at $1 per bag, on track.

Baled Hay and Straw.

Baled hay—No. 1 at $15 to $15.25 a ton, on track, here; No. 2 at $13.50 to $14.50, and clover at $11.

Baled straw—Car lots, $8.25 to $8.50, on track, Toronto.

Provisions.

Bacon, long clear, 14 to 14½c per lb. in case lots. Hams—Medium, 18 to 19c; do., heavy, 17 to 18c; rolls, 14½ to 15c; reakfast bacon, 18 to 19c; backs, 22 to 23c.

Lard—Tierces, 12½c; tubs, 12¾c; pails, 13c.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, June 16.—Corn, American No. 2 yellow, 78 to 79c. Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 44½c; do., No. 3, 43¾c; No. 2 feed, 42¾c. Barley—Manitoba feed, 52 to 53c Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.60; do., seconds, $5.10; strong bakers', $4.90; Winter patents choice, $5.25 to $5.50; straight rollers, $4.70 to $4.90; do., in bags, $2.20 to $2.35. Rolled oats—Barrels, $4.55; bag of 90 lbs., $2.15. Millfeed—Bran, $23; shorts, $25; middlings, $28; mouillie, $28 to $32. Hay—No. 2, per ton car lots, $14 to $15.50. Cheese—Finest westerns, 13 to 13½c; do., easterns, 12½ to 12¾c. Butter—Choicest creamery, 24½ to 25c; seconds, 23½ to 23½c. Eggs—Fresh, 23 to 24c; selected, 26 to 27c; No. 2 stock, 20 to 21c. Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, 95 to $1.15.

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, June 16.—Cash—Spring wheat—No. 1 Northern, 94¾c; No. 2 do., 93¾c; No. 3 o., 92c; No. 4, 87½c; No. 5, 80½c; No. 6, 75½c; feed, 70½c. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 39½c; No. 3 do., 39c; extra No. 1 feed, 39c; No. 1 feed, 38½c; No. 2 do., 38½c. Barley—No. 2, 52½c; No. 4, 51½c; rejected, 48½c; feed, 48c. Flax—No. 1 N.-W.C., $1.40; No. 2 C.W., $1.37; No. 3 do., $1.25.

United States Markets.

Minneapodis, June 16.—Wheat—July, 90¾c; September, 85¾c; No. 1 hard, 95¾ to 95¾c; No. 1 Northern, 90½ to 94¾c; No. 2 do., 90½ to 92¾c. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 69½ to 69½c. Oats—No. 3 white, 38½ to 39c. Flour and bran—Unchanged.

Duluth, June 16.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 95½c; No. 1 Northern, 94½c; No. 2 do., 93¾ to 93¾c; July, 93½c. Linseed—Cash, $1.60¾; July, $1.61¾.

Live Stock Markets.

Toronto, June 16.—Cattle—Choice butchers, $8.25 to $8.50; good, $8 to $8.15; common cows, $5 to $5.50; canners and cutters, $2.50 to $4; choice fat cows, $6.50 to $7.25; choice bulls, $7 to $7.50.

Calves—Good veal, $8.25 to $10.50; common, $4.75 to $7.

Stockers and feeders—Steers, 800 to 900 lbs., $7.25 to $7.75; good quality, 700 to 800 lbs., $7 to $7.50; light, $6.25 to $7.25.

Sheep and lambs—Light ewes, $6 to $7; heavy, $4.50 to $5; bucks, $4.75 to $5.30; Spring lambs, each, $6 to $7.50; yearling lambs, $6.50 to $8.15.

Hogs—$7.95 to $8, fed and watered; $8.20 to $8.25 off cars, and $7.50 to $7.65 f.o.b.

Montreal, June 16.—Prime beeves, 8½c; medium, 6 to 8½c; common, 4¾ to 5½c; milkmen's strippers, 5½c to 7½c; milch cows, $30 to $80 each. Calves, 3c to 7c; sheep, 4¾ to 6c; spring lambs, scarce, at from $5 to $7 each; hogs, 8¾ to 9c.

STRIKERS IN VICIOUS MOOD.

Express Attacked and Many Passengers Are Injured.

A despatch from Milan says: The Berlin express was attacked near Como. All the windows were broken and a score of injured passengers had to descend for medical treatment. An attempt was made to blow up the railway bridge at Placenza with dynamite bombs. Vast crowds of rioters devastated Imola station, damaged the locomotives, overturned rolling stock, and set everything on fire. Between Ancona and Falconara many miles of track were torn up. A state of siege has been proclaimed at Ancona, where barricades have been erected. At Naples many people were killed and wounded when the strikers stormed the Carabinieri barracks, and the artillery opened fire on the rioters with quick-firers.

There were many fatalities in fighting at Florence and Turin.

MACHINE TURNED TURTLE.

Seven Occupants Held Prisoners Under a Motor Car.

Brownsville, Ont., June 11.—Seven persons, all of Aylmer, Ont., had a narrow escape from death just outside this village last night, when the automobile of G. R. Christie turned turtle and dropped into a ditch while turning out to avoid a wagon standing in the road. Fortunately at the spot where the car capsized the ditch was very deep, and as a result the occupants were not crushed as they otherwise would have been. The weight of the machine, however, kept them prisoners for a long time until one of the men of the party crawled out and obtained aid.

Australian elections will be held September 5.

MAN RESCUED FROM SNAKE

Three Hundred Pound Python Wrapped Its Coils Around An Attendant

A despatch from Guelph says: An act of conspicuous heroism was performed on Tuesday at the Exhibition Park by one of the lady performers of a traveling show, and an exciting occurrence was shorn of fatal termination by the cool-headedness and bravery of the young woman in question. A man named Harry Thomas, employed as an assistant in the snake exhibit, entered the "pit" or enclosure occupied by "Edward the Great," a gigantic South American python which recently arrived, and which has not yet become accustomed to his surroundings. "Edward" weighs over 300 pounds and measures 34 inches in circumference at his thickest point, and this added to the naturally intractable disposition of a serpent fresh from his native wilds, makes the big snake a dangerous opponent if not carefully approached. Thomas, who is an octoroon, was engaged in sweeping out the den, when, without the slightest warning, he found himself enveloped in the great serpent's clammy coils. Thomas was able to give one shout for assistance before the constricting body tightened about his throat, and he lapsed into unconsciousness, wrapped from neck to ankles in the scaly monster's ever-tightening folds. Marguerite Still, cashier of the show, was in the ticket berth outside, and was the only one who heard the choking scream of the unfortunate Thomas. With rare presence of mind she dashed into the snake enclosure where Thomas lav inert in the coils of the great serpent, and, seizing a small iron bar, partially pried the tropical destroyer from his victim. Then, hurriedly taking from her recticule a vial of smelling salts she poured the entire contents into the open, hissing mouth of the snake. Choking under the powerful fumes, the huge snake relaxed his pressure, and several employees rallying to Miss Still's call for help, succeeded in freeing Thomas from the coils which, in a moment more, would have crushed out his life.

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.

The Winnipeg Free Press says Manitoba provincial elections will be held July 9.

Quebec hears a rumor that the Duke of Connaught may remain in Canada until April, 1916.

The Commons passed a loyal message of farewell to the Duke of Connaught, the Duchess and Princess Patricia.

The revenue of Canada for the first two months of the current fiscal year fell off $5,392,213, and the customs $5,220,674, as compared with the same months.

Vandals entered the home of Hon. P. S. G. Mackenzie, provincial treasurer of Quebec, and destroyed furnishings to the value of about $400.

More than $30,000 was subscribed in a few hours to the Empress Survivors' Fund of the Montreal Board of Trade. The Bank of Montreal has headed the subscription list with $16,000.

Winnipeg's Industrial Bureau wants the scalp of U.S. Consul-General Dillingham for reporting to Washington that winter in Winnipeg lasts from October to June, with the thermometer going down as far as 15 below zero, and that the climate is responsible for pneumonia and other diseases.

Great Britain.

The London building trades strike is not yet settled.

The International Congress of Chambers of Commerce favored an astronomical 24-hour day.

United States.

The bill to repeal the exemption of coastwise shipping from Panama Canal tolls was passed by the United States Senate.

That French fashions are not fit for good women was declared before the General Federation of Women's Clubs at Chicago.

General.

The general strike has been renewed in Italy, and the strikers are displaying a vicious mood.

German scientists are coming to Canada to employ a new wireless wave apparatus for investigating the internal structure of the earth and detecting the presence of both water and ore deposits.

TO BLOW UP STEAMSHIP.

Blackmailer Caught in New York by Clever Ruse.

A despatch from New York says: Out of the great throng of persons in City Hall Park on Friday a man stepped toward the Nathan Hale statue and placed his hands on it. He remained that way for three minutes, finally removing his hat with his left hand, and then disappeared in the throng. The acts of the man were a signal that the Cunard Steamship Company would pay $10,000 rather than have one of their ships blown up by dynamite. They were the prelude to the capture of Henry Westcott, a Spanish negro, in Bogota, N.J. Westcott had written several threatening letters and the company finally agreed to throw the money from an express train, and to signify their intention in the manner described. A package was thrown from the train later and when the negro picked it up he was arrested.

START FOR ESKIMO LAND.

Police Will Try to Find the Bodies of Radford and Street.

A despatch from Regina says: To search for the bodies of Radford and Street, explorers and engineers, who went into the polar regions some three years ago and were reported murdered by Eskimos, a party of mounted policemen under Inspector Beyte leave Regina about June 20th. It is not yet known how many men will form the party, but supplies and equipment must be taken for three years.

The task they are to undertake will be one of the most perilous ever embarked upon by members of the veteran force of the North-West. The party will commence their investigations in the territory adjacent to Chesterfield Inlet, and the country which they will have to cover is the bleakest in all Canada. The party will maintain order at Hudson's Bay posts, and patrol one thousand miles inland.

RELIEF FOUND INADEQUATE.

Less Than Half the Sum Required Has So Far Been Subscribed.

London, June 10.—It is estimated in Liverpool that £180,000 will be required for the relief of dependents of the Empress of Ireland, passengers and crew. Towards this the following has already been received: Liverpool fund, £16,000; London fund, £31,000; Canadian fund, £40,000. Monetary assistance will also come through legal compensation, payable to the crew, and possible damages, payable to passengers. There is also the assistance from orphanges. With all these sources reckoned, however, the amount so far received is quite inadequate for the needs of the situation.

FINDS SKINS WORTH $3,500.

Constable Edwards of White River Makes Another Haul.

A despatch from Toronto says: Provincial Constable James Edwards of White River has added another feather to his cap. Two weeks ago he had the Hudson's Bay Company fined $16,000 for buying furs out of season and on Wednesday he effected another haul. At a northern place called Missanabie, he found in the bush 181 beaver skins and 14 otter skins, worth in all about $3,500. The furs were shipped towards Toronto.

DETAILS OF BIG STORM.

One Hundred People at Least Lost Their Lives.

A despatch from St. John, N.B., says: Stories of appalling loss of life on the northern coast of New Brunswick still continue to drift in here, and the latest reports place the human toll at 100 souls at least, and the damage to shipping and property on the coast amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars. On account of the poor telephone and telegraph service in that district details of the horrible disaster have been hard to obtain, but it has been practically ascertained that nearly every fishing village on the coast from Caraquet to Shippegan has paid heavily in lives and property.

TRIBUTE TO MOTHER.

Perryer Drops Wreath Where She Went Down.

A despatch from London, England, says: When the Cunarder Alunia, which reached Plymouth on Wednesday from Canada, passed the scene of the sinking of the Empress of Ireland, a service was conducted by the Salvation Army delegates on board. The passengers sang "Nearer My God to Thee," and Bandmaster Perryer, who lost his mother in the disaster, dropped a wreath over the spot.

BOYS' CRUEL PRANKS.

Presque Isle, Maine, June 12.—Attacked by other boys while fishing, Victor Porter and Hartley Webb, eleven years old, were stripped of their clothes and left bound with shoestrings tied tightly about their necks, according to the police. Webb had rolled into the stream and was drowned, and Porter's face and neck were so badly swollen that he was nearly strangled. He will recover. Two boys named Cole were arrested, the police alleging that they were wearing the clothing and shoes of young Porter and Webb.

MILITANTS DARING ATTEMPT

Most Dramatic Scene Yet Enacted in Campaign of Destruction

A despatch from London says: The militant suffragettes staged one of the most dramatic acts of their campaign Friday afternoon when they exploded a bomb in Westminster Abbey at the very moment that the Right Hon. Reginald McKenna, Secretary of State for Home Affairs, was delivering an optimistic speech in the House of Commons nearby regarding the Government's method of dealing with the "wild women."

The bomb was placed beside the famous Coronation Chair in Edward the Confessor's Chapel. Although it did little damage, like previous attempts at destruction of the same kind, its report penetrated to the chamber of the House, interrupting Mr. McKenna's oration and bringing some of the members into the street to learn what had happened. The detonation was heard for many blocks around, and a crowd quickly filled the square in front of the Abbey, but the police were in immediate possession and closed all the doors.

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