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Fresh northwest and north winds mostly cloudy and cold today and on Thursday.

CREW RESCUED FROM DEATH IN ATLANTIC

STORM STRICKEN FOR FOURTEEN DAYS

All Were Rescued by a Steamer Just in the Nick of Time.

New York, Dec. 26.—The captain and crew of the two-masted schooner Gordon Fudge, of St. John's, Nfld., came into port today on the British freighter Menominee, after being rescued from almost certain death in a violent storm at sea five days ago.

The Menominee picked up the schooner 1,000 miles off the United States coast. The little boat was bobbing around in the gale her sails in shreds and her rudder post shattered. Both her lifeboats had been crushed.

Captain E. O. Fudge, skipper and owner of the schooner, said he had been fighting the storm for fourteen days. He had a load of salt which had become wet and his ship was water logged. The schooner was abandoned and her skipper feels certain she sank soon after the crew was taken off.

When the Menominee hove to and sent her small boat to the schooner, Fourth Officer Mackie said the Fudge was sinking. There was a pronounced list and one of her port bulwarks had been shattered by the gale.

But sitting astride the rail, with a friendly grin on his face was Pat Hickey, able seaman and optimist. "I've got a cheery lot," he yelled to Mackie, "have you got a match?" The match being supplied Hickey lighted his cigar and then helped in the rescue work.

Captain Fudge told his story as the big freighter, three days overdue herself because of the steady gale she had fought, came into her pier.

"We left St. John's loaded with salt fish on Sept. 16. We had jettisoned part of the cargo because we hit bad weather going over but on Oct. 6, we landed in Valencia. We loaded up with salt and on Nov. 26 we cleared for St. John's. We got good weather until we got to the Azores on Dec. 7. "For ten days we had a series of westerly blows. They ripped all our sails off us. We put up extras and those were torn away."

"We sprang a leak. When the crew wasn't busy keeping canvas aboard they were busy at the pumps. But she kept taking in water. On Dec. 20, a big wave tore away everything about deck. It smashed our two life boats to bits. And then I noticed she would not steer and found the rudder had been ground to kindling wood."

"We hung up distress signals. On the twenty-first about 2 o'clock, the Menominee sighted us. She took us aboard and we fired our vessel so she wouldn't be a menace to navigation."

Captain Finch of the Menominee added only three short sentences to the story of the schooner's skipper.

"We got 'em aboard in half an hour. If we hadn't come along when we did they would have died. They couldn't have lasted in that blow until morning."

ROBB COMING HOME SOON

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—A cable was received today at the Department of Trade and Commerce from Hon. James A. Robb, the minister, that he expected to arrive at Marseilles, France, on Jan. 19 on his way home from Australia where he has been on behalf of the Dominion government negotiating a new trade arrangement. He will sail from Southampton for New York on the Mauretania on Jan. 27 arriving in this city about a week later. He will have been absent from the capital about three months.

WENT FOR A SWIM

Vancouver, Dec. 26.—Yesterday the Vancouver Amateur Swimming Club inaugurated its annual Christmas Day swim at English Bay. There were twenty-eight in the party including eight women and they wished Father Neptune a Merry Christmas by rushing joyously into his embrace. It was a gala scene, reminiscent of the summer time.

SIZE IS CUT BY CRITICISM OF INTENTION

Lame Ducks in Christmas Party With Lloyd George in Spain.

London, Dec. 27.—Things political in England for the moment are centered in Lloyd George's Christmas party amid the castles of ancient Spain.

The fun poked at the former premier since he announced he intended to be accompanied by Lord Birkenhead, Winston Churchill, Sir Robert Horne, Sir Hamar Greenwood and possibly other "lame ducks" undoubtedly contributed to the statement that it is only going to be a "family affair."

Comment on the trip ranged from getting together to submarine Premier Bonar Law down to giving Churchill an opportunity for his favored pastime—painting pictures. The "family party," however, will include Lord Riddell, Sir William Sutherland, Sir John Davies and it is still likely Lord Birkenhead and Horne will join the party later, but not in time for the Christmas dinner at Gibraltar.

The publicity given the junket apparently was too much for Churchill, however, as it is reported from Southern France where he is in seclusion, that Spain has no attractions for him. It is likely the former premier will remain at Algeiras until after his sixtieth birthday, Jan. 17.

TOURING CARS SLIGHTLY FEWER IN NUMBER

License Receipts Came up to Estimate — Increase in Trucks — New Number Plates Blue.

There was a slight decrease in the number of touring cars operated in the province in 1922 compared with last year but the total revenue from them is up to estimate. The smaller cars were those laid up some two hundred fewer being in operation.

The total number of touring cars licensed this year was 12,362 while there were 897 motor trucks and 99 motor cycles operated under New Brunswick licenses, the receipts amounting to more than \$302,000. While these figures show an increase in the number of trucks, the number of touring cars dropped from 12,535 in 1921 to 12,362. These figures were anticipated in a recent statement by Hon. P. J. Veniot, minister of public works when he said that receipts of more than \$302,000 had resulted this year from a smaller number of vehicles than last year because a greater number of larger and better automobiles were in use.

Automobile number plates to be used on cars registered in New Brunswick in 1923 have made their appearance on motor vehicles. The new plates have a blue background with the figures and lettering embossed in white. The design is same as that used for the first time this year.

MOTHER MADE TERRIBLE FIND

New York, Dec. 26.—Teresa McCarthy, an eight-year-old Brooklyn girl was found dead in the bathroom of her home with a bullet over her heart when her mother returned tonight after being away most of the day.

The mother had left the key to the house with the child and when she found the entrance door locked on the inside, summoned policemen to force an entry.

No weapon was found in the house. Standing beside the child's body was Curley, her white poodle, a "good watchdog" as the mother described him, and the little girl's constant companion.

Teresa wore a nightgown on which powder marks showed clearly above the crimson stain over her heart. The flesh on the little girl's breast also was discolored and burned from the flash of a bullet fired at close range.

Armenia Again the Storm Centre of the Near East Conference

THE TURKISH DELEGATES REFUSE TO ATTEND A MEETING OF THE SUB-COMMISSION—PROTEST AGAINST THE DECISION TO ALLOW THE ARMENIANS TO STATE THEIR CASE — ARMENIAN SPOKESMEN ARE GIVEN A HEARING.

Lausanne, Dec. 26.—Armenia was the storm centre of the Near East conference today. The Turks refused to attend a meeting of the sub-commission which had arranged to hear the plea of the Armenians for the establishment of a national home in Turkey, and both Ismet Pasha and Riza Nur Bey sent strongly worded communications to the conference protesting against the decision to allow the Armenians to state their case.

They declared that if the Armenians, who had no official standing and represented no independent government, were heard by the conference there was no reason why the Egyptians or the Irish should not be allowed to present their demands.

The so-called irregular Egyptian delegation has been waiting in Lausanne for more than a month for permission to be heard by the conference and voice a demand for the independence of Egypt and complete withdrawal of the British army.

In consequence of the Turkish protest, the official meeting of the sub-commission was postponed and the representatives of the inviting powers, Great Britain, France and Italy, sitting alone, listened to the Armenian spokesmen, who suggested that a home be established in the northeast vilayets of Turkey, which should include historic Mount Ararat, a section in Cilicia. It was impossible, he declared, for the proposed Armenian home to amalgamate with the Armenian republic of Erivan, which had been taken over by the Moscow Soviets. The Armenians would willingly accept the same relationship with Turkey as the dominions with Great Britain. In conclusion he asked for exemption from military service for the Armenians and urged maintenance of the orthodox patriarch in Constantinople.

The Ottoman protest was addressed to President Montagna, of the sub-commission on minorities. It read in part:

"In the official programme for today which was received by our delegation, I read not without surprise that the Armenian and Bulgarian delegations will be heard by the sub-commission on minorities. At the end of the last meeting of this sub-commission I presented objections to your plan to hear the Bulgarian delegation and it was agreed that the Bulgarians would be received privately by the Allies. Now I learn that you not only intend to receive the Bulgarians at the sessions of the sub-commission, but also to hear the Armenians. I protest energetically against these audiences."

"If, despite the unchangeable attitude of the Turkish delegation which has a direct interest in the proposed discussions, Your Excellency insists upon listening to these two delegations I cannot agree that this meeting should be regarded as official or that the declarations made should find a place in the official report of the conference."

"From the official standpoint and the standpoint of the Turkish delegation the session must be considered non-existent. The conference consists of two parties. The Allies constitute one party and Turkey the other. Therefore, any session at which Turkey is not represented cannot be regarded as official."

NORTHCLIFFE'S WILL HAS BEEN ASSAILED

London, Dec. 27.—A mysterious woman appeared at the hearing of the late Viscount Northcliffe's will case Thursday and blocked immediate settlement.

The woman—whose name police say, is Mrs. C. A. Thomas—arose in the court room and declared she desired to enter a caveat against the will in respect to a prior claim for certain money and property. The judge immediately adjourned the hearing.

The woman said she did not claim that there was any will in her favor but she claimed the right to have the will filed for probate set aside.

Officials declared that the woman was a notoriety seeker and had no connection with the Northcliffe case.

MAY GET AN EARLDOM

London, Dec. 27.—Should the baby expected in the home of Viscount Lascelles and Princess Mary early in the new year be a boy it is likely his father will be created an earl by King George, so the boy may automatically become a viscount.

To Have New Trial

Ralph Myles, the Halifax soldier convicted of murdering his sweetheart has been granted a new trial by the Supreme Court.

NEAR BEER WAS STOLEN IN THE WEST

Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 26.—Setzed at Prince Albert under orders of the Saskatchewan Liquor Commission on December 22 and robbed at Regina on Christmas Day while awaiting orders for transfer to the warehouse, a carload of "near beer" is the subject of new annual prohibition enforcement of this province.

Eight men have been arrested at Regina in connection with the alleged thefts, according to information today at the Saskatoon headquarters of the liquor commission.

There is a romance behind this car of beer. It was billed from southern Alberta to a non-existent firm in Prince Albert. It was seized when it reached the station in that city. Then it was shipped to Regina, where it arrived on Christmas morning. Men with a thirst met it.

KILLED BY BAD LIQUOR

Boston, Dec. 26.—One man is dead and more than thirty persons are in hospitals today as a result of drinking liquor sold during the Christmas holiday. William Brady, removed in an unconscious condition from his home in the south end died in a hospital. Efforts to trace the source of supply of the liquor were made by the police today.

TO MAKE A TRIP NORTH BY SEAPLANES

Sportsmen Will Soon Invade the Arctic Wastes in Luxury.

Detroit, Dec. 27.—In a gigantic seaplane, a party of Detroit and New York sportsmen will invade the great wastes of the Arctic next summer on what is regarded as a most unusual hunting trip, if present plans are carried out. Members of the party intend to so completely outfit the plane that it will match the modern parlor car for convenience and comfort.

The trip will have as its objective the land which heretofore has been known only to the dog train.

Included in the party will be Ingilis M. Uppercu and Charles F. Pedden of New York. Howard E. Curn, Harold H. Emmons, William E. Metzger and Dr. James W. Inches of Detroit men prominent in the airplane and motor worlds.

The plane, which now is being especially constructed at Keyport, N. J., will take an all-water route to the far northern bay. It is planned to leave New York about July 1, thence to Montreal and Moose Factory. The Hudson Bay territory will be entered from the latter station.

The equipment of the plane will include compartment sleeping quarters with an observation room forward, an electrically equipped kitchenette, an armory, a gallery and large storage rooms. It is announced that arrangements have been made with the Hudson Bay Company for gasoline and other supplies.

In discussing the proposed trip, Mr. Redden said: "It was after operating passenger carrying craft for three years and having flown more than 1,000,000 passenger miles without a mishap that I concluded properly regulated flying would enable us to safely reach Hudson bay."

FEENEY-BOOTH NUPTIALS TODAY AT ST. DUNSTAN'S

A Large Congregation Present at Morning Wedding—The Groom Member of City Council.

A wedding of interest was solemnized at St. Dunstan's Roman Catholic Church this morning when Miss Doris Booth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Booth of this city became the bride of Gregory T. Feeney son of Thomas Feeney also of Fredericton. The ceremony took place at eight o'clock in the presence of a large congregation. Very Rev. Dean Carney celebrating nuptial mass. The groom was attended by his brother J. L. Feeney and the bridesmaid was Miss Marie Feeney sister of the groom.

The bride entered the church on the arm of her father. She was gowning in grey canton crepe with pinkish blue with hat to match and carried a bouquet of sweetheart roses of pale pink.

Numerous gifts were presented to the bride, cheques from the parents of bride and groom, silver, glassware and other articles being included.

The wedding was followed by break fast at the home of Thomas Feeney, Charlotte Street, after which bride and groom left for St. John, Boston New York. After their return they will reside in this city and will erect a new residence in the spring.

The groom is a graduate in Applied Science of the University of New Brunswick and in Law of Dalhousie. He is clerk of the peace for York County and has practiced here as a barrister for some years. He represented Carleton Ward in the City Council.

The Fredericton Rotary Club delighted the hearts of a large gathering of children Tuesday night in Fraser Memorial Hall when the Christmas dinner donated by the club took place and gifts were distributed from a large Christmas tree. More than one hundred kiddies were present from the various congregations of the city. Santa Claus in the person of Gordon Crockett presented gifts to each youngster and for about three hours the party enjoyed itself hugely.

A MOVE MADE FOR PEACE IN IRELAND

SINN FEIN CLUBS TAKE THE LEAD

Ireland Has Been Free From Crime for Period of Three Days.

Dublin, Dec. 26.—Another move for peace in Ireland was made over the Christmas holiday. At a meeting of Sinn Fein clubs at the Mansion House, Sunday night a resolution was passed in favor of reconvening the last Ard Fheis, or general convention of Sinn Fein clubs, with a view to taking steps to securing "a just and permanent peace."

This conference has been summoned for Jan. 7.

Ireland passed a very peaceful Christmas. For nearly three days the country has been immune from crime. The cabinet ministers for the first time in many weeks left the government buildings, going to spend the holiday with their families. The railway companies report that some 30,000 persons crossed from England to pass the holiday period with relatives in Ireland.

Although these are regarded as signs of increased confidence in the government, anxiety is not altogether absent. There were rumors that the irregulars contemplated a bold move in Dublin on Christmas Eve, but the army guarded against such a disaster by cancelling all leaves to the troops with the exception of those living in Dublin.

Eamon De Valera has issued a declaration which he signs "on behalf of the government and the navy."

He extends greetings to every citizen and soldier of the "Republic" declaring:

"We consecrate ourselves anew to the achievement of the independence of our country."

He appeals to the people to pray that, "God shall bless our effort and bring our harassed people the liberty, peace and happiness they need and desire."

MOTORISTS CREATE BIG TOLL OF DEATH

Chicago, Dec. 27.—A law to permit the jailing of speeders, card indexing and finger printing of all reckless drivers and the curbing of "fixing" of violations were three plans proposed today by Chief Justice Olsen and Judge Asa G. Adams of the "speeders' court" to stop killing of an average of two persons a day in Chicago by automobiles.

Drastic action is necessary, the judge said, asserting more than \$30,000 was collected in fines for violations of motor laws last month, this being more than twice the average per month. Four to six per cent of drivers appearing in court this week were charged with reckless driving while drinking, it was said.

According to the coroner's records in one year of the last 18, the number killed has been less than in the year preceding. The dead thus far in 1922 number 736, while for 1921, there were 664 deaths and for 1920 the figures were 542. During the last nine years 3,827 persons were killed here in auto accidents.

Calf With Two Heads

A very remarkable curiosity is on exhibition at S. Z. Dickson's stall in the city market. It is the head or rather heads of a calf born recently on the Ward farm in this province. The calf had two perfectly developed heads each of which appears to have all the members present. From the development of the two heads, which are joined at the shoulders, the animal must have lived to the age of about six weeks.—Globe.

Married in This City

Douglas Thompson Getchell of Minto and Lelia Gertrude Dick of St. Stephen were united in marriage, at the Brunswick street Baptist Parsonage Saturday the 23rd, Rev. G. C. Warren performing the ceremony. The bride had been a member of the teaching staff of the schools of Cabot. Me. They will reside in Minto where the groom is an accountant.