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THE WEATHER

Fresh northwest winds mostly cloudy and somewhat colder today and on Wednesday.

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BRITISH MANUFACTURERS ARE AGITATING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE CANADIAN PREFERENCE

SUGGESTIONS NOW BEING FORMULATED

The London Chamber of Commerce is Supporting Movement, But Will Take No Steps to Compel Canada to Adopt the Suggestions—Results Depend on Canada.

(Special to the Daily Mail by Cross-Atlantic Newspaper Service.)

London, Dec. 7.—Leading British manufacturers and Trade Associations are agitating for a revision of the Canadian customs tariffs and are formulating suggestions for submission to the board of trade for the embodiment of greater preference for Britain in the new tariff regulations. The Silk Association of Great Britain point out that the present tariff with a few unimportant exceptions give British manufacturers a preference of only 2½ per cent., while the alterations submitted give ten per cent. The London Chamber of Commerce is supporting the Association but it is pointed out by the Chamber that no campaign appearing to compel Canada to adopt the suggestions would be supported by the Chamber.

"It is only natural that we would support any campaign through the Board of Trade for the Canadian authorities to give a greater preference than at present to our goods, but any actual results in that direction, we hold, are entirely up to Canada not us.

PROPAGATION OF SALMON

Stripping operations at the St. John salmon retaining pond, St. John, New Brunswick, operated by the Fisheries Department, were completed about the middle of November. The season's catch consisted of 408 salmon, which yielded 2,235,000 eggs. These eggs were laid down in the hatchery at Little River Reservoir, and the resulting fry will be distributed in the various salmon waters of the south-easterly portion of the province. The collection of eggs shows an increase over that of last year by 300,000.

As in past years the parent salmon were purchased from the commercial wharfs operated at St. John harbor during the regular salmon fishing season. They were transferred to the retaining pond at Little River, and held during the summer until they become sufficiently matured to yield their eggs during the early part of November.

MAY BE KING OF HUNGARY

(By Leon Schalit)

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Vienna, Dec. 7.—The Hungarian crown is about to be offered to Prince Axel, of Denmark, according to despatches from Budapest. The royalists there have been urging him, feeling that the return of the Hapsburgs is impossible. It is now reported that a delegation of Hungarians are about to leave for Denmark with a formal offer of the throne to him.

PALESTINE BOUNDARY

London, Dec. 7.—Zionist leaders are making strenuous efforts to induce the French Government to reconsider the question of the boundary in northern Palestine. They urge the vital importance of this as affecting the future relations with France.

The Zionist leaders are gathering here to plan the presentation of the matter to the League of Nations. Dr. Sokolow has already been sent to Geneva where the League is in session to present the Zionist views.

G. P. Lanyon of St. John is in the city.

HOSPITAL HERE WILL BE STANDARDIZED

Medical Board Approves—Courses for Nurses Arranged—Lengthy Meeting of the Board.

A meeting of the Hospital Board was held yesterday and the business had so accumulated that a motion for adjournment failed to find favor until well into the evening.

The Treasurer's financial statement was received and although the figures were very big, it was accepted. The report of superintendent showed that ninety-one patients received treatment in November. Six deaths were reported, but most of these were brought as last resort cases. During the past season the Dow Wing was in almost constant use but is just now closed. While the hospital is very greatly assisted in its upkeep by the splendid aid so generally received from several of the societies, others are joining in the good work. A few days ago the ladies of the Brunswick Street Baptist church announced their intention to set aside one day in each month to make supplies for the hospital. Other ladies have offered their services to make up goods and do mending; another to give an afternoon a week, etc.

Among the gifts received lately is a pair of crutches from Mr. Fred Taylor. Mr. A. J. Ryan sent \$6 to the hospital being an accumulation of small sums found in his store and unclaimed. A poor patient in the Ward by an addition to the amount is the proud possessor of a mackinaw coat for Christmas.

A letter was read from Dr. R. H. McGrath Secretary of the medical staff, enclosing a programme of the new course of lectures for the student nurses etc. and informing the Trustees that Dr. G. C. VanWart was elected chairman of the staff, and Dr. R. H. McGrath, Secretary. It will be interesting to the people generally to know that the members of the staff are determined, with the support of the Trustees, to have Victoria Public Hospital occupy the niche it should fill in its proper sphere, and adopted the following resolution:

"The medical staff of V. P. U. approves of the Standardization of hospitals as adopted by the American College of Surgeons, and resolves, that the Medical Staff divide itself into three departments, for the public service of the hospital viz: a medical, surgical, and obstetrical department."

To meet the requirements of the student-nurses in preparing for their registration examinations an improved course of lectures has been arranged. The class is divided into seniors and juniors. The subjects and lectures are:

Medicine and medical nursing, Dr. McGrath.
Surgery, eye, ear, nose, throat, and anaesthetics, Dr. VanWart.
Obstetrics, Dr. Mullin.
Anatomy and Physiology, Dr. Irvine.
Materia medica and therapeutics, Dr. Wainwright.
Bacteriology and hygiene, Dr. Gerow.

Urinalysis, Dr. Gerow.
Pneumology, venereal diseases, and bandaging, Dr. Holden.
Diseases of children and infant feeding, Dr. Ross.

Massage, Miss K. Stewart.
Dietetics, Miss J. D. Gilliss.
Nursing technique and practical nursing, The Superintendent.

Demonstrations of charting, criticisms, etc., Asst. Superintendent.
Operating room technique and clinics, Operating Nurse.

Nursing etiquette, The Superintendent.

X Ray clinics, W. S. Kolley.
After pretty general discussion of the proposed plans for the standardization of the hospital, which was explained in detail by the representative of the staff on the Board and was apparently accepted as a whole in a general way, but some objection seemed to be raised about some of the details.

Much time was spent in discussing the proposals and it was decided to have a meeting with the staff at an early date.

The President read a letter from Dr. H. H. McNally who for a number of years was a member of the hospital staff, and takes interest in the institution. The Dr. makes some suggestions and ventures counsel regarding future work. This will probably be more fully considered later.

The Superintendent was before the Board and matters relating to advisability of making further purchases of supplies from the military hospital was considered. Other matters were deferred.

President Hughes occupied the chair, and the others present included Dr. Keirstead, Dr. Irvine, His Worship the Mayor, Dr. Jones and Secretary Treasurer.

WASHINGTON REPORTS ABOUT MESOPOTAMIA OIL FIELDS ARE MYSTIFYING

British Foreign Office Experts Have No Information That Holdings in Ore Fields are to be Sold—Answer to the Colby Note will be Vague—Opposition to Any Surrender of British Control Has Developed.

(By William G. Butler, staff correspondent of the Daily Mail; by Cross-Atlantic Newspaper Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 7.—British Foreign Office officials are mystified by the unofficial reports from Washington quoting the State Department to the effect that Great Britain has decided to sell all her interests in the oil producing business.

Significance is attached to the reports because of four parours passing between the two nations regarding the mandate over Mesopotamia, involving oil concession.

It is pointed out, however, that the British government possesses no oil stock except the Anglo-Persian Oil Company. There is no information among the oil experts in the foreign office of any intention to sell these holdings.

AN ANSWER BEING PREPARED.

The British answer is now being prepared to the Colby note, but I learn that this is vague and is really an attempt to stall for a time, without answering definitely, America's demands to share the Mesopotamia oil fields. The note will point out that it is now impossible to give a definite answer and will be so until the entire question of mandates which are now being threshed out between the Allies, are settled.

Meanwhile, I learn there is no little pressure being brought on the government by British commercial concerns against any surrender of Britain's interests and control of the Mesopotamian oil fields.

BRITISH TOBACCO COMBINATION TO FIGHT AN AMERICAN TRUST

It Now Controls Five Hundred Retail Shops and the Number Will be Quadrupled—Will Control British Tobacco Business—Cheaper Prices May Result.

(By Sydney B. Cave, staff correspondent of the Daily Mail; by Cross-Atlantic Newspaper Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 7.—A new British tobacco combination is forming to fight the attempt of the American Products Company to dominate the British market. It is known as "The Tobacco Union, Limited," and is being financed by a Liverpool syndicate. It already controls over five hundred retail shops and negotiations are proceeding to quadruple this number and include representation in all the chief cities in the British Isles. The new combine, though disavowing any intention of a trade war, declares that any American syndicate which may attempt to control the British tobacco business will find itself forestalled. It will manufacture in its own factories in addition to retailing with an alliance perfected with the Imperial Tobacco Company. The public is expecting lower prices as a result.

INDIANS ON TRIAL AT NEWCASTLE FOR TRAGEDY AT BURNT CHURCH

Newcastle, Dec. 6.—The preliminary hearing in the case of Peter and Frank Mitchell, held on charges connected with the murder of John M. Dedam at Burnt Church last week, was begun here this afternoon before J. R. Lawlor, Police Magistrate. The case will be resumed today.

A. H. Whalen, of Newcastle, is attorney for the crown and George M. McDade, of Chatham, has been appointed attorney for the defence. After opening of court, Mr. Lawlor asked to be assured that the witnesses and prisoners understood English sufficiently well to enable the proceedings to be carried on without an interpreter as the prisoners and many of the witnesses are Indians. After some discussion it was decided to proceed with an interpreter as most of the witnesses speak and understand English fairly well.

Mr. McDade asked for the sequestration of witnesses and this was granted.

Peter Dedam the first witness said he lived in Burnt Church and knew Peter and Frank Mitchell. A row started at the house of one Charles Martin between witness and Peter Mitchell, Mitchell striking the first blow. At this point the witness declined to answer, saying he could not speak much English. After some talk on the matter he was taken down stair by Chief of Police Ashford—until his memory returned.

Mitchell Dominique, who was next called, said he knew Peter and Frank

Mitchell. On November 28, he said he went outside of his house and saw a man lying near a woodpile. "I thought perhaps he was asleep perhaps drunk" continued the witness. "I found he was not breathing. He was lying on his back with the head on one side. I think I saw blood."

This was objected to by counsel for the defence. He then proceeded to tell of running to the house of one Noel Dedam and getting him to bring a lantern to see the man in the yard. The body was found to be that of John M. Dedam. They saw blood on the shirt, but did not move the body.

Stanley Swanson was called and sworn but such difficulty was experienced in obtaining answers that he was sent to the jail. Counsel for the crown asked if this was not a very severe proceeding, savoring of intimidation. His honor said it was not so, that he knew the people well and how to deal with them.

Policeman Ashford returned with the news that Peter Dedam had recovered his knowledge of English and was willing to give testimony.

He was accordingly recalled. Questioned by his honor and counsel for the crown he said that the quarrel started between himself and one Charles Mitchell, in the house of Charles Martin. John M. Dedam struck and kicked Charles Mitchell. They then left the house and went home, later returning for John Dedam's hat and coat. They got the coat and hat and started to go to an aunt's across the

MOTOR CAR PLUNGED THROUGH THE OPEN DRAW OF A BRIDGE NEAR ALMA, ALBERT COUNTY

YORK REGIMENT REORGANIZED THE OFFICERS

Lt. Col. W. H. Laughlin of Milltown Officer Commanding—Major A. Sterling Second.

The latest issue of the Canada Gazette contains the following militia appointments to "The York Regiment formerly the 71st York Regiment with headquarters in this city:—

The York Regiment (formerly 71st York Regiment).—The following appointments and promotions are authorized on re-organization of the regiment as "The York Regiment" with effect from the 15th September, 1920 (General Order 28, 1920):

To be Lieutenant-Colonel and to command the Regiment: Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. Laughlin.

To be Major, Second in Command: Major A. Sterling.

To be Majors: Lieutenant and brevet Major H. G. Deedes, Canadian Militia.

Lieutenant (supernumerary) and brevet Captain M. C. Buchanan, M. C.

Lieutenant and brevet Major G. S. Ryder.

Lieutenant (supernumerary) and brevet Captain J. S. Scott.

To be Captains: Captains H. F. G. Woodbridge, H. S. Laughlin.

Lieutenant and brevet Major H. Priestman.

Lieutenant (supernumerary) H. N. Ganong.

To be Lieutenants: Lieutenant and brevet Captain A. W. G. Good.

Lieutenants (supernumerary) A. C. Kelly, R. B. Macfarlane, J. J. H. Doone, J. A. Inches, J. Yates, A. O. Crookshank, J. C. McFadden.

Lieutenant (supernumerary) and brevet Captain E. McLaughlin.

Lieutenant (supernumerary) A. E. McElveney.

To be provisional Lieutenant: Provisional Lieutenant (supernumerary) J. G. Osborne.

To be Lieutenants: Lieutenant (supernumerary) J. D. Black, F. H. Ryder, A. O. Budd.

Lieutenants E. M. Styles, W. O. Murray, Canadian Militia.

To be Adjutant with the rank of Captain: Lieutenant and brevet Major F. Eason.

To be Musketry Instructor with the rank of Captain: Captain and brevet Major F. A. Good.

To be Signalling Officer with the rank of Captain: Lieutenant (supernumerary) F. A. Nicholson.

To be Quartermaster with the rank of Major: Major (Quartermaster) J. Pringle, M. C.

To be Paymaster with the rank of Captain: Joseph Patrick McPeake, Esquire.

Captain J. P. McPeake resigns his commission on appointment as Paymaster.

STOCK MARKET QUOTATIONS

(Furnished by J. M. Robinson & Sons, Queen St., Fredericton.)

| New York. | |
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| American Wool | 72½ |
| Atchison | 83¼ |
| Bethel Steel B. | 55 |
| Baldwin Locomotive | 95¼ |
| Crucible | 94½ |
| General Motors | 15½ |
| Mexican Pete | 177¼ |
| New York Central | 74 |
| Texas Oil | 50 |
| U. S. Steel | 82½ |
| Union Pacific | 118½ |
| Sterling, 349; N. Y. Exchange | 15½ |

| Montreal. | |
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| Asbestos common | 80 |
| Brazilian | 32 |
| Dominion Iron & Steel | 46 |
| General Electric | 95 |
| International Breweries | 49½ |
| Shawinigan | 102 |
| Sugar | 25 |
| Spanish River common | 88¼ |
| Victory Bond 1937 | 96½ |
| " " 1933 | 95 |
| " " 1927 | 96½ |
| " " 1923 | 96½ |
| " " 1922 | 97 |
| " " 1934 | 91½ |
| " " 1924 | 96½ |

James L. McGuire of Lower Southampton is at the Barker House.

H. E. Flaherty of Loggville is in the city.

bridge, when they met Frank and Peter Mitchell then they threw a rock at him and drew a revolver, with an oath saying, "I am going to kill you." The Dedams ran away and in the yard of Dominique witness' brother fell.

At 5.45 p. m. the court adjourned until Tuesday at 3 p. m.

FOUR PERSONS WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED

Car Plunged Headlong Into the River a Depth of Twelve Feet—Occupants Were Buried Beneath the Debris—Foot Passenger Also Took a Tumble Through Open Draw.

Alma, N. B., Dec. 6.—Four persons are nursing severe injuries as the result of a motor car plunging through an open draw of the bridge over the Salmon river between Alma and Point Wolfe, the latter a village near the St. John county border. Four occupants of the automobile were buried under the debris of the car, which was totally wrecked, and before they could extricate themselves from their dangerous position a pedestrian on the highway who was not aware of the accident or of the open draw walked into the opening in the bridge and fell to the top of the wreckage.

A party from Point Wolfe, consisting of Walter Cooper, Burpee Cooper, who owned the auto, Burpee Colpitts and Mr. and Mrs. Brentnall, motored to this village to call on friends, and left to return home about 9 o'clock in the evening. While they were in the village someone opened the draw and neglected to close it, or it worked open itself in some unaccountable way.

With the exception of Mr. Brentnall, who decided that the car was too heavily laden, and started to walk, all were in the automobile. The draw is on the Alma end of the Salmon River mouth bridge and in the dark it is impossible to see the draw before a car or team is upon it.

The heavily loaded car plunged headforemost into the river, a distance of twelve feet, struck an abutment and tumbled completely over, pinning the occupants underneath. Luckily, the tide was out at the time and the water was only a few inches deep, but those turned completely over, pinning the realize what might happen were they unable to escape before the tide came up.

Mr. Brentnall, following on foot, unaware of any danger, walked into the draw in the darkness, falling down among the wreckage.

Four of the party were injured. Burpee Cooper was badly cut on the head, but managed to crawl out of the debris and summon help from nearby residents and soon all were extricated.

Mr. Colpitts was found to be injured internally, Mr. Brentnall was severely injured in one knee and Mrs. Brentnall was cut about the head and bruised, besides sustaining fractures of two ribs. It was necessary to take several stitches in Mrs. Brentnall's head.

The only one who escaped injury was Walter Cooper. The car is a total loss.

ONE QUEEN IS ENOUGH

Boston, Dec. 7.—The King of Siam, first of his line to renounce the right to a harem, has chosen his Queen, according to a cablegram received by Sidhykorn, a youthful member of the Siamese nobility who is attending a private school here. His choice is Wanyinal, sister of Sidhykorn, and first cousin to the king.

Young Sidhykorn said his sister is 27 years of age; King Rama VI. is in his fortieth year. King Rama as the Crown Prince of Siam visited this country in the courses of a world tour some years ago. When he ascended the throne in 1911 he denounced the polygamous custom in his country. His father was reputed to have had 300 wives. The new king had remained single.

WEAK BOOZE FOR CHINKS

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Investigation by customs authorities today of a shipment of whiskey billed at approximately \$54,000 from this city to Shanghai, revealed the fact that the barrels were filled with colored water.

The shipment was being loaded when the Government officials halted it and examined each of the twenty-seven barrels in the lot.