

SERIOUS FIRE AT ST. JOHN TODAY

HOPE THAT
STRIKE MAY
BE SETTLED

President Lewis Has an
Urgent Call to Phil-
adelphia.

HOPE HAS
BEEN REVIVED

Peace Overtures Report-
ed To Have Been
Extended.

(Special to the Daily Mail by British
United Press.)

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 11—John
Lewis left the headquarters of the
United Mine Workers at 10 a. m. for
a trip to Philadelphia that caused a
sudden revival of hope that a settle-
ment of the anthracite strike was at
hand.

Accompanied by District President
Rinaldo Capellini, of the union, Lewis
left the city after receiving an urgent
call believed to have come from the
anthracite operators in Philadelphia.
Union spokesmen at strike headquar-
ters refused to talk about Lewis' trip
but it is understood peace overtures
were extended last night by the op-
erators through their spokesman, Major
W. W. Ingli.

LORD ASTOR TO
TRY AGAIN FOR
TURF VICTORY

London, Feb. 11—Lord Astor will
try again this year to capture the pre-
mier classic of the English turf, the
Derby. He has made ten bids for vic-
tory in the great Epsom race, but the
best his entries have been able to get
has been second place, this on five oc-
casions. There was a heart-breaking
disappointment in 1924, when St. Ger-
man, carrying the Astor colors, was
second by only a neck.

Entries from Lord Astor's stables
have been favorites for four Derbies.
Last year his Crossbow started a hot
favorite at 7 to 2, but had mud flung
in his face all around the famous
track.

This year the Astor nominations for
the classic are Sure, Post, Plimpoll
and Booklet, but probably only two
will be sent to the post.

WOMAN USES MICE
IN CANCER TEST

Chicago, Feb. 11—After 16 years of
study and experimentation, during
which she used 50,000 mice, Prof.
Maud Slye of the University of Chi-
cago is convinced that cancer is heredi-
tary and that it is not a germ dis-
ease. The disease is not contagious,
her experiments show.

Prof. Slye started her experiments
in 1900 with two mice. She grafted a
bit of tumorous growth into the bodies
of the mice and found that the off-
spring inherited the disease. In an ef-
fort to prove her theory that the dis-
ease is not of germ origin, Prof. Slye
many times has placed perfectly
healthy mice in the same cages with
diseased ones. Instead of contracting
the disease by propinquity, the mice
remained healthy, she said. This, she
said, proves that cancer is not a germ
disease.

Moving To St. John.

Globe: Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hill
who have been residing in Frederic-
ton for some years past, are remov-
ing from the city to reside in Saint
John. Mrs. Hill expects to leave on
Friday and later on she and her hus-
band except to leave on a trip to
England.

KING AND QUEEN
HAVE RETURNED
TO BUCKINGHAM

His Majesty Will Take
Another Trip to the
South.

COURT STILL IN
HALF MOURNING

Queen Mary Glad of a
Respite From Official
Duties.

London, Feb. 11—The return of the
British Court to London from Sand-
ringham this week, even though it is
still in half mourning for the late
Queen Alexandra, will give an impetus
to the flow of entertainments for the
pre-Lenten "little" season.

Queen Mary has been glad of a re-
spite from social duties which the
stay at Sandringham gave her, and the
absence of the King and Queen from
London gave renovators a chance to
do some much needed cleaning at
Buckingham Palace.

Princess Mary, Viscountess Lascel-
les, is expected here soon for a few
days' visit to the King and Queen, but
she and Lord Lascelles expect to re-
main at Goldborough Hall, Yorkshire,
until the hunting season is over.

From court circles comes reports
that it is fairly certain that the King
will take another Mediterranean
cruise in a month or six weeks. It
will not be from personal desire for
such a trip but because his medical
advisors have strongly recommended
that he do so. The strain of his recent
bereavement, hard work, bad winter
weather and the effects of last year's
illness combine to make it wise for
him to go.

The Duke and Duchess of York are
now reported to have taken another
house in town—their tenancy of Cur-
zon House having expired—until after
the certain interesting event in April
or May instead of going into residence
at White Lodge, Richmond Park. The
reason given is the necessity of being
in closer touch with the medical spe-
cialists than would be possible at Rich-
mond Park. It is said they have con-
cluded arrangement to take a man-
sion at No. 40 Belgrave Square. If they
go there they will have as neighbors,
Prince Arthur of Connaught, on one
side and on the other, the Earl of Al-
bemarle.

WOMEN'S HATS
ARE TOO TIGHT
SAYS DOCTOR

London, Feb. 11—Women wear their
hats too tight and men their collars,
according to Sir Robert Armstrong-
Jones, noted physician.

Lecturing here, he declared, how-
ever, that, apart from the too closely
fitting cloche hat and the undue ex-
posure of neck and chest, women's
dress generally "is sanitary and salu-
tary."

He counselled men again wearing
woollen pajamas, saying silk or cotton
ones were preferable.

OVERSOLD
VITAL FLUID
IS NOW DEAD

Chicago, Feb. 11—Frank W. Schro-
eder, fifty, a professional blood seller
for transfusions, is dead and his daugh-
ter, Mrs. Clara Yount, asks the Cor-
oner to investigate. She charges he died
from overselling the vital fluid.

"He has been selling his blood for
years," said Mrs. Yount. "It is easy
money, and he never asked doctors
about how much blood he should give.
He grew white and weak. I am cer-
tain he sold nearly all his blood and
died for lack of it."

St. John Visited by
A Disastrous Fire
Early This Morning

Broke Out at the Head of the North Side of King
Street and Raged for Hours—Four Large
Business Establishments Suffered Heavy
Losses—The Blaze Was Checked at the Vic-
toria Hotel.

Saint John was visited at an early hour this
morning by one of the most destructive fires in
years, causing a property loss of many thousands
of dollars. It broke out at 3.30 o'clock in the dry
goods store of F. W. Daniel & Co. at the corner of
King and Charlotte street, and it was about noon
before the flames were got under control. The
firms which suffered most severely were F. W.
Daniel & Co., Ltd., dry goods; F. A. Dykeman &
Co., dry goods; Grey and Richey, books and stat-
ionery; F. W. Woolworth and Co., departmental
store, and the Victoria Hotel.

A Stormy Night

Last night was one of the wildest experi-
enced in Saint John during the present winter. A
heavy snow storm set in early in the evening and
raged throughout the night. The fire had made
considerable headway before being discovered
and fanned by a gale of wind blowing in the di-
rection of the harbor it made rapid progress. The
firemen worked like trojans but were consid-
erably handicapped by the strenuous weather con-
ditions.

Loss Will be Heavy

The store of Daniel & Co. was pretty badly
gutted and the stock of goods is almost a total
loss. The Dykeman store adjoining also suffered
severely and the loss will be very heavy. The
flames were checked at the Victoria Hotel, but not
before some of the upper rooms had suffered con-
siderably from smoke and water. The damage to
the stores and stocks of Woolworth & Co., and
Richey & Grey is reported to be very serious.

SETTLEMENT BETWEEN
MINTO COAL CO. AND MINERS
IN FAIR WAY TO BE REACHED

Board of Conciliation Adjourned This Morning to
Meet at Minto on Tuesday Next—Sessions in
Private in Future—The Two Sides Submitted
Proposals Which Differ Very Slightly—Basis
of Agreement Likely.

The difference between the Minto
Coal Co. and its miners, who to the
number of 325 quit work some weeks
ago returning on promise of appoint-
ment of a commission to investigate
conditions, seems in a fair way to be
settled. The committee of the miners
and the manager of the company with
E. C. Atkinson, M. P. P., and C. L.
Dougherty solicitor for the company,
were in conference in the offices of
Hanson & Dougherty until after mid-
night last night with the result that
each side submitted propositions
which differed so little from one an-
other that a basis of settlement seems
assured.

Adjourned Until Tuesday.

The Board of Conciliation, composed
of E. R. Teed, Woodstock, L. S. Mor-
rison, Fredericton and George A.
Stone, Moncton, which was in session
Wednesday morning and afternoon on
this matter, adjourned after a brief
session this morning, to reassemble in
session at Minto on Tuesday next. It
was intimated that future sessions
would be private. Conditions in the
Minto field will be examined. A report

from the two parties to the dispute on
the propositions submitted will be se-
cured by that time and will be before
the Board.

Miner's Committee.

The miner's committee is composed
of Harry Carr, Harry Yates and Edwin
Ryan, and is a very representative
body. J. A. St. Andre of Montreal,
secretary-organizer also was present.
Sir Thomas Tait president of the
Minto Coal Co. was in the city for
the early sessions of the Board but re-
turned to Montreal last night. A. D.
King, manager for the Company also
appeared for the company, and pre-
pared the proposition which was sub-
mitted.

Proposals of Miners.

The proposals submitted by the
Committee on behalf of the miners,
to the Board of Conciliation were as
follows:—

Gentlemen—As representatives of
The Minto Coal Company's employees,
we suggest that the following agree-
ment would be fair to both parties, the
Company and the Employees, and if
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BOY CAME INTO
WORLD BEHIND
A SNOW DRIFT

Stork Halted Journey of
Mother to a Hospi-
tal.

A PECULIAR
INCIDENT

Mother and Baby Were
Cared For at Farm
House.

(Special to the Daily Mail by British
United Press.)

Lynn, Mass., Feb. 11—A son was
born Tuesday behind a huge snow
drift on Florida Mountain in the west-
ern part of this state to Mr. and Mrs.
Adam Rudowski of Savoy, who were
on their way to a hospital when the
storm and stork halted their journey.
The mother and baby were taken to
a farm house where they spent the
night and yesterday reached the hos-
pital where their condition was report-
ed favorable.

* HUGGERS WERE *
* WITHIN THEIR *
* LEGAL RIGHTS *

New York, Feb. 11—Accord-
ing to Magistrate MacCreary,
Margaret Brown, 17 and John
Crauford twenty-one were with-
in their legal rights when they
sat in a movie theatre with
their arms around each other.
"This innocent mode of dis-
playing affection often leads to
matrimony", MacCreary told a
protesting theatre manager and
the case was dismissed.

AGAINST
AN EDUCATIONAL
QUALIFICATION

Debate by Members of
Men's Class, Bruns-
wick Street Baptist
Church, on Limiting
Franchise.

The Men's Class of the Brunswick
Street Baptist church put on a debate
last night in the vestry. Despite the
storm a large audience gathered to
listen to the debaters. R. D. Hanson
presided. Music was furnished by a
ladies' orchestra.

The subject for debate was, "Re-
solved, That a nation's political fran-
chise should be limited by an edu-
cational qualification." The affirmative
was supported by I. B. Rouse, leader,
A. B. Belyea and H. E. Dow, while the
negative was championed by W. K.
Tibert, leader, A. B. Belding and Selby
Lock. The different speakers acquitted
themselves most creditably and the
leaders proved particularly strong in
rebuttal. The debate was of a high
order and revealed careful study of
the question on the part of the deba-
ters. The audience listened with rap-
id attention and thoroughly enjoyed the
pleasantries exchanged between the
speakers on opposing sides.

The judges were Chancellor Jones,
Rev. G. C. Warren and J. E. Page.
After briefly conferring they rendered
a unanimous decision in favor of the
negative. In making the report of the
judges Chancellor Jones stated that
the debate was close but the judges
considered the negative to have won
by a narrow margin.

After the debate a social hour was
enjoyed. The Ladies' Auxiliary of the
church furnished refreshments.

Hon. Lewis Smith, Minister of Agri-
culture is a guest at the Barker House

DETECTIVES
BURROWED
AFTER MAN

An Achievement Wor-
thy of the N. W.
Mounted Police.

WAS WANTED
FOR ROBBERY

Officers Had to Dig
Through Six Feet of
Snow.

(Special to The Daily Mail by the
British United Press.)

New York, Feb. 11—John Hickey
and Henry Van Giluwe, might have
been members of the Northwest
Mounted Police instead of Williams-
burg detectives but they got their
man.

The detectives wanted Frank Tor-
tora for highway robbery. They trailed
him to his home, which was isolated
by deep snow drifts.

With shovels and picks they burrow-
ed through six feet of snow, knocked
down the door and made the arrest.

PAINTING OF
CHRIST FOUND
IN AN ATTIC

Berlin, Feb. 11—Attic exploring,
now a popular pastime in Germany,
has resulted in the discovery by Dr.
Karl Walter, art historian, of Gabrielle
Pesne's painting, "The Birth of Christ"
which 150 years ago was removed
from St. Hedwig's Roman Catholic
Church in Berlin because the congre-
gation objected to the low-cut robes of
the virgin.

The modern congregation of St.
Hedwig's has ordered the painting
cleaned and rehung in the church.

Dr. Walter rumbling through two
recently discovered art treasures, read
that Pesne, a French painter attached
to the court of Frederick the Great,
had been commissioned to paint "The
Birth of Christ" as an altar piece for
the church.

He searched the castles of the as-
tetic monarch in Potsdam and Rheins-
berg, but did not find the painting. It
finally was discovered in the attic of
St. Hedwig's covered with cobwebs
and dust.

AMERICANS
SAVED MORE
LIVES AT SEA

Special cable to the Daily Mail by the
British United Press.

Copenhagen, Feb. 11—Thirteen men
of the Norwegian steamer Pinto, three
days and three nights without food or
water in a heavy gale, were saved
from death by the American steamer
Casper, New York for Copenhagen
Tuesday, according to a wireless mes-
sage received here today.

Like the President Roosevelt in the
Antiope rescue, the Casper stood by
and made several attempts before she
finally succeeded in getting the luck-
less men off. The rescue was made in
the nick of time, for as the last boat
shoved off the Pinto disappeared un-
derneath the waves. The Casper is
due here tomorrow.

STEAMER SANK
AFTER S. O. S. CALL

(Special to the Daily Mail by British
United Press.)

New York, Feb. 11—Moore and Mc-
Cormick, who operate the United
States Shipping Board Casper, receiv-
ed word from Harold Bill, her master
that he had taken off the Pinto crew
after creating an S. O. S. call and that
the vessel sank soon afterward.