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Italy Being Searched for Authors of Bombing Plot

The Death Toll Resulting From Explosion of Infernal Machine Now Reaches 23—King Victor Emmanuel is Assured of Loyalty of His Subjects—Women and Children Among the Victims.

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

Milan, April 13—The forces of law searched Italy today for the authors of a plot to assassinate King Victor Emmanuel while the force of public opinion reassured the monarch of his subject's loyalty.

The death toll resulting from the explosion yesterday of a powerful electrical grenade bomb, hidden in the base of a scrolled lamp post in the piazza Giulio Cesare, reached twenty-three today according to an unofficial announcement. Of the forty seriously injured nine died in hospitals.

Four women and three children were among the victims of the plot to assassinate the quiet unassuming ruler whose life was saved because of a delay of a few minutes in reaching the Milan fair grounds.

ADMIRAL DUFF DENIES HE OWNS RUM RUNNER

The Question of the Ownership of the Schooner W. C. Kennedy Discussed in the House.

Ottawa, April 12—The question of the ownership of the schooner "W. C. Kennedy" was again raised in the House of Commons today when W. C. Bell, (Conservative, Hamilton West) on a question of privilege accepted the statement made by Hon. William Duff, (Liberal-Antigonish-Guysboro) yesterday to the effect that Mr. Duff did not own this ship which had been seized by customs authorities.

Mr. Bell said that until yesterday he had gone on the statement of the master of the vessel as made before the special committee on customs three years ago. The captain had then said that Mr. Duff had owned the ship.

Mr. Bell quoted at length from evidence given before the customs committee respecting the ownership of the W. C. Kennedy. "You will readily appreciate" he remarked "that gladly hailing as I do my honorable friend's explanation yesterday, I might well be forgiven up to that time for thinking that my honorable friend was the owner of the schooner W. C. Kennedy on the date upon which the master so emphatically swore that he was."

Debate Opens.

Mr. Duff declared that Mr. Bell had made no explanation of the charge that he, Mr. Duff was president of the company which sold the cargo of the W. C. Kennedy, valued at \$20,000.

"The captain said you paid him" interjected Mr. Bell.

"The captain said no such thing," declared Mr. Duff. "I did not pay for the whiskey. I am talking about the cargo, and the honorable member cannot deny that he stated that I was president of a company which owned the Kennedy."

Such a statement was a "falsehood."

Mr. Bell repeated that the captain had sworn Mr. Duff had paid him. "What the captain said" stated Mr. Duff "was that he had been hired by me and I am willing to make an affidavit to the effect that

SUPREME COURT HAS ADJOURNED UNTIL THE 18TH

Argument in the Chateau Restigouche Liquor Case Was Finished and Judgment Reserved.

At the continuation of the April session of the New Brunswick Supreme Court, this morning, arguments in the final case on the Crown Paper, that of the King vs Chateau Restigouche, Limited, was concluded and also the only case on the Appeal Paper, Johnston vs Barrieau, a St. Stephen case, both being left for future consideration of the court. The court was adjourned at noon until Wednesday morning for further business.

In the case of King versus Chateau Restigouche, Limited, Mr. A. B. Gilbert supported the appeal from the decision of the Judge of the Restigouche County Court, which case came under the Intoxicating Liquor Act. After argument was heard this morning, and judgment reserved.

The only Appeal Paper case, that of Johnston vs Barrieau, was next heard. Mr. E. E. B. Smith, counsel for the defendant, supported appeal from the decision of the Charlotte County Court from the decision given in favor of the plaintiff, who had sued for a promissory note amounting to \$300. This case also was stood over for consideration by the court.

The court will deliver judgments on Friday of next week.

I never hired the captain and I never paid the captain."

Charge Repeated.

Continuing, Mr. Duff stated: "It is all right for some of the honorable members to laugh but the less some of them say about booze or rum the better. If they want to discuss either booze or rum, I am ready to do it at any time or any place. If the honorable member for the West Hamilton will make outside the House the statements he made here two days ago I will put him where he belongs."

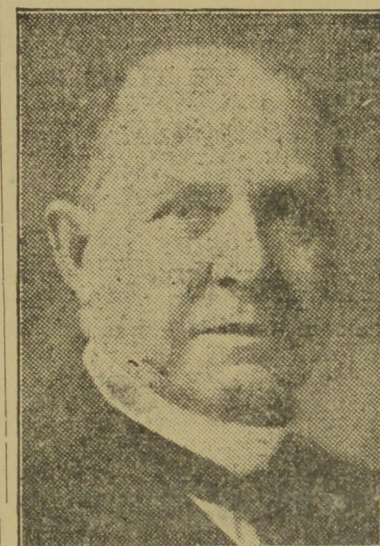
Mr. Bell immediately rose on a point of order. The statement of Mr. Duff was a "distinct threat and menace according to the rules of the House" declared Mr. Bell.

"I repeat exactly what I called you yesterday" retorted Mr. Duff. The incident then closed.

WOULD LOWER EXCISE DUTY ON LIQUOR

Col. Cantley M. P. Points Out the Only Effective Way to Stop Smuggling.

Nova Scotia while the customs and Ottawa, April 12—A declaration that it was impossible to stop the smuggling of liquor along the coast of excise duties were as high as they are at present, was made in the House of Commons this evening by Colonel Thomas Cantley (Conservative, Pictou). He expressed the opinion that if the duty were reduced to \$2.40 a gallon as formerly, there would be a



THOMAS CANTLEY, M.P.

great improvement in conditions. Colonel Cantley pointed out that there were 2,000 miles of coast line in Nova Scotia, and it was practically impossible to patrol such a distance.

Colonel Cantley made his statement in the course of a discussion on amendments to the Customs Act, brought in by Hon. W. D. Euler, Minister of National Revenue. These amendments received second reading and the House went into committee to consider them in detail.

The question of Canada's jurisdiction outside the three mile limit was raised by W. G. Ernst, (Conservative, Lunenburg). Mr. Ernst again held that Canada, not being a sovereign state, had no right of seizure or no jurisdiction outside her own three mile limit.

Mr. Euler suggested that, as the Minister of Justice was not present, and as he would probably like to discuss the matter, the committee might rise and report progress. This was agreed to.

THE PRINCE OF BEGGARS GOT A BIG HAUL

London, April 13—England's "Prince of Beggars," Viscount Knutsford, is soon retire from the begging business. In his begging career of thirty-two years as chairman of the London Hospital, he estimates that he has collected \$30,000,000 which went toward the institution's upkeep, rebuilding, and providing research funds.

In an article in "The Sunday Express," entitled "How to Pick Pockets," Viscount Knutsford says:

"This lifelong role as 'beggar' has embraced all phases of drama, trade, comedy, and sometimes melodrama, which behind the footlights would stir the emotions of the most blasé audience."

CAPTAIN OF N. S. STEAMER SAW THE BREMEN

Claims He Saw the German Plane Pass Over Kingsport.

**REPORT NOT
CONFIRMED**

No Word of Trans-Atlantic Fliers From Coast of Nfld.

Kingsport, N. S., April 13—The German plane Bremen was reported passing over here this morning at 10.30 a. m. Atlantic standard time. Captain Moorehouse of the Canadian Government Steamer Aras stated he distinctly saw and heard the big monoplane and while he could not distinguish the markings on the plane he saw several people on board. The plane was proceeding in the direction of New York.

No Word at St. John's.
St. John's, Nfld., April 13—Southeasterly gales accompanied by rain have swept the Newfoundland coast since early morning. A fog made visibility poor. No word of the German monoplane Bremen has been received from any quarter.

BRITAIN TO TEST NOVELTY PLANES, NOW A SECRET

London, April 13—How would American aviators like to lie full length, luxuriously, on soft cushions and, at the same time pilot a swift little light plane at a high altitude?

This is to be Britain's newest air novelties—the lying down flight.

Tiny air-cars are being designed and are to be tested this spring, in which the narrow stream-lined body, with its wings on either side, accommodates its owner-pilot lying down rather than sitting up.

Completely enclosed in his miniature machine, the airman will lie face downwards, looking toward the earth through a lower outlook window and straight forward or sideways through other cunningly placed windows in the front of the machine.

Other secret experiments fraught with vast possibilities are now being followed closely by the aviation world.

It is hoped that as a result of them it will become possible to carry twenty-five passengers through the air in a salon shaped like a huge "slice" out of a colossal plane's wing.

In one secret large-scale test now in progress, a machine has its cabin so curved, scientifically, from front to back that when the air rushes over and under it at 100 miles an hour this air-flow sucks up powerfully from above and pushes up from below.

The result is that this cabin, instead of being so much dead-weight borne by wings, is actually self-lifting to the extent that its curved roof and floor "gripping" the air, obtain an upward lift equal to as much as a ton.

BOY FUGITIVE MADE ESCAPE

Moncton, April 12—Two boys, who had escaped from the Boys' Industrial Home in Saint John three days ago, were found this morning in the county almshouse, near Moncton. When discovered, one again made his escape and boarded a moving train which was headed in the direction of his home in Edmundston. The other was taken in charge by the almshouse authorities and turned over to the police.

Misses Doris Carter and Lillian Cronkhite have returned to the Normal School after a pleasant vacation at their homes in Woodstock.

Henry Ford, on Trip To Old Country Dined With King and Queen

American Auto Magnate Was Presented to Their Majesties by Lady Astor, M. P., and Dined at Her House—Had a Two Hour's Conversation With Royalty.

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

London, April 13—Henry Ford took tea with King George and Queen Mary at Lady Astor's house last night.

The American born member of Parliament presented Ford to the King and Queen at her home in Cliveden, near Taplow, Buckinghamshire.

Ford and the British royalty conversed two hours. The automobile manufacturer is spending the week end at Cliveden. It was the first time since his arrival last week that Ford had talked with the British elite. Until yesterday he was content to go sight seeing in the regular tourist fashion.

AN OLD TIME FRESHET ON THE ST. JOHN RIVER

Many Farmers Lost Their Live Stock in the Spring of 1798—Mountains of Ice.

Rev. C. Gordon Lawrence pastor of Trinity Church, St. John in a communication to the Telegraph Journal has the following account of an oldtime freshet on the St. John River taken from the St. John Gazette of April 20th, 1798:

"We are sorry to learn that from the breaking up of the ice on the river, considerable damage has been done. The French Village above Fredericton and the vicinity thereof have suffered greatly, and upwards of twenty families, we are told, have been obliged to remove from their habitations in consequence of the overflowing of the country. Cattle, fences, several barns and large quantities of hay have been swept away; but we are happy to hear that no lives have been lost."

From a letter written from Kingsclear, N. B., to Sir John Wentworth Governor of Nova Scotia on April 29th, 1798:

"We are just recovering here from one of the most tremendous scenes that ever was beheld, what they call an ice freshet. Major Murray, Mr. Davidson, Co., Ellegood and many others above me lost every animal they owned. Davidson had 60 head of horned cattle, Ellegood 50, and Murray 40, etc., etc. I escaped as I always do (upon all great occasions) by a hair's breadth. The water was up to my front door and 6 feet deep in my cellar. I every moment for 36 hours expected to lose my house. The mountains of ice were 40 ft high directly in my rear—the stoutest of Maples and Elms were broken like pipestems—luckily when the mountains went off they took a direction just to avoid the buildings and came in at the foot of the gardens, where they tore all before them. I detached wife and all the Light Infantry part of my household, and stood ready with a boat to run like a lusty fellow to the Highlands. The ridge where the buildings stand was completely insulated. I saved all my cattle and even my sheep and dogs—my fences of course went to the devil."

ED. WINSLOW

H. M. Mullins of Moncton is in the city today.

SIR A. CURRIE MUST ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

Judge Decides That He Must Appear Before Local Registrar in Connection With Libel Suit.

Coburg, Ont., April 12—Sir Arthur Currie, former commander of the Canadian Corps, must answer the two questions presented to him at his examination for discovery in connection with the \$50,000 libel action he has brought against W. T. R. Preston and F. W. Wilson, publisher of the Port Hope Guide. This was decided today by County Court Judge L. V. O'Connor, who ordered that General Currie appear before John T. Field, local Registrar of the Supreme Court, Saturday at 11 o'clock, in order to answer the two questions.

The whole case is based upon an article that appeared last June in the Port Hope Guide. This article alleged that during the latter days of the war, and particularly during the Battle of Mons, there had been a deliberate waste of human life.

Sir Arthur instituted litigation against Mr. Preston, the author of the article, and Mr. Wilson, the publisher. During the examination for discovery about three weeks ago, Sir Arthur was asked two questions which he refused to answer. These were:

"Is that statement correct that Sir Sam Hughes made in the floor of the House of Commons on June 16, 1920, that it was you instead of Colonel Jack Currie, who was in the dugout, and by reason of which incident Colonel Jack Currie was sent home from the front?"

(This question had reference to the second battle of Ypres in April, 1915.)

"2. Did you receive from the government of Canada the sum of \$30,000 or any amount, in 1913, or 1914, or approximately within that time, for the purpose of purchasing uniforms for the Highland Regiment in Victoria of which you were an officer?"

Acting upon the advice of his counsel, R. H. Parmenter, K. C., Sir Arthur had declined to answer these questions.

Friday, the 13th!

Today is Friday, the 13th, and those of a superstitious turn of mind may be rather cautious of their activities during the day. One more of these supposed unlucky days will occur during the year, to be in July. There will be but three altogether. The first one occurred in January.