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WORSE THAN INCOMPETENCE

Recent despatches from Vancouver state that the provincial government has found it necessary to call out the militia to handle the strike situation at Nanaimo and other coal districts of Vancouver Island. As a result of strikes lasting many months the miners broke out into rioting which culminated in attacks on the police, much bloodshed and the fatal wounding of one man.

This deplorable condition of affairs is largely the result of the inaction or worse of Hon. T. W. Crothers, minister of labor. The strike broke out last September and ever since then the mines have been crippled, while of late the operating companies have tried to replace the strikers by non-union men.

For over half a year Hon. Mr. Crothers refused to take any cognizance of the strike or to apply the legal machinery for dealing with such conditions which had been perfected by the late Liberal government. A month ago, however, Hon. Mr. Crothers found he needed a holiday trip and he decided to investigate conditions on Vancouver Island. His intervention as minister of labor was everywhere proclaimed in the Tory press. The new minister was to display his skill in settling labor difficulties. He went there, spent some time holidaying and accepting banquets. He tried to intervene but could do nothing, then returned, seeking to disguise the failure of his mission by saying that he had enjoyed a magnificent trip.

Further, Hon. Mr. Crothers had a law partner at St. Thomas, a Mr. Price. The minister wanted a pleasant companion for his holiday so Mr. Price was appointed a commissioner to study conditions in the disturbed regions and see what could be done to end the strike.

Mr. Price accompanied Mr. Crothers to the coast and has remained behind, receiving all expenses and a large fee for his services as commissioner.

The only result of this appears to have been that conditions have become steadily worse until now they have culminated in bloodshed and the calling out of the militia. A more striking illustration of the incompetency and antagonistic attitude of the present "millionaire" cabinet toward labor could not be imagined.

EXTRAVAGANCE KEEPS UP

During the month of July Canada's national debt increased by \$6,529,104. During the present fiscal year the treasury of Canada has paid out to Mackenzie and Mann about \$6,000,000 as instalment on the \$15,600,000 presented to the Canadian Northern Railway by way of subsidies last session. Mr. Borden and his colleagues have used their powers in parliament to increase the debt of Canada by a clear gift to these railroad promoters which has already taken \$5 out of the pocket of every head of a family in Canada.

The net debt of the Dominion at the end of July was \$298,069,678 as compared with \$291,540,573 at the end of June. Expenditure on ordinary accounts for the four months since the end of March totaled \$28,400,376 and on capital account \$13,014,270—the latter an increase of over \$9,000,000 as compared with last year.

There is no possibility of doubt that Mr. Borden is the head of the greatest spending government Canada has ever known. The time is not far distant when even the bounding revenues taken from the people will not suffice, and another loan will be necessary.

It would be a nice thing for York County if some of the money now being expended to restore the draw-span of the Fredericton Highway Bridge, could be used in repairing the roads.

New York Herald: The careful observation of the members of the United States Hay Fever Association, which has its headquarters in Brooklyn, has been responsible for placing Bethlehem, N. H., on the medical map as one of the best sneezeless towns in the East. MacKinac, Mich., aspires to a similar reputation and slowly is forging ahead as a rendezvous in late August for the annual participants in the sneeze Marathon. Campo Bello and the Muskoka Lakes, in Canada, also are designated as anti-sneeze centres worthy of recognition.

Moncton Transcript: The Borden Government, having admitted that it unduly increased the minimum freight rates on the Intercolonial Railway, is compelled to rescind its order and return to the former rate. Its duty now is to refund to the wronged people of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces the forty per cent. increase unjustly imposed as a minimum freight rate. Every resident along the line of the Intercolonial Railway, who has thus been defrauded by the Borden Government should send in the bill and demand a refund.

Victoria, B. C., Times: The age of miracles is not past. Sir Richard McBride said at a recent dinner that the Canadian Senate's action on the naval bill had made him "hang his head in shame." We can scarcely believe it. One would expect that the head which had maintained its equilibrium in the fetid atmosphere of land, timber and Indian reserve scandals, would be impregnable to all the assaults of shame.

"No truck or trade with the Yankees," was a popular slogan of the Tories during the federal campaign of two years ago. The Flemming government has employed a Yankee concern to rebuild the piers of the draw-span of the highway bridge and the work was let without tender.

Apologists of the Flemming government, who are seeking election to the York Municipal Council are not finding the new asylum tax of much account as a vote-getter. Up to the present time no organ of the government has attempted to defend this tax.

The Tory hack organs all defended the recent increase of freight rates on the I.C.R. The government by going back to the old schedule, has put them in a large sized hole.

The economical Flemming government is using stock brick in the construction of the Normal School annex. The contrast between the old and the new buildings will be very striking.

The new twenty thousand dollar manager of the L. C. R., who was borrowed from the C. P. R., is not making a great hit with the patrons of the road.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

AUGUST 19.

1793—Elisha Mitchell, who conducted the first state geological survey in America, born in Washington, Conn. Died in North Carolina June 27, 1857.

1812—American ship Constitution captured the British frigate Guerriere.

1835—Richard P. Bland, Missouri statesman, born. Died June 15, 1899.

1869—Harriet Beecher Stowe's revelations of Lord Byron published.

1879—James Russell Lowell appointed United States minister to England.

1891—Vermont celebrated the centennial of her admission to the Union.

71ST REGT. BAND DRUMS.

The battery for the 71st York Regt. Band, consisting of bass-drum, side-drum and cymbals, have arrived and are on exhibition in the window of E. O. McDonald's music-store. The bass-drum is emblazoned with the Royal Arms and also with the crest of the 71st Regt. The side-drum also bears the regimental crest. The cymbals are Turkish band-hammered. The battery is the finest ever imported for a band in this city and was made by Hawkes & Son of London, England. The instruments had been expected in time for the annual camp at Sussex but were delayed.

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G. Laird, St. John.
D. Johnson, Island View.
V. J. Hyde and wife, Boston.
Edna Hunter, St. John.
Gladys Terriberry, Paterson, N.J.
Weldon Flemming, Woodstock.
Norman Lawrence, Lower Dumfries.
Mrs. R. Bustin and daughter, St. Orange, N.J.

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Dr. Peake, Belmont.
A. B. Wilmot, City.
J. H. Mamott, New York.
Geo. Inston and wife, Brookline, Mass.

C. A. White, Oremocto.
W. H. Ross, Montreal.
N. Ritchie and wife, Boston.
Miss Ritchie, St. John.
F. S. M. Gluehlin, "
Miss Serant, "
R. Pugsley, Amherst.
W. H. Tennant, "
J. R. Douglas, Sackville.
H. E. Faucett, "
B. L. Tucker, Parrishboro, N. S.
J. Gilisheator, Halifax.
H. Miller and wife, St. John.
Miss Edith Miller, "
Miss Vina Cochran, "
Miss Blanche Beattie, "
H. Miller, "
Allen Beattie, "
Thomas Likely, "

LEAVING ON THURSDAY.

Hon. H. F. McLeod, Lieutenant-colonel of the 71st York Regt., will leave by C.P.R. Thursday for Montreal to join the party of Canadian officers who will accompany the minister of militia, Hon. Sam Hughes, to England to attend manoeuvres. The minister and Lt.-Col. McLeod will be the guests of the imperial government, the others being sent by the Canadian Militia Department. The party will sail on Saturday.

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