

BIG STRIKE IS ON
IN FRANCE TODAY

General Strike of Naval Reserve Sailors Went Into Operation at Daylight and 117,000 Men Are Out---Will Badly Affect French Commerce.

PARIS, May 31.—French commerce is threatened with complete paralysis as a result of the general strike of sailors belonging to the naval reserve, which went into operation at daylight today at all the ports of France. The naval reserves comprise almost all the entire maritime population devoted to seafaring life. They number about 117,000 men, of whom 25,000 belong to the war fleet. Practically the entire personnel of the merchant marine, as well as the longshoremen, are included in the naval reserve. The executive committee of the National Seamen's Union ordered the strike because the members of the union regard the government's new bill increasing pensions from \$40.80 to \$72.50 in the case of seamen and from \$156.00 to \$200 in the case of captains, as being inadequate.

The government promptly ordered the army transports at Marseilles to be placed in commission in order to insure a mail service between France and her African possessions, but the transportation companies were taken by surprise, and at the

mercy of the strikers. The officials of the French trans-Atlantic Company hope that the steamer La Provence will be able to sail from Havre tomorrow. Legally, the companies are in a position to coerce the men, as being members of the naval reserve, the crews are subject to heavy penalties for insubordination, but it is regarded as more likely that they will effect a compromise.

PARIS, May 31.—Urgent orders have been forwarded to Toulon to prepare the transports Nive, Vinh-Long, Mytho and Shamrock for sea duty in case the strike of seamen should make their services necessary. The torpedo boat destroyers at Marseilles are being held with steam up in order to carry the mails should this become necessary. The seamen at Havre have decided to strike today and that town is placarded with notices to attend the seamen's meeting.

In accordance with the notification received from the defence committee of the National Seamen's Union, the seamen at Dunkirk are preparing to go on strike.

NEWS FROM
FREDERICTON

Death of James S. Jackson---
U. N. B. Boys Celebrate---
Other Interesting Items.

FREDERICTON, May 31.—(Special)—James S. Jackson, a well known citizen for ten years night watchman at the New Brunswick Foundry, died this morning after a very brief illness brought on by internal hemorrhages. He was a native of Scotch Lake and was sixty-six years old. A widow and one daughter, Miss Agnes Jackson, deputy secretary-treasurer of the municipality, survive.

Frederick A. Dykeman, a former resident of Jemseg, Queens County, died at the Victoria Hospital last night from typhoid fever, aged thirty-eight.

Gus Tweeddale, a well known hardware man who has been ill for some time from typhoid fever recently suffered a relapse and his recovery is despaired of.

A. F. Stewart and Gerard Leach representing the Canada Northern Railway Co. who returned last night from the U. N. B. Woodstock and other upriver places will take a drive about the city this afternoon with Mayor McLeod and George Y. Dible, president of the board of trade with the object of ascertaining what Fredericton has to offer the proposed valley railway in the way of traffic. Tomorrow morning they leave by horse and carriage for Wolford.

The university students had their usual celebration on College Hill last night and report having thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The old cannon could not be put in working order and the salute for the members of the graduating class had to be dispensed with for the first time in many years.

The boys wound up their celebration by ringing the fire alarm at four o'clock this morning.

FRUIT FOR
THE GALLIOWS

PARRY SOUND, Ont., May 31.—(Special)—The jury in session here yesterday brought in a verdict finding an Italian named Capelle guilty of the murder of William Dow, and acquitting Maranto, another Italian, upon the same charge. The crime was committed Christmas night. Dow found the Italians assaulting a woman, interfered, and was stabbed to death. Other charges will probably be laid against Maranto. The sentence of Capelle will be deferred until the close of the sessions.

R. S. Ewing and wife arrived home today.

MUSQUASH BOYS TOOK
SALT CELLERS AS A JOKE

Magistrate Ritchie Gives Them Some Good Advice and Allows Them to go.

George Foley and Albert Mooney were in court this morning for taking souvenirs in the form of cut glass salt cellars and table napkins from the Boston restaurant yesterday evening. Both pleaded guilty, and after receiving some wholesome advice were allowed to go on suspended sentence.

The youths belong to Musquash and told the court that they had been drinking, and while not actually drunk, were feeling pretty good. They visited the Boston restaurant and one of the other he would not put a salt cellar in his pocket. The whole affair was done in sport, as a result of which two salt cellars and two napkins were taken. Mooney declared that this was his first time in court, and it

THE SITE NOT
YET ARRANGED

But It Is Probable That the Cold Storage Plant Will Be Built on West Side.

It is not yet decided whether the proposed cold storage plant will be built on the east or west side, but according to R. J. Graham, the manager, the work of building will commence very shortly. F. W. Holt, C. E., is looking after the engineering work and F. Neil Brodie has been engaged as architect.

The committee of the board of works which was appointed to look into the matter of building a road as asked for in the recent communication from the cold storage company, met yesterday and decided to recommend to the council that a road be built on the southern side of the lot, instead of the northern side as asked by the company. They will also recommend that 100 feet of a reserve roadway be built for the city's use.

While this does not coincide with the application of the company, it is thought that it will be satisfactory, and that the west side site will be decided on.

THEIR FATE IN DOUBT

Two British Lieutenants Who Went Up in War Balloon are Still Missing.

London, May 31.—The fate of the two lieutenants who went up in the military balloon from Aldershot, May 28, is still in doubt. No confirmation has been received, up to the hour of filing this despatch, of the report from the coast guard station at the Scilly Islands that they have reached there in safety. The guards along the coast, who are in direct communication with London, have no news of the missing officers. The fact that a grapple was swinging from the car suggests the possibility that the two lieutenants landed somewhere near the water's edge but were not able to secure the balloon before it was blown out to sea.

The funeral of the late Miss Esther Anderson was held today at 2:30 p. m. from her late residence, 46 St. David's street, to Fernhill cemetery, where interment was made. Rev. S. Howard conducted the funeral service.

According to advices received at the post office (navigation) to the navigation office, June 5, and all mail matter for that portion of the country will now be accepted here.

THIRTY THOUSAND REBELS
ARE UNDER ARMS IN CHINA

Three Little Paragraphs Illustrating the Trend of Events in China and Japan

AMOY CHINA, May 31.—An insurrection has broken out forty miles southward of Amoy. 30,000 rebels are under arms and are stated to be well led. The revolt is spreading in towns near Amoy. The viceroy of Fu Chow is sending 8,000 troops to deal with the rising and warships are expected here shortly.

PEKIN, May 31.—An agreement providing for the establishment of a Chinese maritime customs office at Port Daire, was signed today by Sir Robert Hart, director general of the Chinese customs, and M. Hayashi, Japanese minister to China. The office probably will be opened tomorrow. Following the precedent at Kiao Chow, where a German was appointed commissioner of customs, a Japanese commissioner will be appointed at Port Daire.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 31.—Representing the federal government of Japan and several of the largest manufacturing and other firms of that nation, six prominent Japanese citizens have arrived here and will depart soon for the east where they will spend \$10,000,000 in the purchase of machinery, armament and other raw materials.

GOOD BYE TO
UNION BEER

American Brewery Workers Have Been Expelled From Membership in American Federation of Labor.

CHICAGO, May 31.—The last barrel of "Union" beer in Chicago and the whole country, according to an edict of the American Federation of Labor, will be featured today. At midnight the brewery workers union will cease to exist in the eyes of the national labor leaders, and the two million organized workmen in the United States will be asked to "get on the water wagon," or use some other kind of beverage. The brewery workers have rebelled against President Gompers and the National Labor Executive Council, and they are to be disciplined. The measure adopted is that of expulsion.

Secretary Kemper, of the local union, said that 3,000 brewery workers in Chicago will go on brewing beer, whether the American Federation of Labor regards it officially as a "union product" or not.

JERRY MURPHY'S
DECORATION DAY

Took Sheets From Synagogue and Wrapped Them About the Tombstones.

Jeremiah Murphy's religious mania took a new form last night. He wandered to the Jewish cemetery near Fernhill, and proceeded to have a memorial decoration day—or night—all to himself. Effecting an entrance to the little synagogue he took out the sheets stored there and wrapped each one around a tombstone. Evidently pleased with the ghastly effect, he reserved one sheet for himself, and arrayed in it halted any who chanced to be passing by.

This morning the gravestones were still wrapped in sheets, and remained so until Supt. Clayton, of Fernhill, appeared on the scene. Murphy was seen at the place, and recognised by one of the laborers at Fernhill.

Rev. C. W. Gordon (Ralph Connor), arrived today and was met by Mayor Scow, Frank White and Rev. David Lang. He was driven in Jack Pugsley's automobile to the Royal, and will this afternoon be given an auto drive about the city.

R. D. Stockton came in from Fredericton today. Charles Macdonald arrived home from Boston today. DSifitsHerefA Mvrt b?GuzCv

Several participants in the sports at the Victoria grounds on May 24th have not yet called for the return of their entry fees. These are held for them by the editor of the Times. There will probably be another great afternoon of sports at the end of June.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

HIRAM ENJOYS A JOKE.

Mr Hiram Hornbeam wore a broad smile this morning. It was, he said, due to the fact that he had a joke at the expense of Mrs. Hornbeam—which does not very often happen, although the good lady finds many opportunities to give Hiram "a piece of her mind."

It appears that Mrs. Hornbeam read in the papers about a great bargain sale of dry goods in the city, and would give Hiram no peace until he hitched up and rode

PARTY OF YOUNG PEOPLE
TO MAKE TOUR OF EUROPE

Harold Wilson, of St. John, and Several Brookville People Included in the Party, Which is Under the Direction of Dr. Borden, of Sackville.

A large touring party under the personal direction of Dr. Borden of Sackville and consisting of young people from various points in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia will leave next week for an extensive tour of the British Isles and all places of interest in Europe.

The party will sail from Montreal on June 8, by steamship Ottawa and expect to land in Liverpool on the fifteenth.

Those composing the party are as follows: Miss C. Pickup and Miss Nellie Pickup, Granville Ferry; Misses Lena and Hazel Tait, Shediac; Mrs. D. C. Kirk and Miss Hazel Kirk, Antigonish; Mrs. Hibbert C. Black, Pugwash; Miss E. Black, Truro; Fred and Cedric Ryan, Sackville; Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler and Roy and Ralph Wheeler, Brookville; Miss Sadie and Miss Mary Chase, and Miss Newcombe, Port William; Miss Edith Clark, Bear River; Barclay Hertz and Miss Lena Hertz, Amherst; Miss Mary Peters, Miss Alice Hall, Miss Bessie Humphrey and Rita Borden, Moncton; Miss Emma Emery, Truro; Miss Margaret Evans, Hampton; Harold Wilson, St. John; Miss Daisy Weddall, Fredericton; Miss Mildred Bennett, Hoveyville; Cape; Miss Helen Perley, Andover; and Dr. and Mrs. Borden, Miss Gladys Borden and Miss Elaine Borden, Sackville.

CRUELTY CHARGES TO GO
TO THE CZAR HIMSELF

ST. PETERSBURG, May 31.—The lower house of parliament yesterday declined

an unsatisfactory explanation made by the government in the matter of the tortures inflicted upon prisoners at Riga, and consequently the affair will be submitted to the Emperor. In the course of the debate the minister of justice denied that officials of his department had taken any part in inflicting these tortures, as had been charged, and declared that the information of the Duma committee, in this respect, was absolutely untrue. M. Makaroff, assistant minister of the interior, then denied that the police had been guilty of inflicting tortures. He said a preliminary inquiry had shown that in some cases policemen had struck prisoners with their fists, but these blows were never severe. A total of 42 police officials had been arraigned on charges. He did not wish to justify their conduct, but under the existing abnormal conditions he said the actions of the police might be excused by the cruelty of the revolutionaries. It could not be expected that the police always should remain calm when more than one thousand of their comrades had been killed or wounded in the Baltic provinces alone.

BIG SWINDLE UNEARTHED
BY ONTARIO DETECTIVES

A Lovely Scheme to Get Money by Selling Bogus Liquor Licenses.

TORONTO, May 31.—(Special)—Provincial detectives have unearthed what they believe to be the beginning of a gigantic swindle in sale of bogus liquor licenses. Two men were arrested. On Monday a man called Enrich was taken into custody by Chief Constable, of Cobalt, and another man named Duncan Davidson, of Ottawa, was arrested there charged with conspiracy to defraud. It is alleged that these men went to Cobalt and undertook in at least one instance to procure liquor license for a Cobalt man in consideration of \$3,000 which should go to the provincial government's campaign fund. They are

said to have represented themselves as friends of influence and to be able to produce licenses at a given figure. Davidson is being sent to Cobalt and they will appear there before Police Magistrate Brown on Saturday morning for hearing.

MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, May 31.—(Special)—The stock market was quiet again today. Penman's Limited, the new industrial issue was listed and offered at 50. The most active issues were MacKay, 68; Montreal Power, 80 1/4; Lake of Woods Mining, Nipissing, 13 1/4; Mexican Bonds, 70 3/4.

The Boston steamer Governor Cobb, is due to arrive at 8 o'clock tonight.

Hon. A. S. White passed through the city today from Fredericton.

MAHONEY GOT TWO
YEARS IN PRISON

He Pleaded Guilty to Stealing from the McClary Manufacturing Company and Was Speedily Dealt With by Judge Forbes Today.

John W. Mahoney, who was charged with stealing stoves, hardware, etc., from the McClary Manufacturing Co., and who agreed to be tried under the Speedy Trials' Act, was this morning brought before Judge Forbes and, after pleading guilty to stealing four stoves, was sentenced to two years in Dorchester penitentiary. B. L. Gerow and C. N. Skinner, K. C., appeared in the interests of the defendant.

Mr. Gerow asked the judge to be merciful in dealing with the prisoner, and read certificates of former good character from W. H. Moraw, druggist and Dr. Bonnell. He also read an affidavit from the prisoner's sister which alleged that Mahoney had received a bad fall about 7 years ago which greatly impaired his mental condition, and she further alleged that she thought that the unsettled state

of his mind resulting therefrom had much to do with his present crime.

Dr. D. E. Berryman gave evidence that a severe injury to the spine might produce an unsettled state of the mind.

In addressing the prisoner Judge Forbes said that he did not believe that the prisoner's action was the result of the fall, and his crime should not go unpunished. His honor, therefore, sentenced him to two years in Dorchester and exhorted Mahoney to conduct himself well while in prison and lead a better life on regaining his liberty. His honor said that he had imposed the minimum penalty for the offense and stated that he would do all possible to get him out on ticket-of-leave in a short time.

Mahoney will be confined to jail pending the endeavors of his counsel, C. N. Skinner, K. C., and B. L. Gerow to get him out on ticket-of-leave.

BODY FOUND AT
POINT DU CHENE

Supposed to be One of the Victims of the Swedish Bark Adeona.

MONCTON, May 31.—(Special)—The body of a man was found on the beach about half a mile below Point du Chene last night. It is believed to be the remains of one of the sailors of the Swedish bark Adeona, wrecked off Richibucto last fall. The body was considerably decomposed and had evidently been in the water a long time. The flesh was eaten, apparently by fish, off face and hands and the features were unrecognizable. Coroner Smith was notified and the body was ordered to be buried. This is the second victim of the Adeona wreck found on the shore within the past two or three weeks, the other body being found at Butouche a short time ago.

Havelock Milton, ear inspector at the I. C. R. depot had his head severely jammed while coupling hose on the Maritime Express last night. Milton was coupling hose between the engine and the baggage car when the shunter, attached to the pullman at the rear started. In the jolt he was caught between the drawbar and a severe scalp wound inflicted. He was knocked out for a few seconds, and it was at first feared he was seriously injured. Besides his head being bruised and cut, one shoulder was slightly injured. He will be laid off work for a few days. He had a narrow escape from death.

A. M. Lyster, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia here, has been transferred to Quebec to take charge of the new agency being opened there by the Bank of Nova Scotia. H. J. Gordon, late of Port of Spain, Trinidad, has reached the city and will succeed Mr. Lyster at the Moncton Branch.

WILL ARBITRATE
ALL THE DISPUTES

Sensible Agreement Made Between Montreal Typographical Unions and Employing Printers.

MONTREAL, Que., May 31.—(Special)—The five year agreement was signed last night between English and French typographical unions and newspaper and other employing printers. There are a few minor exceptions to the acceptance and these may result in strikes tomorrow. Wages are fixed as follows:—To the end of 1908, \$14 per week; to 1911, \$15, and to 1912, \$16. Overtime to end of 1908, time-and-a-half, after that, the same for three hours, and for further time, double. Night shifts get 15 per cent advance. All new employees must be union men, except where non-unionists may be better suited to arbitration. The eight hour day was conceded earlier in the negotiations.

FOUR KILLED
AND 13 HURT

ELYRIA, Ohio, May 31.—Four persons were killed and 13 injured in a rear end collision on the Cleveland and Southwestern Traction railroad here early last evening. The front car was filled with holiday excursionists.

The dead—E. O'Donnell, Elyria, crock-

ery merchant; H. M. Billings, Elyria, Grand Army veteran; W. C. Allen, Elyria, claim agent for the Lake Shore railroad; Wm. Sala, son of Rev. J. P. Sala.

Miss Suppes, daughter of Max Suppes, manager of the steel plant here, had both legs cut off.

Motorman Fraundorfer, who was in charge of the car which caused the wreck, was arrested tonight on a warrant sworn out by Prosecutor Stevens, charging him with manslaughter.

SMALLPOX CASE REPORTED
ON VESSEL AT SUMMERSIDE

Captain of Schooner from Pictou Had Disease in Mild Form.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., May 31.—(Special)—The annual meeting of the Prince Edward Island Hospital was held last night. The current receipts were \$6635 and expenditures \$6735. During the year 228 patients were admitted, an increase of twenty per cent and \$2125 was added to the endowment fund which is now \$9170.

A painting in oils of the late Dr. Richard Johnston one of the founders of the institution was presented to the hospital by his family.

The schooner Lois arrived in Summerside from Pictou Sunday. Yesterday her Captain George F. Day was reported to be sick and the health officer, Dr. John F. McNeill boarded her and fearing it might be smallpox had the vessel quarantined.

Further examination confirmed the suspicions.

The vessel is ordered into strict quarantine and is about half a mile from shore. Besides the captain there are three sailors on board two of whom have been vaccinated and the other one has had smallpox and is in charge of the patient. It is a very mild case.