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Reports Sales In Fox Furs Very Active

Prices Low But Skins In Great Demand. British Trade Situation Reviewed By Mr. W. K. Rogers.

NOTED BRITISH PORT ENGINEER COMING SOON

Sir Alexander Gibb Will Conduct Survey of All Marine Centres In The Dominion.

(Canadian Press)
OTTAWA, Ont., March 16.—Sir Alexander Gibb, noted British port engineer, will come to Canada with a few weeks to conduct a survey of all marine shipping centres in the Dominion, it was announced here today by Hon. Alfred Durand, Minister of Marine. He will advise the Government and prepare plans for the development of each port for the next 25 or 30 years.

BUENOS AIRES, March 16.—Three persons were killed and three seriously injured in the explosion of a bomb Saturday in a street car belonging to the Anglo Argentine Tram Company in the Boedo district of Buenos Aires.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS ETC.

- *Mt. Stewart Wednesday, Special show. 3891-3-13-41.
- *Dance in I. O. O. F. tonight. 3968-3-17-11.
- *See the Y's Men vs. Cornwall C. C's, Forum tonight at 7.30. 3983-3-17.
- *New Glasgow players at Hope River, St. Patrick's night. 3943-3-16-21.
- *Mt. Stewart leading live stock Wednesday, March 18th. 3978-3-17-11.
- *Rummage Sale in Hearts Hall postponed until further date. 3989-3-17.
- *Rummage Sale, Baptist School-room, Thursday, March 19th at 7 o'clock. 3943-3-14-51.
- *Come to Hope River on St. Patrick's night and see "Much Ado About Betty" by New Glasgow players. 3943-3-16-21.
- *Come to Hope River for St. Patrick's, and see "Captain Rackett" repeated, and specialties. Music groups. 3980-41.
- The annual social of the W. M. S. will be held at the Presbyterian Mansie, Marshfield, on Wednesday evening, March 18th. 3985-3-17.
- *Buying live hogs Tuesday, March 17th, Hunter River. Everett Haslam buying at Emerald same date. Alden lease buying at Kensington same date. Everett Wedlock. 3972-3-17-31.
- *Hear Rev. A. L. Sinnott, lecture in Howell Rear Hall on Thursday, March 19th. Drawing of Lottery. Prizes same evening. 3990-3-17-21.
- *Come to the Social Evening in Fredericton Hall, Thursday evening, March 19th. Special programme. Admission free. If stormy Friday. 3958-3-17-21.
- *Meeting of Ulster Shipping Club Thursday, March 19th. Listing hogs for shipment March 24th. Also meeting of the Institute to list seeds crushed lime and fertilizer. W. D. Ross, Secretary. 3974-3-17-11.
- *Orders will be received until the 21st March inst. from parties willing to draw milk during the season beginning on June 1st in 1931. For further particulars apply to the Secretary. 3969-3-17-11.

Increased demand for silver fox furs on the London market, though at low prices, is reported by Mr. W. K. Rogers, of this city, who returned last night from a business trip to Scotland, England and Germany. Mr. Rogers sailed from Cherbourg, France, on March 7th, on the Red Star liner "Pennland" and arrived in Halifax Saturday night. The return voyage was a very pleasant one for the time of year.

Unemployment and the increasing menace of Russian competition hangs over England like a dark cloud, Mr. Rogers states. Business conditions in England he found to be no worse than they were a year ago. Indeed, during the past month in Great Britain there seemed to be a more optimistic feeling. Securities on the stock market had a set-back for a while when it was reported that Australia would repudiate her debts, but this fear passed and securities have been steadily rising. While trade conditions are certainly not good, there seems to be an improvement during the past few weeks.

Bennett Embargo Commended

The Russian situation especially is causing grave concern in England as in the rest of Europe. "We do not realize here the seriousness of the Russian menace as it is viewed in the Old Country," Mr. Rogers stated. "The Communists, it is felt, are out to ruin the world. They tried to do it first by propaganda. They failed in that, and now they are determined to do it in the surest way they know; that is, by trade. We cannot compete with their convict labor, and this would be ruinous to attempt it. It is realized very strongly in England, where Premier Bennett's action in placing an embargo on Russian products into Canada has been hailed with widespread approval. It is believed the Bennett Government has taken a course which in self-defence, will have to be followed by other countries. Unfortunately, the Labor Government in Great Britain is averse to action of this kind. Of the strong public sentiment in the Old Country against Russian imports, however, there can be no question. An embargo is the only safeguard and it would be quickly put into effect if it were not for the politicians. They have a Labor Government that is kept in power by Lloyd George, who has changed from a great statesman during the war to the leader of a small group of politicians bargaining for power. The Liberal party in England is dead; it will never come back to its old-time power and prestige; and it is Lloyd George who is largely responsible for its decline. By his actions in maintaining a balance of power in favor of the Labor party at the present critical juncture, he has done much to prejudice his own reputation and that of his followers. It is felt, by a great many people in the Old Country, that action, resolute and determined, such as Premier Bennett has taken in Canada, is what the national situation demands. Instead, party politics are being played cynically and unscrupulously, while the Russian trade menace grows blacker on the horizon and the unemployed in hundreds of thousands walk the streets."

Doles for the unemployed, Mr. Rogers says after seeing the results at first hand, have not benefited the situation. The dole system is a hopeless panacea; it has had a ruinous effect on the character of the recipients and its continuously increasing demands upon the public treasury is draining the country at a time when all the energy and resources of the government should be

To N. B. Bench



WILL ACCEPT NEW BRUNSWICK JUDGESHIP

Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, N. B. Premier, Will Accept Position This Summer.

(Special to the Guardian)
OTTAWA, Ont., Mar. 16.—Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Premier of New Brunswick, will accept a position on the New Brunswick Judiciary this summer. Premier Baxter has been active in Federal and Provincial public life for over 30 years. His successor in the Premiership and leadership of the Conservative party in New Brunswick has not yet been arranged, but it is expected to be Mayor White of Saint John or Hon. C. E. Richards.

MAKES HIS MAIDEN SPEECH IN PARLIAMENT

First Acadian To Move Address In Reply To Speech From Throne—Pays Tribute To Premier Bennett.

(Canadian Press)
OTTAWA, Mar. 16.—A native son of New Brunswick—Maximilien Cormier, Conservative—Restigouche-Madawaska—and a product of old Ontario—Victor Porteous, Conservative—North Grey—moved and seconded the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne today.

Making his maiden speech in Parliament, Mr. Cormier spoke in French, paying tribute to Premier R. B. Bennett and the compliment, which had been extended to Acadians, in his nomination as mover of the Address. History was in the making, Mr. Cormier said, when for the first time last week a Canadian opened Parliament. For the first time since Confederation, he continued, an Acadian had received the honor of moving the Address. The event might be of little historical importance to the rest of Canada, Mr. Cormier stated, but the Acadians would long remember the broad-mindedness of the Prime Minister and his colleagues in selecting an Acadian to move the Address. The honor was not one due to him personally, he proceeded, but was due to the electors of Restigouche-Madawaska for the loyal support they had accorded the Conservative party on July 26.

"The energy, courage, the determination by our beloved leader, since he had accepted that elevated position," Mr. Cormier declared, in speaking of the achievements since assuming office, "are so well known to Canadians, and so fresh in their memory that it is useless for me to dwell upon the subject." The Prime Minister, Mr. Cormier, stated, enjoyed the popular confidence of the

Ireland Today Enjoying Peace And Progress

Celebration Of St. Patrick's Day Finds The Emerald Isle Happy And Contented.

By William T. Cosgrave, President The Irish Free State

(Written for the United Press)
DUBLIN, March 16.—The celebration tomorrow of St. Patrick's Day will find our young State enjoying peace and progress. After less than a decade in control of her own affairs, she has recently been elected a member of the Council of the League of Nations. Her Minister-Plenipotentiaries have been received in the Vatican State, in the United States, France and Germany, and Ministers from those States have been appointed to her Capital. Her credit is well maintained at home and abroad. National securities are steady and at a premium, and compare most favorably in Wall Street with those of the strongest nations of the world. Her net public debt is little more than \$30 per head of the population, and represented last year only 63 percent of the normal year's revenue. Much of the revenue has been applied to productive purposes. Taxation per head has been reduced about 25 percent since 1922-1923. The visible adverse balance of trade has been reduced in the past four years by about \$40,000,000.

A recent report of the international labor office showing the trend of employment in twenty eight countries, places the Irish Free State as the only country which does not show a deterioration in this respect. The progress of national electrification from the waters of the Shannon River has been eminently satisfactory. Almost every Irish industry is now consuming Shannon current and there is an increasing demand for current for domestic purposes. Our friends who have not yet visited the Irish Free State will be pleased to learn that Coby has resumed with enhanced importance the position that community occupied in trans Atlantic shipping before the war, and that a new trans Atlantic port facing America has arisen in Galway. The development of our tourist traffic has been taken in hand by the Irish Tourist Association. Railway, omnibuses and hotels are combining to develop the amenities of travel.

On the 1,600th anniversary next year of the coming of St. Patrick, Ireland will be honored with the greatest of rewards for the fidelity of her people to the faith which St. Patrick brought to our shores. In that year the 31st International Eucharistic Congress will be held in Dublin. It will constitute a solemn and momentous occasion for Ireland and one in which the peoples of all countries will unite.

Seek Revision In Lobster Rates From Maritimes

HALIFAX, N. S., March 16.—An appeal to the Chairman of the Board of Railway Commissioners at Ottawa for a revision of the freight and express rates for live, boiled and canned lobsters, has been made by Dr. Richard Hamer, central secretary of the United Maritime Fishermen, who asked that the rates for all points be equalized to help lobster fishermen who cannot profit directly from the subsidized lobster collection service. Under present rates, said Dr. Hamer, lobsters were considered a luxury, whereas really they were a commodity and formed an important Maritime industry.

people throughout the country and solid support of his followers in Parliament. Canadians had firm belief that Mr. Bennett would accomplish successfully "and in due season the great task that lies in front of him."

MY IRISH CINDERELLA B.I.S. PLAY

Successfully Presented At Prince Edward Theatre Last Night Was Very High Class Entertainment.

Highly entertaining as a comedy yet strangely intriguing in its pathos, "My Irish Cinderella" presented under the auspices of the Benevolent Irish Society as its St. Patrick's play, held the keyed attention of a capacity audience at the Prince Edward last evening, and proved itself a dramatization fully worthy of the anniversary it commemorates. Presented under the direction of Mr. J. Austin Trainor, himself, a veteran dramatist, played by a caste, each member of which was a star in his or her part with a charming and fascinating plot to develop, "My Irish Cinderella" could be nothing if not successful.

This play which ran two years on Broadway, has a good, clean, interesting and dramatic story, which sparkles with true Celtic wit. It has a romantic flavor all its own, portraying as it does the career of a pretty Irish girl, Peggy O'Neil, who finds wonderful things awaiting her when she goes directly from a poor house in New York, to live with a family of a great earl in London. Her adventures happen in quick succession and are woven into an intricate plot.

Miss Nora Cameron, who plays the lead of Peggy O'Neil, gives a superb portrayal of this difficult part, and won the hearts of the audience. Equally effective was Mr. George Clow who played the leading male role, Clifford Morgan. This is a fine part, and Mr. Clow justified the opinion of theatre goers as to his dramatic ability.

Mrs. C. T. Carbone, in her first appearance before a Charlottetown audience delivered her lines and acted her part in a most pleasing manner. Her accent is true to the character she portrays.

Mr. Stuart Dickson made a particularly strong impression in impersonation of the Earl of Lonsdale. It is Mr. Dickson's first appearance in an elderly character role.

Burton, the butler as acted by Mr. Sam Vall was particularly true to type, and seemed to grasp the author's idea of what the part really called for.

Mr. Alex McLean, a newcomer, was particularly effective in his role of Monsieur Antoine, the music teacher.

Mrs. Arthur Henry never played to better advantage than she did last evening in directing the character of Mrs. McGee. She showed versatility in ability to interpret a character of different type than her wont.

Master Joseph King as Jimmie, the newsboy, is a newcomer to the stage. He sold newspapers in genuine metropolitan style.

The working man, Mr. Roy McGilivray, did not have a long part, but he acted his role very convincingly.

The veteran stage artist, Mr. Patrick McTague was in rare form last evening as he impersonated Mansfield, the detective, a part which delighted the audience.

Mr. Eddie Hornby, as Earl Wingate gave a realistic interpretation of a

King Of Spain



SPEAKS INTO "MIKE"

King Alfonso of Spain, as he appeared recently while talking into the microphone as he addressed students of the City University of Madrid.—Copyright by Acme Newspictures.

GANDHI IS SEVERELY HECKLED

Radicals At Labor Meeting In Bombay Stated That Accord Was Reached By Influence of Capitalists.

(United Press)
BOMBAY, March 6.—The Mahatma M. K. Gandhi was severely heckled while speaking at a labor meeting this evening. The red flag Communism was hoisted higher than the flag of the All-India Congress at the Labor Temple. The radicals in the audience asserted that the Gandhi-Irwin accord reached recently at New Delhi had been influenced by capitalists and that it therefore was not acceptable. Gandhi explained that he did not desire to argue the point, but firmly denied he had betrayed the labor interests. He said he did not intend to demand the release of prisoners at Meerut as a condition to the truce. Lord Irwin, the Viceroy, however, in the accord agreed to the release of the political prisoners arrested during the civil disobedience drive last year, and most of them now have been freed.

A scheming English gentleman. This was one of the original parts in the play.

A very difficult part was that played most convincingly by Miss Bernadette Gaudet, in the role of Margaret Wingate, the haughty society lady. Attention to detail aided her in an admirable impersonation.

The specialties between the acts were particularly attractive. Mr. Victor Coyle rendered the solo "My Wild Irish Rose" very effectively. Four Irish lasses, Misses Mary Doyle, Leona Trainor, Frances McCarey and Patricia Trainor provided one of the treats of the night in song and dance. "The Shamrock and the Maple Leaf" composed by Mr. William Edgar Emman, was sung for the first time by the four little girls. The harmonies for Mr. Emman's quaint song were arranged by Professor Roy Kendall. The dance number was directed by Miss Mary Trainor. Mr. Amos Costello provided a step dance number which was much appreciated.

The orchestra under the direction of Miss Kathleen Hornby played delightful Irish airs.

"Robert Emmet," Peggy's prize chicken, was kindly loaned by Mr. Frederick Blanchard, proprietor of the Belmont Poultry Yards.

The play was presented under the distinguished patronage of His Honor Lieutenant Governor Dalton and Mrs. Dalton, and His Worship Mayor Prowse and Mrs. Prowse.

The play will be presented again tonight when another capacity house

20 Seal Hunters Are Killed When Vessel Blows Up

Steamer Viking Blew Up And Sunk Off Northern Coast Of Nfld.—Survivors Straggle In Over Shifting Ice Floes.

(Canadian Press)

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., March 16.—Twenty of Newfoundland's seal hunters are dead. The steamer Viking, commanded by Capt. Abram Kean, blew up and sank last night eight miles off Horse Island, near the head of White Bay on the northern coast of the oldest colony. Today survivors straggled in over shifting ice floes to seek safety and care for the injured.

Not since the steamer Southern Cross was lost with 173 men in 1914, has anything approaching the destruction of the Viking been written into the annals of Newfoundland's most romantic industry. Early this morning the first message to the Department of Fisheries came down over a single land wire from the operator at Horse Island, otherwise known as St. Barbe. "At nine o'clock last night," it read, "heard a terrible explosion. Early this morning the wreckage of a burning steamer was seen about eight miles east of here. Also saw men travelling on the ice toward shore."

A second message received by H. E. Clyde Lake, Minister of Fisheries, was not made public, but this afternoon Sir Richard Squires, Prime Minister, made an announcement in the House of Assembly, which was immediately adjourned. The steamers Sagonas and Foundation Franklin were despatched to White Bay with doctors, nurses and supplies. It was not likely that either of the steamers would reach Horse Island before tomorrow night. Meanwhile, survivors of the disaster were working their way toward shore on the drifting ice. Early advice gave no information of identities. The fate of Varick Frissell, Paramount director, who went north on the Viking with cameraman A. E. Penrod and Harry Conrod, actor was unknown. Whether Captain Kean had survived was not disclosed.

The Viking was one of the oldest vessels engaged in the sealing trade. Built in Norway in 1881, she had been going to the north to the ice since 1904, and had a particular place in the tradition of the seal fishery. She was owned by Bowring Brothers, and was equipped with wireless. Late yesterday night, about one half hour before the explosion occurred, the Viking was in communication with one of the Newfoundland Government's coastal wireless stations.

(Canadian Press)

LONDON, March 16.—Rt. Hon. Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for India, told the House of Commons today that as a result of the Irwin-Gandhi agreement 14,335 political prisoners, 13,927 men and 408 women had been released in India up to last Friday, March 13.

The Weather, Etc.

TORONTO, March 17.—A moderate disturbance is moving north eastward off the New Jersey coast. Forecast—North easterly winds, increasing to strong or gales; fair at first, probably followed by rain.

Temperatures

Maximum	34
Minimum	26
High tide this morning	at 10.15 and tonight at 9.49.
Sun sets this evening	at 6.07 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.09.
New moon Thursday, March 19th,	3.51 a. m.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.	

Lord Privy Seal



DIES SUDDENLY

Rt. Hon. Vernon Harcourt, the lord privy seal of Great Britain, who dropped dead on Friday, March 12, while on a visit in the country near London, England.

COUNSEL ADDRESS THE JURY

In the Supreme Court yesterday morning the case of John Hawkins versus the Nicholson Oil Company, the Nicholson Oil Company Limited, and William Munn was resumed. Mr. Justice Arsenault, presiding judge, stated he would instruct the jury that there was no evidence against the Nicholson Oil Company to connect it with the accident.

As to the evidence against the Nicholson Oil Company, Limited as one of the defendants, that was a matter for the jury themselves.

Mr. J. D. Stewart, K. C., representing the defendant Munn then began his address to the jury, pointing out that the case was confused by the number of defendants; first, William Munn, second, the owner of the truck known as the Nicholson Oil Company, and third, the ownership of the truck by some other persons known as the Nicholson Oil Company Limited. He said the first issue is the cause of the collision between the two cars and who is responsible. If the jury decide that injuries resulted from the collision of Munn's car and the oil truck then the ownership will have to be determined.

Mr. Stewart outlined certain facts and events about which, he said, there was no dispute. He added that Mr. Hawkins was in Mr. Munn's car as a guest, and that the latter owed to Mr. Hawkins only the same duty as he owed his own family. The sympathy of the counsel went to Mr. Hawkins who was injured and to the family to whom he is the sole support. His client, the counsel said was surprised at a suit being entered in him. Cordial relationship always had existed between the two men. Mr. Munn was sued on the ground that he drove his car negligently and counsel here presented the claims set forth in the claim

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LONDON, Mar. 16.—The Labor Government was defeated by four votes in the House of Commons tonight on a clause of the electoral reforms bill abolishing university constituencies. It will not resign.