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IMMIGRATION PROBLEM IN P. E. ISLAND

Address by Hon. J. H. Myers at a Recent Conference at Ottawa

The following address by Hon. J. H. Myers, Commissioner of Agriculture for this Province, was delivered at the Federal-Provincial Conference on Immigration and Colonization, held in the Parliament Building, Ottawa, Nov. 14th and 15th. Mr. Myers followed speakers representing other parts of the Dominion, the last one being Premier C. A. Dunning, of Saskatchewan. The address is taken from the official verbatim report of the proceedings, prepared by Mr. E. C. Young, of the Hansard staff, and formerly of Charlottetown:

Hon. Mr. Myers said:

"Mr. chairman, ladies and gentlemen, it gives me a great deal of pleasure today coming from the far eastern Province of Prince Edward Island, to be present at this Conference and to have an opportunity of talking over with the representatives of the other provinces of this great Dominion some of the questions that are facing us, I believe, all over Canada at the present time.

"We have our own questions down there deal with. Our province is small, it is true; yet we feel that it is very important, and I believe we have a right to feel that way. We have sent forth from our province to Western Canada, and unfortunately to the United States, some very clever men, and I think we are justified in feeling proud of our own little province. I was somewhat amused at a remark made here today, I believe by one of the gentlemen from Ontario—Mr. Lyons, I think who told us that he was asked in Chicago whether Ontario was in Saskatchewan or Alberta. You know, a great deal depends in a case of that kind, when you are right up against it, upon what answer you are able to return. A Scotchman went from Prince Edward Island one time to Boston and somebody asked him where he came from. He said, 'From the Island.' Said the other, 'What Island?' 'Why,' he said, 'Prince Edward Island. What other Island is there?'

"I felt proud of our province as an agricultural country when I came through the great and famous Quebec of 'wet' fame and it was wet in more ways than one. Down in our province we have a magnificent soil; we have a rolling country and the soil is dry and fine to work on. I saw farmers in Quebec

EVERYONE IS NOW PUZZLING OVER WHOSHAL GOVERN

The Labor Party Having Stated They Will Not Coalesce With The Liberals, Lloyd George Retaliates With The Announcement That The Liberals Will Not Coalesce With Conservatives.

(Canadian Press.)
LONDON, Dec. 9.—What Premier Baldwin will do now that his party has no majority over the combined Laborite and Liberal opposition and how the administration of the country will be carried on are cognate questions to which the public press, politicians and His Majesty's Ministers are trying to find satisfactory answers.

Premier Baldwin and the leaders of the Conservative party have made no statement. The Daily Express stated that Mr. Baldwin will resign both the Prime Ministership and leadership of the Conservatives. Nearly all suggestions of political writers turn on two alternatives, either some coalition is possible or that the Conservatives, as the strongest party numerically will continue the government by surmounting the opposition parties.

Prospects for a coalition seem at the moment hopeless as the Labor party officially announced there would be no Liberal-Labor coalition and Mr. Lloyd George's secretary is quoted by the Daily Mail as saying there would be no Conservative-Labor coalition. Political statisticians announce the total votes cast were approximately as follows:

Conservatives 5,350,000.
Laborites 4,450,000.

Liberals 4,230,000.
Independents 220,000.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The spotlight of attention that used to be focused upon Lady Astor as she sat in the House of Commons, one little woman in the midst of six hundred little and middle sized men will have to diffuse its beams to all sections of the chamber when parliament convenes, for there will be eight women to answer the roll, three Conservatives, three Laborites and two Liberals.

(British United Press.)
LONDON, Dec. 9.—There are three government positions for Britain as a result of the defeat of the Conservative party at the polls on the Protection issue. They are:—1. Continuation of a Conservative administration, with Lord Derby or Austin Chamberlain replacing Baldwin; 2—A coalition government composed of Liberals and Conservatives; 3—A Labor government.

Of the three, the third is still considered as the most unlikely, although it is known that if Ramsay MacDonald, Labor leader, receives an invitation from the King to form a Cabinet he will accept.

The first proposal is considered probable according to the trend of thought in Conservative circles here.

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GAME OFFICIAL VISITING HERE

Mr. Basil Colbran, of the Dept. of the Interior, is Addressing P.W.C. Students Tomorrow.

Mr. Basil Colbran, Windsor, N. S., of the Federal Department of the Interior, who is in the Province on business connected with the enforcement of the Migratory Birds Convention Act, informed the Guardian that already since the law prohibiting spring shooting of game birds has come into effect, there has been a marked increase in varieties previously threatened with extinction. One game bird all migrate to the South in the fall except a few ducks and the variety known as "old squaw" which will inhabit any little open piece of water and stay for the winter. A great number of our geese stay on the south shore of Nova Scotia at Port Joly. Last year there were at least 10,000 geese there, where they secured food, and twice a day flew across the "goose hills" for fresh water and sand. Along in March or April they start north to the breeding areas on the Labrador Coast and as far north as the Arctic.

When these geese are shot in the spring they have already mated and are on their way to the breeding grounds. Eggs are invariably found inside them at this time and this means that for each goose shot in the spring there will be from four to five less coming back in the fall. Owing to the exceptionally mild fall this year they are remaining in the north until it freezes up; then when their food supply is cut off they will have to hunt for different pastures.

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\$200,000 RUM CARGO TAKEN OFF THE U.S. COAST

"Bootleg King" and Partner Take Prison Term and Fine

(Canadian Press.)
NEW YORK N. Y., Dec. 9.—The Dutch schooner Zeehoed believed by federal authorities to belong to "Mannie Kessler, king of bootleggers," but declared by its captain to be bound for Halifax, was off Fire Island today with two hundred thousand dollars worth of assorted liquors, and a few hours later Kessler and his partner Morris Sweetwood decided to take their medicine and withdraw their appeal from conviction of wholesale bootlegging which carried with it a sentence of two years in Atlanta and a ten thousand dollar fine.

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JEWS RETURN TO PALESTINE BY TENS OF THOUSANDS

Clerks And Shopkeepers Turn to Agriculture And The Productive Trades. Workingmen Are Being Organized.

(United Press)
GENEVA, Dec. 8.—That the Jews are returning to Jerusalem and that the latter is taking on again its former fertility and productivity, as foretold in the old Biblical prophecies, would seem to be indicated by a report just completed by the International Labor Bureau on the status of labor organization in Palestine.

In spite of the stringency of immigration restrictions the number of Jewish working men that are returning to Palestine is steadily increasing at an astounding rate. Before the war the number of returned Jewish laboring men in Palestine (native-born workers not included) was only 2,756. In the period alone from April, 1919, to June, 1923, 33,524 Jewish immigrants entered Palestine, of whom the great bulk were laboring men. That these returning Jewish workmen are bringing with them for the rehabilitation of Palestine the latest labor conceptions from the Western World is indicated by the fact that they have a thoroughly organized labor movement.

Although hundreds of these were not manual workmen before returning to Palestine, but were engaged for the most part in small commerce and trade, the great majority of them have since thrown themselves into productive lines of work in Palestine such as agriculture, stone-quarrying, building and metal trades, electrical work, and railway, telegraph and telephone services. In other words, they have engaged immediately in the lines of work that are counting most for the rehabilitation of Palestine.

Altogether, these returned Jewish laboring men are now working in 160 different branches of industry, including trades, in which the Jewish workman had not been previously employed either in Palestine or abroad.

An inquiry made amongst 13,058 returning Jews showed that 7,330, or a total of 65 per cent had not been manual workers before returning. Instead 1,721 had been students; 786 merchants or shopkeepers; and 4,823 without occupation. Yet, immediately upon their arrival in Palestine all engaged in productive manual labor or trades, agricultural and building industries, the returning Jews have had a great obstacle to overcome both in the competition of the cheap Arab labor and of the latter's low standard of living.

In Palestine the usual position of the immigrant is reverse. Generally he comes to a country where conditions are better than in the one left, but in Palestine the returning Jewish immigrant is obliged to adjust himself to conditions and a general basis of living that

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WILL PROHIBIT FISH SHIPMENT VIA PORTS OF DOMINION

(Canadian Press.)
OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 9.—Following a news despatch from Washington Sunday which commented on the fact that notification had been received from the Canadian Government of the abrogation of the "modus vivendi" effective from January first a statement was given out tonight concerning this act of the Canadian parliament which was passed at the last session but not acted upon until the announcement of the effective date was made by Hon. E. M. MacDonald, Minister of National Defence speaking at a political meeting two weeks ago in Halifax.

Mr. MacDonald's statement in brief was:

"That after January 1st, American fishing vessels will not be allowed to enter Canadian ports and ship their catches to the United States while Canadian shipments are taxed nor will American craft be allowed to catch within the three mile limit."

The chief reason for this step as announced sometime ago in an official statement was that a great bulk of Atlantic fisheries products must find a market in the United States and this process is made both difficult and unprofitable by heavy duties imposed under the Fordney Tariff.

Canadian fishing vessels, it was stated, were unable to compete with United States fishing vessels engaged in the same areas by reason of the fact that the latter were privileged to use the ports of Nova Scotia as a base from which to operate delivering their catches at United States ports directly from the fishing grounds or transshipping them through a Canadian port without payment of duty.

FIRES TAKE HEAVY TOLL

IN LIVES AND PROPERTY

(Canadian Press.)
WALLACEBURG, Ont., Dec. 9.—It is feared that seven persons perished in a fire which tonight destroyed the farm house of Harry Babcock near the village of Charlevoix. Since the fire, which started at 7 o'clock, Mrs. Babcock and her children and her sister, Mrs. Ramsay, and her child have not been seen. The ruins are still smoldering and cannot yet be searched.

Babcock was away at the time of the blaze.

CALGARY, Dec. 9.—Fire, which destroyed the Royal Bank of Canada and a hotel at Gleichen, Alta., swept through the bank of Commerce building and several other business places, according to report received here late today. A detachment went to the menaced town.

GLEICHEN, Alta., Dec. 9.—A fire which threatened to destroy this town was brought under control this afternoon after the flames had consumed a whole block, including the branches of the Royal Bank of Canada and the Canadian Bank of Commerce, a hotel and several stores. The loss is estimated at \$125,000.

One minor injury was reported.

The fire broke out in a gasoline coffee urn.

N. Y. HAS SUICIDE EPIDEMIC

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—A wave of suicides in the metropolitan district today prefaced the holiday season.

Ten cases in all came to light. The method was varied.

A man believed to be M. E. Ketchum, of Babylon, jumped from the 12th storey of a downtown Broadway office building. A man of middle age, plunged to his death in the Harlem River, from the 145th street bridge while passengers in a passing trolley looked on horrified and powerless to stop him.

The body of a poorly dressed man was cut down from the bough of a tree near the West drive in Central Park. Police expressed the belief he had been out of work and despondent.

Business difficulties, it was said by friends, caused Alex. Meyer to shoot and kill himself.

Ill-health was believed to have caused Chas. G. Schwartz to drown himself. Police dragged Weequahic Park Lake in Newark, N.J., for his body.

Paul Alex. Tihler, of Youngstown, Ohio, a student at Columbia University and a war veteran, to commit suicide by turning on the gas in his room.

Michael Dillon held his head over the outlet cone of a gas meter, until he died of asphyxiation. He had been ill.

Frederick Bernhardt inhaled gas through a tube. He left a note saying he was tormented by fear that gunmen were seeking him.

Andrew Malcolm, an elevator operator, who had been ill for some time, killed himself by gas in the basement of the Riverside Drive Apartment house where he had been employed.

Joseph Fried pinned himself between the wall and a bedstead in his boarding house room, turned on the gas, and waited for the end.

MEXICAN GENERAL RENOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR PRES.

(Canadian Press.)
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 9.—General Galles has renounced his candidacy for presidency and has offered his services to President Obregon against the insurgent forces in Vera Cruz and Jalisco. The president has accepted and named General Galles as the federal opposition to the Dela Huerta-Sanchez rebels.

Twenty-eight thousand federal troops, it is said are converging upon the Vera Cruz revolutionary zone.

COOLIDGE TO NOMINATE FOR PRESIDENCY

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Announcement of the candidacy of President Coolidge for the Republican nomination for president in 1924 was made tonight by Frank W. Stearns of Boston who is known as his closest personal and political friend.

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YOUR MISSION

When once you have conceived and determined your mission within your soul, let naught arrest your steps. Faith is at all your strength; faith is at, whether best by love or visited by hate, whether almost always surrounds the martyrs of thought. The path is clear before you; you are cowardly, unfaithful to your own future, if in spite of sorrows and delusions, you do not pursue it to the end.—Joseph Mazzini.

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- WANTED—MAID FOR GENERAL housework. Apply with references to Guardian Office. 12-8-4t.
- TO RENT—SIX ROOMED HOUSE one mile from Charlottetown. J. F. McEae, St. Peters Road, R. 3. 12-8-6t.
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- TO LET—TWO LARGE UNFURNISHED rooms. Apply Guardian. 12-4-6t.
- WANTED, FOX FURS.—W. Chester S. McLure will take furs at Charlottetown, Wednesday, Dec. 12. Mr. Geo. B. Herzig, New York fur-buyer will also be here on above date.
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**The Annual Meeting of the Brackley Point Road Telephone Co. will be held in Harrington Hall, Wednesday evening, December 12th at 7.30 p. m. 12-8-2t.

**The Methodist and Presbyterian Sunday School of Hunter River will hold a Union Christmas tree and concert at Hunter River Hall.

TORONTO, Dec. 10.—Maritime moderate easterly winds slightly colder.

Temperature yesterday: Max. 51 Min. 37.

High tide this afternoon at 12.46 and tonight at 12.

Sun sets this afternoon at 4.15 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.32.

First quarter moon Friday, Dec. 14th 10.35 p. m.

Summerside tide eighteen