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SHYLOCK MAKES A CLAIM.

Uncle Sam May Demand Valuable Islands From France.

PARIS, March 19.—The only way France can pay her debt to the United States is by ceding Guadeloupe and Martinique, the Washington State Department believes, according to a story from Adolpho Aguirre, a French correspondent.

His statements he quoted as being a South American diplomat, unnamed, and Secretary of State Hughes.

The secretary is declared to have said France's debt with interest in a few years will become so enormous that no country in the world could hope to settle it. On the other hand, Mr. Hughes insisted the United States Government cannot, by reason of pledges to the American people, abandon the claim. He is alleged to have added:

"The essential aim of the Monroe Doctrine and Pan-Americanism will not be attained so long as any European colonies remain in America. We have postponed our difference with Britain because she has begun to pay. As for France we hope she will be reasonable and not refuse to discuss this question of the Antilles.

"From the viewpoint of naval and military defence of these islands are of extreme importance to us. On the other hand, France gets nothing out of them. I hope the French Government will soon realize the situation."

Pensions From War of 1812.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The fact that women live longer than men is proved conclusively by the Department of the Interior, which announces that the Government of the United States is still paying pensions to 41 widows of soldiers of the War of 1812, notwithstanding the fact that 108 years have elapsed since the close of that conflict. Hiram Cronk, of Ava, N.Y., was the last veteran of the second war with Great Britain. He died in 1905 at the age of 105 years. Notwithstanding the fact that the war of 1812 closed 108 years ago, the oldest widow still drawing a pension is Mahala H. Louisa, Ky., who modestly admits only 104 years. Matilda Showaker, Col. Ky., admits 102 years, while Eliza A. Fite, Annapolis, Md., is 100 years old. All the rest are under the

Man Charged With Murder.

SAULBURY, Man., March 28.—After deliberating nine minutes a jury on Friday acquitted Frederick O'Brien, of murdering his father at their home near Valpoir, early in February.

The killing occurred during a family quarrel when Edward O'Brien, the father, threatened to kill his wife. A younger son was killed by the father during the fracas.

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FARMER SHOT HIS WIFE

He Almost Escaped With Facing Trial for Murder.

Story of Woman to Whom He Had Been Making Love Indicated That Shooting Had Not Been Accidental and Gustav Dube Will Accordingly Die on Gallows on July 15.

MONTMAGNY, Que., April 9.—Gustav Dube, of St. Adalbert, Montmagny county, was on Saturday sentenced to be executed on July 15 next by Justice Gibson for the murder of his wife after a verdict of "guilty" had been returned by the jury.

When the verdict was returned there was an impressive scene. The accused, who had been saying his beads, fell to the floor and was supported by two constables, who were in tears. The young daughter of the accused and his mother were in the court room. Both had to be carried out of the chamber, being unable to sustain the awful strain.

Before rendering the sentence Justice Gibson asked the accused whether he had anything to say. "I am not guilty," came the answer in a broken voice.

Dube is a well-to-do 30-year-old farmer of St. Adalbert. On December 27, 1921, his wife died, following her head being shot through her head by the accused. This happened, he said, while they were shooting hens in a barn.

An inquest held at the time over the remains of the dead woman, resulted in a verdict of accidental death being returned.

Last fall the Attorney-General was advised that a woman in St. Adalbert named Mrs. Levi Dube had important declarations to make in connection with this case. The information later obtained was alleged to be to the effect that Dube had boasted to a woman in question that he would kill his wife. After investigation in question, Mrs. Levi Dube, repeated in court that the accused had been making love to her and that on several occasions he had told her he intended to kill his wife. She said she had finally decided to tell her husband because she was afraid that her husband would also be killed by the accused. The accused's daughter, who was the principal defence witness, stated that her father and her deceased mother had gone to the barn with her on the day of the murder. She said that her mother had returned, and her mother had placed herself accidentally in front of the revolver in an attempt to prevent one from getting killed. She swore that her mother and mother never had any difference.

St. Adalbert, where the affair occurred, is a small village situated in the southern part of Montmagny county.

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TO INVESTIGATE GRAB

Royal Commission Appointed by Federal Government.

Directors of Grand Trunk Railway Received Gratitudes in Face of Understanding That Company Could Not Dispose of Any Assets Without Approval of Canadian Government—Situation Will Be Carefully Probed.

OTTAWA, April 9.—A royal commission is to be named by the Government, with power to investigate all circumstances and conditions surrounding and connected with the granting of gratuities to the Grand Trunk Board of Directors in London in December, 1919, and also gratuities voted to certain officials of the company in London and in Canada. By which this effect was made from the Prime Minister's office Sunday.

The Grand Trunk Board of Directors, meeting in London, it was stated in the House of Commons, had voted themselves five years' directors' fees and had also voted gratuities of one year's salary to a number of officials of the road in Canada and in England.

The five years' directors' fees voted to themselves by the London Board as "compensation for loss of office," amounted in all to \$157,800, and the total of gratuities voted to the English and Canadian Boards at the time in question was \$430,200.

The statement issued Sunday says: "In view of the fact that these payments were made just prior to the coming into operation of the agreement between the Grand Trunk Company and the Canadian Government, it is thought that a full investigation of the circumstances should be made."

These gratuities were made in December, 1919, and under the agreement which became operative in March, 1920, it was stipulated that the Grand Trunk Company could not dispose of any of its assets without the approval of the Canadian Government. It is stated, that although this agreement was not an accomplished fact until March, its terms had practical effect from the date on which these gratuities were passed by the directors. It also appears that the gratuities to the directors were paid out of the insurance fund, which would have been in its entirety reverted to the Canadian National system had the money not been so paid.

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NOTED STATESMAN HEARD

Lord Robert Cecil Champions The League of Nations.

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Lord Robert Cecil brought a message, clear, practical and convincing, that world unity is no vain hope or Utopian ideal; but that, indeed, its guiding principles are now in course of being demonstrated through the influence of the League of Nations. He was able to give concrete instances of the League's work, which, through the instrumentality of the League, has avoided war, because of a fear to face an enlightened public opinion.

It was this enlightened public opinion which Lord Robert Cecil based the hopes of the future. No nation he showed, wanted war; and if we would trust the public opinion of the world it would be avoided.

In a speech abundant with the earnestness of one who is imbued with the justice and importance of his aims, Lord Robert Cecil made no attempt at fervid eloquence or picturesque words. Instead of theory, he employed solid reasoning, and gave practical illustrations of the achievements already attained. He touched lightly and briefly on the aloofness of the League, remarking that a plan was still open for that country wherever it liked to occupy it.

DROWNED WHILE FISHING.

Two Toronto Men Met Their Deaths at Etobicoke.

TORONTO, April 9.—Two Toronto men were drowned, and another narrowly escaped a similar fate when a fishing party five members came to grief in the Etobicoke dam early Sunday morning.

Herbert Sullivan, aged 34, Sackville street, and William McDoyle, aged 21, Wellesley street, lost their lives.

The fatality occurred when the men were fishing for suckers from a ledge beside the dam. In drawing up their net Sullivan and McDoyle lost their balance and fell in the water.

Gordon Fenson, in an endeavor to rescue them jumped in after them, but was unable to render any assistance, and managed to save himself only with difficulty.

The other members of the party were E. Rorke, and William Eardley, Constable, Welling, Copeland of Cooksville was summoned and the crew from the Toronto Life-saving Station also responded. Their efforts to recover the bodies were in vain.

The water at the dam is very deep and traversed by a very strong undercurrent. The life-saving crew worked until 5 o'clock Sunday evening without success.

A very sad feature of the tragedy lies in the fact that Sullivan leaves a wife and seven children.

McDoyle, who was single, resided with his sister, Miss Ethel McDoyle, who had cared for him since childhood, his parents having died when he was very young.

Smallpox in Nova Scotia.

NORTH SYDNEY, N.S., April 9.—Smallpox has been taken thirty people at Ingonish, a fishing and farming village of North Victoria County. Fifteen houses are under quarantine, because the disease is spreading rapidly and proper medicines and other supplies are lacking according to word received here from Ingonish.

North Victoria County is practically isolated, heavy ice lines the shore where in the land the roads are blocked by unprecedented banks of snow and traffic by vehicle of any description is impossible. Some where in the mails are the vaccine and other drugs which contain the hope of an early stamping out of the epidemic.

The local physician, Dr. J. S. Munro, has a practice extending over forty miles across country, and he is travelling on snowshoes from Cape North to Ingonish.

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