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TORONTO WILL HAVE TEN MEMBERS IN THE LEGISLATURE

British Official Coerced by Villa--Winston Churchill Criticized--Western Bandit Guilty of Murder--New York Gunmen May Be Saved

Home Rule Bill Spells Defeat for Asquith Government--Sir Robt. Perks

HEAVY FIGHTING MARKS SIEGE OF TAMPICO

Reports of City's Fall Not Confirmed, But Federal Gunboats Are Having Great Difficulty in Repelling Attacks--Shells Near American Warships.

VERA CRUZ, April 9.—The U. S. consulate has received word from the consulate agent at Tampico that grave rumors are current there that Tampico has fallen. While there is no confirmation of this, it is known that there has been serious fighting between the federals and rebels around that port.

Late reports from Tampico say that the Mexican gunboats are successfully defending the town, but are doing much damage by bad marksmanship. The Waters-Pierce oil storage tank at Adol Grande was set on fire and many other tanks were hit, large quantities of oil flowing into the river.

Many shells from the Mexican warships Vera Cruz and Zaragoza have fallen near the American warships in the river, the federals are reported to be so hard pressed that all the jefe politicians throughout the country have been ordered to force enlistments to the utmost.

Sending Reinforcements. The gunboat Bravo is being made ready for sailing from here to Tampico, with 200 troops and ammunition, which have been urgently requested by the Tampico garrison.

The warehouses of the Agulla Oil Co. was destroyed in the fighting at Tampico, according to a wireless despatch received here tonight. It caught fire from the shells of the Zaragoza. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

Tampico is reported to be enveloped in smoke from the burning oil tanks. Gen. Maas, the commandant of Vera Cruz, has received an urgent call from the Bravo and ammunition.

KING OF SWEDEN HAS UNDERGONE OPERATION

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, April 9.—A bulletin issued at 7 o'clock this evening from the bedside of King Gustav of Sweden, who was operated on today for ulceration of the stomach, said:

"The king slept several hours and then experienced the usual discomforts following an operation. His temperature is 99.5, and his condition is as satisfactory as possible."

SIR ROBERT PERKS



Ex-Liberal member of the British Parliament who says English Non-Conformists are opposed to the "Coercion of Ulster."

TEN MEMBERS FOR TORONTO

Two Additional Seats in the Legislature With Alphabetical Designation Abolished in New Plan.

Through the redistribution bill before the legislature, it is understood that the City of Toronto will gain two additional seats. Nothing definite was announced during the meeting of the special committee yesterday, but it was learned that this city will return ten members hereafter if the present plans of the government materialize.

There is a strong possibility that the "A" and "B" system now used will be abandoned, and that the ordinary method of naming the seats will be followed here as elsewhere. The present plan has given rise to confusion, and perhaps a little unnecessary rivalry among the sitting members.

HAYDE WAS MURDERED BY UNKNOWN PERSON

MIDLAND, April 9.—"That Robert Hayde met his death at the hands of a person or persons unknown to the coroner's jury" was the verdict returned at Port Severn tonight.

No clue has been found since the discovery of Hayde's body near his stable at Tomahawk Point several days ago.

DEATH SENTENCE PASSED UPON KRAFCHENKO

Murderer of Bank Manager to Pay Penalty on July Ninth—Krafchenko Maintains That Fatal Shot Was Fired by Accomplice in Robbery at Plum Coulee.

MORDEX, Man., April 9.—Three months from today, on July 9, John Krafchenko is to be hanged at Winnipeg, for the murder, on Dec. 3, of last year, of H. M. Arnold, manager of the Bank of Montreal, at Plum Coulee, Man. The close of a long and sensational trial came at 4 o'clock this afternoon, when the court met after a two-hour intermission, which followed the jury's verdict of guilty. When the court resumed Krafchenko made a statement to the court, in which he did not deny that he had been concerned in the hold-up of the bank, but in which he asserted positively that he was not the man who killed Arnold.

Then Chief Justice Mathers imposed sentence. From the moment of the reading of the indictment to the last scene of all, the prisoner preserved the same steady attitude, and he showed little or no emotion even when the death penalty was pronounced.

Maintains Innocence. The prisoner said: "I am positive there were three different men connected with the crime, and gentlemen of the jury, I was not the man who shot Arnold. The chief of police of the City of Winnipeg, Chief McPherson, might tell you a little story if he liked, if he was not so afraid of losing his position. I worked under him two or three different times. He wanted me to be a stool-pigeon, and I would not stand for it. But when a man like the chief of police would have acted as he has done, I think your lordship, that in that quarter there is need for a little investigation."

Evidence Justified Verdict. The prisoner remained standing and his lordship said gravely: "John Krafchenko, you have been found guilty of wilful murder by the judgment of your peers, upon evidence which amply justified the verdict, and it becomes

Chief of Bank Looters at New Hazelton, B.C., May Have Died in the Woods.

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Posses of citizens and police are still hot looking for the ring-leader. It is believed that he may have died in the woods, as he was wounded.

BRITISH OFFICIAL WAS ENVOY OF GEN. VILLA IN DEMANDING FEDERAL GENERAL'S SURRENDER

Cunard - Cummins, Acting Vice - Consul, Unwillingly Consented to Convey Message at Torreon Thru Influence of U.S. Consular Agent—Official Report is Made.

EL PASO, Texas, April 9.—H. S. Cunard Cummins, acting British vice-consul at Gomez Palacio, was used by Gen. Villa to carry a demand to Gen. Velasco, on March 27, in the course of the battle of Torreon, that the latter surrender. According to the newspaper correspondents who reached here from the front tonight, Mr. Cunard-Cummins performed the mission under protest, and was subjected to rifle fire on his return toward the rebel lines.

George C. Carothers, special agent of the state department at the battle, in the report of the incident that he has made to Washington, however, does not indicate that Mr. Cunard-Cummins was coerced into becoming Gen. Villa's messenger, but states that he did so with some reluctance after first refusing.

Refused at First. The report to the state department by Mr. Carothers is as follows: "At 4 p.m., March 27, Gen. Villa sent a messenger to see Cummins, requesting him to go to headquarters. I and H. W. Potter accompanied Cummins to Villa's camp. He said that he knew that Mr. Cummins was an enemy of the Constitutionalist cause, that he had information that Cummins was accustomed to banqueting with the federals, that he knew he was a friend of Gen. Velasco, and that in view of this friendship with Velasco he wanted Cummins to take a communication to Velasco, in which he demanded the surrender of the city to avoid further bloodshed."

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HOME RULE BILL SPELLS DEFEAT TO LIBERALS

Sir Robert Perks, Ex-Radical M.P., Declares English Non-Conformists Have Never Been Consulted—Coercion of Ulster Would Lose Thousands of Government Votes.

A former Liberal member of the British house of commons who is opposed to the Irish Home Rule Bill in its present form, Sir Robert Perks, who is passing thru Toronto on his way to the west, gave his reasons for taking this stand when interviewed by The World at the King Edward Hotel last night. He was a Liberal M.P. for twenty years, retiring in 1910.

The former chairman of the Non-conformist members of the British house said that Canadians were not properly informed as to the stand the Nonconformists of England take on the question. He had been asked by prominent Methodists and Presbyterians of Canada why it was that the Nonconformists of England are quietly standing by and allowing to pass thru parliament a scheme that is being resented to a man by the Protestants of Ulster. His answer to this was that the English Nonconformists have never yet been consulted about the Irish home rule bill, but that he was perfectly sure that if any attempt is made by force of arms against Ulster the Nonconformists will lose multitudes of its Nonconformist and Protestant Liberal votes when the elections come.

"I do not object to Ireland having such powers of local government as confer upon the provinces in Canada," said Sir Robert, "but to compel Ulster, which is Protestant and Catholic, to submit to one government as absurd as to expect Ontario and Quebec to go under one form of provincial government."

"Then again, under this bill you not only give Ireland complete self-government, but you maintain at Westminster 42 Irish members of parliament, who may vote not only on questions affecting Ireland, but on all and any questions before the British parliament, evenly divided having the balance of power."

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"He Has Eaten Solemn Pledges and Embroidered the Fleet in Party Politics," Says Naval and Military Gazette, Which Says Ulster Demolition Impaired His Prestige

LONDON, April 9.—The current number of The Naval and Military Gazette, the most popular service paper on this side of the Atlantic, has the following comment on Winston Churchill and the Ulster situation: "No minister has been treated more generously by the naval services than the present first lord of the admiralty, and therefore the regret of the navy is all the more keen now that Churchill has been exhibiting himself on more than one occasion as a reckless party politician. He has eaten some at least of the most solemn pledges which he gave to the navy; and then he has proceeded to embroil the fleet in party politics.

"The series of orders which were given for naval concentration against Ulster has seriously impaired the prestige of the first lord and of the board of admiralty. It may be said that Churchill himself was mainly responsible for these decisions, but responsibility must rest with the whole board of admiralty, and in particular with the first sea lord, who has to do especially with the disposition of the fleet.

"If in time of danger from a foreign enemy the board of admiralty is going to lose its head in this way and send wild wireless orders, to be canceled almost immediately afterwards, there can be little doubt as to what fate will overtake us."

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CITY'S GROWTH IS FEATURED IN BIG ISSUE

Easter Edition of Sunday World Will Have Over Seventy Pages and Special Realty Section—Pretties Girls in Toronto Society One of Art Pages.

Combining its Easter number with a special real estate section for the interest and inspiration of the holders of Toronto's \$750,000,000 worth of property, The World this Sunday will issue the finest number it has ever produced. At the same time it will be the greatest newspaper edition Canadian presses and newspaper ability have ever turned out. This judgment, the editors come in advance, is certain to be that of The Sunday World's 85,000 subscribers, whose number is rapidly growing.

Featuring the edition will be the special realty section; it will embrace every branch of property and constructive activity, and should embody every reader's faith in this city. Easter and the seasonal spirit will dominate the edition. A special full-page drawing, printed by World presses in eight colors, will express that spirit, as will several illustrated pages and contributed articles. The stories on the children's page will also have the Easter tone.

Appearing on the front page of the illustrated section, in special color, will be something no other Toronto paper has ever hoped to give its readers—exclusive art studies of the prettiest girls in the city's best society. There will also, of course, be the usual pictures of news events, action photos gathered from every corner of the world.

The Comic Section. The Comic Section will be up to its high battling average of laugh hits. No New York paper produces a better comic section. The Sunday World has chosen the funniest of the finest.

The comic section features that class high with the best of metropolitan newspapers on the continent, The Sunday World is not altogether a magazine edition. It is essentially a newspaper. The latest incidents and events, reported by special wire and mail, are run off their editors at noon, in the Sunday World readers. A four-page, and sometimes a six-page, Sporting Section, the brightest in the country, is a prominent feature of the paper. It is a whole page of full accounts of local and British games appears in the last edition.

The seven parts, over seventy pages, will contain something to interest and entertain everybody in The Sunday World's circulation field.

C.P.R. PRESIDENT AT CONFERENCE

SHAUGHNESSY UNDERSTOOD TO HAVE DISCUSSED RATES DECISION WITH CABINET MINISTERS.

By a Staff Reporter. OTTAWA, April 9.—Considerable gossip has followed upon the recent visit of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy to the capital. The C.P.R. president arrived here on the heels of the judgment of the western freight rates case and gave out an interview stating that his road could stand the cut but he doubted if the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern could do so. He also talked freely respecting the decision which he thought had been hastily arrived at and its publication at this time he regarded as most injurious.

Yesterday morning Sir Thomas attended a hastily summoned cabinet meeting, held at Mr. Borden's office in the east block. Nearly all the ministers then in the city were present, including the prime minister, the minister of justice, Hon. Mr. Rogers and the postmaster-general. Several unsuccessful attempts were made to reach Hon. Mr. Reid by telephone at Toronto.

At the prime minister's office no information was vouchsafed beyond the statement that a conference was being held, but it is generally surmised that the business in hand had to do with the recent judgment of the railway commission. From that judgment it is thought that the government-in-council which would have the effect of suspending its operation until the appeal is decided.

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