

CHINA-U. S. TREATY.

Provisions of the Convention of Which Ratifications Have Been Exchanged.

Immigration of Chinese Laborers Absolutely Prohibited—Other Provisions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The ratifications of the new emigrant convention between the United States and China were exchanged at the State department today by Secretary Gresham and Minister Yang Yu.

Article 1 stipulates that except under conditions subsequently specified the immigration of Chinese laborers to the United States shall be absolutely prohibited.

Article 2 excepts from the provisions of the preceding article the return to the United States of every registered Chinese laborer who has a lawful title or permit in the United States or property to the value of \$1,000 or debts of like amount pending settlement.

Article 3 excepts the right at present enjoyed of Chinese subjects being officials, teachers, students, merchants or travellers for curiosity or pleasure but not laborers of coming to or residing in the U. S.

Article 4 provides that Chinese laborers shall be given the same rights as those of other countries in exchange for the most favored nations except the right to become naturalized citizens.

TORONTO TOPICS.

TORONTO, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Samuel Clayton, motorman, was probably fatally hurt today by a car running into his load of hay.

The property committee of the city council has granted permission for the erection of a monument to the veterans who fell in the Northwest rebellion, on a site in the eastern section of Queen's Park.

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FERDINAND DE LESSEPS.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—Ferdinand de Lesseps, the distinguished French engineer, is dead. He was born in Versailles on November 19, 1805.

EMPHATIC DENIAL.

TORONTO, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Hon. Mr. Haggart gives short but emphatic denial to the World's rumor about Sir John Thompson resigning.

BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—The Chamber of Commerce today passed the following resolution: "That the commercial and industrial interests of the country need a rest from tariff agitation; that our fleet in Chinese waters should be reinforced; that railroads should be permitted to make pooling agreements; and that the representation of American agricultural products abroad should not be discontinued."

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The city of Winnipeg, in several cases before the courts on the Manitoba school question, has incurred nearly \$4,000 in costs and will take steps to recover the amount.

Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, on his return from the Pacific Coast, will be waited on by a deputation of Roman Catholic clergymen regarding the abolition of separate schools.

Winnipeggers are expecting the appointment of a new Lieutenant Governor shortly. A leading Conservative said today that Mr. Ross was out of the race.

The Tribune to-night says changes are again pending in the management and staff of the Winnipeg Nor' Wester.

It is said that the insurance rates will be reduced at once to the figure in force before the recent fire.

The skeleton of a trapper named Chard, who was lost four years ago near St. Laurent, has been found on the prairie.

The Winnipeg Liberals are preparing for a general election.

TURKEY IN ASIA.

The Porte's Explanations—Nothing Final as to a Joint Inquiry.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The Morning Post prints this dispatch from Constantinople: "Great Britain was asked at the same time with the United States to appoint a member of the Armenian commission."

The Washington government assented immediately. Then Mr. Cleveland telegraphed that he had reconsidered the matter.

By Article 4 it is agreed that Chinese of the laboring or any other class either permanently or temporarily in the U. S. shall have all the protection to their persons and property that is given to citizens of the most favored nations except the right to become naturalized citizens.

Article 5 recognizes the right of China to enact and enforce similar laws and regulations to our Chinese registration, sob, providing for the administration of all American, skilled and unskilled, laborers residing in China, and binds this government to report to the government of China the full names, age, occupation and place of residence of all citizens of the United States, including missionaries, within and without the treaty ports of China.

The Daily News will say to-morrow that Miles A. Jewett, U. S. consul in St. Petersburg, has been instructed from Washington to attend the commission of inquiry in Armenia while maintaining a strictly independent attitude toward the representatives of the European powers.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 7.—The Sultan yesterday despatched an invitation to the President of the United States to participate through a representative in a mixed commission to visit Armenia and investigate the conditions there.

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CAPITAL NOTES.

H. D. Helmecken, Q. C.—Railway Charged With Unfair Rating—General Herbert's Departure.

Revenue and Expenditure—The Premier to Be Sworn of H. M. Privy Council.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—Before the railway committee to-day an interesting application was preferred by E. Dube, of Riviere du Loup, against the Temiscouata Railway Co.

Dube complained that the railway company had entered into an agreement to carry railway ties for him, but that subsequently, when the president of the road went into the same business, the company increased the rate on Mr. Dube to such an extent that it seriously militated against him.

The revenue for the five months was \$13,005,004; expenditure, \$12,058,038.

OTTAWA, Dec. 8.—The impression prevails in official circles that the government will remove the duty on boom stocks; but will endeavor to secure an equivalent reduction in the duty on cedar, so that British Columbia products may enter at the old duty.

The meeting of the council of the Dominion Rifle Association was held here today. The appointment of Sir John Thompson, P. M., as president of the Imperial Rifle Council on Thursday of next week, and will sail for Canada on Wednesday, the 19th inst.

To-morrow is the feast of the Immaculate Conception and a departmental holiday. General Herbert leaves for Victoria to-morrow to inspect the Esquimaux fortifications.

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DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

The Hastings Mill Drowning—Prof. Tyndall's Travels—To Be Buried Alive.

Well-Known War Correspondent—Fraser River Fisheries Demands—Trades and Labor Proposals.

(Special to the Colonist.) VANCOUVER, Dec. 8.—Louis Eggart, carpenter, is the unfortunate man who was drowned near the Hastings mill on Thursday night.

On Monday Professor Tyndall will proceed to Victoria, and from thence to San Francisco, whence he will go to Bombay, India, to be buried. He will go into a trance, when his nose, ears and mouth will be stopped, his tongue turned back and his body covered with a coating of oil.

The executive of the ratepayers' association, some twenty-five in number have issued the mandate that ex-Ald. Collins is to be mayor for 1895, and it is presumed that the entire electorate will bow submissively to the choice.

The Trades and Labor Council met last night when the parliamentary committee reported that it regretted the withdrawal of the workmen's wage bill, introduced by the Attorney-General.

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MEXICAN MUSTANG LINIMENT for Man and Beast! Langley & Co., Wholesale Agents for British Columbia.

THE FATHERLAND.

Text of the Socialist Bill—Sweeping Powers to Be Given the Government.

For the First Time in Thirty Years King Christian Passes Through Holstein.

BERLIN, Dec. 8.—The refectory commission which arranges the order of business had fixed the first reading of the budget for Tuesday next and the first reading of the anti-socialist bill for December 17.

The trail into Trinity valley from Kenderby is about completed, and from the upper end of the valley another outlet is being made into Lumby.

It is a matter of deep regret that Mr. Robt. McDougall has, on account of illness, been compelled to resign his position as postmaster.

Rev. Charles Reid, Presbyterian missionary at the mission, has been placed in charge of the government authorities, having become deranged in his mind.

On Wednesday the Emperor William had an hour's visit with the Prince of Wales, who stopped here on his way home from St. Petersburg.

LANGTRY'S DIVORCE. NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—A suite of rooms is said to have been engaged at an uptown hotel for Mr. Edward T. Langtry, due to arrive from North Wales within the next few days.

MATERIAL ADVANCES. CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Ex-Chairman Caldwell, of the Western Passenger Association, on behalf of the trunk roads, has submitted a proposition to the Western lines that they restore the rule which permits passengers to have 350 pound of baggage on second class tickets as well as first class.

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