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### BOUNDARY LINE.

Niagara Frontier Being Invaded by Canadian Commissioners. St. N. Y., Oct. 24.—(Mon.) The Niagara Frontier Commission, headed by Messrs. King and Cole, has been investigating in regard to the boundary between the United States and Canada. The Niagara Frontier Commission is here making a preliminary survey and map through the apex of the mountain, which was surveyed by Ghent. He considers the original boundary line between the two countries as a result of the falls and the territory level to claim a part of the Canadian territory. The use of the controversy with the appointment of a commission to investigate the boundary line between the two countries.

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### THE STRIKE ON RUSSIAN RAILWAYS

### MANY LARGE CITIES ARE NOW ISOLATED

### Factory Employees in Many Parts Have Quit Work—Great Distress Among the Poor.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 26.—Confronted by a situation more crucial than at any time since the beginning of the political and social upheaval of Russia, and which at the time this dispatch is filed shows no sign of amelioration, the Emperor's ministers under the leadership of Count Witte, spent almost all of yesterday in conference in the hope of finding some way out of the crisis into which the revolutionists and the socialists have cast the country. The general strike on the railroads is complete, except in a few border provinces, and St. Petersburg, Moscow and other large cities are almost as closely beleaguered as if they were invested by besieging armies. At the same time the industrial strike has assumed large dimensions and the turbulent elements in several localities are offering resistance to the troops. The ministers who had been in session during the day, continued their deliberations until long after midnight. The result of these deliberations is not yet known. The ministers were summoned to meet, not the committee of ministers of which M. Witte is president, but as the council of ministers of which Count Salsky is the chairman; and the selection of Count Witte to preside was done by direction of the Emperor, showing that the ministerial cabinet is actually, though not formally, an accomplished fact. It is understood that an "edict" formally establishing a ministerial cabinet which will bear the old name "sovyet," or council, will be published in the "Messenger" Saturday next, together with an imperial prescription addressed personally to Count Witte, entrusting him with the simultaneously created position of premier. The inland railroad to Hellingsfors and the steamer constitute St. Petersburg's only means of communication with the outer world this morning. The police authorities are now refusing to accept the ordinary mail and commercial correspondence is at a standstill. The strike is complete in the great factory region on the Neva and in several other industrial quarters. Forty thousand men are on strike, but they are conducting themselves in a most orderly manner. The strike union tonight proclaimed a two weeks' sympathetic strike for political reasons. Prudent inhabitants are laying in stocks of provisions, the prices of which have risen sharply. Large meetings of workmen were held last night in the university and higher schools, at which resolutions were unanimous for continuing the strike on the railroads. The proceedings at several of the meetings were strongly revolutionary in character, the speakers calling for the seizure of the state, and the police were powerless to interfere. The precincts of the university being forbidden ground to them under an imperial ukase. Fight With Strikers. St. Petersburg, Oct. 25.—An encounter took place tonight between strikers and police drivers who were preparing to take out a train. Revolver shots were exchanged and a number of persons were killed or wounded. In Hands of Troops. Moscow, Oct. 25.—The city today resembles a state of siege. The price of meat has trebled, and there is great distress among the poor. Many people who live in neighboring provinces and who come to Moscow are camping on the street, and 2,000 persons are living in cars. The Kasan line stations are in the hands of the troops. The post and telegraph offices are strongly guarded by Cossacks. The population is becoming panic-stricken. At Warsaw. Warsaw, Oct. 25.—Traffic has been stopped on the Warsaw-Vienna line. General Strike. Poltava, Oct. 25.—A general strike has been declared here. The schools are closed and no newspapers will appear tomorrow. In the Southwest. Odessa, Oct. 25.—A strike on all the south-west railways is announced for tomorrow. Trains are only running between Odessa and Kieff.

### NORWAY STILL WITHOUT RULER

### KING OSCAR SEVERES CONNECTION WITH COUNTRY

### He Declines the Offer of Throne to Prince of the House of Bernadotte.

Stockholm, Oct. 27.—King Oscar has definitely and formally declined the offer of the Norwegian throne to the house of Bernadotte and in a letter to the president of the storting finally severs his connection with Norway. The letter follows: "After having, in the name of Sweden, recognized Norway as a state completely separated from Sweden, I beg to inform you of my decision to relinquish the crown of Norway which, notwithstanding all my good intentions, has given me in the course of years so many bitter cares. Moreover, I could no longer wear the crown of the country now that the legal decision of the storting has rendered illusory even the suspenseive vote of king. But I desire only the welfare of the country and the nation towards which I have entertained a sincere affection ever since my youth and to the happiness of which it has always been my earnest desire to contribute so long as the means to that end could be reconciled with the duties entailed by my position as king of both countries of the Scandinavian peninsula. "In view of the turn the mutual relations between the two countries have taken, I cannot think it would be conducive to the happiness of either Sweden or Norway that a prince of my house should accept in election to be king of Norway. Assuredly there would not fail to arise in both countries a feeling of distrust which would operate, as much against him as me. This distrust might only too easily become an obstacle to the improvement of the mutual sentiments of the two nations, unfortunately separated henceforth, whereby I hope to see pacific relations assured between them in a not too distant future. I cannot, therefore, accept the storting's offer. "I then, with my best heart, thank those who during my reign of 33 years have faithfully served me, and Norway, and for their former king. In now bidding them farewell, I cherish sincere good wishes for them."

### CLOSING OF BANK.

### Comptroller of Currency Called Upon to Send Special Examiner to Pittsburgh.

Washington, Oct. 25.—The comptroller of the currency has been called upon by the department of justice to send a special examiner to Pittsburgh to make an investigation of the affairs of the Enterprise National bank, Allegheny, recently closed by order of the comptroller.

### FIGHTING SMOOT.

### Women in States Want Him Removed From Congress.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 27.—More than two million women, representing the leading women's organizations of the United States, have adopted a memorial calling for the ousting of Senator Smoot. The memorial, which was held in New York on Thursday. The women declared that Senator Smoot, who is an apostle and in direct line for the Mormon presidency, has pledged first allegiance to the Mormon patriarch, which broke faith with the government. Smoot, the women declared, controls the vote of eight other senators, and fearing that this power will increase, they ask that action be taken at the convening of congress. It was decided to hold the National Congress of Mothers at Los Angeles, Cal., on May 7th, 1906. United action was decided upon at a meeting of the executive committee of the National League of Women's organization, which was held in New York on Thursday. The women declared that Senator Smoot, who is an apostle and in direct line for the Mormon presidency, has pledged first allegiance to the Mormon patriarch, which broke faith with the government. Smoot, the women declared, controls the vote of eight other senators, and fearing that this power will increase, they ask that action be taken at the convening of congress. It was decided to hold the National Congress of Mothers at Los Angeles, Cal., on May 7th, 1906.

### SANGUINARY FIGHT.

### Two Hundred Natives Killed in Encounter With Troops in Portuguese West Africa.

Lisbon, Oct. 27.—An official dispatch from the governor of Portuguese West Africa, tells of a sanguinary encounter between troops and native on October 25th. The latter, number 3,000, ambushed a column of Portuguese troops, who fortified themselves in two kraals. The natives surrounded the kraals with earthworks, but after eight hours fighting the Portuguese captured the earthworks, killing 200 natives. The Portuguese lost 15 men.

### CANADIAN NEWS.

### Japan is going to appoint commercial trade agents next year.

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### CANADA WILL ASSUME CONTROL OF HALIFAX GARRISON ON NOVEMBER FIFTEENTH

### After Many Delays the Date of the Transfer Has Been Definitely Settled.

Ottawa, Oct. 27.—The department of militia has been advised by the war office that the control of Halifax garrison will be handed over to the Canadian authorities on November 15th. There have been annoying delays in bringing this about, but it is understood the matter has been finally settled and Canada will be in control on the date mentioned. Some of the Canadian infantry has been waiting since the 1st of July. Coming to Coast. Professor Prince, chairman of the British Columbia fisheries commission, leaves next week for the coast, and will hold a few private conferences with his brother commissioners before proceeding to the international commission at Seattle on November 9th. Will Appoint Agents. Japan is going to appoint commercial trade agents next year. A report has been received at the trade and commerce department stating that Japan next year will appoint permanent commercial agents in all the principal countries of the world with a view of looking for trade. Market For Rails. Mr. Ross, Canada's commercial agent at Melbourne, Australia, reports that there ought to be a market for steel rails from the plants on the Atlantic coast in Australia. The price would be \$25 a ton delivered on board a steamer at New York.

### THE NORTHPORT SMELTER.

### Allen Owners May Not Do With Property as They Please.

### Ontario, Oct. 26.—The litigation at Spokane concerning the smelter at Northport recalls the fact that the last legislature was asked to approve an act providing for the electric light station owned in a special district from Spokane that Judge Miles Peindexter had issued an injunction restraining the Le Roi Mining Company and the Northport Smelter and Refractory from dismantling the Northport smelter and moving the plant to Trail, B. C. Statements made in behalf of these companies before the last legislature admitted that the smelter is a nuisance, and would be authorized in bringing suit in name of the state to seize the entire plant. Whether the state authorities will take any such action has not been determined, although the matter was brought to the attention of the tax commission today in a formal report of the papers.

### THE HAGUE CONFERENCE.

### Admittance of the Vatican Will Be Opposed by France.

Rome, Oct. 25.—The Italian government expects to receive in the near future a programme of subjects to be discussed by the second peace conference at The Hague called by the Emperor of Russia. Four parties have passed between the Hague and Rome regarding the participation of the Vatican in the conference. Now that the relations between the Italian government and the Vatican have become somewhat ameliorated, the cabinet of Premier Fortis has no objection to the Vatican being invited, but a plausible reason must be found for the change of view since the first Hague conference, so that what in 1898 was a victory for Italian diplomacy should not appear to be a defeat, or to be due to a too good understanding between church and state, which neither desire to emphasize. It is expected that admittance to fight Mc Govern must await the outcome of his bait with Nelson.

### REPAID SHORTAGE.

### Montreal, Oct. 25.—The sum of \$25,000 has been paid by Mrs. David Hobbs to the legal firm of Davidson & Wainwright, the purpose being to compensate for the frauds perpetrated by her husband, the missing customs agent of the C. P. R., whose disappearance last year was contingent with the discovery that he had manipulated invoices so as to divert a large sum of duties from the government. The extent amount of the fraud has not been made known, as Hobbs' whereabouts is still a mystery, though it is believed he has gone to England. New General Manager. St. John, N. B., Oct. 25.—The directors

### THREE MEN BURIED IN GRAVEL PIT

### BODIES RECOVERED TWO HOURS AFTER ACCIDENT

British Association Will Visit Winnipeg 1909—New Railroad in Prince Edward Island. Contoek, Que., Oct. 27.—Jean Richard, Joseph Riekency and Frank St. Germain were buried in a gravel pit belonging to the corporation yesterday afternoon. The accident happened at a point where the men had been repeatedly told to keep away from all the bones were recovered two hours later. All the victims leave families. To Visit Winnipeg. Winnipeg, Oct. 27.—Winnipeg is to have the distinguished honor of entertaining the British association in 1909. This year it will be remembered, the association met in Capetown under the presidency of Professor Darwin. Professors MacAlhann and Coleman, of Toronto, who attended the meetings in Capetown, urged upon the chairman of Winnipeg for 1909, but were informed that definite promises had been made in this matter received a communication from Prof. MacAlhann dated from Mozambique, East Africa, on September 12th to the foregoing effect: "It will be remembered that the Dominion government made a promise of \$25,000 for 1907, and it is hoped that this will be available for 1909. The city will certainly be in first-class shape for the reception of such an illustrious association should it assemble here in 1909. Prof. MacAlhann says concerning the postponement of the visit: 'Perhaps it is just as well that my eyes will be turned to Canada in a couple of years, and compared as it may be with any other British colonial possession, a God's country, such as the Dominion of Canada, should be enhanced by the postponement.'"

### INSURRECTION IN SOUTHERN KOREA

### JAPANESE TROOPS DISPATCHED TO SCENE

### Prince Arthur of Connaught Will Bestow the Order of the Garter on the Mikado.

London, Oct. 28.—The correspondent of the Times at Tokio says the rice crop of Japan is much below the original estimate, and that three prefectures are threatened with famine. The Japanese authorities have dispatched a body of troops from Seoul to quell an insurrection in three Korean provinces southward of Seoul. Memorial Services. Tokio, Oct. 28.—Impressive religious memorial services for those killed in the naval battles during the war between Japan and Russia are being held daily by surviving friends of the deceased. Vice-Admiral Togo will be present at a grand shinto service to be held tomorrow at the Aoyama cemetery. Agreement With Bank. Tokio, Oct. 28.—4 p. m.—It is reported that negotiations between British capitalists and the Kogyo bank, in this city, have been successfully concluded, making the latter a standing medium for foreign investments in Japan. Honor For Emperor. Tokio, Oct. 27.—The announcement that King Edward had charged Prince Arthur of Connaught to proceed to Tokio early in 1906 on a special mission to bestow the Order of the Garter on the Emperor of Japan, has caused the greatest satisfaction among all classes here. The Emperor invited 2,000 naval officers to luncheon at St. Ives palace today, and an equal number will be entertained by him tomorrow at the same place. This action upon the part of the Emperor is unprecedented. The commander of the Tokyo division gave a farewell garden party yesterday at Takushiki for the Russian officers kept prisoners there. Toasts to the Emperors of Russia and Japan were drunk with enthusiasm.

### THE PANAMA CANAL.

### Sea Level and Lock System Are Feasible—Engineers Will Report Next Month.

### WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 28.—The Post today makes the following statement: "The board of consulting engineers, advisory to the Isthmian canal commission, at The Hague, has reported that a sea level and a lock canal are feasible. Some of the members of the board will favor the sea level system, but the majority will recommend the introduction of the ditch on the lock plan, because of the shorter time within which it can be completed. The report of the board probably will be ready for transmission to the commission the last week in November."

### BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

A detailed dispatch from M. St. René Taillandier, the French minister at Fez, says that the Sultan of Morocco accepts the Franco-German programme for the Moroccan conference, and also Algeria, Spain, as the meeting place of the conference.

### ROOSEVELT IN COLLISION.

### Steamer on Which the President Travelled Was Damaged.

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### TROOPS ON DUTY IN STREETS OF CAPITAL

### WILL FIRE ON PEOPLE IN CASE OF DISORDER

### Russian Minister Adopts Rigorous Measures to Preserve Peace—Doctors and Lawyers Will Strike.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 27.—12.23 p.m.—Warning to the people that in case of disorder the soldiers will fire ball cartridges, are posted on every street corner to-day. The city is outwardly calmer under the rigorous measures adopted. Gen. Trepoff, in order to restore confidence, directed all shopkeepers to take down the boards from shop windows during the night, and this morning the city awoke to find the shops reopened. Large squads of soldiers are scattered along the streets and in the markets to preserve order. Even detachments of the crack guard regiments are doing patrol duty. Nevertheless, beneath the surface there is much excitement. The revolutionists have spread the tidings that a revolution has begun and the city is filled with the wildest rumors. For example, a story is afloat that a provisional government has been established. The better classes are afraid to venture out. Many meetings have been held during the night. The task of continuing the general strike more than a few days seemed utterly hopeless, but the practically unmeted, it is significant of the deep-rooted craving for liberty that the agitators have experienced little difficulty in inducing all classes of workmen to join in the anti-government demonstrations. At a meeting of delegates from the professional unions, comprising doctors, druggists and lawyers, it was decided to publish clandestinely an unaccepted paper for distribution by the workmen containing the demands of the proletariat for a constituent assembly. In view of the fact that freedom of assembly would be granted, a bad impression has been created by the publication of the Official Messenger of a bulletin under "Temporary" regulations, three columns in length, dealing with the right of assembly which will require from three to seven days' notice "to the police of the object of the meeting, with the names of the speakers, etc. Then if permission is granted the police are empowered to close the meetings if opinions are uttered which are supposed to threaten public order. The news from the interior is meagre. The situation has not improved. According to reliable reports the troops at Kharkov are ordered to fire which has caused the schools to be closed. The high school girls at Pskov walked out today. The Russ, now the leading organ of the constitutional party, declares that Count Witte's accession to power will not satisfy the people unless he comes forward with a programme which will meet the wants of the nation. Only absolutely solid guarantees for the future can now avail to reassure the people that the past will not repeat itself. Situation at Warsaw. Warsaw, Oct. 27.—Telegraphic communication between Warsaw and St. Petersburg, Moscow and Berlin was severed today in consequence of a fire in a telegraph office caused by a crossing of electric wires. The strike is in full swing at the factories here and the agitators are urging the employees of the banks and insurance and commercial houses to leave their work. The shops are still open. The workmen are holding big meetings without interference on the part of the police. Strike at Lodz. Lodz, Russia, Oct. 27.—The employees of all the local factories, street car lines and the suburban railroads have struck.

### FIREMEN BURIED

### By Collapse of a Shed at San Francisco—Two Rescued Seriously Injured.

San Francisco, Oct. 27.—A serious fire is now raging in a new cannery building recently established on the corner of Bay and Nelson streets, which threatens the destruction of the entire plant. It is reported that a large shed has collapsed, burying a number of men. Two have already been brought out alive, but seriously injured. The others have not yet been rescued. The burning structure is owned and operated by the Central Canning Company.