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ST. JOHN STAR. ST. JOHN, N. B., MARCH 3, 1905.

AT VLADIVOSTOK. The reported appearance of a Japanese cruiser accompanied by a flotilla of torpedo boats of the harbor of Vladivostok, together with the reported massing of troops, Russian as well as Japanese, on either side of the River Tumen, which is on the northeastern boundary between Korea and the Russian territory to the southwest of Vladivostok has caused certain imaginative war correspondents to declare that Japan is about to besiege that port by land and sea.

It is hardly possible that the supposition is well founded. It is difficult to see what Japan could gain by repeating at Vladivostok the sacrifices made at Port Arthur. The former city is well fortified, and the control by Russia of the railway, of which it is the ocean terminus, gives to the defence an advantage that could only be overcome at shocking cost. A military expert, writing in the Brooklyn Eagle, points out that by obtaining command of the sea Japan was able to cut off Port Arthur, but that place is situated at the extremity of a neck of land easily raked from either side by the fire of warships detailed to cover the landing of investing armies. No such physical conditions make for Japanese success at Vladivostok. Besides, the possession of Vladivostok would be of comparatively little strategic value to Japan. Could it be secured before the expected arrival of the Baltic fleet in Eastern waters there might be a valid reason for its occupation and use against the forces of Russia. But the Baltic fleet, if it comes at all, is expected late in March or early in April, and the surrender of Vladivostok before then could scarcely be forced by any means known to be at the disposal of Japan. It is more than likely that the cruiser and torpedo boats sighted off Vladivostok went there to estimate the chances of attacking and destroying the two armored cruisers that took refuge in the harbor before the fight with Admiral Kamimura's squadron on August 12.

THE REASON EXPLAINED. No more luminous explanation of the reason for the resignation of Mr. Foster, Mr. Haggart and their colleagues in 1898, has been given, than Sir Mackenzie Bowell's speech made in the senate Wednesday and the insight which it gives into the ex-premier's character. He is today leader of the Conservative party in the senate. If every word of his charges against his former colleagues is true he is serving no public good by repeating them now. In making that speech, supposing he told the truth, he must have known that he was contributing nothing to the uplifting of public life in Canada, that he was injuring the party of which he is a leader, that he was accomplishing nothing save the gratification of his own selfish revenge.

A man who forgets all public and party interests and petty, selfish ends in not the man to lead a party, especially during such a crisis as confronted the Conservative party in 1898. His colleagues knew this. He had forced himself upon them as premier. He refused to resign, even though he knew his refusal meant the disruption of his party. What other course than resignation had men who honestly believed that the party's only hope lay in a change of leadership and who had exhausted every other legitimate way of effecting that change?

WHO RULES CANADA? Mr. Sifton has resigned as a protest against the forcing of separate schools upon the new Northwest provinces. Mr. Fielding is said to be on the verge of resignation and Sir Wm. Mulock and Mr. Fisher may also leave the cabinet unless the proposition as presented by Laurier is considerably modified. The position of the minister of customs, Mr. Patterson, is not clearly defined, but if Messrs. Mulock and Fielding go out it is unlikely that he will be able to resist the pressure of public opinion and hold his seat. The attitude of Messrs. Fielding, Mulock and Fisher indicates clearly that these ministers were either not consulted in the framing of the Autonomy Bill or that their opinions were ignored.

Of the other ministers, Sutherland, the head of the public works department, has been away. Scott and Cartwright are in the senate and without influence; Hyman is only an acting minister and does not count; Sir Frederick Borden does not bother his head with principles and nobody would consult Emmerson anyway. This leaves four ministers who must have framed this bill and forced the insertion of the obnoxious clause which, if it had been put to a vote in the cabinet would undoubtedly have been thrown out.

These four are Laurier, Mr. Fitzpatrick, minister of justice; Mr. Prefontaine, minister of marine and fisheries; Mr. Brodeur, minister of inland revenue. With them might also be counted the influence of Mr. Lemieux, the solicitor general. Under the circumstances it would be difficult to disprove the statement that these four gentlemen control the administration and consequently rule, with almost absolute power, the Dominion of Canada.

All four are from Quebec. AN ALLY FOR THE TORONTO GLOBE. The Manitoba Free Press, leading organ of the liberals in the Northwest, has taken a somewhat sharp turn on the school question. When the autonomy bill was introduced the Free Press said that it did no more than perpetuate the educational system now in force in the Territories. Without taking ground in favor of the measure the organ made excuses for it on the above basis. Since Mr. Sifton's return the Free Press has received more light. It now declares that its first view was not accurate. It finds that: "The government has brought into the political arena the naked question of separate schools—the one issue above all others prominent in Canada in face to face with a devastating agitation that may do incalculable harm unless wise counsels prevail. This is not a question of thought and prudence speech. Nothing could be worse for the Canadian West in a material sense, than another five or ten years of turmoil over the school question. Satisfaction is not yet hopeless, but it is certainly growing worse day by day. We look with some degree of confidence to Sir Wilfrid Laurier to meet the occasion with complete wisdom. The first thing for the government to do is certainly to go on firmer ground by recasting the educational clauses."

It should, perhaps, be said, that the Manitoba Free Press is supposed to be under the direct control of Mr. Sifton. —Sun.

WHAT IT IS TO LIVE. To grapple fate and fearlessly Defy its stubborn, stern decree Until, disarmed, the victor lies Beneath our feet, recalls and dies: To look beyond, content to wait And dignify our low estate By being lower than to seek To help the fallen, lift the weak; To take no backward step—to wit, To surge each step ascending a bit, To love the best, the best to give— This is the meaning solved to live. —Boston Transcript.

A PROTEST TO THE POPE. ROME, March 3. — Several American archbishops and bishops have written to the Vatican protesting against the dissatisfaction at the mission entrusted to Mr. Froderick, auxiliary bishop of Havana to urge them to increase the offerings of Peter's Pence. This means, they contend, seems not to be adapted to reach the desired object. The American prelates recall that such powers are within the jurisdiction of the apostolic delegate at Washington.

PROMINENT CAPITALIST DEAD. NEW YORK, March 3. — Richard Somers Hayes, the railroad capitalist, died after a lingering illness at his home here yesterday. Mr. Hayes was 59 years of age and had been ill for more than two years.

For over three years Mr. Hayes had been in the railroad business, in which period he was at one time or other the president of St. Paul and Duluth Railroad Company, vice-president of the Missouri Pacific, president of the N. Y. and Northern and managing director of the Atchison, Santa Fe and Topeka.

PAINS—FOR SOCIETY POLK. People of fashion do things sometimes that cause pain in the stomach and aches in the kidneys. Hard work and hard pleasure have pretty nearly the same results. A sour stomach, a bad breath and pain about the heart and head are caused by gases from the stomach. Hutch cures them quickly. You take one when you feel badly. Three at night to move the bowels the next morning, then one after each meal, and your trouble will go away. It is Nature's own remedy for pain. They are chocolate coated, and contain nothing that is injurious. There is nothing like it in the world. It's a doctor for ten cents! At your druggist's.

Patrick Egan, formerly minister to Chile, strongly resembles "Mike" Donovan, the ex-pugilist, who has been giving boxing lessons to President Roosevelt. The other day Mr. Egan called at the White House and was somewhat embarrassed by the questions hurled at him by a couple of youthful newspaper men. "Hello, Mike," said one of them, "going to give him another lesson?" Before reply could be made the other reporter chimed in: "I hear he has a poor left. You want to improve that, Mike." "I should think," said Mr. Egan, "you would have difficulty in making him fast on his feet, he's so chunky, you know." By that time Mr. Egan's dilemma was observed by Major Leffler, the president's doorkeeper, who explained. The reporters apologized and Mr. Egan escaped.

Rev. Mr. Stackhouse, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church, left this morning for Halifax to assist in special evangelistic services which are to be held in the First Baptist church. His pulpit will be filled during his absence by the Rev. Dr. Manning.

CIVIC BUSINESS. Treasury Board Spends More Money—Carleton Light Purchase Recommended to the Council. A meeting of the treasury board was held yesterday afternoon. It was decided to grant an increase of \$1,000 to the Horticultural Association, making the total for this year \$4,000; to give \$500 to Riverview park and to renew the grants to the Tourist Association and the S. P. C. A.

J. D. Hazen and Joseph Allison were present in the interests of the Horticultural Society and told of the work that had been done. Ald. Christie read a letter from Rabbi Rabinowitz complaining that a number of laborers were discriminated against because they were foreigners. It was resolved that Dr. Christie tell the director that these men are not to be discriminated against.

Chamberlain Sandall brought up a bill for \$1,664, the assessors, for an increase in salary from \$800 to \$900, was referred to the sub-committee. An application from H. H. McLellan, clerk to the assessors, for an increase in salary from \$600 to \$650, was referred to the sub-committee.

Seth Berry's bill for services rendered in the Whelan inquest was handed in. This was laid on the table. A meeting of the safety board was held after treasury board adjourned. Chairman Maxwell brought up the agreement of purchase, which was ordered to have prepared between the city and the Carleton Electric Co. Attached to this was the bill regarding the purchase. The recorder read this agreement and also the bill. In this bill care has been taken to make particularly strong the clause which gives the city the exclusive rights in Carleton and rights to do business in Lancaster.

The agreement of purchase was recommended to the Council for consideration.

MARRIAGES. CRAWFORD—At the residence of the bride's father, Rufus Wilson, Mar. 2, Miss Dora Wilson to Edmund Crawford, both of Carleton, Rev. Mr. Schofield officiating.

GOOD—On Feb. 15th, at the Methodist church, Jacksonville, by the Rev. John C. Berrie, assisted by the Revs. Joseph A. Cahill and Herbert E. Thomas, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, Major William C., son of the late Francis Good, Esq., of Jacksonville, to C. Mary Howitt, daughter of Rev. John C. Berrie, of Jacksonville, Carleton Co., New Brunswick.

PEARSON-CRAWFORD—At the residence of James Crawford, by the Rev. C. A. Warrford, Frederic J. M. Pearson, of Highfield, Queens Co., N. B., to Mary A. Crawford of Goshen.

DEATHS. BUCKLEY—In this city on the 1st inst. Mary Buckley, in the 65th year of her age, a widow, a husband, three sons and two daughters to mourn their sad loss.

GARSCADDEN—At New York City, Feb. 11th, John Garscadden, of John Garscadden of Clover Hill, N. B., aged 37 years, leaving a wife and infant son. CRAWFORD—In this city, at the residence of John Kerr on March 2nd, John Crawford of Perth Amboy, aged 51 years.

Funeral Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Mr. Kerr's residence to St. Luke's church. Interment at Fernhill.

THOMAS—Suddenly, at her late residence, No. 55 Queen street, Harriet, eldest daughter of the late James U. and Mary A. Thomas.

Funeral service at the house at 2:30 p. m. on Saturday, the 4th instant.

BROOKLYN MAN HAD HIS TONGUE CUT OUT. NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—B. S. Finch an official of a Brooklyn coal company, has submitted to an operation for the removal of his tongue. About two-thirds was cut away, yet with the remaining portions of the organ and the muscles of his throat he will be able, after a little practice, to speak intelligibly. The operation is the second of that nature performed here within a few months. Finch had been a heavy smoker for years and complained six months ago of an irritation near the base of his tongue. A cancerous growth appeared and spread so rapidly that when the operation was found necessary the tongue had become affected from tip to base. The glands of the mouth were also congested and it became necessary to remove them. The tongue was first pressed to one side in order that the surgeons could get at the lingual arteries, severing and thus checking the flow of blood. The loss of blood was about six ounces and the operation lasted 23 minutes.

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LOCAL NEWS. The lumberman who a few days ago claimed he was robbed of \$40 white on the train, now has had his valises in the street returned by a friend. The latter had taken care of them while the lumberman was not exactly sober.

The Dahome left St. Kitts on 28th ult. for St. John via Bermuda, and will be due here on the 5th or 10th instant. She has 500 tons of sugar on board for Montreal, which will be landed here, as well as a quantity of molasses and other cargo for St. John merchants.

Wm. Belyea of McDonald's Point arrived in town yesterday from up river, and it took him nearly 30 hours to cover a distance usually done in seven hours. He had to follow the river nearly all the way down, and break his own path.

A meeting of the board of works will be held on Saturday forenoon at 11 o'clock, to take up the matter of the application from the street railway for the extension along Prince and King streets to Pitt. All persons interested in this matter are requested to attend the meeting.

THERE'S A REASON. A rainbow in the sky is a symbol of purity and perfection of color. That is why the name was chosen for Rain-bow Cut Plug Smoking Tobacco, which is a pure and perfect smoke for the pipe.

NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—B. S. Finch an official of a Brooklyn coal company, has submitted to an operation for the removal of his tongue. About two-thirds was cut away, yet with the remaining portions of the organ and the muscles of his throat he will be able, after a little practice, to speak intelligibly. The operation is the second of that nature performed here within a few months. Finch had been a heavy smoker for years and complained six months ago of an irritation near the base