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Dominion News Notes

Young Married Couple Meet an Untimely End While Canoeing.

Major Villiers Sankey Head of Transcontinental Survey Drowned.

Encouraging Scandinavian Settlers in North West—Wheat From Egypt.

QUEBEC, July 12.—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kerouac, St. Hubert, who have only been married about a year, have been drowned in Lac Grand Fourche, county of Temiscouata, by leaking and subsequent foundering of a boat yesterday in which they went out for a row. Mrs. Dumont, a sister of Mrs. Kerouac, who accompanied them, was picked up alive after having floated in the water on her back for two or three hours.

Sherbrooke, Que, July 12.—Ernest Latour, blacksmith, was killed and his nephew, Fred Prence, seriously injured last evening at the Grand Trunk crossing, Brompton Falls. They attempted to cross ahead of a freight train and misjudged the distance. Both men were about 30 years of age and unmarried.

Toronto, July 12.—News has been received here of the drowning at Lake Manitou on Monday night of Major Villiers Sankey, of this city, who was head of a surveying party of the transcontinental railway. The only particulars received were that four or five of the party were in a canoe, which was upset and that only one man was saved. Major Sankey was city surveyor of Toronto from 1888 up to last year, when he resigned to go with the transcontinental railway.

Scandinavian Immigrants

Winnipeg, July 12.—Bernard Hage, correspondent of the Scandinavian-American Press, arrived in the city today. The object of Mr. Hage's visit to Canada is to inspect the various Scandinavian colonies throughout the West, observe their condition and communicate the result of his observations to the Scandinavian press of Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois. The immigration authorities believe his letters will serve to stimulate greatly the movement of Scandinavians from the United States to Canada. Mr. Hage will go west to Edmonton, and will make a zigzag trip from that point home. He will cover the Calgary & Edmonton branches and the Prince Albert branch thoroughly, and will endeavor to visit all the principal colonies of Scandinavian people. He states that his interest in the Northwest was very much deepened when at the last meeting of the Norwegian Lutheran synod in Minnesota twenty-six new Canadian church congregations applied for admission to the association.

Scalped Chinaman

For selling a Kenora camper's ticket not his own, John Philips was prosecuted by the C. P. R., and today was fined $20 and costs.

A. McLean recently brought a sample of wheat from Egypt, grown 190 miles up the Nile, to experiment with in Manitoba. It was sown in the southern part of the province and is growing splendidly, being now three feet high and heavily headed. The result of wheat accustomed to the climate of tropical Africa growing in the Canadian West is being watched with much interest.

OREGON LAND FRAUDS.

Portland, July 12.—(Special.)—A mass of evidence in the shape of documents were introduced today in order to prove conspiracy by the defendants, Williamson, Biggs and Gessner, in the land fraud trial.

FALSE COTTON STATISTICS.

President of N. Y. Exchange Asks for a Full Investigation.

New York, July 12.—The New York cotton exchange today made public the following letter:

"Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, Washington, D. C.:

"Dear Sir—On behalf of the New York cotton exchange I want to say that its members have been greatly shocked by the recent disclosures of venality in the department of agriculture, upon whose reports they have depended for accurate information in the conducting of their cotton business.

"I beg to request that a full investigation be made of the methods which led to the corruption, with a view of preventing the possibility of recurrence, and that the guilty ones be adequately punished.

"Official reports should be above the suspicion of publication in the interest of any person for their individual benefit, and as part of this exchange I wish to put its members upon record as utterly opposed to such culpable proceedings.

"On the line of common honesty I ask you for your most emphatic condemnation and action on the practices which make legitimate business impossible and put the members of our body at the mercy of tricksters and knaves.

"With great respect, I am yours truly,

"WALTER G. HUBBARD,
"President N. Y. Cotton Exchange."

INSANE THROUGH HEAT.

Suffering and Death in New York's Torrid Clime.

New York, July 12.—Undiminished heat and humidity marked the fifth day of the torrid wave that has afflicted New York, and tonight there is no immediate prospect of relief. Ten deaths and nearly three score cases of prostration was the record for today.

The mercury climbed steadily until at noon it stood at 97, the highest point of the day.

Some of the victims of the heat were rendered insane by their sufferings. In Brooklyn Daniel McCarthy sought relief by drinking carbolic acid and died immediately. Jerry Lane, a coal passer in an uptown hotel, went mad in the boiler room and attempted to brain a comrade named Patrick Bray with a heavy pitcher from which they had been drinking ice water, knocking him senseless. Two policemen subdued Lane after a struggle and removed both men to the hospital.

NORTH POLE EXPEDITION.

New York, July 12.—With $35,000 subscribed today toward his expedition to reach the North Pole, Robt. E. Peary announces that she will sail this week for the north. Commander Peary's new ship, "The Roosevelt," has been awaiting several days for supplies, which could not be bought on account of lack of funds.

Morris K. Jessup, president of the Peary Arctic Club, subscribed $25,000 today and Thomas Hubbard gave a check for $10,000.

Mrs. Peary will probably sail with the explorer.

TO CLEANSE AUGEAN STABLES.

St. Petersburg, July 13.—(4.15 a.m.)—The announcement of the appointment of Vice-Admiral Birileff as minister of marine in succession to Admiral Avellan, which is gazetted this morning, is coupled with a highly significant rescript in which the Emperor charges the new minister not only with the task of rebuilding the navy, but also with that of reforming and reorganizing the whole system. The minister is instructed to eradicate the faults which have developed under the stress of war, to remedy the conditions which led to the recent mutinies in the Black Sea and to inspire the personnel of the navy with a new spirit of discipline and devotion.

Speaking of the "revolting events in the Black Sea" the Emperor holds the officers and men of the fleet equally culpable, declaring that these events displayed a complete lack of discipline among the crews and neglect of duty on the part of the officers. The Emperor insists on a full and careful investigation of the mutinies among the sailors of the Black Sea fleet, and that the most severe punishment be meted out to the guilty ones.

C.P.R. is Testing Crow's Nest Coal

Experiments Which May Involve Displacement of Pennsylvania Product.

Will Effect the Line Running Between Moose Jaw and Winnipeg.

G. G. S. Lindsay, K.C., vice-president and general manager of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, has been here for the past two days, says the Winnipeg Free Press. Mr. James McEvoy, the company's geologist, has been conducting a series of tests with the Michel coal on the Canadian Pacific railway trains between here and Brandon. These tests on the result of which will depend the question of displacing Pennsylvania coal on the line between Moose Jaw and Winnipeg by British Columbia coal, are not yet concluded, but Mr. Lindsay, in an interview with a Free Press representative, said that they had demonstrated an efficiency for his coal greater than the best bituminous coal hitherto known on this continent. "I am not surprised at this," he said, "because we are now cooling the Dakota, the new Great Northern steamship, which has just rounded the Horn, and is now docked at Seattle, preparatory to her maiden voyage to the Orient, if our coal did not merit it, the owners of this and the Minnesota, the two largest steamships on the Pacific in the Japan trade, would not freight it from Fernie into the United States over the Cascade range of mountains to the Pacific coast, a distance of six hundred miles, for use in this trade in preference to Vancouver Island or Washington state coals for the Pacific voyage."

The quality which specially fits this coal for this purpose is that it is very low in ash and very high in fixed carbon. In the coal now going to Seattle, the ash runs as low as four per cent., and the fixed carbon as high as seventy per cent. In the locomotive tests being made here now, the firemen did not empty their ash-bins once on the run from here to Brandon, and one passenger train ran the whole distance on one and nine-tenths tons of coal.

The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company property is forty-five miles across from Carbonado on the west of the summit of the Rockies, and the hardest coal is found to the west. "Carbonado," said Mr. Lindsay, "we are mining a semi-anthracite, which is nearly as good as Pennsylvania anthracite and quite free from the rock found in the same variety of coal elsewhere in the West. This makes an excellent domestic fuel. Going east across our field you come to the summit of the Rockies, which is our eastern limit. On the east slope of the Rockies the bituminous coal appears to show a larger ash and lower fixed carbon till passing through the lignite series in Alberta they end in the low grade coal of the Souris area. The coals of Montana and Washington to the south of us are also of the lignite variety, which accounts for our supplying the Great Northern railway system, where it runs through these states, with more than one thousand tons daily."

Large Daily Output

The present production of the Crow's Nest Pass Company's mine is more than three thousand tons of coal daily, and when the new tipple, being built entirely of steel at a cost of two hundred thousand dollars, is completed by the end of this month, replacing the tipple destroyed by fire at Coal creek mines in March, and put in operation, the output will be materially increased.

"In addition," said Mr. Lindsay, "we are making one thousand tons of coke daily, which supplies the smelters of British Columbia and Montana. The Amalgamated Copper trust use a larger portion of our coke at Anaconda than of others, and use it exclusively at their Great Falls smelter. The coke is in quality equal to the best Connellsville coke, which is standard."

"Have you any labor troubles?" Mr. Lindsay was asked.

"No," was the answer. "We have just signed a contract with our men for two years. Difficulties of this kind are not likely to occur. Our wage scale is liberal; men are earning good wages and are contented; the class of miners is improving, and the numbers of married men with families increasing."

Mr. Lindsay intimated during the conversation that the company was planning to extend its business to the Manitoba field. A certain amount of this coal has always come to Winnipeg, but the company is likely to pay more attention to Manitoba in the future.

BOGUS BANK BILLS.

Vancouver Police Arrest Man Charged With Fraud.

Vancouver, July 12.—The police have arrested Francis Grazianna, who is charged with uttering bogus bank bills, a number of which have been passed. The notes are of the New Brunswick State Bank of New Jersey, said to have been out of existence for many years. The prisoner is believed by the police to be one of a gang engaged in circulating these bills in the British Columbia towns.

EMPEROR WILLIAM ARRIVES.

Gefle, Sweden, July 12.—Emperor William and Prince Von Buelow, the imperial chancellor, have arrived here on board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern. They will meet King Oscar.

SHER'FF SHOOTS SUSPECT.

Fails to Throw Up Hands When Ordered and Receives Bullet.

Tacoma, July 12.—(Special.)—Commanded six times by the sheriff to throw up his hands, and not surrendering until wounded by a shot near Ellensburg this morning, a man answering the description of escaped convict W. D. McCarthy, was arrested. He denies being McCarthy and claims to be Thomas Keen, a resident of Texas, going to the Eastern Washington wheat fields.

COURT-MARTIAL FOR KRUGER.

One More Russian Admiral May Get His Due.

St. Petersburg, July 12.—Nashashian says that Rear-Admiral Kruger will leave the service on account of alleged incapacity in connection with his treatment of the situation created by the mutiny aboard the battleship Knias Potemkine at Odessa.

The admiral will propably be court-martialed. At the admiralty he is known as one of the "court admirals." Admiral Allevan's "promotion" to the council of the empire is definite, as is Admiral Bireleff's appointment as minister of marine.

Orangemen In Vancouver

Celebration at the Terminal City Proves Most Successful in Years.

Lacrosse Match Attracts Great Crowd and Goes to Royal City.

Victoria Ball Team Now Playing for Spokane—A Legal Opinion.

From Our Own Correspondent.

VANCOUVER, July 12.—The Orange celebration today at Vancouver, in which all Orangemen on the lower Mainland took part, and many from the island, was ahead of any affair of the kind which ever took place here, both in size of the big parade and the enthusiasm.

The best of good order prevailed and the weather being perfect, a large crowd gathered at Lockton Point to hear the speeches and see the lacrosse match.

Strong resolutions were passed in opposition to the separate school clause, and many prominent Orangemen spoke to the resolution. A grand Orange concert was held in the evening.

The score of the lacrosse match was as usual—Westminster 9, Vancouver 6. Vancouver showed up well, and it was a snappy game throughout. It was in three quarters, and during that time Vancouver fired forty-four times on goal, often hitting the goal posts. In the first half the score was one to one. In the second half Westmister scored, then Vancouver. The visitors then became very rough, perhaps fearing of some small chance of their being actually beaten. Four of them went to the fence, and when they returned some one started a scrap around Vancouver's goal, and looked from the grandstand as if each Westminster player around the goal post was trying to lay out his check. When the smoke of the battle cleared away and playing was resumed, it was found that there were ten Vancouverites and nine Westminster playing, and Gifford was reported unable to play from an injured shoulder. Westminster scored four games in succession after that. Then Vancouver scored two, then Westminster one. In the third half Vancouver seemed to play all around Westminster. Each side scored two. Westminster had its full strength out, and Turnbull played a magnificent game on home, scoring himself or being responsible for almost every game scored. Vancouver—First in two minutes, fourth in two, ninth and tenth in one and two, twelfth and thirteenth in thirteen and three. Westminster—Second and third in eight and three; fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth in three, five, one and five; eleventh, fourteenth and fifteenth in one, one and one minute.

G. Russell, president of the Victoria Baseball Club, was in Vancouver today regarding the franchise of Victoria being taken away from the club. He said that legal advice had been sought, with the result that he has an opinion that the team cannot be taken away from Victoria without their sanction.

The Vancouver ball team won from the Spokane (ex-Victoria team) today by a score of seven to two. Hutch let what he thought a foul pass him in the sixth innings and the umpire called "Fair ball," letting three men in.

The Victorians played listlessly, as if under the spell of discouragement from the treatment meted out to them. Howlett struck out one and let six walk, Dammau struck out nine and let one walk.

Score: Spokane, 2; Vancouver, 7. Hits: Spokane, 3; Vancouver, 10.

LARGE SOCKEYE CATCH.

Bellingham, July 12.—(Special.)—The largest sockeye catch of the season thus far was put up at the Pacific American Fisheries cannery today from a haul made yesterday amounting to twenty thousand from all the traps of the company.

FOR NORWEGIAN KING.

Prince Charles of Denmark May Be Chosen One.

Christiania, Norway, July 12.—The proposal to make Prince Charles of Denmark, King of Norway is supported by those having the power of deciding, and also would be enthusiastically received by the majority of the Norwegian people.

Copenhagen, July 12.—It is understood that Prince Charles of Denmark will be willing to accept the crown of Norway if King Christian and the Danish government consent.

Some members of the royal family are in favor of his accepting the throne, but King Christian is believed to be opposed to it. No decision, however, will be given out before His Majesty returns from Austria.

SUES LUCAS FOR $5,000.

Spokane, July 12.—(Special.)—"Skel" Roach has instituted suit for $5,000 damages against W. H. Lucas, the baseball man, for prohibiting him from playing with Portland in the coast league last season.

SMALL BOY HANGS HIMSELF.

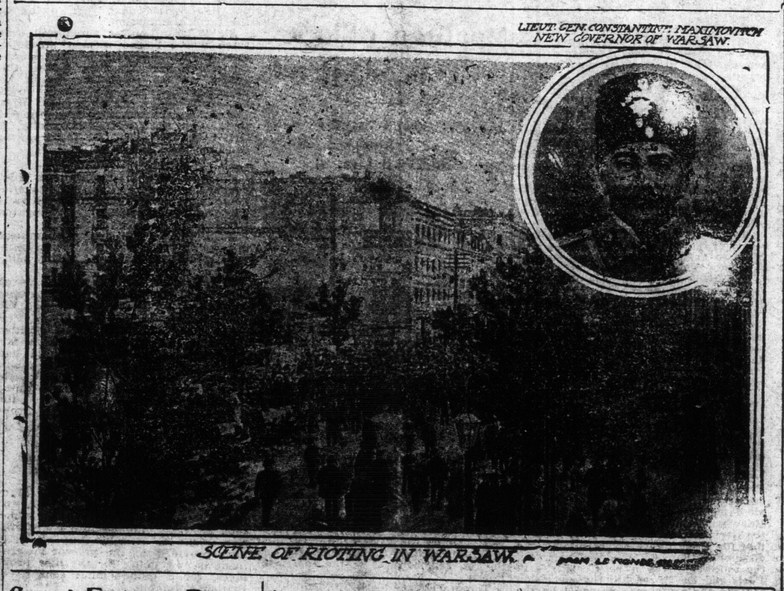
San Francisco, July 12.—Walter St. Clair, aged 11 years, hanged himself today. The boy was ordered by his mother to chop some wood and he became sulky. Later Mrs. St. Clair found the lad's dead body hanging in the cellar.

SHOT THEIR OWN OFFICERS.

Sentences of Death Could Not Be Enforced After Libau Outbreak.

London, July 12.—The Morning Post, from authoritative sources, gives an account of the recent outbreak at Libau. The attempt to carry out the sentences of death provoked still more serious signs of mutiny, whereupon the port commander ordered the executions stopped and applied to St. Petersburg for instructions.

The government replied that all the mutineers must be shot and a shooting party was formed, but when the order to fire was given the firing squad turned and fired on the officers instead of on the condemned mutineers and a dozen officers fell dead. Other troops, including Cossacks, the account says, were summoned, and a serious conflict ensued, during which 23 Cossacks were killed before the mutiny was quelled.



LIEUT. GEN. CONSTANTIN MAXIMOVITCH, NEW GOVERNOR OF WARSAW.

SCENE OF RIOTING IN WARSAW.

Great Future For West Coast Traps

W. J. Leary Thinks Headquarters of Canning Industry Will Be Victoria.

Good Haul Yesterday at Capital City Canning Company's Traps.

W. J. LEARY, managing director of the Capital City Canning & Packing Co., is in the city, a guest at the Dominion hotel. He has much to relate of interest respecting trap-fishing operations on the West Coast of the Island. In an interview with a Colonist reporter last evening he said:

"We lifted our traps this morning and realized a catch of 1,200 fish—228 red spring of large size, the balance sockeyes. These were shipped on to our customers on the Fraser river.

"Our company are well satisfied with the results up to date, and look for the usual heavy run in the full moon tides in a few days' time. The indications of a heavy run are that the fish in the to day, and the traps farthest down the straits are making the heaviest hauls. The Capital City Co. propose the erec- Capital City Company propose the erection here of a complete canning plant to be in working order by the 1st of October.

"The present method of shipping fish to the Fraser is both cumbersome, expensive, unprofitable and absurd. I say absurd because I have seen today in this city salmon caught at Sooke, shipped by us to New Westminster in cold storage, ordered by Victoria fishmongers from their agents there and finally shipped back on ice to supply the dinner table of the intelligent Victorian. It will be self-evident from this that it is high time that something were done to circumvent this anomaly.

"There have been a number of American visitors who have manifested a surprisingly keen interest in our fishing operations down at Sooke—one party of Anacortes gentlemen was surprised to see the number of sockeyes that is being taken at present.

"The only incident outside the ordinary was the capture today of a huge shark measuring about ten feet in length and requiring the use of the steam winch to get him clear of the pot, and when in the air the dog fish he had swallowed ran out of him in a stream. The weight of it was about 1,000 pounds. At Vancouver they are making a 10-cent show of a considerably smaller shark. This is advertised on Cordova street as the "man-eating monster."

"With regard to the future of the fishing industry I consider it a practical certainty that within the near future the whole system and venue of the industry will be changed. Practical men connected with the business in Vancouver begin to fully realize this, and the heads of everyone of the big Mainland canning concerns have acquired rights on the coast of the straits of Juan de Fuca, that is along the southern coast of Vancouver Island. In my opinion the Fraser river will soon become what nature intended it should be, namely, a breeding ground—not a fishing ground.

"With the up-to-date methods employed now, the fish are very much superior to those taken in the fresh water. It is a well known fact that the quality of the fish deteriorates very rapidly after entering fresh water, and practically becomes unfit for human food. These are well known facts beyond dispute, and for this reason alone I consider that the future headquarters of the sockeye canning business must be at Victoria."

Why France Loves England

M. Delcasse Explains That Great Britain's Navy Compels Respect.

Quarrel With the Mistress of the Seas Would Be Suicidal.

PARIS, July 12.—Former Foreign Minister Delcasse, in the course of an interview published in the Gaulois today upon the British and French naval amenities at Brest, was indisposed to discuss his policy relative to Great Britain and Germany. He said: "The policy of nations nowadays is not based on sentiment or antipathy, but upon their material interests. As between Germany and Great Britain the commercial balance shows where our interests lie. Great Britain is our best purchaser, while Germany buys almost nothing off us and tries to sell us all she can. Moreover it is evident that we could not leave open irritating controversies with Great Britain which might precipitate an armed struggle, for Great Britain holds indisputably the empire of the seas. For every warship we build she builds four or five. It is therefore well to accept these manifest acts and consider the value which British co-operation would give us in certain eventualities. The greatest intrinsic value of such co-operation would be the virtual impossibility in which it would place Germany of making war upon us."

M. Delcasse was asked if he considered the recent menaces in connection with Morocco as being serious. He replied: "Not at all. In case of war Great Britain would be surely with us against Germany, and then what would the infant fleet of Germany amount to? What would become of her ports, of her commerce, of her merchant marine? It would mean annihilation. That is

The Real Significance

of the present exchange of visits between the British and French squadrons. An understanding between these powers and conditions of their navy, would create a naval war machine so powerful that neither Germany nor any other power would risk conclusions upon the sea. It is the sea which it is necessary to command today, and the war in the Far East has conclusively demonstrated that."

Continuing, M. Delcasse discussed the possibility of a policy which had been "Anglo-French cordial understanding," he said, "was an achievement towards a definite understanding between Russia and Great Britain, and this further understanding would have been the work of the French minister for foreign affairs. The success of such a task would have strengthened our influence in British councils and assured for a long time the peace of the world."

In conclusion, M. Delcasse was asked for his opinion of France accepting a conference of Morocco, to which he gave the following text, "To go to a conference is a mistake and such a mistake."

CHINA AND THE CONFERENCE.

St. Petersburg, July 12.—According to information obtained at the foreign office, it seems that China did not ask for representation at the Washington conference, but simply notified Russia and Japan that if she was not represented at the conference and her consent secured in any stipulations to a treaty affecting Chinese territory she would not consider herself bound to it.

WHOLESALE BRIBERY CHARGES.

Milwaukee Grand Jury Find 105 True Bills, Including Many Officials.

Milwaukee, Wis., July 12.—Sixty-seven indictments against twenty-five individuals, most of whom are former county officials, were handed down by the Milwaukee county grand jury today in the municipal court. Today's batch of true bills added to the 38 returned ten days ago, makes a total of 105 thus far, with the exception that further probing will result in many more indictments being brought in later. Today's list contains 20 out of 21 names returned in the last batch, there being but five names not before reported.

Nearly all the indictments charge bribery, the amounts it is alleged having been paid to recent or former county officials in connection with the awarding of county contracts for the erection of an addition to the county hospital several years ago.

THE CUT-WORM.

Timely Word of Warning Issued by the Department of Agriculture.

Reports have reached the department of agriculture of the appearance in one or two localities of the cut-worm, which caused such widespread destruction to crops a few years ago. These reports, whilst not at present of an alarming character, are nevertheless such that it is considered best to give a timely note of warning. If necessity arises the poisoned-bran remedy, which was used so successfully during the last invasion, should be immediately resorted to.

The mixture consists of bran moistened with sweetened water and paris green mixed in the proportion of 1 pound to fifty pounds of bran. In making this mixture, the most convenient method is to dampen a small quantity with the sweetened water (a few ounces of sugar in a pail of water) and then add more dry bran, until the whole is almost dry again. If the paris green is added to the bran without dampening, it sinks with remarkable rapidity to the bottom, even in this dry mixture, when it is stirred.

If it is desired to use the poison as a wet application, more water can be added until it is of about the same consistency as porridge, but if it is to be used dry, dry bran must be stirred in until the mixture will run through the fingers easily. The poison may then be applied to the land, either around or between the plants to be protected, or a row of it may be run close to the drills of crops planted in that manner.

RUSSIA'S PEACE ENVOYS.

M. Muravieff Resigns as Chief and M. Witte Probably Succeeds.

Washington, July 12.—Mr. Meyer, the American ambassador at St. Petersburg, cabled the state department that he learns from Count Lamsdorff that M. Muravieff, the chief Russian peace plenipotentiary, on arrival at St. Petersburg has suffered an indisposition. Mr. Meyer does not mention any change in M. Muravieff's plans.

St. Petersburg, July 12.—The Associated Press is informed by friends of M. Muravieff that the ambassador fully recognizes the difficulty and thanklessness of the role of negotiating a treaty of peace under the circumstances, and that he would welcome relief from the disagreeable duty. It is also said that M. Muravieff is really not in good health. Nevertheless the friends of the ambassador expressed the opinion that he would probably go to Washington.

St. Petersburg, July 13.—(2.12 a.m.)—M. Muravieff has resigned his position as chief peace plenipotentiary. It may be regarded as practically certain that he will be replaced by M. Witte, president of the committee of ministers, who all along has been considered the Russian statesman preeminently qualified to undertake the difficult task of negotiating peace with Japan.

However, though the Emperor, who on previous occasions flatly declined to accept M. Witte, has now indicated his readiness to make the appointment, the commission will not be actually signed until Foreign Minister Lamsdorff, who throughout has been M. Witte's warm supporter, has an audience with the Emperor today.

An Assurance of Peace

To that extent only the matter may be regarded as uncertain, nothing being certain in Russia, as a prominent diplomat remarked last night, until the Emperor's signature has been affixed. M. Witte's selection will undoubtedly be hailed as a practical assurance of peace. While it would be a mistake to denounce him as a "peace at any price" man, M. Witte earnestly believes that the struggle should be ended, and should be succeeded by an understanding between Russia and Japan which would ensure peace in the Far East for half a century. Indeed, he is personally believed to be in favor of a Russo-Japanese alliance.

The conduct of the negotiations by M. Witte, it is felt by the peace party here, would inspire instant confidence in Japan.

M. Muravieff's retirement, ostensibly owing to reasons of ill health, is in reality due to the fact that the Emperor became convinced that the negotiations might be jeopardized if he went to Washington. M. Muravieff himself, upon consideration, quite frankly stated his lack of diplomatic training and his want of acquaintance with the questions involved, and with equal frankness expressed satisfaction that he had been relieved.

NAVAL OFFICER'S ESCAPE.

Lieut. H. W. Parker, of the Devonport training ship Impregnable, had an unpleasant experience a few days ago. He was returning to the vessel in one of the ship's boats, and had nearly reached the gangway, when a bullet, evidently discharged from a weapon on board, whizzed past him. As the result of a search made on board, a corporal of marines, who was the servant of one of the Impregnable's officers, and a naval domestic were found in a storeroom, both, it is said, more or less under the influence of drink. The two men were placed under arrest, and at the inquiry held on board it was stated that the marine, who had been on shore several days, had obtained his rifle with the object of committing suicide. The domestic seized the rifle in order to prevent the other man from injuring himself, and in the struggle the rifle was discharged and the bullet passed through the porthole. How the marine got possession of the loaded cartridge has not transpired, but it is believed that he did not obtain it on board. The inquiry showed that it was only by chance that the bullet passed through the porthole at the moment that Lieut. Parker happened to be at the side of the ship, and a court martial was not considered necessary. The corporal has been disrated and sent to barracks, and the naval domestic has been "sent ashore."

POLITICAL ECONOMY.

Chicago News.

New York legislators receive $1,500 a session, out of which sum several of the members are said to have paid by recently between $25,000 and $40,000.

SHAMEFUL.

Toronto News.

Now the New York Mutual is to be investigated. Pretty soon an honest insurance man will have no chance at all of becoming a millionaire.

The Day At Ottawa

Canadian and Home Governments Exchange Ideas as to Officers' Status.

Proposal to Increase Ministers' Salaries and to Pay Leader of Opposition.

V. V. & E. Bill Passes the Senate Without any Further Trouble.

From Our Own Correspondent.

OTTAWA, July 12.—Correspondence is passing between the Canadian and British governments with a view to the reciprocal recognition of the status of imperial officers in Canada and Canadian officers in Great Britain.

The Free Press says tonight a proposal was submitted to give the premier a salary of $15,000 a year, other ministers $10,000 and the leader of the opposition $5,000.

The lords of the admiralty have given to the British and Foreign Sailors' Society the whole of the oak and copper taken from the Victoria after her recent accident.

Saturday, October 21, being the hundredth anniversary of the death of the representative hero of the British race, will be observed throughout the empire. Arrangements have been made to present genuine souvenirs of the Victory to collectors for the Nelson centenary fund. Any child collecting $1, or a donor of that sum to the fund will receive a Trafalgar Day medal or brooch made from the Victory.

The meteorological bureau and staff now located at Toronto will be transferred to Ottawa a year hence. Toronto university authorities deciding to use the property in which the present Toronto observatory is located.

Dr. Thompson, the member for the Yukon, left for home today.

Opposition Criticism

The opposition today severely criticized the action of the government in tolerating the presence of the Canadian labor bureau in the Canadian immigration office in London, and also made a strong criticism of the government's agreement to pay £1 for Continental immigrants, whereas only 7s is paid for British immigrants.

Mr. Osler gave notice that he would move to cancel the contract with the North Atlantic Trading Co.

The Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway bill was called at the senate committee today, and Hal B. McGiverin explained its provisions. The bill was passed without opposition. Senator Ferguson asked if the opposition to the bill was withdrawn, and he got a reply that it was. Senator Templeman had charge of the bill. The bill was read a third time and passed the senate without opposition. It had a record time in the red chamber.

The senate banking committee passed the Pacific Bank bill, allowing six months' extension to take out licences.

Autonomy Bill in Senate

The autonomy bills were discussed in the senate today. Sir Mackenzie Bowell after a vigorous speech moved the six months' hoist. The debate will be resumed tomorrow.

Further supplementaries for the current fiscal year, amounting to $781,880, were brought down today. The chief item is a half million for the commencement of new departmental buildings at Ottawa. The territorial grants amount to $224,580, of which $185,000 is for schools. This makes total for the current year of $82,761,280, an increase of $1,243,429.

ELDERLY MAN INJURED.

Nanaimo, July 12.—(Special.)—By the collapse of a scaffold on which a dozen men were engaged on a new building at Haslam's sawmill this morning, John Bell and John Odell, two elderly men, were struck by flying timbers and seriously injured. Others escaped with a severe shaking up.

50,000 ELKS MARCH.

Immense Procession of Members Participate in Buffalo Parade.

Buffalo, July 12.—The twentieth annual reunion of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will be held in Denver in 1906. One ballot decided that at the grand lodge meeting today. Early this morning the whole city was astir, preparing for the great parade. It is estimated that 50,000 Elks marched over the wet streets. The day of the great procession dawned gray and threatening. Early showers seemed to portend a postponement of the event. About noon the skies cleared, strains of martial music were heard, and as the columns moved the sun burst forth from behind the clouds, but not for long. The long march was made in a drizzling rain. The streets were lined with an eager throng that had to be held in check along the entire line.

MYSTERIOUS YACHT WRECK.

Young Lady Drowned Through Accident and Owner Arrested.

New York, July 12.—Three lives were lost by the sinking of the steam yacht launch Normandie, which was run down last night in the Hudson river off Dobb's ferry by the Norwegian tramp steamer Volund bound for Hamburg.

The Normandie was under charter to John H. Rudd, of the Yonkers' Yacht Club, who last night invited Miss Dodge and John E. Greene, a banker of New York, to take a sail with him as far as Peekskill.

On the return trip when off Dobb's ferry, the Normandie was struck amidships by the Volund and sunk instantly. Mr. Rudd, Mr. Greene and Jos. Hannigan, the deck hand of the yacht, managed to keep afloat by clinging to wreckage until they were picked up by a boat from the Volund and were taken aboard. Nothing more was seen of the three other persons on the yacht, and they are supposed to have gone down in the vessel.

A little later Rudd, Greene and Hannigan were put ashore from the steamer, which continued on her way. They refused to give an account of what occurred, desiring, as they said later, to avoid notoriety, and took a train for this city.

Coroner Frank Russell, of Westchester county, visited the wreck of the yacht today and found long strands of hair streaming from one of the portholes. The coroner tonight caused the arrest of Joseph Hanning, the deck hand, and issued an order for the arrest of Mr. Rudd.