WILL ATTEMPT TO RECAPTURE HANKOW

CHINESE SOLDIERS MASSING NEAR CITY

Revolutionary Troops Sent to Intercept Forces Moving From Pekin

Hankow, Oct. 17.—The imperial government has begun aggressive preparations for the recapture of Hankow. The first trainload of troops from the north have arrived and are dumped north of Hankow. Several thousand more soldiers are on the way, and are expected to arrive before sundown. A detachment of the Wu Chang garrison, which retired from that city when the rebels entered, crossed the Yangtze river above the city and marched inland, probably to effect a junction with the troops from the north.

Earlier in the day the imperial naval force on the river was augmented by the arrival of one of the navy's modern gunboats, which carried Admiral Sah Chen Ping, who immediately took command of the situation. His first move was to assure the foreign consuls that foreign concessions would not be bombarded by any bombardment which he might undertake. His purpose, it is believed, was to begin shelling the rebel defence around Wu Chang, and once the Red Cross Society, organized by the revolutionists, began to-day removing the heaped-up bodies from the streets of Wu Chang. Well-to-do Chinese are subscribing liberally to the funds for the work.

Battle Imminent.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 17.—Sixty thousand revolutionary troops have been ordered from Wu Chang and Kai Feng to intercept imperial soldiers en route from Pekin to the province of Honan, says a cablegram received late last night by the Free Press, a local newspaper. Twenty thousand Manchu troops have been sent against the rebels from Pekin, and an engagement is regarded as being of great importance, and if the rebels are successful it is expected that Canton will fall shortly afterwards.

A proclamation announcing that the republic of Chung Ha would assume all debts contracted by the Manchu dynasty, that all treaties would remain effective and that foreign concessions would be respected and all foreigners protected throughout the period of hostilities was made public here to-day.

The proclamation was signed by Li Yuen Hung, commander of the citizens' army of Central China. The document further stated that foreigners who assisted the Manchu dynasty would be treated as enemies, and that any loans negotiated by the Manchu government after the issuance of the proclamation would not be considered or acknowledged.

From members of the Young Chinese Association in this city comes news to-day that the new republic will favor government ownership of common carriers, government control of banks and other public facilities. While the local Chinese are loath to declare themselves as socialists, outlines of the proposed system of government given by members of the revolutionary party intimate that the Chung Ha republic will be socialistic in many respects.

A cablegram received by the Free Press from Shanghai, dated October 15, tells of the refusal of Yuen Chi Kai to accept the appointment of provinces of Hu Peh and Hunan, and of the defection of 6,000 imperial soldiers to the ranks of the revolutionists and the mobilization of the Honan soldiers, and reports the revolutionists in complete control in Han Han Yang and Yu, Chang. The program is as follows:

Shanghai, Oct. 15—Although the Pekin government has strictly prohibited the sending of news of the revolution from the seat of the disturbances, news of a serious nature is leaking out which shows that the days of Manchu regime are numbered.

The revolutionary volunteer army is occupying several districts of the province of Szechuen. The imperial army of Honan was being rapidly concentrated in the province of Hu Peh, and having met the revolutionists rebelled against their officers and were returning to their former locality. Three thousand of these imperial soldiers joined the revolutionists.

Three shiploads of foreign refugees, consisting of women and children, have just arrived from Hankow. They report that the revolutionists have complete control in Hankow, Han Yang and Wu Chang, and are organizing within cities in these localities. General Li Yuen Hung, a revolutionist leader, is leading 20,000 picked soldiers against the imperialists. The Bau Yang arsenal, in the hands of the revolutionists, is rushing work day and night in getting out ammunition and arms for the revolutionary army.

"Ki Fang Sha, opium commissioner of the province of Szechuen, and Lien Kah, treasurer of the province of Honan, have been killed by the rebels. Yuen Shi Kai has refused the appointment of viceroy of the provinces of Hu Peh and Hunan, and Sen Chun chosen has resigned from his post as viceroy commander of the province of Fachien.

General Yin Tchang has not yet started south from Pekin against the revolutionists."

Toong King Chong, editor of the Free Press, denied to-day the report that the Japanese have in any way aided, actively or sympathetically, the revolution. On the contrary, said Chong, the Japanese government is favorable to the Manchu dynasty. It does not want to see China progressive. Events have shown that Japan has ambitions to seize Manchuria and other provinces of China, and finds the old feeble and inefficient form of government to be most favorable to these designs.

Another dispatch from Shanghai by the Chinese Free Press with news that the republicans have called for 30,000 volunteers for the defence of Wu Chang and Hankow. This will give them 60,000 men in the field at that point half of whom will be used to intercept the imperial troops marching down from Pekin.

It is announced here that since the declaration of the Republic, the Kwon Min, the Chinese National Association, composed of the Chinese Freemasons, and the Young Chinese Association, have raised a fund of $500,000 to be used in financing the revolution. This sum was contributed by the Chinese in America, principally in San Francisco.

DATE SET FOR OPENING OF HOUSE

PARLIAMENT WILL MEET ON NOVEMBER 15

Ministers Plan to Adjourn by the Beginning of February

Ottawa, Oct. 7.—Canada's parliament will meet for the dispatch of business on Wednesday, November 15. It was decided upon at a meeting of the cabinet council held yesterday afternoon. A speedy decision as to date on which the House could open was necessary because it is customary to give members at least thirty days' notice. The session will not be unduly prolonged, and after a brief adjournment at Christmas prorogation will be sought by the end of January or the first week in February. This, it is learned, is the plan of the government. The ministers will set about the work of preparing their estimates for the fiscal year, which commences on April 1 next.

After the Duke of Connaught had sworn in Martin Burrell as minister of agriculture yesterday there were presented to him a number of orders in council for his signature, one of which gives effect to change whereby polling for bye-elections for the return of new ministers is made November 3 instead of 1, owing to the desire not to interfere with the observance of All-Saints Day. Another order in council provided money for such of the civil servants as have been without salary through the exhaustion of supply passed by the House. The Duke was at his office an hour. Last evening he and the Duchess attended the Mark Hambourg piano recital at the Russell theatre.

There may be an investigation into the tardiness of the guard of honor for H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, at Quebec, which kept him ten minutes waiting. Col. Hon. Sam Hughes, minister of militia, would not give out any statement of the matter when seen, but said: "There will be a report on that matter."

"Will there be any investigation?" was asked. "That I cannot say at present," he replied. It is said that a certain staff officer delayed the guard in Quebec for his inspection after it had already been inspected by its officers and was ready to move off in time.

Seat for Hon. Mr. White.

London, Ont., Oct. 17. — It is announced that a meeting of the executive of the East Middlesex Conservative Association will be held this week when the matter of opening up a constituency to give Hon. Mr. White, minister of finance, a seat, will be dealt with.

Dr. Daniel Resigns.

St. John, N. B., Oct. 17.—Dr. J. W. Daniel, who was elected in this city and the county of St. John in the last elections, announced last night his retirement in order to make a seat for Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine in the Borden government.

It is understood that Senator Wood is to be appointed lieutenant-governor on the expiration of Lieut.-Governor's Tweedie's term and Mr. Daniel may take Mr. Wood's place in the senate.

CHARGED WITH BREACH OF STREET BY-LAW

Attorney-General Bowser is Summoned for Violation of Vancouver Regulations

Vancouver, Oct. 17.—Attorney-general Bowser, author of the provincial automobile act, was charged in the police court with a breach of the Vancouver street by-law in leaving his automobile in front of Drysdale's store the other day for a longer period than ten minutes. It was Mrs. Bowser who was using the automobile at the time, but Mr. Bowser, as the owner of the car, was summoned. He was represented in court by one of his law students, who pleaded Mrs. Bowser's ignorance of the civic regulation in such an eloquent fashion that Magistrate Shaw entered "suspended sentence."

No man can be brave who considers pain to be the greatest evil of life; nor temperate who considers pleasure the highest good.—Cicero.

LIGHTHOUSE KEEPER FOUND MURDERED

Bodies of Suspected Murderers Are Found in Cabin—Poisoned by Wood Alcohol

Winnipeg, Oct. 17.—The finding of the body of Robert Forbes, an aged lighthouse keeper at Pie Island, five miles from Fort William, led the police to suspect Mose McCon, chief of a squaw band located north of Thunder Bay, and Fred Smith, another Indian, as being the murderers. A search for the Indians resulted in finding their bodies in a cabin on Squaw Bay, near Pie Island. They had died from wood alcohol poisoning. The alcohol evidently was taken from the lighthouse, where it was kept to clean the lamps.

NEW BRUNSWICK CABINET.

Fredericton, N. B., Oct. 17.—The Fleming government was sworn in yesterday as follows: Hon. J. K. Flemming, premier and surveyor-general; Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer, attorney-general; Hon. H. F. McLeod, provincial secretary; Hon. John Morrissey, public works commissioner; Hon. Mr. Landry, agricultural commissioner; Hon. Robert Maxwell and J. A. Murray without portfolios; solicitor-generalship not filled.

FATAL FIGHT.

Parry Sound, Ont., Oct. 17.—Italians employed on construction work at Elmvale, Ont., engaged in a fight Sunday night in which knives were used freely, with the result that one was killed, his body having been found this morning in the woods behind a brush heap, whither he had been dragged.

FAMILY MURDERED AS THEY SLEPT

Man, His Wife and Three Children Found Dead—Ex-Convict Suspected

Ellsworth, Kas., Oct. 17.—The coroner's jury to-day began an investigation into the murder of William Showman, a chauffeur, his wife and three small children, who were slain as they slept on Sunday night. The bodies were discovered yesterday in the Showman home by a neighbor who chanced to call, and entered the house when no one responded to his knocks. The features of all of the victims were battered beyond recognition by the blows of an axe. The youngest member of the family, a baby, had its head severed from the body. All three of the children were under five years of age. The names of the victims are: William Showman, aged 33; Mrs. Showman, his wife; Lester Showman, aged 5; Fern Showman, aged 4; Senton, aged 1. The two latter are girls.

The Showman home is a small two-room cottage in the outskirts of Ellsworth, 300 or 400 yards from the nearest house.

The bodies of the five victims were found in one room, the father, mother and baby on one bed, and the two older children in the second bed. The two rooms looked like slaughter pens. Their was blood on the walls, ceiling, floor, beds and every article in the room. In this room also was the bloody axe which the murderer had used, and which he had left in his flight.

All the members of the Showman family visited at the home of Mrs. S. W. Snook, a friend living several blocks away, on Sunday night. They left the Snook home about 9 o'clock. This was the last time any of them were seen alive.

The police are looking for an ex-convict, whose name is not announced, in connection with the murder. This convict was released from the penitentiary a year ago, having served a term for grand larceny. His wife, who was a sister of Mrs. Showman, obtained a divorce and married. There is a rumor that the man was seen here last week.

Bloodhounds were used to-day in an effort to trace the murderer. Three times they were taken to the house, and each time they took a trail and followed it to the railroad crossing, where it was lost.

FOUR MORE VESSELS FOR PANAMA SERVICE

American-Hawaiian S. S. Co. Awards Contract for Building of Ships

In anticipation of a much heavier movement of freight between the Sound, San Francisco and the Atlantic coast with the opening of the Panama Canal, the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company has placed an order for four large steamships at a cost of approximately $3,200,000. Three of the vessels will be known as the Dakotan, the Montanan, and the Minnesotan, while the fourth as yet has not been named.

The vessels will be constructed by the Maryland Steel Company, Sparrow Point, Md., and will cost approximately $800,000 each. They will be similar to the big freighter Kentuckian, although with a greater carrying capacity, approximately 13,000 measurement tons. The terms of the contract made with the Maryland Steel Company, which also built the Kentuckian, the Georgian and the Honolulan, provide that the first vessel shall be ready for service in 12 months and in 22 months.

ENGINEER KILLED IN RAILWAY WRECK

Train Runs Into Herd of Cattle, Engineer and Four Cars Being Derailed

Portage la Prairie, Man., Oct. 17.— The Great Northern mixed local running from Neche, N. D., to Portage, ran into a herd of cattle last night and was ditched, Engineer Boucher of Crookston, Minn., being killed and Frank Wavra, fireman, and A. J. Baxter, brakeman, both of East Grand Forks, badly scalded.

The train carried both passenger and freight and the first four cars containing settlers' effects were wrecked, in addition to the engine. The passenger coaches kept the rails and the passengers came through uninjured. A relief train was immediately dispatched from Portage and returned bringing the injured to a hospital here.

MERCHANT IN TROUBLE.

Accused of Conspiracy to Violate Bankruptcy Laws.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 17.—Charles Knosher, former proprietor of a department store which failed last winter, was arrested yesterday on an indictment returned by the federal grand jury at Tacoma, charging conspiracy to violate the bankruptcy law by concealing goods. Knosher gave bond in the sum of $5,000, as did E. Y. Barr, formerly head of one of the departments in the Knosher store, who was arrested Saturday on a similar charge.

Knosher was indicted by the King county grand jury last summer on a charge of making false statements in writing to his creditors about the condition of his business. Both he and J. F. Tiedemann, who was indicted jointly with him, pleaded guilty and were fined $1,000 each.

HATFIELD FEUD.

Columbus, O., Oct. 17.—Troy and Elias Hatfield, two of the Hatfield family of feudists, living near Fayetteville, W. Va., were reported killed to-day. Another man, an Italian, also is said to have been killed.

POWERS FAIL TO RESTORE PEACE

ITALY REFUSES TO MAKE CONCESSIONS

Division of Turkish Fleet Has Sailed for Unknown Destination

London, Oct. 17.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Gallipoli, European Turkey, says a division of the Turkish fleet sailed this morning from the Golden Shore for an unknown destination. The number of ships could not be ascertained, owing to the unfavorable light. A Constantinople dispatch says six warships have arrived off Mytilene.

The Chronicle's Vienna correspondent learns on high authority that all diplomatic efforts made at Rome to bring about peace have failed. Italy has insisted upon the unconditional annexation of Tripoli and Gyrenaca, and practically refuses to give Turkey financial compensation.

Encounter Resistance.

Malta, Oct. 17.—Owing to the fear of breaking neutrality, a German salvage steamer has refused an offer to salve the Italian torpedo boat Freccia, which ran ashore on the coast of Tripoli at the time of the landing of the Italian troops.

Reports received here say that Italian troops are encountering resistance at Benghazi and in the interior. It is not certain when the American archaeological expedition will start from Benghazi, but it is believed that it will remain here until the situation in Tripoli is more settled.

Turkey, according to the reports, has instructed the officer in command of Turkish troops in Tripoli to desist from attacking the Italians pending the result of peace negotiations.

WORK ON NATIONAL TRANSCONTINENTAL

Deputy Minister Denies Report That Operations Have Been Suspended

Ottawa, Oct. 17.—On behalf of Hon. Frank Cochrane, minister of Railways and Canals, A. W. Campbell, the deputy Minister of Railways, to-day applied only to contracts let for buildings such as stations, coal chutes and round houses, let since the dissolution of parliament. The big contract for the construction of the roadbed and the putting down of rails will be proceeded with. The smaller and more recently awarded contracts indicated above will be delayed until they have been reported on to the minister by officials of the department.

WILL ENTERTAIN HON. MR. KING.

Berlin, Ont., Oct. 17.—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, ex-minister of labor, will be banqueted in the Masonic hall here on Thursday evening by his Liberal supporters in the county. He is expected to announce his intention of contesting North Waterloo for the seat in the provincial House.

TORONTO FATALITY.

Toronto, Oct. 17.—At the inquest on the five men suffocated by gas during Saturday night at the Occidental hotel, it was shown that the men had been carousing and evidently opened the gas jets accidentally.

HOSPITAL RAIDED BY ENRAGED MOB

Cholera Patients Carried From Building — Troops Called Out to Restore Order

Rome (via frontier), Oct. 17.—Grave disorders occurred yesterday at Sagni, a large town one hour by rail from Rome. The rioting was caused by the measures adopted by the municipality to stamp out cholera.

Believing the government intended to poison quarantined cholera patients a crowd marched to the city hall and demanded their release. The mob broke in the doors, seeking the mayor, but failing to find him, the rioters sacked the building and then burned it. A woman seized the municipal flag and cried, "To the hospital! To the hospital! Death to the doctors!"

The mob rushed to the hospital. The doors were forced, attendants swept aside and the cholera patients were carried to the streets.

Meanwhile others broke into a house where suspects were quarantined and took them from the house. A procession was formed and the sick were borne to their homes. Two of the patients, who were at the point of death, were passed from one to another, embraced and kissed by their half-mad friends.

The local authorities appealed to Rome and troops were rushed from the capital and restored order.

MINERS' STRIKE.

Negotiations Appear to Be at Standstill—Outlook Not Bright.

Fernie, Oct. 17.—Negotiations between the miners and operators seem to be at a standstill again. Neither operators nor miners have any news of progress in the matter. Nothing can be learned as to whether the operators are conferring upon the situation and the miners say they have heard nothing from them. The situation seems discouraging to-day, as it looks like another deadlock just ahead.

TESTING NEW AEROPLANES.

Manteo, N. C., Oct. 17.—Preliminary gliding tests made yesterday by the Wright brothers developed that there is nothing radical in the design of the machine used. Six glides were made. He longest being 250 yards, while the maximum time in the air was 26 seconds. The new machine so far as could be observed, is different from the standard type only in its much flatter wing curve, and appears to be a refinement of the monoplanes.

LORD ROSEBERY ON LIBRARIES.

Glasgow, Oct. 17.—Lord Rosebery opened the new Mitchell library to-day. The library cost $800,000 and will accommodate 400,000 volumes.

In his address Lord Rosebery said the subject of libraries had been exhausted by 250,000 platitudes uttered at the opening of 2,500 libraries given by Andrew Carnegie. His lordship said he was not disposed to give libraries his unqualified benediction. These enormous collections filled him with indisposition and depression. An enormous collection like that of the Mitchell library had a stupefying, paralyzing, rather than an encouraging effect. Without appetite for discrimination, Lord Rosebery said it was futile to provide libraries.

BOY WOUNDED BY BURGLAR.

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 17.—Fourteen-year-old George Rixon, of this city, was shot through the right leg last night while attempting to capture two burglars who had looted a tailor shop near his home. The boy with his father and brother saw the men emerging from the store and gave chase. The robbers opened fire, wounding the boy. Jacob Weber, one of the burglars, was captured by the police after the shooting. The boy will recover.

GERMAN NAVAL FORCE LANDED

ENGAGE IN FIGHT WITH CHINESE AT HANKOW

Three Government Gunboats Reported to Have Been Disabled by Revolutionists

Berlin, Oct. 17.—Advices received at the foreign office from Hankow to-day report that a German force of bluejackets reinforced by local students, have been landed at Hankow and are now engaged in fighting in the streets with a Chinese mob.

The official report states that detachments were landed from the cruiser Leipsic and the gunboats Tiger and Vaderland. Most of the German colony volunteered to support the marines.

The admiralty understands that the Germans are co-operating with the international landing corps movement, commanded by the Japanese navy captain. The large German cruiser Gneisenau will arrive at Hankow to-morrow with Vice-Admiral Von Krosig, commander of the German Asiatic squadron. As the German admiral has a rank superior to that of the American admiral, it is probable that he will supersede the latter in chief command of the international naval forces.

A German torpedo boat is accompanying the Gneisenau to Hankow.

Gunboats Disabled.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 17.—A cablegram to the Chinese Free Press, published here, gives an account of the disabling of three government gunboats by the revolutionists near Hankow. The boats destroyed were the Chorkung, the Chorkaung, and the Chor Choy. Two other boats of the flotilla, one of which carried Sui China, viceroy of Hu Peh province, escaped.

President Taft was asked yesterday by the Chinese National Association, through its secretary, Tong King Chong, to use his influence to preserve the neutrality of the powers in the struggle for independence now blazing in China. The association which had its headquarters in this city, to-day wired President Taft and Secretary of State Knox, as follows:

"The Chinese National Association, representing four-fifths of the Chinese residents of the United States, British Columbia and Mexico, earnestly requests that the United States government use its best offices to maintain and preserve the neutrality of the powers toward the revolutionary struggle now in progress in China in order that its dignity may be preserved and a stable government established."

MAY BE NEW CHAIRMAN.

Government Considering Selection of Sir T. Tait as Head of Transcontinental Railway Commission.

Ottawa, Oct. 17.—Sir Thomas Tait, formerly of the Canadian Pacific and recently retired from charge of Australian government railways, is in Ottawa and his appointment as chairman of the National Transcontinental Railway Commission in succession to Mr. Parent is being considered by the government. Premier Borden when in opposition strongly urged that an expert should be at the head of the Commission, and Sir Thomas is considered the best qualified man now available. It appointed the salary would probably be increased to $15,000, instead of $7,000 as at present.

SEARCHING FOR DIAMONDS IN B. C.

Member of Dominion Geological Survey Says Prospectors Are Busy

Ottawa, Oct. 17.—Charles Casmel, known to his fellow workers as "the Diamond King," has returned to the geological survey from a summer spent in the field in British Columbia. Mr. Casmel, who is the first man to discover Canadian diamonds, reports no further discoveries of note but states that the outlook in Cariboo district of British Columbia where he did some prospecting this summer is good. As a result of the first diamond find neighboring districts have been all staked out and prospecting is now going on steadily.

SHOT BY DETECTIVE AT VANCOUVER

YOUTH KILLED WHILE TRYING TO ESCAPE

Refuses to Obey Order to Stop and Bullet Fired by Officer Penetrates Body

Vancouver, Oct. 17.—A little, unknown youth named Webb was fatally shot last night when he was attempting to escape from Detective A. M. Campbell, who had stopped him and was about to question him. Nothing whatever seems to be known of Webb and the police state this morning that the reason that Campbell was placing him under arrest was that they had no information that he was a suspicious character.

The shooting occurred shortly after 11 o'clock last night in a lane at the rear of Chapman's billiard parlor, 134 Hastings street, east. Campbell had been looking for Webb and located him in the poolroom. He placed one hand on his shoulder and asked him to step outside. Webb went outside, without making any objection, but as soon as he reached the lane he started to run. Campbell called on him to stop and threatened to shoot if he did not, but Webb kept running. Campbell, who was standing either his man as hard as he could, fired twice into the ground with the intention of warning him, and at the second shot Webb dropped to the ground.

The detective was running so fast that he ran beyond Webb, who immediately got up and ran, the other way. Campbell turned and started in pursuit again, but soon saw that the man was gaining and he fired another shot, intending to shoot him in the leg. This shot was fired at the time the fleeing man was directly behind the city hall. He staggered, but turned to the right, and ran as far as Pender street before he dropped.

Campbell was with him a second after he fell. A hurried examination showed that the bullet had entered the back below the shoulder and had passed clean through the body just above the heart. The wounded man was still alive and the ambulance was sent for at once. On the arrival of the ambulance at the General hospital it was found that Webb was dead.

The body was removed to the undertaking parlors of Centre & Hanna, where an inquest will be held to-day or to-morrow.

Webb is a slight, red-haired youth of 21 or 22. No one knows anything of him here. He was respectably dressed and in his clothes were found over $30 and a watch.

No action has been taken in regard to the detective and nothing will probably be done until the result of the inquest on the dead man is known. Campbell is a single man between $5 and 40 years of age. He has been on the Vancouver force for five years and this morning Deputy Chief Mulhern stated that he was one of the most efficient constables on the force. Just a few days ago he was taken from the uniformed ranks and placed in the detective department. Previous to coming to Vancouver he was three or four years on the Winnipeg force.

McNAMARA TRIAL.

Work of Selecting Jury Still Far From Being Completed.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 17.—With two talesmen temporarily passed by the defence and a third under examination, the murder trial of James B. McNamara went forward to-day with considerable speed. Counsel and talesmen seemed relieved by the progress of the work.

James B. McNamara, on trial for the murder of Charles J. Haggerty who was killed in the Los Angeles Times explosion, a year ago, seemed to be out of the fve fairly comfortable persons in the courtroom, in the summer-like heat which swept Los Angeles to-day.

"I don't want to stay here a minute longer than I have to," said one of the leaders among counsel to his opponents. "I'm going to do my full duty but I'll be glad when its over."

At the opening of court the jury box was filled again by the addition of two veniremen replacing Z. T. Nelson and F. F. Cross, both of whom were excused yesterday. Talesman H. Y. Quackenbush, who preserves the age average of the present set of talesmen by being 65 years old, was examined by Attorney Darrow, chief of counsel for the defence, at the morning session of court. Robert F. Bain and J. W. Roberts, the two talesmen passed for the place, were held until further examination by each side or to peremptory challenge.

HUDSON'S BAY LINE.

Report That Minister of Railways Has Ordered Suspension of Work.

Winnipeg, Oct. 17.—The Free Press says this afternoon that the minister of railways has ordered work to stop on the Hudson's Bay railway. A sub-contractor named McMillan, who has a gang of 25 men grading just beyond the Pas, is paying off his men on instructions from the contractors, J. D. McArthur & Co.

MINISTER READS PAPER.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Oct. 17.—The second session of day of farming congress to-day followed a meeting of the Farmers' Institute. The feature of the day was the convening of the first international congress of farm women. More than 100 women are at the session. Among those who read papers was Hon. A. R. Motherwell, minister of agriculture of Saskatchewan.

The first session of international congress of agricultural colleges and experiment stations opens at 2 p. m.