

SPRINGBANK WATER IS ALL RIGHT, SAY THE EXPERTS

Londoners Resent the Report Made On the Subject by the Provincial Authorities.

PT. STANLEY WATER CAUSED THE TYPHOID EPIDEMIC

A report on the London water supply, which was made by the provincial authorities, Drs. Hodgkiss and Amyot, in connection with the outbreak of typhoid in this city and Port Stanley last summer, has been made public through the action of the Free Press. The report, which is dated Feb. 17, 1905, is in any and all respects, very misleading in its references to Springbank water, and the mayor and aldermen, as well as the members of the local board of health, fear that its publication may have a very serious effect upon London and especially upon the coming Old Boys' celebration.

In brief, the report states that the Springbank water supply is not pure, and the statements of the chairman of the board of health, to the effect that the typhoid outbreak in this city is traceable to Port Stanley water, are not warranted by the facts. "Rather should the city look to Springbank," the report, which is given in this issue, instructs.

Every statement in the report is disputed in its entirety, however, by Chairman English, of the board of health; Mayor Campbell, who is recognized as a sanitary expert; Dr. Hutchinson, the medical health officer, who has had many years of experience as Chairman of the board of health, and who has made a study of the local water supply for years.

The point made by the report is that the city dumps its sewage into the river; that each spring the river flows a portion of Springbank water, and that as a consequence this pond is likely to become polluted; that the city allows the land in the vicinity of the collecting ponds, the springs and the reservoir to be used as a park, and that pollution to the water supply is sure to follow; and also that certain dividers and closets are so situated as to be a menace to the purity of the water.

To these charges the city's answer is straightforward and to the point—there is nothing in them. The water

NEW SITE FOR KNOX

Presbyterian College May Be Moved to University Grounds.

Toronto, May 18.—With the proposal which is rapidly assuming shape for the erection of the Caven Memorial Library, the large question of the future of Knox College becomes a live topic. Inquiry among many of those in touch with the question points to the fact that a movement is already on foot in this city for the abandonment of the present site and securing one within the university grounds. It is urged by those in favor of the change that the present site, owing to the street railway, is wholly unsuitable, and that noise is a serious drawback. The present grounds are likewise very valuable for commercial purposes, and the sale would go far toward the purchase of a new site. Added to this is the fact that the University of Toronto and the other educational institutions.

WEST INDIES FOR CANADA

Proposal Comes Up in British Commons—Its Advantages.

London, May 18.—Ian Malcolm, M. P., speaking of St. Lucia and others of the West Indies in the debate in the House of Commons on the West Indian colonies said he would like to see the Government enter into negotiations with Canada in order to find whether some of the islands could not be better administered by the great Dominion. If they were attached to Canada they would form something like a southern zone for the Dominion. The reorganization and revitalizing of the West Indies would result in an alteration which would add enormously to our imperial strength and to the commercial power of the new world.

JOE AND ALGY MAY ARRANGE DEAL

Working Agreement Over Fiscal Question Likely To Be Reached.

London, May 18.—The negotiations between Joseph Chamberlain and Premier Balfour over the fiscal question have not yet been concluded. The details are kept secret, but it is understood that Mr. Chamberlain has abandoned the idea of an immediate dissolution of Parliament, and that there is a better prospect of their arriving at a working agreement, in which case the Government would endeavor next year to carry a bill for a redistribution of seats before dissolving Parliament.

KALIEFF PAYS THE PENALTY

The Assassin of Russian Duke Sergius Executed at Moscow.

London, May 18.—A dispatch to a news agency from St. Petersburg says that Ivan Kalieff, who assassinated Grand Duke Sergius on Feb. 17, at Moscow, was executed today.

Ivan Kalieff belonged to the noted "fighting group" of the Socialist revolutionary party which had passed sentence of death upon the grand duke long before the tragedy.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon of Feb. 17 Grand Duke Sergius was proceeding to the Governor-General's palace in Moscow in his carriage. Kalieff, attired as a workman, stepped forward from the sidewalk as Sergius was passing the corner of justice and threw under his carriage a bomb, which he had concealed beneath his coat. Loaded with nails and fragments of iron, this deadly missile tore the duke's body into ghastly fragments. The assassin, stunned by the explosion, on being captured did not deny his crime, but gloried in its success. He expressed satisfaction that the duke's wife had not shared her husband's fate. Grand Duke Sergius had been the recipient of repeated warnings, and the utmost precautions had been taken to insure his safety.

THE HAI CHOU INCIDENT

Japan Satisfied That Germany Has Not Made a Grab.

Tokio, May 18.—The foreign office today announced the receipt of a communication from the German Government, whereby the German Government has agreed to accept the reports of the occupation of Hai Chou. The rumors of the German occupation of Hai Chou were never even credited here, but their disavowal was received with satisfaction.

Not at Present.

New York, May 18.—The Associated Press has investigated a statement published yesterday that John D. Rockefeller was about to give \$100,000 to establish a pension fund for retired clergymen, and is authorized to say that Mr. Rockefeller has no such purpose at this time.

Royal Arcanum Convention.

Atlantic City, N. J., May 17.—Over a hundred delegates from all parts of the United States and Canada were present at the session of the supreme council of the Royal Arcanum, which opened here today.

THE CONSERVATIVES IN CAUCUS DECIDE TO CONTEST LONDON

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, May 18.—At a Conservative caucus this forenoon it was decided to contest London and North Oxford. Whenever the writs are issued for these ridings the Opposition candidates will be placed in the field. The party will not wait for the writs, but will begin preparing for the fight immediately. Mr. Martin, of Prince Edward Island, occupied the chair at today's caucus.

ICE CRUSHER FOR LAKES

Govt. May Place One at Port Arthur to Aid Grain Shipments.

Winnipeg, May 18.—For the benefit of the constantly increasing grain trade by way of Port Arthur, the Government will be asked to station an ice crusher there permanently. For 20 years the season at Port Arthur has averaged 19 days less than at the Soo, and 13 days less than at Duluth, and it is felt that can be obliterated. The Government will be petitioned about the ice crushers kept in commission on the lakes until the last boats clear.

Railway Bills Passed.

Toronto, May 18.—The railway committee this morning passed the bills of St. Catharines and Welland Electric Railway, and the Hamilton, Guelph and North Shore Electric Railway. At the committee's final meeting tomorrow the York Radial and the Strathroy and Western Counties Railway bills will be taken up.

Crucial Day at Ottawa.

Ottawa, May 17.—Tomorrow will be a crucial day in Ottawa for the principle of public ownership. Ratepayers will vote on a bylaw authorizing the council to acquire the City of Ottawa's water works. Certain it is that all the anti-vice will be polled, and it remains to be seen how the vote will be cast.

Death of David Lamont.

Collingwood, May 18.—David Lamont, of Toronto, died here last evening at the residence of his brother, Mr. Hector Lamont. He was manager and secretary of the Stewart Strawcutter Company, and was connected with the Canadian Roller Bearing Company, besides several other industrial enterprises. He was born in Maylow, Wellington County, and was 46 years of age. He leaves a wife and one young daughter. Interment will take place here.

Manager of Bell Company Gives

Some More Interesting Evidence.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, May 18.—Rev. Father Jolicoeur, of St. Catharines, Que., who runs a 17-mile telephone line in Portneuf, was examined before the special committee on telephones today. The poles were hauled by the farmers in the winter, he said, and for this they got a frank for two years to send messages. There were fourteen subscribers. The line showed a revenue of \$150 last year. The expense was \$100 and the line had interchanging privileges with the Bell Company. Mr. S. P. Sise was again examined. When asked as to the evidence of Mr. Hoover in regard to his line in the county of York, he replied that he knew nothing about any difficulties that might have arisen with the Canadian Pacific. The superintendent, Mr. McFarlane, no doubt could explain the matter. In answer to Mr. Jolicoeur, Mr. Sise said that the railway companies got from the Bell unlimited use of all their lines. He intimated that this gave to the Bell a right to use the lines for their own purposes. When asked as to the evidence of Mr. Hoover in regard to his line in the county of York, he replied that he knew nothing about any difficulties that might have arisen with the Canadian Pacific. The superintendent, Mr. McFarlane, no doubt could explain the matter. In answer to Mr. Jolicoeur, Mr. Sise said that the railway companies got from the Bell unlimited use of all their lines. He intimated that this gave to the Bell a right to use the lines for their own purposes.

UNEMPLOYED WILL MARCH ON LONDON

English Labor Leaders Plan to Have Thousands of Men There.

London, May 18.—A great national demonstration in favor of the unemployed bill now before Parliament is being organized by James K. Hardie, socialist and independent member of Parliament and well-known labor leader, and other labor leaders. The programme includes the march of several hundred unemployed men from the railway station to the House of Commons, and the holding of a public meeting in Hyde Park. The date of the demonstration, which will be held in Hyde Park, has not been definitely settled, but it will be either June 10 or June 17. The men will be advised to throw the responsibility for the maintenance of their wives and children during the pilgrimage upon the authorities, and their children will be directed to demand food in the schools. There is no intention to send deputations to Parliament, where they probably would meet the fate of Grimby, the leader of the delegation from the army boot makers from Northamptonshire, who was thrown out of the speaker's gallery of the House of Commons May 12 after attempting to address the House, but to concentrate such a mass of unemployed men in London that Parliament will actually see the necessity for legislation. Meanwhile meetings will be held in Hyde Park and all the labor leaders will make speeches.

Spencer for I. C. R.

Ottawa, May 17.—It is understood that Mr. D. Pottinger is shortly to retire from the position of general manager of the Intercolonial Railway. The Government is believed to have a new appointment under consideration, and in that connection the name of Mr. H. K. Spencer, superintendent of the Ottawa division of the Canadian Pacific Railway, is being favorably mentioned.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair and Cool.

London, Thursday, May 18. Sun rises, 4:49 a.m. Moon rises, 7:24 p.m. Sun sets, 7:38 p.m. Moon sets, 5:02 a.m.

Our Cattle for Africa.

Ottawa, May 17.—Mr. Thos. Bradshaw, live stock purchase agent for the Dominion Government, has secured 50 head of young cows all under 4 years, and two bulls, for export to South Africa. The cattle were bought near Toronto, and are being shipped to the Cape Colony by the Dominion Government in an effort to secure the South African stock trade for Canada. They will be placed on the Government farms in the Orange River Colony near Bloemfontein.

Abruzzi for Africa.

Turin, May 18.—The Duke of Abruzzi, who has been preparing a great expedition to explore Central Africa, expects to be ready to start in the autumn.

Half Million to 'Varsity; Ontario to Make Grant

Plans of Late Government Carried to Fruition by Premier Whitney's Measure for Increased Facilities.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, May 17.—Substantial expenditures on capital account for Toronto University, with a view to providing greatly increased facilities and new buildings, are authorized by a bill introduced in the Legislature this afternoon by Premier Whitney, while he also gave the explicit promise that he would not allow the people of Ontario to be defrauded of a fixed annual sum to the university to cover the deficit which has existed in its maintenance account for the past five years. Briefly stated, the projected buildings to which Government grants are to be applied are a museum wing for the Science building, a Physicians' building, four men's residences, an addition to the women's residence, a glass house for forestry and botany experiments, a convalescent home, and the rebuilding of Toronto General Hospital, with a view to closer relations between that institution and the medical faculty of Toronto University.

The most unpleasant note of Mr. Whitney's speech was that he arrogated to his Government the credit for all these projects. When a matter of fact, all but one were undertaken in part or promise granted by the late Government, the exception being the convalescent home, the least important of the proposed buildings. For this Mr. Whitney was given a deserved rebuke by Hon. Mr. Haggart, in a brief, but well-weighted address. In introducing his bill, Mr. Whitney said the question was of great importance to the Province. When he came to introduce legislation in connection with the university he was representing 15,000 graduates, the majority of the members of the Legislature of Ontario, and not only that, but a public man rose to discuss a question with the certain knowledge that his words were the views of so great a majority of the people.

Mr. Whitney gave a brief outline of the history of the university. In 1827, King's College was given a charter and about 226,000 acres of land. This college was absolutely under the control of the Church of England. A controversy arose and in 1827 the college was secularized by the Legislature, and in 1849 an act was passed changing the name of King's College to the University of Toronto. In addition to the grant of 226,000 acres, the new university was also given about 130,000 acres of land and a sum of money. In 1839 the assets of the institution were placed at \$987,380, but mismanagement took place, and in 1863 the assets had dwindled to \$234,444. Since then these assets had grown and in 1902 they were: Leased lands, \$222,850; buildings, \$475,570; unproductive lands, \$777,945.

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HEADS OFF GENERAL STRIKE

Chicago Employees and Men Appoint an Arbitration Committee.

Chicago, May 18.—Aside from the presence of Mr. Gompers, the influence that gave greatest promise of a settlement of the strike today was an arbitration committee appointed by the Chicago Team Owners' Association and the Teamsters' Union. The committee is expected primarily to clear the controversy, which for several days has threatened to result in a general strike. The question to be arbitrated is the justification of the teamsters in refusing to make deliveries to strike-affected houses. The arbitration proposal came originally from the Lumbermen's Association. It was accepted by President Shea, and the joint team owners' organization. In anticipation of a favorable verdict, large numbers of teamsters are expected today to begin hauling to the strike-affected stores. The arbitration committee consists of one member of the team owners' association, one of the teamsters, and an umpire chosen by the other two.

DISTRICT OF MACKENZIE

Minister of Justice Introduces Bill for its Extension.

Ottawa, May 18.—Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick yesterday introduced some bills found necessary in connection with the granting of autonomy to the Northwest. By a bill respecting the District of Mackenzie it is proposed to erect it into a district with a constitution based upon that of the District of Keewatin, the territory to the north of the new province, and extending to the Arctic Ocean. The bill to amend the Keewatin act will add to the present District of Keewatin (1) those parts of the provincial Districts of Saskatchewan and Athabasca which are not included in the District of Keewatin; (2) the corresponding strip of the present provincial District of Mackenzie which is not to be included in the new district, and (3) the territory lying to the east of the District of Keewatin as now constituted and extending to Hudson's Bay.

CAPTAIN AND CANADIAN CREW IMPRISONED BY URUGUAYANS

Premier Will Again Bring the Matter Before British Government.

Ottawa, May 17.—Members of the House today appreciated the change from the monotony of the discussion of the autonomy bill, and entered with zest into the consideration of other matters. Topics of discussion ranged from the story of alleged unjust imprisonment of Canadian seamen in Uruguay to the seizure of the Agnes Donahue, as presented to the House, and the question of the Canadian seamen's case. Sir Wilfrid Laurier promised to bring the matter to the notice of the British Government, although he pointed to the attention of the House to the fact that the unfortunate men had been convicted by the laws of Uruguay after trial. An interesting debate occurred upon the question of freight rates between Ontario points and points in the Maritime Provinces. Hon. Mr. Fisher, however, although he introduced a bill making provision for the administration of the unorganized territories of the Northwest by the Government, did not probably be called on next year to make the necessary financial provision to carry out the bill.

Restoring the Railroad.

General Oku's Headquarters, Sunday, May 14, 3 p.m., via Pusan.—The railway has been completed and is operating as far as Tieling, temporary bridges replacing those that were destroyed. Work is rapidly pushing forward and material for permanent bridges is arriving from Japan. Thousands of junks are carrying supplies on the Liao River between New Chang and Tieling.

Saw Russian Fleet.

Saigon, May 17.—A correspondent of the Free Press writes from Saigon that the Russian fleet, which was sighted in the Gulf of Tonkin, was seen by a French gunboat on May 15. The fleet consisted of three battleships, two cruisers, and several torpedo boats. The Russian fleet was seen by a French gunboat on May 15. The fleet consisted of three battleships, two cruisers, and several torpedo boats. The Russian fleet was seen by a French gunboat on May 15. The fleet consisted of three battleships, two cruisers, and several torpedo boats.

SUNDAY CARS

Can Run From Hamilton to Burlington, But Not to Guelph.

Toronto, May 18.—In the railway committee today the Sunday clause caused some debate, and Mr. Crawford strenuously opposed the running of cars on Sunday. Hon. Adam Beck would not depart from the rule of the Province. The sentiment in the House was entirely opposed to Sunday cars. Chairman Hendrie said that Hamilton was in a different position from other cities in the Province. Sunday cars were common there, and the people were in the habit of visiting their friends in the country. He thought it was a matter of local option. The committee divided on Mr. Dwyer's proposal that Sunday cars be allowed to run to Burlington, but not to Guelph. 4, the dissentients being Messrs. Monteith, Beck, Hisslop and Crawford.

Delcasse to Go.

Paris, May 18.—Gossip is again busy with Foreign Minister Delcasse. La Presse asserts that Premier Rouvier has decided to dispense with his services, and that he will probably resign a diplomat to succeed him. The story rests solely on the authority of the newspaper and those whose views it represents.

Rojy Cuts His Last Link; Fairly Off to Meet Jap

St. Petersburg Expects Hourly to Hear of Scout Ships in Action—Admiral Not to Quit.

St. Petersburg, May 18, 2:30 a.m.—With a suspicious stoppage of dispatches from Manchuria, and a strong possibility that Vice-Admiral Rojovsky has cut his last communications with home and set forth on the final stage of his journey to his goal, either Togo or Vladivostok, keen interest is manifested in naval and military circles here in the two-fold field of war. Though the admiralty, which has been completely silent since the advent of Rojovsky in the Chinese sea, publishes no dispatches the conviction is growing that the united squadrons departed from the Annam coast immediately after the junction, and naval officers are anxiously expecting news of the first skirmishes between scouts of the hostile fleets.

Rojy Not to Quit.

St. Petersburg, May 18.—The fears expressed here yesterday that owing to the reported nervous breakdown of Vice-Admiral Rojovsky the Russian fleet in the far east would lose its present commander-in-chief, turn out to be unfounded. Captain Zhilov, the aide-de-camp, of Minister of Marine Affairs, today authorized the statement that Rojovsky has not been applied to be relieved from duty. However, the condition of the Russian admirals' health continues to be a cause of anxiety. It is confirmed that the report that he had applied to be relieved may have arisen out of the virtual decision of the condition of Rojovsky's health to send Vice-Admiral Birlikoff to Vladivostok, where Rojovsky, in the event of his success in the coming battle will take over the supreme command of the Russian naval forces in the far east, and occupy a post similar to that of late Vice-Admiral Makarov at Port