

WEEKLY REVIEW

Edmund Bryant was acquitted at Toronto by a jury on the charge of murdering his wife by giving her pills to procure criminal operation.

Discussing Christian Science with his daughter Emma and Miss M.C. Taber, Edwin Dabell, aged 75, got excited and shot both with a 22-caliber revolver at their home at Rochester, N.Y. Emma has a scalp wound and Miss Taber is shot in the back, wound serious.

The Toronto grand jury brought in a true bill in the criminal charges against Charles McGill, late general manager of the Ontario bank. The first indictment is for making false statements and reports. The second charge is theft and carries nine counts, the sums totalling \$125,000.

It is announced from London that Augustine Birrell will become chief secretary for Ireland to succeed Hon. James Bryce, recently appointed as British ambassador to the United States. Birrell will be succeeded as president of the board of education by Reginald McKenna, M.P.

Simon Gebreiski, who was convicted at Chatham and sent to the penitentiary at Kingston, for seven years for implication in bringing stolen furs into Canada, has been released on an arrangement with the New York state government, so that he might turn state's evidence in a jury robbery case. He has been taken across the border.

Mr. Miller of Grey moved a resolution in the House of Commons declaring that the subject of denatured alcohol and of legislation permitting the manufacture and use of the same free from excise duty, for fuel, light and power in the industrial arts, is one which is worthy of god should receive the early and careful attention of parliament.

A dispatch from Snowflake, Manitoba, says no trains have arrived for five days and the outlook is bad. A request that mails be sent forward from Larivière by teams has been turned down by the post office department and citizens are growing indignant. Snowflake is on the C.P.R. branch line along the international boundary.

Montreal is to have another wood and steel car shop to cost five million dollars. The new company propose constructing what will be the finest car construction plant in Canada. A site has been selected near the Dominion Car Co., near Montreal west. The new works are to have a capacity for turning out fifty to sixty complete cars a day. In addition to the car shops proper, there will be forge shop, an axle truck and boiler shop and a wheel and casting foundry.

PRESS COMMENTS

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citizen who avows that he has neither information or preference to act a lie and to say through the ballot box that he has both. Fortunately the senate is said to regard the new plan with no favorable eye. If it implements this opinion by a judicious amendment or even excision, it will be doing much to convince Canadians that it is in truth a revising chamber, and not the obedient servant of the administration.

(Butte News.)

It has just leaked out that, great lawyer and successful diplomat though Elihu Root is, he does not compose his own delicately worded official papers.

As a lawyer of large practice he acquired the habit of directness and incisiveness, which is ill suited to the ways and customs of diplomacy. Heavens this fully, it was not long after Mr. Root assumed the duties of secretary of state that he discovered that the safest course for him to pursue would be to have one of his assistants clothe in the formal and stilted language of diplomacy every communication of importance he had to make to a foreign power. Accordingly, he has Assistant Secretary Ade, who has been longer in the state department than any other high official there, compose these communications.

Mr. Root blocks them out, giving clearly, distinctly and incisively his ideas, and then turns them over to Mr. Ade, who produces a paper that conforms most minutely to all the requirements of diplomatic forms and customs, and which at the same time conveys accurately the meaning and intent of Mr. Root.

In other words Mr. Root supplies the diamond and Ade does the polishing.

(Greenfield Sun.)

The public have been informed that it is the intention of the government, or their supporters, or by Mr. Turgon, the new partner of Attorney General Lamont, as the government candidate in Prince Albert district for the legislature. As a mere matter of policy, to say nothing of courtesy or justice, we think the government would be wise to decline having a candidate in that district during the life of the present legislature. To some extent it would be an outward show, at least, of their disapproval of the frauds pre-

At the Presbyterian Foreign Mission committee meeting held in Toronto the salaries of a number of missionaries in western Canada were increased, and a special grant of \$1000 was also made for the Indian school at Regina. The problem of Hindu immigration was also dealt with.

The loss to the Gorge route at Niagara Falls as a result of the recent windstorm will reach ten thousand dollars and will involve the closing of the route for at least six weeks. The road bed is almost all washed out for about a mile. The loss to the power companies will be small, the heavy stone walls of the works and the forebays having withstood the strain of the rushing torrents.

A party of Galicians were on a C.N.R. train bound for a settlement at Starbuck, Man. The train became snowbound, and the Galicians left on foot thinking they had no more than a mile to walk to reach their homes. Apparently they were judged the distance, and five men and a woman are believed to have been frozen to death. The body of a Galician woman with a child in her arms, still living and the body of a man have been found. A search is being made for the missing men.

At a meeting of the Portage la Prairie Grain Growers' Association, a resolution was unanimously passed in favor of the Dominion government owning the terminal elevators.

According to report the government have decided upon a change of tariff in regard to threshing machines. Under the new schedule threshing outfits are dutiable at 20 per cent., but threshing separators at 25 p.c. duty when imported separately. The western members represented that this would be a hardship to the farming community, and accordingly it has been arranged that a uniform duty of 20 p.c. shall be levied upon machinery of a threshing outfit whether imported separately or not.

The Dominion government is bringing gentle but determined pressure upon the Doukhobors to induce them to become British subjects, and to occupy and cultivate their lands like other citizens. Circulars printed in both English and Russian have been sent to the elders in every village, and Rev. John MacOougall has visited extensively among them, and has taken great pains to make the situation clear to them. The Doukhobors are a people who represent a majority of the people of Canada. They desire their welfare, and assures them protection in their religious beliefs, and the enjoyment of the same rights as are extended to all residents in the Dominion.

petuated at the last election. With the exception perhaps of the Lott and Shibley ballot box frauds in Ontario at the last general Dominion election, no fouler blot ever disgraced the pages of Canadian political history than that of the Prince Albert district a little over a year ago.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

DISTRICT 9-R-2

The regular meeting was held today, the proceedings of which were as follows:

Proposed by A. M. Rao seconded by J. R. Symonds that H. Roe be chairman.—Carried.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and adopted.

Resolved that the communication from the deputy commissioner re road work, be held over to a future meeting.—Carried.

Rao-Roe—That the tax be 34 cent per acre (\$5.00) on each quarter section to be paid in cash. But that every tax payer may have one chance to work four-fifths of the total tax, and that all arrears must be paid in cash with interest.—Carried.

Moved that the secretary be re-engaged at the same salary as last year.—Carried.

Sundry accounts were ordered to be paid.

Resolved that it is necessary for the people around Grand Coulee that the roads north and south of the C.P.R. track be extended through the whole of sections 15, 12, 31 W. 2 to the east, and that a government survey be made as early as possible and title secured so that work may be done on the road this season, and that J. E. Hind, our secretary, call on the department of public works to explain further.

Next meeting to be at the call of the secretary.

MUST LIVE ON LAND

Government Insists on Doukhobors Taking out Patents—Protect Them but no Favors

After receiving the report of the special commission to investigate the Doukhobor land question, the government has issued a circular in English and Russian. The decision is to force the Doukhobors to abandon

the community practice and become responsible citizens. The circular says:

"The government is glad to see that some of the Doukhobors are cultivating their own land and have become or are becoming citizens of Canada, and British subjects. But it is very sorry to see that after having been in Canada for seven years, the large majority of the Doukhobors still cultivate their land in communion and refuse to become citizens of the country. They have left large areas of land which the government permitted them to hold in their name without cultivation and improvement. The law is that a man must cultivate his own land or he cannot hold it. The people who are not Doukhobors demand that Doukhobors be no longer allowed to hold land without cultivating it and occupying citizens of the country. The government of Canada is the majority of the people of Canada, and when the people of Canada say that the Doukhobors must not be allowed to hold land without cultivation, any longer, the government has to obey and must cancel entries on land that are not properly held so that they may be properly held by other people. The only Doukhobor entries that are properly held are those by men who live either on the land or in a village within three miles of it and who cultivate their own land for their own use and who have already become or intend to become Canadian citizens or British subjects. If any man who lives in a village cultivates his land more than three miles from the village in which he lives, his entry will be cancelled for six months to enable him to live and build on the land. If he does not live on the land within that time his entry will be cancelled.

"While the government wishes every man to cultivate his own land for his own use and to become a citizen, it will not attempt to compel the Doukhobors to do either. It will protect them as citizens in their religious beliefs, but it cannot longer give them privileges in regard to the land which it does not give to other people. If land upon which the village stands or partly stands is under entry, the entry will be cancelled in whole or in part so that the government can protect the Doukhobors in their homes. The community entry in the vicinity of each village to the amount of fifteen acres to each person in the village, and so distributed as to comprise as much of the community civilisation as possible will be cancelled and the land held by the government for the protection of the community Doukhobors during the pleasure of the government.

All other entries in the name of the community Doukhobors will be cancelled. The Doukhobors whose entries are cancelled will be permitted to make re-entry on cancelled land which is open for entry any time within three months after receiving the notice, and their re-entries will be made an application without additional fee. Doukhobors who make entry within three months, either with the commission which will vis-

it your community or at the head office, must state when making re-entry whether they intend to live on the land or in the village, and must state their intention of becoming British subjects. If the land is within three miles of the village in which they reside, they will be able to hold the land provided they cultivate it for their own use while living in the village. But if it is more than three miles from the village they must live on the land and must begin to live on it six months from the date of their re-entry. All re-entries will be subject to cancellation for non-compliance with these conditions of the law. If there is any community cultivation on lands re-entered on, it will be reserved for the use of the community during the year 1907 afterwards it will be for the homesteaders.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows

RUSSIAN HEIR A CHANGELING

A Paris correspondent to an American publication says, confidentially from St. Petersburg during a light most extraordinary situation in the home of the czar. On no less important authority than the dowager zarina, mother of Czar Nicholas, the assertion is made that their heir to the throne, and two and a half year-old czarévitch, was born an imbecile.

In place of the true heir a changeling was substituted, a child upon whose parentage reflection is cast that involves personages high in the court circles, and since the birth of the child, the recipients of favors that have astonished official Russia.

The great duchess, who was divided in her loyalty to the czar since the alleged forcing of an illegitimate child upon the country and constant wrangling has resulted. As was feared for some time the czar's treatment of his mother has caused a split in the Royal family from which grew the exposure of the truth.

It is stated that the czar three months ago gave orders that his mother be confined in a suite of rooms about which hovered a strong military guard and no communication with her was permitted anyone. For several days the agents of the czar have been spreading thinly veiled hints intended to arouse the suspicion that the zarina is insane, these have been pushed insistently but persistently until the people have been properly prepared to receive the news, a close friend of Dr. Hirsch, the royal physician, made the announcement that the zarina is insane and has to be taken out of the country for rest and treatment.

Without anyone, save the immediate members of the family, knowing what was happening, the czar was taken away to a retreat at Copenhagen which was ostensibly bought by the czarina, from the estate left by her father.

It will be recalled that the czar was always anxious for an heir to the throne. Four times was the country prepared for the celebration of a son, but in each case the new arrival was a girl. Finally it was announced that a son had been born. He was named Alexis and there was great rejoicing, the czar making it the occasion for publishing a ukase that freed hundreds of Siberian exiles.

In the courts of Europe it was the subject of comment for more than a year after the birth of the heir that there was wholly lacking any family resemblance in the features of the child. These facts now put together convince all official Europe that a substitute was made and that the czar has under exile his own mother to keep from the world the proof she is able to furnish.

A street car was struck by an east bound Big Four flyer at Third street Dayton, Ohio. Before the train could be stopped the street car was carried half a block. It was completely demolished. One passenger was killed and sixteen others seriously injured, two of whom will probably die.

A young English lad was brought to Balgonie from a farm south of there with both feet frozen and was sent to the hospital at Indian Head. It is thought that at least a portion of both feet will have to be amputated.

The car shortage question is under consideration by President Roosevelt and it is likely that the president will send a special message to congress urging that body to introduce legislation of a remedial nature.

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