

LORD NORTHCOTE VISITS CITY

FEW DAYS WILL BE SPENT IN VICTORIA

Ex-Governor General of Australia Reaches Here on Empress of India.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Lord Northcote, for five years governor-general of the Australian Commonwealth, and Lady Northcote, accompanied by H. H. Share, private secretary to Lord Northcote, arrived this morning from Sydney, Australia, via Japan, on the Empress of India.

Lord Northcote's last official function in Australia was the reception of the American fleet at Sydney last August. From Sydney Lord and Lady Northcote sailed for Japan, and there spent the three weeks, that being their first visit to the land of the chrysanthemum, where they were royally entertained, being the guests of the Emperor and Empress of Japan at lunch, and were also entertained by the Japanese minister of foreign affairs, Count Komura, and the minister of marine, Baron Saito, formerly a vice-admiral of the Japanese navy. Lord Northcote declined to speak on imperial matters.



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this morning or of his impressions of Japan, announcing that his report of his governor-generalship would be his first public statement upon his arrival in London.

Lord and Lady Northcote will be the guests of Hon. James Dunsmuir, lieutenant-governor of British Columbia, at dinner to-night, when there will be 20 guests present. This will be the only public function his lordship will attend while in Victoria.

Lady Northcote is a daughter of Lord Mountstephen, a large shareholder of C. P. R. stock. Lord Northcote is a friend of James J. Hill, who is expected to arrive in Vancouver today. His lordship telegraphed to Mr. Hill this morning announcing his arrival in Victoria, and is looking forward to meeting Mr. Hill either here or in Vancouver on Monday next.

Prior to leaving Australia Lady Northcote was the recipient of a handsome vase of solid gold wrought gold, the gift of the women of New South Wales, embossed with sprays of Waratah, and the front bearing Lady Northcote's initials, A. E. N., in monogram set in Australian tourmaline and zirconia, surrounded by a coronet, set with Australian whole pearls, the obverse carrying in raised gold letters, N. E. W., in monogram form. Round the inside rim the vase is inscribed: "From the women of N. S. W., 1st September, 1908. The ornament stands on a gold-mounted myall plinth, and the whole fitted into a handsome green lined mahogany case.

The departure of Lord and Lady Northcote from Sydney on Tuesday, September 8th, was marked by an exciting incident just after they left their carriage at the railway station. The horses, excited by the sound of a bugle, bolted, with the result that the carriage was smashed before the front of the horses was stopped, and one of the animals was injured. Their departure from Sydney was witnessed by a large crowd, many being ladies, and containing the prime minister, Alfred Deakin, the members of the cabinet, the lord mayor and lady mayoress and other notable people.

SIFTON DECLARED ELECTED. Brandon, Man., Nov. 7.—The returning officer yesterday made his official declaration in the Brandon election. The result is: Hon. Clifford Sifton, 3,565; Hon. T. M. Daly, 3,496; B. D. Wallace, 101; spoiled ballots, 47; rejected ballots, 28. Mr. Sifton was declared elected by a majority of 89.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS Unlikely to Deal With Tariff Revision—Leaves That to Taft.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 7.—In his coming message to congress President Roosevelt is not expected to touch on the tariff revision, leaving that delicate problem entirely for President Taft after March 4th. The message will merely review his administration, summarize his recommendations, not already acted on, and sum up the party promises during the campaign.

HOLOCAUST IN FARMER'S HOME

NINE LIVES LOST BY COAL OIL EXPLOSION

Members of Family Burn to Death as They Sleep.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 7.—Fire directly due to an explosion of coal oil, which was being used by Edward Carey, a farmer to light his kitchen stove, resulted in the death of nine people yesterday near Swan Lake, Man., one hundred miles southwest of here.

The dead are: Edward Carey, Mrs. Carey, Annie Carey, aged 18; Lelia Carey, aged 15; Evelyn Carey, aged 12; Lily Carey, aged 12; Gladys Carey, aged 9; Percy Carey, aged 8. Miss Mary Gillespie, a school teacher, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gillespie, of Swan Lake, who was spending the night at the house.

Early yesterday morning, Mr. Carey and his eldest son, Herbert, arose to do the chores, the boy going to the stable, while the father remained in the house to light the fire. On his return from the stable the boy noticed smoke issuing from the house, and on opening the door the father staggered out, his clothing all ablaze. The whole interior of the house was a mass of flames and shortly after the roof fell in.

No sound was heard, and it is thought that the family were suffocated as they slept. Neighbors rushed to the scene, and the work of getting out the bodies was begun. The whole nine were recovered, but were burned beyond recognition. It appears that Mr. Carey started the fire with coal oil, which exploded and immediately enveloped him in flames, all the clothing being burned from his body. The Carey family were one of the best known and most highly respected in that part of the country.

DIES FROM HEART FAILURE.

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 7.—Turnbull Smith, for 12 years the proprietor of the Gladstone House, Toronto, dropped dead last evening in his hotel, heart failure being the cause of death. He was 58 years old and leaves a family.

SIMON FRASER EXHIBIT WILL BE OPEN MONDAY

Display Will Be Continued at City Hall for Another Day.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The Simon Fraser exhibit, now on view in the council chamber of the city hall, is attracting large crowds, especially in the evenings. It has been intended to close the display to-night but in order to give an opportunity to all to see it the rooms will be kept open from 9 in the morning until 10 in the evening on Monday. As that is Thanksgiving Day it is expected that a large number will attend.

The exhibit will fill the large room of the city hall and is of a most interesting character. Including as it does nearly all the men who have had their share in the public life of British Columbia, the room has been visited by most of the older citizens of Victoria who find among the photos and other exhibits that which recalls the days of the past.

The exhibit has been prepared by the provincial government and is shown entirely free of charge. The Simon Fraser section, with relics of his age, is exceedingly interesting, but the collection has been brought right up to date and photos of the present members of the legislature are among the exhibits.

The exhibits are not only interesting. They have an educative value as well and all school pupils should attend the exhibit.

This afternoon and evening and Monday should see the rooms crowded.

FOR PURCHASE OF GLASTONBURY ABBEY

J. P. Morgan Subscribes \$1,250—Building Nearly Eleven Centuries Old.

London, Nov. 7.—J. Pierpont Morgan has donated \$1,250 to the fund that is being raised to purchase Glastonbury Abbey.

Glastonbury Abbey was founded by King Ina in the eighth century and replaced two centuries later by St. Dunstan. In 1184 it was destroyed by fire and was rebuilt by Henry II, and dedicated in 1203, long after the death of Henry II. In the reign of Henry VII, that monarch had the abbey dismantled and the abbey hanged. The most interesting of the ruins still standing is the chapel of the Virgin of St. Joseph, which was erected by Henry II.

NEW AMBASSADOR TO U. S. A. Berlin, Nov. 7.—Count Johan Henrich von Bernstorff has been selected by the Emperor to succeed the late Baron Von Sternburg as ambassador to the United States. The appointment has not yet been made officially but it is understood that an official announcement will be made within two or three days.



THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL

BOND GOVERNMENT STILL LEADING

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 7.—Election returns from Newfoundland to date show that the government has 17 and the opposition 15 seats, with four more seats to be heard from. Of these three are expected to go to the opposition and one to the government. If expectations are realized there will be a tie in the legislature of 18 on each side.

PLAN TO STAMP OUT OPIUM CRAZE

REPRESENTATIVES OF POWERS TO CONVEENE Mackenzie King is Canada's Appointee—Anglo-Chinese Agreement.

ALBERTA TO HOLD GENERAL ELECTION

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 7.—It is rumored here to-day that a general election will be held in Alberta in the middle of December. Dissolution will probably take place about the middle of this month.

DREAM COMES TRUE IN FRIGHTFUL EARNEST

Youth Awakes to Find Bullet Wound in His Side—Weird Happening.

ENGLAND MAY ADOPT THE "NU SPELING"

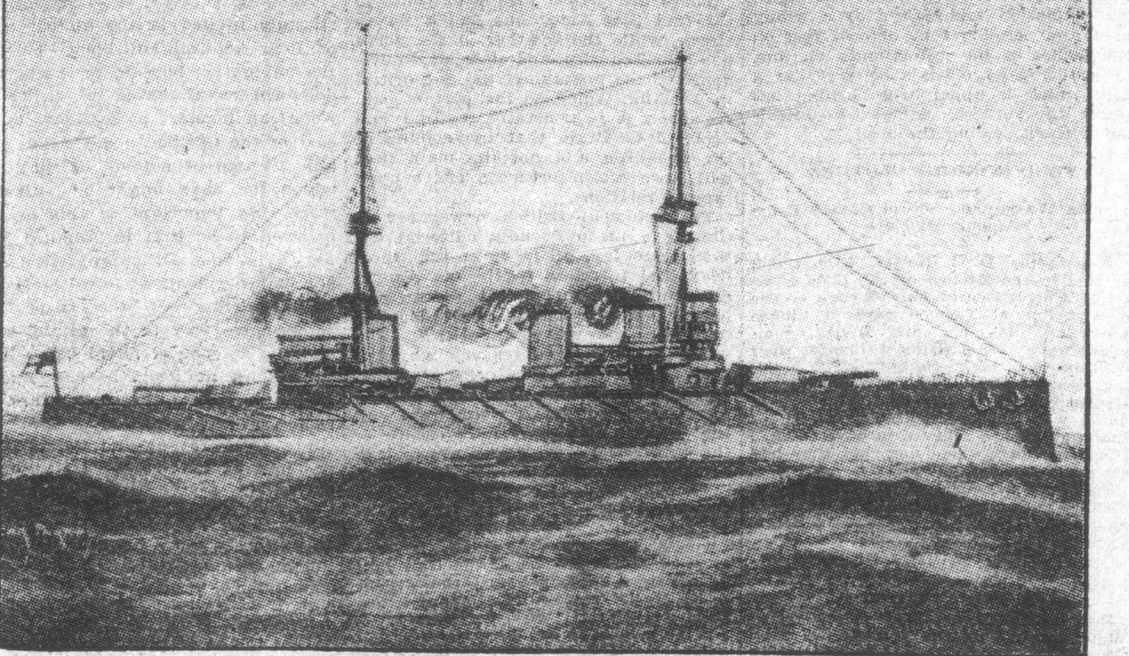
London, Nov. 7.—As the result of a visit of Dr. Chas. Scott, of New York, secretary of the simplified spelling board of America, and Prof. Bright, of John Hopkins university, the American movement for reformed spelling has been established in Europe by the organization of the Simplified Spelling Society which has opened offices opposite the British Museum. Andrew Carnegie is one of the vice presidents and has made a generous contribution to the funds of the society of which the president is Professor Skeat, of Cambridge.

ACCEPTS CALL TO MOOSE JAW.

Berlin, Ont., Nov. 7.—Rev. S. Marshall, of Trinity Methodist church in this city, has accepted a call to Moose Jaw.

BANK CLERK SENTENCED.

Cornwall, Ont., Nov. 7.—David E. Wilson, former clerk in Molson's bank at Chesherville, was yesterday sentenced to three and a half years on six charges of burglary.



H. M. ARMORED CRUISER INVINCIBLE.

The latest addition to the British navy is reported to be capable of reefing off 30 knots an hour.

EMPEROR AS TROUBLE-MONGER

GERMANY NOW REJECTS FRENCH PROPOSALS

Matin Correspondent Says Kaiser is Responsible for Hitch in Negotiations.

Paris, Nov. 7.—The Matin's Berlin correspondent says: Germany has rejected the French proposal submitted by Ambassador Cambon and that the government insists on France expressing regret at the actions of the French soldiers at Casa Blanca toward an official of the German consulate. The Emperor alone is responsible for this attitude and requests that every modification of the German demands be submitted to him by Prince Von Buelow, the Imperial Chancellor, and Herr Von Schomern the secretary for Foreign Affairs.

MANITOBA CABINET. Hon. J. H. Howden is Sworn in as Provincial Secretary.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 7.—Hon. J. H. Howden was sworn in this morning as provincial secretary and Hon. G. D. Coldwell as minister of education. Mr. Howden was minister of telephones, but the commissioner has taken all these duties out of his hands. Premier Roblin did not want to get rid of Mr. Howden out of the cabinet, so gave him the lightest portfolio.

BIG GRAIN MOVEMENT. Winnipeg, Nov. 7.—A thousand cars of grain a day are now moving to Thunder Bay. Nothing like it has been known in the history of the west. In addition much was moved to the Pacific coast this year, relieving the tension on eastern lines. For the first time in the history the prairie provinces have been exporting via Vancouver in sailing vessels to Europe and Japan.

SHOOTING ACCIDENTAL. Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 7.—Chester Urquhart has been acquitted on a charge of murder in connection with the shooting of George Clarke while on a hunting trip. The magistrate found the affair was purely accidental.

RAILROAD REVENUE IS AGAIN NORMAL. Washington, Nov. 7.—In the opinion of Franklin N. Lane, interstate commerce commissioner, the railroad, financial and industrial condition of the country is improving.

"It is a fact," said he yesterday, "hardly believable, but nevertheless true, because it is reported by the railroads themselves, that the total operating revenue per mill of railroads for the year ending June 30th, 1908, exceeds that of any other year in the history of railroading in the United States, except the one year of 1907."

The average operating revenue per mile of line per month for the 226,000 miles of railroad reporting to the commission was \$88 for the fiscal year of 1908. This was less by about \$61 than for the year 1907, but it was more than any preceding year, and was \$118 per mile per month more than in the year of the last presidential election. These facts bear out the statement I made last spring that the year would not prove so unfortunate for American railroads as many prognostics forecast. Many railroads are ordering new cars and rails because they need them. As I predicted, there is a local car shortage even now. Conditions rapidly are becoming normal and prosperous.

PARTRIDGES FOR B. C. London, Nov. 7.—The Allan Hiner Corsican is carrying 100 partridges for stock purposes in British Columbia.

SCHWAB SHUTS UP HIS \$7,000,000 HOME

Steel King Cannot Afford to Keep Riverside Mansion Going.

New York, Nov. 7.—Following the announcement that he could no longer afford to keep open his seven million dollar home on Riverside drive, Chas. M. Schwab, the steel king, has boarded it up and installed a caretaker. The Schwab palace was regarded as the most expensive in America. He has rented a house at South Bethlehem for a year, when he hopes to have his affairs readjusted so that he can maintain his Riverside establishment.

FATALITY OF CARELESSNESS. Barrie, Ont., Nov. 7.—The two year old son of W. A. Boyd died yesterday of strychnine poisoning. The baby ate a piece of bread from a pantry shelf. The bread was left there in order to poison mice.

DROWNS WHILE PADDLING. Stratford, Ont., Nov. 7.—Leo Newell, aged 18, was drowned to-day in six feet of water while paddling with an unknown companion on Victoria lake.

DANGER OF WAR HAS PASSED

SERVIA'S CROWN PRINCE NOW IS PEACEMAKER

Clouds Lifting in Near Eastern Situation—Firm Attitude of Powers.

London, Nov. 7.—The correspondent of the Times at Belgrade in a dispatch says: A complete change in the situation here in the last few days seems to justify the anticipation that all immediate danger of war in the Balkans has been removed. This change is due to the impracticable scheme of the territorial compensation. The Crown Prince of Serbia returns from Russia as the peacemaker, and doubtless in the future will abstain from bellicose utterances, the Russian government having shown a determination not to do or countenance any efforts on the part of Serbia and Montenegro to set aside what has been accomplished, or to obtain territorial compensation by force of arms.

Armenian Question. London, Nov. 7.—The Times correspondent at Constantinople reports that the Turkish government will make an effort to deal with the Armenian agitation by conceding grants of government lands to those Armenians possessing title deeds to land from which they were disposed by Kurds at the time of the massacre.

EUROPEAN MONARCHS MEET AT SCHOENBRUNN. Vienna, Nov. 7.—Emperor William arrived at the castle in Schoenbrunn, a suburb of Vienna, yesterday on a brief visit to Emperor Francis Joseph. The coming of Emperor William is regarded as a demonstration of German good-will toward the Austrian attitude on the near eastern question, and the public turned out in large numbers to cheer his majesty.

There was a picnic dinner party at the Schoenbrunn castle in the evening, at which the two emperors and their suites were present. A conversation circle was formed after the dinner, and Emperor William had a long talk with Baron Von Merenthal, the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, and later with Emperor Francis Joseph.

Emperor William left at 9 o'clock for Donaue Eschingen in Baden, for a hunt as the guest of Prince Furstenberg, who has a fine estate there.

It is reported that the resignation of the Austrian cabinet was imminent as the outcome of dissensions between the German and Czech ministers, arising from the recent racial conflict in Prague and other Bohemian towns.

RACE FROM HONOLULU. In a race with the French barque Marechal de Noailles from Honolulu to the Columbia river, the French barque Sainte Anne left her adversary far behind. The Sainte Anne had but three hours the start of the other big windjammer. Had the latter maintained the same speed as the former she would have crossed into the Columbia river about three days ago.

The Sainte Anne, Captain Bernard, was 25 days completing the passage from the islands. For the most part she had fair weather and favorable wind, leaving so close behind her, it is presumed that the other big sailer had the same opportunity of taking advantage of the favorable conditions to make an ordinarily quick passage.

Both barques are in ballast and under charter to load wheat for the outward voyage. By reason of long voyages there was no great danger of the charters being lost on account of long passages, but the skippers decided they would drive the craft through for all they were worth. The voyage was unattended by any excitement other than that experienced by any crew which is trying to beat other sets of sailors at a game both are supposed to be well versed in.

FIVE MAYORALTY CANDIDATES. Calgary, Nov. 5.—Clifford Jones last night withdrew his name from the mayoralty contest, leaving five contestants in the race. The fight promises to be keen.

VICTIM OF DERRICK. Petrolia, Ont., Nov. 7.—Wm. Stack, a foreman of the Schumackers' property, was struck by the pole of a derrick yesterday afternoon sustaining injuries which caused death an hour later.

CATASTROPHE OFF JAPANESE COAST

Steamer Founders During Storm, Engulfing One Hundred and Fifty Lives.

Tokio, Nov. 7.—News has reached here of the loss of the steamer Taihsi, which was sunk during a storm off Etoro island.

One hundred and fifty persons were drowned. The vessel was crowded with fishermen and passengers, and of those aboard only twenty-nine were saved.

The Taihsi was a vessel of 674 tons. Etoro island is a small island near the island of Hokkaido.

TAFT WILL BE BIG MA

MARYLAND AND W ARE NOW RE

Missouri Still in D umn—Socialis Small Vot

New York, Nov. 5.—Pete returns received here last night indicate Taft, of Ohio, as president have a vote of 309 in the college. It is within the forecast made by J. M. Hitchcock, and 66 majority out of the total of 483. The most important returns indicate land, vacillating during apparently being safe racy, has been swung column. The figures give state by 149 votes.

Maryland was the last of the states to be heard and West Virginia as well turned out to be safe. Colorado was for Bryan. Mr. Bryan has 174 than he received in 1896. Parker received only 148. Mr. Bryan received 158 the Nebraska vote. Mr. Taft's 369 electors pare with 336 received in 1904, 292 received by M Missouri.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 5.—turns to the Post-Dispatch the 115 counties in Missouri being completed. Mr. Taft 290,177; Bryan, 277,767; Mr. Cowherd (D.) Hadley's plurality, 15,000. The electoral college can decide the election of the state's electors.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 5.—Chicago, Tuesday's election great falling off from the in the three principal cities in which the Socialist vote was not expected to exceed 21,000. Cincinnati and Cleveland as strong Socialists. There was a gain of 10,000 votes in the Socialist vote.

Canada Field F BRIT

London Bank Ma Out Its A tages

F. W. Taylor, Lo the Bank of Montreal, ed from revisiting Car terval of seven years in Canada. Canadian Gas "It was greatly impr remarkable improvement of the cities, of w all, from Quebec to otherwise is more str than in the east. The beautiful cities in Car prepping to dispe and in the progress of nearly every case the ured by unsightly te seems to me the time to be segregated. It should be put underg ence it would make of the respective plac mous. Extraordinary mind in street view. I fear, in Montreal, tion of the chief thos us to be highly dis west scores of new. I am sure that the importance have since my last tr made in 1901, and in the extension of rail which that portland a really marvellous.

The Banks and Questioned as to the conditions in Canada, that as a result of crisis which occurred Canadian banks have an unusually strong "So far as the Ba concerned," contin "there is no period its position has not partially to its we making its call lo States and in Lond readily available, in but its position toed than in the past. A Canada escaped the financial storm whi over the United St excellent banking st tory currency laws, lations with our nei are so intimate tha are affected by the tr which the country accented by the nee in Great Brita ions of dollars wh into Canada in pay ful crops of this ye a long way to resti normal level. I do that trade will be here of 1907, because years, but I do g satisfactory trade, vall, and probably ditions in Canada. As specu are never so great the line, so some sion, the crop will certainly be without difficulty, i