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IMPERIAL DEFENCE **COUNCIL ESSENTIAL CLAIMS BERESFORD**

British Politicians and Representatives of the Dominions Hear His Message.

BRITAIN'S "DECADENCE"

Mid Enchanting Scenery, Big Crowd Hears of Weakness of Imperial Defence.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, March 14.- The London correspondent of the Montreal Gazette says: Home politicians, together with representatives from the dominions, sat amid the enchanting scenery of the "Darling of the Gods," in His Majesty's Theatre, yesterday, while the auditorium and galleries were crowded to hear warnings concerning the deficiencies of imperial

Lord Charles Beresford was expected to be among the star performers, but was prevented by an attack of influenza, and Sir Herbert Tree, who presided, received a letter from him of pungent criticism on the present public apathetic attitude regarding imperial defence. Lord Charles called attention to the shortages recently reported in the regular army and the territorials, also referring to the naval weakness. A decade ago, he said, Britain was supreme over all the seas on a naval basis properly manned and gunned. Now there was discussion as to whether there was even a margin of one or two ships over the standard laid down. It appeared to him that the first necessity was to call immediately an imperial council of defence, all the dominions being represented, without which it was impossible to dream of a businesslike and common sense foundation of empire defence.

This rousing appeal for imperial unity was followed by Digby Dinman, premier of Queensland, who boasted of Australia's compulsory military service. Mr. Page-Croft, M.P., depicted England

demoralized, football and tango teas excluding the visions of empire defence. The meeting was organized as an im perial mission, and the agents-general of Nova Scotia and British Columbia were on the platform.

MRS. PANKHURST WINS RELEASE FROM JAIL

"Hunger and Thirst Strike" Is Successful-Brutal Treatment Alleged.

[Canadian Press.]

March 14,-Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the militant suffragette leader, was again released from Holloway Jail She had started a "hunger and thirst" strike immediately after her arrest on Sunday last at Glasgow, and is reported to be in a very weak and exhausted condition

A demonstration had been arranged by the militant suffragettes outside of the prison, but this failed owing to the secrecy with which Mrs. Pankhurst was removed with which Mrs. Pankhurst was removed from the building. She was driven in a prompted by reports that the coming to Another of the women said: "It is a taxicab to a nursing home.

Suffragists charge the police with brutal treatment of the militant leader at the time of her arrest in Scotland. Mrs. Pankhurst fell during the scrimmage, and the militant newspaper says the police threw visers than Gen. Villa appears to have her bodily into a cab, where they allowed in handling complications growing out of her to lie on the floor, while they sat on the killing of Wm. S. Benton, a British more deplorable story than that which the seats insulting her. An investigation subject. of the incident is demanded.

SYLVIA TOO. Miss Pankhurst also was liberated from and that they might publicly embrace as Holloway Jail today. She had been in an evidence of their perfect harmony was

prison since March 8. THE WEATHER.



TEMPERATURE The following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London for the 24 hours preceding 8 p.m. yesterday Highest, 40 above; owest, 20 above. The official temperatures for the 12

LOCAL

TOMORROW-FAIR AND MILD.

Forecasts.

Fresh southerly to westerly winds; fair and mild today and on Sunday.

Temperatures.

The following were the bishest and The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today
Stations. High.
Victoria 56
Calgary 54

Parry Sound..... Father Point.....

ather Point..... 28 18 Cloudy
Weather Notes.
Pressure is generally low over the
orthern portion of the continent and
ligh over the southern portion.
The weather is fair and moderately
cold from Eastern Ontario to the Mari-

ILLUSTRATIONS THAT SHOW NATURAL LOCATION FOR RIDOUT STREET SUBWAY



Ridout Street, Looking North to the Tracks.

Ridout Street, Looking South to the Tracks.

Low construction charges, because of the natural slope of the land from bo the sides of the railway right-of-way, is one of the principal arguments for the Ridout street subway under the Grand Trunk. The two cuts illustrate this in no uncertain manner. From York street to the tracks there is a "rise" of many feet, while from the tracks to the level of Horton street there is a slope that precludes the necessity for any depression to secure the proper "approach" to a subway. Grand Trunk engineers who have gone over the situation have expressed themselves as being satisfied that Ridout street is the logical location for a subway. Street car traffic to and from South London could be diverted through a subway there without the slightest inconvenience to patrons of the company. While the present downtown level crossing blockades would be a thing of the past The pictures of the two approaches to the present level crossing at Ridout street are regarded as the best possible arguments that could be used for the

In the photograph "looking north," the height of the present tracks above the level of York street is indicated by the small portion of the street car, turning at York street, that is visible. The view looking south illustrates, by the Gas C ompany's property, the slop of the Ridout street hill that could easily be cut to

Wild Geese Herald Approach of Spring

Signs of spring there are many, but none surer than the northward flight of the Canadian wild geese. When their peculiar cries of "Honk honk, honk" sound through the gray March atmosphere and the V-shaped phalanx in which they always fly, led by their tribal leader, gleams faintly against the early morning sky, then, indeed, does the Canadian" heart feel gladdened, for spring cannot be very far off. Two East Londoners, William Johns, of 497 Elizabeth street, and George Young, of 345 Adelaide street, reported seeing this morning a flock of several hundred geese flying dinorth. They were honking and flying in their usual reetly north. angular lines.

Militants Surprise Police, But

Are Arrested After Damage

Done.

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 14 .- A detachment of

militant suffragettes, armed with hatchets

of Reginald McKenna, home secretary, in

automobile, and took by surprise the

those who took part in the attack were

Mr. McKenna left town for the week-end

Two Months Each.

The six women, who mostly gave false

names, were later in the day charged at

Westminster police court and each sen-

tenced to two months' imprisonment with

wouldn't have given much for him-Mr

ucky thing for you, we do not shoot.'

All the women pleaded guilty, and said they had been driven to break Mr. Mc-

The magistrate, in passing sentence

had been told to the court.
"Rot!" ejaculated one of the women

who were then led away to the cells.

Birmingham, Eng., March 14.-A mili-

tant suffragette "arson squad" set the

torch to the tennis pavilion of the Olton

Club, five miles from this city, in the

course of last night. The building was

Arrest Edward Arnold.

As he was about to retire shortly aft

nidnight Friday, Robert Tremain, groce

of Dundas street, London Junctic

thought he heard someone moving about

in his grocery store. Walking stealthfu

to an outside window and peering throu

the glass he saw a man crouching on t

floor. Tremain quietly slipped over to

neighbor's and summoned the police

When the officers arrived in the mo-

Edward Arnold, was found in the st

patrol a man, who gave his name

In court today Edward Arnold appe ed before Magistrate Judd to answer

entering Tremain's store. He elect summary trial and pleaded not gui The police was not ready to go on, a the case was adjourned until Mond

harge of breaking into and unlawfu

and placed under arrest.

HIDING IN STORE

burned to the ground.

POLICE FIND MAN

Smith Square, Westminster, today.

yesterday.

SMASH WINDOWS OF M'KENNA'S RESIDENCE ON THE PRESIDENCY

Nothing Less Will Satisfy the One-Time Bandit, Says Close Friend.

IS REALLY THE DICTATOR

Coming of Carranza to Chihuahua Not to Lessen His General's Power in Any Way.

[Canadian Press.]

Chihuahua, Mexico, March 14 .- "Villa, the one-time bandit, will be the next. president of Mexico. That is his ambition, and, despite all reports to the contrary, it will remain his ambition until he either is dead or president."

This declaration was made today by friend so close to Gen. Villa as to give nized as the civil head of the revolution was to bring about conditions more satisfactory to foreign governments and to place in the seat of authority better adity shown to our beloved leader."

Likely To Embrace. That Villa and Carranza might meet, Gen. Carranza is now on his way over land from Sonora and a magnificent marble building has been prepared as the official residence or capital, in which he is o perfect the details of government. It was stated emphatically that the coming of Carranza is not to lessen in any way the power now wielded by Villa,

who for months has been a dictator. City Is Resigned. In the absence of any indication tha Gen. Villa intended to move southward immediately, this city, the largest in rebel territory, apparently has resigned itself to an indefinite state of revolution Outwardly conditions are almost normal. The military band discourses operation music on the plaza; crowds promenade in hours previous to 8 the gay lights; a wandering Tarahumare a.m. today: Highest, Indian, garbed only in a blanket, a pair 35 above; lowest, 28 of boots and a silk hat, joins the parade, and an enterprising merchant opens

soda water fountain

Power Is Villa's. The silent disappearance of "suspects," the reports of executions and the general knowledge that many people for months have been hiding in the basenents of buildings, form another aspect of life little mentioned. The "man on the hill," Gen. Villa, who resides on an elevation a few blocks from the United States consulate, is the one man who can pronounce life or death for any of those who stroll in the plaza or hide in

> Cruiser Returns. [Canadian Press.]

Vera Cruz, Mexico, March 14.-The British cruiser Essex returned here today from New Orleans. She recently took Sir Lionel Carden, British minister to Mexico to Galveston on his way to Wash-

MELIE ENTERS PLEA OF "NOT GUILTY" TO SHOOTING CHARGES

men Denies Accusations and **Elects Summary Trial.**

Macbeth — An Interpreter Needed This Morning.

Rocco Melie, the foreigner charged with the shooting of William Skingley and Hector Miller, two hydro-electric inemen, in the Hotel Harrison bar on the night of March 3, will come up for trial before Judge Macbeth at 11 o'clock next Saturday morning. He appeared before the judge this morning and elected and hammers, smashed every pane of summary trial. He pleaded not guilty to glass on the ground floor of the residence all charges laid against him.

His counsel, J. H. Flock, stated that The he was ready to go on with the trial at six women arrived in the square in an any time, and the date was fixed for Saturday next. policemen who keep continued guard over the homes of the state ministers. All of Four charges are preferred against him by the crown. He is charged with assault occasioning actual bodily harm on

arrested, however, as they were leaving, each of the linemen, and also with shooting with intent to do bodily harm. Melie does not know sufficient English o understand the questions put to him by the court, and the proceedings this morning were carried on by the aid of an

"Boadicea" Threatens. One of the prisoners, who gave the name of Boadicea, said in court: "I wouldn't have given work." N. S. W. TRAIN WRECK

One Family Practically Wiped Out While on Sorrowful

[Canadian Press.] Temora, New South Wales, March 14 .-

Ten passengers were killed and fifteen others injured, three of them seriously n a collision today between a mail train and a freight locomotive, which was shunting at Exeter station, near Moss The accident occurred during a dense fog.

Among the ten killed were a man and his two daughters, who were taking home the body of the man's wife, who had died previously in a hospital. A son of the same family was seriously hurt. train was proceeding from. Sydney to

STREET CAR DELAYS Yesterday's Records of "Hold-ups" at Level Crossings.

On Owner's Complaint, Officers Visit East End Grocery and

	Crossing.	Time.	Lo
	G.T.RRichmond	4:32-4:35 p.m.	3 m
	G.T.RRichmond		4 m
	G.T.R-Richmond	6:53-6:58 a.m.	5 m
er	G.T.RRectory .	3:34-3:40 p.m.	6 m
er,	G.T.RRichmond	6:53-6:58 p.m.	5 m
er,	G.T.RRichmond	6:50-6:59 a.m.	9 m
m,	G.T.RRichmond	4:13-4:18 p.m.	5 m
ut	G.T.RRichmond	6:54-6:59 a.m.	5 m
lly	G.T.RRichmond		5 n
	G.T.RRichmond	.10:44-10:50 p.m.	6 n
gh	G.T.RRichmond	.9:54-10:00 p.m.	6 n
he	G.T.RRichmond	9:35-9:47 p.m.	12 n
a	G.T.RRichmond	9:30-9:45 p.m.	15 n
	G.T.RRichmond	9:36-9:45 p.m.	9 n
ce.	G.T.RRichmond	.11:06-11:10 a.m.	4 n
or	G.T.RRichmond	9:37-9:46 p.m.	9 n
	G.T.RRichmond		5 n
	G.T.RRichmond		5 n
	G.T.RRichmond	9:38-9:46 p.m.	8 n
	G.T.RRichmond		10 n
	G.T.RRichmond		7 n
	G.T.RRectory .		6 n
ed	G.T.RRichmond	.10:04-10:08 p.m.	4 n
ty.	C.P.RAdelaide .	8:44-8.49 p.m.	5 n
nd	C.P.RAdelaide	11:38-11:42 p.m.	4 n
ey.	C.P.RAdelaide .	8:00-8:08 p.m.	8 n
	G.T.RRichmond	9:38-9:47 p.m.	9 p

PHYSICIAN SAYS LADY SUPT. USED PIN TO FIND DIRT

Man Accused of Shooting Line- Claims Discovery of Minute Accumulation Caused Resignation of Miss Wilson.

COMES UP NEXT SATURDAY TRUST SENDS A LETTER

Will Appear Then Before Judge Pupil Nurses Remain in Operating Room Only Until Graduate Is Secured.

> Though no meeting of doctors to discuss the resignation of Miss Isabella Wilson, late operating-room head nurse at Victoria Hospital, has yet been held, developments in this matter are expected within a day or two. The 21 medical men who signed the

petition, asking the hospital trust for an investigation of Miss Wilson's resignation, and requesting that in order to keep up the standard of the surgical work, there be less frequent changes in the department, have received a circular letter from Lieut .- ', ol. W. M. Gartshore, chairman of the board, advising them that as the resignation of Miss Wilson was voluntary, the trustees did not consider themselves warranted in making any fur ther investigation.

Supervisor in Charge. As for eliminating the frequent hanges in connection with the position, Col. Gartshore points out that this is matter entirely in the hands of the nurses, who have resigned from the posi-tion on their own initiative. The employment of pupil nurses, it is further explained, has, in all cases, been only temporary, between the resignation of one graduate and the engagement of another, and that during such an interval supervisor had always been in charge. signed the petition to The Advertiser last "She was one of the best nurses who has ever held the position.

Dirt on Pinpoint. According to the physician, Miss Wilson resigned following a reprimand from the lady superintendent, Miss Margaret Stanley. Miss Stanley, it is said, came into the operating-room, and with a pin succeeded in digging up a minute quantity of dirt along one of the window sashes. For the presence of this small accumulation of dust, it is said, Miss Stanley took Miss Wilson severely to task. At the same time, Miss Stanley, it has been pointed out, gave Miss Wilson most excellent recommendations the latter sought the position of public

"SAYS ALL IS OVER BUT THE SHOUTING'

T. P. O'Connor Thinks Tories Will Accept Government Offer on Home Rule.

New York, March 14.- A special cable to the New York American from London says: Irish party leaders are determine the home rule bill shall go through with out further concessions to Ulster, whatever happens. T. P. O'Connor sends the following message to the New York American: "All is over but the shouting. King Gustav V., was summoned today There will still be a good deal of shout- through the Swedish legation in St.

they will leave it. local newspaper, says: "The Carsonites gress for some time.
are not to be conciliated at any cost. The The grand duchess is a daughter of the

Devlin is now regarded as a most pow-rful influence in the Irish party, and reat weight is attached to his mani-

MANY WOMEN SMOKERS DECLARE TOBACCONISTS

Dealers Have Different Story Than Temperance Workers-London To Have Clinic for Treatment of "Cigarette Habit."

ing among women in this city, tobacconists have a different story to tell. Women interested in the temperance

work and other social reform organzations are watching with keen interest uccess of the clinic for cigarette smokers in Toronto. As soon as the efficiency of the treatment is assured steps will be taken to establish a similar clinic in According to Mrs. May R. Thornley, of the W. C. T. U., the extent of cigarette smoking among local boys

In Chicago a clinic has also been established for girls and women who wish to quit smoking. The treatment consists of spraying the smoker's throat with nitrate of silver solution. Lucy Page Caston, president of the Chicago Anti-Cigarette League, declares that the treatment is quite successful.

Don't Need Women's Clinic Here. "I know Mrs. Caston," said Mrs. Thornley, "but I don't think we need a clinic for girls or women here. number of girls and women in London who smoke is very small in comparison

The tobacconists' version of London's ondon declare that there is little smok- women smokers is different, however. "You would be surprised," said one tobacconist, "to know how many women smoke in London. We keep quite a number of brands in stock especially for the use of our lady patrons." Women's Sales Increasing.

As a matter of fact, a few years ago it was difficult to secure ladies' elgarettes in London. There was no call for them. Now any tobacconist will supply you with "morrisettes," "dames," and half a dozen other brands recommended especially for ladies' use. Their sales are constantly increasing, the tobacconists declare, and to all classes of society, "the colonel's lady and Judy O'Grady," as Rudyard Kipling would say.

One woman, influential in social reform circles, declared to The Advertiser that the smoking habit by many workinggirls was learned in tobacco and cigar factories, where they were employed. But a different deduction could probably be drawn from the fact that all the brands of cigarettes called for in local shops by lady smokers are the more fas tidious and high-priced brands.

CARRANZA OFFERS FULL PROTECTION

Consents to American Consuls Looking After Foreigners' Interests-Will Hear Any Applications.

[Canadian Press.] Washington March 14.—General ranza has consented to have American

foreigners in parts of Mexico under control of the constitutionalists, where their own governments have no consular representatives. Where there are such representatives, he suggests that, even where their governments have recognized Huerta, these consuls may unofficially communicate with him without

involving their governments. Also, he suggests his willingness to listen and heed any applications made to him directly by the friends and relatives of foreigners whose lives or property may be threatened, and to make investigation of every case and to punish any of his followers who may be

culpable This is the substance of a telegraphic report made to Secretary Bryan today by Consul Simpich at Nogales. Copies of the communications have been furnished to the various diplomatic representatives in Washington by Secretary

Bryan, without comment. Rear-Admiral Fletcher reported today that there were no developments at Tam-

THREATENED G. P. A. STRIKE IS AVERTED

"We were very sorry to lose Miss Wil-n;" said one of the physicians who venting a National Calamity.

> [Canadian Press.] Montreal, March 14.-As a result of negotiations that have been conducted during the past few days between representatives of the maintenance of way employees engaged on the Canadian Pacific Railway and D. McNicol, the vicepresident of the company, a threatened strike that would have practically tied up the entire traffic from coast to coast of the company, has been averted. In an interview with Mr. Lowe, international president of the Maintenance of Way Employees' Association, today, it was learned that as a result of confer ences held with Mr. McNicol, it was mutually agreed to accept that part of the recent arbitration board's award, which recommended that each body should withdraw its claims for the present. Mr. McNicol further agreed to meet the delegation at any time on or after

A ROYAL DIVORCE

Grand Duchess To Answer Charge Deserting Husband.

[Canadian Press.]

Stockholm, March 14.-The Grand Duchess Pavloyna of Russia, wife of Prince William of Sweden, second son of ing, but it will not matter. The Government have said their last word—the Tories may take it or leave it. I think to answer a charge of having deserted her husband. Divorce proceedings be-Joseph Devlin, in a spirited article in a tween the royal couple have been in pro

ome rule bill should be carried as it Grand Duke Paul Alexandrovitch, and stands, and the Government must take cousin of the Emperor of Russia. She is the responsibility of enforcing the law against the aristocrats pleading rebellion."

I have one son, Prince Lendard Course of Russia. She is the responsibility of enforcing the law now in her 24th year. Her husband is in his 30th year, and the marriage took place in 1908. They have one son, Prince Lendard Course of Russia.

FATHER INSISTS ON INVESTIGATION OF SON'S STORY

Edward Taylor Persists That Boy Was Abused by Sanatorium Patients.

consuls to look after the interests of SAYS LAD STILL SUFFERS

Mother Claims That Men Admitted Striking Boy With Strap and Slippers.

Edward Taylor, 180 Hamilton road, who alleges that his 7-year-old son was assaulted and beaten by two male patients at the Byron Sanatorium, stated today that although the county police had declined to act on the charge, claiming that there was not sufficient evidence to support it, he would insist on an investigation being held. He is seeking legal advice as to the course he should

Boy Said He Was Abused. According to the story told by Taylor the little boy was placed in the Sanatorium about seven weeks ago, and with another boy about his own age, was placed in a ward in company with two men. Soon after going there the boy complained to his father that the men were ill-using him, but as he showed no marks the father did not pay any attention to it for some time. One day Mrs. Taylor went to see the boy and says she found him with a mark on the side of his nose, which the boy stated had been caused by a ring on the hand of one of

the men. Says They Admitted it. After hearing the story the mother ent out on the verandah in company with another woman, and asked the two men if what the boy said was true. She claims that both men admitted beating the boy with a strap and also with using a slipper freely on him.

Mr. Taylor laid information with Squire Chittick, and after consultation with Crown Attorney McKillop, Constable Corsault was delegated to investigate. He went to Taylor's home and saw the boy, and also went to the Sanatorium and interrogated the two men. Refused To Take Up Case.

Upon reporting the results of the investigation to the crown attorney it was decided that there was not sufficient evidence to substantiate the charge. The charges of assaulting and ill-using the boy were denied by both the men ac-

Mr. Taylor insists, however, that the charges are well-grounded and that the boy is still suffering from the treatment he received, and he is now taking steps to demand an investigation. Welcome Inquiry.

Dr. Kerfoot, assistant superintendent at the Sanatorium, stated to The Advertiser that as far as the authorities there were concerned, Mr. Taylor was welcome to make the fullest investigation. The charges made had been absolutely denied by the two men accused, and the whole question had been thoroughly sifted at the time it first came up. He was satisfied that there was no ground for complaint.

TINES OF PITCHFORK

Serious Accident to a Young Farmer, Working Near Aylmer.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Aylmer, March 14.—Hubbard Schrader, who is employed by George Brown, a farmer near here, on Thursday fell onto a pitchfork and suffered very serious injuries. Two tines pierced his body, and he is in a precarious condition from loss of blood and the injuries.