

AN INTERESTING NEWS REVIEW

Of the Great Eastern Empires of Europe.

Malcolm Clarke, a Great Berlin Correspondent, Writes on Conditions in That Part of the World.

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BERLIN, May 28.—News rather alarming in nature comes from the east which seems to indicate that the outbreak of another Russo-Japanese conflict may come even sooner than predicted by Beshenow.

German consular agents report that the evacuation of Manchuria by the Japanese troops is going on very slowly. At New Year's there were still, according to a conservative estimate, about 200,000 Japanese troops in the Chinese province, and a German correspondent at Vladivostok who is known as a thoroughly competent and exceedingly reliable writer, always very guarded in his statements, cables his paper in this city that the Mikado is not transporting his soldiers back to Japan, but is keeping them in Korea, where Seoul, Pen Yan, Widsu, and other places are full of Japanese—infantry and infantry for whom immense permanent barracks have been built.

He also states that during a recent trip through northern Korea he had occasion to see strong fortifications which have been built by Japan. The fortifications at Widsu have not been destroyed, but occupied by Japanese recruits, who are being drilled and made thoroughly familiar with the surrounding country.

Besides Japan has begun the construction of a military railway from Mukden over the mountains to Seoul which will be of immense strategic importance in case of a coming war.

That Japan keeps Korea tied hand and foot is beyond any doubt, and the fate of that country is sealed. The death of the aged Emperor Li-Chai will make Korea a Japanese province.

In Japan no one makes any secret of the aggressive plans of the government and the peace of Portsmouth is openly spoken of as a mere armistice to which the country agreed to cooperate from its financial losses. Russia is to be driven away from the Pacific coast at any cost, and this Japan hopes to accomplish without any trouble. She is absolutely mistress of the sea and her army considers itself absolutely invincible and in every respect superior to Russia's.

Russia has done little or nothing to prevent the success of her enemy's plans. General Protopopov has been sent east to reorganize General Litvich's demoralized troops, but he has no capable assistants, and an accomplished nothing, and it is considered a serious mistake by German military experts that he has placed General Unterberger in command of his left wing, because the Japanese plan of attack is clearly understood. Japan will never allow the Russian army to remain in Manchuria, but will immediately throw it back into Transbaikalia. This will mean that the Russian left wing will be the most important, and will have to bear the brunt of the battles. Russia, which is daily weakening her forces in the east by sending troops home, will be at an immense disadvantage from the start, as in the last of the war all decisions will be taken in the war department at St. Petersburg, which can know nothing about the true state of affairs.

The Russian diplomats have to prevent a war by selling the northern part of Sachalin to Great Britain, which country also intends to buy the southern part from Japan, but it is more than likely that Japan will sell the part of the island to England only to raise money for the second war with Russia.

An employe of the Berlin Meteorological Institute, Wilhelm Herzog, whom no one in scientific circles takes seriously, has greater success in forecasting a series of lectures in which he revealed his rather startling theories concerning the cause of the San Francisco earthquake.

He claims that he predicted the disaster four weeks before it happened, and explains that it came as a result of the increased use of electricity, which withdrew from the sun immense quantities of positive electric energy which could only be replaced by heavy earthquakes.

He warns the people of Berlin that unless they immediately give up the use of electricity the same calamity will happen to this city.

His theories are ridiculed by all scientists and a professor of the university in an open letter advises him to seek a position as editor of the magazine part of some American Sunday paper, where a series of fantastic dreams would be well paid for, but warns him that they never will be appreciated by a more enlightened German public.

In the meantime it cannot be denied that his words have created quite a sensation among the masses of the people here.

An electric station indicator is a blessing for railway travellers which has been invented by Herr Adolph Lichtenstein, of Vienna.

It consists of a box in each compartment, with a glass front, behind which is a linen roll showing the name of the next station at which the train stops. This box is illuminated at night, and the changes are worked by an electric motor controlled by the conductor.

The invention will prove an immense benefit to travellers on dark and foggy nights when the names of stations cannot be distinguished, and the unintelligible shouts of the porters will be considered unnecessary.

There is a strong conviction among highest army officers that it is a patriotic duty to make every effort to have the Reichsflotte appropriate amount of sufficient size to found and equipped with dirigible air-ships. Ever since the French War Department has succeeded in acquiring an airship which is in every way superior to any seen here it is realized that the French, whose artillery is even now better than ours, is beginning another advantage which may mean disaster to Germany in case of a war.

STRONG PLEA FOR METRIC SYSTEM.

OTTAWA, May 24.—The Royal Society commenced its 23rd annual session yesterday, the president, Prof. Johnson, of McGill University, in the chair. The report of the council discussed the coming of the British Society for the Advancement of Science. It was explained that the society would not be able to accept the invitation of the Royal Society to come to Canada in 1907, as that date had already been arranged for. It would, however, very likely be able to come in 1909, and would probably accept for that year. The invitation of the Royal Society, jointly with that of the city of Winnipeg, the Historical Society of Manitoba, and the University of Manitoba, was being conveyed to England by Rev. Dr. Frank Brouwer of the University of Manitoba. For the entertainment of the members of the British association, it was pointed out that the city of Winnipeg had voted \$5,000, and that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had pledged that the \$25,000 voted for the entertainment of the International Geographical Congress, which has been unused, should be devoted to the entertainment of the visitors. This matter was also brought before the various provincial governments of the Northwest. New members were then presented. They consisted of Archbishop Bruchesi, of Montreal, and Errol Bouchette, of Ottawa.

RECENT DEATHS.

MRS. JAMES WEBSTER. The death took place at Shediac on Thursday of Mrs. Webster, wife of James Webster, formerly of the firm of Harper & Webster. She was a daughter of the late Philip Chapman, and is survived by her husband, two daughters, three sons, two brothers and a step-sister, Mrs. Nesbit. The daughters are Mrs. F. J. White, Moncton, and Miss Jennie, at home. The sons are Dr. J. G. Chesney, Albert J. Shediac, and L. J. Chesney, of the Bank of Montreal at Levis, Que. Her brothers are Fred, Boston, and Ovid, Tacoma, Washington state.

STEPHEN SMITH. HOPWELL HILL, May 24.—Stephen Smith, an old and highly respected resident of Hillsboro parish, died at his home at Shelburne yesterday morning after a quite lengthy illness. He deceased, who was upwards of 80 years of age, lived for the greater part of his life near Albert Mines, removing to Hillsboro in 1870. He leaves his second wife and a grown up family of two sons and four daughters, the most of whom reside in the states. He is also survived by one brother, Valentine Smith of this place, and two sisters, Miss Elizabeth Smith of Salem and Mrs. James Pyle of Hopewell Cape.

JANE McDUGALL. KIRKLAND, N. B., May 22.—Jane, wife of the late Charles McDougall, died April 15, aged eighty-one years. She leaves one son, Allan, who lives on the homestead; two daughters, a number of grandchildren and other relatives. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, the W. M. Society of this place, a loving wife and affectionate mother and very kind to the poor. She had many friends all over the province. Rev. J. W. Fowler was summoned from Little River, Nova Scotia, and assisted by Rev. A. J. Polly conducted the funeral services.

EVA GRAHAM. MAXWELL, N. B., May 22.—Eva, youngest daughter of Thomas Graham, died yesterday evening after six days' illness, aged four years and three months. She is survived by her father, mother, three sisters, four brothers, a sister-in-law and a very large number of other relatives. She had an operation performed for appendicitis about three years ago, and got quite well, but was operated on again last Thursday for abscess on the bowels by Drs. Sprague, Griffin and O'Donnell. She planned the arrangements for her funeral and remained conscious until a few hours before the word came.

MRS. CAROLINE WELLS. Mrs. Caroline Wells, widow of the late Robert Wells, died Friday morning at her residence, St. James street, after an illness of a few months. The late Robert Wells was on the customs staff. Mrs. Wells is survived by a family.

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Woman Whose Death Is Laid to Poison.



Mrs. Carrie Brouwer

TOMS RIVER, N. J., May 25.—Developments of a sensational nature are expected as a result of a conference of officials to be held with regard to the mysterious death of Mrs. Carrie Brouwer, wife of Dr. Frank Brouwer of this village. Since it became known that Dr. F. A. Centh, a chemist, had informed the grand jury that arsenic was found in the body of Mrs. Brouwer, which was examined last December, there have been rumors that the authorities were to take action. The grand jury will convene again next Tuesday.

C. J. R. Brown, prosecuting attorney, will go to Red Bank, where he will have a consultation with Judge Charles E. Hendricksen and Dr. Henry W. Cattell of the faculty of medicine of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Cattell was present at the autopsy on the body of Mrs. Brouwer.

Although at first scarcely anything was said concerning the peculiar conditions under which Mrs. Brouwer died the villagers have been discussing the circumstances for months. Four witnesses whose testimony would be of great value to the prosecution in the event of any action by the authorities are now absent from the state.

The principal one is Dr. Henry H. Cate of Lakewood, N. J., whose wanderings about the country in an apparently demerol manner have several times attracted public attention. The others are nurses who attended Mrs. Brouwer in her illness.

Mrs. Brouwer and her husband, it has been alleged, had a disagreement last fall. She left him and went to the home of her mother in Lakewood, N. J. There she became ill and was attended by Dr. Cate, who subsequently persuaded her to return to her husband, which she did on September 13 last. She again became ill and Dr.

Brouwer told his neighbors that his wife could not recover, as she had spinal meningitis. Her family was not satisfied with this diagnosis and retained another physician to attend her. The last nurse who attended her, Miss Long Branch that she was on the point of recovery.

Dr. Brouwer then spoke of his wife being critically ill of Bright's disease. Physicians who had been sent by Mrs. Brouwer's family reported that she had no symptoms of Bright's disease. Dr. Brouwer made out a death certificate giving that malady as the cause of her death and requested several local physicians to concur in signing the certificate. They declined, however, to do so.

Dr. Cate of Lakewood, finally joined the husband in giving arsenic as the cause of death. It is asserted that Dr. Cate had himself no proof, but merely concurred in the diagnosis of his fellow practitioner. The various rumors which gained circulation resulted, last December, in the exhuming of the body of Bright's disease could be found. Dr. Brouwer had said that perhaps traces of strychnine might be found in the body of his wife owing to the medical treatment which she had received. Dr. Centh, the chemist, however, reported as a result of an analysis, that arsenic was present, and he was instructed to determine the quantity.

His last report, which was made to the grand jury, was considered sufficient to justify the authorities in taking action. The testimony of the undertaker who embalmed the body was that no arsenic had been used.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. RHEUMATISM, BRUISES, BRIGHT'S DISEASE, GRAVEL, CALCULI, NEURALGIA, MIGRAINE, SCIATICA, GOUT, AND ALL AFFECTIONS OF THE URINARY SYSTEM.

GOREMYKIN REPORTED TO HAVE RESIGNED.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 25, 3 p. m.—It was rumored in the lobbies of parliament this afternoon that Premier Goremykin had resigned and had been succeeded by M. Shipoff of Moscow.

It was also reported that Prince Drusoff, the former assistant minister of the interior, who resigned when the old council of the empire declined to accept his project to remove the race and religion limitations from the schools, and who had been elected to the lower house of parliament, a constitutional democrat from Kluga, has been appointed minister of the interior.

WARSAW, May 25.—A brief but bloody battle took place here at 12:30 this afternoon at the Industrial Savings Bank, which was attacked by a band of anarchists. The latter with revolvers in their hands ordered the clerks and customers present to hold up their hands. The chief clerk promptly drew a revolver and fired at the intruders. This was the signal for a hot fusillade, during which two of the customers were killed and two other customers, five clerks and one of the anarchists were wounded. The anarchists then escaped, carrying off the wounded.

WARSAW, Russian Poland, May 25.—Governor Jellinski of Kielce is suspected of the murder of a woman named Okoukina, who was found dead in a room with him yesterday. Two shots were heard by the neighbors. Jellinski declares that the woman committed suicide. The local papers have been forbidden to mention the occurrence, which has created a sensation.

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In spite of the moderate counsels of the leaders, the constitutional democrats are being pressed on by the denunciations of the radicals. The country is taking advantage of the license granted them to indulge in the bitterest attacks not only on the government but on parliament, and there is evidence that revolutionary armies are travelling through the country stirring up hatred against the nobles and landlords and encouraging the peasants to strike for the ostensible purpose of forcing parliament to hasten the distribution of lands. On the other hand the agents of reaction are adopting the same tactics in favor of a dispersal of parliament and a return to the radical groups which were suddenly allowed to resume publication, and taking advantage of the license granted them to indulge in the bitterest attacks not only on the government but on parliament, and there is evidence that revolutionary armies are travelling through the country stirring up hatred against the nobles and landlords and encouraging the peasants to strike for the ostensible purpose of forcing parliament to hasten the distribution of lands. On the other hand the agents of reaction are adopting the same tactics in favor of a dispersal of parliament and a return to the radical groups which were suddenly allowed to resume publication, and taking advantage of the license granted them to indulge in the bitterest attacks not only on the government but on parliament, and there is evidence that revolutionary armies are travelling through the country stirring up hatred against the nobles and landlords and encouraging the peasants to strike for the ostensible purpose of forcing parliament to hasten the distribution of lands.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 24.—On charges of having defrauded merchants of this city by false pretense out of hundreds of thousands of dollars, L. A. Belmont, representing the Yellow Trading Stamp Co.; Wm. Glenn, president of the Crown Trading Stamp Co.; and H. E. Winslow, local representative of the Sperry and Hutchinson Trading Stamp Co., were arrested here today and held under bail for further hearing. The Yellow Trading Stamp Company is charged with defrauding merchants out of \$100,000; the Crown \$400,000 and the Sperry & Hutchinson Company \$800,000.

NEW YORK, May 25.—All records from Havre to New York were broken by the arrival here of the new French liner La Provence in six days, three hours and thirty-five minutes. Her time was better by five hours and thirty-five minutes than the best previous record which was held by the La Provence and was made on her maiden voyage to New York.

GRIM DEATH CLAIMS AN IRISH PATRIOT.

After Long and Useful Life John Ferguson, of Glasgow, Goes to Reward.

(Special to the Sun.)

GLASGOW, May 8.—The hand of death has taken from our ranks one of the purest patriots and brightest intellects that ever came amongst us. The news of John Ferguson's death has caused a wave of sorrow over the entire city, as well as in every town and village throughout Scotland where an Irishman resides.

Loved, honored and admired was the staunch and true patriot, who for high half a century led his countrymen in this, the land of their exile. No demonstration, no meeting, no gathering was considered complete without "Benburb," as he was familiarly called, and seldom or never was he absent from any function which had the furtherance of Ireland's cause on its program.

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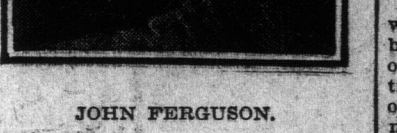
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JOHN FERGUSON.

gramm, intellectually he was an ornament and an honor to his country. Those who heard him speak—and few Irishmen in Scotland have not had the pleasure—were irresistibly driven to the conclusion that in point of analytical power, luminous insight and commanding intellectual force he had few equals. The full measure of his work for the land he loved so well, through half a century of strenuous endeavor and blameless activity, will cause his fame to grow with the years. To the service of his country he devoted talents of the highest order, and in that service he "scored delights and lived laborious days."

Although he has died full of years and honors at the ripe age of seventy winters, his almost sudden departure from the political and municipal arena will be a severe shock to many who regarded his unflinching veracity as a symptom of perennial youth.

CAPT. DICKSON WANTS \$500 DAMAGES.

He Alleges Malicious Prosecution at the Hands of Aid. Holder—Sequel to Action of Last Year.

Capt. Dickson of the north end has issued a writ against A. M. J. Holder for \$500 damages for malicious prosecution. This action is a sequel to the case tried last year, in which Aid. Holder was the plaintiff. He had Capt. Dickson arrested for the balance of an amount for rent, which he claimed was due him. When the defendant went to trial the defense produced a receipt for the amount. Aid. Holder then explained that he had given Mrs. Dickson the receipt on her request, she having told him that she used the money which she should have paid the rent with for other immediate needs, and did not care to have her husband know it just then. The case was, however, decided in favor of the defendant, Capt. Dickson, who has now instituted an action for false arrest and malicious prosecution. L. P. D. Tilly is acting for Capt. Dickson, and Curvey and Vincent for Aid. Holder.

FREDERICTON, N. B., May 25.—The death occurred at her home at St. Mary's this morning of Mary Ann, relict of the late C. B. Friel, barrister. Deceased was in her 37th year and leaves two daughters, Mrs. B. A. Giles, of Kingsclear, and Miss Bessie, residing at home, and one son, Dr. Chas. E. Friel, of St. John's. The late Mrs. Friel was born at St. John and was formerly Miss Cummings. She was a grand daughter of the late John Syme, Commanding General, and was of a Loyalist descent.

NOTICE.

The Canvassers and Collectors for the SEMI-WEEKLY SUN are now making their rounds as mentioned below. The Manager hopes that all subscribers in arrears will pay when called on. EDGAR CANNING in Albert and Westmorland Counties, N. B. F. S. CHAPMAN in King's Co. N. B. J. E. AUSTIN, in Suburbary & Queens.

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MCADAM MAN SHOT LARGE BEAR

Many Have Been Seen in the Vicinity of Foster's Lake, also Several Moose

MCADAM, May 27.—During the past week of two the local sportsmen have been busy looking for bears in his favorite haunts, but with no success until last Thursday, when Martin Allan of the C. P. R. works, killed one. His measurements were 6 feet 4 in., long 4 feet 3 in. in width, weight about 200 lbs. Foster Lake, about five miles from McAdam, is a good locality for bears, and Mr. Allan states he saw no less than five there last Saturday week, and last Saturday as Mrs. Alex. Steen was driving to Vanceboro, she saw a large bear with cub, cross the road at Burpee siding, only 1-2 miles out of McAdam. Several moose have been seen lately in the neighborhood.

The Presbyterian General Assembly

The Presbyterian general assembly which meets this year at London, Ont., on June 5th, will be of more than usual interest.

The important subject of union with the Methodist and Congregational churches will be thoroughly discussed. It will be remembered that a joint committee of representatives from the three churches met some time ago. This committee consisted of 12 Methodists, 20 Presbyterians and 10 Congregationalists, all prominent in their respective churches. A basis of union was then drawn up and will be presented to the general meetings of the three churches. If the matter meets with approval there it will be submitted to the congregations and afterwards will be passed by the assemblies. Sub-committees have also been working during the year considering the minor points of church doctrine.

Dr. W. D. Armstrong, the retiring moderator, will preach the opening sermon of the session and afterwards the new moderator will be elected. This it is thought will likely be Rev. Dr. Alex. Falkner, of Picton.

Another appointment which will have to be made is that of treasurer for the western branch of the church. The Rev. Dr. Worden formerly held this position.

There is also the regular church business to be discussed and the annual reports of the home and foreign missionary boards will be received. Rev. Dr. Allan, of New Bedford; Rev. Mr. Morton, from Trinidad, and Rev. Mr. Grierson will attend the assembly. There will be present also five returned missionaries from India and four from China.

COMPOT AND RELIGION.

From the Atlanta Constitution. A Billville letter, from which we are permitted to use the following, reads: "John, old fellow, this is to let you know that your uncle is in jail, and wants you to send him his Eddie, his slippers, a jug of the kind of corn licker he likes best, an' a hymn book with the hymns he knows in it, so he won't lose his religion in them ungodly surroundings."

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