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PROMINENT MEMBERS RAISED TO THE PEERAGE.

The Parthia a Total Loss—Patti is Well Again — The Kaiser Denounces the Socialists—Bible Revision—The Cup Challenge.

London, Oct. 15.—A despatch to Lloyds from Valparaiso, Chili, announces that the American ship Parthia, Capt. Carter, from Liverpool, June 25th for San Francisco, with coal, was burned at sea on Oct. 1st. The Parthia is a total loss. Several of the crew landed here in one of the ship's boats, but the captain, chief mate and 19 of the crew who left the wreck in boats, are still missing.

It is announced that Dan Creedon, ex-middle-weight champion of Australia, who last night defeated Frank Craig, the Harlem Coffee Cooler, will shortly meet Joe Choynski, of California.

The revision of the Bible has been completed, including the Apochrypha, upon which the revisors have been engaged since 1881. It will shortly be issued from the Oxford Press in various sizes, uniform with the revised Old and New Testament.

The Governor-General of Alsace-Lorraine, Prince Hohenlohe Langeburg, has received the following telegram from Emperor William of Germany, regarding the murder of Heinrich Schwartz, a wealthy mill owner of Melhausen, who was stabbed to death by an Alsatian spinner named Andreas Meyer, who afterwards committed suicide by shooting himself through the head with a revolver: "I have just learned of the atrocious murder of Herr Schwartz, the manufacturer of Melhausen, and I beg Your Highness to express my sincere condolence with the unhappy widow in my name, and in that of the Empress. This makes one more victim of the revolutionary agitation kindled by the Socialists. Would that our people would arouse themselves to combat it."

Sir Algernon Borthwick, Bart., M. P. for South Kensington, proprietor of the Morning Post and president of the Newspaper Press Fund, a Conservative; the Right Hon. Baron Henry de Worms, M. P. for the East Toxteth division of Liverpool, formerly Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, Conservative; and Hon. Horace Curzon Plunkett, M. P for the South division of Dublin county, Conservative, have been raised to the peerage.

Adelina Patti sang at a concert at Newcastle last night. She has entirely recovered from her recent attack of laryngeal catarrh.

The United States ambassador, Hon. T. F. Bayard, was interviewed to-day re the report circulated in the United States that he had been instructed by Secretary Olney to submit an ultimatum to Great Britain on the Venezuelan question in a foreign despatch which was said to be that the United States will never consent to British occupation of the disputed territory in Venezuela unless the nation's right to it is first determined by arbitration. Bayard, after reading an article published in a New York paper, dated Washington, Oct. 3rd, said the facts in the case seemed to have been involved in the fertile brain of the writer in the same manner that a spider finds material for its web in its own interior. He ridiculed the statement of an ultimatum having been drawn up by the United States, and said he could not seriously discuss the matter. The fact, however, remained that since the diplomatic break between Great Britain and Venezuela some years ago the United States had been anxious to bring about a friendly settlement of the question and had tendered its good offices to Great Britain with this object in view and had repeatedly endeavored to find means for its satisfactory settlement. The same situation continues at present and the longer the matter is allowed to drift the more anxious would the United States become to see it definitely settled. That was all Bayard could say on the matter. He has not visited Scotland, as has been stated. He has only been away from his post a few days visiting friends in the south of England.

The summer season at Monte Carlo just closed has been almost a complete failure. The attendance at the games was so small that the number of roulette tables in use was reduced from 11 to 3.

The secretary of the Royal Victoria Yacht club, Percy Thelluson, to-day received a cable from J. V. S. Oddie, secretary of the New York Yacht club, notifying him that the challenge sent on behalf of the R. V. Y. C., in the name of Chas. Day Rose, a member of that club, to sail a series of matches for the America's Cup in 1896, with the cutter yacht Distant Shore, had been accepted. A committee has been appointed with full power to arrange the conditions. Mr. Rose also received a cable from the secretary of the N. Y. Y. C., informing him that his challenge was accepted. Mr. Rose is evidently pleased with the prompt action of the N. Y. Y. C. Talking over the matter he said he was unable to say at present when he would begin the building or whether he would race in the Riveria regattas or British waters before sending her to the United States. He added: "Many details as to the time and place must be arranged before I take any steps. Doubtless the N. Y. Y. C. committee will confer with me." The Pall Mall Gazette, commenting upon the acceptance of Mr. Rose's challenge, remarks: "There is little doubt English yachtsmen as a rule will not be altogether pleased at the impetuosity of Mr. Rose's challenge. That it implied criticism of Lord Dunraven is denied, but the fact remains even though the intention was absent. Mr. Rose is far better known on the turf than in yachting in which Lord Dunraven was one of the most distinguished amateurs, without reckoning the pains and expense which he has been put to in endeavoring to regain the cup. Mr. Rose, moreover, has ceased to protest against the new deed of gift to which the others so strenuously objected. In addition, Soper is not the equal of Watson."

DENIED IN ALL QUARTERS.

The Foreign Office officials were questioned to-day by the Associated Press as to the truth of the report published in the United States that an armed force was marching through Brazilian territory, its objective point being that part of Venezuela which is claimed by the British Government. They said there was no truth in the story. There was no British force there and there would be no object in marching through that portion of Brazil, even if a British force had been available for the purpose outlined.

New York, Oct. 15.—At the office of the Venezuelan consul, in this city, a representative of the Associated Press was informed to-day that the consul-general had received no news whatever of the reported march of British troops on Venezuela.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 15.—The report that British soldiers had been landed at Brazil and distributed to British-Venezuelan territory is discredited by Sir Julian Pauncefote, British ambassador, by Signor Mendonca, Brazilian minister, and by Senor Andrade, Venezuelan minister, representatives of all the countries concerned. It was added by these officials that a move of such supreme importance would be quickly communicated here. In the absence of such reports no credit is attached to it.

THE WORLD'S CROP.

A Decline in the Condition of Crops—Wheat Harvest.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Reports to the Agricultural department show a decline in the condition of all the principal crops, except oats, rye and barley.

The general conclusion in the British cereal trade that the harvest of the world for 1895 is about 100,000,000 bushels less than in 1894 is announced in the report of the European agent of the Agriculture department for October. The report adds: "It is known, however, that a greatly reduced quantity is being fed to stock, leaving about the same quantity for human beings."

The estimates of this season's wheat crop in the United Kingdom vary from 23 to 27 bushels an acre. Both in Great Britian and on the continent wheat will be harvested in such a favorable condition as to assure a high percentage of flour. Reports from outside countries are: France, official estimates for 1895 are, wheat 337,500,000 bushels; oats 263,000,000 bushels. Germany, wheat crop estimated at 104,000,000 bushels, a reduction from last year of nearly 7,000,000. Italy, wheat officially estimated at 163,200,000 bushels against 118,400,000 bushels last year. Spain, wheat harvest officially reported 92,000,000 bushels against 105,000,000 bushels last year, not a large crop. Bulgaria, continued and persistent drought is reported to have done great injury to the corn crop which in some districts is said to have been totally destroyed. Hungary, corn crop irregular but satisfactory. Roumania, wheat crop exceptionally abundant. Greece, wheat crop unexpectedly short, a decrease of 30 per cent is expected. Russia, the average wheat crop is expected.

THE WALKER MYSTERY.

Chicago, Oct. 15.—After having remained in a comatose state for over 10 hours, Mrs. Annie Walker, of Guelph, Ont., whose case attracted wide-spread attention, regained consciousness this morning. She showed every sign of having lost her reason. The mystery of her condition became all the deeper when it became known that the authorities of Detroit, where her husband is supposed to have committed suicide, are of the opinion that Walker was murdered. It is said that the Michigan officers held a post mortem examination of the body and that it disclosed that the lungs were free from water, which indicated that Walker was dead when the body went into the water. There was a bullet wound in the head, and a deep cut such as would result from a wound inflicted by a blunt instrument. Another mysterious incident is the fact that Walker's relatives evidently do not recognize Mrs. Walker, for the money which was sent to this city with her, was payable to Mrs. McIntyre, which is said to have been her name before she met Walker. Mrs. Wilce, said to be Mrs. Walker's half-sister, has not returned from Canada, and the afflicted woman is still in a West Side boarding house, where she was taken the day she arrived in the city.

HOW STOKES DIED.

London, Oct., 14.—The Pall Mall Gazette publishes an interview with Dr. Michaux, the Belgian official who is said to have been the only European witness of the trial and execution by hanging of Stokes, the English trader, who was executed by order of Capt. Lothaire, the Belgian commander at Lindi, Congo Free State. Mr. Michaux is quoted as saying that on January 15th., of the present year Stokes was brought before the alleged court-martial, Capt. Lothaire composing the entire court, he and the doctor being the only whites present. The only witnesses were a few Arabs who stated that they had purchased rifles from Stokes. The trial lasted between one and two hours, after which Lothaire announced that Stokes was sentenced to death, and that he would be executed the following day. Continuing, Mr. Michaux is quoted as saying: "All my intercessions were futile. Lothaire refused to grant even a few days' reprieve. Five o'clock next morning my servant called me and informed me that Stokes was dead. I rose hurriedly, thinking Stokes had been stricken with apoplexy or had poisoned himself. I was startled to find the gallows and a new made grave. Stokes had been executed and buried while I slept. As to his guilt or otherwise, I must be silent."

BELONGED TO GUELPH.

Chicago, Oct. 14.—Mrs. Annie Walker, of Guelph, Ontario, said to have at one time been the wife of Senator McIntyre, of Virginia, lies in a west side boarding house in a precarious condition. The case is a most mysterious one, and the police do not know what to make of it. Mrs. Walker was brought to the house several days ago by a man giving the name of Elliott. He left $20 in an envelope which he said belonged to the woman. He then went away and has not been seen since. J. E. Fitzpatrick, who boards in the house where Mrs. Walker is lying, gives it as his opinion that she had been drugged and assaulted.

The police have been able to learn that Mrs. Walker came here from the home of her father-in-law, Hugh Walker, a merchant of Guelph, Ont., where she went in nearly a demented condition after the death of her husband, Fred. Walker, a book-maker of New Orleans, by whose suicide a short time since she was nearly crazed. The man Elliott who brought her to the house in a cab has been found to be a trained nurse hired by Mrs. Walker. This clears up his connection with the affair. The physicians are keeping her alive by the aid of electrical treatment and hypodermic injections. It is believed the case is hopeless.

INTERESTING INTERVIEW.

An American Will Make Arrangements With a Canadian Firm.

Ottawa, (Special) Oct. 14.—An American who has been here interviewing the members of the Government on private business, has left for Toronto, where it is understood he will try and make arrangement with the Dodd's Medicine Company of that city for the establishment of a manufactory of Dodd's Kidney Pills in New York State. He declined to specify the locality. During his stay in Ottawa he has been investigating the now celebrated case of G. H. Kent, who was saved by this remedy when in the last stages of Bright's disease, and has satisfied himself of the genuine nature of the case. He asserts that the medicine is now universally used throughout the state.

EXECUTING CHINESE.

New York, Oct. 15.—The World prints this morning the following despatch, dated Foo Chow, China, Oct. 15: As the result of the British consul's interview with him the viceroy has agreed to execute 18 more accused of murdering missionaries immediately. The consuls and Taotai (magistrates) are empowered to pass sentence hereafter without reference to the viceroy. The concessions are due to the presence here of five British men-of-war.

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MISS LAMONT'S DEATH.

THE PROSECUTION THOUGHT TO HAVE FURTHER EVIDENCE.

It is the General Belief That Much Will be Made of the Confession Alleged to Have Been Written by Theodore Durrant.

San Francisco, Oct. 14.—Now that Durrant has told his story on the witness stand and made answer to all the accusations implied by the cross-questions of the prosecuting attorney, the impression exists among those who have watched the trial closely that there is something to come which will perhaps have more effect on the minds of the jurymen with regard to the guilt or innocence of defendant than anything that has gone before. The feeling was one of confidence with which District Attorney Barnes put a series of startling questions to the defendant relating to conversations held by Durrant with the newspaper reporter, Miss Cunningham, at the county jail, within the past week, and also touching on the address and indorsement of a certain envelope which may or may not have contained a confession. The prosecution's witnesses will seek to show by testimony that Durrant made admissions which destroy the whole fabric of his defence. These alleged admissions were taken by the prosecution as coming from the one person on earth who knows all that occurred beneath the belfry of Emanuel Baptist church on the afternoon of April 3rd. The record of what passed at the county jail between Miss Cunningham and Durrant is thus told by the prosecution, which is in possession of the full facts: On the evening of Sept. 22nd, Miss Cunningham visited Durrant at the county jail. During the course of their conversation Durrant showed her a small envelope which bore the following address and endorsement: "Messrs. Dickinson & Duprey, to be opened in case I am convicted, to be returned in case I am acquitted." Durrant told the young lady that the envelope contained a complete statement of all that had occurred in Emanuel Baptist church on the afternoon of April 3rd. He said it had been written in order that his attorneys might know the facts in the case of his being convicted of the murder of Blanche Lamont. On the following evening, Sept. 23rd, Miss Cunningham again visited Durrant at the county jail and was then shown a large envelope addressed like the other smaller one. Durrant told her that the contents of the other envelope had become immaterial and he had transferred the written statement to the large envelope. On the morning of Oct. 5th, Miss Cunningham held a conversation with Durrant at the county jail, during the course of which, and in answer to questions asked him by the young lady, he said that about 5 o'clock on the afternoon of April 3rd, he ascended the space between the ceiling and roof of Emanuel Baptist church for the purpose of fixing one of the sun burners. While at work he heard a noise which attracted his attention. It seemed to come from the part of the building where the belfry was situated. He walked along in the direction from which the sound came and peered through the opening that connects the space above the ceiling with the interior of the belfry tower. While in this position he saw the body of Blanche Lamont lying on the second landing of the belfry stairs. He repeated the details of the circumstances and added that Blanche Lamont was murdered on the second landing of the belfry stairs. Miss Cunningham then said: "Oh, yes, it was from the second landing of the stairs that blood dripped down and stained the cloth over the picture frame on the floor below." Durrant replied that there was no blood on the cover of the picture-frame as "we had the stains analyzed and found they were made by water not blood." Official inspection was made of the cloth-covered picture which revealed the fact that a piece of cloth cover, one inch by two, had been cut from the frame in the center of one of the largest blotches or stains. This was done by anyone connected with the prosecution. The inference is drawn that it was done by some one interested in the defence and that it was for the purpose indicated by Durrant's alleged statement regarding the analysis.

THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

Justice Strong Gets Leave of Absence—Trade with Australia.

Ottawa, Oct. 15.—The Chateauguay monument will be unveiled by Miss de Salaberry, grand-daughter of Col de Salaberry, who commanded the French-Canadians at the battle.

Four Canadian seamen, formerly belonging to the bark Buteshire, awarded medals by the United States Government for bravery, cannot be found.

The grain inspector at Fort William, who has been deriving an income of $12,000 annually from fees, has been cut down to $4,000.

The Government has been advised that the Imperial authorities are considering the question of the abolition of British light dues, which will lead to the removal of the tax now imposed by the United States on Canadian vessels.

An order-in-council has been passed granting Chief Justice Strong four months' leave of absence on account of his ill-health.

The attention of the Fisheries department has been drawn to the large catches of halibut by Yankee vessels in British Columbia waters. The suggestion has been made that steps may be taken to regulate these fisheries.

Sir John Thurston, governor of Fiji, will arrive here shortly to discuss trade matters. He sails for home on the Warrimoo on November 16th, from Vancouver.

It will be remembered that during the past summer Hon. J. G. Ward, treasurer and postmaster-general of New Zealand, visited Canada on behalf of his Government signed jointly with Sir Mackenzie Bowell and Hon. Mr. Foster a memorandum respecting improved commercial relations and reciprocal tariff regulations. As agreed upon in the conference held informally in Ottawa on June 10th last, subject to the approval of the Governments and Legislatures of Canada and New Zealand respectively, it runs thus:

The following named articles when the produce or manufacture of New Zealand and imported direct therefrom into Canada, and when the produce or manufacture of Canada and imported direct therefrom into New Zealand, to be admitted in both cases free of customs duties, viz.: 1—Animals (live) excepting hogs; 2—frozen or fresh meats; 3—bacon and hams; 4—fish; 5—hides; 6—milk (condensed or preserved); 7—wool and manufactures, composed wholly or in part thereof, viz., blankets, flannels, tweeds and rugs; 8—flax (phormium); 9—barley; 10—oats; 11—wheat and wheat flour; 12—seeds; 13—coal; 14—kerosene oil (petroleum); 15—safes; 16—organs and pianofortes; 17—tallow; 18—lumber and timber, planks, boards and dimension stuffs, rough or manufactured, including doors, sashes and blinds; 19—binder twine. The following articles were imported under like conditions and in like manner to receive in both countries preferential tariff treatment as follows, viz.: 1—Agricultural implements, including also axes, hatches, scythes, forks, rakes, hoes, shovels and spades, if made dutiable under the New Zealand general tariff, to be free. 2—Twines of all kinds, ropes and cordage a rate equal to 2 1-2 per cent. ad valorem less than the general tariff rates current at date of importation. 3—Leather, a rate equal to 10 per cent. off the rate current at the date of importation. 4—Boots and shoes, harness and saddlery at 17 1-2 per cent. ad valorem, or in case the general tariff rate in both countries be 25 per cent., the preferential rate to be 20 per cent. 5—Furniture at 20 per cent. ad valorem.

NOT CANADIAN SALMON.

London, Oct., 16.—The Secretary of the Fishmonger Company confirms the report of the stoppage of the sale of Canadian salmon, a large quantity of which arrived here on Oct., 10th. He says he has no doubt from the sample seen by the company's experts that about 4 per cent of it is what is called "bull trout," and it is assumed the balance of the consignment is the same. He adds, however, that if it can be proved it is salmon, the Fishmongers Co., will not desire to hinder trade and he claims they are simply upholding the act of Parliament, which prohibits the sale of trout at the present time of the year. The consignees of the Canadian salmon agreed to hold it over pending an investigation into the affair which is being made by Sir Charles Tupper and experts in such cases.

WORSE THAN TURKS.

London, Oct., 14.—The Times has private advices from Madagascar which break the seal of secrecy imposed upon the French military campaign in that island and open to view disgraceful revelations regarding the conduct of French troops. Up to this time the shameful secrets have been kept quiet fairly well, owing to the rigid censorship exercised over mail matter sent out of the French lines. All communications sent by mail were opened and examined just as in Russia when a Nihilistic conspiracy is on and heavy penalties were imposed for attempts to smuggle letters out of the country. Private soldiers were not allowed to carry writing materials with them lest they made known to friends in Europe things the Government desires to suppress. Only half-a-dozen newspaper correspondents were permitted to follow the operations of the expedition. They represent newspapers which support the Ministry through thick and thin. It was for evading postal censorship that ex-U. S., Consul Waller was sentenced to prison for 20 years. The Turkish atrocities in Armenia are matched by the French atrocities in Madgascar, if one can accept the statements of persons trustworthy in ordinary matters, says the Times. It is not likely the truth will ever be known about this side of the French conquest of Madagascar. Even the French are shocked by the spectacle of violation and murder and are restrained by patriotism from holding their nation up to shame. The excesses of the French soldiers were more shameful because they were the acts of soldiers maddened by the fury of war. There is no war in Madagascar, properly speaking. The French army, equipped with the finest death-dealing machines, encountered about as much opposition from the Hovas as they would from a flock of sheep. The enemy fled whenever they appeared, and the number of Hovas killed and wounded has been merely a question of how long before they could get into hiding, a question of how many birds the sportsmen could bring down before the covey got away. The losses inflicted by the Hovas have been insignificant. After each such flushing game as has marked the advance of the French they have thrown themselves upon the undefended villages and towns, and have pillaged and burned and violated. That is the story of the expedition as told by impartial observers. The French are not accused of torturing prisoners for the sake of the pleasure given by the spectacle of intense suffering, the torture was merely a necessary incident of the indulgence of their passions. The soldiers accused of Bluebeardism are not savages, and on messages of Dahomey, Algeria, and other fierce nations, conquered by the French. These are comparatively well behaved under military discipline. The worst offenders are said to be the sailors and marines, though infantry were bad enough. The conduct which they are accused of toward native women and children is described in two words, utter license, but these words do not convey an idea of the barbarity of the conquest that is described in the unmentionable and almost incredible details of the personal claim to have been eye witnesses of it.

NEW BRUNSWICK ELECTION

The Blair Government Sustained by a Majority of Four to One!

St. John, N. B., Oct. 17.—The Provincial elections are over, and Premier Blair and his Government are sustained by so large a majority that the Speaker of the House will require a microscope to find the Opposition. Not one of the supporters of the Government hoped for anything like the success that rewarded their efforts to-day. Only in one county, York, did the Opposition come out ahead, and there they managed to elect their full ticket. All the other counties were carried by the full Government ticket.

In King's, Solicitor-General White and his colleagues, Messrs. Scovil and Fowler, were elected by large majorities. The Opposition made a fierce fight there, but it was of no avail.

In Northumberland, Surveyor-General Tweedie, who it was feared would be defeated, was returned with his three colleagues.

In Albert, the Hon. Mr. Emmerson and Dr. Lewis were elected.

Victoria, Madawaska, Sunbury and Restigouche send the full Government ticket of two each. Carleton County sends three and Kent three.

Thus it will be seen that the Opposition in the new Legislature will only number nine, viz., Messrs. Stockton, Alward, Shaw and LeBlanc, elected by acclamation in St. John; Howe, Pitts, Pinder and Black, the York County ticket; and F. W. Summer, elected by acclamation in Westmoreland. The latter is really an Independent.

The election in Gloucester County takes place next Monday, and the Government is sure to win it.

With those elected by acclamation and the 23 returned to-day, Premier Blair will have a majority of over four to one, counting in Gloucester, which is certain to elect three Government supporters. This is by far the largest majority he has ever had since he became Premier in 1883.

NOTES FROM LADNER.

Ladner, Oct. 16.—The weather is good and promises a fine day for our fair to-morrow.—A fire broke out at the Wellington cannery on Sunday night. Fortunately there was no wind. This, combined with the heroic efforts of a large cosmopolitan assemblage, saved the cannery. The only damage done was to a couple of houses about 25x40 ft. each. Once more I draw the attention of the powers that be to the necessity of some kind of a fire brigade here. There will be trouble one of these days.—There is a nice cottage going up on what is known as the Chisholm estate. It is being built by T. McNeely, and D. Gilchrist is the contractor. From appearances I should imagine there is a bird to be caged in the near future.—The dyking scheme is making some headway now, but it is doubtful if much can be done in the year 1895.—When lawyers get a finger in the pie delay is certain. Litigants will pony up, farmers will suffer, and so round goes the wheel.—Mrs. R. McMahon is home again from an extended trip to her old home, looking better.—A big lad is in charge of R. Moffatt's residence since Sunday. Just what his weight is I have not heard, but from appearances he ought to tip the scales at 10 or 11 lbs.—Measels are quite severe among the Indians just now.—R. Humber and timber, well, but he appears to be improving.—Frank Lord has had a serious attack of typhoid, but he is now much better.—Our people are all busy preparing for the Westminster fair. They report the Royal City exhibition a pronounced success.

DELTA.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES.

The circumstances under which A. H. Lynne-Browne, of this city, was committed for trial at New Westminster on Monday are to the effect, according to the evidence, that he was a member of the printing committee in connection with the Mission City Agricultural Society's exhibition, and was instructed to get some printing done, which was not to cost more than $12. Browne came down to New Westminster and contracted with the Commercial Printing Co., to do the work for $6.50, but presented a bill to the secretary of the society for $14. This bill was on a regular invoice head of the printing company, and was receipted by the defendant, who said that it had been paid. He demanded the money and it was handed to him. When it afterwards transpired that the printing account had not been paid, that the bill was $6.50, and not $14, Browne was apprehended. He has elected to be tried at next month's assizes.

Wm. Wadds has taken charge of the post-office at Rossland. He will retains his jewelry business. The first carload of ore shipped over the Kaslo & Slocan Railway was landed at Five-Mile Point on Oct. 5th by the steamer Alberta. It was from the Bloodnough mine, and invoiced for export at $150 ton, or $3,000 in all.

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REFORMS WILL BE MADE.

TURKEY CONSENTS TO THE ULTIMATUM OF THE POWERS.

Guarantees of Protection that will Meet the Demands of the Christian Worl —Armenian Horrors Ended.

London, Oct. 16.—The Standard's correspondent at Constantinople blames the Armenian revolutionary committee for forcing the Armenians to close their shops and to maintain the appearance of a panic, when the Armenians themselves were ready to resume business. Friends questioned by the correspondent had no serious complaints to make against the police. He saw a list of 56 names for liberation. The revolutionary leaders are responsible for the continuance of the dead-lock.

Another despatch from Constantinople, to the Daily News, says that reliable information has been received that 50 Armenians were killed and a number wounded at Akahissar by a Moslem mob. The slaughter occurred on Oct. 9th, which was market day, and many Armenians were present from adjacent villages. Early in the morning a Turkish rough, finding that the Armenians were not armed, picked a quarrel and shot one of them. There was then raised on all sides the cry, "Why hesitate to massacre the infidels?" A mob of Turks, armed with revolvers and knives, then looted the market and massacred the helpless Armenians. Their bodies were thrown into the wells. It is stated that the Mudir was responsible for the attack. Women and children were not molested, probably on account of the arrival of the Kaimakkam from Cleve. At Constantinople the Armenians are again flocking into the churches. The safe conduct cards given to Armenians by the foreign embassies are disregarded and the holders are maltreated by the police.

The Chronicle's correspondent says that M. Cambon, the French ambassador, M. Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador, and Sir Phillip Currie, the British ambassador, on Monday presented to Said Pasha, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the final demand of the Powers for Armenian reforms. If this is not accepted an ultimatum will be presented. The proposals are the same as submitted last May, with the exception of dropping the demand for a Christian high commissioner. Russia is said to hesitate to force an acceptance because she fears ultimate Armenian antonomy.

The Chronicle, commenting upon the final demands of the Powers for Armenian reforms, in which the demand for a Christian high commissioner was dropped, says: "We have had a slap in the face that high spirited people ought not to tolerate. We have to thank the weakkneed champion of Toryism for it. We need never trust Lord Salisbury to play the part of a strong man again." The Chronicle's anger seems to arise from the terms of the proposition being not stronger than were Lord Rosebery's last May.

Constantinople, Oct. 16.—Said Pasha has accepted the scheme for the reform of Armenia, drawn up by the Great Powers, France and Russia, and it now awaits the signature of the Sultan. The scheme is almost identical with the proposals last May, which in substance were that the governors and vice-governors of Van, Erzeroum, Sivas, Bitlis, Khartut and Trebizond should be Christian or Mussulman, according to the inclination of the population, but either the governors or vice-governor is to be a Christian and the appointments are to be confirmed by the Powers. Local and not state officials are to collect taxes, and enough money is to be retained before it is forwarded to Constantinople to pay the expenses of the local administration. Complete changes will be made in the judicial system. Torture will be abolished, prisons be under surveillance and the police be composed of Christians and Turks equally. The laws against compulsory conversions to Islamism will be strictly enforced. The ambassadors of the Powers expect that the whole question will be finally settled in a week by the promulgation of an Imperial decree. Contrary to general expectations, the high commissioner, who will be charged with the execution of this scheme of reform will be a Christian. This was the hardest pill for the Porte to swallow and for a long time it threatened to bring about serious complications.

A Russian warship has arrived here. The situation at Ismid is critical. Christians are apprehensive of a Turkish outbreak.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

An accident, attended with fatal results, occurred a few days ago at Wellington, the victim being Thomas Heyworth, aged 35, a miner working in No. 5 shaft. It transpires that the deceased was driving a heading from the foot of the first incline towards the machine shops. He fired a shot, and before the smoke cleared away he rushed to the foot of the incline, but fell at the moment he entered, striking him on the back of the head. His neck was broken, and his head frightfully cut. Death was instantaneous. A verdict of accidental death was returned at the inquest.

LADNER COUNCIL.

Ladner, Oct. 15.—The council met, present, the reeve and full board. The minutes of last meeting were adopted as read. The communication from J. L. Morgan relaid taken from him under the dyking scheme 1892, was received and filed. The communication from the clerk of Surrey municipality was received and the clerk instructed to inform the council that the Delta council had granted $100 towards repairing the Scott road conjointly with the Surrey council granting a like amount. The invitation from the mayor and council of New Westminster to be present at the agricultural exhibition was accepted. The communication from the Deputy Provincial Secretary re statistics of Delta municipality was received and the clerk instructed to give the information applied for. The communication from J. L. Waddill and others, re sidewalk on Westham street, was received and filed. The following bills were ordered paid: Jos. Jackson, $8.60; A. H. Green, C. C., $30.77; J. Holmes, $18; E. O'Brien, $10; B. C. Gazette, $11.50; Delta Creek, $6; R. Moffit, $3; C. E. Woods, C. E. $46.75; J. E. Gilmore, $8.90; J. A. Moore, $13; F. Jackson, $3; Dyking scheme, 1892, J. Holmes, $2. The bills of Connor Pittendrigh and Dr. Sloggett for inquest on Indian woman were referred to the Provincial Secretary for payment. The Delta Dyking and Drainage by-law, 1895, was finally passed as reconsidered. Tenders are called for the following works for gravelling a portion of the Oliver road, gravel to be taken from the high land near Scott road; also for corduroying a portion of the Matheson road, and for $150 worth of work on the cemetery road. Sealed tenders are called for the debentures to be issued under the Dyking and Drainage by-law, 1895, and also for the construction of the ditch and drain on the Delta road in connection with the said by-law. Coun. Goudy was empowered to expend $150 on the Goudy road, $125 on the Benson road and $75 on the Smith road. The reeve and clerk were empowered to pay the yearly instalment on the 1892 dyking debentures when due. Coun. McNeely was empowered to have the two bridges on Chilcotin slough road repaired and also to have 10 chains of the same road replanked. The council then adjourned.

THE MARKETS.

A brisk market generally is reported and now that the annual agricultural fairs may be said to be over, no doubt business will increase. Vegetables and fruits have been placed upon the markets in large quantities and are of a quality much superior to past years. Some lines are wanting, especially local butter and eggs. Much sooner than is usually the case, the latter have become remarkably scarce and hardly a dozen or two in single instances can be got together. At 35 to 40 cents per dozen they sell quickly and without difficulty, and with a little "hard" weather will probably go higher. The plethora of potatoes increases, the Ashcroft output demanding and receiving $15 per ton. Current prices are given as follows:

VEGETABLES—Potatoes, ton, $8@$10; Ashcroft, $15; carrots, turnips, parsnips, cabbage, 1½@1½c. per lb.; onions, 1 1-2c. per lb.

PRODUCE—Hay, ton, $10; wheat, Washington, $22 per ton; rolled oats, per 90 lb. sack, $3.50; Keewatin, $4.70; Portland City, $3.80; salt, $1@$14; oil cake, $30.

PROVISIONS—Butter, creamery, 18@20.; dairy, 25@30c. per lb.; fresh eggs 30@40c. per doz.; Ontario, 25c per doz.; lard, tins 10c.; pails and tubs, 9 1-2c.; hams 14c.; breakfast bacon 14 1-2c.; backs 12 1-2c.; long clear 10c.; short roll 10c.

DAIRY PRODUCE—Butter, imported, 15@18c; choice creamery, local, 30@35c; cheese, 12@14c.; eggs, domestic 30c.; imported 15@20c.

FISH—Bloaters, per doz., 12c.; kippered herring, 10c.; fresh salmon 10c.; finnan haddies 20c.; cod 10c. per lb.

FRUITS, WHOLESALE—Apples, 75c@$1.10 California apples, $1.50; pears, $1.00@1.75; grapes, $1.35@1.40; plums and prunes, 50@75c.; tomatoes, 75c.; oranges, Australian, $2.75; lemons, Australian, $2.80; lemons, California, $5.

WESTMINSTER MARKET.

Potatoes, $9 to $10 per ton; turnips, 60c. per 100 pounds; cabbage, 1 cent per pound; carrots, red, 60 cts. per 100 lbs.; onions, 1 1-2 cts. per lb.; beets, 1 1-4 cts. per lb.

Wheat, none; oats, $20 per ton; peas, none; barley, none.

Hay, $10 per ton.

Beef, hindquarters, 7c per lb.; forequarters none; cuts, 7 to 12c per lb.; mutton, cuts, 7

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Domestic ducks, live, 50 cents; dressed, none; fowls, live, $5 per doz.; spring chickens, 50 cts. each; geese, none; turkeys, none.

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