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**POWERS REJECT TERMS
FRANCE STANDS FIRM**

**Claims Rights in Venezuela That
Allies Are Bound to
Respect.**

Caracas, Feb. 1.—In reply to Minister Bowen's inquiry as to what Venezuela intends to do regarding the demand for preferential treatment made by the allies, President Castro has telegraphed to the Venezuelan government that the Venezuelan government desires equal treatment for all the creditor nations in Europe and America, keeping in mind in addition its diplomatic conventions and interior stipulations.

The French legation has notified the Venezuelan government that in virtue of the convention of 1866, France was allowed to collect directly a part of the revenues of several custom houses in Venezuela as a guarantee for her diplomatic claims arising out of the previous revolutions. France, it is stated, never has renounced the convention of 1866, and she is bound to insist on the exercise of this right on concrete grounds which are regularly stated. As this payment has not been made, France, without asking the authorities of Germany, Italy and Italy, intends to revive her right of direct collection. The French consul in Caracas has been instructed to the foreign minister and has twice called on President Castro during the past few hours. This action is regarded as a clear intention to revive the claims which were considered as an answer to the attitude adopted by the allied powers.

DEADLOCK REACHED.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Reports of war-like preparations on the part of the United States and the powers coercing Venezuela have no relation to the peace negotiations, now temporarily broken off, for the settlement of the claims of the United States against Venezuela. The administration feels that the question will not depend upon business.

The discussion of a greater navy and of a program for steady increase and sale of the army staff bill by the Senate naturally looks worrisome, and without explanation, a ripple in official circles. This government may or may not offer to buy the Chilean battleships, but it is not to be expected that the administration will do anything possible to be prepared for any eventuality.

The situation is not so acute as to justify preparations for war. Diplomatic relations between the United States and Venezuela are strongly hopeful of a settlement of all Venezuelan claims in the diplomatic discussion.

At the same time the situation is as tense as ever and likely to remain so as long as the deadlock continues. The allied powers and Venezuela, thru Minister Bowen, asserts that all nations must be allowed to share equally in the distribution of the customs when collected under Mr. Bowen's plan.

The French government has announced that it will insist upon its rights, one-eighth of the customs duties of Venezuela, which it claims are determined by the allies, Germany, Great Britain and Italy, cannot be permitted to interfere with the claims of France. France will not accept a settlement which is less than one-eighth of the customs duties of Venezuela. The allies, Germany, Great Britain and Italy, cannot be permitted to interfere with the claims of France. France will not accept a settlement which is less than one-eighth of the customs duties of Venezuela.

COMPROMISE SUGGESTED.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Propositions involving a compromise of the allied powers' contention for preferential treatment in the settlement of their claims against Venezuela have been submitted to the governments of Great Britain, Germany and Italy by their representatives at Washington, and while no answers have been received as yet, there is reason for the belief that the allies will see a way to accept the latest proposition. This compromise has been suggested by one of the representatives of the allies here.

It provides that for a short period, perhaps six months or a year, Great Britain, Germany and Italy shall receive exclusively 30 per cent. of the customs receipts of the ports of Puerto Cabello and La Guayana, and during that period all the claims of these powers upon the same ports will be placed upon the receipt of these two ports will then be divided among all the claimant nations in ratio based on the amount of estate tax claim.

RUSH ORDER FOR RIFLES.

Springfield, Mass., Feb. 1.—A rush order has been received at the United States armory for 100,000 Krag-Jorgensen rifles, to be shipped to arsenals throughout the country. Half of the order has been filled within the last few days. It is expected that the other rifles will be shipped before the end of the coming week.

The order received from Washington states that the rifles are needed because of the passage of the militia bill, and that the rifles are to be used at the armory, says he has received no other information further than to have the rifles rushed with all possible haste.

SIX CORPSES ASHORE.

London, Feb. 1.—The Norwegian steamer Anous, Capt. Dreyer, New Orleans for Aarhus, has gone ashore at Lem Vig, Denmark. Three boats and six corpses have been washed ashore. It is feared that the remainder of the crew were also drowned.

ARCHBISHOP OF CHICAGO.

Buffalo, Feb. 1.—James Edward Quigley is now archbishop of Chicago. The papal brief appointing him has arrived at Washington.

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AN AEROPLANE THAT FLIES.

Washington, D.C., Feb. 1.—Prof. Langley has invented an aeroplane that flies. The test was made on Saturday.

Did you ever try the top barrel?

BUSINESS OF IMPORTANCE.
The Exhibition Board will meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock, when business of importance will be discussed. Contrary to custom, the meeting will be closely tiled.

**WILL NOT ARBITRATE
BOUNDARY OF ALASKA**

All Reference to Arbitration Cut Out of the Treaty—Award to Be Final.

Washington, Jan. 31.—At the next executive session of the Senate Chamber Cullom of the Committee on Foreign Relations will make a favorable report on the Alaskan boundary treaty. The committee today by a unanimous vote decided that this action should be taken. There is no time, but the ratification of the treaty by the Senate Cullom hopes to put it thru at this session.

**SHAMBLEAU IS CAUGHT
IN DETROIT HOSPITAL**

Missing Treasurer of Kent County, With a \$14,000 Shortage, Taken to Chatham.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 1.—Alfred T. Shambleau, aged 46 years, former treasurer of Kent County, Ont., who it is alleged, is wanted at Chatham, Ont., on three warrants, charging theft and forgery in connection with a shortage of about \$14,000, was today placed under arrest at Grace Hospital in this city and taken across the river by Ontario officers and started for Chatham. Shambleau consented to go without extradition proceedings being instituted. Under the name of A. W. Fish he was brought to the hospital last night from Pontiac, Mich., suffering from a fractured skull, which, it is said, was received here last week in a fight.

SUICIDES IN THE ARMY

Now Declining in Every European Country But Russia.

Paris, Feb. 1.—The Matin gives some interesting figures of the numbers of suicides in European armies. It seems to show that suicides are declining in all the armies except that of Russia, in which the number of suicides is increasing. The proportion of suicides in the other great military countries is higher, but shows a tendency to decrease.

AUTOMATIC NURSE.

Invention That Sings a Lullaby and Rocks a Cradle.

Geneva, Feb. 1.—A Swiss mechanic claims to have invented a device which if it proves practicable will be a great boon to mothers. It is an automatic baby's nurse. The apparatus is attached to the cradle. If the baby cries the air waves cause specially arranged wires to operate a phonograph which croons a lullaby, while clockwork revolves simultaneously causing the cradle to rock. The crying ceases and the vibration stops and consequently the rocking of the cradle.

BENEFITS OF WIRELESS.

No Polar Expedition Can Now Possibly Get Lost.

Schenectady, N.Y., Feb. 1.—Charles P. Stearns, the expert electrician, addressed a public meeting today on "Future Possibilities of Electricity." He said that the success of wireless telegraphy would in the future be of great benefit to enterprises in the Arctic and Antarctic regions. He said that the telephone is just as much a wireless as the telegraph, and that it will be possible for Americans to talk with friends in Europe and Asia by means of a wireless. He said that the telephone is just as much a wireless as the telegraph, and that it will be possible for Americans to talk with friends in Europe and Asia by means of a wireless.

BATTLESHIPS BURN OIL.

Some of Channel Squadron Are Thus Equipped.

London, Feb. 1.—Last week for the first time in the history of the British navy, two battleships, the Mars and Hannibal of the Channel Squadron, put on using oil fuel. The Mars is a battleship of the type of the Queen Elizabeth, and the Hannibal is a battleship of the type of the Victoria. The Mars is a battleship of the type of the Queen Elizabeth, and the Hannibal is a battleship of the type of the Victoria.

BOGUS TWO DOLLAR BILLS.

Young Man Belonging to Montreal Arrested in Hull.

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—For some time back, Ottawa police have been in circulation of bogus two dollar bills have been in circulation in Ottawa, and the police have had a number of arrests. A young man, who was arrested in Hull, is believed to be the man who is responsible for the circulation of these bills.

PARLIAMENT MARCH 12.

This Date Decided on by Council on Saturday.

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—It was stated in political circles today that the government has decided to call parliament to meet on March 12. This was probably decided on at a meeting of the Council on Saturday.

STABBED TO DEATH.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Feb. 1.—Constantin Soboloff, a Russian and a well-known local miner, who had worked during the strike, was today kicked and stabbed to death by two of the strikers. The strikers were working in the mines at Plymouth and Larksville, three miles from this city.

FEAR OUTBREAK NEAR CANTON.

Hong Kong, Feb. 1.—The authorities of Canton have captured arm, ammunition and the commissariat which are being held in readiness in case of emergency.

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His Strenuous Object.

Mr. Emmott says that his \$150,000 patent, which the man is believed to have invented, will make a liberal agreement with any Toronto, and who will undertake this work. It is a good class. Their Toronto, 31 Adelaide east.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Annual meeting of the Toronto and District Horse Show, Grand Report. Annual meeting of the Toronto and District Horse Show, Grand Report. Annual meeting of the Toronto and District Horse Show, Grand Report.

**BLAMING IT ALL ON HER FAMILY.
ROBBED CARS OF C. T. R.
WITH EMPLOYEES' HELP**

Mysterious Thefts at Levis Expected Now to Be Cleared All Up.

Quebec, Feb. 1.—Of late several very mysterious robberies have occurred in cars of the Grand Trunk Railway, at Levis, as in most instances, although the seal of the car would remain apparently intact, yet quantities of goods would be found missing from cases inside. Liquor in most instances would constitute the cause for the invoice not tallying, and although a close watch has been kept it did not stop until a few days since prove effective in establishing just where the difficulty lay. A somewhat sensational charge is now being made that the men who actually do the robbing, boats have been seen crossing the river at all hours of the night and being towed to this side, and it is fully believed that the stolen merchandise was carried away by this means. The cars would be opened and the desired goods removed, after which a new seal would be put on and the original invoice would be attached to this section where the goods were shipped from. A few important developments are expected shortly.



THE BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY.

Invention by G. W. McMullen, Esq., Will Revolutionize It.

George W. McMullen, Esq., of Pictou, is expected to accompany the excursion from Ontario and Victoria Counties to Berlin on Wednesday of this week. Mr. McMullen has perfected an invention for evaporating which will reduce the weight of the sugar to one-third of its present weight. This will effect a large saving in freight and will enable the farmer to transport the sugar to market more cheaply and have them treated there. The effect upon the industry will be to reduce the central refinery to a member continuously instead of, as at present, only in the winter. Dr. Wylie, chief scientist of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, Prof. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, and Mr. O. E. Pictou, are expected to accompany Mr. McMullen. It is the most important development since the industry was being successfully established in Canada and the United States. With the establishment of the industry in Ontario County, and a factory at Whitby, under this system there would compare in cost with the modern cheese factory, and the farmer would be able to transport his sugar to market at a point most convenient to him. The inventor is expected to visit Toronto on Wednesday of this week. Then outside of that radius there would be another chain of evaporating centers.

TO THE FARMERS OF ONTARIO.

You have your little wood lot on your place. You are burning coal at \$6 to \$10 a ton. The coal you burn comes from the States. The mines and railways carrying the coal are owned by the greatest monopolists in the world—next to the Standard Oil Co. Were it not for their monopolistic position coal could be sold and delivered to you at the nearest railway station for less than \$2 a ton. Ontario has no coal. But she has something better—unlimited supplies of water power that can take the place of coal for nearly every purpose. These water powers belong to the people. But your representatives in the legislature are rapidly disposing of these water powers to great private monopolies that will later on compel you to buy from them the electrical energy made at Niagara Falls at extortionate rates, just as the coal barons do in the matter of coal.

PEOPLE'S INTERESTS COME FIRST

Commee Bill Should Be Repealed and Municipalities Given Chance to Hold the Water Powers That Are Left.

The World this morning presents the substance of interviews had with several gentlemen, qualified to speak with authority, in answer to the two following questions:

1. Are you in favor of the repeal of the Commee Law?

2. Are you in favor of the municipalities of Ontario being empowered to go into the business of supplying gas and electrical energy for heat, light and power?

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Second—I believe every municipal body that desires the right should have it.

DR. BEATTIE NESBITT, M.L.A.: First—Yes. Second—Yes.

THOMAS CHAPMAN, M.L.A.: First—Yes. Second—Yes.

E. E. OSLER, M.P.: First—I can hardly answer this question so abstractly, but I believe that in the long run, the municipalities of Ontario should be empowered to go into the business of supplying gas and electrical energy for heat, light and power. Second—I am not sure that the municipalities should be empowered to go into the business of supplying gas and electrical energy for heat, light and power. I believe that the municipalities should be empowered to go into the business of supplying gas and electrical energy for heat, light and power.

ANOTHER MODERN STRUCTURE

Operations May Begin in Spring on King Near Bay.

It is understood that a large financial institution is going to erect a very handsome modern building on the site of the Marshall block on King-street, near Bay. Nothing definite has been announced as yet, but it is probable that building operations will begin in the spring.

SUBSTITUTE FOR MEMORY.

London, Feb. 1.—The latest piece of clockwork ingenuity comes from Geneva. In that home of horological marvels a clock with a photograph attached to it has just been constructed. The clock acts as a mechanical memory. Without such a device a business appointment at 12 o'clock tomorrow he tells his photograph clerk all about it and sets the alarm bell for half-past eleven. At that time on the morning the clock will speak its message of reminding him half an hour in which to get ready.

DOWIE GOING TO NEW YORK.

Kenosha, Feb. 1.—John Alexander Dowie announced this morning that he had decided to take the restoration in Greater New York. For his effort to secure 100,000 converts to Dominionism in Greater New York. For his effort to secure 100,000 converts to Dominionism in Greater New York.

ROYAL FAMILY STOOD.

London, Feb. 1.—At the concert given by Sousa's Band at Windsor Castle last evening, in the presence of the royal family, King Edward asked for enclosures of several of the pieces played. The royal family stood while the band rendered "The Star Spangled Banner" and "God Save the King." At the latter, King Edward, who was seated to the right of the King, spoke to Mr. and Mrs. Sousa.

A Penny Saved Is a Penny Earned.

You buy a larger box; it holds more power and thus you economize when you buy Second.

The World Before 7 a.m. The World will be delivered to any house in the city or suburbs before seven o'clock each morning. Orders may be left at The World office or at any newsdealer. One dollar will pay for four months' delivery.

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GREAT BOER TREK.

Reported That There Will Be an Exodus to New Mexico.

London, Feb. 1.—Reynolds' Newspaper positively asserts that the Boers are contemplating a great trek to New Mexico and Texas, where their agents have bought nearly 1,000,000 acres of land. This land is to be paid for with an issue of \$50,000,000 of bonds which are to be secured by the land, stock and buildings. It is estimated that 900 families will start the exodus from South Africa within two months' time. The Boers will devote themselves to the breeding of sheep, goats, horses and cattle, ostrich farming and vineyards.

**TWOED A COMEBACK
IN SMASH ON THE C.N.R.**

Coach Crushed Another Inj. Matchwood—Several Persons Hurt, But None Killed.

Winnipeg, Feb. 1.—(Special.)—Spreading rails caused a bad smash Saturday afternoon on the Canadian Northern Railway, near Marchand, in station forty-eight miles east of Winnipeg, on the Port Arthur line, and it seems a miracle that no fatalities resulted, although several passengers were badly shaken up and cut by flying glass.

**SULTAN ROUTS HIS FOE
TAKES PRETENDER'S ALL**

Camp Visited at Dawn and Enemy Were All Slain or Captured.

Tangier, Feb. 1.—The Sultan's troops have utterly routed the forces of the Moorish pretender, and captured Bu Hamara himself. A special courier brought the news here from Fez today. He reports that at daybreak last Thursday the army of the Sultan, commanded by the War Minister, El Menzoubi, attacked the pretender's position and effected a complete rout on his followers, at the same time capturing Bu Hamara.

EXHIBITED IN A CAGE

London, Feb. 2.—A despatch from Tangier to The Morning Leader mentions a circumstantial report current in that city that Bu Hamara was brought to Fez in a cage and exposed to public view. The despatch adds that it is impossible to ascertain the truth, and attributes the report to a desire to relieve his defeat, as his claim to be a saint is exploded. The pretender's camp was surprised and rushed at dawn.

CAN'T STOP RATS' FORAGES.

Edinburgh Hotelkeepers Fight in Vain Against Rodents.

London, Feb. 1.—A weird story of an invasion by an army of rats comes from Edinburgh, where a Pied Piper of Hamelin is badly needed. Prince's street Hotel-keepers are pestered by an horde of rodents, swarming from an ivy clad bank in the gardens laid out some time ago for decorative purposes by the corporation. In this case the rats pass the day, and find their way to hotel across the street by means of old drains.

CRIMES OF PASSION.

Startling Increase in Them is Reported From France.

Paris, Feb. 1.—The increase in recent years in France of what the French call crime passionnel has become most alarming. Dr. Toulouse, an eminent psychiatrist, who has investigated the subject, states that out of 191 murders committed in France in 1900, only 44 were due to motives of cupidity. The remainder were due to sexual passion. There were also a coarse, numerous attempted murders, usually by means of a revolver or a vitriol throwing, arising from the same cause.

TWO DAYS OVERDUE.

Hull, N.S. Feb. 1.—The Allan Leveson steamer, which was wrecked on Saturday night, Jan. 31st, has not been sighted up to 2 o'clock this morning.

DEATHS.

HRWIN—On Saturday, Jan. 31, 1903, Charlotte, the wife of John Irwin, aged 69 years.

LEIGH—At the residence of her son-in-law, S. J. Chubb, 40 May-street, Toronto, on Saturday night, Jan. 31st, 1903, Sarah Bevin, beloved wife of John Leigh, in her 82nd year, a native of Windsor, Somerset, England.

LOCAL SHOWERS.

Metropolitan Office, Toronto, Feb. 1.—(Special.)—Cloudy, mild weather has prevailed today in Ontario, and it has been fair and comparatively cold in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. In the Northwest Territories and Manitoba temperatures below zero have been recorded generally.

PROBABILITIES.

Lower Lake Georgian Bay—Cloudy and mild, with a few local showers. Upper St. Lawrence—Cloudy and moderate, with light local snowfalls.

TRY THE DOCKMASTER AT THOMAS.

Steamship Movements.

Feb. 1.	At.	From.
Amelia.	New York.	Rotterdam.
Cyprian.	Liverpool.	New York.
Edinburgh.	Liverpool.	New York.
London.	Liverpool.	New York.
Manila.	Liverpool.	New York.
Montreal.	Liverpool.	New York.
Port Arthur.	Liverpool.	New York.
Quebec.	Liverpool.	New York.
St. John's.	Liverpool.	New York.
St. Louis.	Liverpool.	New York.
St. Paul.	Liverpool.	New York.
St. Peter.	Liverpool.	New York.
St. Vincent.	Liverpool.	New York.
St. Yago.	Liverpool.	New York.
St. Zofia.	Liverpool.	New York.