

CABLE LETTER.

What Holden, the Traitor, Sold to France—The Guelph Settlement.

The Kaiser's Health and Temper—Sunday Demonstration of the Unemployed.

Thousands Without Food or Fuel—Indescribable Squalor, Misery, Starvation.

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OTTAWA, April 1.—A deputation of the Royal Academy of the Canadian Arts Association interviewed Hon. Mr. Carling, this afternoon, and urged that a grant be made by the Government for the purpose of adequate representation of Canadian art in the World's Fair at Chicago, next year.

An exhibition will be held at Montreal during the winter, from which the best art works will be selected to go to Chicago.

The Royal Society met here on May 31. The Toronto City Council invited that body to meet in that city; but when it came to the point of voting the money to entertain the visitors, the Toronto aldermen could not come to the torch, consequently the meeting was held in London in this city.

The Agricultural Committee met this morning. Professor Saunders gave an interesting account of the experiments with barley and other cereals. Four hundred bushels of Canadian two-rowed barley were mated by leading English breeders and converted into ale.

The Canadian product was especially good. Fifty prominent lumbermen from different parts of Ontario intervened on the subject of the export duty on logs and against any further increase of duty on mess pork.

According to a return presented to Parliament, to-night, 3,000,283 dozen eggs were exported to Great Britain during the six months ending December 31, and 3,197,000 dozen to the United States.

Hon. Mr. Tupper informed me to-night that the interim report of the Royal Commissioners on the British Columbia salmon fishery bears out in a last measure Mr. Wilton's report of last year. The Minister does not propose to make any change in the regulations, which will be referred to, and the official regulations will be rigidly enforced.

The New Brunswick members presented a memorial to the Government, to-day, and urged a liberal appropriation, to-day, and urged the Government to build the Grand Falls dam, the present building having become dilapidated and in a very unsatisfactory condition.

Hon. Mr. Carling sent me, on his report, a large appropriation will be asked from Parliament.

It is understood \$150,000 will be voted by Parliament for the purpose of the Canadian exhibits at the World's Fair.

John A. Gemmill, barrister, Ottawa, petitioned the House of Commons to-day for permission to present a memorial to Her Majesty, signed by Edward Holden, Cotton, H. R. C. Perley and H. R. McCleary to be incorporated as a company to build a tunnel under the first narrows and the second narrows of the St. Lawrence.

This course is necessary owing to the expiration of the time for the presentation of petitions for private bills consequent upon the absence in England of the chief promoter of the new company.

The House was in supply all day, and passed three small bills.

There was a general row over the payments of arrears to Messrs. Pereira, Henry and Turner, interior department clerks, who were suspended some time ago.

Perera's amount was voted by the House to be 38. The members then went on to discuss the High Commissioner's extra, and another long speech was made.

THE MILITARY JUDGES. LONDON, April 2.—The revelations in regard to the treachery of Edward Holden, formerly of the Royal Engineers, who is said to have betrayed the plans of the fortifications at Malta and Gibraltar to France, have caused the biggest fright that the British War Office has seen in a generation.

The authorities have the letters which passed between Holden and a French agent named Poinet, showing that the plan of the fortifications at Malta and Gibraltar were about to be handed over when Holden was arrested. Holden obtained his knowledge of the plans while serving as a draughtsman in the "Empress" service.

There is no doubt that the description of every fort, every battery and every gun in the island of Malta has been given to France, and the latter has now in possession the most ample particulars in regard to the armaments of all the defenses of the huge fortress. According to the Post, Holden, it would appear that various sums of money amounting to about £160, were remitted at different times in conformity with the bargain. The result of all this is that the British Government has resolved to make changes, at great expense, in the fortifications at Malta, as the loss of that fortress, in case of war with France, would involve the transfer to the latter power of the point of control of the Mediterranean.

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considered very doubtful whether the Duke could be brought to do so. Then the "Landa Director," of Hanover, Baron Von Hemmerstein, who had been a trusted friend of the late King, stepped in, and, through his influence, managed to persuade the Duke to abide by the inevitable.

THE KAISER RATTLED. The Kaiser is said to be deeply aggrieved by a remark made in the Reichstag by Herr Richter, the great leader of the Radicals, who went so far as to poke fun at His Majesty in the vote for a grant to suppress the rebel chief, Wilton, in Southwestern Africa. Herr Richter remarked, casually that he saw no reason to interfere with the dusky ruler. "He is a sovereign in his own way," he considers it his divine mission to treat similar sinners in his own course, and he holds that any one who does not agree with him in Southwestern Africa had better shake the dust of that country off his feet.

SUNDAY DEMONSTRATION. The unemployed workmen with the co-operation of a sprinkling of Socialists, have been for several days past, arranging to make a demonstration, to-morrow, designed to call attention to their unsatisfactory condition. They propose to parade in large numbers, and about 500 of them will leave the procession when it reaches St. Paul's Cathedral, and go in to hear what the Dean has to say to the workmen, who cannot, they claim, get work. The Dean has promised to preach a special sermon to the unemployed, and to review the matter. The Dean was invited, and even tried to dissuade the men from parading on the Lord's Day as all the workmen who are not working, are very obnoxious to the clergy.

A delegation waited upon the Lord Mayor to-day, and suggested that the halls of the great London companies, which are chiefly utilized for banquets, be converted into workshops, and also any city funds that might be lying around loose should be used for the purchase of land in the country, where the unemployed could be turned out to grass, so to speak. His honor promptly promised to consider the proposal. People whose hands do not work, are not wanted.

THE SO-CALLED UNEMPLOYED. As free expression of opinion that the sudden activity of this class is stimulated by a desire to take advantage of the reigning dynamite scare to secure concessions from the Government, it is alleged by some of these unfortunates that the "unemployed" form a permanent organization of blackmailers of society, and that they find it difficult to get any work, and are therefore obliged to resort to dynamite.

Three new Post Offices have been established in the Vancouver district—St. James Mill stream, Kuper Island and Sprout's Lake.

E. A. Harvey, temporary excise officer of the Island Revenue Division of Vancouver, has been appointed Deputy Collector of Island Revenue at that port.

Senator Molines was badly set on by the Senate, yesterday. Contrary to rule, it appears that he has been presenting a resolution from the library for the Senate messenger. When the practice was discovered, it was promptly stopped. Mr. Molines endeavored to insist that his brother Senators on his side, but the peers would not support him, and Mr. Molines is a very mad man these days.

The suspension of Major Perley, late Chief Engineer of Public Works, has been made final.

The lock-out of printers in the Chilton office proposed to start a rival organ on Monday. It is expected to have only an ephemeral existence, as there is no capital behind it.

The operation of the Scott Act in St. John city and county has been revoked.

Mr. Governor Royal, who is here, furnishes information in reference to the territorial estimates among the various provinces of the Dominion.

The Government, to-day, decided to renew the arrangements of last year in the matter of a restriction of cattle bills and the raising of the duties on the Dominion. This is a great victory for the inland mariners over the ocean steamship companies.

Complaint is being made that city post-masters have not handed foreign sea catalogues to the Customs officials for the collection of duties.

John Ferguson, ex-M.P. for Welland, and Mr. Bone, are the new Senators from Ontario.

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CAPITAL NOTES.

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Senator Molines Set Upon by Grave and Reverend—Printers' Strike.

The Customs and Seed Catalogues—What the Quadra Cost—New Senators.

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OTTAWA, April 2.—No appointment to the position of Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia will be made until after the session. This was the information which Mr. Abbott conveyed to the COLONIST, to-night. He stated that strong representations had been made to him in favor of the appointment of Mr. Mars, and that this week a petition, extensively signed, reached him from residents of Nanaimo, strongly urging that Senator W. J. McDonald be appointed.

The official announcement of the Government's intention not to do anything for the present will doubtless set the matter at rest for some weeks.

New regulations for the inspection of gas were gazetted to-day. They increase the number of inspectors to be appointed, and fix, as the object of the department being to make the expenditure and revenue approximately as much as possible.

The great project of the railway committee of the legislative Assembly, this morning, threw out the clause of the Toronto Street R. R. Bill, which provides that street cars shall not run on Sundays for the next 20 days.

Revolt in Paraguay. New York, April 2.—A cablegram from Ancon, Paragua via Galveston, Texas, to the Herald, says: Part of the garrison here have revolted against the Government. They attempted to depose the President. The moral condition of the country remains loyal. However, under orders, they suppressed the revolt, disarmed the rebels and sent them into prison. Peace has been finally restored, and there is no indication of another disturbance.

Another cable to the same paper from Rio Janeiro via Galveston says: The situation is daily growing more unsettled. The government has an outbreak, and to meet any possible demonstration, the troops and explosives are confined to their barracks.

Wiped out by a Cyclone. KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 1.—Late advice from the town of Tonawanda state that four persons were killed and sixteen injured by a cyclone which completely wiped out that town.

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