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BRIDGE ACROSS THE HARBOR; ALDERMEN TAKE UP THE QUESTION.

Committee Will Investigate—Some Opposition Met With—Automobile Line Proposed—Resolution in Cotton Mills Exemption—New Army Agitation.

Wind new bridge across the falls, more car ferry boats, automobiles, increased port accommodation and a new hall composed part of the programme as considered at the adjourned session of the common council Thursday noon.

Mr. Macroe brought up the question of increased communication between the east and west sides was proposed by Ald. Macroe, who thought it was appropriate for a committee to investigate the feasibility of a bridge across the present suspension bridge.

Ald. Macroe wanted an automobile line or rather wished the city to encourage the establishment of such a service between the city, Fairville, Carleton Place and Millville.

Ald. White and on his motion the city was requested to act in connection with the matter.

Mr. Macroe and Mr. McGoldrick had been asked to question the resolution on the table.

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PASSING OF CHINA'S GREAT STATESMAN.

Arrangements for Burial of Li Hung Chang—Russia at Deathbed to Close Manchurian Convention.

Pekin, Nov. 7.—The end of Li Hung Chang was quiet. His vitality slowly ebbed. For a time he lost consciousness; but he showed great tenacity, rattled at midnight, became semi-conscious, partook of nourishment and appeared to recognize his relatives.

The flames of the procession of paper edifices, chairs, horses and banners, burned in the courtyard to carry his spirit to Heaven, told the officials who were gathered in the narrow street outside that the end had come.

A memorial was telegraphed to the court announcing his death. It is expected that when the court received the news an edict was issued bestowing posthumous honors upon the deceased and probably advancing him to the rank of a marquis, which title will descend to his eldest son.

The Chinese officials were unable to obtain communication with Prince Ching today. The governor of Pekin, the provincial treasurer and the general commanding the Chinese troops, have sent a joint telegram to various points, recommending Prince Ching to proceed and join the emperor, in order to present to the court the facts of the situation in Pekin before returning to the capital.

The death of Li Hung Chang is doubly regretted because he was the only influential Chinese official who could deal with foreign governments with an appreciation of the foreign point of view.

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MORE STRENUOUS EFFORTS TO END THE BOER WAR.

Recent Cabinet Meetings Chiefly Dealt With South African Campaign.

CAVALRY TO GO OUT.

Four Thousand to Be Dispatched from England—More of the Bethel Fight—Hague Hears of Victory by Maritz—Operations by General Hamilton's Column.

London, Nov. 7.—The meetings of the British cabinet recently have been chiefly devoted to South Africa and to drawing up plans for more strenuous efforts to end the campaign. One of the results will be the despatch of 4,000 cavalry from England to South Africa.

Mr. Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, went yesterday afternoon directly from the cabinet meeting to the scene of the presentation to Prince Ching to proceed and join the emperor, in order to present to the court the facts of the situation in Pekin before returning to the capital.

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MR. BLAIR WORKING FOR CANADIAN PORTS.

Trying to Secure Shipment of Horses for Imperial Army—Ottawa General Matters.

Ottawa, Nov. 7.—(Special)—Engineer A. Boyer, of the public works department, who has been departmental engineer with J. B. Charlson in the construction of the Yukon telegraph line, arrived in Ottawa today. This evening he left for Quebec to catch the last boat which will leave this season for the lower north shore of the St. Lawrence.

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CONVICT AND GUARDS IN DESPERATE CONFLICT; PRISONERS ESCAPE.

One Man Killed, Three Badly Wounded—Twenty-six Gain Liberty in General Rush—Reported Robbing Nearby Farmers.

Leavenworth, Kan., Nov. 7.—One man was killed, three others dangerously wounded and 26 desperate convicts are at large, as a result of a mutiny late this afternoon at the site of the new United States prison, near here, where 400 prisoners from the federal prison in charge of the trouble began the rebellious prisoners had only two revolvers. These had been secreted in one of the walls of the building are partly completed and the remainder of the site of the building is surrounded by high wooden stockade.

Defeated in their attempt to escape at this point, the men rushed to the guardhouse, a temporary frame structure, where the arms were kept. The guards from the outside rushed in and drove the convicts away from the guardhouse.

J. P. Waldrop, a guard, shot and killed Ford Quinn, from Ryan, I. T. The convicts then made a great rush for the main entrance and twenty-six of them succeeded in escaping. Closely followed by the guards, the men ran into a nearby forest and succeeded in evading their pursuers.

The men went in the direction of Easton, Kan., and it is reported here they held up many farmers, taking horses and clothing.

CANADIAN SOCIETY'S ANNUAL DINNER.

Three Hundred Guests at Waldorf—Astoria Spread—Hon. Mr. Fisher a Speaker.

New York, Nov. 7.—Prominent Canadians and Americans dined at the Waldorf-Astoria tonight at the fifth annual banquet of the Canadian Society. Nearly 300 members and invited guests were present.

Letters of regret were received from President Roosevelt, Governor General Minto of Canada, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Lord Pauncefoot, Bahop Potter, Andrew Carnegie and President Schurman of Cornell University.

Among the invited guests were: Sir Percy Sanderson, Hon. Sydney A. Fisher, minister of agriculture, Ottawa; E. Ames, president of the Toronto Board of Trade; John Coates, president of the Ottawa Board of Trade; Dr. Robert H. Upland, president of the Canadian Club, Boston; Albert E. Jones, president of the Victoria Club, Buffalo; Charles Clinton Burke, treasurer of the New England Society, and Noel Marshall, president of National Club, Toronto.

The toast included: His Majesty's Representative, Sir Percy Sanderson; Canada, Sydney A. Fisher; United States, John Ford; Our Guests, Wm. E. Dodge, president of the New England Society; A. E. Ames, president of the Board of Trade of Toronto, and John Coates, president of the Board of Trade of Ottawa.

FRENCH LAND ON ISLE OF MITYLENE.

How Powers Regard the Situation Which is Developing—Again Stated Turkey Accepts French Demands.

Paris, Nov. 7.—A despatch from Admiral Canard has just been received announcing that he landed on the island of Mytilene this morning and occupied the customs at Midia without resistance.

Berlin, Nov. 8.—It is reported here, says a despatch from St. Petersburg to the Cologne Gazette, "France appears to be dealing unequally with the powers."

Government circles in Berlin say that Germany has not yet been addressed by France on the subject.

Paris, Nov. 8.—The Greek minister in Constantinople, according to a despatch to a Paris news agency, has telegraphed the Greek government that the Porte has accepted all the demands of France.

THE GRAND TRUNK.

Inspection Just Finished Shows the Railway in Splendid Condition.

Montreal, Nov. 7.—F. V. Gilderstone, chairman of the Avonmouth Docks Company, has just finished inspection of the Grand Trunk system for the directors in England. He finds the railway in splendid condition and states that Messrs. Hays and Reeve have increased the value of the company's securities fifteen million pounds sterling.

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