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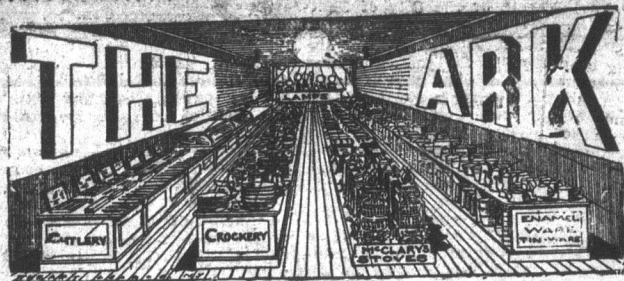
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CANADIANS FOR INDIA.

TROUBLE EXPECTED OVER HUDSON BAY

Colonel Denison Says Canada is in Favor of Mr. Chamberlain—Tribute to Sir Richard Cartwright's Toronto Speech.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—There is a possibility that a Canadian regiment may be sent to India to get the benefit of a military training there. If so it will be a voluntary matter on the part of the men who may compose the regiment, and the expense will be borne by the Government of India. This information was gained from Sir Frederick Borden, Minister of Militia, who returned at 2 o'clock from England, where he had a conference with the military authorities on the subject of the proposed amendments to the Canadian militia act. Sir Frederick's attention was drawn to a cablegram, stating positively that a regiment from Canada would be sent to India, which caused the Minister to say: "A suggestion to that effect was made to me by Mr. Arnold Forster, the Secretary of State for War, when I called upon him. Mr. Forster thought military service in Canada was rather dull and was, thought well of, that Canada might like to have the privilege of doing something of the kind. Of course the regiment would be sent at the expense of India, which bears the cost of maintaining the British regulars stationed there. Such a move would give an opportunity to ambitious young Canadians who desire to see service abroad. It would enable some of our young officers and men who are fond of soldiering to get experience, and there is no better country in the world than India for that. Of course it would be absolutely voluntary on their part. The great difficulty would be what to do with them when they returned. I told the Secretary of State for War that I would discuss the matter with my colleagues. That is all there is to it. At present the matter is absolutely up in the air.

"As a result of my conference with the Imperial authorities, increased educational facilities will be given to our officers, both by way of instruction and perhaps exchanging with officers of the English army. The officers to whom this would apply would be those of the higher rank at headquarters, and possibly some of the permanent corps. The Imperial authorities are disposed to find places for some of our officers in the staff college, so that they may learn staff duties and become proficient in higher military education. We have one Canadian officer in the English staff college already. The education and training of our officers is most important. We must have these things if we are to have thoroughly competent officers, and the home authorities are favorably impressed with the idea to which I have referred."

Sir Frederick went on to say that on his arrival in England he was made an ex-officio member of the Imperial Defence Committee, which is the first time this honor has been conferred upon a colonial Minister. The committee was called together while he was in London, and he was present at the session. Right Hon. A. J. Balfour presided, and there were present Mr. Lytton, Secretary of State for the Colonies; Mr. Arnold Forster, Secretary of State for War; Lord Selborne, First Lord of the Admiralty; Mr. Brodrick, Secretary of State for India; and a number of distinguished officers representing the army and navy. The committee took into consideration the four important amendments to the Canadian militia act, and each was put and agreed to. The changes have explained been explained. One amendment omits from the militia act all reference to naval militia, which will be transferred to the Department of Marine when established. This is done on the strong recommendation of the English Admiralty. A second amendment removes the present disability which prevents any officer but one in the English regular army of a rank not lower than Colonel from taking command of the Canadian militia. The position will now be open to any officer in the British Empire of the proper rank. The third amendment removes the anomaly, which formerly existed, under which an English officer took precedence of a Canadian officer of the same rank, even although the former might be junior to the latter on date of appointment. Hereafter precedence will depend in the case of officers of the same rank upon the date of appointment. The fourth amendment puts an end to the provision under which the officer commanding the regular troops at Halifax was to take command of the Canadian troops, although in time of war he might be junior in rank to the Canadian General. Hereafter the command in the event of war will depend upon rank and seniority.

"The outcome of the conference was most satisfactory in every way," declared Sir Frederick. "The authorities in London are well posted in regard to what we have been doing to improve our militia, and they are well pleased at what has been accomplished in a comparatively short time."

Sir Frederick was delighted to be home in time for Christmas. He was a passenger on the Kron Prinz Wilhelm, which broke her propeller soon after leaving Cherbourg and was greatly delayed in consequence in reaching New York. Lieut.-Col. Rutherford returned with the Minister of Militia.

FOUND DEAD AT KINGSTON.

BODY IN THE WATER WITH SUSPICIOUS WOUNDS.

Police Theory that Thomas Cahill Was Drowned and the Wounds on His Head Were Caused by a Fall—Inquest to be Held.

Kingston, Dec. 26.—Early yesterday Capt. Poole of the Government dredge Sir Richard, lying at the foot of Queen street, went down to see if the dredge was all right. He was shocked at finding the body of a man lying on a float moored in the slip near the dredge. The face was submerged and death was due to drowning. The police and Coroner Mundell were at once notified. The remains were identified as those of Thomas Cahill, a Pittsburgh township farm laborer, aged about 60 years. A gaping wound in the back of the head and another over the right eye led the Coroner to suspect foul play, and he decided to hold an inquest. A post-mortem examination revealed the fact that both wounds had been inflicted some time prior to death. The theory of the police is that Cahill slipped and fell on an icy walk, causing the wounds. The deceased was a veteran of 1866, and had no relatives living.

FLYING ROLLER ARRESTED.

Windsor Woman Charged With Distributing Obscene Literature.

Windsor, Dec. 26.—As a result of the exclusion from the mails of the "New Era Success," a paper issued by the Flying Roll colony of Windsor, the members have issued a circular, which was spread broadcast last evening by the women of the colony, and which attacks Mayor Drake of Windsor and the late Police Captain Starkweather of Detroit. These were put on every doorstep, and Chief Willis, late in the evening, catching one of the women in the act, arrested her and locked her up at the police station, where she was registered as Ladora Weaver. The charge made against her is "distributing obscene literature." Her examination will probably take place on Saturday.

HOTEL MAN PAID UP.

Sandwich East Liquor Case Will be Settled To-day.

Windsor, Dec. 26.—Louis Ferrari, one of the quartette of Sandwich East hotelmen who have for the past couple of months refused to pay the fines imposed upon them by Magistrate Bartlett for selling liquor to Indians, has called on Magistrate Bartlett and paid his fine. The Magistrate has given them until Saturday to settle, and if they do not respond before then will have the rest of them committed.

PATENTS AND TRADE MARKS.

More Entered at Washington This Year Than Ever Before.

Washington, Dec. 26.—More specifications for patents and trade marks were printed in the Patent Office Gazette this year than in any previous year. A report of the work of the division shows 31,165 patents, 1,886 trade marks and 536 designs and specifications.

FEEDING THE POOR.

Salvation Army in New York Gave Dinner to 25,000 People.

New York, Dec. 26.—The Salvation Army, in keeping with its annual custom, distributed Christmas dinners to 25,000 of New York's poor at the Grand Central Palace. Beginning at 10 o'clock 5,000 baskets, each containing a satisfying dinner for a family of five, were distributed. This evening 5,000 of the city's homeless poor sat down to tables laden with turkey, cranberry sauce and other good things of the season. Commander Booth-Tucker was in personal charge, assisted by the entire staff of the army in this city.

STRIKERS WERE AWED.

Paris Police and Military Guards Able to Maintain Order.

Paris, Dec. 26.—Beyond a few individual attacks by the striking bakers on bakeries, Paris was quiet to-day, a condition due to the disposition of a strong force of police and military guards. The strikers held a meeting in the Bourse du Travail and strongly condemned the use of the army to preserve order. The strikers claim that 2,100 bakers have stopped work, while the Chief of Police says that only 189 have gone out.

It is officially announced that the British Government has recognized the Republic of Panama.

Distinct earthquake shocks were experienced in New York State and elsewhere throughout the United States.

A memorial window to the late Rev. Canon Hebdon was unveiled in the Church of the Ascension at Hamilton.

The Japanese Government has decided to guarantee the debentures for the completion of the Seoul-Fusan Railway in Corea.

A GRAVE QUESTION.

PROPOSAL OF ARNOLD FORSTER, SECRETARY FOR WAR.

Imperial Defence Conference—Sir Frederick Borden's Visit to England—Amendments to the Dominion Militia Act Agreed to.

London, Dec. 26.—The Express, referring to the bill before the Dominion Parliament to change the name of Hudson's Bay to "The Canadian Sea," and the objects of the Government expedition on the Neptune, says that Canada is facing with resolute intention a new dispute (regarding Hudson's Bay) with the United States, and which is fraught with far more serious possibilities than the Alaskan question.

Colonel George T. Denison writes to The Times that Canadians are astonished at a prominent English politician declaring that the colonies are not on Chamberlain's side. Canada is overwhelmingly in favor of a preference, and the politicians must not listen to the cry of a few Canadians, and one or two renegade Canadians in England, and that Canada is against a preference. Every open or secret enemy of the empire, he says, is against Chamberlain.

The Morning Post says that Sir Richard Cartwright's great speech at Toronto was distorted to please the free trade journals in Britain. It calls his favoring a tax on food export from the United States to Britain a remarkable argument in favor of Mr. Chamberlain's policy, and adds that Sir Richard's statement as to the relation of such an increase to the respect held by the United States for Great Britain and promising Canada's help was the most eloquent of all speeches on behalf of Mr. Chamberlain.

The Post also says it is curious that no Canadian statesman sees the necessity of Canada's seaboard trade requiring protection in time of war, though the necessity of maintaining naval stations in the vicinity of the trade routes is already understood in Australia, South Africa, New Zealand and even Newfoundland.

JOURNEY'S SAD ENDING.

Came to Marry Her Lover Who Had Been Killed.

New York, Dec. 26.—Miss Lillian Bennett, who was to have met here and married Ambrose Good of Newcastle, Pa., who lost his life in the railroad wreck at Connelville, Pa., Wednesday night, arrived on the steamship Cedric from Liverpool, and was informed at quarantine of her lover's death. Miss Bennett, who has been worrying because the delay of a day in the vessel's arrival would cause a postponement of the wedding until to-morrow, was grief-stricken over the news. As she came over in the steamer and has neither friends nor relatives here to take charge of her she must under the law be returned to England.

RUSSIA'S VIEW UNKNOWN.

Considering Answer to the Japanese Demands.

Moscow, Dec. 26.—One of the volunteer fleet's transports, en route to Port Arthur from Odessa, carries 2,000 picked recruits, also several Black Sea naval officers and a party of fifty naval gunners and engine room artificers.

Tokio, Dec. 26.—The indications are that Japan will soon take active steps to assert and consolidate her position in Corea. As one of such steps the government, without awaiting the consent of the Diet, will guarantee the principal and interest on the Seoul-Fusan railway funds for the purpose of completing the line next year, instead of in 1906.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—The Russian Government is still considering the reply of the Japanese Government to its note, which was sent in answer to that of Japan relative to the situation in the far east. A reconsideration of the proposals made by the Russian note is considered as a matter of course here. Russia has never been disposed to take any step which would lead to an abrupt termination of the negotiations with Japan. In answer to many inquiries made by the Associated Press, the Russian Foreign Office has always insisted that the Russian proposals were so liberal that it would be scarcely possible to conceive any further concessions. While the Foreign Office is unwilling to admit that Russia is prepared to offer more than the concessions outlined in the last note, it is considered possible that the Government may suggest changes by which the Russian requirements may be met, and satisfaction given to Japan.

London, Dec. 26.—The London Daily Mail's Kobe correspondent says it is reported that the note of Baron Komuro, Minister of Foreign Affairs, to Baron de Rosen, the Russian Minister, in response to Russia's reply to the claims of Japan, had a paragraph to the effect that only two weeks would be allowed for an answer. This period expires January 7.

Special cablegrams from the far east printed in this morning's newspapers reiterate the reports of alleged war preparations, but as Japan securities yesterday recovered their lost values it is evident that little importance is attached to these rumors in financial quarters.

BOY A MURDERER?

Alleged to Have Killed Two of His Companions.

Keokuk, Iowa, Dec. 26.—Arthur Humphrey, a fourteen-year-old boy, now in the police station here, may be held for the murder of Paul and William Stice. The three boys were playmates, but during a recent quarrel Humphrey threatened to kill William Stice. He tried several times yesterday to entice him on the ice, but Stice's mother prevented his going.

The two Stice boys and Humphrey disappeared Monday through the torpedoes and all knowledge of their whereabouts. Later, however, he confessed that the boys were drowned. He says they crossed the river late in the afternoon; that he struck William and knocked him down; then chased him to strike him again, and the boy ran into an air-lift. The younger brother attempted to rescue him, and the two sank together.

Humphrey's mother is dead, and his father is serving a twenty-year term in the penitentiary.

A UNIQUE TEST

Safety of Men in Submarine Boats at Stake.

Newport, R.I., Dec. 26.—An important test was made with one of the submarine torpedo boats a few days ago, which sets at rest an idea that it would be impossible for the crew of the submarine to escape if anything were to happen to the boat while submerged. It was suggested that the men could escape through the torpedo tube at the bow of the boat, but many naval officers thought that this could not be accomplished without injury. It was finally decided to have a test in this line, and two large dogs were secured as subjects of the test. The Holland boat, Shark, attached to the torpedo station, was selected for the test, and, under the command of Lieut. C. T. Nelson, went out in the bay. After being submerged one of the dogs was placed in the torpedo tube and a wooden wad placed behind the animal and the whole expelled in the same manner as would be a torpedo. Many thought that the force of the compressed-air charge would kill the animal, but it came to the surface and swam around as if nothing had happened.

The other dog was then experimented on and it likewise came to the surface uninjured. Both animals were picked up and taken back to the station. The result of the test shows that in case of trouble with the boats under water the crew could find an exit in this manner and that the danger of injury would be very small.

SAW HER LOVER DROWN.

Had Eloped With Him, but Death Ended Their Adventure.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 26.—George Richmond, 25 years old, eloped with Annie DePrieste from Olie, Va., the other morning. They had to cross the Jackson River on foot to take the train. The girl sat on the bank while Richmond walked out on the ice to test it. He broke through and was drowned. His body was recovered. Miss DePrieste, waiting until the searchers were successful.

NOT ENOUGH PRESENTS.

Young Man, Therefore, Shot His Cousin and His Aunt.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—William Kauffmann shot and fatally injured his cousin, Rosa Kauffmann, and wounded his aunt, Mrs. Rega Kauffmann, in a quarrel over Christmas presents. Kauffmann declared that his uncle had not given him a proper number of Christmas presents, and attempted to shoot him. The women endeavored to act as peacemakers and Kauffmann shot them both. He made his escape and has not been arrested.

A TERRIBLE VOYAGE.

Exciting Experiences on the Limer Menominee.

New York, Dec. 26.—A number of the passengers who were on the Atlantic transport Menominee, bound for this port, when she was struck by a hurricane on December 7, and disabled so that she drifted at the mercy of the storm for five days has arrived here on the Cedric. They told a thrilling story of their experience. The Menominee left London on December 3. Four days later she ran into a terrific gale, and a huge wave sixty feet high struck the ship, throwing her on her beam-ends. It came with such force as to crush in the heavy deadlights in the cabin ports of the starboard side, and the staterooms were flooded. Most of the passengers were in bed when the wave hit the ship. They were thrown from their berths to the floor, with bedding and every movable thing on top of them.

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FAMILY REUNION

A family re-union was held at the residence of Mrs. H. A. Wilcox, Bloomfield, yesterday, when Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wilcox and son Raymond, Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McDougall and daughter Edna, city, Mr. Richard Wilcox, Raleigh, spent a very pleasant time.

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SMALLPOX IN BUFFALO

Six Cases Discovered in a Dance Hall—Precautions Taken.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 26.—Nine persons suffering from smallpox were taken to the Quarantine Hospital. Six of the cases were discovered at a dance hall in Broadway, where a large number of persons were exposed to infection. The health authorities are working hard to stamp out the disease. Two buildings have been quarantined and placed under a police guard.

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