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BRITISH NEAR DISASTER FROM DEADLY "CRESCENT FORMATION" KILL 60 ZULUS IN BATTLE

Force of Over 1000 Attack Col. Mansell's Column, Whose Quickness Averts Disaster—Natives Fight With Desperate Fury.

Durban, May 6.—Col. Mansell's column, which is pursuing the Zulu rebels under Chief Bambata, was attacked today by a large body of Zulus while descending a precipitous hill near the grave of Chief Cetewayo.

Sixty Zulus were killed.

Col. Mansell had three men wounded. Mansell was engaged in a reconnaissance from Fort Yoland.

He was co-operating with other columns in expelling the rebels from the forest with a view to cutting Bambata off from escape.

He thought the Zulu attackers were Bambata's men.

They numbered altogether over a thousand men and attempted to employ the crescent formation adopted in the Zulu war, only Col. Mansell's prompt disposition of his forces prevented disaster.

The Zulus displayed desperate fury.

They were armed with rifles and assegais and evidently had been drugged by witch doctors, who pretend to be able to render them impervious to bullets.

FRIENDS AGAIN.

Lafontaine Club of Montreal Listens to Flattering Mention of Borden.

Montreal, May 6.—(Special.)—Last evening a love feast was given by the Club Lafontaine to several Ontario and Manitoba members of parliament. F. D. Monk took the chair and welcomed A. E. Kemp of East Toronto, Andrew Ingram of East Elgin, J. E. Armstrong of East Lambton, Gunn of South Huron, Dr. Roche of Marquette and Dr. Schaffner of Souris, Manitoba. All spoke upon the prospects of the party and the good feeling amongst the men from Ontario and Quebec.

F. D. Monk, M. P., cast off all reservations and declared unwavering allegiance to R. L. Borden. This was all the more important from the fact that the Lafontaine Club has been an anti-Borden hotbed since his attitude on the school question and his name has been scarcely mentioned within the walls for a year or more.

JUMPED INTO THE BAY.

Folks at Home Surprised to Learn of Aged Man's Performance.

William Parliament, a laborer, 60 years old, living at 4 Cameron-street, attempted to commit suicide yesterday by throwing himself into the bay.

About 7.30 yesterday morning Alexander Martin, who keeps a boathouse at the foot of Brock-avenue, heard a yell and a splash in the water. Thinking rather early in the year for swimming, he looked out and saw a man struggling in the water close to his dock. With the aid of William Edwin, 213 Shaw-street, he succeeded in pulling him out with a pike pole.

When on the dock the man, altho nearly exhausted, attempted to jump from the two who held him and to jump into the bay again. They, however, held him until the arrival of the patrol-boat, and he was taken to No. 3 police station.

For a long time he refused to tell his name. When it was found out a constable went to the home and found the man gone. He was sleeping with his son, but the young man had not noticed his departure.

SEWER GAS EXPLODES.

Causes Bit of Excitement at Queen and Victoria Streets.

Gas forming in an underground tunnel at Queen and Victoria-streets yesterday afternoon was the cause of an explosion.

The top of a manhole was blown thirty feet into the air and fell within six inches of James Hunter, of East Queen-street. A Chinaman was standing nearest to the hole when the explosion took place and eye witnesses say that they saw his pig tail sticking straight out behind him as he hustled down Victoria-street.

Sewer gas had formed in a tank of the Electric Light Company and a spark from the wires exploded it. The flames came out of the hole, and the firemen were called, but by the time they arrived the flames had died out for want of fuel.

BIFFED GOOD SAMARITAN.

Happened to Be a Policeman, Who Promptly Made an Arrest.

Because P. C. Wade attempted to protect him from a man who he thought was intending to lure him into a lane and rob him, William Dunlop of 326 Gladstone-avenue struck the officer in the face and was arrested for assaulting the police.

Dunlop was under the influence of liquor, and Wade tried to persuade him to go home on a Dundas-street car. He refused to take the car and started to walk along the street.

Another man took him by the arm and the policeman thought it right to interfere. He asked the new-comer whether he knew Dunlop. He replied he did not but was going to take him home. Dunlop, offended at what was said to his new-found friend, struck the officer heavily in the face.

CANADA LIFE TO-DAY.

The royal insurance commission have finished their investigation of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company.

To-day the Canada Life Insurance officials will probably be put on the stand to tell what they know.

It is not yet known how long the examination of this company will take, but it is rumored that the commission will adjourn on Wednesday to meet in Montreal the following Tuesday.

FRENCH ELECTIONS BEGIN BIG POLL, NO DISORDERS

Day's Results Show Government Gain of 18 Seats—Few Changes Probable.

Paris, May 6.—Results thus far announced in the general parliamentary elections, which were held to-day, show few changes in the chamber, most of the former deputies being re-elected, but an extraordinary number of second ballots will be necessary in Paris. The present ballot gives the opposition a majority, but the second ballot, which will be taken May 20, is expected to produce the results of the 1902 election when the representation of the capital was equally divided. Nevertheless the government has gained one seat. It is estimated that there was a record vote.

Owing to the excitement caused by the recent strike and the disorders occasioned by the taking of inventories of church property the polling booths were guarded by military and police, but the day passed practically without incident, and intervention by the authorities was unnecessary. Marcel Habert, director of the League of Patriots, was defeated.

The 591 seats in the chamber of deputies were divided by over 2000 candidates of various political opinions. The two great contending elements are the "Bloc" or supporters of the government and the "anti-Bloc" or opponents of the government.

The "Bloc" is composed of the powerful radical republicans, numbering one hundred and forty, under the command of War Minister Etienne, and including M. Delcasse, the former foreign minister, 90 Radical Socialists, of whom Fernand Sarrien is the leader, and about fifty Socialists, led by M. Jaures. All the ministers are running as "Bloc" candidates. The "anti-Bloc" includes the Nationalists, Clericals, Royalists, Bonapartists, Anti-Semites and various other groups.

Some of the most striking of the opposition candidates are Col. Maxime Lecomte, a former minister, who is seeking to represent a Paris district; M. Drouleud and Marcel Habert, who recently were arrested after having been expelled from the chamber; Joseph Laies, the anti-Semite leader, who is known as the French Tim Healy; the Abbes Lemire, and Gayraud, direct representative of the church, and M. Baudry L'Asson, an out and out Royalist and parliamentary buffoon.

Including Paris, 41 results are known. The government captured 188 seats and the opposition 112, while 111 will require second ballots. The net gain to the government is 18 seats.

TYPON'S NOMINATIONS.

Typographical Union, No. 91, nominates for Saturday night, James Simpson was elected president by acclamation; candidates for vice-president, Alex. Church, Hadden and Murray; for delegate to L.T.U. convention, Mesban and Edworthy; for Dominion Trades Congress, Simpson and James.

AGAINST A STRIKE.

Montreal, May 6.—A mass meeting of the Montreal longshoremen was held this evening to discuss the labor conditions on the wharf. Many of the men expressed themselves as strongly against any idea of striking, and no action was taken.

To Bring Shearing Home?

London, May 6.—A despatch to a news agency says the British fleet, under Vice-Admiral Lord Charles Beresford has arrived at Phalerum Bay, near Athens.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

May 7. Insurance Commission, City Hall, 11. Township Council, 2. City Council, special meeting, 3. St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, address by Rev. Dr. Lyle, 8. Orillan Old Boys, Y.M.C.A., 8. Princess, Kylie Bellaw, as "Rafles," 8. Grand, Roselle Knott, in "When Knighthood Was in Flower," 2 and 8. Matinee, At Cripples Creek, 2 and 8. Star, Washington Society Girls, 2 and 8. Edwards, Morgan & Company, Chartered Accountants, 39 Wellington-st. East. Phone Main 1193.

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Briar Pipes Below Cost. Alvie Ballard is selling 35c pipes for 18c each.

PROSPECT IS BRIGHTENING FOR RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT

New Cabinet Announces a Policy of Non-Interference—Gorgeous Ceremony of Opening.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—The members of the national parliament and of the council of the empire are arriving here on every train. Quite a number of distinguished foreign visitors and journalists already have reached St. Petersburg to witness Thursday's great historic event—the inauguration of the Russian parliament.

The fears that the government might attempt to dissolve the parliament before it had the opportunity of accomplishing anything are vanishing, and despite the bomb outrage at Moscow to-day and the continued irreconcilable attitude of the extreme revolutionists there is a more hopeful feeling that Russia may enter smoothly into parliamentary life. This is due not only to the moderate attitude of the constitutional democratic majority whose leaders with admirable self-restraint are holding the extremists among them in check, but to the manifest desire of the government to avoid a conflict.

The new cabinet has announced a policy of hands off, practically saying that the parliament shall have carte blanche and so long as it does not attempt to meddle with the fundamental laws of the empire, the parliament will be allowed to offer its own solution for the agrarian problem.

The Final Victory.

With this attitude of the government, it is sincerely carried out, the constitutional democrats for the present are content. They believe their final victory when the emperor will be forced to grant a constitution is not far off, a few months at most—especially if in the meantime they are permitted to accomplish something tangible which will strengthen them with the country.

The Associated Press to-day talked with M. Nabokoff, the leader of the constitutional democrats said frankly that his party had no desire at present to have a premier and cabinet, even if it could secure a majority. He would place it upon the defensive while by remaining on the opposition with the country behind it, the chances of forcing a cabinet on the emperor were increased instead of being diminished.

The little group of socialists of the extreme left has not yet shown its hand, but a negligible quantity and with present temper at Tsarke-Seio, the small group of reactionaries in the parliament sinks low.

The program of ceremonies at the Winter Palace, where the emperor will deliver the speech from the throne, has been arranged with all the glitter and pomp of a solemn function, the idea of an informal opening in order to diminish the importance of the position of the parliament having been abandoned. The entire imperial family with the ladies and gentlemen of the court, the former in ancient Russian costumes, and the latter in court dress, imperial aide-camp ministers, generals, admirals, officers of the guard regiments, marshals of the nobility and such governors-general and commanders of army corps as were in St. Petersburg. The mayors and city councils of St. Petersburg and Moscow and members of the Holy Synod are invited to attend. The emperor will be accompanied by an imperial order, which was issued.

Cour Will Be There.

The members of parliament will assemble in the beautiful Nicholas Hall, the Council of the Empire is at the Hermitage Pavilion, and the others, at the Armorial Chamber. The emperor will be accompanied by an imperial order, which was issued.

DOUBASSOFF'S LUCK.

Moscow, May 6.—A bomb was thrown at the carriage of Vice-Admiral Douboassoff, governor-general of Moscow, as he was being driven to the palace to-day. He was wounded in the foot and his aide-de-camp and a gentry were killed.

The man who threw the bomb is reported to have been killed. He wore an officers' uniform.

Access to the palace is barred.

Governor-General Douboassoff was returning in an open carriage from the Uspenski Cathedral and the outrage took place outside the carriage entrance to his palace. Several bystanders were injured.

Saved by Poor Aim.

According to the route decided upon in advance, the governor-general should have returned to the palace by the side entrance, but during the drive he changed his route and thereby ran into the peril he was seeking to avoid.

Vice-Admiral Douboassoff's life was saved by the poor aim of his would-be assassin. The bomb exploded on the pavement several paces to the rear of his carriage, hurling the mutilated corpse of the terrorist several yards backward and tearing off the arm and the face of an aide who was descending from the carriage. Douboassoff was thrown from his carriage and under the horses' heels. His back was burned and his leg bruised, but he was able to walk unassisted into the palace.

The coachman's skull was fractured and he was taken to a hospital.

Coachman Badly Hurt.

It is thought the assassin was the student in whose rooms a bomb exploded Saturday, killing three accomplices, but who at the time was watching the palace from a room in the hotel opposite.

Grand Dukes in Danger.

London, May 5.—A despatch from Paris to the Exchange Telegraph Company states that the Grand Dukes Vis-

A LITTLE TOO TRANSPARENT



Bad Aim Saves Douboassoff Would-be Assassin Dies

Governor-General of Moscow Escapes Death by Narrow Margin and Disappoints Democrats in Convention—Rumor of Successful Attempt at Elizabethopol.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—(Bulletin.)—News was received at the session of the Constitutional Democratic congress to-night of the assassination of the Governor-General Douboassoff in revenge for his savage repressions in the Caucasus.

A feature of the session was the picturesque scene when the news was received of the attack upon Governor-General Douboassoff at Moscow. It was then supposed the attack had been successful. The convention took a recess and cheered the assassin and the dead for 10 minutes.

admiral and Alexis of Russia have been advised that they will be running a great danger if they remain in Paris. It is understood that they will leave immediately.

Pleads Ignorance.

Paris, May 6.—The body of a young man was found in the Forest of Vincennes yesterday. He was evidently a companion of the student killed by a bomb explosion, and of the other who was wounded and arrested.

M. Sokoloff, who was wounded by the explosion of a bomb in the Forest of Vincennes last Thursday, declared to-day to a magistrate that he was a fellow student in the Paris School of Mines, former pupil of the School of Mines at Warsaw, where he participated in an insurrection and fled to Berlin, and thence came to Paris. He only knew that there was a strike in Paris on the day of the explosion and he did not know that he and M. Striga, a fellow student in the Paris School of Mines, who was killed by the explosion, were carrying bombs.

An investigation shows the existence of plots to throw mobs at several high Russian personages who are now in France. Grand Duke Boris has arrived here to inspect the Russian convalescent homes, which were founded before the war.

The striking laborers have issued a notice that the contractors must grant them an eight-hour day either willingly or by force.

PRESERVE BUFFALO 7 YEARS

Hon. Frank Oliver Will Enlarge the Period of Prohibition.

Ottawa, May 6.—In order to preserve the buffalo in the west, Hon. Frank Oliver will this session amend the Game Preservation Act of the unorganized territories prohibiting the killing of buffalo before 1912. The prohibition in force would expire in 1907, the last legislation of this kind having been enacted in 1902 to cover a period of five years. The only circumstance under which a buffalo may be taken from the plains now is when the beast is needed for breeding purposes, and then the hunter must have a special license from the minister.

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REVENUE SHOWS INCREASE ALL DEPARTMENTS ASSIST

For Ten Months Ending April 30, Increase of Over \$6,677,000 is Shown.

Ottawa, May 6.—The statement of the finance department for the ten months of the current fiscal year up to the end of April shows a revenue of \$68,508,359, expenditure on consolidated fund, \$45,848,499, and capital expenditure of \$10,431,769. As compared with last year the revenue shows an increase of \$6,677,000, the consolidated fund expenditure of \$3,010,992, and the capital expenditure of \$1,300,841. For the month of April the revenue of \$6,792,796 represented an improvement of \$1,093,063 over the corresponding month of last year. The expenditure of \$2,642,118 on consolidated fund was an increase of \$34,577 and the capital outlay of \$1,285,492 was \$73,534 larger than last year, chiefly on account of railway subsidy payments. Every revenue producing branch of the public service contributed toward the improved showing.

GORKY AN EXILE NOW.

If He Returns to Russia, He Will Be Prosecuted.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—It is officially announced that Maxim Gorky will be prosecuted again on a charge of fomenting an anti-Russian and revolutionary movement abroad.

It would appear that the process against Maxim Gorky is designed to prevent his return to Russia.

The Nicholls motor boat, with ordinary crew, will last ten hours. See one at Nicholls Brothers, Limited, Foot York Street Bridge.

BIRTHS.

O'BRIEN—On May 5th, 1906, at 1264, Carlaw-avenue, to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. O'Brien, a daughter.

STREATHY—At 71 Madison-avenue, Toronto, on the 5th day of May, 1906, the wife of Arthur Gowan Strathy of a son.

DEATHS.

BERTRAM—At 42 Cluny-avenue, Toronto, on Saturday, the 5th May, 1906, Douglas Hope Bertram, in his 23rd year. Funeral (private) at 3 o'clock on Monday, the 7th.

McVEAM—On Saturday, May 5th, at his late residence, 270 Gerrard East, William McVeam, in his 70th year.

Funeral Tuesday, May 8th, at 2.30 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation.

PHILLIPS—On Saturday, May 5th, 1906, Mabel, second daughter of Joseph Phillips, in her 23rd year.

Funeral on Monday, 2 p.m., from 190 Wright-avenue, to Prospect Cemetery.

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BIG INSURANCE CO. BREAKS 'TRISCO LOSSES TOO HEAVY

Traders, of Chicago, Assigns, and It is Believed Others Will Soon Follow Suit.

Chicago, May 6.—The first failure of a fire insurance company because of the San Francisco conflagration came yesterday. The Traders' Insurance Company of this city, one of the largest fire insurance companies in the west, was placed in the hands of a receiver.

Byron L. Smith, president of the Northern Trust Company, was appointed receiver by Judge Julian W. Mack of the circuit court on petition of several directors, controlling a majority of the company's stock.

This action was taken only when all other measures to save the company had failed. It was forced by liabilities in San Francisco amounting to \$3,748,900.

The petition for a receiver represented that the liabilities of the company exceeded its assets and that to continue business would result in a multiplicity of litigation in various states and net assets would be inequitably and unevenly distributed.

The total assets of the company as given in the petition will not exceed \$3,300,000. In addition to the San Francisco liabilities the company is indebted, according to the petition, for fire losses and upon other claims, a total of \$111,962.

Causes a Panicky Condition.

Other fire insurance companies of the city were thrown into a panicky condition by the failure. There was a general scurrying to place Traders' policies in solvent companies. Every local office was besieged by customers with instructions to cancel policies of the bankrupt company.

Just what the San Francisco policyholders can expect to receive is problematical. Out of the total liability of \$3,748,000 it is thought that the salvage will amount to 25 per cent. This would bring the net liability in the neighborhood of \$2,800,000. Conservative insurance men were of the belief that, taking into consideration the expenses of a receiver, the San Francisco property owners might consider themselves fortunate if they were paid 50 per cent of their losses.

As for the stockholders of the Traders, they have lost all the money they put into it. Shares worth approximately \$50 each before the earthquake and fire are now a dollar now. The stockholders, during the conflagration, have received back the entire amount of their stock subscriptions in dividends and 2 1/2 per cent in addition. Efforts to save the Company.

Before the directors obtained full knowledge of the company's liabilities efforts were made to save the company by an assessment of \$500 on each of the 6000 shares of stock, by reinsuring the company. It was found impossible to secure a proposition looking to reinsurance.

Thousands of telegrams from agents and other interested persons all over the United States began to pour in on the directors yesterday morning asking if the company would be the life of the hands of a receiver, and at a final meeting of the directors in their office in the Rector building, it was decided to apply for a receiver. The company really had been planned Tuesday night when the first disquieting reports from San Francisco had been received, showing that the loss would exceed the original estimate by more than \$1,000,000, and the legal documents were in readiness.

The appointment of a receiver for the oldest insurance company in Chicago, the Traders, having been organized originally in 1855—did not consume five minutes of time.

First to Fail.

The Traders' is the first large stock fire insurance company to fail in many years. While others have retired from business, they have reinsured and paid.

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Picking Three Winners.

Most every style of soft felt hat, Christie's London hat in the maker's full variety. The Borsalino, an Italian light weight. American college soft felt with the dip-fold crown. Dineen's, Cor. Yonge and Temperance-streets.

CLOUDY AND COOL.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 24-48; Atlin, 22-44; Port Simpson, 32-52; Victoria, 40-62; Vancouver, 44-60; Calgary, 24-44; Edmonton, 38-46; Qu'Appelle, 22-46; Winnipeg, 18-46; Port Arthur, 28-40; Pelly Sound, 40-50; Toronto, 40-50; Ottawa, 40-62; Montreal, 46-54; Quebec, 48-64; Halifax, 44-58.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Moderate winds; partly cloudy and cool.

Lake Superior—Fair and cool.

Manitoba—Fair and a little warmer.

Saskatchewan—Fair, with about the same temperature.

Aberdeen—Little lower temperature; cloudy, with scattered showers.

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