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## FRANCE AND JAPAN HAVE COME TO AN UNDERSTANDING

Another Important Epoch in International Diplomacy Which Goes to Britain's Credit—The Isolation of Germany—A Great Triple Alliance

PARIS, May 6.—Official confirmation has been obtained by the Associated Press of the report that negotiations are in progress between France and Japan leading to an understanding guaranteeing the political and commercial interests of the two powers in the far east. The conference on the subject has been going on in Tokyo and are proceeding harmoniously, but some time will probably elapse before they are concluded. France has recognized that her possessions in Indo-China and Siam, as well as her commercial interests in the far east, are in jeopardy in the event of a war between Japan and the United States. She is willing to guarantee French interests in return for the recognition of the Japanese claims in Korea and Manchuria. At the same time it is explained the interests will be strictly limited to the maintenance of the status quo. It does not touch China and has not anything resembling an offensive or defensive feature. Nevertheless taken in connection with the Russo-Japanese understanding which shortly will be concluded, the Anglo-Russian agreement, both of which are supplementary to Anglo-Japanese and Franco-Russian alliances and the Anglo-French entente creates a combination in the far east and a new grouping of the powers of Europe of extreme significance. It constitutes in effect another signal evidence of the success of Great Britain's diplomatic manoeuvring for the isolation of Germany.

PARIS, May 7.—The French Press received with general satisfaction the announcement that negotiations are in progress between France and Japan, looking to an understanding guaranteeing the political and commercial interests of the two powers in the far east, as relieving France of the danger of the loss of the colonies in the far east. The papers also recognize in the approaching understanding a triumph for British diplomacy.

The Petit Parisien considers that the entente involves a combination in the east between the new Monroe Doctrine of Asia for the Atlantic, and the Gil Blas, while maintaining the agreement not directed against and peculiar country, contends that it constitutes "a warning for the power which is exercising it in the east."

The Gaulois is exercised lest the entente "create inquietude in America and facilitate an Anglo-American rapprochement," while the Eclair says it fears that the new combination against Germany will not serve the terms of peace.

Constable French is again having trouble with people. Yesterday, accompanied by an attorney, the constable went to Wm. Morrison's residence on White street for the purpose of ejecting him. Morrison apparently did not like Constable French's business and insisted on being ejected. He ejected the constable with the result that the officer of the law has charged him with assault.

**DEFINITE AGREEMENT REACHED IN WESTERN LABOR TROUBLES**

PERNIE, B. C., May 7.—The agreement between the operators and the coal miners in this district was signed by the members of the District Board of the United Mine Workers here yesterday afternoon, and peace has at last been restored. The document was drawn up by Mr. MacKenzie King, Deputy Minister of Labor, last Monday, and after many discussions, was submitted to the miners by referendum on Thursday. Its acceptance by the men was secured by a large majority, and the signatures of the leaders were necessary to complete the negotiations.

President Sherman of the Mine Workers Union has issued a proclamation to the men under his control, requesting them to end their vacation and resume work at all the mines immediately. He announces the result of the recent vote, and states that the agreement has been signed. The Crown Nest Pass Coal Company posted a notice stating that work at the collieries would be resumed this morning. Similar notices are posted at the other camps in the district. Mr. Sherman, at an interview, expressed a belief that the greater part of the men would be back at work by the end of this week. J. A. MacDonald, secretary of the Union Board, said that several hundred miners had left during the past month, and that it might be a few weeks before the usual activity was attained. The agreement occupied four pages of typewritten matter and the accompanying schedule takes up eight more. The parties are the Western Coal Oper-

**THREE SHOCKING TRAGEDIES**

Two Families Murdered—Another Burned to Death—Twelve Parsons Met Death.

HAZLETON, May 7.—A mother and her two infant children were burned to death last night in a fire which destroyed a block of houses in Beaver Brook, a mining village near here. The dead woman was Mrs. Joseph Dittaway, a native of Ontario.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—William O. Rice, of this city, today shot and killed his wife, mortally wounding their baby and then committed suicide by shooting.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—Walter Davis, a carpenter, in a fit of insanity today, shot and killed a family of persons with whom he resided in Pierce street in this city.

**EVERYBODY WORKS BUT FATHER**

A Mrs. Murphy who is proprietress of a city boarding house has concluded that there are some persons in this world who would be free board and will not pay unless they have to. She had boarding with her two girls who were sisters and who paid their board regularly. A few weeks ago the father of the girls took up his residence at the house with his daughter, and after some time of enjoying the board he left without paying. Yesterday the girls packed their trunks and started to leave, but Mrs. Murphy held their trunks, intending to keep them until the old man's board was paid. The girls, who say that everybody works but father, sought the police court for relief, but their board was not paid and were not responsible for their father's debts. The case was settled before court opened, the girls get the trunks, and Mrs. Murphy will have a sweet chance to get her board money from the old man who has left the city.

## TO ELECT PART OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS

Bill Introduced to Provide a Change of System

LONDON, May 7.—The discussion in the House of Lords last night was devoted to Lord Newton's bill proposing the re-constitution of the House on a party elective basis. He seeks to remove the excessive preponderance of hereditary peers by stipulating qualification through service to the state or previous election, and he provides for a certain number of elected peers, and for the nomination by the crown of life peers, these not to exceed one hundred in number.

The House as well as the galleries was charged with interest, and aroused by the Conservative proposal to anticipate Government action and the possibility of the debate provoking a statement of the intentions of the Government. This, however, did not come to pass, the Earl of Crewe, Lord President of the Council, speaking on behalf of the Government, declining to have anything to do with Lord Newton's proposal. He gave no hint of the Government's plans, although his cryptic utterances on the subject conveyed the idea that the Government contemplated a somewhat drastic measure. After this announcement the debate was adjourned.

## DIED FROM POISONING; NOT FROM SUICIDE

Jury in the Hickey Case at Fredericton Suggest Improvements in the Jail.

FREDERICTON, N. B., May 7.—Jas. J. Hickey, of Amherst, arrived on this morning's early train and immediately proceeded to the undertaker's establishment to view the remains of a young man found dead in the police station yesterday. Mr. Hickey identified the body at once as being that of the prisoner at the same time, and his son and his testimony before the coroner's jury took up a short time.

The jury brought in a verdict to the effect that he deceased had come to his death by swallowing an overdose of hydrocyanic acid and that there was no evidence of suicide. The jury added to their verdict several recommendations, that the police cells be better ventilated, more thoroughly cleaned, the accommodation improved, that prisoners in the morning, and that the deceased being placed in the lockup they be thoroughly searched.

Mr. Hickey will take his son's body back with him to Amherst tonight.

## RISKS A GREAT FORTUNE AGAINST LIFE OR DEATH

Californian Accepts \$80,000 on the Chance That His May Be Dead Before the Estate is Settled.

SANTA MONICA, California, May 7.—A stake of \$80,000 was against a fortune of nearly \$1,500,000, with a human life as the final determining factor, are the features of an unusual transaction entered into yesterday between Henry C. Keating and a syndicate composed of four local men.

In about three years, if he lives, Keating will fall heir to \$1,500,000 of an estate to be settled at that time when the younger heirs become of age. The syndicate gave Keating \$80,000 for his interest in the estate taking the risk of losing the \$80,000 if Keating died before the estate is settled, as the other heirs then come in to the whole estate of \$1,500,000.

Should Keating survive the settlement of the estate, the syndicate will make \$1,420,000 less the interest on the \$80,000, and various legal fees.

**BLOODHOUNDS ARE PURSUING MEN WHO HELD UP TRAIN.**

BUTTE, Mont., May 7.—The North Coast Limited, Creek train on the Northern Pacific Railway, has been held up at Welch Spur, about 15 miles east of Butte, by a party of robbers. The sheriff's office has just been informed of the robbery and officers are now preparing to leave for the scene. The object of the robbers, it is presumed, was to secure the contents of the through safe carrying contributions of the citizens to the relief of the bloodhounds of the penitentiary will be victorious.

This is the fourth time the North Coast east bound has been held up in three years. The other three times the train was robbed near Bernmouth about 80 miles west of here. This morning's hold-up is near the scene of the robbery of the Burlington Flyer two years ago in a rough mountainous section.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 7.—General Manager Horn of the Northern Pacific Railroad, gave out the following statement:

## MODERN METHODS OF DEALING WITH THE CRIMINAL PROBLEM

SCHOOL GIRL RUN OVER ON THE FERRY FLOATS TODAY

Miss Ida Ketchum was Severely Bruised—Bad System of Management Caused the Accident

Ida Ketchum, a High School girl, was very severely injured on the East Side ferry floats, a few minutes after noon today.

There is generally a heavy team traffic on this trip of the ferry and besides this there are numerous passengers from their places of business as well as a large number of High School boys and girls going home for the mid day meal. The Southern side of the ferry is for ladies and to get to that side the passengers have to cross over in front of teams going and coming from the boat. The same bad management exists on the West Side, for women on leaving and going on board the steamer. Today Miss Ketchum with two school companions attempted to cross to the ladies' side of the floats. Her two companions crossed safely, but Miss Ketchum tripped and fell nearly in front of a heavy team of horses hauling a sloop with about 20 barrels of coal. She escaped being trampled on by the horses, but before they could be stopped a front wheel of the heavy horse sloop passed over her legs. The accident was witnessed by a large crowd of people and ready hands quickly lifted the injured girl from under the sloop. She was taken on board the ferry and afterwards driven to her home in Water street, Carlton, where Dr. F. L. Kenney attended to her. He found her knees bruised where the horse's hoof struck her, and her legs badly bruised by the sloop wheel. No bones were broken and she will be about soon.

It has been mentioned to ferry officials and through the press on a number of occasions that all that is needed to give women and children more safety in crossing the ferry to have the ladies' cabin on the northern side of the boat, and they would not then be obliged to cross in front of teams. Passengers on the ferry when the accident happened strongly condemn the custom of having foot passengers and teams leaving and going on board the steamer at the same time, and it is a wonder that there are not more accidents.

## BURNS AND LEWIS ARE ABOUT THE SAME WEIGHT

LOS ANGELES, May 7.—From present indications Burns and O'Brien will enter the ring with less than five pounds difference in weight.

Battling Nelsons, William Nolan, Bob Ward, Battling Swanson, and Abner O'Brien will be O'Brien's second. In the opposite corner will be Billy Woods, Jimmy Burns, Young Brusso and Prof. Lewis.

An enjoyable social was held last evening by the Epworth League of the Exmouth street church in the school room of the church. After an excellent programme refreshments were served at the close.

The steam launch Clymene recently damaged by fire, was sold by auction today and knocked down to Frederick Roberts for \$240. She will be used for towing in connection with his pile driving and wharf building operations.

BERLIN, May 7.—The Reichstag today passed the first reading of the commercial modus vivendi between the United States and Germany and referred the agreement to a committee.

## PAROLE OFFICER ARCHIBALD IN AN ADDRESS BEFORE CANADIAN CLUB SPEAKS OF HIS WORK

The Question as Viewed by Society Today

The fifth luncheon of the Canadian Club held in White's today at one o'clock was quite as successful in points of speechmaking, edibles and attendance as those held previously. Close upon a hundred citizens were seated at the prettily spread tables when Rev. W. C. Gaynor, one of the club's vice-presidents, called the meeting to order.

At the executive table Mr. W. P. Archibald, speaker of the day, sat on the right of Rev. Father Gaynor, who filled the presidential chair in the absence of Mr. W. E. Earle. On the chairman's left Judge Wilrich, United States consul, Hamilton McCarthy, the sculptor, J. N. Harvey, Geo. A. Henderson and Dr. T. Dyson Walker also sat at the head table.

Rev. Father Gaynor introduced Mr. Archibald and said the subject of the day was quite out of the ordinary.

After the speaker had concluded Judge Ritchie in a very neat address of three minutes paid a graceful tribute to Mr. Archibald for his address and for his humane view of his work. Indeed the government has done handsomely in appointing Mr. Archibald. The Magistrate told of the parole system as practiced in St. John and went up with one of his characteristic criticisms which had the usual effect of convincing his hearers. Judge Ritchie moved a hearty vote of thanks to the speaker, which was seconded by Judge Wilrich, American Consul, who dealt with his experiences in prison reform in Minnesota. His remarks were very well received.

Parole Officer Archibald in an Address Before Canadian Club Speaks of His Work—The Question as Viewed by Society Today

Mr. W. P. ARCHIBALD, Parole Officer.

Mr. Archibald spoke as follows:—

"However viewed, crime presents a great many pressing problems. Many systems have been started during the last century, all pointing to the betterment of our social conditions. It is a hopeful sign and one of progress to know that our Canadian people are thinking seriously on criminal problems, and the enthusiasm with which the uplift of our fallen will grow by their efforts until greater victories are finally won.

"The man while remaining a criminal is a constant menace to society, also to the life and property of the individual. He is a tremendous burden upon the resources of the state financially and ethically. He is an abiding heart-ache to every one with a feeling of pity or an inspiration for the nobility and progress of humanity.

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