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Li-Hung-Chang has reached Odessa, on his way to Moscow to attend the coronation of the Czar.

Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson left Liverpool on Saturday for Canada to inspect the Grand Trunk Railway.

The London Saturday Review says that Lord Rosebery, considering his life uncertain, has chosen Sir Edward Grey as heir to all his Parliamentary dignities and authority.

The Marquis Yamagata, senior marshal of the Japanese army, arrived at Havre on Saturday on his way to attend the Czar's coronation, and was given a very warm welcome.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Sir Donald Smith and Mr. Sandford Fleming will sail for England on May 9th. Sir Mackenzie Bowell and Mr. Fleming will go as the Canadian delegates to the cable conference, while Sir Donald will go to assume his duties as High Commissioner for Canada.

Mr. H. F. McDougall, who was Sir Charles Tupper's colleague for Cape Breton in Parliament, has been appointed Commissioner of Customs, Ottawa; Mr. A. Mackay, ex-M.P., for Hamilton, has been appointed Inspector of Customs at Hamilton; and Mr. Doyle, ex-M.P. (Monck), Collector of Customs at Niagara Falls, subject to his Excellency's approval.

Mr. Ernest Lawson, one of our rising young Canadian artists, recently returned from Paris—is at present engaged in Kingston in painting for Queen's University the portraits of the two lamented medical Professors who died recently, Dr. Herbert Saunders and Dr. K. N. Fenwick, both of which promise to be striking pictures, as well as life-like portraits. He is also making a copy of the portrait of the Hon. William Morris, the first chairman of the Board of Trustees. Mr. Lawson, who is only twenty-three, has studied both in New York and Paris, and has already had pictures exhibited in the Salon, with very favourable mention. He intends soon to open a studio in Toronto, where he will, no doubt, be an accession to the growing artistic brotherhood of the Queen City.

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