

Panic in Pekin.

Caused by Recent Movements of the Japanese.

Lords and Commons Urgently Summoned to Attend Parliament.

Secretary Asquith intimates that the Navy Must Be Strengthened.

The Greek Ministry Resign - Italian Troops Reported to Have Routed Ten Thousand Dervishes.

CHURCHILL WORSE.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Lord Randolph Churchill had another sinking spell just before midnight tonight, and the doctors were hastily summoned to his bedside.

DEATH'S HARVEST.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Edward Solomon, the composer of comic opera, died of typhoid fever tonight. Charles Secretan, the Swiss philosopher, died in Lausanne today.

THE PORTE APOLOGIZED.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 22.—The Porte has apologized to Sir Philip Currie, the British ambassador, for the arrest of Postmaster Cobb, and the incident is thus ended.

CABINET-MAKING IN FRANCE.

PARIS, Jan. 22.—Mm. Hanotaux, Lockroy, Cavaignac, Cochery and Doumer, and Senators Combes and De Vienne, have agreed to accept portfolios under M. Bourgeois.

MUST STRENGTHEN THE NAVY.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—In the course of a speech in Hull this evening, Home Secretary Asquith said that the country must prepare for a serious financial sacrifice in order to strengthen the navy.

GREEK MINISTERS RESIGN.

ATHENS, Jan. 22.—The Greek Ministry has resigned. The resignation is due to the king's refusal to accede to the Ministers' request to dissolve Parliament as the best way to a solution of the economic problem.

GONE TO PIECES.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The medicine chest of the British steamer *Proscott*, which sailed from Sunderland on Dec. 23, for Marseilles, together with a portrait of the first mate of that vessel, has been washed ashore on the coast of Lincolnshire. Wreckage from this ship has been reported previously from Flamborough.

REDMOND'S RESOLVE.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—John Redmond, M.P., leader of the Parnellites, said in a speech in Waterford this evening that he and his colleagues will go back to Parliament with a determination to do their utmost to oust the Government. They will insist that no British business be transacted until home rule shall have been granted to Ireland.

PANIC IN PEKIN.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—A dispatch from Shanghai says: The Japanese movement on Wei Hai Wei has caused a panic in Tien Tsin and Pekin. The Chinese press envoys have been ordered to expedite the negotiations with the Japanese Government. Japanese cruisers are watching both channels at Wei Hai Wei. The attack upon the strong-hold may be delayed a week. The siege trains move slowly, the roads being covered with snow.

REPORTED ROUT OF 10,000 DERVISHES.

PARIS, Jan. 22.—The *Politique Coloniale* has reports which are not considered entirely trustworthy to the effect that Italian troops have routed a force of 10,000 Dervishes at Kassala. Telegrams from Massowah state that quiet prevails at Kassala and its vicinity. These advices also state that *Pas Mangascia*, has taken refuge in Temben and that his forces have been dispersed.

LONG-DISTANCE MUSIC.

BERLIN, Jan. 22.—An extraordinary concert and ball took place on Monday in the Hungarian town of Telenesvar. The audience listened by means of telephones distributed around the room to a military orchestra playing in the town of Arad duets and songs in Szegedin, a chorus by a glee club at Szabadka, and popular songs by celebrated artists in three theaters of Buda-Pesth. A quartet at Arad was as distinctly heard as the Rakoczy March telephoned from Szegedin. Finally the young people present danced for hours to music alternately played in all three towns.

CONSERVATIVE LORDS SENT FOR.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Lord Salisbury, as Conservative leader in the House of Lords, has sent circulars to his followers, stating that the nature of the business that will come before them makes it desirable that they be in their places at the opening of the coming session of Parliament.

Similar notices to members to be present on the opening of the session have been issued by the Duke of Devonshire, Liberal Unionist leader in the House of Lords; Arthur J. Balfour, Conservative leader in the House of Commons; and Joseph Chamberlain, Liberal Unionist leader in the House of Commons.

FADEREWSKI'S PRICE.

BERLIN, Jan. 22.—Musical circles have been enjoying a sensational controversy over the refusal of Faderewski to play in a concert at Torquay, where the best seats were only 5 shillings. Owing to his refusal to appear the audience had to go home concertless. The distinguished pianist defends himself on the ground that the sum of 10 shillings was paid at his previous concert in the same place for the same seats, and that his acceptance of half the price would argue that his powers were falling and his reputation diminishing. The patrons of the concert hall at Torquay are wildly indignant and are flooding the newspapers with sarcastic references to the "musical public's German servant."

GLADSTONE'S PRAYER BOOK.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—A writer who has seen the manuscript and proofs of the prayer book prepared by Mr. Gladstone, which will be published in a few days, says the work has occupied the spare moments of the ex-Premier for more than twenty years. It affords another interesting illustration of the extraordinary diligence with which he has been accustomed to utilize all odd moments

of leisure. Mr. Gladstone has long been an admirer of the Prayer Book Psalter, and is anxious to encourage its more extended use for the purpose of private devotion. It was chiefly with this view that he undertook the present work. There will be a brief introduction by the venerable statesman explanatory of the motives of his self-imposed task. The manuscript consists of hundreds of small slips of paper, with every evidence of painstaking care, and it comprises as an addendum to the Psalter a classification of the Psalms under their various subjects, a note of the classes of persons to whom they are especially addressed, a comparison of alternative renderings from the Vulgate and Septuagint versions and other points of interest.

TOO TIRED TO WORK.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—At the Thames police court a fat pauper, who has given no end of trouble, was charged with refusing to work. The fellow, who is only 28 years old and five feet four inches in height, weighed nearly 400 pounds. He was required to get up at 6:30 o'clock in the morning, but he dodged all his tasks, claiming that he was too tired to work. Often he would be found asleep during the daytime, and when spoken to by the master simply said he was taking a rest. The man, who puffed and blew as he waddled into the dock, said he had no desire to work; he only wanted to be let alone, and he wouldn't bother nobody. The magistrate gave him a brief lecture on the duties of life in a workhouse, and saying a change would do him good sent him to prison for one month with hard labor.

A similar case was heard at Lambeth, with the exception that the defendant was lazy without being fat. He complained that all he got to eat was a bit of bread, which was not enough to work on. The ward superintendent took direct issue with the defendant on this point, and said that if he had performed his task he would have received five meals, consisting of bread and gruel. Telling him he could not expect rump steak for breakfast in a workhouse, the magistrate sent this pauper to jail for five days.

Muspicious Opening

Of the Liberal Campaign in Quebec Province.

The Liberal Leaders and Their Lieutenants Present.

Prolonged Plaudits Greet Hon. Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Oliver.

Three Thousand People Pack the Hall and a Host Turned Away.

Policy of the Liberal Party Defined and Defended—"A Maximum of Revenue for a Minimum of Taxation."

MONTREAL, Jan. 22.—The Liberal campaign was opened by a monster meeting in this city tonight, at which nearly 3,000 people were present to hear addresses from Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, leader of the party; Sir Oliver Mowat, Premier of Ontario, and Mr. Patterson, M.P., of Brant. All the Liberal tenants of any prominence were present.

AN IMMENSE AUDIENCE. The Windsor Hall was packed to overflowing, and long before 8 o'clock the doors had to be closed, and many were unable to gain admittance. Mr. G. W. Stephens, president of the Liberal Club, presided, and introduced the speakers. When Mr. Laurier, Sir Oliver Mowat and Mr. Patterson appeared on the platform they were greeted with tumultuous applause. Among the other prominent Liberals present were James Sutherland, M.P., J. Edgar, M.P., J. McLaren, Q.C., Julius Scher, M.P., Hon. F. G. Marchand, leader of the Quebec Liberals.

OVATION TO MR. LAURIER.

Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, who was the first speaker, was greeted with great applause. Mr. Laurier asked, "Is this Montreal, the great Conservative city of Canada?" Well might he doubt this and think he was in Liberal Scotland. But this was Montreal, and he did not forget it. Neither did he forget the fact that for the last sixteen years the people of the commercial metropolis had cast their votes for the Conservative policy. But he believed that the people had been largely due to the prestige of Sir John A. Macdonald.

ENGLISH HISTORY REPEATED IN CANADA.

He believed that English history was today fully repeated in Canadian history. (Applause.) It is only three years since that John A. Macdonald has been laid in the grave, but there was a marked falling off in the Conservative ranks. A feeling of dissatisfaction had been created by gross corruption in the administration of the country. They were here not to present the policy of the Liberal party, because that policy was well known, but he was here

TO DEFEND THE LIBERAL POLICY.

It had long been a stale joke that the Liberal party had no policy. The Liberal policy was the same as that adopted by the Ottawa convention in 1893. The Liberal party demanded the adoption of a sound fiscal policy, which would not do injury to any class, will promote domestic and foreign trade; that the tariff be reduced to the needs of honest, economical and efficient government; that it should be so adjusted as to bear as lightly as possible upon the necessities of life, while promoting

FREE TRADE WITH THE WHOLE WORLD.

more particularly with Great Britain and the United States. The Liberals, in other words, believed in a maximum of revenue for a minimum of taxation. (Applause.) Such, in brief, was the policy of the Liberal party. Protection, he declared, had been the bane and the curse of Canada.

CURSE OF CANADA.

Mr. Laurier quoted a large number of figures to bear out this contention. He claimed that Montreal had not been brought to its present condition by protection, but by its superior geographical position. Protection, as a matter of fact, destroyed the maritime trade, and under a revenue tariff in a maritime city like

Montreal times would be more prosperous. He maintained that the manufacturers would be better off under a revenue tariff, as all raw materials would be free. There were some people who feared that if the Liberals got into power they would revolutionize the tariff, and that a financial crisis would result. There were others who thought that they would not go far enough, but between the two there was the

HAPPY MEDIUM OF REFORM.

for which the Liberals stood. On this issue the Liberals were prepared to meet the electors whenever the time came. The question was when would it come? He could not say. He was not in the secret, but the false gods that sat at Ottawa, but like death, the elections might come like a thief in the night; but whenever they did come the Liberals could be ready, and they would win. (Great applause.)

SIR OLIVER.

Sir Oliver Mowat followed Mr. Laurier, and assured his hearers that the Liberals of Ontario would do their part for Mr. Laurier in the next election.

Mr. Patterson, M.P., of Brant, attacked the National Policy, which he declared had been disastrous to the country.

The meeting, which was most enthusiastic throughout, closed with ringing cheers for the Liberal leaders.

THE P. P. A.'S.

TORONTO, Jan. 22.—The Grand Council of the Protestant Protective Association is holding a two days' session in this city. The members began to arrive last night. The meeting now will probably assume greater importance than it otherwise would on account of the resignation of the president, Rev. J. C. Madill.

An officer of the association says that the fight for the presidency will be between ex-Mayor Essery, of London, Mayor Stewart of Hamilton, and Wm. Bell, A. T. Gurd, M.P.P., Mr. John Shields, contractor, and Dr. H. H. M.P.P. The name of Mr. Madill has also been mentioned for re-election, but members claim he has compromised himself and lost his chance by accepting railway passes on the Canadian Pacific Railway through the influence of Mr. Clark Wallace.

The council of the P. P. A. did not elect a president tonight. They will do so tomorrow. Absolute secrecy was preserved in regard to the proceedings of the day.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Mr. Charles Mohr, of Fitzroy, was this afternoon elected warden of the county of Carleton. He is a staunch Liberal—the first of the party to be elected to the warden's chair of the county for many years.

The Reform convention of South Waterloo to select a candidate for the Dominion elections will be held at Galt on Monday, Feb. 4.

The present indications are that D. B. Odette will get the Conservative nomination for North Essex.

The Goderich Signal says that the electors there will not have an opportunity of voting for the Hon. J. C. Patterson this election.

The Patron candidates for the Dominion House (says Winnipeg telegram) have signed a document pledging themselves to vote together if elected to go to Ottawa.

A Hard Fight

Made for the Wardenship of Middlesex.

Messrs. T. Campbell, J. A. Leitch and W. L. Corbett After the Position.

Conservatives Divided - Twelve Ballots Taken, But No One Elected—Then Mr. Corbett Withdraws and Mr. Leitch is Elected.

The Middlesex County Council for 1895 met in the County Buildings yesterday afternoon for the transaction of business such as ordinarily falls upon the council at its first session.

The election of a warden is one (and the most interesting) duty of the new council. The election, it is generally understood, is conducted on political lines, and politics at its figure this year. But the Conservatives were divided, two candidates were nominated, and a very strong fight was waged, with the result that no warden was elected.

THE COLLAPSE.

After the council had been brought to order Clerk Robson called the roll, and the following representatives responded:

Adelaide—G. N. Robotham, reeve; W. H. Cuddy, deputy.
Biddulph—C. C. Hodgins, reeve; J. R. Hodgins and A. R. Hodgins, deputies.

Carleton Place—Henry Hardy, reeve; J. P. Grigg, deputy.
Delaware—James Bradt, reeve; Geo. Howlett, deputy.

Dorchester—James Gilmour, reeve; Duncan MacLachlan and John Robertson, deputies.

Elfrick—George Scates, reeve; L. McTaggart, deputy.

London—Peter Elson, reeve; Robert Drenney, J. H. Hodgins, Edward Dann, and J. R. Hodgins, deputies.

Lobo—C. M. Simmons, reeve; C. W. Zavitz, deputy.

Metcalfe—James Bennett, reeve; Geo. Lewis, deputy.

Mosa—D. Campbell, reeve; H. L. Walker, deputy.

McGillivray—W. L. Corbett, reeve; J. E. Drummond and Thomas Prest, deputies.

Nissouri—S. Pardy, reeve; James H. Davis, deputy.

Westminster—James Murray, reeve; J. Cousins, George Riddell and R. M. Piper, deputies.

Williams East—Trafford Campbell, reeve; J. F. Stewart, deputy.

William West—S. McLeod, reeve; Wm. Pedlar, deputy.

Parkhill—A. M. Miller, reeve.
Strathroy—Henry Owens, reeve; Du-gald Gillies, deputy.

Alisa Craig—John Morgan, reeve.
Glencoe—John A. Leitch, reeve.
London West—D. C. Macdonald, reeve; A. R. Murdoch, deputy.

Lucan—A. Armitage, reeve.
Newbury—J. J. Archer, reeve.
Wardsville—Samuel Brown, reeve.

THE CAUCUSES.

As usual, caucuses were held prior to the meeting by both parties. That of the Liberals was of the most harmonious nature. As recently mentioned, Mr. Trafford Campbell, reeve of East Williams, or Mr. Henry Hardy, reeve of Glencoe, were looked upon as the possible candidate. Both were nominated, but Mr. Hardy offered several acceptable reasons and declined. Mr. Campbell, a level-headed business man, and one who thoroughly understands county

business, was made the unanimous choice.

THE OTHER SIDE.

The caucus of the Conservatives resulted in the selection of Mr. J. A. Leitch, Mr. W. L. Corbett, reeve of McGillivray, who was defeated last year on the first ballot by Mr. W. S. Calvert, was after the nomination. The vote stood two against him, however, and Mr. Corbett and his two deputies, J. D. Drummond and Thomas Prest, left the room. Mr. Corbett came to the council room, and after informing the "Advertiser" of the outcome of the caucus, signified his intention of running. He stuck to his word.

THE NOMINATIONS.

Mr. Corbett was nominated by J. D. Drummond and Thomas Prest. Trafford Campbell by Henry Hardy and John Morgan.

J. A. Leitch by Peter Elson and C. C. Hodgins.

Messrs. James Gilmour and James Murray were appointed scrutineers. Voting was then begun, and lasted two hours and a half. There were 46 members of the council present, and 24 votes were necessary to place a candidate in the chair. The Liberals presented minus two of their supporters—C. H. Lockwood, deputy reeve of Carleton, who was detained through illness, and Mr. Leachin McTaggart, deputy reeve of Elfrick, who misplaced his certificate, and was therefore unable to vote.

Ten votes were taken, but with no avail. Mr. Corbett remained in the fight, although he never secured more than six votes. The totals of Messrs. Campbell and Leitch varied very little. The following are the figures as announced by the scrutineers:

Ballot.	Campbell.	Corbett.	Leitch.
No. 1.....	20	5	21
No. 2.....	19	4	23
No. 3.....	19	4	23
No. 4.....	21	4	19
No. 5.....	20	3	23
No. 6.....	21	3	19
No. 7.....	20	4	22
No. 8.....	19	6	21
No. 9.....	20	4	22
No. 10.....	20	4	22

On the announcement of "no election" after the tenth vote, C. C. Hodgins moved an adjournment until 9 o'clock in the morning.

It was strongly opposed, but finally carried.

It is understood that Mr. Corbett will be induced to withdraw.

THE WARDEN ELECTED.

The Middlesex County Council resumed at 9 o'clock this (Wednesday) morning, and the balloting for a warden was continued. Last night the contest was the chief topic among the councillors, and a strong effort was made to induce Mr. Corbett to withdraw in favor of Mr. Leitch. On the other hand, Mr. Campbell's supporters were approached with a proposition to rally in Mr. Corbett's favor. Neither scheme worked, and the three candidates were in the field. On the first vote Campbell secured 21, Corbett 4, and Leitch 21. The second stood: Campbell, 21; Corbett, 3, and Leitch, 23.

MR. CORBETT WITHDRAWS.

When the ballot papers were being distributed for the third vote Mr. Corbett announced his withdrawal from the contest. He and his deputies fell in line and gave Mr. Leitch a majority of 5 over Mr. Campbell, the figures standing: Campbell, 21; Leitch, 26.

The announcement was not greeted with the applause which usually marks the election of a warden. Mr. Leitch was then declared elected, and escorted to the chair by his mover, Reeve Elson, London township, and seconder, Reeve C. C. Hodgins, of Biddulph.

THANKS HIS SUPPORTERS.

"I can assure you," said Mr. Leitch, "that I am very grateful for the honor you have conferred upon me. I am pleased to see so many of the old members back again, and also to see so many new ones. I have not had as wide an experience in county matters as some of you, but I hope that your assistance will enable me to preside over your deliberations in such a way that both the 'Opposition' and the 'Leaders of the Government' will be satisfied at the end of the year. As to the new business affecting the county, I do not know what important matters are to come up. I have to thank you again for the honor."

Warden Leitch then appointed Mr. W. D. Stanley, of Lucan, as his auditor, Mr. A. L. Leitch, of Strathroy, was appointed to perform a similar office for the county.

A committee was appointed to strike the standing committees for the year. The members are: Peter Elson, James Murray, Jas. Gilmour, Chas. D. Simmons, W. L. Corbett, Jas. Bennett, Henry Hardy, Simon McLeod, D. C. Macdonald, Trafford Campbell, J. R. Armitage, Henry Owens and George Scates.

IN CONGRESS.

Mr. Lodge Dislikes to See American Flag Pulled Down.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The Hawaiian question was again debated in the Senate today for somewhat over two hours. Mr. Gray (Democrat, Delaware), occupied the position of defender and advocate of the Administration, and Mr. Lodge (Republican, Massachusetts), that of its prosecutor. The latter Senator was plain and outspoken in advocacy of annexation of the islands, declaring that he disliked to see American flags pulled down where they had once been run up, or an American foot go back where it once had advanced.

The Kyle resolution, on which the discussion had been based, was at the closing of the morning hour placed on the calendar, and the remainder of the day's session was occupied with a speech by Mr. Turner (Democrat, Indiana), in opposition to the Nicaragua Canal Bill.

In the House of Representatives a bill passed authorizing the establishment of a national military park at Gettysburg, Pa., and appropriating \$75,000 for the purpose.

COSTLY ADVERTISING.

BUFFALO, Jan. 22.—The King Spring Company, of this city, who were charged with violation of the alien contract labor law for the offense of advertising in the Canadian papers for labor, have compromised with the Treasury Department, paying a fine of \$100 in each of three suits instituted. The maximum fine which may be imposed is \$1,000 in each case.

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