

ISLAND SOLD AFTER ELECTION

Peculiar Deal Put Through by Late Government in Dying Days—Involves Control of Great Water Power

HON. WM. HARTY SUPPOSED TO BENEFIT

New Minister of Public Works Orders Suspension of the Transaction Until After His Return to Department

OTTAWA, Oct. 11.—Victoria island, close to Chats falls in the Ottawa river, thirty miles from Ottawa, has been sold. Thereby is said to hang a tale which is a sequel to the story of Hon. William Harty's control of a part of the enormous water-power at the Chats. The islands which give him this partial control were alienated years ago by the province of Ontario during the Liberal regime. They have since then very greatly increased in value. The falls are situated immediately above Fitzroy harbor, and extend from island to island across the river. The city of Ottawa has had an eye on this power but the party control was found insufficient to back it. Victoria island has been counted upon as the key to the power situation. It belonged to the crown. Mr. Harty is said to want the island in order to tighten his grip. Negotiations were opened with the department of public works for the sale of the island to Mr. D. O'Connor of Ottawa. The O'Connor-Harty connection was not revealed, if any. The proposal was considered by the Liberal government after the election, and the department of public works for the sale of the island to Mr. O'Connor, fourteen acres, at \$100 an acre. The recommendation to the Liberal cabinet has not yet been returned to the public works department. In the meantime, Hon. F. D. McRae, the minister, has given instructions that nothing be proceeded with until his return. Hon. William Pugsley in conversation today freely admitted that the island had been disposed of for the sake of no use to crown as an island. He denied that the sale carried power privileges with it, but admitted that the possession of the island was an important step in controlling the power. What the new government will do with the sale remains to be seen.

UNITED WIRELESS

Inquiry by Trustee Shows that Officials of Company Frowned Largely by Sale of Stock

SEATTLE, Oct. 11.—George H. Parker obtained \$1,300,000 from the sale of stocks in the United Wireless Telegraph company, and appropriated the money to his own use, according to a supplemental complaint filed in the king county superior court today by Seldon Bacon of New York, federal trustee in bankruptcy of the wireless company. This money, the complaint states, was obtained between July, 1907, and 1911. During the same period approximately \$4,000,000 was collected from stock sales by the selling forces. Of this amount \$900,000 reached the company, the remainder being divided among Parker, Christopher C. Wilson and other high officials of the company. Parker is now serving a five-year sentence in the federal prison on McNeil's Island, Wash., for using the mails to defraud. Parker did not dissipate his share of the proceeds, but invested in Seattle real estate and mortgages. The trustee has found between \$800,000 and \$700,000 worth of such property belonging to Parker, and has tied it up in an injunction pending the hearing of the suit for an accounting and the turning over of the property to the trustee in bankruptcy.

Mother Superior Dies

TORONTO, Oct. 11.—Rev. Mother Victoria Harris, chief superior of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin in America, died here today at an early hour at Loretto Abbey.

No Strike in Des Moines

DES MOINES, Iowa, Oct. 11.—Des Moines' postponed street railway strike was officially declared off today following the selection of the third member of the arbitration board in the person of John A. Bulher, an attorney of Winona, Iowa. Mr. Bulher said he would accept it is expected that the controversy will now be settled without difficulty.

Draw Color Line

REGINA, Sask., Oct. 11.—City residents have decided to draw the color line, and in the future all blacks, Japanese or Chinese patrons will pay just double what their white brothers are charged. This is not a money-making venture, but a polite hint to those people that their patronage is not wanted. It is an innovation in the running of the cafes and restaurants of the city, and the experiment will be watched with interest. Should the change prove profitable the hotels will follow suit.

BUILDING C.N.P.

Contract for Building Forty miles on Vancouver Island to be let Shortly

VANCOUVER, Oct. 11.—The Canadian Northern railway will shortly call for tenders for the construction of 40 additional miles of the Vancouver Island line, 40 miles of which is now being built northward from Victoria. The section to be awarded will extend from Mile 60 to Mile 100, at the northwest corner of Cowichan Lake, near the summit. It will include some heavy work. Part of this section will follow the Cowichan river some distance. The line has already been located to Alberni, a point 98 miles from the Cowichan summit. It will traverse numerous timber limits. Messrs. More & Petrick, of Victoria, have completed their contract for clearing 800 acres of Port Mann townsite, which will be placed on the market early in December. The night slides are illuminated by the flare of burning heaps of logs and stumps.

Will Meet in Winnipeg

WINNIPEG, Oct. 11.—C. J. Brown, city clerk and W. P. Tallman, street commissioner, returned after attending a conference of the League of American Municipalities, held at Atlanta, and secured Winnipeg as the location for the 1912 conference. They told the delegates they would see a city in the making, and referred to the city power plant and various other phases of the city activity. Winnipeg lost next year's convention to Buffalo by three votes.

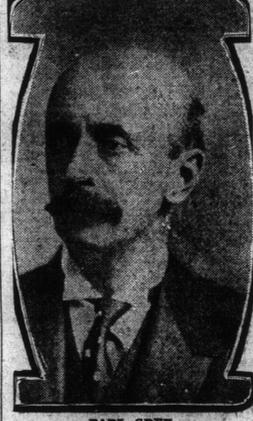
New Japanese Ambassador

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—Viscount Suteki Chinda, who it is reported, will succeed Viscount Uchida as Japanese ambassador at Washington, has not yet been named to the United States government, following the custom of ascertaining whether a diplomatic selection is acceptable. The Japanese embassy here today had not been advised of the selection. Viscount Chinda is favorably known here. Having graduated from an Indiana college, he is thoroughly acquainted with American affairs. He is 67 years of age.

FAREWELL TO HIS EXCELLENCY

Premier McBride's Message to Earl Grey and Reply Received From the Departing Governor-General.

A message of respectful affection and farewell from the people of British Columbia to the retiring representative of His Majesty in this great Dominion, was on Monday last borne by the wires to Earl Grey, Premier McBride, with



EARL GREY.

Governor-General who occupied Rideau Hall for nearly seven years.

his unflinching courtesy and recognition of the courteous and the graceful, telegraphing His Excellency as follows: Victoria, October 9th.

His Excellency, The Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada.

On behalf of the people of British Columbia I desire respectfully to offer to Your Excellency, Lady Grey and the family on the eve of your departure from Canada, heartfelt wishes for a safe journey to the Motherland. British Columbia will ever remember with gratitude the keen interest you have taken in this part of the Dominion, and trusts that every measure of happiness may attend you in the future. (Sgd.) RICHARD MCBRIDE To this yesterday, His Excellency made the following graceful acknowledgment: Quebec, October 11th. Hon. Richard McBride, Victoria.

ARRANGEMENT OF ARMISTICE

Prospect of Germany's Diplomatic Efforts Resulting in Cessation of Turko-Italian Hostilities for a Time

TROOPS ARE LANDED AT TRIPOLI

Italy Denies Reports Supposed to Be Sent Out for Purpose of Creating Feeling Against Her Plans

BERLIN, Oct. 11.—The armistice between Italy and Turkey for which German diplomacy has been striving for some time, it is believed here, virtually has been concluded, although not yet announced as "official."

It is understood that the transportation of the Italian military expedition will not be interfered with, but that hostilities in all quarters will cease. This is considered in Berlin as equivalent to the ending of the war, or at least the warlike movements, which will be succeeded now by negotiations leading to a settlement. It is regarded as probable that as soon as the strong Italian army has disembarked at Tripoli, even the Young Turks will begin to recognize, as apparently the Ottoman government already does, that there is no hope of withholding Tripoli from Italy.

Morocco Negotiations

PARIS, Oct. 11.—The foreign minister, M. De Sehol, sent tonight to the French ambassador at Berlin the instructions drawn up at yesterday's cabinet meeting, relative to the second part of the Moroccan negotiations. They concern the territorial compensation to Germany.

Rome Reports

ROME, Oct. 11.—Via frontier—There is a feeling in official circles here that Turkey and her sympathizers, as well as those elements that are antagonistic to Italy's plans among the powers, and it is believed that certain reports that have been circulated, aim chiefly to play on Anglo-German antagonism. With this object, it is supposed, the report has been spread that Germany, having planned to obtain Tobruk from Turkey, prior to the beginning of hostilities, will end by securing this important strategic point from Italy as a base of operations in the Mediterranean.

These reports are officially denied by Italy. It is pointed out by Italian officials that Germany has never taken any steps in such a direction in the past, and has no intention to ask anything from Italy in the future, while it is also said that Italy would not dream of being a catspaw to draw chastisements from the fire for Germany.

Notwithstanding the alliance, very little confidence is shown by Italy in Tripoli is indispensible. In connection with this denial, it is said the entire situation is unchanged, that none of the powers oppose Italy's action, and that they have no intention of intervening until Italian dominion in Tripoli is indisputable.

Advices from Tripoli sent by Rear-Admiral Borel D'Olme, the governor, and Captain Cagni, the commandant, say the sailors now in possession of the city have given remarkable proof of their powers of resistance and endurance.

It is believed that the Turkish troops are thoroughly disheartened, as otherwise, they would have made a dash for Tripoli, and twice outnumbering the Italians, they might have attempted to recapture the city. (Continued on Page 3.)

RAILWAYS JOIN IN ENTERPRISE

Will Purchase Land in St. Boniface for Stockyards and Warehouses to Be Used in Meat Trade

G.T.P. RAILWAY IGNORES MACHINISTS

WINNIPEG, Oct. 11.—After two years' negotiations, the three western Canadian railroads, the C.P.R., C.N.R. and G.T.P., have agreed on the purchase of 215 acres in St. Boniface, across the river from Winnipeg, on which they will proceed to erect stockyards, abattoirs and cold storage warehouses, at a cost of five millions. The Manitoba government will aid to the extent of a quarter of a million dollars. That the G.T.P. railway has no intention to negotiate further with its striking machinists and boiler-makers is made evident by the insertion of large advertisements in the daily papers by the company calling for mechanics to fill the places of strikers, and by the company continuing to ignore all requests of the men to appoint a member of the conciliation board.

F. V. CLARKE ACQUITTED

Vancouver Jury Finds Prince Report Man not Guilty on Charge of Murder

VANCOUVER, Oct. 11.—Frederick V. Clarke was honorably acquitted by the Assize jury yesterday evening of the charge of forgery in connection with a post office money order sent to C. S. Workman, from Newcastle-on-Tyne. The circumstances were described in these columns yesterday. Clarke was in the witness box yesterday afternoon. He answered both the questions of his counsel, Mr. S. S. Taylor, K.C., and of the crown prosecutor with apparent candor and truthfulness, and his demeanor in the box was the subject of favorable comment from the bench. The crown put in the evidence of two experts at noon in the day in an endeavor to prove that the handwriting of the accused was the same as that of the man who forged the signature to the money order receipts. Mr. Taylor hotly cross-examined these witnesses and showed how easy it was to detect similarities in the writing of any two individuals.

Cable Murders Case

OLYMPIA, Wash., Oct. 11.—The state rested today in the trial of George H. Wilson, the section foreman accused of the murder of Mrs. Nettie Coble and her husband at Rainier, last July. Two physicians called by the prosecution testified that the man who committed the murder must have been insane. The defense is combating the insanity theory. As soon as the state rested the defense sought to have stricken from the record the evidence concerning the alleged confession of Wilson. Motion was also made to have the case dismissed. Judge Mitchell, who is presiding at the trial, took the motions under advisement, and will give his decision on Friday, tomorrow, Columbus day, being a legal holiday.

TARIFF CHANGES SHOULD WAIT

Position Taken by Canadian Manufacturers' Association—Establishment of Tariff Commission Is Favored

RODGERS' FLIGHT

Passes Kansas City on His Way from Ocean to Ocean—Has Now Traveled 1482 Miles

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 11.—Calvin P. Rodgers, the trans-continental flyer, is now in Kansas City. He has traveled 1482 miles on his coast-to-coast flight. Rodgers left the city today and landed at Swope Park. Taking to the air again at 11:45, he flew to the air again at 11:45. Overland Park is in Johnson county, Kansas. Rodgers will remain there until Friday afternoon to adjust his engine, which is in need of repairs.

Leon's Trial

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—Albert Leon, the alleged Russian political refugee, held in New York on charges of counterfeiting American ten-dollar bank and treasury notes probably will be tried in Chicago. The spurious notes, it is claimed, were circulated in several far western cities.

ANCIENT CAPITAL BIDS GODSPEED

Their Excellencies Earl and Lady Grey Entertained by Government and City on Eve of Departure

PARTY TO LEAVE QUEBEC AT NOON

QUEBEC, Oct. 11.—Earl Grey was given a most affectionate send-off at the city hall tonight. His Excellency and Lady Grey and party arrived this morning by special train. The party were entertained at luncheon at Spencerwood this afternoon by the Lieutenant-Governor and members of the provincial cabinet. This evening there was a great gathering of citizens at the city hall, when His Excellency was the recipient of a civic address and a gift from the citizens of the Ancient Capital. The gift was a replica of the Wolfe and Montcalm monument. In his address Mayor Drouin made mention of the brilliant career of His Excellency in Canada, which was appreciated by all classes of the population. Earl Grey made a very touching reply, speaking in French. Earl Grey and party will leave Quebec at noon tomorrow and will meet the Duke of Connaught on his way up the river.

LARGE PROJECT OF METHODISM

Proposal Is Laid Before Ecumenical Conference to Institute Practically World's Welfare Commission

FIFTY MEMBERS FROM EACH DIVISION

Resolution Arises Out of Discussion on "Church and Social Service"—Action Is Postponed

TORONTO, Oct. 11.—Divorce, socialism, labor unions and wealth were some of the subjects concerning which emphatic opinions were expressed by speakers at the session of the Ecumenical Methodist conference in this city today. The general topic in hand was "The Church and social service." In connection with consideration of its various phases, a novel proposition was made to nearly 500 delegates, in the form of a resolution offered by the business committee, calling for the creation of what would be practically a world's welfare commission.

Tragedy of Up-Turned Boat

Three Residents of Thetis Island Believed to Have Been Drowned in Sansone Narrows

The finding of an up-turned boat at Burgoyne bay, Salt Spring Island, brought to light what is believed to have been a tragedy in which three popular residents of Thetis Island, Mr. Charles Henegage, cousin of Rev. and Hon. T. R. Henegage of this city; Mr. Lambert and Mr. Harvey, are believed to have lost their lives.

Storm in Montana

Snow Storm in Great Drifts by Fierce Gales—Railways and Telegraph Lines Suffer

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Oct. 11.—Dispatches received tonight at the general offices of the Oregon Short Line from the company's linemen, who have been battling all day against a terrific blizzard in southwestern Montana, paint a gloomy picture of conditions in that section. Snow, wet and heavy, piling in huge drifts before fierce gales, miles of telephone and telegraph wires disarranged, poles uprooted and leveled, and light and power plants paralyzed, is the substance of the news at hand.

Wallace Bank Case

VANCOUVER, Oct. 11.—Judge McInnes ordered the arrest of Bernard F. O'Neill, formerly president of the State Bank of Commerce, Wallace, Ida. Mr. O'Neill is wanted on the charge of sending in false returns to the supervisors of the bank, which, it is alleged, show a discrepancy of nearly \$100,000 in over drafts.

Member Seriously Ill

MONTREAL, Oct. 11.—D. A. LaForte, K.C., crown prosecutor for the district of Montreal, and representative of the county of Montcalm in the house of commons, was this afternoon moved to Victoria hospital from his residence at St. Laurent. Mr. LaForte contracted a cold during the recent campaign which later developed into acute pneumonia.

Ends His Life

Andrew Beveridge, Young Minstrel at Extension, Shoots Himself in Despondent Mood

NANAIMO, Oct. 11.—Andrew Beveridge, a young man residing at Extension, B. C., committed suicide last evening in his cabin at that place by placing the muzzle of a revolver to his right temple, pulling the trigger and sending a bullet through his brain. Despondency is mentioned as the cause of his act.

Beveridge, who was a native of Scotland and but 21 years of age, has been a resident of this district for a short time. He was employed in the Extension mine up to the 15th of last month, when he left his employment, since which time he has been in a more or less despondent state of mind. Shortly after supper last evening Beveridge wrote two letters, posted them, returned to the cabin and, for several minutes took part in a conversation with his backing partner, Geo. Mitchell, and a friend, Sidney Gordon. Leaving the two in the kitchen, Beveridge walked into an adjoining room and, shortly afterwards, Mitchell and Gordon heard a shot. Entering the room whence the report came, they found the body of Beveridge lying across the bed, his hand still clutching the smoking weapon, and terrible wounds in the head, life being extinct.

Bye-Elections for Ministers

Writs to Be Issued Today in Cases of Ten Who Were Elected on September 21—Nominations October 25

Possible Seats for Two Others

Arranging for Payment of Salaries of Civic Servants—Ontario Elections to Be Held Early in December

OTTAWA, Oct. 11.—Writs will be issued tomorrow for ten bye-elections in the constituencies represented by those members of the Borden government who were elected on Sept. 21 and have been assigned portfolios. They include Hon. Messrs. Borden, Monk, Doherty, Pelletier, Naylor, Foster, Reid, Crothers, Roelle, and Hughes. Nominations will be held on October 25 and elections on November 1, if there are to be contests. This much was decided upon at today's cabinet council, and tomorrow the order in council goes to the clerk of the crown in chancery.

Nothing has been determined as to the seats to be occupied by Messrs. Hazen, Cochrane, White and Rogers. The probability is that Mr. Hazen will take the St. John city and county seat. There is talk of Dr. Daniel going to the senate. It is also pretty well understood that Hon. Robert Rogers will sit for a Manitoba constituency, and will not move into Saskatchewan. It is said that he has been offered the Winnipeg seat now held by Alex. Haggart. There is a vacant seat in Manitoba since the death of Senator Chevier, and it might go to Mr. Haggart, although it has been regarded as a French appointment, and Hon. A. O. Lariviere, former member for Provencher, is mentioned.

Frisson for Kate

NAPANEE, Oct. 11.—Sherman Wagner, aged 17, was sentenced to life imprisonment here today for assault.

Prison for Kate

There is good news today for the civil service. The failure of the late government to proceed with supply before the dissolution left some departments of the service absolutely without money for salaries after the first of September. The 15th of September was pay day, but in these departments there was no money and some employees have been forced to get money at high rates of interest. The announcement is made tonight, at the next meeting of the cabinet, probably next Monday, the matter of providing funds for the payment of the officials will be taken up.

Ontario Elections

TORONTO, Oct. 11.—Premier Whitney announced tonight that the Ontario general elections will be held in either the first or the second week in December.

New Brunswick Government

FREDERICTON, N. B., Oct. 11.—The resignation of Hon. J. D. Hazen, as premier and attorney general in the provincial government, will be tendered to the lieutenant governor. Irtain otstoh h the lieutenant governor in a few days, when Hon. J. K. Fleming, provincial secretary, will in all probability be called upon to perform new government. The new premier will retain the portfolio of provincial secretary, and Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer, the present surveyor general, will become attorney general.

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J. W. De B. Farris has been retained by the department of justice of the state of Idaho to institute extradition proceedings on the information of Sheriff John J. Nicholson of Shoshone county. S. S. Taylor K.C. is acting for O'Neill, and it is understood that the extradition proceedings will be fought to a finish.

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