

The Semi-Weekly Telegraph

WEST INDIES PART OF CANADA

Hope for Colonies to the South Rasts With Relations Here

FEAR OF YANKEE DUTIES IN THE WAY

London Times Writer Thinks Confederation Will Come, Though, and Risk of Offending Uncle Sam Must Be Faced—Thunderer Sees Some Difficulties.

Montreal, Aug. 24—(Special)—A special London cable says: "The Times" Indian correspondent points out that one of the chief difficulties in the way of federation with Canada is that the United States, presenting preferential treatment for Canadian goods would retaliate by taxing West Indian fruit imports.

But there is a more general and widespread conviction that in the cultivation of Canadian trade lies the best hope of securing a stable foundation for building up the future prosperity of the island colonies.

Times Sees Difficulties

That federation with Canada is the destiny of the West Indies, many who have carefully studied the trade proposals which the new world have no doubt, it means simply taking a leaf out of the United States' book. The dream of the United States is an America extending to the West Indies and the Caribbean Sea.

NORWAY AND SWEDEN

Stockholm, Sweden, Aug. 24—At a meeting of the council of state today, Minister of Justice Berge presented a report on the decision of the Norwegian storting approving the proposal of the government for the formal opening of negotiations with Sweden for the dissolution of the union.

Warsaw Under Martial Law

Warsaw, Aug. 24—The whole government of Warsaw has been placed under martial law. A bridge on the Vistula railway near Radom has been blown up and communication is interrupted.

NO REDUCTION OF POSTAL RATES ON NEWSPAPERS FROM ENGLAND

Sir William Mulock Brings Back Word That British Authorities Are Not Likely to Cut Rates—The Cable Prospects—England Will Probably Nationalize Telephones.

Ottawa, Aug. 24—(Special)—Sir William Mulock, who returned last week after attending the cable conference in London, reached Ottawa this morning. He says that if the Australian government amends its agreement with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company so that the concessions granted to the latter by New South Wales and Victoria shall be absolutely reciprocal, there is no reason why the Pacific Cable should not be a financial success.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS A PRIEST

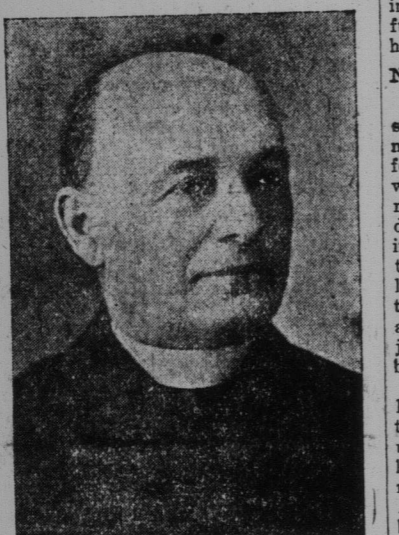
Silver Jubilee of Very Rev. J. Hebert, V. G., Celebrated at Buctouche

BISHOP AND 16 PRIESTS ATTEND

High Mass, Reading of Addresses, Presentations by Clergy and People, and a Banquet Marked Observance of the Happy Day—Large Number of People Gathered.

Buctouche, N. B., Aug. 24.—(Special)—The silver jubilee of Very Rev. Jean Hebert, vicar general, brought a great number of people to Buctouche today. Bishop Oasey was present with sixteen priests.

Letters of regret at absence of a number were received. The day was a beautiful one, nature lending herself kindly to the happy spirit of the occasion. Imposing ceremony marked the celebration. Solemn high mass was celebrated at 10 o'clock by Very Rev. J. Hebert, V. G., assisted by Rev. A. Roy as deacon and Rev. D. J. LeBlanc as sub-deacon. The master of ceremonies was Rev. J. A. Larcheveque, and an eloquent sermon was preached by Rev. P. H. Bellevue. The



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griety in sanctuary were Very Rev. A. Guy, C. S. C., superior of St. Joseph's College; Very Rev. A. Roy, C. S. C., of St. Joseph's; Rev. Ed. Labbe, C. S. C., of St. Joseph's; Rev. J. B. Parent, of Lynn (Mass); Rev. J. Ouellette, of St. Mary's; Rev. P. H. Bellevue, of Grand Digue; Rev. J. B. Martineau, of Richibucto village; Rev. P. Dufour, of Notre Dame; Rev. A. Robichaud, of Fox Creek; Rev. J. Lapointe, of St. Ann's; Rev. L. Leblanc, of Cape Beaulieu; Rev. D. L. Leblanc, of Kingsclear; Rev. J. A. Larcheveque, of Cocagne; Rev. H. D. Cormier, of Moncton; Rev. X. A. Hudon, of Buctouche; Rev. F. X. Cormier, of Shediac. Bishop Oasey at the throne was assisted by Rev. A. Guy, C. S. C., and Rev. J. Ouellette.

An address from the vicar general was read by Rev. H. D. Cormier and one from the parishioners by F. X. Leblanc, J. P. The clergy presented to the vicar general a costly chalice and crosses and the parishioners presented a silver table set of great value. The celebration was ended by a banquet, at which Bishop Oasey, Rev. Fathers, Parishioners by F. X. Leblanc, J. P. Leblanc, M. P. for Kent, spoke.

Letters of regret at absence were received from Mgr. Richard, of Rogersville; Very Rev. W. F. Chapman, St. John; Rev. F. X. Cormier, of Aboussang; Rev. A. D. Cormier, of Joseph's; Rev. A. Collet, of Quebec; Rev. A. Poirier, of Quaco, and others. The beloved priest was the recipient of many warm congratulations upon attaining his 25th year in the priesthood and all entered very heartily into the notable celebration of the happy day.

REACTION FOLLOWS FEELING OF HOPE FOR END OF WAR

Looks Dark at Portsmouth, But Hope Has Not Yet Been Abandoned

Roosevelt Carries His Plea to Tokio Government—Naming of Price for Part of Sakhalin Was a Touchy Matter for Russia, and it is Thought Killed the Compromise Arrangement.

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 24—The prospects of peace seem desperate, but they are not hopeless despite the prevailing pessimism. There is still a chance, and the forces working for peace are continuing their labors. The president failed twice, but he is fighting on.

The result of Ambassador Meyer's audience at Pterhof yesterday was unsatisfactory, but at least it was not a retreat. It left the door open and within a few hours after the receipt of Mr. Meyer's account of his audience the president had sent a new appeal through Mr. Witte, who is authorized to secure the compromise arrangement.

The emperor had already in effect decided the proposed compromise offered by Japan. He had refused it, because under a disguise Japan offered to withdraw from the article asking remuneration for the right to fishery rights, but that had been left for future adjustment, the compromise would have undoubtedly proved a Russian success.

Naming of Sum Riled Russians. The Associated Press is in a position to state that the divergence in the compromise suggested by the president and as offered by Japan at the conference, which was mentioned in these dispatches, had been inserted in the text, had been left for future adjustment, the compromise would have undoubtedly proved a Russian success.

According to the Japanese Mr. Witte has already offered to divide Sakhalin. The re-purchase of Sakhalin was placed upon a purely business basis and the lowering lines, from the authorized statement of the Russian position given to the Associated Press last night, should be borne in mind.

That Japan does it is to join the question of Sakhalin with that of the purchase of Sakhalin, and the name of purchase money. The transaction is fictitious and the terminology misleading.

Now a Question for Mikado and Ozar. Japan, it is believed, would make the further concession suggested by Emperor Nicholas would commit himself to a solution. This statement is based upon the words of the Japanese authority most competent to speak.

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SHIP STRUCK BY LIGHTNING

Burning Vessel Makes Spectacular Sight Off Staten Island

CREW REACH SHORE IN BOATS

Fire Tugs and Appliances from New York Rush to the Burning Vessel—Hatch Blows Up With Great Firey Display.

New York, Aug. 24—Struck by lightning during a terrific storm which swept over Staten Island and the lower part of the upper bay at midnight, the ship Mulberry Hill, laden with cases of oil and naphtha, lying midway between Tompkinsville and Stapleton is burning, lighting up the bay from the Battery to Sandy Hook.

The crew of 24 men left the ship just after the fire started and landed at Stapleton. Word was sent to Manhattan for fireboats and the boat from the Battery and several tugs went as close to the burning ship as possible and began to flood her with water. She will be flooded so as to save as much as possible of the oil below the water.

No one remained on board. A few minutes after the alarm was given ashore one of the hatches blew up with great display of fire. The flames poured through the hatch and sprang into the shrouds and began to eat away the sail and cordage.

There were on board more than 100 passengers, and all were taken off safely by tugs. An attempt will be made to float the steamer in the morning at high tide.

Douglas Will Not Run Again. Boston, Aug. 24—At a meeting of the Democratic state committee here today it was decided to hold the next Democratic state convention here on October 7.

THE YELLOW FEVER SITUATION.

New Orleans, Aug. 24—The report on yellow fever situation tonight is—New cases 44; total to date 1,600. Deaths 7; total 223. New foci 10; total 260. Remaining under treatment 287.

SIR FREDERICK LAUGHS AT REPORT OF RESIGNATION

Ottawa, Aug. 24—(Special)—Sir Frederick Borden's attention was tonight drawn to the report that he was resigning from the government. "The thing is absurd," was his reply.

At the Canadian Club luncheon today the president, McKenzie King, read the telegram received from Lord Minto in response to a message of congratulation upon his appointment as Viceroy of India.

SHIPPING PROSPECTS TO AFRICA

Sydney, N. S., Aug. 24—(Special)—The furthest Whilly steamer Orana, from Montreal to South Africa with general cargo, is at Sydney taking bunker and 200 barrels of coal from the Bonington Har & Chemical Co. This is the first shipment of tar product from any Canadian port to the dark continent.

OTTAWA LIKES THE PRINCE WELL

Louis of Battenberg Given Hearty Reception at the Capital

GOVERNMENT AND MILITARY GREET HIM

Jack Tars Impress the Street Crowds—Address to Prince, and He Talks of Nelson's Signal in Reply—Several Functions in His Honor.

Ottawa, Aug. 24.—(Special)—Prince Louis of Battenberg and his blue jackets and marines have firmly established themselves in the affections of the people of Ottawa. His serene highness was cheered everywhere he appeared today while the march through the streets of "The Handy Men" and of the red and blue

A few minutes were spent in conversation and then the prince drove to Rideau Hall. Soon after 1 o'clock the admiral was the guest of the Canadian Club at the Ritz Hotel. W. L. MacKenzie King, the president, occupied the chair and among those present were the prime minister, Sir Frederick Borden, Messrs. Fisher, Fielding, Paterson, Emmerson and Broderick, Sir Henri Taschereau, General Lake, General Aymer, Colonel Hanbury Williams and Flag Lieutenant Sowerby.

The Memory of Nelson

Prince Louis read his reply which contained allusions to Ottawa's fine public buildings and to the hospitality of Canadians to the king's sailors. "For one hundred years," he observed, "the navy has had before it the signal which Nelson made to this fleet on the last day of his life and to which you refer. The king's subjects throughout the empire, whatever their race, creed, or language may be, feel that the navy will, should the necessity arise, act up to this injunction and do its duty by them all and thus insure the safety and tranquility of every fraction of the earth over which the Union Jack flies."

Tonight the chief justice of the supreme court gave a dinner in honor of Prince Louis. This afternoon 300 officers and men of the cruiser squadron arrived on a three days' visit to the capital. They were cheered as they marched through the crowded streets to their camp on Cartier square.

Russian Minister of Interior Resigns

St. Petersburg, Aug. 24.—The emperor has received the resignation of M. Brokhin, minister of the interior. Count Ignatiev, member of the council of the empire it is thought, will probably succeed him, although General Tropoff is mentioned as a possibility.

FRANCE THREATENS TO BRING SULTAN OF MOROCCO TO TRIAL

Paris, Aug. 24.—As a result of a special meeting of the council of ministers today it was announced that a military demonstration will be made against Morocco unless the sultan promptly yields to the French demands for the release of the French Algerian citizen, Bouzian, who was unjustifiably arrested at Gharh, a Moroccan town on the Algerian frontier.

It is the intention of the military authorities to occupy a Moroccan border town probably Oudja, owing to its strategic command of the route to the Moroccan capital. However, the official announcement that the sultan will yield.

C. P. R. HAS MADE ANOTHER PROTEST

Complains to Government About the Route of G. T. P. Section from Portage La Prairie West.

Montreal, Aug. 24—(Special)—The C. P. R. has addressed to the government in Ottawa a strong protest against the G. T. P. route between Portage La Prairie and Touchwood Hill, the section for which the contract was awarded yesterday. The C. P. R. considers that this part of the G. T. P. route is a violation of the act of parliament constituting the new company. It is also contended that the location so far decided upon by the G. T. P. is contrary to the letter and spirit of the government's policy expressed in parliament and on the platform of members of the cabinet and their supporters.

The protest is based on the claim that the line as located is at no time more than ten miles from the main line of the C. P. R. or its branches; that this being the case there is no new territory to serve and no need of a new railway. It is held that the interest of the government was to lease the transcontinental systems at least thirty miles apart.

Petroleum-Laden Vessel Afire. London, Aug. 24.—The steam ketch, Albion, loaded with petroleum, caught fire in the English channel this evening and burned furiously. The fire created intense excitement. The crew was safely landed, but the vessel is a total loss.

FREEMAN MARTIN IS IN JAIL INSTEAD

Charged Colored Fighter Stole Diamond Pin—Jack Munro in Cape Breton.

Sydney, N. S., Aug. 24—(Special)—Freeman Martin, a colored pugilist, was arrested here today, charged with stealing a diamond pin from a saloon keeper named Walsh. Martin was in Cape Breton trying to arrange a bout with Jack Munro, who is visiting his home at Boulardier. Munro would not listen to his proposal.

GOVERNOR GENERAL TO START WEST SUNDAY

Ottawa, Aug. 24.—(Special)—The governor general, Lady Grey and their daughter and suite will leave for the Northwest Sunday. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and one or two members of the government will go at the same time. Sir Frederick Borden will soon start on a trip of inspection, which will extend to the coast. He will be accompanied by the Misses Borden.

The railway commission has declined to grant the application of Mr. Duthie, of Toronto, acting for a Detroit coal firm, who asked that an order be made compelling the Grand Trunk to deliver to him the coal which it had sold by reason of failure to pay demurrage charges.

TRANSPORT SINKS AND 160 DROWN

Fearful Disaster in Japanese Waters Where British Steamer Sinks Mikado's Troopship.

Nagasaki, Aug. 24, Noon—

The British steamer Haralong and the Japanese transport Kingo collided at 10 o'clock last Tuesday in the inland sea.

The transport was sunk and 160 men were drowned. The Haralong was damaged but saved.

SCHOOL TEACHERS DECIDE AGAINST SALARY COMBINE

Nova Scotia Association Adopts an Alternative Scheme

PENSION IDEA IS ADOPTED, THOUGH REARRANGEMENT OF IMPORTANT MATTERS SUGGESTED AT TRURO CONVENTION—A Death of Presbyterian Pastors for a Time—Thousand Dollar Fire.

Truro, Aug. 24—(Special)—The Nova Scotia Teachers' Association adjourned this evening. Resolutions were adopted along the following lines: That a committee look into the differences between the work in academies and high schools as compared with entrance requirements to colleges with a view to meeting with delegates from all colleges and re-arranging of school studies; also to arrange school requirements so that college graduates may teach in schools without taking special college courses after leaving college, as now required.

The pension scheme for teachers was adopted with a few slight alterations, and delegates were appointed to present the scheme to the legislature and organize details. The discussion brought out the fact that there are now thirty-five teachers in the province who will be entitled to retire on the scheme if it is instigated, and draw pensions. Teachers who do not continue in the teaching profession for at least twenty years are to receive no benefit.

The combine proposed among the teachers to compel higher salaries fell through and it was decided instead to have the council of public instruction notify all trustees to get new teachers to state what salaries were wanted when applying for schools, but to state the salary the section will pay, and teachers were asked not to tender for any school that will not state the salary to be paid.

There were papers today on Advantages of Nature Study, Parents' National Educational Union, Relation of High Schools to Colleges, How Public Schools Can Promote Public Health.

The meeting in 1897 will be in Halifax. A barn belonging to the estate of the late Samuel Rette, on Wollaston Heights was destroyed by fire this afternoon. The fire is supposed to have been started by children. The loss is about \$1,000.

Rev. George A. Leck, Presbyterian pastor of Dalhousie, Maple Green and Dunfermline, was in Cape Breton today to take charge of Economy congregation today. Before leaving New Brunswick the congregation at Maple Green presented to him a purse of \$50. Before he started he called every Presbyterian congregation in Colchester, along the Cobequid shore, was vacant.

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