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DECLARE LOYALTY TO GREAT BRITAIN

Parliament Takes Step as Refutation of Annexation Talk.

FAVORED BY PREMIER

Wild Speech by "The Maclean"—Borden Foresees Commercial Union.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—The Canadian Parliament Wednesday formally declared political loyalty to Great Britain. The declaration was made as an answer to allegations that reciprocity with the United States will result in annexation.

Neither the Government nor the Opposition intended to make this declaration when the House opened at 3 p.m.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Borden had planned that the reciprocity debate follow its regular course, and the Prime Minister had moved the House into committee for that purpose when F. D. Monk declared that in Canada, the United States and Great Britain, some public men and a part of the press had stated that annexation was bound to follow reciprocity.

Believes Canadians Loyal.

He believed there was no genuine annexation sentiment in Canada, and that a statement to that effect should be formally made. He, therefore, moved an amendment declaring that with a view to dispelling the feeling of unrest created in Canada by comments made in the United States and Canada, as to the political consequences of the agreement, the House wishes to affirm emphatically its determination to preserve intact the bonds which unite Canada to the British Empire and the full liberty of Canada to control her fiscal policy and internal economy.

Sir Wilfrid accepted the Monk amendment, though in doing so he adopted the most unusual course of accepting an amendment to a government motion from an opponent of the administration. The amendment was adopted without a dissenting voice, but before the vote was reached there was an expression of opinion from the leading members of the House.

Sir Wilfrid said, in part:

Premier's Remarks.

"This discussion which we are engaged has given rise to a great deal of comment on both sides of the line. Men there are in the United States who have interpreted this agreement as meaning ultimately the annexation of Canada. Men there are on this side of the 49th who have taken the same position, but I am glad to say there is not one man on this side of the House who has ever thought of any such thing.

"It appears that men there are on the side of the House on which Mr. Monk sits whose views on this question are disturbed, and who believe that in the discussion of a question of better trade arrangement between us and our neighbors, the Canadian people would be so wanting in self-respect that they might be driven beyond an agreement, as wise in itself, to conclusions such as the honorable gentleman dreads. If there are such men in this chamber, I repeat, they do not sit on this side of the House. But it is necessary in order to strengthen the wavering faith of the honorable gentleman opposite, I have no objection to accepting the motion and to say that this discussion will in no way affect or jeopardize the allegiance of this country to the mother land. This motion affirms a principle which we cordially reciprocated, and which we are ready to affirm."

Borden Fears Union.

"I can tell the Prime Minister this," said Mr. Borden, leader of the Opposition, "that if this reciprocity proposition means anything it means a commercial union between Canada and the United States in the end."

Mr. Borden declared he was of opinion that the American congress had not accepted the proposal on economic grounds, but because it would lead to political absorption.

W. F. Maclean declared there was the germ of annexation in the agreement, which had been concocted by Sir Wilfrid Laurier "the new czar of Canada," and President Taft, "the czar of the United States."

He denounced the agreement as a crime against the constitution. It had been carried out by an irresponsible prime minister and an irresponsible cabinet. They had taken from the people their rights. The Parliament of Canada had not had one single thing to say regarding the making of this treaty. The closure had been put on the House and the country, and they must accept the agreement without amendment. It had been surreptitiously interpreted by the czar of this country and the czar of the United States. If our tariffs were to be made at Washington in this way it appeared on the face of it that the tendency was the destruction of our national autonomy. There was just one opinion. Canada was on the road to annexation.

Mr. MacLean said the United States was prepared to make big tariff concessions to accomplish its political dream, the spread of its nationality over the whole of the North American continent.

This agreement meant, said Mr. MacLean, that there never could be a tariff bill introduced in this House again without first going to Washington and getting the consent of the United States. Never again would the people of Canada have an opportunity of discussing, debating or amending a tariff bill. Canada was losing her tariff independence. We had now to take what we could get. He condemned the Government for entering into this arrangement without consulting the people.

Touching on the question of commercial union with the United States, Mr. MacLean said that had been the policy of the Liberal party in the past, and it had come back to it as a dog comes back to its vomit.

A little later on Col. Talbot objected to the expression on the score that it was not parliamentary. He asked the Speaker to give a ruling.

Speaker Marcil agreed that it was a figure of speech and not unparliamentary, whereupon Col. Talbot remarked, "It's an after-dinner expression."

Mr. MacLean warned the people of Quebec that if the Government proposals should lead Canada to annexation with the United States they would lose many of their privileges. If annexation should come, he said, the autonomy of Quebec would be wiped out like a flash in the night.

Col. Talbot—We thank you for the advice.

Mr. Devlin asked why Mr. Maclean appealed to Quebec, and the speaker replied that he had a right to do so, because the people of Quebec were his fellow-countrymen. He added that it was one of the best provinces in the Dominion.

Mr. Devlin—And one of the most loyal.

Mr. MacLean repeated his assertions as to the danger Quebec would be in if this organic change should occur, and noted that not a single Quebec member had made a protest.

Mr. Clark (Red Deer)—If the old Tory party of England had its way, how much autonomy would Quebec have today?

Mr. MacLean—I am not responsible for the old Tory party.

Mr. MacLean then declared that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had no right to resurrect commercial union, which was repudiated in 1891, without consulting the people in a general election.

Mr. Fielding followed, his speech being marked by a number of interruptions. After a little preliminary cross-firing, he dealt with Mr. MacLean's statement that Parliament had no voice in the matter.

"This agreement," said the finance minister, "is submitted to this Parliament and every member is as free to vote for or against it, as he is to vote for or against any other matter that may be submitted to the House. We cannot give effect to this agreement by any other act of ours. All we can do is to present to the House that which we believe, as we believe this to be, for the best interests of the great masses of the people of the country. Arrangements of any kind are not usually made on the public street. They are necessarily made by conference between the parties interested, and in this case the representatives of the people have a full and unqualified right to pass judgment upon the scheme."

In the face of these facts the member for South York had proclaimed in ringing tones that never again would Parliament have a right to deal with a tariff matter. How could he expect the people of Canada to be influenced by such statements?

W. S. Fielding declared that the only people in Canada who were talking of annexation being the consequence of the agreement, were those who were opposing reciprocity.

THE U. S. PAPERMAKERS NEED CANADA'S PULP

Senator Says Agreement Will Save Them Many Millions of Dollars.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The Senate failed today to ratify the new Japanese trade and commerce treaty. It was criticised by Senator Hale, and defended by Senator Lodge. It probably will come before the Senate again tomorrow. But President Taft and Secretary Knox are confident, however, that it will be ratified at the present session.

Japan is anxious to have the new agreement ratified before July 17, and besides, the present treaty expires next year, and failure to make a new arrangement would result in disturbances to the relations between the two countries. Japan's anxiety for the adoption is due to the fact that similar arrangements have been made with various European powers.

EXPRESS NO. 5 KILLS G. T. R. SECTIONMAN

Cap on Tender First Intimation Crew Had of Accident.

Woodstock, Feb. 23.—Robert Townsend, a sectionman residing near Golden, was instantly killed last night by express No. 5. When the train reached Woodstock at 7.30 o'clock the cap of a man was found on the fender of the engine, indicating that someone had been struck. A yard engine was sent back and near East-wood the body was found.

The face and head were badly bruised and a leg broken. He had apparently been cleaning out a switch when struck by the express. The body was brought to Woodstock and an inquest will be held. No one saw the accident.

Townsend was a married man and is survived by his wife and five children.

DR. HELEN MACMURCHY FRIDAY EVENING

Noted Woman Physician Will Speak on Important Subject.

Dr. Helen MacMurchy, who speaks at the Collegiate Institute tomorrow evening to the public, is a remarkable woman, who has done a remarkable work. She has made a special study of the problem of feeble-minded women and infant mortality, and has influenced legislation and public opinion on these matters. She will speak to Londoners on infant mortality. Only a silver collection to defray expenses will be taken.

BUSINESS SENSATION AT ST. PETERSBURG

Czar's Police Seize Books and Papers of American Company.

[Canadian Press.]

St. Petersburg, Feb. 23.—The police today made a sudden descent upon the offices of the Westinghouse Electric Company, and seized all the books and documents relating to the St. Petersburg electric street railway. The affair has caused a sensation in foreign commercial circles.

The Westinghouse Electric Company secured a contract for the electrification of street cars in St. Petersburg in December, 1905. Later the Government imposed a fine of $500,000 upon the company for alleged failure to complete its contract. This was in October, 1907, and in the following month the Government remitted $425,000 of the penalty. Since then the company experienced some inconvenience, resulting in the announcement early in 1908 that the British Westinghouse company would finance the St. Petersburg company.

A NEW PLAYLET

Barker's Latest Does Not Please the London Audiences.

London, Feb. 22.—Three years ago Mr. Granville Barker was offered the directorship of the millionaires' theatre in New York, then about to be opened. He went to America, looked it over and decided he did not want it. Recently Mr. Barker, apostle of the new thought and high art in the drama, appeared as a mere actor in a variety theatre.

The theatre was the Palace Music Hall, where Mr. Barker produced a very thin, talky and uninteresting sketch called "Ask No Questions and You Will Be Told No Stories." It is one of a series of four that Mr. Barker has translated from the German of Herr Arthur Schnitzler.

The other three are to follow in weekly doses, at least that was the original intention, but wiser counsel may prevail. This one not only lacked point and purpose but didn't even have bright dialogue. A man hypnotizes his sweetheart to learn if she is faithful to him. Then he hasn't the nerve to ask her, and so remains in blissful ignorance.

It's about as unimportant a playlet as I have ever seen, but the London critics, thanks to Mr. Barker's high-brow reputation, find many hidden beauties in it.

BIG SLIDE UPSETS THE PANAMA PLANS

The Whole of a Great Hill May Have To Be Leveled.

Colon, Panama, Feb. 23.—Without warning, upsetting all theories and estimates, opening up an ugly vista of possibilities, 500,000 cubic yards of rock and earth slid into the Pioneer Cut, just opposite the town of Culebra, last Thursday. It is one of the worst slides the canal commission engineers have had to contend with, and it is worse than any previous slide from the fact that the others could be explained, even where predicted.

The latest avalanche of dirt changes the canal plans materially. It makes it seem necessary that the entire prism shall be enlarged sufficiently to prevent any occurrences of the sort after the completion of the canal. There seems to be no doubt that all of Gold Hill will have to be removed, in itself a considerable undertaking. And 325,000 yards of the slide itself represents the waste. The remainder it was intended to remove.

Most disconcerting of all, theories which heretofore have served to explain slides to the satisfaction of the engineers' brains are pricked like a toy balloon.

A few weeks ago a large amount of earth and rock slid into the canal at Las Cascadas, a few miles north of Culebra town. A few miles south is the great Cucharacha slide, which has been giving trouble. This makes it appear that the entire cut will have to be widened sooner or later, to a large extent, in order to avoid serious difficulty when the canal shall have been completed.

No estimate of the damage has been given out by the canal commission, but it will mount up to a handsome figure.

Since Gold Hill was regarded as slide-proof, no mortal man can now say where a slide may not occur.

A year ago cracks appeared upon the crest of the hill extending above the Culebra Hotel. The hotel will be taken down at once and a new one constructed.

FRENCH DERELICT GOES ON THE ROCKS

Old Warship Richelieu Hard Aground on Scilly Islands.

London, Feb. 23.—The old French warship Richelieu, which for a fortnight had been drifting about, a derelict dangerous to navigation, found port today on the rocks off the Scilly Islands. The craft was sighted by the life-saving crew, who first thought a trans-Atlantic liner had gone ashore, but when a lifeboat reached the scene the crew recognized the old French freighter.

The Richelieu was being towed to Holland, where she was to have been broken up, when two weeks ago, in a gale, she tore loose from her tugs. A few days ago she was reported as sighted in the track of trans-Atlantic liners, about 60 miles west of Queenstown. Some apprehension had been felt in marine circles, and the news that the derelict was fast on the rocks off the Scilly Islands was welcomed by mariners here.

ALLEGED BIGAMIST

American Faces Serious Charges in Old London Court.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Feb. 23.—An alleged bigamist, claimed to have operated in the United States, is on trial here. The prisoner, Felix Franz Alfred Ogilvie, who describes himself as a mariner, is charged with a multiplicity of wives, and with defrauding his victims of considerable money and jewelry. Three illegal alliances are alleged.

According to the evidence introduced, Ogilvie began his matrimonial adventures in San Francisco, where on July 3, 1905, he is alleged to have married a widow named Louth, the ceremony being performed by a magistrate. In a more recent case, it is asserted that he took his bride to a well-known hotel, and on the day following their marriage, drugged her and decamped with her jewels and cash. To a third victim he is accused of having represented himself as an engineer employed by the Standard Oil Company at an annual salary of $30,000.

NEW GOLD FIELD

Similar to That of Porcupine and Value as Good.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Feb. 23.—Mr. J. J. Byrne, who has been interested in the gold and silver discoveries at Cobalt, Porcupine and Gowganda, returned to the "Soo" this afternoon from Hobson, a new gold field discovered by William Moquist, of the "Soo" last November. Byrne, with J. Hollinger, who with his brother Ben, staked the Timmins claim at Porcupine, which was sold for $330,000, have staked sixteen claims at Hobson, adjoining the Moquist claims, and all show rich values. Byrne says the formation at Hobson is similar to that at Porcupine, and that values are equally as good. The fields are only 156 miles apart. The new field is easy of access, the C. P. R. running within eleven miles of the most important claims, and the C. N. R. when forming a junction with the C. P. R. at Hobson, will run directly through one of the richest gold fields on the continent. Assays made on Hobson ore run from $6.60 to $400 to a ton. It is expected that with the advent of spring a rush will be made to Hobson, the finds having created considerable excitement among the mining men of the north.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

London, Feb. 22.—Arrived: Cambrian, from Boston.

Malta, Feb. 22.—Arrived: Arabic, from New York.

New York, Feb. 22.—Oceanic, Germania.

BIBLE STUDENTS ENTER A PROTEST

Exception Is Taken to Remark of Ministers at the Alliance Meeting.

ACCEPT ENTIRE BIBLE

Charge Is Made That Many Preachers Do Not Believe What They Preach From the Pulpit.

"The ministers of the gospel in our leading Christian churches do not preach what they believe. Some of them do not even believe in the existence of the Bible or the characters of the Bible. I was brought up as a Methodist, but when a Methodist minister in a Western Ontario town told me that he did not believe that Job or Jonah ever existed, I turned from Methodism to the teachings of Pastor Russell. No class of people uphold the Bible more strongly than the International Bible Students, and yet Canon Hague and other members of the Ministerial Alliance would tell us that our doctrines are contrary to the Bible and common sense."

In these words Mr. R. H. Peck, who at present is working in the interests of the Bible students in this city, protested to The Advertiser today, against the criticisms of the Ministerial Alliance at their Monday meeting. The Bible students are not the least pleased that they should be classed with Mormons, infidels and moving pictures" in the black-list of the alliance.

"We believe in the atonement, and we uphold the whole Bible from Genesis to Revelations," Mr. Peck continued. "We believe that the wages of sin is death. The churches teach that the wages of sin is life, either in bliss or torment. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, not in the resurrection of the living. We believe in the spiritual resurrection of the church, which is going on at the present time. God will materialize bodies for the dead, exactly the same as the bodies they possessed before their death. The resurrected church will be immortal and divine.

Bible and Reason.

"We harmonize the Bible with reason, and in reality it is the church that is teaching doctrines contrary to common sense.

"But we expect persecution," added Mr. Peck. "All those who live godly now will suffer persecutions from the professing Christians and other people, just as Christ was persecuted by the scribes and Pharisees. We believe that the earth will come back to its original Edenic condition which Adam lost.

"The doctrine of eternal torment is one of the greatest lies ever foisted upon humanity by the devil.

"Then you believe in a personal devil?" ventured the reporter.

"Yes, certainly," was the reply, "but after the day of judgment the devil, the fallen angels, hell, all wickedness and the wicked people will be utterly annihilated forever.

"If the members of the Ministerial Alliance are worried over our teaching of what they are pleased to call heresies, and if they can find time to visit the picture shows in order to make a report, let them come to our meetings on Sunday afternoon and inspect our manner of worship. Our meetings are open to any reverend gentleman who feel it their duty to set us right on the matter of Christian theory. They need not be afraid of advertising Pastor Russell's religion. Already his sermons are read weekly by ten million persons."

STICK TO THE ARMS, SAYS ARCHBISHOP

Noted Prelate Says International Peace Still Far Off.

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, Ill., Feb. 23.—Archbishop John Ireland in an address here on Washington's birthday antagonized the views of world-wide peace. He said the day of assured and lasting international peace has not arrived, if ever ambitions and pride of nations permit it to arrive. To-day the nation that disarmed its ships of war and disbands its soldiers puts itself in danger of gross humiliation, if not fatal disaster.

THE RACE TRACK PROBE

Gardner Tells of Attempt to Kill Reform Legislation.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Feb. 23.—What promised to be the final day of the trial of Frank J. Gardner on a charge of attempted bribery, opened with Assistant Attorney Nott ready to put the one-time State senator through the ordeal of a searching cross-examination. Gardner testifying in his own defence, just before court adjourned on Tuesday, emphatically denied that he had tried to bribe Congressman Otto G. Foelker, then a state senator, to vote against the anti-race-track betting bill in 1908, or that he had told Assistant District Attorney Elder, of Brooklyn, anything whatever about race-track legislation at Albany. It was Elder's testimony before the Merritt legislative committee of what he alleged Gardner told him of race-track bribery that started that end of the bribery investigation, and led eventually to Gardner's indictment.

Justice Seabury notified counsel that the case must go to the jury today. It was arranged to complete the taking of testimony at the first session and devote the afternoon to summing up.

Gardner was put on the stand for cross-examination as the first witness of the day. He said in answer to the questions set by Mr. Nott that he had at one time been counsel for the Brighton Beach Racing Association, and had been employed to go to Albany to oppose the anti-race-track betting bill in 1908.

Mr. Engeman, a relative of City Chamberlain Hydes, Gardner said, had asked him to use his influence with all personal friends in the Legislature to bring about the defeat of the pending bills. Gardner said he was to receive $5,000 for his services and $2,000 for disbursements and expenses in arousing sentiment against racing legislation.

"Mr. Engeman told me," Gardner testified, that the poolroom interests had urged the reformers to have the anti-racing bills introduced and passed. He also wanted me to find out if the poolroom interests were expending any money at Albany to have the bills put through."

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NOMIATIONS FOR ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Fred W. Harcourt Named for the Grand First Principal.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The Royal Arch Masons continued their convocation this afternoon.

The Grand Z. stated under the recent ruling the executive head of the Grand Chapter of the States of Michigan had declined to accept certificates of withdrawal which did not bear the signature of the grand scribe E. and seal of the chapter, the justice of which could not be agreed with, in view of the fact that on general principles the withdrawal certificate was everywhere honored and accepted.

The financial standing of the Grand Chapter was commended and the practice of canvassing characterized as "reprehensible."

Two new chapters have been granted during the year. These are for Kajen Chapter, at Calgary, Alta. This chapter was given the Indian name of the city of Calgary.

During the year the grand Z. said he had visited chapters in Toronto, Hamilton, Oakville, Milton, Peterboro, Kingston, Galt, Brockville and Windsor. He closed with thanks to the grand superintendents for the good work they have done, expressed confidence in the continued growth and prosperity of Capitular Masonry, and acknowledged a debt of gratitude to R. E. Comp. F. W. Harcourt, grand second principal; R. E. Comp. D. F. MacWatt, grand third principal; Geo. J. Bennett, grand scribe E., and others.

The nominations were completed by 12 o'clock and the following have been elected by acclamation:

Grand First Principal — Fred W. Harcourt.

Grand Second Principal—D. F. MacWatt, Sarnia.

Grand Scribe E.—Geo. J. Bennett, Toronto.

Grand Treasurer—Hon. Wm. Gibson, Beamsville.

Grand Third Principal—W. S. B. Murch, Kingston.

Grand Principal Sojourner—E. J. Repath, Toronto.

Grand Registrar—John Boyd, Sarnia.

Executive Committee — Aubrey White, of Toronto; H. T. Stalith, Toronto; W. T. Toner, of Collingwood; W. Forbes, Grimsby; Dr. McIntosh, of Carleton Place.

Grand superintendents have been elected for the following districts:

St. Clair, No. 1—H. T. Cepus, Windsor.

London, No. 2—Thomas Baker, of London.

Wilson, No. 3—Dr. McIntosh, Simcoe.

Hamilton, No. 5—Thomas Peddler, Hamilton.

Huron, No. 6—Rev. John Berry, of Seaforth.

Niagara, No. 7—Col. J. E. Cohoe, Welland.

Toronto, No. 8—Geo. McLeish, Toronto.

Georgian, No. 9—S. J. Cameron, of Wiarton.

THE LONDON FACE

Can Be Seen in All Classes From Poor to Rich.

London, Feb. 23.—This is the season of the year when London editors turn their pens to silly topics and they are now discussing what is called the "lonely London face."

A visitor from Australia says that away out there in the wilds the expression on faces is open, cordial and friendly, but that here, in the world's largest city, a study of the passing faces—void of all human interest, with eyes cold and hard set, and manner distant and uninviting—makes him long for the life and action and laughter that are found on the Walaby track.

A physician who is also a student of physiology says the "lonely London face" can be seen in all classes, from wealthy financiers to junior clerks in brokers' offices.

There is no other face like it, says this physician, unless it be in New York, which, of course, must be taken as another slap at the English correspondents who are stationed there.

There is no reason for being miserable in London, and loneliness is entirely out of place, for, like Chicago, there are more ways of having it than in any other city in Europe. That's why many people like it.

FRENCH MINISTER DROPS DEAD

Paris, Feb. 23.—General Brun, minister of war in the cabinet of Premier Briand, dropped dead from a paralytic stroke at the offices of the ministry today.

BARLOW—SMITH.

Montreal, Feb. 23.—The marriage of Miss Anne Cochenour Smith, of Guelph, daughter of the late Francis Smith, of Hamilton, to Mr. Frederick L. Barlow, of Montreal, took place yesterday afternoon at half-past four o'clock at the Church of St. James' the Apostle, which was prettily decorated for the occasion with palms and flowers. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Canon Ellegood, assisted by the Rev. A. P. Shatford.

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LOCAL PRINTER DENIES REPORT OF HIS DEATH

A Commercial Agency Got His Name in Obituary Column by Mistake.

John J. Dwyer, printer, of Richmond street, denies that he is dead. Like Mark Twain, he claims the report published by a local commercial agency is grossly exaggerated.

Today when he picked up the tri-weekly sheet he saw it stated that he was dead.

Then he got busy with the office and the following conversation followed:

"Is that so-and-so?"

"Yes."

"What do you mean by saying I'm dead?"

"Who are you?"

"J. J. Dwyer."

"Oh, Mr. Dwyer, we're so sorry. Not that you are not dead, but because we made a mistake."

"Well, I'm very much alive, and I don't want to be killed yet. This was a mistake. It isn't fair to me."

The matter was quickly straightened out by the agency promising to correct the error in its next issue.

REPUDIATE USE OF THEIR NAMES

Hamilton Businessman Had Nothing To Do With Anti-Reciprocity Meeting.

[Canadian Press.]

Hamilton, Feb. 23.—R. S. Hobson, general manager of the Steel Products Company, and F. J. Hoare, president of the Howell Lithographing Company, came out today in the local press with statements repudiating the use of their names at the anti-reciprocity meeting held in this city on Thursday evening, at which Hon. George E. Foster was the principal speaker. At that meeting neither Mr. Hobson nor Mr. Howell was present, and it was publicly announced that a telegram had prepared the resolution which was passed, and which was moved and seconded in their names. Mr. Hobson, in his published letter, says: "I state that John Hoodless, president of the Conservative Association, asked him if he would move the resolution, and Mr. Hobson replied that he would not be at the meeting and would move no resolution." Mr. Howell, in his letter, declares that Mr. Hoodless also approached him by telephone and that he told Mr. Hoodless he would not move any resolution that he had not seen, that he would not be at the meeting, and that if he did he would not move or second a resolution.

FARMERS' BANK CASE GOES OVER FEW DAYS

Col. Munro Did Not Appear Counsel Being Delayed by Train

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Feb. 23.—The case against Colonel Munro, president of the Farmers' Bank, charged with making false returns to the Government, did not go on before Judge Winchester this morning. Acting Attorney Monahan told Judge Winchester he was ready, that he was prepared to go on with the case as one of the crown principal witnesses, Mr. Stelp, was in Florida. Mr. Dewart, counsel for Col. Munro, was not present. The train on which he was coming from Ottawa was three hours late yesterday in court. Col. Munro did not appear, and a few days The case was left over for a few days and in the meantime Mr. Dewart and Mr. Dewart ney will arrange with the crown when the case shall come up.

ENTIRE POPULATION DEAD OF PLAGUE

[Canadian Press.]

St. Petersburg, Feb. 23.—A telegram from Harbin reports the gruesome discovery of a Chinese village near there in which the entire population was dead from the plague. Many bodies lay in the open air and were covered with snow.

NOTED DOCTOR DEAD.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—After a short illness, Dr. Aleyster C. Kelly, a widely-known physician of this city, died at his home here today. He was 41 years of age. Dr. Kelly was professor of theory and practice of medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and was connected with several hospitals of this city.

C. P. R. Settlers' Trains.

Every Tuesday during March and April, Settlers' Trains will leave Toronto, via C. P. R., for Winnipeg and points in the Canadian Northwest. These trains are specially arranged for settlers traveling with live stock and effects. Comfortable colonist cars will be attached to each special train. Settlers' Guide, giving lowest rates and full information, can be had from any C. P. R. agent. W. Fulton, city Passenger Agent, 161 Dundas street, corner Richmond, London. 23k