

NEWS OF THE CAPITAL

Discredited Minister Offered the Post of Her Majesty's Representative in Manitoba.

Dr. H. P. Wright's Sudden Death - His Last Dinner at Government House.

Insurance Companies Refuse Risks on Women in Favor of Their Husbands.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, Oct. 29.-Lieutenant-Governor Patterson, of Manitoba, whose term is not far from completion, is said to be willing to retire from the position and Mr. Sifton is being urged to take it.

Leading Liberals do not want the government to meet parliament with Mr. Sifton as minister of the interior, owing to dissatisfaction with his administration among the Liberal party. Mr. Sifton, however, is not anxious to leave federal politics, and it will be hard to get him to quit.

George R. Maxwell, M. P., and Norman McLean, of Vancouver, arrived here this afternoon, but decline to state the object of their visit.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has postponed his trip to Washington until the 15th. The other ministers will be there on the 10th.

Owing to the recent murder cases of Hyams and Hammond, insurance companies are declining to accept risks on married women unless such proposed insurers are bread-winners and wholly independent of their husbands.

Dr. H. P. Wright, Ottawa's foremost physician, died suddenly this morning of syncope, the result of overwork. He had dined at Government House last night.

PORTUGAL IN AFRICA.

French Government Makes Reported Concessions the Basis of a Threat.

London, Oct. 29.-The Financial News declares that it has high authority for the statement that France in the last few days has made strong representations to Portugal in reference to the Anglo-German agreement affecting Portuguese possessions in East Africa, informing Portugal plainly that France would consider the lease of territory on the mainland opposite Madagascar to any power an unfriendly act.

France recognizes Portugal's condition of financial embarrassment and a French bank instigated by that government has offered to France the new Portuguese loan.

The Portuguese government has just published a note declaring that it will not alienate its rights of sovereignty in any portion of the Portuguese territory. The foregoing is in curious contrast to the emphatic statement in the English press that Great Britain has acquired a lease of all the Portuguese territory in East Africa.

STREET RAILWAY STRIKE.

London, Oct. 29.-Last night a mass meeting was held in the interest of the striking street railway men of the Rink. Nearly 5,000 people were present, and among the speakers were Mayor Wilson, Col. Leveson, M. P., P. D. Hodgins, M. P., P., ex-Mayor Little, ex-Mayor Taylor, ex-Mayor Berry, Rev. J. Carr, and Rev. J. Ford. Each speaker declared his sympathy with the cause of the strikers, and a resolution, pledging the moral support of the citizens to the men, was carried unanimously, amid loud applause.

Mayor Wilson was chairman, and in opening the meeting condemned the company for their actions, and read the scale of wages received by the men. He stated that a large number received \$2.85 a week, while the average received by nearly one-half of the employees was only a trifle over \$5 per week.

Col. T. B. Leys made a strong speech, in which he said that a man who acted as Manager Carr had done was not a fit man to be a citizen of London, and should be given so many hours to leave the city that he would not be missed.

Other speakers all declared their willingness to aid the strikers in any way in their power, and the audience cheered. Ex-Mayor Little announced that Mr. Everett would be here to-day and probably a settlement would be arrived at.

PLANNING MILL BURNED.

London, Oct. 29.-Isaac Sergeant's planing mill, containing much expensive machinery, and a large quantity of lumber in the yard, was burned early this morning. Loss, \$25,000.

A CAPTAIN'S DISGRACE.

Quebec, Oct. 29.-Capt. Theriault, of the 67th Battalion, Comanches and Lincolns, was found guilty to-day of having embezzled \$161 belonging to his company, and sentenced to six months in the common jail of the district.

A SAFE MAJORITY.

Toronto, Oct. 29.-The petition against the return of Dr. McDonald, Conservative member for Glengarry, was this morning dismissed at Osgoode Hall, no evidence being offered. McDonald's majority was 431.

INVITING THE LANCERS.

Toronto, Oct. 29.-Mayor Shaw has asked Lord Aberdeen to exert his influence with the war office to have the 21st Lancers, who, after returning to England are to set out for India, to pass through Canada on their way west.

AT HALIFAX.

Halifax, Oct. 29.-The British steamship Cordelia, accompanied by the tender Columbine, arrived here this morning from Newfoundland.

PRINTING HOUSE AFIRE.

St. John, N. B., Oct. 29.-The large printing establishment of J. & A. McMillan was gutted by fire early this morning.

RAILWAY IMPROVEMENT.

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.-Mr. Peterson, inspector of government railways, left last night for Southern British Columbia, where he will inspect the progress of work on the Boundary Creek road.

ACCOUNTANT FOR YUKON.

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.-Capt. H. A. Bliss, Dominion accountant and clerk of the court at Dawson, has been appointed to the city this morning on his way east to Ottawa.

ONE SPANISH SHIP AFOLOAT.

María Teresa Bound for Hampton Roads to be Fitted up as a Curiosity.

Washington, Oct. 31.-The navy department has received a telegram from Cadiz, announcing the sailing from that place for Hampton Roads of the María Teresa, which is up to this time the only one of the Spanish ships sunk in the Santiago Bay disaster.

It is probable that with fair weather the Teresa will reach Hampton Roads in two or three days. The vessel was surveyed by the navy board, which will report to the department the probable cost of putting her into condition for naval service.

The advice so far received at the department indicates that this is going to be an expensive undertaking, but nevertheless it will be carried forward, as much from sentimental as practical considerations.

JAPAN CABINET COLLAPSES.

Filling of Vacant Portfolio Proved Too Hard a Task-Party System Not a Success.

Yokohama, Oct. 31.-The whole cabinet has resigned, the ministers being unable to agree upon the question of filling the portfolio of education.

Thus, the first attempt at party government in Japan has proved a failure. It is probable that the next cabinet will be a coalition of Liberals and clan leaders.

VANCOUVER'S BUDGET.

Polygamy of the Northern Indians - Other Stories of the Edmonton Trail.

Police Inspector's Search for Route to Klondike An Alleged Bank Robbery.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

Vancouver, Oct. 29.-Robert Stead, Deputy-Commissioner of the Edmonton trail, is responsible for the statement that most of the white men permanently resident along the routes live with Indian women whom they purchased from parents like so many chattels.

Mr. Dunn mentions one man at Fort Graham paying fifty blankets for an Indian woman. Mr. Dunn says the missionaries tried to stop the practice but failed, and tells a story about a missionary, who, having forbidden Catholic Indians to have more than one wife, excommunicated Chief Wanetta because he refused to give up either of his two wives.

The chief got even in his own way by converting one of his wives into a church, putting over it the cross formerly used by the priest, and to the emphasis of the statement in the English press that Great Britain has acquired a lease of all the Portuguese territory in East Africa.

Mr. Dunn tells also of terrible trials which Major Moodie, deputy of the Dominion government to lead a route to the Klondike from Edmonton. He was the first to start to climb the mountains from Fort St. John and was compelled to kill his horses after they had nearly starved to death. He cut a trail from Manson to Fort Graham. At Fort Graham Major Moodie was asked how long it would take him to cross the mountains to Klondike. He replied two years. Moodie has been burned out and starved out two or three times.

There are 15 in his party of Mounted Police.

The Union Steamship Company are negotiating for the purchase of a new steamer to place on the Northern routes.

Kenneth Roberts, of England, and Miss Mabel Crickmay, of Victoria, were married at St. James church this morning. Rev. H. G. G. Clinton officiating.

It was reported on the streets this morning that a bag containing \$700 in sovereigns had been stolen from the Bank of Montreal, but no details of confirmation of the story are obtainable.

THE PASSION PLAY.

There are numerous new things presented by the different travelling companies this year, but the most novel and interesting feature of the season is "The Passion Play" which bears the seal of approval from the learned clergy and the endorsement of the press, will be seen on Tuesday evening, as a special feature and in conjunction with Harry Carter's "South Before the War" company.

The truly life-like reproduction of the Passion Play as given through the correctness of the famous cinematograph, British and American, in this celebrated animated picture device, in illustrating "The Passion Play," has quite a unique feel, and is a truthful portrayal as given by the peasants of Hantz, Austria, and it takes yards and yards of expensive film to produce it.

Mr. Martell will also take pleasure in exhibiting his new search-light, whose powerful rays will be seen during the engagement here. It is the latest government search-light, fed by the new power, known as acetylene gas, and all are invited to inspect it. The "South Before the War" company numbers nearly 50 people this year. The piece itself has been re-written, and is a most refreshing material added. This company also carries its own band and orchestra, and travels in a palatial car owned by Mr. Martell.

DEADLY BLACK PLAGUE.

Nurse of the Victims of Scarcity in Vienna Now in Turn Afflicted.

Vienna, Oct. 31.-Albion Iocha, one of the nurses who attended the victims of the bubonic plague, died from the disease this morning.

Hundreds of floral offerings reached the hospital on Saturday and Sunday, and the dead nurse became unconscious. She was only 22 years old and strong, and healthy until infected by the plague, which did not lose her cheerfulness during her sickness.

The doctors and sisters who attended the plague patients will remain in separate cells in the hospital for a fortnight.

The body of nurse Pecha was buried two hours and a half after death. The coffin was soaked in corrosive sublimate and after the body was removed it was enclosed in a metal envelope, that was securely soldered.

BRITAIN AND THE NILE

Marchand Having Left Fashoda Can Return Only as a Private Visitor.

French Hope of Russian Support Vanishes in Advice to Abandon Claim.

British Plans Already Prepared for Government of Soudan-Regulating the Khedive.

By Associated Press. London, Oct. 29.-The arrival of Major Marchand at Khartoum on his way to Cairo with the portion of his report which was not finished when Capt. Bartrier left Fashoda is regarded as a rift in the clouds overhanging Anglo-French relations in the Nile valley.

The French minister of foreign affairs in Paris that the French were sent to the Major to go to Cairo it is fully believed here that the French officer would not be on his way to Cairo unless he had received a hint to this effect from the French government who consider that his leaving Fashoda will take the sting out of the situation and at the same time prepare France for the eventual withdrawal of the whole expedition which now consists of seven officers and 120 men.

The English view of this latest move is that the Marquis of Salisbury and his ministers are delighted to afford Major Marchand facilities for reaching Cairo, but they would hardly be seen to help him except in the capacity of a guest or scientific explorer; that is to say, France would first have to renounce her political claims based on her mission. In the meanwhile, in the voluntary return of Major Marchand, the French minister of foreign affairs, Delcasse, and the government of France, have got over a great difficulty from a diplomatic point of view.

It had declared the French government could not do the impossible, that is to say, recall Major Marchand; therefore, the latter's return has enabled the government to "save its face" as the saying is.

It is recognized, however, that even if the tricolor of France is hoisted down at Fashoda the dispute remains and may be settled in the last few days that will be avoided. The French ministerial crisis at first increased the feeling of anxiety which prevailed in both countries of a peaceful solution, but the list of probable new ministers the British newspapers see a body of experienced and capable men in both countries to lead French opinion. The retention of M. Delcasse at the head of the ministry for foreign affairs, however, is regarded favorably as he is the father of the so-called Marchand adventure.

The French newspapers have little faith in Russia helping her in the present crisis, while Russia's despatches to the British press are decidedly opposed to war and has counselled the French government to abandon its attitude.

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WANTS ALL THE PHILIPPINES.

Such is Now the United States' Demand, Leaving to Spain Much of the Debt.

Paris, Oct. 31.-The American peace commissioners to-day presented a written expression of the purpose of the United States to take the entire group of the Philippine Islands and assume such proportions of the Philippine debt as has been spent for the benefit of the islands or the inhabitants, in public works for their improvement and permanent betterment. It was also set forth that the United States would not assume any part of the Philippine debt which had been incurred by Spain for the furtherance of military or naval operations to quell the insurrection of Insulars.

The session was eventually adjourned until Friday, in order to give the Spaniards time to prepare a reply. The session to-day lasted a little over an hour.

BOUNDARY RAILWAY.

Montreal, Oct. 31.-Mr. D. Mann has returned from British Columbia. He is reported to have been in the construction of the Boundary extension of the Crow's Nest Pass road from Robson to M.J. McLeod, a distance of 100 miles, and to have overcome by the 4,000 laborers who have been working all summer. A good deal of work is already done. Mr. Mann says that the railway will be finished by May. He believes an enormous traffic will be at once available as the Boundary country around is turning out exceedingly well.

NAVAL TRAIN WRECKED.

Two of the Recruits for Esquimaux Killed and Two Badly Injured.

Stowaway From Quebec Also Breaks an Arm - Broken Rail the Cause.

Special to the Colonist. Winnipeg, Oct. 31.-At 2 o'clock this morning, while the westbound special passenger train with British general sailors and marines from Halifax for Esquimaux was passing a point near Margach, east of Rat Portage, the tender of the engine, two baggage cars and three colonist cars went over the embankment, which is ten or fifteen feet high, and were considerably damaged.

The fourth colonist car left the rails, and the train came to a stop. The commissary car and sleeper on the rear of the train, Wm. Miller, boys from the training ship "Algonquin," Chatham, England, were killed.

Winnipeg tonight, also the colonist cars, were injured; also a man named Smith, from Papeauville, Que., who was on the train, was injured. The train between the two baggage cars at Hawk Lake. He had his right arm broken.

A train of coaches to replace those damaged was started from Winnipeg at 8 o'clock this morning, and the baggage were transferred and reached the city this evening. The injured men are being treated at the hospital.

There were on board at the time of the accident 153 men and twelve officers, and the train was crowded with passengers. The cause of the accident was the breaking of a rail in the tender, which was immediately sent from Rat Portage. The cause of the accident was the breaking of a rail in the tender, which was immediately sent from Rat Portage.

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THE CUBAN AMBITION

Native Assembly Petitions United States Not to Hinder the Freedom Promised.

Americans Were All Right Fighting Spain But Have Survived Their Welcome.

Cuban Army on Other Hand Petitions for Disbandment of the Assembly.

By Associated Press. Santiago de Cuba, Oct. 31.-Senator Baltonome Maso, premier of the Cuban provisional administrative council, has issued an address to the delegates now in attendance at the military assembly at Santa Cruz, in which he reviews the considerations upon which the Cubans solicit the help of the United States and indicates their policy. The address is as follows:

"The Cubans accepted the assistance of America, although not knowing exactly what were the American aims, just as they would have accepted help from any country in their fight against Spain.

As the contest progressed the Cubans in the field were gratified to hear of a solemn declaration in the United States congress regarding the intentions of the American government and the path it would follow in the Spanish-American war. America came to our aid to compel Spain to relinquish her sovereignty over Cuba