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Formal Commencement of Work Occasion for Showers of Congratulations on Premier Whitney and Hon. Adam Beck, the Cheap-Power Minister.

"STAND BY PEOPLE THEY STAND BY US"

Sir James P. Whitney drove a final rivet in the Hydro-Electric Power scheme yesterday and clinched it on the other side in his speech at the sod-turning ceremony in Exhibition

sod-turning ceremony in Exhibition Park.

"We will stand by the people who have stood by us," he declared, after applause had followed his declaration.

"We have not gone this far to be stopped in our good work."

The occasion was the formal commencement of work on the construction of the Ontario high-tension electric power transmission line, when Ald. J. H. Fryer of Galt, president of the Western Ontario Power Union, turned the first sod at 3.25 p.m.

He used a silver spade, on the birdseye maple handle of which a silver plate bore this inscription:

"This spade was used by J. H. Fryer, president of the Niagara Power Union, to turn the first sod of the high tension transmission line of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, at Exhibition Park, Toronto. Nov. 18, 1908."

Beck.

Hon. Adam Beck was the presiding genius of the occasion and by common consent the successful crowning of his labors during the past few years was the special feature of the day.

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Just what it means to the people of the province will best be understood by those who have followed the malevolent criticism and bitter opposition with which the whole plan has been met by certain interests during the last four years. It was repeated and echoed and asseverated by the spokesmen of the electric ring that the plan was hare-brained, impracticable, entirely ill-considered, and not to be entirely ill-considered, and not to be carried out at less cost than double the estimates. That the contracts for its completion should now be let at much lower figures than the estimates

ission: Hon. Adam Beck, Mr. W. McNaught, M.L.A.; Mayor Oliver k. McNaught, M.L.A.; Mayor Oliver and Controllers Harrison, Hocken and Spence, representing the City of Toronto; the following members of Queen Victoria Park Commission, who control the water supply for the companies at the Falls: J. W. Langmuir, L. C. Raymond, P. W. Ellis, George Wilkes, W. W. Doran and J. O. Wilgress; General F. V. Green, vice-president of the Ontario Power Co. that dent of the Ontario Power Co., that will supply the power to the commis-sion; Ald. J. H. Fryer, Galt, president, and Ald. J. W. Lyon, Guelph, secretary-treasurer of the Niagara Power Union; Hon. Thomas Crawford, W. F. Maclean, M.P., Ald. Fred. Cory, Brantford, J. F. Jaffrey, Galt, J. A. Macdonald, W. J. Douglas, W. D. Mc-Pherson, M.L.A. J. P. Downey, M.L.A.; and as representatives of this union, Mayors Stewart of Hamilton, Stevely of London, Bowlby of Brantford, Newstead of Guelph, Sutherland of Ingersoll, Sawtell of Woodstock, Geddes of
St. Thomas, Reeve Stewart Scott of Galt; Arthur White, Ald. Greeniees, London; Ald. W. N. Andrews, Brantford; Ald. (Dr.) Mearns, Woodstock; R. H. Hobson, president C.M.A., Hamilton; L. H. Clarke, president board of trade; J. H. Kennedy, president, and W. J. Hevey, secondary, Tradent, and W. J. Hevey, secretary Trades tests in each of the remaining four-and Labor Council; F. H. McGuigan, teen ridings. head of the McGuigan Construction Company; A. F. Lobb, solicitor for the

hibition grounds, where a crowd of 300 or 400 had gathered, including many of the city and government of-ficials, the other city members; Cecil B. Smith, whose estimates and calculations have been amply justified; Joseph Russell, M.P., and his former antagonist. T. R. Whiteside, M.L.A.; Alex. McCowan, M.L.A., Allan Studholme, M.L.A.

The crowd had assembled at the spot osen for the ceremony, which was indicated by four metal uprights representing the base of one of the towers. It is reported that the exhibi-tion authorities headed by Dr. Orr object to the towers on the waterfront as a disfigurement. As a matter of fact they will be rather ornamental and in no way an obstruction, as the structures are so large that conveyances will be able to drive under and thru them; and so high they will not im-

Southern Entrance. The city gains financially by giving a southern entrance to the line, as-the distribution of power from the business centre, where it is required, will save large sums to the consumers. The cost additional of a northern entrance would be \$100,000 and about

\$30,000 annually in loss of power.
The point selected for the ceremony was chosen last week by Engineer Sothman of the Hydro-Electric Commission, Kenneth A. Aitken, the city electrical engineer, and Park Commissioner Wilson. It is midway between the manufacturers' building and the Fort Rouille monument on the lake front. A tablet or other memorial of

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STAND BY THE PEOPLE

PREMIER WHITNEY:

The safety of the people is the supreme law.

"We waited till we were certain we were right and then went

"We have not gone this far to be stopped in our good work. We will not be stopped or deterred by technical or other difficulties.

> "We will stand by the people who have stood by

HON. ADAM BECK:

"The contracts now let and being let mean a saving of half a million dollars on the estimates of \$3,500,-000. We were told when the estimates were first announced that it would cost double this, or \$7,000,-000:"

ALD LYON, GUELPH:

BECK, Power Minister.

"The Whitney government is to be relied on to carry it thru, and the people are with the government.

ALD FRYER, GALT:

"The Power Union ought to feel proud of the city council and mayor of Toronto, who have been towers of strength to the movement."

MAYOR OLIVER:

The whole province is under a special debt of gratitude to Mr. Beck and the Whitney government for their support of the scheme."

W. K. M'NAUGHT, M.L.A.-ELECT:

" As a member of the commission, I wish to say how much con-Mr. Hendrie and myself feel in the judgment and energy of

of the electric companies enginers and advisers than to their accuracy. Luncheon First. Yesterday's ceremony was preceded at 1 o'clock by a function at the parliament buildings at which a number of the leading supporters of the power movement thruout the province were present. There was no speech-making and among those who accepted invitations and who were present were: Hon. J. Foy, Hon. W. J. Hanna, Hon. Frank Cochrane, Hon. Dr. Reaume, Hon. R. A. Pyne, Hon. J. S. Duff; members of the Hydro-Electric Commission: Hon. Adam Beck, Mr. W.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., Nov. 18. -(Special).-A possible tie or a majority of two for the Liberal government is the result of the provincial elections which took place to-day.

The Liberals claim 16 seats, and

give the Conservatives 14. The Conservatives claim it is a tie, 15 to 15. The last house stood 21 Liberals,

berals in Queen County.

Two members of the government party, Hon. G. E. Hughes and Dr. Warburton, were returned from Charlottetown and Royalty by acclamation. There were straight party con-

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McDonald—16.

Conservatives: Dobie, A. K. Arsenault, Delaney, James Kennedy, Wyatt, McNeill, Murdock Kennedy, McLean, Prowse, McKinnon, Mathleson, A. J. McDonald, Morson, K. A. Macdonald—

STEEL MAKERS ALARMED.

devised to contest this unlooked-for competition, and also to regulate American operations, it would be better political transformation not in harerican operations, it would be better to break up the combination and give British makers a free hand. This will te insisted on at the conference.

MOBILIZ NG ARMY CORPS. Austria Informs Russia of Precaution-ary Measures.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 18 .- Ausria-Hungary has formally notified

for parliamentary government.

Germany Still Far From Popular Government Notwithstanding Kaiser's Pledge.

BERLIN, Nov. 18 .- While the German emperor has given his imperial pledge to hold himself within close constitutional bonds hereafter in matters concerning affairs of state, calm observers recognize that the surrender of the emperor leaves Germany far from popular government.

The emperor, it is pointed out, yielded to the most impressive demonstration of the people's will ever seen in Germany, but such an occasion can hardly arise once in a generation, when the minds of the whole people are fixed with such unanimity upon a single demand, as in this case.

Socialists' Next Move.

The Reichstag, when the subject of the emperor's intervention in national.

affairs came up for debate, was unable to agree upon the simple course of sending an address to the emperor, setting forth the view of the members of the Reichstag, who were one in their opposition to his majesty's course. No action could be taken because of the Conservatives' refusal to coon the pretext that the Reichstag did not possess the right to address the crown. The Radicals and Socialists, however, intend to attempt to pass a resolution demanding an amendment to the constitution mak-

Russian firm, neither being in the in-ternational rail combination. matic, military and civil positions in the gift of the government. the gift of the government.

The clerical party, while containing

Those concerned maintain that it a new international compact cannot be democratic elements, is too accustommony with that tradition.

would agree to support an amendment shifting ministerial responsibility wholly to the reichstag.

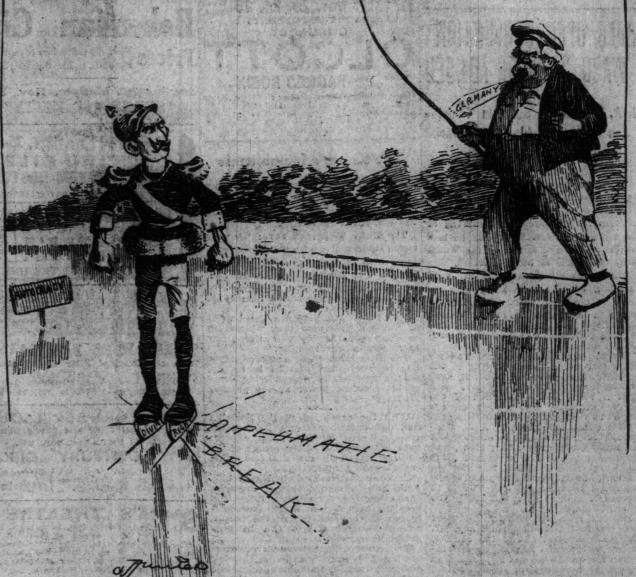
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Russia of her precautionary measures on the Servian frontier, which include the partial mobilization of the fifteenth army corps.

These steps are regarded generally of large unified parties units Germany

meets my approval, and which i fully expected. It is pla'n from the evi-

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THIN ICE

Incident.

LONDON, Nov. 18 .- The reports pub-

the basis of exchange of territory else-

WILLIE: All right, Pop, I'll come off.

Galician Found Guilty of Doing Fellow Countryman to Death in Clarkson Bush With Recommenda-

tion to Mercy.

BRAMPTON, Nov. 18.—(Special)—
Stiffen Swyryda was found gullty of the murder of Olecka Linteck to-night and sentenced by Mr. Justice Riddell, to be hanged on Feb. 11 next at sunrise. The jury was out two hours forty minutes.

ST. PIERRE, Miquelon, Nov. 18.—Despite the order of the court, the teachers of the free clerical school dell, to be hanged on Feb. 11 next at sunrise. The jury was out two hours the government house under arms

So strongly circumstantial had been the chain of evidence binding the identity of the prisoner, with the killing of his young countryman, a Galician, in Samuel Faskin's bush at Clarkson on the night of April 16 lest and strong the person of the administration.

The portmaster and attendants are at the government house under arms, having been ordered there to protect the French flag and, if necessary, the person of the administration.

The populace continues in a very excited state. on the night of April 16 last, and so positive had been his lordship's charge to the jury that no surprise was evinced in the crowded court room when the

ed in the crowded court room when the judgment was pronounced.

A moment later the condemned man's wife broke into the side door with a heavy sob and attempted to push her way to the prisoner's dock.

She was allowed to accompany the prisoner to the jail, where they were granted a brief interview and she was

taken to Toronto by sympathetic Indifferent as to Fate.

All thru the proceedings the condemned man maintained a stolid and indifferent attitude. Even his wife's emotion made no visible impression upon him. The only interest he showed was when the judge asked, thru an interpreter, if he had anything to say before the sentence of the court was passed upon him. Here he raised a protest that somebody had stolen \$5.50 and a book recording his service in the Italian army from him since his ar-

As a matter of fact the money had been handed over to Jailer Wilson, Big Power Transmission Lines been handed over to Jailer Wilson, who applied it to furnishing the prisoner with cigarets during his incar-ceration. The book is in the hands of

Mercy Recommended. The jury's verdict contained a recommendation to mercy. Defense counsel Elihu G. Morris asked that the tales-men be polled, and each of the 12 arose,

Will Meet in London to Discuss Competition of D. I. Co.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)
LONDON, Nov. 18.—An important meeting of British steel railmtkers sas been called for Friday in London, to discuss the serious situation created by the keen competition of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company and a Russian firm, neither being in the inupon returning an honorable verdict. He was proud of Peel County, and of the country, on the manner in which justice was administered. It was not his prerogative to show any mercy but he assured them that their renmendation to mercy would be carried to the proper authorities tawa. He assumed that they had been The Liberal party is too permeated with conservative ideals to admit the expectation that its representatives with the laws and institutions of the country.

To the accused his lordship said: Prisoner, you have been found guilty This leaves only the Radicals and Socialists, with the possible assistance of the Poles, making together barely one-fourth the membership of the house, to support an out and out dehouse, to support an out and out dehouse, to support an out and out dehouse. The jury did not act on impulse, but after careful consideration and have arrived at a conclusion that weets my approval, and which I fully meets my approval.

Standard Oll Not Result of Ag-

Populace Continues to Be gressive Policy to Obtain Excited State-Matter Not Mastery, But Natural Considered to Have Outcome of De-Become Diplomatic

first companies that later grew to the present so-called oil trust. Mr. Rockefeller was a witness for the defence in the suit to dissolve the Standard Oil Company, which is being prosecuted by the United States Gov-

PARIS, Nov. 18.—The foreign office does not consider that the St. Pierre matter has become a diplomatic incident. The minister of the colonies, M. Milles-Lacroix, is awaiting further the government before The head of the big oil combine was surrounded by an imposing circle of counsel, and when he began his testireports from the government before taking action. mony he gazed complacently upon a swarm of newspaper men, behind whom pressed close a throng of people that filled the room, Mr. Rockereller appeared at complete ease, and when John G. Milkurn of counsel for the Standard Oil Company propounded The minister has teen notified by Deputy Guernier that an explanation of the situation at St. Pierre, Miquelon, will be requested in the chamter of deputies on Friday. the Standard Oil Company propounded his first question the witness spoke out

velopment.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Relating his story with the air of a country gentleman of kindly mien, engaging a host of friends with incidents of days long past, John D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil Company, the for-nearly ten years retired from active business cares, for over two hours to-day reviewed the history of the early call trade and the development or the

lished here of the hoisting of the Stars and Stripes over the residence of the governor of St. Pierre, Miquelon, have led to some of the newspapers of London suggesting that the friction constantly arising over these islands should be finally ended by France transferring them to Great Britain on the basis of exchange of territory else-

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From an engineering standpoint, the Hydro-Electric power transmission line, 110,000 volts, is the most important of the power transmission systems over 40,000 volts in operation and under construction. The order of import-

Grand Rapids-Muskegon Power Company, Michigan. 100,000 Telluride Power Company, Utah 88,000 Rio Janeiro Tramways, Brazil 88,000 Central Colorado Power Company, Colorado 88,000 Helena Power & Transmission Company, Montana 70,000 Ontario Power Company, Ontario 60,000 Electric Development Company, Ontario 60,000 West Kootenay Power & Light Company, B.C. 60,000 Northern California Power Company, California 60,000 Winnipeg Electric Railway Company, Manitoba 60,000 Inland Empire Railway, Washington 60,000 White River Power Company, Washington 60,000 Snow Mountain Power Company, California 60,000 Mexican Light, Heat & Power Company, Mexico 60,000 Shawenegan Water & Power Company, Quebec 55,000 Duluth Power Company, Minnesota 50,000 Dominion Power & Transmission Company, Ontario.... 44,000 Montreal Light, Heat & Power Company, Quebec 44,000

Edict Orders Posthumous Title for Kuang-Hsu-Ten Thousand Troops Assure Maintenance of

Order.

PEKIN, Nov. 18.—An edict was issued to-day declaring that the era of Puyi, the infant Emperor of China, be named "Hsuan Tung," meaning "Proclaimed successor." This characterization is interpreted as signifying the unification of the nation upon the reform pregram of the throne.

Another edict orders a posthumous title for Kuang-Hsu in recognition of his merits. It enlarges upon the reform program to which the valedictory of the emperor committed the throne, and thus commits the government again to the details set forth in the program.

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The regent has set aside May 25 for the members of the diplomatic corps in Pekin to appear in the forbidden city and express condolences of their respective governments in the death of the emperor and empress. Three members from each legation will be received at 9 a.m. They will bow three times before the coffins of the emperor and the dowager empress and once to Prince Chun, the regent.

The Dowager Empress Yehonala, acting on a memorial presented by the princes and ministers, has issued an edict that the period of mourning be reduced for the regent and the court to 100 days and for the people to 70 days.

days.

Orders were issued yesterday that the military manocuvres in the Yangtse Valley be modified on account of the

Considerable adverse comment has seen aroused by the fact that. Prince thun, the regent, is ignoring the Chinese in announcing the composition of the committees that are to have the the committees that are to have the funeral obsequies of the late emperor and empress in hand. The only two Chinese appointees are Yuan Shi Kai and Liu Chun Ling. The remainder

are Manchus.

The selection of Prince Pu Lun and Chen Pi to proceed to the western tombs and select the site for the mausoleum of Kuang-Hsu, the late em-

dissatisfaction, principally because Prince Pu Lun was at one time very active in the intrigues to secure the throne for himself. Chen Pi is a former Boxer and anti-foreign in his sentiments. He owes his position and power to the eunuchs.

It is reported that Prince Ching, president of the board of foreign affairs, has suffered physical collapse on account of his exertions and the excitement of the past few days. His pollitical position is precarious, and it is believed that his career is practically at an end.

at an end. The fourteen native banks that sus-pended payment a few days ago were recovered and began to pay out money from fund supplied by the govern-

the panic.

The city is absolutely over and no disturbances are anticipated. Ten thousand foreign-drilled troops are in Pekin and their presence assures the maintenance of order. These soldiers are friendly to foreigners.

FAMILY OF FIVE DROWNED. Selkirk Man, Wife and Children Break Thru Icc.

SELKIRK, Man., Nov. 18.—Word reached here to-day of a drowning fatality in Red River, in which Cornelius Favel, ir., his wife and two children lost their lives.

Favel left on Monday with his wife and three-children for the fishing quarets, traveling by dog train over the ice, and when near Devil's Creek, struck a weak spot and all went thru.

weak spot and all went thru.
Some fishermen who followed later found the baby on the ice, where evidently it had been thrown out of danger by the father.

FIREMAN DAVIE KILLED. Grand Trunk Freight Train Jumps Switch at Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Nov. 18.—(Special.)—A Grand Trunk freight train from Mont-real jumped the switch at the Rideau Junction, one mile from Ottawa, this evening.

The engine toppled over, pinning Fireman Davie underneath. He was dead when removed. His home was in Madawaska. Engineer Miller, Ottawa East, was eriously injured.

50 CENTS FOR SON-IN-LAW.

Will Provides for Stout Rope for Hanging Affair, PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 18.—The feeling entertained by the late George D. Wolf of Sommerdale, a suburb of this city, toward Charles W. Wenzel, his son-in-law, was shown in the following paragraph in his will, which was admitted to probate to-day:

"Fifty cents to be paid to my son-in-law, Charles W. Wenzel, a native of Huntingdon, Pa., to enable him to buy a good, stout rope with which to hang himself." The deceased left an estate valued at \$10,500.

FUR LINED COAT COMFORT.

Dineen's Want to Show You the Men's Coats at From \$50 to \$150.

Comfort can be had in a fur lined overcoat, because it is stylish as well as warm. Quality must be with it, too, to insure satisfaction, and this is always to be had at Dineen's, Yonge an Temperance -streets, where reasonable prices also prevail. The fur lined coal season starts early and ends late Canada's winter, and now is the the to buy the c