

G. H. BARNARD SITTING FOR "SEAT THAT WAS STOLEN"

Toronto Globe Draws Interesting Deductions From Forged Telegram in Colonist--Says Mr. Borden Profited by Falsehood

(Special to the Times.)
Toronto, Ont., Feb. 4.—The Toronto Globe says: "It is now confessed that the editors of British Columbia were deceived by the publication on the eve of election of what professed to be a facsimile telegram from R. L. Borden. In effect the forged document was composed by the Colonist, which was apparently determined that more ginger should be put in the message, which without the additional dispatch would have had little or no influence. Having profited by the falsehood, Mr. Borden appears to have desired it to be hushed up in a 'gentlemanly' manner. He, and his organ, seem to think it was Sir Wilfrid's duty to have been

equally solicitous that this disgraceful piece of sharp practice, by which British Columbia seats were undoubtedly flched from the Liberal party, should remain in perpetual oblivion. It is a moral certainty that but for the furore created by the false telegram Hon. W. Templeman would have been elected. The Conservative press insisted that Mr. Hyman should resign. He did so, though his majority was in the hundreds. How about Mr. G. H. Barnard sitting for a seat that was stolen?"

A Tory Suggestion.
(Special to the Times.)
Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 1.—The Hamilton Spectator, alluding to the forged telegram in the Victoria Colonist, says that paper should advocate Hon. Mr. Templeman's election in Comox-Atlin by acclamation.

MINISTER IS WELL RECEIVED

HON. W. TEMPLEMAN HEARTILY ENDORSED Outlines Work Carried Out by Government in This Province.

(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, Feb. 4.—Hon. W. Templeman, government candidate for Comox-Atlin, and William Sloan, the former member, have returned here after addressing a number of meetings at various points in the island portion of the district. Large gatherings were held at Parksville, Alberni, Cumberland, Courtenay and Wellington, and the speakers were accorded a most gratifying reception in every instance.

Mr. Sloan explained his reasons for retiring. It was, he said, the only way in which British Columbia could retain representation in the Dominion cabinet, and in taking the step he had in mind the best interests of the constituency of Comox-Atlin and British Columbia. Before sending in his resignation, he had consulted all the Liberal organizations of his district, and they had warmly endorsed his attitude. He emphasized the hearty assistance Hon. Mr. Templeman was always ready to give him in behalf of his district, and he was sure all those who represented British Columbia at Ottawa in the last parliament could say the same. This indicated that as the cabinet minister for the province, Hon. William Templeman had a properly broad conception of his duty, and the fact that he was not a resident of the district would not affect the zeal with which he would advance the interests of Comox-Atlin if he became its member.

In his various speeches Mr. Templeman corroborated Mr. Sloan's statement of the situation. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, he said, desired him to retain the portfolio of mines and inland revenue, and in order to make this possible the former member had generously retired.

The fact that he was not a resident of the district could not affect his attitude as its member if he became such, because it would be his duty to do his utmost for the constituency represented. The majority of the cabinet at Ottawa to-day represented districts in which they were not residents, while on the other side there were numerous precedents, prominent among which were the cases of Sir John A. Macdonald, the great Conservative statesman, who when defeated in Kingston found a seat in Victoria, and R. L. Borden, the present Conservative leader, who when defeated in Halifax was returned for Carleton.

The minister dealt with his record as a member of the cabinet with port-folio, referring particularly to the improved navigation on the Vancouver Island coast and the work of the department of mines, of which he was the head. He was particularly gratified to learn only the other day that the report of Mr. McConnell, one of the department of mines geologists, with regard to Texada Island had resulted in increased mining activity in that locality, and he was desirous of being given an opportunity to assist the mining industry of Vancouver Island, as well as in other parts of the province, to an equal extent. He alluded to the long period during which British Columbia strove for cabinet representation during the regimes of both the Liberal and Conservative parties, and he emphasized the advantages which accrued to the province from such representation.

The frank statements of the minister and Mr. Sloan created a favorable impression among Liberals and Conservatives alike, and there is a strong feeling prevalent that the advice of the Vancouver News-Advertiser should

be acted upon and Hon. Mr. Templeman returned without opposition. For a portion of their tour Messrs. Templeman and Sloan were accompanied by H. C. Brewster, M. P. for Alberni, who spoke highly of the record of the minister and strongly urged his return as member for Comox-Atlin.

BRITISH ENTERTAIN ARMADA AT GIBRALTAR

U. S. Blueja Suffering From Violent Form of Homesickness.

Gibraltar, Feb. 4.—Rear-Admiral Sir James E. C. Goodrich, admiral superintendent at Gibraltar, and Lady Goodrich gave a dinner yesterday of eighteen covers at the Admiralty House in honor of Rear-Admiral Charles S. Sperry. Among the other guests were Sir Frederick Milner and Admiral Fisher.

The fraternizing among the officers of the warships of four countries crowded in the basin is now in full swing. Except for the Ohio, Missouri and Kentucky, which are coaling by the aid of searchlights, every ship in the harbor is entertaining brother officers aboard.

The American fleet will sail from here on Saturday morning, following the 58th parallel route, and will form a junction with the third squadron about longitude 55 west. Rear-Admiral Sperry will board and inspect all the ships on their way home.

Since the arrival of the warships at Gibraltar nostalgia, in its most violent form, has taken complete possession of the officers and men. The one desire now seems to get home at the earliest possible moment.

MERELY COMFORTED ANOTHER MAN'S WIFE

Curious Spectators Are Excluded From Hearing of Scotch Divorce Case.

Edinburgh, Feb. 4.—Tired of having his court turned into a theatre filled with curious men and women who have seemed to regard the Stirling cross divorce case as a lurid drama produced for their benefit, Judge Guthrie this morning closed the doors on all except those directly identified with the suits.

John Alexander Stirling is suing his wife, who was Clara Elizabeth Taylor, an American show girl before her marriage, for divorce, alleging misconduct with Lord Northland, while Mrs. Stirling is praying for divorce on the alleged misbehavior of her husband with Mrs. Atherton. Lord Northland was on the stand all the morning. His evidence consisted largely of fat denials to the statements made by Mrs. Stirling and Mrs. Atherton.

Mrs. Atherton, he asserted, carried on a conspiracy to keep Mr. Stirling and his wife apart. She even pressed him to join Mrs. Stirling in America in furtherance of her objects, but he refused to go. He attributed much of his attention to Mrs. Stirling to his efforts to cheer her up, particularly as she had purchased a revolver, and on half a dozen occasions had threatened to kill herself.



THE EGG AND THE APPLE.—What makes our brother Cowichan butter so healthy, so happy and so rich? JOHN EVANS, EX-M.P.P., (in reply)—It is the result of co-operation.

CARRIE NATION IN LONDON POLICE COURT

London, Feb. 4.—Carrie Nation became acquainted with the London police courts this afternoon, when she was fined \$7.50 for obstructing her umbrella through a window of a car on the Underground railway, upon which a cigarette advertisement was pasted.

DEATH KNELL OF JAPANESE SCARE

CALIFORNIA THROWS OUT NOXIOUS BILLS

Dramatic Scene at Sacramento During Debate Lasting Seven Hours.

(Special to the Times.)
Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 4.—The death knell of the latest Japanese scare was sounded this afternoon when Grove Johnson's anti-Japanese bills, providing that no Japanese should be members of corporations in California and segregating the Japanese to separate districts, met utter rout, following the defeat of Drew's land bill yesterday.

Measure Defeated.
Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 3.—After a debate extending from 11 o'clock yesterday morning until 8 p.m., the assembly, by a vote of 48 to 28, rejected the bill drawn by A. M. Drew against aliens owning land in California. The bill had been amended at the request of President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Root, so that the clause applying it to Japan only was eliminated, making the bill apply to all lands. But the measure aroused such a storm of opposition that long before the debate was closed by Mr. Drew, it was apparent that the measure would be defeated.

The result of yesterday's contest is considered a fair test of the relative strength of the two factions in the assembly, and as foreshadowing the defeat of all measures that would tend to embarrass the national government in its relations with Japan.

With the defeat of the Drew bill in the assembly yesterday all hope of passing any of the anti-Japanese measures have been practically abandoned by the sponsors of the new regulation. One remarkable feature of the Drew bill was the fact that the defeat accomplished in the face of an audience of 2,000, who wildly applauded every anti-Japanese sentiment uttered by the opponents of the measure. Both sides made dramatic appeals to the packed galleries, and in one of these Nathan Goggin, a San Francisco assemblyman, who was an opponent of the bill, made a bitter attack on the Japanese. He has a large labor union constituency, and his opposition was based on the plea that the bill would be distinctly harmful to labor by driving capital away.

Governor Gillette was highly pleased with the action of the assembly. "Nevada is Not America."
Tolko, Feb. 4.—No comment has been made by the newspapers of this city on the anti-Japanese resolutions, now before the Nevada legislature, and the

CANADA'S FIRST JUVENILE COURT

(Special to the Times.)
Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 4.—The first juvenile court in Canada was established here yesterday, Magistrate Daly presiding. The detention home secured four offenders.

TRAFFIC DECLINE ON GREAT LAKES

ALL-ROUND FALL OFF OF OVER 20 PER CENT

Smaller Shipments of Iron Ore —Decrease in Vessel Tonnage.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 4.—Domestic shipments from the various Great Lakes ports were 25 per cent less in 1908 than during the season of 1907. During 1908 the shipments amounted to 60,518,024 tons, as compared with 83,506,891 tons and 75,608,648 tons during the 1907 and 1906 seasons respectively.

The decrease is due mainly to the smaller shipments of iron ore, although the shipments of all other principal items, except hard coal also show reduced totals. The grain shipments show a decrease of 22.8 per cent and those of lumber a decrease of 32 per cent.

The vessel movement of the year also shows a considerable decrease over that of the preceding year. The total departure in the domestic trade for 1908 being 65,624 vessels of 83,378,323 tons net, as against 73,768 vessels of 99,169,409 tons net during the previous year. The freight movement through the canals at Sault Ste Marie, Mich., and Ontario during the 1908 season, of 41,390,557 tons shows a relative decrease of about 29 per cent. The freight and vessel movements of the Detroit River show a 30 per cent decrease.

VANCOUVER WILL BE GREAT PORT

TERMINALS OF U. S. ROADS TO COST MILLIONS

Howard Elliott in Terminal City —To Confer With City Council.

(Special to the Times.)
Vancouver, Feb. 4.—Howard Elliott, president of the Northern Pacific, arrived to-day and will to-night hold a conference with the city council. Here are some of the things he has promised Vancouver:

Terminals to cost several million dollars; a joint passenger depot for the Great Northern and Northern Pacific; a new Northern Pacific line from Sumas via Westminster into Vancouver. This city also is to be made the large shipping port for the Southern States, Texas, for the Orient.

London, Feb. 4.—Gen. Heard, of Australia, speaking at the Colonial Club, said a better understanding and better results would follow the inauguration of an Imperial general staff. The efforts of Great Britain, in connection with the territorial force, would be watched with the greatest sympathy in Australia, where the citizens had accepted the responsibility of the country's defence.

NOTABLE STEEL DISCOVERY IN ENGLAND

Cutting Power is Increased From Three to Seven Times.

Sheffield, Eng., Feb. 4.—The Sheffield Independent announces an important new steel discovery. The firm of Jones & Colver, of Sheffield, is now placing on the market a steel with from three to seven times the cutting power of existing high speed steel. This steel can be hardened in water, oil, or blast.

According to John Oliver Arnot, professor of metallurgy at Sheffield University, it is an absolute departure to have obtained water tempered steel which will work for a considerable time on the hardest material with the cutting edge of the tool at a bright red glow.

AUSTRALIAN GENERAL ON IMPERIAL DEFENCE

VICTIM OF HEART DISEASE.

London, Ont., Feb. 4.—R. D. P. Nicholson, head of the wholesale military firm of Dickinson, Nicholson & Cook, died suddenly of heart trouble last night, aged 68 years.

HUGE ICE JAM, Niagara Falls, Ont., Feb. 4.—One of the greatest ice jams probably ever seen has occurred in the chasm below the American and Horseshoe falls, resulting in the carrying away of the great ice bridge of 1908. King's Dock refreshment shacks went along with the bridge, their occupants having narrow escapes. For a time it was feared the upper steel arch bridge also would be carried away, but the steel girders withstood the shocks.

REV. R. P. MAUKAY MODERATOR.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 4.—The Toronto Presbytery nominated Rev. R. P. Maukay, secretary of the foreign missions board, as moderator of the next general assembly.

NEW ELECTRIC PLANT FOR CHEMAINUS MILLS

E. J. Palmer Has Let Contract to the Hinton Company.

E. J. Palmer, of Chemainus, has made arrangements for the installing of a new electric system at the mills. The contract has been let to Hinton & Co. of this city, and work will shortly begin on the plant. The system will replace that already in use in the mills and will be modern throughout. Looking to the needs of the future, Mr. Palmer will equip the plant so that if necessary the whole town of Chemainus may be lighted from the mills plant. Of course, the first object in view is the facilitating of work in and about the lumber mills and yards. It will be possible when the new plant is in place to carry on work about the mills loading cars or vessels in the harbor just the same at night as in the day time.

The generating power for the new electric plant will be the present boilers of the mill where refuse matter is consumed. Provision will be made whereby in case of it being required, hoists for handling timber, etc., may be installed to be worked by electricity.

There will be a 115-kilowatt generator carrying 2,000 volts. Thirty-five arc lamps will be installed about the yards so that they will be well lighted up all night long. The building will be wired throughout so as to be put in use at any time.

The switch boards will be from the output of the Nooks Marble Company's quarry on Vancouver Island, which are used now exclusively by Hinton's, being equal to any from Vermont factories.

The Chemainus company has in Mr. Palmer a most enterprising official, who has by his business ability built up one of the greatest industries on the island. The Hinton company, who are installing the plant, have recently finished putting in a fire alarm system in Vernon and a lighting plant in Yernon and a lighting plant in Chemainus.

COWICHAN FAVORS CO-OPERATIVE WORK

It is Proposed to Join Forces in Handling Eggs and Fruit.

Among the many charming valleys on Vancouver island well adapted to the purposes of agriculture, none are excelled by the Cowichan district, with Duncan as its centre. With a rich soil and many natural advantages the residents of that area are building up a rich district.

Residents of Cowichan are alive to the need of working together in advancing their own interests and accordingly a board of trade is now being formed. Incorporation has been sought and the return of the necessary papers from Ottawa is all that prevents the steps being taken to elect officers and begin work.

The results which have been achieved by the co-operation with the district about \$60,000 in cash into the district treasury, has set an example to the farmers of Cowichan of how profits can be made out of co-operative work. Profiting by the lesson, they are preparing to join forces in the handling of fruit and eggs when they believe the results would be equally beneficial to the individual farmers.

DANCED WITH ROYALTY.

Ottawa, Feb. 4.—There has passed away in the city a venerable lady, Mrs. George Taylor, who had the honor of dancing with King Edward VII, when, as Prince of Wales, he visited Canada in 1860. Her maiden name was Mary Boswell, daughter of the late Judge G. M. Boswell of Courtenay, B. C., and she was the wife of Mr. Taylor, I. S. O., clerk of the English Journals of the House of Commons.

TO TAX CHURCH PROPERTY.

(Special to the Times.)
Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 4.—It has been decided to tax church property, the land and not the building, to the value of one and a half millions. The first year's taxes will be fifteen thousand dollars.

SHERLOCK HOLMES GETS A FEW TIPS

BORDEN'S LONG DELAY OVER FORGED TELEGRAM

Dr. Watson Bridles Up at Sug- gestion He is a Blithering Idiot.

(From Thursday's Daily.)
The radiator was silent last night, but precisely at 23.59, C. P. R. time, the hair on the back of the office cat stood on end, electric sparks scintillated like meteors from every hair-point, and her tail vibrated from side to side in erratic and uncanny lines, a mystery to all but the psychological editor, who deftly adjusted his transcriber to the tip of the cat's tail and translated as follows:

"I object, decidedly object, to being called a blithering ass. You are not always omnipotent, Holmes; remember that Maida Vale case and what a mess you made of it. I submit, the Conservative party in British Columbia have not, as yet, cleared themselves from evidence of complicity in the Colonist forged telegram. You may think you are the whole thing in this matter, Holmes, but kindly give your humble friend, Dr. Watson, M.R.C.S., some credit for common sense—the common sense of the man in the street, i.e., the man who votes—Oh, yes! you may turn in your kegs, but I ask you for all seriousness, what about H. B. Thompson, M.P.P., also member of the Conservative executive—is he not still a director of the Colonist? If the Conservative party were entirely guiltless, and the Colonist entirely guilty, would he not immediately purge himself from any further connection with the guilty newspaper by resigning from the board of directors?"

"Then, what about that long delay of Borden's? He actually waited until the rapier of Sir Wilfrid Laurier was thrust into his conscience before he denounced the forgery. It looks like turning King's evidence, don'tcher know. Put that in your pipe, Sherlock, and don't call me a blithering ass again. Instead of listening to popping corks, open your ears and take notice of what the man in the street is saying."

"At this point the office cat went to sleep and the transcriber fell off her tail."

AWAITING PASSING OF KING MENELIK

Ethiopian Armies Gather at Addis Abeda Round Dying Monarch.

Addis Abeda, Abyssinia, Feb. 4.—King Menelik, who has been ill for a long time past, is sinking fast and it is believed that his death is not far off. All the Ethiopian chiefs and their armies, including the Negus attorney, have gathered here in anticipation of the proclamation of Menelik's successor.

Unrest in Abyssinia.
Jibuti, French Somaliland, Feb. 4.—A condition of unrest prevails in Abyssinia. According to the latest reports received here there has been an engagement near Ankobar between the followers of Ranwalla, a brother of the Emperor, and a detachment under Rasimichael, the father of Lig Yatu, the designated heir to the throne. Rasimichael is minister of war, having been appointed by Emperor Menelik. The population of the Shoa country is insisting that Tafari, a descendant of the Shoa dynasty, be proclaimed heir to the throne.

It is clear that Emperor Menelik is a sick man, but the reports of his actual condition are most contradictory.

MYSTERY OF FOUNDERING OF UNKNOWN STEAMER

Overdue Munin May Be Vessel Which Went Down Off North Carolina.

Darien, Ga., Feb. 4.—The Norwegian steamship Munin, Capt. Larsen, bound from New York to Darlen to load lumber, has not arrived, and is now four days overdue. The steamship left New York on January 26th. Grave fears are entertained here for her safety.

New York, Feb. 4.—Funch, Edge & Company, New York agents of the Norwegian steamship Munin, said to-day that they have had no word from the Munin since she left here. The Munin was in ballast and carried no passengers, but had a crew of 25 men. When asked if there was a probability that the Munin was the steamer which went down off Diamond shoal, lights off North Carolina, they said it was possible.

Wm. Siegel, one of the crew of the Diamond shoal lights, who on Saturday last saw the sinking during a heavy gale of the unknown steamer, about which there has been so much speculation, arrived here to-day aboard the steamer Dora Emore, which stopped at the lights on its way in from Santiago. Siegel said he saw the steamer go down early on Saturday morning at a point nine miles inside the lights. He described her as a small two-masted black funneled steamer.

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