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JAPANESE GAIN VICTORIES ALL ALONG THE LINE WHILE KUROPATKIN PREPARES TO FLEE TO HARBIN

DECISIVE BATTLE NOW ON IN VICINITY OF LIAOYANG

It is Estimated That the Russians Have Lost About 8000 Men in Recent Fights.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 3.—According to a message received from Harbin, Gen. Kuropatkin has ordered the removal from that place of all useless civilians, in order to provide the greatest possible accommodation of winter quarters for the Russian army.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 3.—The correspondent of the Associated Press hears that Emperor Nicholas has just received a telegram at Peterhoff, containing alarming news. It is also reported that Viceroy Alexieff, who had gone to Harbin on his way to Vladivostock, returned to Liaoyang yesterday, and conferred with Gen. Kuropatkin regarding the situation.

LONDON, Aug. 3.—It was rumored on the stock exchange to-day that the Japanese discovered $25,000,000 in an abandoned Russian camp.

DECISIVE BATTLE NEAR.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 3.—Whether a general engagement is already progressing around Liaoyang between the forces of General Kuropatkin and the three Japanese armies which have been moved against them from the south and east, the decisive battle of the campaign is regarded as certain if the Japanese energetically follow up their preliminary successes of the last three days. The fighting has been of a desperate and bloody character, the Russians offering the most stubborn resistance. The losses, therefore, must be heavy on both sides. Between 6000 and 8000 men is one estimate given of the Russian losses. All the estimates, however, are little better than guesswork as yet, and possibly the Russian casualties may be much larger. The strong screen drawn around Gen. Kuropatkin's interior positions has been driven in at all points, Haicheng being practically abandoned without a blow. The pressure of the Japanese numbers and the failure to hold the northern positions probably rendered it useless to try to hold out there.

TROOPS FOR THE FRONT.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 3.—The first detachment of the First Army Corps, recently mobilized in the St. Petersburg district, left for the front this morning. Two regiments of Cossacks have been added to this corps. The fourth Don Cossack division, raised by voluntary enlistment, under Gen. Telisheff, leaves for the seat of war next week.

CONCENTRATING IN LIAOYANG.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 3.—General Kuropatkin's armies are now concentrating upon Liaoyang, falling back respectively upon Anshanshan, Liandiansian and Anping, as predicted in the despatches of the Associated Press. These three points form a ring of closely-knit defences around Liaoyang, and enable General Kuropatkin to risk a general engagement. The only cause for anxiety is Anping, and Gen. Kuropatkin's words, that he hoped the troops hold that place, indicate a misgiving. The Japanese evidently realized the advantage of attacking this point, and directed their strongest advance along the Sissatzi-Liaoyang line.

SPEEDY COMPENSATION.

Liverpool, Aug. 3.—The owners of the British collier Foxton Hall, which was detained at Port Arthur from the time of the first attack made by the Japanese until early in March, and which suffered damage during her detention, have received compensation from the Russian government. The speedy settlement of the claim by Russia has greatly gratified shipowners here.

COMPANY DEMANDS ARBITRATORS.

St. Thomas Lighting Concern Names Judge Morgan as One.

St. Thomas, Aug. 3.—The gas company have notified City Clerk Doherty that they will not accept the offer of $628,293.30 made to the city council for thei gas and electric light plant, and thatt hey have appointed Judge Morgan of Toronto their arbitrator. The city council, if desorus of taking over the plant, therefore, must appoint an arbitrator and these two a third, and the price fixed by the arbitrators must be accepted by the gas company and paid by the city if the desire to take the plant over.

NEW CARTRIDGE FACTORY.

Ottawa, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—On an item in the main estimates in the house to-night Sir Frederick Borden announced in reply to a question that an English concern would establish at or near Ottawa a cartridge and powder factory. The government would purchase from five to ten million cartridges a year and take a certain number of tons of explosives required by the cartridge factory at Quebec or as otherwise required. The capacity of the concern would be consirebaly above, probably double, the minimum. This would mean a capacity of about twenty million cartridges a year.

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FOR TORONTO HARBOR.

Ottawa, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—Further supplementary estimates for the current financial year were brought down to-night by the finance minister. They amount to $397,450. Canals account for $107,000 on capital account and $10,500 chargeable to income. An additional sum of $4150 is asked for cleaning the departmental buildings, and goodness knows they need it. The sum of $40,000 is put in for the extension of the breakwater in Toronto harbor and $20,000 to refund steamboat inspection dues paid on Canadian-registered vessels in 1903.

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HEADING FOR HARBIN.

Last nights cables cntained a curious massage said to have been received by St. Petersburg from Harbin, intimating that Gen. Kuropatkin has ordered the removal from that place of all useless civilians, in order to provide the greatest possible accommodation of winter quarters for the Russian army.

If this is so, and the Russian commander really contemplates wintering in Harbin, it casts a significant light on the position of Kuropatkin in the field. For it is a virtual confession that Russia is not meantime a match for Japan on land and cannot successfully contest the possession of Manchuria and its ancient capital at this time. Whether this is a further part of Kuropatkin's favorite strategy of "luring" his foe to destruction remains to be seen, but under any circumstances the abandonment of Central Manchuria to the Japanese, which this apparently indicates, will greatly diminish Russia's future chances in the field.

But the question of the day is whether Kuropatkin will be able to make good his escape with any considerable proportion of his force. As the contestants stand, Gen. Kuroki is considerably nearer Liaoyang than Gen. Stakelberg, and even tho the Russians have the use of the railway the movement of the troops is necessarily a slow process and must greatly hamper the work of the supply department. Kuropatkin's army is said to be suffering from want of food, and this is more than probable if the railway has been conveying reinforcementsor securing a retreat at the expense of feeding the troops.

RUSSIANS SAY JAPS LOST 20,000 IN 3 DAYS' STORM OFF PORT ARTHUR BUT THE STORY IS DISCREDITED

Little Fellows in Their Assaults Mowed Down by Shells and Bullets and the Explosion of Mines Under Their Feet.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 3.—The first Russian report of the storming operations at Port Arthur has just been received from the consul of Russia at Chefoo, dated to-day. It says a general attack began Saturday, with the Japanese in immense force. There were two days of a bombardment of unprecedented violence. The Japanese, at the time of sending this despatch, the consul adds, had everywhere been repulsed with great loss. THE JAPANESE CASUALTIES POSSIBLY REACH 20,000, BUT THE RUSSIAN LOSSES WERE INSIGNIFICANT.

The exact date of the events reported in this telegram is not clear, as the method of transmission is not disclosed. It is possible that it was by a wireless message, reporting events which have occurred since last Saturday. On the other hand, the message may have gone by junk to Chefoo, in which case it refers to events of a week ago, and practically covers the report mentioned in the Associated Press despatches from Chefoo.

In either case the reports have been received with considerable exultation after the pessimistic rumors spread abroad from foreign sources last week. IT SEEMS APPARENT THAT THE JAPANESE ADVANCE AGAINST GEN. KUROPATKIN WAS TIMED TO OCCUR SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THE ASSAULT UPON PORT ARTHUR.

THREE DAYS ASSAULT.

Chefoo, Aug. 3.—A desperate three days' assault on the inner defence on the northern and eastern sides of Port Arthur has failed. A Russian states that the earth trembled under the terrific cannonading, which began July 26 and ended during the night of July 28, when the battle ceased. A Chinese who has arrived here on a separate junk confirms the Russian's statement that the Russian killed and wounded during the assault number between five and six thousand.

The Japanese, in their repeated assaults against the eastern forts on the hills and thru barbed wire entanglements and over mines, DISPLAYED FANATICAL BRAVERY. They were mowed down by the hail of shells and bullets and the explosion of mines under their feet. Their losses are estimated at 20,000. The Russian declares that the Russians held all the eastern forts leading to Golden Hill, and that the Japanese, shattered and exhausted, retired to the eastward.

As related by the passengers from the two junks, the Japanese advance, which began from Kwokau before daybreak on July 26, was directed against Kikwan, Kinkitun, Kinkishan and Pichtoushen forts, lying near shore. The Russian outposts were driven back. In the meantime Admiral Togo shelled the forts at long range, but the return fire of the forts kept his ships at a safe distance, rendering the co-operation of the fleet ineffective.

On the morning of July 27 the Russian fleet steamed out, keeping under the protection of the Golden Hill guns. The Russian vessels did not fire on the Japanese, and soon returned to their anchorage. The assault on the northern side of the city occurred July 27. The Japanese left at Haikau advanced on the Russians at Shinshiying, but were repulsed. The junks were within hearing distance for three days after leaving but no more firing was heard.

The Russian hospitals at Port Arthur are said to be swamped. Thousands of wounded are lying in houses and shops of the Chinese, the owners having been evicted, with the exception of one, who acts are caretaker of each place. Medical attention is adequate.

1500 RUSSIANS DEAD ON FIELD IN THE FIGHT AT SIMOUCHENG JAPANESE HAD 400 CASUALTIES

Kuropatkin Reports That His Troops Have Evacuated Haicheng and Retired Along the Road Toward Anshanshan.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 3.—In a despatch to the emperor, dated Aug. 3, Gen. Kuropatkin says: "Our troops have retired from Haicheng, along the road toward Anshanshan. The movement was accomplished in perfect order and the enemy did not disturb us. The terrible heat has caused many sunstrokes, and measures have been taken to diminish the equipment the troops have hitherto been obliged to carry by transporting it in supply carts. There is no serious news from the eastern front."

RUSSIANS LOST 1000 MEN.

Liaoyang, Aug. 3.—The Russian attempt to push back a numerically superior force of Japanese from Kuchiatzu on July 31, resulted in an admitted Russian loss of 1000 men. Kuchiatzu (also written Kutziadzu) is about ten and a half miles east of Anping, which is about twelve miles east of Liaoyang.

RUSSSIANS LEFT 1500 DEAD.

Tokio, Aug. 3.—The Japanese defeated the Russians at Tomucheng (Simoucheng), and drove them toward Haicheng in a sharp fight, which began last Saturday and ended on Sunday. The Russians left 1500 dead on the field, and lost six guns. The Russians occupied a range of high hills north of Tomucheng (Simoucheng), which were strongly defended with covered trenches, a fortress and covered emplacements, which consumed months in constructing. The Japanese seized a range of heights to the southward on Saturday. They began the attack at daylight on Sunday. The Japanese left wing encountered severe opposition. The Russians were gradually reinforced and their artillery was increased to 21 guns.

The Japanese, who were also reinforced, renewed the attack at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and drove the Russians northward. The Japanese right, exposed to a severe artillery fire, was forced to halt. The Russians, who were reinforced, assumed the offensive at 5.30 o'clock in the evening, but were repulsed with a heavy loss. The Russian artillery prevented the Japanese from pursuing, and during the night the Russians withdrew toward Haicheng. The Japanese casualties were about 400.

Gen. Kuroki has telegraphed that in the two days' fighting at Yangtsuling and Yushulintzu his losses were six officers killed, 16 officers wounded and nine hundred and fifty men killed and wounded.

DECLINE TO ENDORSE IT.

Some Business Men in Britain Against Joseph's Plan.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Aug. 4.—A protectionist manifesto is being extensively signed by business men thruout Britain. It declines to endorse the Chamberlain policy, so far as it embraces protection, on the ground that it increases the cost of production, but supports a policy having as its fundamental basis a moderate tax on food, provided that differential duties be imposed by the colonies in favor of British goods. It recommends that an imperial conference be summoned in order that the nature of the trade and the advantages the colonies can offer to and receive from the motherland may be clearly understood.

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A BISHOP'S PLEA.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Aug. 4.—The Bishop of Athabaska's appeal for the relief of the missionaries in the Mackenzie River floods resulted in £37 in subscriptions before the list was closed.

THE COMING OF CANTERBURY.

No Arrangements Being Made Pending Receipt of Letter.

Bishop Sweatman has written the Archbishop of Canterbury and expects a reply shortly, stating when the latter will sail for America. Pending the receipt of such communication, no arrangements are being made for a reception. The bishop said he looked for the arrival of the archbishop the first week in September. A number of the clergy who will participate in the reception plans are out of the city at present, but are expected to be back in time for the making of arrangements.

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KRUGER DIED FORGIVING.

Cape Town, Aug. 3.—A letter from Dr. Muller, who was at the deathbed of ex-President Kruger of the Transvaal, says that shortly before his death Mr. Kruger said: "I no longer hate the English. It is a pity there was a war, but I believe that everything will come out right in the end."

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COULDN'T RETAKE THE PASS RUSSIAN DEFEAT OF JULY 17

Forced Back After Five Hours' Severe Fighting—Heavy Losses on Both Sides.

Motien Pass, Manchuria, July 17.—(Via Seoul, Korea,) Aug. 3.—(6 p.m.)—The Russians, in their second unsuccessful attempt to retake Motien Pass early on July 17, were forced back to their original position, after five hours of severe fighting. They suffered heavy losses, compared to the Japanese casualties.

The 9th and 24th, East Siberian regiments, and the 34th Regulars of the 9th division were opposed by one Japanese regiment and one battery. The European regulars who, for the first time met General Kuroki's soldiers, proved in nowise superior to the Siberian contingents.

The Russians began to advance at 2 a. m. in a heavy fog, and at 5 o'clock they opened fire, when the mist was so dense that it was impossible for the Japanese to see more than one hundred feet away.

Major-General Okasaki learned of the Russians' purpose to renew the attack on the pass, and also when they prepared to leave their camps, but the heavy fog prevented the Japanese from gaining information as to the Russian positions. At 9 o'clock the fog cleared away.

The attack began on the ledge below the mouth of the pass, where the engagement of July 3 occurred, and the severest fighting was against the Russians who gained the emple and road behind the trenches there.

The Japanese outpost companies were forced from these trenches after bayonet fighting to the summit of the line of the hills forming the highest ridge of the range where is the entrance to the pass.

This range is half a mile behind the trenches. Half way between the trenches and the ridges and about parallel to the runs the road upon which is located the temple. The fiercest fighting was focused about this temple, which the Russians held for about three hours, in spite of a rain of bullets from the opposite ridge. The Russian dead and wounded were thick about the temple. One Russian battery fired on the Japanese forts two hours, and to this fire a Japanese battery on the ridge replied.

When the sun dispelled the fog the Japanese made quick work of the affair. The Russians retreated across the valley and along the sides of the hills on each side of the valley, while the Japanese occupied the ridge from which the pass debouches and the hillsides on the Russian flanks. The Russians made a hurried but fairly orderly retreat down the valley.

The Japanese think that their casualties amounted to about 200. The Russian casualties are undoubtedly much greater than in the former engagement.

COLLECTED CHINESE SOUVENIRS.

And Now He is a Prisoner on a Theft Charge.

The proprietors of the chop suey restaurant on Queen-street had more trouble with "rounders" last night. Two young men dropped in and after gorging themselves with the best took a fancy to some of the tableware.

The oriental attendant was despatched on a bootless errand, and one of the guests, Stephenson by name, filled his pockets with the various pieces of the cruet. A menial of the establishment saw him and slipping round to the front barricaded the door. A second hireling blew a blast on a whistle.

The patrolman on the beat dropped in and carried Stephenson to No. 2 police station. The second of the night hawks was allowed to go.

STOCK YARD'S STRIKE SPREADS.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—The threatened spread of the stock yards strike to outside industries came to-night when an order was issued by the Teamsters' Union, prohibiting drivers of ice wagons from making any deliveries to retail merchants who, since the packing house teamsters went on strike, have been hauling meat from the yards in their own wagons. As the refrigerators in the meat markets do not hold enough ice to last longer than 48 hours, if the order is enforced it means that the majority of people in Chicago will be compelled to go on short rations, as far as meat is concerned. The officials of the Teamsters' Union have appointed pickets to watch the meat markets. Outside of the order in question, there is little change in the strike situation to-day.

CALLING OUT MILITIA.

Ottawa, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—The militia bill received its third reading this afternoon. The clause governing the calling out of the militia to suppress riots was amended. The clause as amended provides that the militia may be called out by the mayor and two magistrates, by a county court judge, by a district court judge or by a judge of the superior court.

MAY STOP BUILDING.

Fort William, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—The strike of the structural iron workers is assuming serious proportions, and unless speadily settled will result in great inconvenience and loss. If it continues it may tie up all construction work in progress, and the outlook is causing grave concern to the workers engaged on the building and allied trades.

EXPECTS TO RAISE MONEY.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Aug. 4.—In the London Bankruptcy Court, Sir Kenneth Mackenzie favorably assured the creditors that he anticipated realizing £20,000 from the new Dominion syndicate canal scheme, when the creditors would be paid in full.

Broke His Left Arm.

J. H. Jewell of the Corundum Refiners, Limited, sustained a compound fracture of the left arm while at the company's property in Renfrew on Saturday. He was climbing over a log fence and fell. He was taken to the hospital at Ottawa, and came on to Toronto yesterday.

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He May Die.

Vichy, France, Aug. 3.—Jay Ransch, the American jockey, was thrown in the races here to-day and is suffering from concussion of the brain.

TALENTED NURSE DROWNS.

Miss Ada Oughtred of Onondaga, Loses Her Life Near New York.

New York, Aug. 3.—Miss Ada Oughtred, a trained nurse, of Onondaga, Ont., and Dr. J. D. Ashby, acting bathing master, were drowned while bathing in the surf at Babylon, N.Y. Neither could swim. It was Miss Oughtred's 27th birthday. She was employed as a nurse in Muncie's Sanitarium, three miles from Babylon.

Miss Oughtred was not, as previously reported, a resident of Toronto, altho she has a sister and a half-brother living here. The former is Miss Jennie Oughtred of 102 Gerrard-street and

THE LATE MISS OUGHTRED.

the latter A. L. Merrill of 308 Yonge-street. She went to New York about nine years ago and, graduating there, went as a nurse in Muncie's Sanitarium. At the time of her death she was superintendent at the latter institution.

Neither her sister nor Mr. Merrill has received any news of the accident further than what appeared in yesterday's papers, and they have made no arrangements as to the disposal of the remains. Another half-brother, living in New York, has been wired to, but he is away on his vacation and cannot be located.

FELL TWENTY-FIVE FEET.

Roof of Building Breaks in at Winnipeg Fair.

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 3.—A serious accident occurred at the Dominion Exhibition here this evening about 7.30. A crowd of about 150 had gathered on the roof of one of the stables to enjoy a free sight of a side show in an enclosure next the stable. Altho repeatedly warned of their danger, they took no heed, and at last, without a moment's warning, the roof broke thru and precipitated half of the crowd to the floor, a distance of about 25 feet.

In its descent the roof turned over and fell on the people, causing more serious injuries than would have otherwise resulted. About fourteen were taken to the hospital in ambulances, while several with minor injuries were able to walk away.

A partial list of those injured is as follows: George Walker, Charles Forester, E. Barrington, Willie Russell, Mumford Lobdell, Curtye, A. L. Codman, Waldie R. Miller and McWalters of Winnipeg, Jas. Goodyear, Joliette, N.D., Braden, Cape Breton, Speelman of Seattle and a boy named Soper from Calgary. The latter is very seriously injured about the back. Most of the other cases were fractures of the limbs.

The hospital tent on the grounds ministered to the immediate wants of the sufferers and it is not expected any of the accidents will prove fatal.

AGAINST FEE OF $5.

Angler's Association Offended at Regulation of Ontario.

Thousand Island Park, N. Y., Aug. 3.—The Anglers' Association of the St. Lawrence River, at the 21st annual meeting held here to-day, protested against a new regulation of the department of fisheries of the Province of Ontario, which requires that every American fishing in waters of the province shall be required to pay a fee of $5 for each rod fished, unless he is a guest at a Canadian hotel or boarding house, or has purchased his supplies in Canada. A committee of three Americans and two Canadians was appointed to make an effort to have the regulation rescinded.

BOY WENT FISHING.

Lake Being Dragged at Port Dalhousie for His Body.

St. Catharines, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—To-night the lake at Port Dalhousie is being dragged for the body of seven-year-old Freddie Lombardo, son of Fred Lombardo, tailor here. The boy left his home yesterday afternoon and went to Port Dalhousie. He was seen fishing off the end of the pier, and after that all trace of him is lost. A searching party hunted all last night for the missing lad. This afternoon the fishing pole he had been using and his cap were found floating in the lake at the entrance to Port Dalhousie harbor. The boy undoubtedly stepped off the pier and was drowned.

UNDER SUNDAY LAW.

Ottawa, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—After a long discussion, the senate to-night passed the clause making railways wholly within the province subject to provincial Sunday observance law. The bill to amend the railway act, which contains this clause, was read a third time and passed. The legislation to which such strong objection has been taken by electric railway companies in Ontario is therefore beyond chance of defeat.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

O. C. P. council, 10 a.m.
Associated Charities board, 4 p.m.
Trades Council, 8 p.m.
Island Association, Centre Island, 8 p.m.
Y.W.C.G. quarterly conference board, 8 p.m.
Vaudeville, Munro Park and Hanlan's Point, 3 and 8 p.m.

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MRS. MAYBRICK INSANE.

London, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—Mrs. Florence Maybrick, who was recently released from prison on ticket of leave and joined her mother, the Baroness De Roques, at Rouen, is a hopeless mental and physical wreck. Her mother reports her indeed to have been made insane by the rigors of her long imprisonment and the reaction consequent on her release. The unfortunate lady will be sent to an asylum.

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The daily newspapers of Canada, for reasons best known to themselves, have seen fit not to publish the division lists of the votes taken in the house of commons on the Maclean amendments to the railway bill. These amendments provided for the regulation by the railway commission of the charges of express companies, for fixing a maximum passenger rate graded by the earnings of the company, and for securing competition in telephone connections wtih railway stations. The World published the division lists the day after the vote, but, as we said, it was the only daily paper to do so. On Saturday last The World printed a full analysis, by provinces and by party standing, of the vote, and also a list of the members who failed to vote. We will reprint it as often as occasion warrants, in order that the people may learn the stand of their representatives toward these important issues.

But The Weekly Sun, an "independent journal for the farm," is an honorable exception. In its issue of this week, it devotes four columns to the amendments and to the division lists, giving the names of those who voted for and against them in good black-face type, a line to each name, so that every farmer can tell at a glance who voted for and who voted against. We trust that The Sun will, on occasion, later on, to publish with the same prominence those who did not vote at all—those who missed the issue by design or by accident. These are the members who owe an explanation to their electors.

The attitude of the newspapers of this country to questions of this kind must be a matter of concern to the people. Members of parliament are now much more easily chloroformed because the corporations are able to assure members that the daily press will also be duly chloroformed in reporting, or rather in not reporting, what takes place on corporation issues.

The daily newspaper press of this country is largely in the service of the corporations; a large number of the daily papers of this country are owned and controlled by men who are also shareholders in corporations enjoying public franchises; this is a state of affairs that did not exist a few years ago, but it means that the people must hereafter rely on themselves, rather than on newspapers, for the assertion of their rights. The average Canadian newspaper is in the business of luring the public into the web of the corporation spider.

QUESTIONS BY H. LENNOX RE THE DAVIS CONTRACT

It is Hinted That Both Government and Opposition Desire to Sidetrack Them.

Ottawa, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—A question which Haughton Lennox placed on the order paper some days ago was to-day for the second time ordered to "stand" at the request of the government. The question opens up a new feature of the notorious Davis contract, and it is said that influence has been brought to bear on both parties to allow the question to go unanswered.

It asked if the government is aware that M. P. Davis proposes to form a joint stock company with a view to transferring his interests and rights under the contract he holds and to take stock in payment therefor. It asks further if the government has taken measures to prevent the consummation of the scheme; if the government's consent has been asked for the substitution of a company for Mr. Davis as lessee and contractor, and also if the government has considered the advisability of terminating the lease and contract and taking over the buildings, etc., as provided in the lease.

The foregoing are simple deductions, the answers to which the government does not require time to prepare. They might easily have been answered yesterday, and there was certainly no good reason for the government's failure to answer them to-day. The government's unwillingness to answer the questions and the fact that the opposition is not urging them are regarded as suspicious circumstances, it is known that Mr. Lennox was requested not to put the question on the order paper in the first place. Since then certain influences in the opposition have renewed their efforts to induce him to drop the question.

Mr. Lennox has not definitely stated what he proposes to do. He was not in the house this morning when the question was called, and George Taylor, who asked the question, made no comment on Mr. Emmerson's request that it be allowed to stand. The government's reticence and the opposition's strange reluctance to force a statement from them goes strongly to indicate that influences in the two parties are co-operating to save M. P. Davis any embarrassments in the house.

If the suspicions upon which Mr. Lennox bases his question are well founded, it means the country's one channel of escape from a notoriously evil contract is to be cut off. By forming a joint stock company, Mr. Davis can free himself from the provision which grants the government the right to take over the plant on certain terms. In this way the contract will be made practically perpetual.

Mr. Lennox's next move is awaited with keen interest. It has been stated that the issue will be avoided by common consent on the part of the government and Mr. Lennox to allow the question to stand, but those who know Mr. Lennox best insist that he will prove his sincerity by forcing from the government an answer to his questions.

FIRE IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Que., Aug. 3.—As a result of a fire which took place late to-night on St. Paul-street in the business district of the city, several firms were badly damaged and sustained heavy loss. The fire broke out in the produce establishment of J. M. Taylor & Son, 608 St. Paul-street, and spread to adjoining premises. The firms affected are: J. M. Taylor & Sons, loss $15,000, partially insured; W. D. Stroud & Co., teas, loss $25,000, partially insured, and Monett & Foster, produce, loss about $20,000.

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Dr. Sheard's Report on City Water.

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GREETS ROSEBERY'S LETTER AS NEW CHANGE OF FRONT

Chamberlain Thinks It May Carry Him Back to Position of 1888.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Aug. 4.—Mr. Chamberlain, writing to The Times, welcomes Lord Rosebery's letter as indicating another change of front, which may carry him back to his patriotic attitude of 1888, when he was ready to die for the cause of imperial federation. He (Mr. Chamberlain) had not made the suggestion for a conference before, as it seemed desirable to test the opinion of the country on an offer, which, he still maintained, was made by the colonies at the conference of premiers. He entirely agreed with Lord Rosebery that the wishes of the colonies must be an essential condition, but was afraid Lord Rosebery was imperfectly informed concerning the real issue. To suggest a conference on preference while rigidly excluding any reference to taxes on food, would be to present, in the circumstances, a childish and almost insulting proposition.

William Lucas, the hon. secretary of the Liberal Tariff League, declares that every Liberal must be gratified at Lord Rosebery's prompt endorsement of Mr. Chamberlain's proposal for a colonial conference. The conference must have a clean slate, and if not endorsing Mr. Chamberlain, it will yet throw a welcome light on a difficult question.

The Daily Graphic says that Liberals must either repudiate Lord Rosebery or admit that the summoning of a new colonial conference is a prima facie reasonable method of settling the preferential tariffs dispute. If the colonies find themselves unable or unwilling to reduce their present protective duties on British goods, further negotiations will be useless.

Sir Howard Vincent's question regarding the proposed imperial conference comes up on Monday.

MAYOR IN LONDON.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Aug. 3.—Mayor Urquhart is delighted at the result of the C.P.R. case, and says he expects a decision in the Toronto Railway matter in about a month. So far as the details have been received, he is pleased at the expropriation arrangement for the new Union Station. He goes to Scotland today and sails for Canada with Hon. Edward Blake on the steamer Canada on August 10.

BIRTHS.

FORBES—On Aug. 1, at 29 Coolmine-road, the wife of J. Forbes of a daughter.

GRAY—On July 31, 1904, at Island Park, the wife of John Gray of a son.

MARRIAGES.

PRESTON—THRUSH—On Wednesday, Aug. 3rd, at St. Anne's Church, by Rev. L. E. Sky, John William, third son of James Preston, 46 Northcote-avenue, to Miss Nellie Thrush, only daughter of the late William John Thrush, 289 Manning-avenue.

DEATHS.

BUTTON—At Buttonville, on Tuesday, Aug. 2nd, Mrs. Meribah Button, relict of the late Captain John Button, in her 87th year.

Funeral Thursday, at 2 p.m., to Buttonville Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

COOK—At Bendale, Scarboro, on Wednesday, Aug. 3, 1904, Stephenson Cook, aged 80 years.

Funeral on Friday, the 5th inst., at 2 p.m., to St. Andrew's Cemetery.

FORTESCUE—At 222 River-street, Aug. 2nd, Wilhelmina, only and beloved daughter of William James and Amelia Fortescue, aged 4 years and 11 months.

Funeral private, Thursday, at 10 a.m. Sussex, Eng., papers please copy.

GIBSON—At Toronto, on Aug. 3rd, 1904, Elizabeth Gibson, beloved wife of Robert Gibson, aged 38 years.

Funeral from her late residence, 77½ Argyle-street, Saturday, the 6th inst., at 2.30 p.m., to St. James' Cemetery.

HAFFEY—At 216 Wilton-avenue, Mrs. Margaret Haffey, wife of T. K. Haffey. R.I.P.

Funeral notice later. No flowers, please.

LONG—At St. Catharines, Wednesday, Aug. 3rd, 1904, John Holness, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Emsley Long, of Norway, aged 6 weeks.

Funeral from the family residence, Kingston-road, Norway, Thursday, 4th inst., at 3 o'clock, to St. John's Cemetery, Norway.

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HOW PERRY WON HIS PRIZE PRINCE OF WALES PRAISES

While Rifles Were Busy at Bisley the Coveted Prize Had Been Won.

London papers to hand of July 23 tell of Pte. Perry's winning the King's prize at Bisley: The Prince of Wales, president of the National Rifle Association in succession to the Duke of Cambridge, accompanied by the Princess, came to the camp this afternoon and saw the final shots fired for the King's prize. He also warmly grasped by the hand the winner of the gold medal—Private S. J. Perry of the Canadian team. For the second time in the history of the association the chief prize goes to Canada, Private Hayhurst, a Dominion rifleman, having won it in 1895. Britons from beyond the seas have had much success at the present meeting—a fact of which his royal highness, the president, did not fail to take cognizance when he addressed the company attending the distribution of prizes. While the gold medal goes to Canada, the silver medal is the possession of a clergyman laboring in the mission field of India; New Zealand takes the Kolapore Cup, and Natal the Mappin prize, while the St. George's, ranking next in importance to the King's as a prize for individual competitors, has been won by a volunteer born in Nova Scotia and representing that territory in the motherland. The Prince expressed regret that it had not been possible for Australia, the holders of the Kolapore Cup, to send over a team to defend it. It may as well be plainly stated that the great commonwealth has not been officially represented this year owing to the parsimony of its government, which refused to vote a penny towards the necessarily heavy expenses of sending a team of riflemen to Bisley. The New Zealand government, on the other hand, made a liberal draft on the national purse and sent over to the mother country thirteen of the best men who could be found. The premier was the chief mover in the matter, and, to quote the language of a member of the team, "As long as Dick Seddon is at the head of affairs New Zealand will always be well to the fore at Bisley." After New Zealand's success and the observations of his royal highness the president, it may be affirmed that Australia will no longer "take it lying down." She might have tolerated a victory by the mother country or Canada, but she will feel bound next year to try conclusions with her Antipodean neighbor and rival.

Shooting for the "King's."

The volunteers who had shot their way into the charmed circle of "The Hundred" in the final stage of the King's prize assembled to do battle for the gold medal half an hour after midday, and the shooting went on without interruption to the end, the usual luncheon interval being dispensed with. The weather was of the brilliant description with which the meeting has

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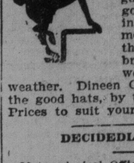
GAMEY AT NEWINGTON.

Ottawa, Aug. 3.—A big demonstration was held at Newington to-day, under the auspices of the Stormont County Conservative Association, when 3000 people heard J. P. Whitney, K. R. Gamey and others discuss political issues. Mr. Gamey repeated his story. Considerable interest centred in the attendance of Mr. Whitney, this being his first appearance, it is said, on a platform with Mr. Gamey. Col. McLellan, A. Broder, M. P., and others spoke. No reference was made to the Dundonald incident, except that Mr. Whitney expressed pleasure at meeting so many "foreigners." The gathering was an unqualified success from the standpoint of attendance and enthusiasm.

URGED NOT TO TRAVEL.

Copenhagen, Aug. 3.—The royal physicians are urging King Christian not to travel to Ribe, where the ancient cathedral has been restored, and where great festivities will be held next week. The king, it seems, doggedly refuses to abandon his journey. While the state of his health is not alarming, his majesty is feeble, and he has been ordered to seek quiet and rest, but the doctors' efforts and precautions so far have met with small success.

Quality Counts.



In the matter of hats, as in horseflesh, quality counts. You may buy a hat that looks smart, but it's ten to one if it hasn't got the name of a good maker on the inside band to recommend the quality, there'll be a quick breaking up from wear and tear and weather. Dineen Company handle all the good hats, by the best of makers. Prices to suit your pocketbook.

DECIDEDLY WARM.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Aug. 3.—(8 p.m.)—Thunderstorms have been general in Manitoba to-day and local showers have occurred in the Territories and Nova Scotia; elsewhere the weather has been fine.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Calgary, 44—74; Qu'Appelle, 60—72; Winnipeg, 60—80; Parry Sound, 48—78; Toronto, 56—76; Ottawa, 54—78; Montreal, 58—76; Quebec, 52—78; Halifax, 60—64.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Moderate to fresh southeasterly to southwesterly winds; fine and decidedly warm to-day; local thunderstorms during the night or on Friday.

Ottawa, St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fine and warm.

Maritime—Light to moderate variable winds; fine and warm.

Lake Superior—Fresh to strong southerly to westerly winds; showers and thunderstorms.

Manitoba—Fine and moderately warm.

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