

Mediation Scouted.

Germany intimates that the conference proposal is out of the question.

Would lead to constant foreign interference in internal affairs.

Would Britain arbitrate Irish question or Russia Her Polish troubles.

By Associated Press. Berlin, June 3.—The Hague peace conference has largely occupied public attention this week. The papers have freely commented on its doings. The news that it had really taken up the subject of international arbitration came as a great surprise to many.

A FORGIVING OLDERGYMAN. No III Will to the Methodist Conference Expelling Him for Heresy.

Toronto, June 3.—(Special)—Rev. Dr. Austin, formerly principal of Alma college, who was deposed from the ministry of the Methodist church by the London conference at Windsor on Thursday, arrived here yesterday and discussed briefly the finding of the committee on the charges of heresy preferred against him.

A STUBBORN GARRISON. Spanish Soldiers Refuse to Evacuate Philippine Post Though Facing Starvation.

Manila, June 3.—The steamer Uran is returned from Balera off the east coast of the island of Luzon, whither they went to get the Spanish garrison which the Filipinos have been unable to subdue.

Mr. Semlin's Happy Family.

Private Life of Executive Revealed to Vancouver Delegation.

Fighting Joe Boldly Defies the Referee and Severely Punishes His Rival.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST. Twenty-five Lashes for a Brute—Joe Martin's Brother Takes the Field.

Winnipeg, June 3.—(Special)—This morning in the provincial gaol here, Pierre Lardou, school teacher from Notre Dame de Lourdes, who was recently convicted of indecent assault on a child of tender years, received twenty-five lashes with the cat-o-nine-tails.

THIRTY INDIANS DROWN IN LAKE. Frail Boats Collide and Sink With Men, Women and Children.

TO BUILD AUTOMOBILES. London, June 3.—An American manufacturing company has just acquired an extensive piece of land and a plant at Coventry, including shops of the property once in possession of the tire companies directed by Ernest Hooley, which will be fitted in the most modern requirements in every respect.

THE HASTINGS FIRE. Spontaneous Combustion the Cause—Mill Saved by Vancouver Brigade.

MARINE SUBSIDIES. Washington, June 3.—Chairman Payne of the house ways and means committee in an interview to-day expressed the opinion that the next congress would pass a bill for the encouragement of the merchant marine by granting subsidies. He also expressed the opinion that a treaty bill would be passed.

Veto of the Alien Law.

Ottawa Government Gives Heed to Remonstrances by the United States.

Objectionable in That It Has Forfeited Miners' Rights Legally Acquired.

Paris Exhibition Space Still To Let—Bank Accountant's Huge Haul.

Ottawa, June 3.—The anti-alien law of British Columbia is likely to lead to considerable friction with the United States authorities. Indeed, it is said that the United States government has already made formal protest to the Dominion in reference to the measure on behalf of some two hundred American miners who have been deprived of their rights in the Atlin country. These miners, it appears, took Canadian mining licenses anterior to the adoption of the alien law, and with these in their possession duly recorded their claims, of which they found themselves suddenly deprived of rights to which they had regarded themselves entitled. In many cases these men held licenses from the Dominion government issued before it was discovered that Atlin was in British Columbia, so that the federal authorities are directly interested in protecting them. The United States government maintains that it is not fair to these men to invalidate their claims as has been done. Hon. Mr. Martin, who is regarded here as the instigator of the law, exempted from its operation those who had taken out their licenses and recorded their claims in good faith, there having been no ground for the present objection. It would not be a matter of surprise if under the circumstances the Dominion were to disallow the measure.

CARPETS, RUGS, ART SQUARES



AXMINSTERS, Wiltons, Brussels, Riche Velvets, Tapestry, 370 Pieces Carpets, 324 Rugs, 214 Art Squares

WEILER BROS., Victoria, B. C.

ROBBERY ON MAIL STEAMER. Alameda Reports Loss of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars Worth of Australian Gold.

San Francisco, June 3.—There was great excitement on board the Alameda, which arrived from Australia yesterday, when it was discovered a box containing 5,000 sovereigns was missing. Seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars in gold had been sent by the steamer from Sydney. The money was shipped in 30 metal boxes, each containing \$25,000. One of these boxes was abstracted from the steamer's treasure room during the voyage. The theft is shrouded in deep mystery.

Bennett City Is Booming.

No Difficulty in Putting Men and Freight Through by the White Pass Road.

Preparations Advanced for the Opening of the River—Drowning Fatality.

Lake Bennett, May 26.—With preparations for the spring influx of miners to the various northern camps well under way, and guiding operations being vigorously prosecuted here at whatever side one may turn, the situation for Bennett City at this writing is most gratifying and encouraging to the promoters of the town and to those who have come to share their belief in its future. Population increases daily; substantial improvements are being made every day also; the advent of the newspaper—these and many other equally certain signs indicate the future of the town to be assured.

Four Mill Burned. Ruthven, June 2.—The large three-story building owned by Edgar McLeod, Lathrop, and used by him for the manufacture of pumpkins flour, was burned this morning. Loss, \$6,000, insurance, \$2,000.

Lake and a Murder. Moncton, June 3.—(Special)—A 25-year-old boy, who was charged with killing his brother at Point du Chene a year ago, disappeared last Saturday. Yesterday he was found at a dock at the Point, and his body was found. Foul play is suspected as his forehead was gashed and his face badly cut.

DROWNED IN KOOTENAY LAKE. Young Man from Winnipeg Meets Death While Sailing a Canoe.

Winnipeg, June 5.—(Special)—Mr. Neville, C. P. R. tie inspector, received the sad news last night of the death of his son, A. V. Neville, by drowning in Kootenay Lake. The unfortunate young man was out in a canoe with a friend on Sunday morning when a squall caught them and the canoe was overturned. Neville was drowned but his companion was saved. The deceased was 24 years of age and was well known in the city.

COL. OSWALD DEAD. Montreal, June 3.—A telegram from London announces the death of Col. Oswald, stockbroker of this city.

PAUL KRUGER ADVISED TO QUIT. His Wisest Course and to Make Peace With British and Grant Reform.

Berlin, June 3.—The correspondent of the Associated Press learns from an excellent source that the interview this week between Dr. W. J. Leyds, the minister of the Transvaal here, and Baron Von Buelow, the minister of foreign affairs was not of a very confidential nature. The foreign minister emphatically told the Transvaal representative that the wisest and best course would be to make peace with Great Britain and above all to speedily grant reforms.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST. Calgary Receptor's Sudden Death—Banff Bye-Election—Real Estate in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, June 5.—(Special)—The writ for a new election in Banff constituency was issued. The nominations are fixed for June 17 and election June 27.

THE HESSIAN FLY. Genera, June 2.—Already nine-tenths of the wheat crop in this section has been destroyed by the work of the hessian fly, one of the worst wheat destroying insects known. It is thought that within a week's time a much larger part of the wheat in this section will be entirely laid to waste.

SUDDEN DEATH. Chatham, Ont., June 3.—Robert Martin, pump and windmill manufacturer, dropped dead.

SUING FOR RECIPROCITY.

British Islands Off Southeastern Coast All Looking to Washington.

New York, June 2.—Included in the passengers by the steamer Britannic, which arrived here to-day, were Sir Cavendish Boyle, K. O. M. G., and Sir R. T. and Lady Musgrave. Sir Cavendish Boyle, who is government secretary of British Guiana, comes to this country to assist Reginald Tower, charge d'affaires of the British embassy at Washington, in negotiating a reciprocity treaty with Commissioner Kasson, covering the affairs of his colony. Mr. Tower will endeavor to secure a similar measure covering Barbados, apart from one in the interest of Jamaica now under discussion.

Washington, June 2.—The British authorities are at a loss to account for the tariff commission from Jamaica which will start for Washington within the next two weeks. No word has been received from the London foreign office, although this may come at any time. In the meantime the status of the Jamaican commission is somewhat in doubt, as the government officials here are not in the habit of recognizing colonial officers unless they come to speak with the authority of the home government. The state department has received some telegrams from Kingston, but these have not disclosed the authority of the commission.

DOMINION NEWS NOTES. Special to the Colonist.

Soldiers' Graves. Toronto, June 2.—The annual decoration of monuments in Queen's park to the memory of the soldiers who fell at Ridgeway in 1866 and in the Northwest rebellion of 1885 took place this afternoon.

Galicians for Ontario. Toronto, June 2.—Premier Hardy was waited upon to-day by a deputation from Ontario, who expressed a desire that provision should be made for sheltering and sustaining a contingent of some 2,000 Galicians to be settled in the near future, it is expected, in the valley of Whitefish river, in the townships of Blake and Papezangue, and other districts west of Fort William.

Mr. Geoffrey Hill. Montreal, June 2.—Hon. C. A. G. G. Geofrion, minister without portfolio in the Laurier cabinet, has just passed the crisis of an illness of three weeks' duration.

Alex. Milroy Dead. Montreal, June 2.—Alex. Milroy, for many years traffic manager of the R. & O. Navigation Co., died yesterday, aged 77 years.

A Miner's Fatal Fall. Winnipeg, June 2.—Henry Lampahnie, a miner, fell a distance of 45 feet in the Regina gold mine near Rat Portage yesterday and was instantly killed. The deceased was 45 years of age and leaves an invalid wife and five small children.

Over Cliff at Quebec. Quebec, June 2.—Yesterday afternoon Lorette, aged eight, daughter of Dr. Lanthier, fell off the cliff from Rampart street opposite Laval University, in rear of St-Jude Hotel street, some 25 or 30 feet. The girl lived but a couple of hours.

TO WORK THE LABOR VOTE. A New Political Organization in the Name of the Laboring Classes.

Toronto, June 5.—(Special)—A new Canadian political party has been organized in Toronto which promises to take an active part in Provincial and Dominion politics. It is called the "Independent Labor Party of Canada."

GRAND TRUNK TROUBLES. Trackmen Resume Work But Are Soon Ordered Out by Railway Management.

Toronto, June 5.—(Special)—The Grand Trunk trackmen's strike is apparently over so completely as to appear. The men went to work on Tuesday, but their place was given to reception "starvation."

DEATHS BY ACCIDENT. Farmer's Wife Thrown From a Wagon—Boy Falls on Circular Saw.

Hamilton, Ont., June 3.—(Special)—At Lovell's farm, named Thomas, with his wife, was driving on the Waterdown road this morning, when their team became frightened and ran away, colliding with another big driven team. Mrs. Roberts, of Freelon, Mrs. Thomas was thrown out and killed instantly.

GIVING UP THEIR GUNS. Both Factions in Samoa Have Become Tired of the Warfare.

Samoa Islands, May 23.—By Auckland, N. Z., June 5.—Both native factions, the Maitoteans and the Tautouas, are disarming. Mataafa has surrendered 1,180 guns.

Kitchener's Fortune.

Sirdar Receives Substantial Reward for Success in Crushing Mahdism.

Praised for Genius With Which He Conducted the Difficult Campaign.

Treatment of the Mahdi's Remains the Subject of Opposite Criticism.

By Associated Press. London, June 5.—Mr. Balfour in introducing the vote of \$150,000 for Lord Kitchener in the House of Commons, said the fact that the power of Mahdism was crushed was due to the genius of the man they desired to honor and reward. The government leader expressed the hope that those who objected to the policy of the Sudan advance would not think that was a reason for resisting the vote, as such a course would be introducing politics into military matters.

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Grim Mess From the

Returning Follower of the Edmonton Trail Lost in the

Suicides Born of a Cold and Starvation. Many Victims.

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