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CONGRESS IS CLOSED

After Talking Trade for Four Days, Spiced With a Little Hopkins Jingoism.

Which the Better Thinking Delegates Denounce—Much Attention Given to Canada.

Where Sir Donald Smith Proposes the Next Convention Should be Held.

London, June 12.—The Congress of Commerce assembled this morning for the fourth and final sitting under the presidency of Sir Albert Kaye Rollit.

The speeches of the Canadians who made the savage attack on the United States and condemned the idea of international arbitration on the ground of the non-payment of the Behring sea award are commented on with disfavor by the several morning papers.

A resolution having for its effect that, so far as possible, the most important inter-imperial postal and telegraph routes be established between Great Britain and the colonies, as well as between the colonies themselves without such routes passing through other countries, was adopted.

The following resolution, introduced by the London chamber of commerce, relating to bills of lading, was then adopted: "That this congress express strong disapproval of the method adopted in the bills of lading inserting clauses by which contracting ship owners are practically freed from all liability, and requests the London chamber of commerce to have a conference with ship owners in order to eliminate these clauses, or failing such conference, to introduce a bill into parliament defining the liability of ship owners."

Another motion was: "That inasmuch as the system of sound signals for use on fog, proposed at the Washington conference, has been condemned as dangerous and useless by all classes directly responsible for the safety of the mercantile marine of this country, and the shipping interests of many other countries, it is expedient that the British government should endeavor to secure the withdrawal of the proposed new sound signals."

Mr. John Williams, for the Leeds chamber of commerce, submitted the following motion: "That connection by railway from a seaport in British with Southwest China at Summao is greatly required in order to open out the trade of our new territories in the basin of the Mekong, and to enable the manufacturers of the empire to compete with those of France in Northern Siam and Southwest China."

The resolution was adopted. At the closing sitting of the congress this afternoon Hon. T. M. Daly, ex-minister of the interior for Canada, moved a resolution favoring encouragement of immigration to Canada from Great Britain. Mr. Arnold, of Toronto, speaking to the resolution, urged the advisability of British capitalists investing their money in Canada as an inducement to immigration from England.

Through the four days' proceedings of the conference the Canadian delegates have ably held their own, and all express the greatest satisfaction that so many Canadian questions have been considered favorably.

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MURDER IN SEATTLE.

Seattle, June 12.—Ex-State Commissioner Larry Cummings shot his wife, and attempted to shoot his daughter last night. Mrs. Cummings is believed to be fatally wounded.

BARATEIRI'S PUNISHMENT.

Ten Years' Imprisonment, With Attendant Penalties, Demanded.

Massowah, June 12.—The advocate-general, in his closing address for the prosecution today at the trial by court-martial of Gen. Barateiri, the Italian commander who was defeated by the Abyssinians at Adowa, on March 1st, with a loss of about 12,500 men killed and wounded, demanded that the general be sentenced to ten years' confinement in a fortress, with the attendant penalties.

MCVEITY IS A THORN.

Which the Ottawa Conservatives Would be Glad to Have Removed.

Toronto Threatened by Another Fire—He Met the Train With a Sweet Smile.

Ottawa, June 12.—An effort has been made by the government to induce the president of the McVeity association to resign, and it is said that he has been offered a very large amount to do so.

The Conservative candidate in North Norfolk is Dr. Wm. McGuire, M. P. Elliott, of London, will run in South-Middlesex as the Conservative standard-bearer.

R. B. Dobell will not contest Quebec West in the Liberal interest, as Ald. Griffin has been chosen.

Winnipeg, Man., June 12.—The Masonic grand lodge adjourned at midnight. Judge Corbett Locke, of Morden, was elected grand master.

Toronto, June 9.—The sensation of last evening here was a great fire on Yonge street, which at one time seriously threatened to wipe out the immense departmental store of T. Eaton & Co.

Ten minutes after 7 o'clock flames broke out in McKendry's dry goods store, the corner of Yonge and Queen's streets, and adjacent to Eaton's. A general alarm was sounded and brigades from all over the city were quickly on the spot.

The water tower was also used for the first time and very effectively. The fire was confined to McKendry's, though adjoining places were injured more or less by smoke and water. Eaton's own drill corps rendered effective aid. The damage done amounted to \$14,000 on McKendry's stock and \$5,000 on the buildings. On the other stocks and buildings the damage amounts to \$20,000, the insurance being about \$140,000. Twenty or thirty thousand people blocked the streets around the scene of the fire.

The Anglican synod of this diocese now in session, has received word that the Presbyterian church refuse to join with the Anglican church in asking the Ontario government to arrange for religious instruction in the public schools.

J. A. Taylor, who was expelled from Toronto University last year as a result of the trouble regarding the college paper, has just graduated as B. A. at the head of his class from Leland Stanford University, California, whither he was sent by the students of Toronto University.

The civic authorities have received word that the city council of Victoria, B. C., endorses the agitation begun here for a reduction in the postage rate on drop letters.

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TUPPERITES TRY BUYING

But They Strike a Hard Snag in Mr. Carrier, Who Prophesies a Big Tory Rout.

Hon. Mr. Laurier Continues His Triumph Tour Throughout Ontario.

Sir Oliver Mowat and the Ontario Cabinet are Out for Honest Government.

Ottawa, June 13.—As wired yesterday, the Tupperites have been trying to buy over T. W. Carrier, president of the McVeity Conservative association, but Mr. Carrier denounced them, and said he was not for sale. The inducements were heavy. Mr. Carrier says the government candidates will be badly defeated. He never voted anything before but Conservative.

Toronto, June 13.—Hon. Mr. Laurier addressed an immense mass meeting here in Massey hall last night and received a royal welcome. An overflow meeting which was held in the auditorium and another in the pavilion were addressed by John Ross Robertson. Sir Oliver Mowat goes to Quebec today with Mr. Laurier, while other provincial ministers, Messrs. Dryden, Harcourt, Ross and Hardy are speaking in various parts of Ontario.

All the members of the Ontario government, with the exception of Messrs. Harty and Gibson, are on the stump. The jury last night returned a verdict of wilful murder against unknown parties in connection with the murder of Joseph Martin. The horse trainer killed at Woodbine recently, and the jury also recommended the Ontario government to offer a substantial reward for the detection and conviction of the guilty parties.

The fisheries department has received information confirming the reports of the trouble at Anticosti on May 30. The Nova Scotia schooner Hattie A. was warned to go outside of the three mile limit by "Chocolate" Menier's men. Commanded Wakeman will investigate the matter.

Toronto, June 13.—The general assembly this afternoon appointed Rev. Dr. Bannatyne, of Ottawa, to the chair of apologetics and church history at Knox college. Dr. Bannatyne is a son of Hon. Thos. Bannatyne, ex-speaker of the Ontario legislature.

Winnipeg, June 13.—It is understood that the June crop Bulletin of the provincial agricultural department will be of a more favorable nature with regard to the acreage of wheat than the exceedingly wet spring might give cause to anticipate.

Mooseomin, N. W. T., June 13.—One of the largest meetings ever held here was addressed last night by Hon. Hugh John Macdonald.

KING BARNEY WAS PROMPT. With a Big Fat Check to Pay the Reformers' Fines.

London, June 12.—A special dispatch from Pretoria says that as soon as the decision of the executive council to release John Hays Hammond, Geo. Farrar, Col. Rhodes and J. W. Leonard, the Johannesburg reform committee leaders, upon payment of a fine amounting to \$125,000, was announced, Barney Barnato, the "Kaif King," went to the jail with a check for \$250,000, with which to pay the fines of Messrs. Hammond and Rhodes. He found, however, that the matter had already been arranged. Hammond, Farrar and Phillips have signed an agreement to abstain hereafter from any interference in the politics of the South African republic, consequently the sentence of banishment imposed upon them has been suspended so long as they keep their word.

That Must be Reached to Restore Egypt's Prestige.

London, June 12.—The Marquis of Salisbury, in the house of lords today, replying to Lord Rosebery, said that for a long time he has been of opinion that steps to make a claim for the Egyptian territory lost in 1882 and 1884. Many reasons conspired to delay, but the government was suddenly confronted by the fact that Kassala was threatened, and that there was every probability that it would be carried, and a frightful catastrophe follow. The expedition up the Nile, he continued, was ordered because the government felt that the interests of Egypt were at stake and those of Italy affected. The occupation of Dongola, he pointed out, would increase Egyptian commerce and prevent incursions of the Dervishes. Continuing, the premier said that Sir Herbert Kitchener had been instructed not to go beyond Dongola, but up to that point Sirdar had a free hand. Finally the Marquis of Salisbury distinctly stated that he did not pledge the government to a forward policy beyond Dongola this year, next year or any year. Later, however, the Marquis of Salisbury said: "Our objective terminus is at Dongola, but it may be that we or our successors may be prepared to go further. In my opinion, we shall not have restored Egypt to the position in which we received her and shall not place her in the position of safety which is her due until the Egyptian flag floats over Khartoum."

REJOICING REFORMERS

Carry Released Leaders on Their Shoulders and Give Them a Great Ovation.

British Women Want More Equal Justice With Men From the Divorce Courts.

High Price for a Picture—Prince Napoleon Has no Rights He Will Renounce.

Johannesburg, June 13.—Col. Phillips and George Farrar, the recently released leaders of the Johannesburg reform committee, met with an enthusiastic reception upon their arrival here. They were carried on the shoulders of their admirers to the stock exchange where they received an ovation. The building was invaded by excited outsiders, and business had to be suspended.

London, June 13.—Lord Landaff denies the statement in the Saturday Review that he will succeed the Marquis of Dufferin as British ambassador at Paris.

At a dinner at the Imperial Institute on Tuesday to raise funds for Guy's hospital, the Prince of Wales announced that £100,000 had been subscribed, including £5000 from Morgans, the bankers, and £1000 from William Waldorf Astor.

The meeting of the Women's Liberal Federation passed a resolution demanding reform in the divorce laws, which, it is claimed, provided that a wife's unfaithfulness is sufficient ground for divorce, while the wife must prove cruelty in addition in order to obtain the same degree of justice.

The Marquis of Salisbury's party at the foreign office Wednesday was a strange mixture. It included the Duke and Duchess of York, the Infanta Eulalia, Mrs. Ronalds, United States Ambassador Mr. and Mrs. Bayard, Penley and Toole, the actors, and many distinguished statesmen and diplomats.

One of the finest Romney pictures, Caroline, Viscountess Clifden, and her sister, representing music and painting, was sold at auction on Thursday for 10,500 guineas. It was bought by a dealer. The picture was painted for the fourth Duke of Marlborough and presented by him to Lord Clifden. The successful bidder's chief competitor at the exciting auction was the Duke of Marlborough's agent.

Paris, June 13.—According to official returns just published the imports into France for the past five months show an increase of 133,000,000 francs over the same period in 1895, and during that time the exports from France have increased 130,000,000 francs.

Parts of a letter from Prince Victor Napoleon to General Dubarrail, have been published. They are as follows: "You call my attention to newspaper articles speaking of imaginary negotiations carried on with the object of inducing me to abandon my rights. The Napoleons have no rights except those they hold from the people, and the people alone can invalidate the rights. In this respect, I shall never abdicate the duty which my name imposes. We can patiently support misfortune, and I am one of those who have faced resolutely but coolly the future, in which my faith remains unshaken."

A BRUTE CALLED HUSBAND. Who in Drunken Raze Slaughters His Wife and Child.

Chicago, June 13.—In a drunken rage John Wolter made an unsuccessful attempt last night to kill his wife. He then shot and killed his six-year-old child, and another so seriously that her life is despaired of.

The tragedy took place at the Wolter residence on McLean Avenue. The household was an unhappy one ever since the marriage of Wolter to Mrs. Rose Stocker, two years ago. Mrs. Wolter is possessed of property valued at \$200,000, left by her first husband. It has been Wolter's purpose to get control of it. Being unable to make any headway in this direction he became dissatisfied and began drinking to excess, and was under the influence of liquor when he committed the assault upon his wife and step-children. Wolter had on previous occasions threatened to do violence to the members of his family. When he stumbled into the house last night the young mother and her daughters became frightened and ran out onto the back porch. From there they went down the outer stairs to the veranda in the rear of the first flat. In the meantime Wolter had locked the doors of his own flat. He went out the front way and around to the rear, where the trembling members of his family were standing. Wolter, in a moment, and then he deliberately pulled a revolver, pointed it at his wife and fired. The bullet grazed Mrs. Wolter's forehead and little Mamie fell in the face. She fell where she had been standing.

The child had scarcely struck the door before the murderer had again raised the weapon, this time pointed at his eldest daughter. Before the second report rang out the horrified mother had sprung upon her frantic husband. She seized his arm just as the bullet left the smoking pistol to bury itself in the stomach of the father. He fell on the floor. Not yet content with his murderous work the crazed man leveled the weapon at his wife, but before he could pull the trigger she struck down his arm and the bullet went wide. Neighbors intervened and held him until an officer arrived on the scene. Mamie died in the hospital at an early hour this morning. Her husband had not regained consciousness at midnight. Then it was decided to make an attempt to locate the bullet, but it was not expected the child would survive the operation.

Chief Justice Davis returned from the Mainland last evening.

UNTRUTHFUL ORGAN

The Falsity of the Colonist's So-called "Reports" Now Clearly Shown.

The "Report" of the Colquitz Hall Meeting Unrecognizable by the Chairman.

The opposition candidates, Mr. William Templeman and Dr. Milne, held the first of their series of successful meetings at Colquitz hall on Friday evening, June 5th. The report of that meeting, which appeared in the Colonist of the following morning, was more than usually distorted, unfair and false.

Mr. David Stevens, of Saanich, who acted as chairman of the meeting on the occasion referred to, wrote the Colonist, pointing out the ridiculous incorrectness of their report. This letter was not published by the Colonist until this morning, probably owing to pressure upon space or other reasons—most likely other reasons.

With a desire to prove to impartial minds that the "reports," so called, of political meetings appearing in the Colonist are absolutely untrustworthy and unreliable, we publish below Mr. Stevens' letter. It may be added that Mr. Stevens is a most highly respected young man whose word is as good as his bond. The letter follows:

To the Editor of the Colonist: It is rather surprising to read the Colquitz meeting as reported in the Colonist. Really, anyone who was present would hardly recognize it as a report of a meeting at all. I acted as chairman of the meeting and I failed to see but a few of the interruptions reported as coming from the electors, nor did Mr. Templeman lose his temper. There certainly were a few remarks, but with the exception of those that came from Mr. Carey, the interruptions came from a gentleman who has no vote in the coming Victoria election, viz. Mr. Johnston. With the regard to the statement of Mr. Templeman being corrected while reading the names of those who would have been disqualified had Col. Priog's bill been passed, the trouble arose not from any ignorance on the part of Mr. Templeman, but from the person interrupting not knowing what section he lived in. It would be well if reporters would give a true report of all meetings, and not twist things to suit their own ends, for there are many who depend on the papers for the reports of meetings, and when they find out the true version, it only disgusts them to think that they have read wrong reports and misstatements.

D. STEVENS. Lake District, June 9.

WANT A CHANGE. The Feeling on the Political Situation in the Trail District.

A resident of Trail, B. C., writes as follows to a friend in this city: "I am going to drop you a line on the political situation in this district. Every thing looks well for Mr. Liberal. He is doing things well for the Liberal party. Easterners coming in here daily report that the people east are disgusted with the party in power and financially ruined. The majority predict a sweeping majority for Laurier. In this place I have only met one Conservative; everybody is longing for a change. The Conservative agents are here inquiring of parties if they wish to go back to the coast for the election, they are not going to leave a stone unturned to get these agents. Others say there will be a rebellion if the Conservatives go back. However, I am confident that they will not. I hope and trust that Templeman and Milne will be elected."

CRICKET. AUSTRALIANS BEATEN. London, June 12.—The Mary-le-bone cricket club eleven beat the Australians by one inning and 18 runs to-day.

GRAND LODGE.

Proceedings at Yesterday's Session of the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F.

Sanoma, June 11.—The annual meeting of the grand lodge, I. O. O. F., was closed this evening with a banquet at the Palace Hotel. Yesterday routine business occupied the attention of the lodge. In the evening officers of the I. O. O. F. insurance association were elected as follows: President, J. E. Phillips, P. G. M., Victoria; vice-president, A. Henderson, Victoria; secretary-treasurer, Fred Davey, Victoria. Directors—Charles Hayward, A. Stewart, W. Huxtable, Victoria; B. W. Shiles, New Westminster. Finance committee—S. W. Edwards, A. G. Day, J. J. Hanna, Victoria.

BRIGANDAGE IN TURKEY. Two French Ladies Captured and Held for Ransom.

Constantinople, June 12.—A dispatch received from Canea says that another Greek vessel, loaded with munition and provisions for the insurgents, has been seized by the Turkish officials.

A French guard ship started for Yavou yesterday with \$75,000 to pay the ransom of two French ladies recently captured near that place by brigands.

THEY WILL SIT SOME TIME. Venezuelan Commission Will Not Close Their Labors Soon.

Washington, June 13.—The Venezuelan boundary commission yesterday quite effectually disposed of the recent reports of an early conclusion of their labors. Reports will be presented and considered, all having bearing on the Venezuelan boundary.

TARS IN THE TROPICS. Fare Badly—Seventy Men Lost by Sunstroke.

London, June 12.—A special dispatch from Bombay says that the British second-class twin-screw battleship, flagship of the East Indian squadron, flying the flag of Rear-Admiral Edmund C. Drummond, lost 70 men by sunstroke while on the voyage from Colombo to Pondicherry.

CARNEGIE'S NEW PLANT. Pittsburgh, June 13.—The Carnegie people have decided to build an addition to their works, costing at least \$1,000,000. The new plant will be for the rapid construction of heavy ordnance.

AYER'S Hair VIGOR. Restores natural color to the hair, and also prevents it falling out. Mrs. H. W. Fenwick, Digby, N. S., says: "A little more than two years ago my hair began to turn gray and fall out. After using Ayer's Hair Vigor for three years, and it has restored my hair, which was fast becoming gray, back to its natural color." H. W. HASELHOFF, Paterson, N. J.

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