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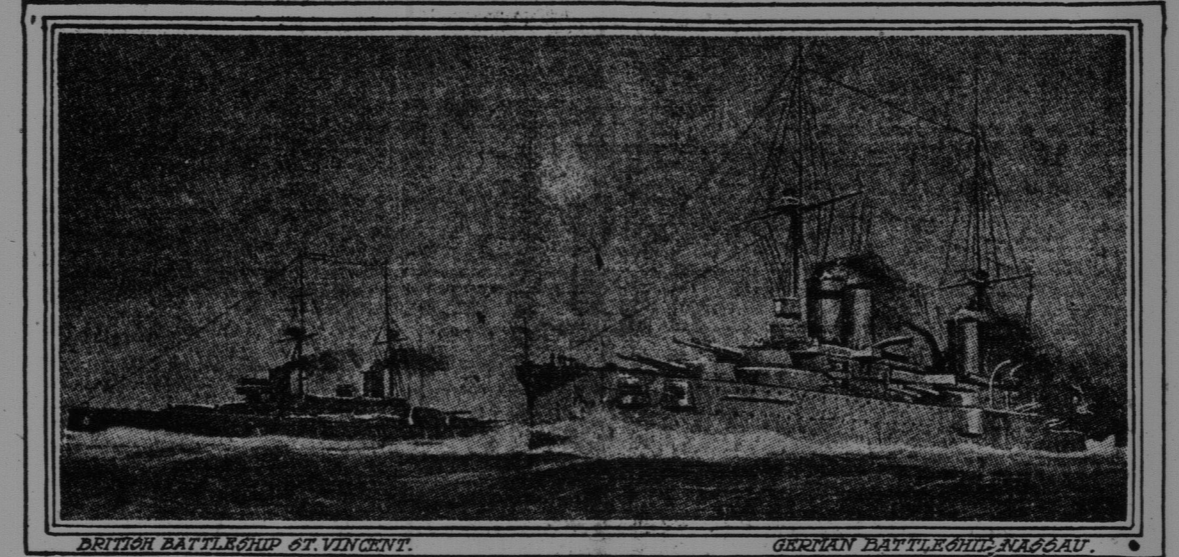
HUGE FOREST RESERVE FOR THE DOMINION

Government to Set Aside Whole Slope of Rocky Mountains Forever

Announcement Made by Hon. Sydney Fisher at Forestry Convention at Montreal—New Brunswick and Federal Authorities Criticized for Lax Regulations in Conserving the Country's Timber.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Montreal, Mar. 12.—The important announcement was made by Hon. Sydney Fisher at the Dominion Forestry convention here today that the Dominion government had decided to set aside the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains forever as a forest reserve...

RECENTLY LAUNCHED BATTLESHIPS OF BRITAIN AND GERMANY



The British battleship St. Vincent and her two sisters, the Collingwood and the Rodney, now under construction—with a fourth ship, the Anson, to be built under the forthcoming estimates—are modified editions of the Dreadnaught, displacing 19,300 tons. They are armed with ten 12-inch guns and an anti-torpedo battery of 4.7 quick firers, and are expected to exceed twenty-one knots on trial.

LIVELY DEBATE OVER POLITICAL PUBLIC WORKS

Perley of Argenteuil Charges That Useless Wharves Are Built

Claims There is an \$80,000 Structure at Bathurst Not Used—Dr. Pugsley Defends the Expenditure of His Department—Osler and Fielding Have Sharp Tilt—Many Other Members Take a Hand.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Ottawa, March 12.—Mr. Aylesworth, in the House today, introduced a bill to amend the public works act. The bill is to arrange the list of cases which come up for hearing in the court. At present the cases are divided in three parts: (1), maritime province cases; (2), Quebec cases; and (3), Ontario cases...

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(Special to The Telegraph.) Ottawa, March 12.—A. W. Owen, accountant of the marine department, was examined at the public accounts committee today in reference to the account of K. Falconer for \$42,000 for reorganizing the department. Mr. Owen said he had paid the accounts of Mr. Falconer on instructions of the deputy minister of marine, he did not himself check over the per diem allowances; that was not his business...

STANDARD OIL STARTED BOGUS "INDEPENDENT" COMPANIES AS BLIND

Former Employee Tells of Many Schemes of Octopus to Crush Out Competitors.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 12.—Absorption of rivals, dismantling of competing plants, gathering of information regarding the customers of opponents and the methods by which some information was obtained from railways by the Standard Oil Company regarding shipments of oil received before Special Examiner Ferris here in the government's outer suit against the company...

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GRAHAM BELL'S AIRSHIP MAKES A RECORD

Hammondsport, N. Y., Mar. 12.—Professor Alexander Graham Bell's new aeroplane, the "Red Wing" today, in the presence of a committee of the Aerial Experiment Association, and a number of other spectators, flew a distance of 318 feet, 11 inches at a height of from 10 to 20 feet.

FAVOR MARITIME PROVINCE PORT FOR ALL-YEAR-ROUND FAST ATLANTIC SERVICE

Halifax, N. S., March 12.—Under the auspices of the Halifax Board of Trade a mass meeting was held today to notify a resolution favoring an all-year-round port in Maritime Provinces as a terminus of the fast Atlantic steamship service between Canada and Great Britain.

RECOVERING HIS HEALTH

Nice, France, Mar. 12.—Alarmed reports concerning the health of Joseph Chamberlain, who has been here for some time past, are untrue. His health is improved and he takes the keenest interest in current events in the expectation of returning to political activity.

ONTARIO GENERAL ELECTION LIKELY TO TAKE PLACE IN JUNE

(Special to The Telegraph.) Toronto, March 12.—At a Conservative caucus today Premier Whitney announced his intention of going to the country as early as possible and it is probable the general election will be held during the second week in June.

DENVER PRIEST'S ASSASSIN TO HANG

Denver, Colo., March 12.—Giuseppe Alia, who shot and killed Father Le Heinrich in St. Elizabeth's church in this city Feb. 23, was today found guilty of murder in the first degree. Hanging was the penalty fixed by the jury.

MINISTER DIED IN ASYLUM

Brookville, Ont., March 12.—(Special.)—Rev. A. G. Robertson, one of the most brilliant ministers of the Methodist conference of the Methodist conference during the Brookville asylum today, aged forty years.

NEW ENGLAND COTTON MILL OPERATIVES' WAGES TO BE CUT TEN PER CENT.

Boston, March 12.—A general reduction in the wages of the cotton mill operatives of the north will be made during the latter part of the month and following weeks, according to millmen in this city and in several leading textile centres.

MAURETANIA MAKES NEW OCEAN RECORD

Queenstown, March 12.—The steamer Mauretania, which arrived here today from New York, broke her westward record.

CONVICTED LONDON ELECTION BRIBERS OUT OF JAIL YET

Toronto, March 12.—John O'Gorman, William J. Molloy, George M. Reid and Daniel Wiley, the four men convicted in general sessions last November for conspiracy in the London election, have been before Judge Winchester this morning and had their bail renewed.

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