

BRITISHERS ARE EN ROUTE TO ORIENT

R. W. Wells, London, and F. Douglas Irvine, Fife, Scotland, Talk Interestingly of Conditions in China, Where They Will Reside.

"Interested in China and its welfare," is the motto of two gentlemen, at present in the city, guests at the Royal Hotel and who are en route to the Orient. Speaking to The Standard last evening, the gentleman first mentioned, preferred residence but hunting up his friend, a merry chat was the result, in which readers may learn of the existing conditions in China, and of those conditions which mark China's commercial and economical stages in the pre-war days.

R. W. Wells, London, England, was the first gentleman mentioned, and he was his profession, but searching up his friend, F. Douglas Irvine, of Fife, Scotland, the two gentlemen unraveled a tale of interest, and of an educational character. Mr. Irvine took the initiative, in telling of the Orient which he had deserted, in early days of the war, to return to England to become engaged in war activities, closely followed by his friend and travelling companion, Mr. Wells. Having completed their respective tasks in the motherland—land of one's birth—they are now returning to resume their former business in China. Mr. Wells is en route to Shanghai, while the other gentleman goes to Tien Sien, Southern China. Little was related of the moorland by the two travellers, but Mr. Irvine, when solicited for information, relative to the labor troubles in Manchester and other English centres, stated he believed the labor troubles were reaching an end as an eight hour day had been granted to certain classes of the workmen, among whom he understood, were the railway men. This concession, had been made only after the promises of the men, to work longer hours for a time in order to lessen the congestion at some centres in England.

Speaking of the Orient, he mentioned the present issue of the Century Magazine, wherein was an article written by a Mr. Millard, advocating a League of Nations, and the adoption of China among the others. Mr. Irvine believed such as was contained in the article, was the real basis for future prosperity, and welfare of China, as in so following those ideas, mapped out by Mr. Millard, China would gain judicial authority (a degree of efficiency quite unknown to the Orient) excepting Siam, where the Republic would gain an equality, equal to the monarchy of a few years previous. Japan, the speaker thought, would, in future, play upon the Oriental countries, as in the past it was observed and reported where she had not covetous and longing eyes on China. Unless China was admitted to the league of nations as now being proposed, Mr. Irvine believed the time would come when China would conquer her domestic troubles, would be forced to the wall by the heavy hand of Japan. At present, continued Mr. Irvine, China is a Republic and as such foreigners come under the judicial authority of their respective consuls. With the advent of a league of nations, China would be watched more closely in the future by the other allied countries, so that she would enjoy a feeling of complete safety as would English, French, Spanish and many other citizens now in the country.

Asked if Bolshevism had gained vantage in China, Mr. Irvine retorted: "Report has it that the Bochees, who were in China during the war have all been forwarded to Amsterdam, Holland, as the Chinese wished to 'part or parcel' with the apostles of a vanished hope. Many loans were made by China from the Hun during pre-war days (but presumably advised) the Chinese cancelled their obligations through the mediation of expatriates from their country. Bolshevism, another radical Bohemian theory, wherein each party would be represented by a distinct political head in legislative affairs had not gained a footing in China or was it probable that it would. Business conditions in China were excellent, railway communication, although neglected to some extent during the actual war days, would be bettered, and all industries were assuming their pre-war dimensions. Both men had faith in their future home. They leave this evening en route to New York from whence they will proceed to the Pacific coast, enroute to the Orient.

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CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION REPORT SHOWS PROGRESS

The Report Outlines the Efforts of the Commission to Carry Out Civil Service Reform as Promised by the Prime Minister in 1917 and as Provided by the Act of 1918.

Ottawa, April 7.—The tenth annual report of the civil service commission tabled in the Commons today, outlines the efforts of the commission to carry out civil service reform, as promised by the Prime Minister in 1917, and as provided for by the Civil Service Act of 1918. After dealing with the patronage evil, which is said to have been condemned by all royal commissions of investigation, the report goes on to state that the first step towards the introduction of the merit system is a classification of positions on the basis of duties performed, employees doing like work receiving like pay.

Dealing with the re-classification of the service now in progress the report declares that the magnitude of the work cannot be realized without a knowledge of the conditions in all the ramifications of the civil service. Experts were secured and are working on the new scheme.

"The next grave responsibility of the commission, that of organization," says the report, "can never be finally discharged. It is necessarily progressive and elastic."

This has been provided for by the creation of an organization branch within the staff of the commission, in charge of classification, organization and special investigations. It adds that the legislation, with regard to the placing of returned soldiers, has been faithfully adhered to in every case, where a qualified soldier has been available, he has been given

on the preference over other candidates.

The report states that it was expected there would be violations of the law, during the first few months of the new act in force. Some confusion was inevitable, and the violations in many cases unintentional. For this reason the commission feels justified in withholding particulars. With the fifty thousand positions in the outside service suddenly transferred to the control of the commission, it was difficult to expand rapidly enough to meet the situation.

"It has taken several months," says the report, "to adjust these difficulties, and during these months it seems hardly fair that the actions of the commission should have been submitted to such attacks as were made upon it in the House of Commons."

It is unfortunate that this report should not have been published soon enough to forestall such criticism, and to prove that the commission had made an earnest effort to carry out the legislation, and to handle the situation, in the face of great odds. It is with Parliament now to ratify the powers it has conferred by refusing to vote to the departments any appropriation out of which salaries are paid, without reference to the commission. In this way only can the control of the civil service commission over all appointments be assured.

The commissioners, in their report, call attention to the "imperative necessity of superannuation act."

STATEMENT OF CROWN LAND SINKING FUND TRANSACTIONS

NEW IMMIGRATION BILL HAS TEETH

Introduced into the House of Commons Monday by Hon. J. A. Calder.

Ottawa, April 7.—The government immigration bill was introduced into the House of Commons today by Hon. J. A. Calder. The bill extends the restrictions on immigration now in force. It extends the time during which immigrants may be deported, from three to five years.

Prohibited clauses are also extended under the bill. Those mentally or physically unfit, will be excluded, also people unable to read. Persons who believe in the overthrow of constitutional government, or alien enemies of Canada, or of any country, will be excluded.

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Those feelings of faintness, those weak, "all gone" sinking sensations, which come over some people from time to time, are warnings that must not go unheeded. They mean an extremely weakened condition of the heart and a disordered nervous system.

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RETURNS FROM GRAND MANAN.
E. E. Peck, of Albert, came to the city yesterday on the steamer from Grand Manan, where he has been since Wednesday last on a business trip. Mr. Peck states that he was greatly surprised on his first trip to the island to find such a fine thrifty class of good citizens among the sturdy fishermen and their families inhabiting this real beauty spot in the Bay of Fundy.

The fishing season has opened there, some three weeks earlier than usual and large quantities of herring have already been taken, a Mr. Fletcher having taken eighteen hogheads on Saturday morning last. Scott D. Guptill, M.L.A., came up on the steamer and proceeded to Fredericton last evening.

PEACE DELEGATES IN NEW ROLE

Resolutions Asking Them to Take a Hand in the Liquor Question.

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Resolutions were adopted requesting the league of nations to provide a permanent bureau for the study of the liquor question, and to report on the effects of liquor on the human system and the results obtained by drink legislation. The resolutions will be presented to the peace conference on Tuesday. Bishop James Cannon, of Richmond, Va., and Dr. Carre, of Tennessee, took a prominent part in the discussion.

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EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE

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The resolution stated that, whereas there was very urgent need of larger accommodations in the present Protestant Orphan Home, Britain street, the Alliance formally pledge its support to any forward movement that may be inaugurated towards bettering the conditions.

In the discussion of the resolution it was repeatedly suggested that the present institution was seemingly quite unsuited to the needs of the hour and that any concerted effort put forth be in the direction of a modern institution worthy of the cause.

THREE ALARMS YESTERDAY.

Yesterday the firemen were called to box 15 for a slight fire in an old mattress in a woodshed back of a house occupied by Frank A. Bowe and Patrick Morris, 32 Exmouth street. About 3.30 o'clock an alarm from box 241 was sent in for a chimney fire on Goodrich street. At five o'clock the firemen were given a call to the corner of Queen and German streets for a chimney fire in the Harding house.

THE GANTEN INQUIRY.

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and adequate to the needs of many future years. Resolutions of sympathy were extended to the Alliance president, Rev. Mr. Dowling, of St. Andrew's church, who is bereft of his mother, and the secretary, Rev. J. C. B. Appel, of Douglas Avenue Christian Church, who has lately returned from Kentucky, where he buried his daughter. A resolution of appreciation and good wishes was passed in favor of Rev. F. H. Wentworth, late pastor of Waterloo street Baptist church, who has taken up a charge in the city of Quebec.

The ministers present at the Alliance meeting today were Rev. S. S. Poole, first vice-president, in the chair; Rev. G. A. Kuhring, Rev. H. A. Goodwin, Rev. Geo. Dawson, Rev. R. H. W. Pinkett, Rev. Geo. Morris, Rev. E. A. Westmoreland, Rev. F. J. M. Appelman, Rev. W. H. Sampson, Rev. R. A. Canon Armstrong, Rev. Canon A. H. Crowfoot, Rev. A. L. Redford, Rev. A. Bishop, Rev. J. A. MacKeigan and Rev. J. C. B. Appel, secretary.

THE ROTARY CLUB.
The Rotary Club held its weekly session last evening instead of at noon. R. L. Hunter presided, and the speaker was C. Winter Brown, who told a most interesting story of a trip to the Pacific Coast, enjoyed by himself and Donaldson Hunt, both of whom accompanied troop trains as representatives of the Y.M.C.A. They visited Victoria, Seattle, Portland, Ore., Calgary, Edmonton and other cities. Mr. Brown was struck particularly with the lighting systems of the western cities, which he found were much superior to our own. The

matter of the wider use of school buildings was touched upon, and the request of the Club in this respect will come before the School Board at its next regular meeting.

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