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## Changes in British Cabinet Expected Thru Sydney Buxton's Appointment to South Africa

### REBELS PREPARE TO MARCH ON TAMPICO

Pending Arrival of Munitions, Mexican Insurrectos Have Suspended Aggressive Operations, But Heavy Fighting Expected Soon—Tampico's Fall Necessary to Rebel Success.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 8.—President Huerta has succeeded in the past week, without much fighting, in reopening the lines of communication to Tampico and Laredo and between Santillo and Torreon. This apparent advantage is explained to some extent by the fact that the rebels have received instructions to cease operating in small bands in those districts, where they had been persistently cutting the lines, and join the concentration movements near Torreon, the middle districts, and about Tampico, on the gulf coast.

The indications are that there will be a lull in the military operations until the rebels have supplied themselves with additional arms and ammunition, which are now available from the United States, and that when Gen. Carranza and Villa and other rebel leaders have completed their preparations for an advance, several important engagements will be fought.

In the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, and in the adjoining regions extending north, both east and west of the capital, numerous rebel organizations are operating, but the interest in their campaigns has grown less.

To Centre on Tampico. The opinion is held here that the rebels in the north now on will direct their energies along two lines of campaign, one looking to the capture of Torreon, Zacatecas, Aguascalientes and other towns in their path to the capital, and the other to the capture of Tampico, with Monterey and San Luis Potosi as secondary objectives.

Railways extend from Tampico to both Monterey and San Luis Potosi, and the possession of this port would make the direction of the campaign against these two towns and their subsequent occupation much simpler for the rebels. Gen. Huerta, however, is prepared to use all the gunboats in the gulf to assist in the holding of Tampico.

Keep Railway Lines Open. The railway lines extending to the north, the west and the northeast of the capital are regarded as only second in strategic importance, because over them is brought almost daily the capital's food supply. The lines to Vera Cruz are not so important in this respect, as they are chiefly valuable for the transportation of imported supplies. The most interesting and perhaps the most important of these is the line to the north.

### WILSON IS NOT DISLOYAL TO PLATFORM

It Now Appears That Exemption of U. S. Vessels From Panama Tolls Was "Put Over," by Minority—Policy, Now Repudiated, Denounced as "Heretic Doctrine."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The provision favoring free passage for American ships thru the Panama canal was injected into the Democratic platform without the knowledge of the majority of the resolutions committee at the Baltimore convention, according to the assertion today of Representative Adamson of Georgia, chairman of the interstate and foreign commerce commission. He had met but three or four members of the convention, he said, who knew of the existence of the tolls plank before the platform was promulgated.

Branding the tolls exemption provision as "heretic doctrine" Adamson issued a statement today paying the way for congressional debate on a repealing bill to be introduced in accordance with the determination of President Wilson that the United States should recognize the claim of Great Britain that exemption for American ships is in violation of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

A Minority Provision. Senator O'Gorman, who will fight the repeal provision in the senate, and Representative Broussard of Louisiana, the senator-elect from that state, were members of a sub-committee at Baltimore, which wrote the tolls exemption plan into the platform. It was done, it was stated today, without the consent of a majority of the full committee or Secretary of State Bryan, chairman of the resolutions committee.

"I am not at all troubled about the cry," said Representative Adamson, "that repealing the exemption violates the Democratic platform. A subsidy is not a cardinal doctrine of the Democratic party. In fact that exemption is a contradictory interpolation into an anti-subsidy plank in the platform and is utterly void. The method of its insertion was an act of gross misrepresentation among well informed people. Under a general idea of approving what a Democratic congress had done certain members of the house and senate, who were on that committee, were permitted to interject that heretical provision on the idea that they were asserting approval of what Democrats in congress had done, when in fact a majority of more than 20 Democrats in the house, voted against the exemption."

NO TRIP FOR PRINCE. LONDON, Feb. 8.—A statement has been issued from Buckingham Palace denying the report published yesterday that the Prince of Wales, accompanied by Prince Albert and Sir John Anderson, would begin a tour of the overseas Dominions in August.

Such a tour at the time indicated is entirely out of the question.

### WASTE OF THIRTY MILLIONS IN EASTERN DIVISION OF N.T.R. HOUSE MAY GET REPORT TODAY

Evidence of Graft, if Any, Will Probably Be Withheld and Emphasis Laid on Incompetent Engineering and General Extravagance—Fear to Injure Credit.

(Special to The Toronto World) OTTAWA, Feb. 8.—Hon. Frank Cochrane, minister of railways and canals, will probably present to the house tomorrow the long-looked-for report of F. P. Gutelius and George Lynch-Staunton respecting the construction of the eastern division of the National Transcontinental Railway between Moncton, N.B., and Winnipeg.

### THIRTY FIREMEN BARELY ESCAPED

Explosion in Huge Grain Elevator at Chicago Imperiled Lives—Loss Close to Millions.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Thirty firemen had a narrow escape from death in the blaze which early today destroyed a big grain elevator owned by the Armour Grain Co. Twenty minutes after the fire was discovered and when it was believed to be under control, an explosion occurred, and for a time all the firemen in the building were given up for lost. All escaped, however, although a number were overcome by smoke and had to be carried out by comrades.

### EARL OF DERBY WILL NOT SELL HIS ESTATE

Bluff Called by Baron de Forest—Says Offer Was Misrepresented. LONDON, Feb. 8.—The Earl of Derby has declined to sell to Baron de Forest his Bootle estate in the suburb of Liverpool, as at one time appeared likely, on the ground that the Baron had wilfully misrepresented the terms of his offer.

### BARCELONA, Feb. 8.—An attempt was made today to kill Senor Ossorio Callardo, who was governor of Barcelona at the time of the disorders in 1909. The ex-governor escaped, and in his stead, an inoffensive citizen was shot dead.

A great mob gathered outside the building, and in spite of repeated charges of the police forced their way to an automobile in which it was supposed the ex-governor was riding. A volley of revolver shots directed at the machine, and when the body of the victim was taken out it was found to be that of a civilian. In the meantime Senor Ossorio-Callardo drove off by a roundabout route.

INTERURBAN ENTERPRISE TO HAVE BIG CAPITAL. Company With Toronto Headquarters, Capitalized at Five Million Dollars.

OTTAWA, Feb. 8.—(Special).—The following company incorporations are gazetted: Interurban Co., Limited, Toronto; capital \$5,000,000. Kristone Electric Co., Limited, Hamilton, Ont.; capital \$75,000. Geo. Gale & Sons, Waterville, Que.; capital \$500,000. Island Realty Investment Co., Limited, Montreal; capital \$100,000. Ross Church Road Co., Limited, Montreal; capital \$75,000.

THIRTY-FIVE HUNDRED DAMAGE. Elora Textile Company's Factory Visited By Fire. ELORA, Ont., Feb. 8.—(Special).—About 3 o'clock this afternoon fire broke out in the factory of the Elora Textile Company, a new firm, lately established. The firemen were somewhat handicapped on account of the high wind and extreme cold, but by heroic efforts managed to get the flames under control. Damage to the extent of \$350,000 was done to the building and contents. Loss fully covered by insurance.

### C. N. R. MAY GET DOMINION LOAN ON SECURITY OF COMMON STOCK

Rumor Says Company Will Deposit Stock in Ratio of Two to One Par Value—Loans to C. P. R. and G. T. P. Cited as Precedents.

(Special to The Toronto World) OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 8.—It is reported, altho direct confirmation is lacking, that parliament will be asked at the present session to authorize a loan to the Canadian Northern Railway Co., which will be secured by a deposit of common stock in the ratio of two to one, par value.

### SERIOUS WOUND WAS NOT FATAL

Penatang Boy, Torn by Shotgun Discharge a Month Ago, Rallied and is Well.

A most remarkable case of recovery, according to physicians, is that of 10-year-old Francis Cushman, of Penatang, who, over a month ago, while shooting in the woods near his home, discharged the contents of a shotgun into his side. He was brought to Toronto to St. Michael's Hospital, where it was found that he had a wound in his side large enough to thrust one's hand into. The hip bone was splintered with shot, and part of the intestines torn away.

### SYDNEY BUXTON WILL SUCCEED GLADSTONE IN SOUTH AFRICA

President of British Board of Trade Will Be Made a Peer on Becoming Lord High Commissioner—C. F. Masterman to Enter the Cabinet.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—The Daily News says it has authority to confirm the rumor which gained currency during the past week that Viscount Gladstone, lord high commissioner in South Africa, will not immediately return to his home in England.

### GALE HINDERED FIRE FIGHTERS

Houses on Claremont Street Burned When Blaze Started in Mrs. Omar's Grocery Store.

Fire, caused from an overheated chimney flue, did damage to the extent of over \$5000 early this morning, to Claremont street residences. The blaze started in a grocery store at 128, owned by Mrs. Omar, and from there spread to numbers 130, 132 and 134, occupied by John Bouffield, Charles Lawrie and James Lewis. With the high wind fanning the flames, the fire brigades had a stiff battle before the flames were finally subdued.

TORONTO MAN TO GET IMPERIAL DECORATION. George Hillier, Caretaker at Osgoode Hall, One of Three Honored.

### WAS HANDGUFFED AS HE WALKED THE STREET

Ralph Hardie, Suspected of Many Burglaries in Parkdale, Taken Into Custody by Detective Jarvis Before He Had a Chance to Put Up Much of a Fight.

Believed to have engineered and perpetrated many of the recent shop-breaking and burglaries in Parkdale and the western section of the city, Ralph Hardie, 19, of 72 Dundas street, was arrested on West Queen street by Acting Detective Jarvis of No. 6 station at 10 o'clock Saturday evening. The specific charge on which Hardie is being held is that of having broken into the shoe store of H. Goldstein, 1642 West Queen street, a month ago. He is said to have robbed the cash register, besides getting away with a gold watch and chain, and a quantity of goods from the store.

The arrest is the culmination of nearly a month's hard work on the part of the west end detective, in connection with the series of burglaries in the district. With absolutely no clue on which to work, he eventually succeeded in getting his man. The first trace of the criminal Detective Jarvis got in a pawn shop, where Hardie had endeavored to sell the watch and chain. The pawnbroker did not know the name of the party who called on him, but when shown a photograph of Hardie, unhesitatingly stated he was the man who attempted to sell the watch.

For two weeks after that occurrence Jarvis could get no track of the man he was after, but finally, from information got in Hardie's old haunts, learned that he, with two other men, had set out for the southern states immediately after the date of the burglary. The detective traced them to London, Ont., and again lost track of them. Scanning the London papers, he read an account of a restaurant brawl, in which three young men, falling to beat the restaurant keeper out of their meals, set upon and beat him up badly. The account further stated that in the fight which ensued with the police, two constables were roughly handled. Knowing the ways of the gang he was after, Jarvis fully believed this to be some of their work, and when he caught his man on Queen street, had information ready to send to London for the detention of the three men.

Taken by Surprise. The detective first saw his man while riding on a street car. Hardie was at the time walking westward on Queen. Jumping off the car, Jarvis ran up behind him and handcuffed him before Hardie knew he was caught. There was a brief struggle, but it was soon over, and Hardie safely lodged in No. 8 station. When searched he had in his pocket a clipping from the "Sun" paper giving a full account of the restaurant fight in which he was involved.

More arrests are likely to follow in the same case, and additional charges probably will be laid against Hardie.

### MEXICO CITY PREPARES FOR IMPENDING ATTACK

Y.M.C.A. Building Likely to Be Strategic Point in Clash.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 7.—Preparations for establishing interior defenses without loss of time, should it become necessary, were made today by officers acting under instructions from the war department. A careful inspection was made of the Young Men's Christian Association building, the roof of which overtops the arsenal, and which was a contested point last year ago. Similar inspections have been made of many other high buildings on a few of which small detachments of soldiers have been stationed.

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INTERNATIONAL BOURBON FIRE. A NASTY CRACK. A large fire broke out in the International Bourbon Fire building, causing significant damage to the structure and contents.

INTERURBAN ENTERPRISE TO HAVE BIG CAPITAL. A new company, the Interurban Enterprise, has been formed with a capital of five million dollars. The company will have its headquarters in Toronto.

THIRTY-FIVE HUNDRED DAMAGE. A large fire at the Elora Textile Company's factory caused damage to the extent of \$350,000. The fire was caused by an overheated chimney flue.

GALE HINDERED FIRE FIGHTERS. A fire in Mrs. Omar's grocery store on Claremont Street was hindered by a strong gale, causing damage to several houses.

TORONTO MAN TO GET IMPERIAL DECORATION. George Hillier, caretaker at Osgoode Hall, has been honored with the Imperial Decoration.

MEXICO CITY PREPARES FOR IMPENDING ATTACK. Preparations for establishing interior defenses in Mexico City are well advanced.