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GERMANY COULD INVADE ENGLAND

LORD ROBERTS' SOLEMN WARNING TO THE BRITISH

Necessity for Strong and Efficient Army—Naval Supremacy Threatened.

London, Nov. 24.—Speaking in the House of Lords last night, Field Marshal Lord Roberts expressed the conviction that the lack of a military force sufficient to make hopeless the attempt of an invasion would, in all probability, be the cause of Great Britain's loss of her supremacy at sea.

In a studied speech he pointed out the comparative ease with which Germany could land an army on the shores of England. Under the present conditions England would be forced, he said, to submit to most humiliating demands.

He disclaimed all hostility to or fear of Germany, but he declared the defence of the islands required immediate attention.

There should be an army so strong in numbers and efficiency that the most formidable of foreign nations would hesitate to make a landing in England.

He had ascertained, the speaker asserted, that vessels capable of accommodating 200,000 men were available in the northern ports of Germany, and that as a result of the new German service law 200,000 men could be collected in the districts of the nearest ports without any trouble.

The German Government, he stated, were in constant practice in embarking and disembarking, and as the railroads were owned by the state, all preliminaries, up to the actual dispatch of troops, could be carried out with the utmost secrecy.

Germany was perfectly aware, the field marshal went on, that it would be essential for her transports to evade the British fleet, and she could easily distract attention by small raids while the main disembarkation was proceeding undisturbed.

"It would be folly," declared Lord Roberts, "to shut our eyes to these possibilities." He held that however much peace is desired, the continuing events in the near east have brought home to the most careless observer that nothing could save that country which is not prepared to protect itself.

If Great Britain continues to neglect the most ordinary precautions she may some day find herself in the hands of the invader and forced to submit to the most humiliating conditions.

This danger is to-day becoming more threatening. Within a decade Germany has created the greatest sea-power that ever existed excepting Great Britain, and at the present moment it is formidable.

Measures are being taken to increase that power. It is calculated that there are 80,000 Germans in employment in Great Britain. They are trained soldiers, and if a German force once landed on these shores they would be ready to help."

Lord Roberts contended that it was not absolutely essential for a nation to command the sea in order to carry out an invasion. A temporary naval command would suffice, and this was perfectly understood in Germany. The main temptation to the invasion of Great Britain was the want of a home army, which ought to consist of a million men.

Across the narrow sea were 60,000 Germans, who by perseverance industry, sound education and military training, had made themselves a great nation. They required outlets for their commerce and population.

It was Lord Roberts's business, concluded Lord Roberts, to find in what way the great increase in Germany's sea power was likely to affect her, and to adopt measures if necessary for her own defence. The navy under present conditions, was fettered in home waters, and without military forces sufficient to render an invasion hopeless, Great Britain's military weakness would, in all probability, be the cause of the loss of her naval supremacy.

Lord Roberts' speech caused a sensation in the House.

The Earl of Crowe remarked on the seriousness of such statements in the present high strung condition of Europe's nerves, saying he feared there might be regrettable consequences.

Lord Roberts' resolution to the effect that the defence of the islands necessitates the immediate attention of the government, to make provision for such a strong and efficient army that the most formidable foreign nation will hesitate before making an attempt at a landing, was adopted by a vote of 74 to 82.

DOMINION FAIR IN 1910.

Regina, Sask., Nov. 24.—President Bredt, of the Regina Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition Association, has again taken up the question of the Dominion fair for 1910.

The action of the Brandon fair board in moving to secure the fair for next year is the cause of the activity in Regina.

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Mr. Pendray was carried into Mr. Raymond's and Dr. Hart summoned. An inquest will be held into the circumstances probably to-morrow.

The deceased was a native of Victoria, having been born here thirty-one years ago. He was educated in this city and early in life entered the business conducted by his father and thoroughly mastered all the details of it. For years he has had charge of the soap department.

He is survived by a wife and two children. The arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

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FATAL "WILLIAM TELL" ACT.

Music Hall Performer Succumbs to Wound—Woman Arrested.

London, Nov. 24.—Herbert Lee, a music hall performer, died in this city to-day from the effects of a wound in the head received during a performance of a "William Tell" act at a local music hall last night. Lee held a ball on his head at which Madame Clementine shot at a distance of fifty feet. Madame Clementine has surrendered to the police.

Mr. Lee had been giving this act for a period of 18 years without having met any accident.

DEMONSTRATE IN FAVOR OF EMPEROR WILLIAM

Animated by Highest Ideal for the Good of His People.

Berlin, Nov. 24.—The Industrial Union, an organization composed of most formidable of the leading manufacturers and merchants of Germany, is at present holding a meeting in this city, and to-day it gave a remarkable demonstration in favor of Emperor William and in recognition of his desire to carry out his imperial duties with benefit to the fatherland.

The chairman of the commercial committee, Privy Councillor Wirth, in addressing the delegates, said the recent misunderstanding between the Emperor and the people had been entirely dispelled by his Majesty's self-repression, and his spontaneous acts had proved that he was animated by the highest ideal for the good of the people.

The meeting came to an end with repeated cheers for the Emperor.

SERVED WITH DISTINCTION IN BRITISH WARS

General Sir Henry Wilkinson, Aged 69, Passes Away at Kenora, Ont.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 24.—General Sir Henry Wilkinson, a well known British capitalist, largely interested in mining in Lake of the Woods district, died last night in Kenora, aged 69. Deceased served with distinction during the Indian Mutiny, was inspector of cavalry at Alderhot, served in the Afghan and the Egyptian campaigns, being mentioned in dispatches several times. He spent fifteen years in Western Canada "farming and mining." At the time of his death he was managing director of the Black Eagle Mining Company, of Kenora, and intended returning to England for the winter.

STANDARD OIL SUIT.

John D. Rockefeller Owned Over a Quarter of the Stock.

New-York, Nov. 24.—John D. Rockefeller testified in the government's suit against the Standard Oil Company to-day that at the time of the organization of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, in 1889, he owned 256,854 shares of its stock out of a total stock issue of 983,883 shares.

ERNEST C. PENDRAY INSTANTLY KILLED

Well Known Business Man of This City Met Death at Noon To-day.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

A sad death occurred at noon to-day when Ernest C. Pendray, eldest son of W. J. Pendray, of this city, was instantly killed. Mr. Pendray, who was superintendent of the soap department of the works, was on his way to his home, 86 Pandora street, when through an accident the wheel of the company's truck passed over him, causing instant death.

The accident happened about a quarter to twelve. Mr. Pendray had got on the single horse truck which was driving over town, intending to go home for his lunch. There were boxes weighing 2,300 pounds on the truck at the time, which were being taken over town. As they reached a position opposite the home of John Raymond the automobile owned by Frank S. Barnard passed, frightening the horse.

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SHAH'S SUDDEN CHANGE OF FRONT

WITHDRAWS NOTICES OF "NO CONSTITUTION"

British and Russian Legations Hold Monarch to His Original Promise.

Teheran, Nov. 24.—The Shah already has repented of his proclamation posted in the Mosques yesterday in which it was set forth that the people in spite of his promises shall not have any constitution and during the night he sent out orders to withdraw this proclamation from circulation and to destroy all the copies of it. Following these instructions, the proclamation posted on the streets and mosques were hurriedly torn down.

This sudden change of front on the part of His Majesty is attributed here to the vigorous representations that undoubtedly have been made by the British and Russian legations. These powers, it is reported, have notified the Shah that he will be held personally responsible if any refusal to give his people a constitution results in anarchy.

SAVAGE BOXING BOUT.

Boston Heavyweight May Die as Result of Fight in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 24.—Fred Bradley, the Boston heavyweight pugilist, who was seriously injured in a savage bout at the West End Athletic Club here last night with Al Kubiak, known as the Michigan giant, is still in a critical condition in the Presbyterian hospital. He is suffering from concussion of the brain, and possible fractures of the skull. The physicians are doubtful whether he will recover.

\$100,000 BLAZE.

Royal City Mill Totally Destroyed by Fire This Morning.

Vancouver, Nov. 24.—The Royal City mill, a branch of the B. C. Mills Timber & Trading Company, was destroyed by fire early this morning. The loss is \$100,000.

STOCKYARDS INSPECTED BY U. S. OFFICIALS

Secy. Wilson Satisfied With Precautions to Stamp Out Plague at Buffalo.

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 24.—Secretary James Wilson, of the United States department of agriculture; Dr. A. Melvin, chief of the bureau of animal industries, and James W. Pickens, who is also connected with the bureau of animal industries, arrived in Buffalo this morning and went immediately to the stock yards, where, accompanied by the local inspectors, they made a thorough investigation of conditions. Secretary Wilson expresses himself as well satisfied with the state of affairs which he found here.

"While I have had no opportunity as yet to go to the very bottom of conditions which exist in Buffalo," he said, "I am satisfied that the very best men that can be found are in charge of the situation here. No expense will be considered by the department in an effort to stamp out this disease, and we are most anxious to put an end to this quarantine."

Secretary Wilson and party will go to Detroit to-night.

Reported Outbreak in Michigan.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 24.—Acting on recommendations made by the Illinois State Board of Livestock Commissioners, Governor Deneen yesterday issued a proclamation prohibiting the importation of livestock from New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, in which states cases of foot and mouth disease are said to exist. Dr. J. M. Wright, state veterinary, says that the disease can be communicated from an infected animal to a human being.

Dr. Wright to-day left for Michigan to make a thorough investigation of a reported outbreak of the disease in that state.

DAMAGES EXCESSIVE, SAYS COMPANY

Cheminain Accident Recalled by Suit in Vancouver Court.

Vancouver, Nov. 24.—An accident to a runaway logging train at Cheminain a year ago which caused the death of Engineer Leonard, while of Vancouver, is recalled in an appeal before the Full court to-day. The Victoria Lumber Company is seeking a new trial of the case in which the jury awarded James White, the father of the engineer, a verdict of \$6,000 and costs.

The company's ground for application is that the evidence only showed negligence on the part of the brakeman, and that was not sufficient to render the company liable unless it were shown that the brakeman was incompetent. According to the company the evidence showed he was a competent employee. The company also seeks a new trial on the ground that the damages awarded were excessive.

GRANBY PAYS TENTH DIVIDEND.

Phoenix, Nov. 22.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the Granby Consolidated held at the company's New York office, a dividend of 2 per cent, was declared out of the net earnings of the company, payable December 15th, 1908. This will be the tenth dividend paid by the Granby Company.

Of the ten dividends, seven were declared at the rate of 1 per cent. The first dividend was at the rate of 1 per cent, and the last two at 2 per cent. The company has no regular period for declaring dividends. The last payment was made on June 30th of this year which the present \$2 declared, makes a total of \$4 per share for 1908, as compared with \$3 in 1907.

As there are now issued 135,000 shares of par value of \$100, the dividend just declared amounts to \$270,000. With this the Granby Consolidated has paid back to its shareholders, all told, the comfortable sum of \$3,598,630, as follows: 1903, \$133,830; 1904, \$1,620,000; 1907, \$1,215,000; 1908, \$540,000.

CRIME IN NEW YORK

Baker Opens Fire on Family, Killing Daughter and Wounding Son.

New York, Nov. 24.—Returning to his home in the Upper East side early to-day after an all-night absence, Carl Loos, a baker, opened fire with a revolver upon the members of his family who were at breakfast, instantly killing his 17-year-old daughter, Meta, and probably fatally wounding his 24-year old son, Frederick, a Lutheran minister. Five lives are also reported to have been lost ten miles from Mulbury, where one of the tornadoes did great damage. The tornado also struck Walls and Dyer, small towns, doing great damage. Strips from two miles to a half mile wide were swept clean through towns and the open country.

From Knoxville a dispatch received this morning partially confirms the report that the village of Barry, four miles from that place, was totally wrecked. Section men who went to the scene state the entire intermediate country has been laid waste by the wind and hail which followed. The hail stones in places stands to a depth of six inches. Physicians and nurses hastily went to relief parties and were sent from Knoxville to both Barry and Piney.

SLIDE OCCURS AT PANAMA-CANAL DAM

Accident at Gatun Attributed to Heavy Rains—Subterranean Lake.

Panama, Nov. 24.—Sensational reports were in circulation here last night to the effect that what is known as the south tow of the Gatun dam of the Panama canal had sunk.

Some time ago rumor had it that an underground lake had been found there, at a depth of 250 feet, and that a slide had occurred at Gatun, but that it was of no great importance, being similar to others that have taken place during the rainy season at several points along the canal. For the past 26 days it has been raining continually throughout the republic. The Chagres river is flooded, and all the railroad tracks at Gatun are under water. The floor of the pumping station is submerged to a depth of 20 feet, and the lock sites are also flooded. The pumping station was used to keep the lock sites clear from water.

No Word in Washington.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 24.—If there has been any serious accident resulting in the sinking of the Panama canal of the work of the proposed Gatun dam on the Isthmian canal, caused by the recent heavy rains, as published by a Panama newspaper, no mention of it has been made by the canal's chief engineer in charge of construction, in his daily reports to the office here.

DROP IN PRICE OF LOCAL LUMBER

Almost Fifty Per Cent. Reduction on Rough Product.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

There seems to be a lumber rate war on in Victoria. Some of the local firms have been in the habit of selling rough lumber at the rate of \$15 per thousand feet and they have now dropped suddenly to \$8 a thousand. This is a remarkable cut to take place suddenly, and of course means that there is some good reason behind it. The export price of rough lumber is today in the neighborhood of \$11 a thousand. As, however, the bill for rough lumber is but a small item in the building of houses, it is not likely to hastened on the New South Wales order.

INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY IN SYDNEY, N. S.

Dominion Iron and Steel Company Working Night and Day.

Sydney, N. S., Nov. 24.—The rail mill of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company has been put on a 24-hour shift, and every available steel worker in the city is employed. The residue of the Punjab order of nine thousand tons will be finished by the building of the Dominion Works, which is hastened on the New South Wales order.

TITLE TO HAND.

Indiana People Property Owned by Walker & Sons—Formerly Worth \$4,000, Now Valued at \$5,000,000.

Windsor, Ont., Nov. 24.—According to a dispatch from La Porte, Indiana, Attorney J. Geard, of Indiana Harbor, will file proceedings this week in Essex, Ont., county court claiming possession, on behalf of an Indiana client, of ten acres of land originally belonging to the Labied family, and now occupied by the firm of Walker & Sons, distillers at Walkerville. When in possession of the Labied family the property was valued at \$4,000. It is now valued at \$5,000,000. The solicitor for the Walker company says the title is perfectly clear and there is no chance for a suit.

C. N. R. BONDS OVER-SUBSCRIBED.

London, Nov. 24.—It is announced that the Canadian Northern railway issue of \$2,074,000 bonds has been over-subscribed and applications will be closed.

The number of cigars smoked in the United States in a year is 7,216,869,742.

Australia sent Great Britain 38,000 tons of rabbits last year.

ARKANSAS SWEEP BY TORNADES

ONE VILLAGE REPORTED TO BE TOTALLY WRECKED

Loss of Life May Reach 50—Heavy Damage to Property.

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 24.—Two tornadoes, one north and one south-bound, swept over West Arkansas yesterday, destroying many lives and much property. All means of communication were destroyed and nothing definite was heard from the region visited by the trouble.

It is estimated that at least 30, and possibly 50, lives were lost, and the property loss is placed at hundreds of thousands of dollars.

One tornado started in the extreme southwestern part of the state and went north, following the second tier of counties from the western boundary line. The other started in the north-western corner of the state, and went south following the third tier of counties.

According to advices received the storm was at its height when it swept through Piney, a German settlement on the Iron Mountain railway, between Knoxville and London. Late reports from Russellville, the nearest town with which communication can be had, are that between 12 and 20 persons were killed and about 30 injured at that place. Five lives are also reported to have been lost ten miles from Mulbury, where one of the tornadoes did great damage. The tornado also struck Walls and Dyer, small towns, doing great damage. Strips from two miles to a half mile wide were swept clean through towns and the open country.

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PUGSLEY ABOLISHES PATRONAGE LISTS

Tenders in His Department to Be Called for by Public Advertisement.

St. John, N. B., Nov. 24.—Hon. W. Pugsley announces that patronage lists will be abolished in his department. Tenders will be called for supplies whenever possible.

After consideration he has decided to abolish all patronage lists in the department throughout Canada, and give the directions to his deputy minister to have the tenders called for in all supplies by public advertisement, where possible.

This action is taken, not because there has come to his knowledge that there has been anything wrong with the purchases in the department, but because public advertisement would insure a more competition and probably result in more favorable prices. The change goes into effect at once.

KILLED BY EXPLOSION.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 24.—Geo. Wessels, of Port Dufferin, was killed in Dartmouth yesterday while working on the water-works extension by the premature explosion of a blast.

RAILWAY CONDUCTOR KILLED.

St. Thomas, Nov. 24.—Henry Pook, conductor on the Pere Marquette railway, was killed yesterday by a stake used for shunting cars on a side track breaking and striking him on the head.

MURDER OF HUSBAND.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 24.—Mrs. Georgina Sampson, of Palmyra, widow of Harry Sampson, nephew of the late Admiral Sampson, was arrested to-day charged with the murder of her husband, whose death was at first said to be suicide.

C. P. R. APPOINTMENT.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 24.—Geo. S. Cantile, of Montreal, has been promoted to general superintendent of the car service department of the C. P. R., having jurisdiction over all the lines.

LOCAL OPTION PETITION.

Woodstock, Ont., Nov. 24.—The city council by a vote of five to four threw out the petition to have a local option by-law submitted in January.

WINNIPEG COUNCIL HAS BIG POWER SCHEME

Will Spend Three Millions on Plant 40 Miles East of City.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 24.—The city council decided yesterday evening to go ahead with the construction of a plant situated on the rapids of the Winnipeg river, 40 miles east of here, where electric power will be developed and brought to the city. Half a million dollars have already been spent, and contracts will be let at once for the expenditure of a million and a half dollars, to be followed next year by contracts to aggregate another million dollars.

CANADIAN NORTHERN "DEAL."

Company Gets Option on Rainy River Railway.

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 24.—Dan Mann admits the Canadian Northern has got an option on the Rainy River railway, but says the report of the purchase is premature.

CONSERVATIVES WILL OFFER NO OPPOSITION

J. H. Hawthornthwaite Will Have No Opponent on That Side.

The Conservatives are to leave J. H. Hawthornthwaite a free field to be elected to the legislature again. A Conservative convention has been held in Nanaimo when E. Quennel, the well known butcher of that city, was tendered the nomination. He, however, declined and a resolution was then passed not to put a candidate in the field.

The date for the bye-election has not yet been fixed by the government, but may be expected to be announced at any time. In view of the fact that the House meets on January 21st, the election will likely be held very soon.

The Liberals have as yet taken no action in the matter of nominating a candidate to oppose Mr. Hawthornthwaite.

SIX-YEAR-OLD THIEF.

Ottawa, Nov. 24.—The youngest shop-breaker in Canada was caught by police on Sunday in a local dry store. The boy is six years old.

COUNTERFEITERS ROUNDED UP IN CHICAGO

Thirty Thousand Dollars Worth of \$5 Bills Were Run Off.

Chicago, Nov. 24.—That the counterfeit \$5 bills which have been freely circulated in Chicago and other cities in the last two months were manufactured by an organized gang operating in Chicago and that this gang is broken up was the statement made last night by United States secret service officers, following a number of arrests. The men arrested are declared to have made confessions saying that \$30,000 worth of bills were made that plates were engraved by one of the gang, and that the false money was struck off in wholesale lots at a place in West Adams in Chicago.

Along with Lee Brown, Edward Wheel and Edward Westcott under arrest, are Dr. W. H. Young, Geo. Anderson and Iola Berkinson, the latter three held in connection with the circulation of the bills.

SPECIAL FROM KINGSTON.

Kingston, N. B., Nov. 23.—Robert Kennedy, who has been very ill with influenza is quite well again having used Cattarhazone. He says, "I wouldn't be without Cattarhazone for the world. For cold in the head, coughs and grippe it is indispensable." Cattarhazone has cured many others here of throat trouble and catarrh. It is selling very largely in all the drug stores and giving perfect satisfaction. Why not use Cattarhazone and be cured too? It's guaranteed.

INSPECTION OF RAILWAYS.