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BRITAIN SHOWS HER SINCERITY

**BUILDING OF GREAT BATTLE
SHIPS DELAYED PENDING
COMING CONFERENCE.**

LONDON, March 5.—A statement of the naval estimates for 1907-8, presented to Parliament last night, introduced quite a novel feature, for it makes the construction of battleships during the coming year dependent in a measure upon the decisions reached at its next conference held at the Hague. The new construction, estimated at £20,500,000, against £46,175,000 for 1906-7, Lord Tweedmouth, First Lord of the Admiralty, says will include two, or, unless an understanding be reached between the naval powers is reached at the Hague conference, three large and one fast unarmored cruiser, five torpedo boat destroyers, 12 torpedo boats and 12 submarines also are provided for.

TOWN FLIGHT TAKES SEVERAL STEPS

**THE BEST IN THE
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HEWARD WANTS COURT.

Deputation Waits on Government to Ask That Town Be Made Judicial Centre.

HEWARD, March 5.—Prompted by a spirit of ambition the Board of Trade has sent a deputation to wait on the ministry of the Local Legislators to see if the court centre of the new judicial district cannot be brought to Heward.

WINS IN BUCKET SHOP FIGHT.

Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Upheld in Grain Quotation Suit.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 5.—Property rights in grain quotations of the State Supreme court handed down today in the case of the Chamber of Commerce v. J. E. Wells. The latter is not a member of the exchange but claimed the right to use the quotations in his business.

Abuse of the Stars and Stripes.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—The Supreme Court of the United States decided today that States could pass laws prohibiting the use of the national flag for advertising purposes.

Russian Commandant Assassinated.

KRASNOYARSK, Siberia, March 4.—The town commandant was shot and killed on the streets. His assassin escaped.

EXPRESS CRASHES INTO FREIGHT

**BOTH ENGINES WRECKED BY
THE IMPACT AND SEVERAL
PASSENGERS INJURED.**

ONTARIO, March 5.—The G.T.R. express for Montreal, leaving here at 9 o'clock this morning, crashed into a stalled freight train, resulting in a dozen passengers being injured. Both engines were completely wrecked by the force of the impact. The train was forty minutes late and was travelling about thirty miles an hour. Miss Marian Milne, of Toronto, who was in the toilet combing her hair, was thrown against a mirror, which smashed, and she was badly cut about the face and head. Mrs. Pemberton, mother of George Sterling of the Bank of Toronto, had her nose and head cut. Mrs. Brown, wife of a former factory inspector for the province, G. W. Prescott, a traveller; A. Clayton, of Lambton Mills, and M. Stacey, of Kingston, suffered minor injuries. Cook Redding, of the diner, was badly cut about the face and hands, while his assistant, Winn, was badly scalded. The engine crews jumped and saved themselves.

ARCHDEACON VINCENT DEAD

**SUCCUMBED TO EXTREME COLD
ON JAN. 26 AND WAS
BURIED JAN. 31.**

Special to The Leader. WINNIPEG, March 5.—Word was received this morning through the National Trust Company by a letter from the Rev. H. V. Broughton, assistant missionary of the Church of the Holy Spirit, that the Rev. Archdeacon Vincent, D.D., died on January 26 at his home in London. He was 62 years of age. He had been suffering from extreme cold since January 26. He was buried on January 31. His remains were interred at Mount Cemetery, near the city. He was a well-known clergyman and a member of the House of Commons.

A MONSTER NUGGET.

Rich Find in the Nipissing Mine at Cobalt.

COBALT, Ont., March 5.—The largest and most valuable nugget yet found in the history of the Cobalt camp has been taken from Shaft No. 26 of the Nipissing mine. It weighs 26 lbs. and is estimated to be 60 per cent. silver.

BRITISH NAVAL ESTIMATES

**TWO-POWER STANDARD WILL BE
MAINTAINED IN PROPOSED
PROGRAMME.**

By Associated Press. LONDON, March 5.—In introducing the navy estimates in the House of Commons today, Mr. Robertson, Parliamentary Secretary of the Admiralty, said he believed that the two-power standard would be maintained by the proposed programme of construction. During the past ten years Great Britain had added 1,132,205 tons to her navy, while Russia, Germany and France had together added only 1,106,289 tons.

Wrecked by Explosion of Powder.

By Associated Press. POTTSVILLE, Pa., March 5.—By an explosion of powder at Richard's colliery at Mount Carmel today, the large powder magazine was blown up. About thirty persons were injured, several probably fatally. The business street of Mount Carmel was badly shaken in the vicinity of the colliery, and houses were badly wrecked. Windows were broken for fifteen miles from the explosion.

New Governor of Porto Rico.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Regis Henry Post, of Bayport, La., a former Assemblyman from that district, has been selected by the President as Governor of the Island of Porto Rico, to succeed Governor Winthrop.

TWENTY-FIVE FEET OF SNOW AND ICE

**LIBERAL HOPES
RISING HIGHER
IN MANITOBA**

BRANDON, March 5.—The Brandon, Saskatchewan and Hudson's Bay Railway from St. John's to this city is again open after being snowed under for several weeks. Two big engines and a rotary plow reached Brandon at 1:30 yesterday afternoon, being a little over a week since they left St. John's, N. B. Nobody but those with the snow plow can have any idea of the difficulty in opening the track. At many places the snow was thrown against a mirror, which smashed, and she was badly cut about the face and head. Mrs. Pemberton, mother of George Sterling of the Bank of Toronto, had her nose and head cut. Mrs. Brown, wife of a former factory inspector for the province, G. W. Prescott, a traveller; A. Clayton, of Lambton Mills, and M. Stacey, of Kingston, suffered minor injuries. Cook Redding, of the diner, was badly cut about the face and hands, while his assistant, Winn, was badly scalded. The engine crews jumped and saved themselves.

OUTWITTED FELLOW EMPLOYEE.

Dishonest Winnipeg Clerk's Clever Ruse to Rob His Employer.

Special to The Leader. WINNIPEG, March 5.—Denying that he stole a pair of boots from a department store where he was employed, John Green was this morning convicted of theft by Magistrate McKen at the police court and fined \$10 and costs. The evidence showed that Green, who was employed in the boot and shoe department, purchased a pair of boots for which he got a regular purchase slip. Then purloining the boots he attempted to get the parcel to which the slip was attached through the parcel department to be delivered to his place of residence. The parcel passed the first checker but the second suspecting that the parcel was too bulky for a five-cent purchase, investigated and reported to his superiors, with the result that Green was arrested.

CAPITALISTS AND WESTERN CANADA

OLD COUNTRY MONIED MEN HAVE THEIR EYES TURNED THIS WAY.

WINNIPEG, March 5.—Mr. L. Verhoeven, financial and real estate broker, of 283 Garry street, west here, is making a tour of inspection in the West for a place to make his home. He reports much suffering from the very severe and continued cold weather all over the continent, and especially in the mountain parts. In one instance as many as eight people in Belgium alone died from the cold. In New York the streets were still covered with snow and the cold was intense.

IRENE COLE MURDER CASE.

Drummond, Who Committed Perjury, Re-Sentenced to Same Term.

By Associated Press. BRANTFORD, Ont., March 5.—Joseph C. Drummond, who committed perjury in defense of Kennedy in his trial in 1905 for the murder of Irene Cole in this city, and who was granted a new trial on a technicality, pleaded guilty. His counsel asked for a suspended sentence on account of his destitute family. Judge Hardy gave him the same term as before, two years, of which he has served two.

GENERAL BOOTH IN N. Y.

Reached the City Today on His Way to Japan.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Gen. Wm. Booth, leader of the Salvation Army, arrived in this city today on the steamer Minneapolis from London. He will spend two days here in the company of his daughter, Constance, and then will leave for Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Vancouver and Seattle, whence he will sail for Japan.

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**MEANS OVERTHROW OF ROBE
LIN GOVERNMENT.**

Both Parties Making Final Preparations for the Battle of Ballots.—Dirty Tactics—Prominent Liberal's Prediction.

Special to The Leader. WINNIPEG, March 5.—Although the general elections are only one week off and a good deal of uncertainty naturally prevails, the Liberals are still confident of carrying the province on an even break in Winnipeg, they are almost sure to win, as the feeling in the country against the Government is much stronger than in Winnipeg.

LOOKING TO CANADA.

Writing from Minneapolis, Minn., to the Morning Leader, George Innes, president of the Central Investment Co., Ltd., says: "Notwithstanding the adverse advertising that has been done because of the severe winter through January, there are more people in the West for a place to make their home than there has been any year of the six months since the immigration business to Canada."

WATER FAMINE IN THE MONTREAL

ACCIDENT TO A 12,000,000 PUMP CAUSES A SCARCITY IN THE SUPPLY.

Special to The Leader. MONTREAL, March 5.—After having only partially recovered from the breakdown of a 12,000,000-gallon pump, the city is suffering from a very acute water shortage. The fresh break will make matters worse and again place the city in grave danger in case of a serious outbreak of fire.

FOMERANIAN IN QUARANTINE.

Case of Smallpox on Board an Allan Liner.

HALIFAX, March 5.—When the Allan liner Fomeranian arrived from England yesterday a case of smallpox was found in the steerage and all the steerage passengers were landed at quarantine. The patient died two days ago. The ship was disinfectant and went to St. John and returned here and was loading cargo yesterday when there was a stampedede of stevedores because of the discovery that one of the stevedores showed indications of smallpox. The ship was quarantined and the patient landed on the island.

WOULD NOT NOTICE BABY.

American Woman Sues Her Canadian Husband for Divorce.

ST. LOUIS, March 5.—Mrs. Teresa E. Dwyer, in her petition for divorce filed in the Circuit Court alleges that her husband, who is a Canadian doctor, caused her much annoyance because he "ran down everything American."

TIME LIMIT FOR N.Y.C. TRAINS.

Speed Not to Exceed 45 Miles an Hour in Electric Zone.

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, March 5.—The management of the New York Central Railway today issued an order to all trainmen that hereafter trains with electric power shall not be run at a speed exceeding 45 miles an hour on straight track and not more than 35 miles an hour on curves.

JAPANESE IN THE UNITED STATES

**THE NICHU NICHU AROUSED OVER
PROPOSAL TO LIMIT ALIENS
OWNERSHIP OF LAND.**

Special to The Leader. TOKYO, March 5.—The Nichu Nichu in a leader this morning protests against the "persistent determination of the people of California to persecute and exclude Japanese from the state." In the proposed law limiting aliens to a five-year's ownership of land, the Nichu Nichu can discern but one intention—to deny land-owning rights to the Japanese. The paper advises the Government to take steps to counteract such an outrage against the Japanese, and expresses the belief that an effective solution may be reached by the removal of naturalisation in the United States.

BESIEGED WITH APPLICANTS.

Liverpool Paper Discusses Utterances of Prof. Leacock.

LONDON, March 5.—A Liverpool agency that had advertised for 10,000 able-bodied men to work on railways in Canada has been besieged with applicants. Commenting on Prof. Leacock's speech before the Insurance Institute of Montreal, in which he did not advocate separation from the British Empire, but opposed the idea of Canada being a tributary state, dependent upon British authority, the Liverpool Post Mercury says professors do not always, or even often, express popular opinion, and we need not attach much importance to Leacock's utterances, but take them for what they are. In other words, they run strongly against the conception of Imperial unity and strengthen rather than weaken the conviction that the union is to be promoted, emigration should be encouraged, and inter-communication increased and cheapened.

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MINERS MEET IN CONVENTION

**PRESIDENT SHERMAN PRESIDES
AT IMPORTANT GATHERING
IN CALGARY.**

CALGARY, March 5.—The miners' convention started off with a feast of brotherly love and good will this afternoon, but before half an hour was over the different parties got into a tangle, and the press was excluded. When the miners and operators got together, President Sherman, of the miners, took the chair and welcomed the operators to the meeting. He called upon the meeting to elect a chairman, stating that it was usual for the operator to fill such a position. G. S. Lindsay, president of the Operators' Association, was elected unanimously. J. A. McDonald, district secretary of the Miners' Union, was elected secretary, with W. F. Little of Camrose, as assistant secretary.

PUBLIC INTEREST ON THE WANE

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THE STATUS OF THE INDIANS

**QUESTION ONE OF DOMINION
CONCERN AND INVOLVES
PROVINCIAL RIGHTS.**

VICTORIA, B. C., March 5.—The representations going forward to Ottawa, raises the whole question of Indian reserves, and the status and tenure on behalf of the Indians by the Dominion Government. Although only directly affecting British Columbia, the question is one of Dominion concern, and is considered most important here, involving provincial rights, raised since Confederation. The despatch claims: One—Neither the Dominion nor the Indians have any proprietary interest in reserves set apart for the latter. Two—Any surrender of estateable alienations ipso facto vests the lands concerned in the province. Three—Reversionary interest usually claimed can be taken advantage of at any time by the province in the event of the reserve being used otherwise than for the actual personal use or benefit of Indians of the nation for whose sustenance it was created. The fourth division of the representations consists of a preliminary request for readjustment of reserves already constituted, on the grounds that while, since 1893, when the census was taken in Canada, until the present year of the last Dominion census, the Indian population of the province had decreased, the land under reserve increased by 45,000 acres. Through the provincial government for at least two years, the immediate alienation of action is the reservation of 13,507 acres of reserve of Timpanean Indians by the Dominion Government acting under the consent of the tribe, to the Grand Trunk Pacific.

COUNTRESS IN AUTO WRECK.

Former Crown Princess of Saxony Wracks Car While on Curve.

FLORENCE, March 5.—The Countess Montignoso, formerly crown princess of Saxony, while driving her car while attempting to negotiate a curve going down hill at high speed, seriously injuring herself and the car. The fact that the automobile dashed into a tree alone prevented it from falling probably some of the occupants would have been killed. As it was the little Princess Montignoso, who is well known, it is stated under the settlement between Countess Montignoso and her husband to take the blame and her husband to take the blame. She was badly cut with broken glass. The Countess Montignoso was cut and bruised. Countess Montignoso and her husband were injured. The Countess Montignoso was injured. The Countess Montignoso was injured.

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