

KING'S VISIT TO FRANCE IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE

It Is Hoped the Old Animosities Will Be Wiped Out.

CERTAIN OF HEARTY WELCOME

President Loubet May Return the Visit—Kaiser Wilhelm Doesn't Like It.

Paris, April 12.—The subject dominating all else just now is the forthcoming visit of King Edward to President Loubet in Paris on May Day, and the decision of the President of the Republic to pay a return visit to King Edward in London, probably in the month of June. This welcome interchange of friendship between France and Britain is the result of a carefully-thought-out plan, to the maturity of which the leading London and Paris newspapers have most creditably and patriotically performed their parts. It is, perhaps, more than a mere coincidence that the visit to Paris, at the time of the funeral of the late M. de Biowitz, one of the most eminent London newspaper proprietors, that the idea of an exchange of visits first took a concrete form. Cool-headed Frenchmen, as well as statesmanlike Englishmen, agree that the animosity that has existed between the two countries since the Franco-Prussian war of 1870-71 to be banished against Germany, until Bismarck's death, and the animosity that has since then been directed against England.

For the last three months one of the great aims of British diplomacy has been to once more turn the tables, and by taking a leaf from Bismarck's philosophy, to redirect the constant quantity of animosity against Germany, thereby relieving the Anglo-French strain and bringing France into closer relations with Britain. To borrow the words of an eminent British statesman who recently passed through Paris, this is intended ultimately to pave the way for a more understanding and agreement between the three most liberal and progressive nations in the world—France, England and the United States. The continued efforts of British diplomacy, endorsed by the press, to alliterate France

IMMENSE CROWDS THROGGED THE ADVERTISER BUILDING

Entire Plant Was Open to the Public Inspection.

Its Complete Equipment Very Generally Admitted.

The Advertiser was pleased Saturday night to meet so many of its readers and their friends. The evening chosen for throwing open our new building turned out one of the most disagreeable of this season, rain pouring down continuously, but the unpleasant weather was not the deterrent circumstances that one might suppose it to have been. The rain worked sincerely, but it did not destroy the success of the opening. It is a matter of fact that during the evening the building was open to the public inspection, and that a large number of visitors would have inspected the building with anything approaching comfort, for even as it was the number that went through the building during the hours it was open—from 7 to 10 o'clock—was too large to be easily handled. It would be impossible to estimate how many accepted the invitation to inspect the Advertiser's new home, it was a floating population of several hundred. Delightful as the evening was, it was not without its unfortunate that many of our friends who desired and intended to see the process by which the Advertiser's paper is printed and the home of their paper, were prevented by the rain. However, it is not always raining, and it will be equally a pleasure, as it was Saturday evening, to show any who may still desire to see the new plant, through the entire building any afternoon from 1 to 4:30 o'clock. Our readers and all who are not readers of 'The Advertiser' will be cordially welcome any afternoon.

The people began to arrive very shortly after 7 o'clock. Delightful music was played in the business office by Tony Cortese's fine orchestra, which played many selections during the evening. It was a tribute to the excellence of their music that so many people stayed in the office where they were that either ingress or egress was frequently prevented. The visitors were first escorted to the top floor of the new building, where are the editorial rooms, mailing room and illustrating department. In the former there was nothing unusual to attract notice, the tools of the trade by which the news of the day is prepared for printing being neither numerous nor striking. It is the process in the illustrating room, which is highly interesting to all. The different by which chalk plate illustrations are made and printed was exhibited in detail, and of the hundreds who streamed through the building during the evening, there were few indeed who did not express the wish to see and understand how it is possible to produce pictures with such fidelity and celerity. The composing room was the greatest center of interest. No other department, not even the press room, possessed for the people the same attraction that was exerted by the news

Steyn and Kruger Dying.

Montreaux, April 12.—If President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, lives through the summer, which is very doubtful, he will be asked to permit him to return to South Africa. He has reason to believe that permission will be freely granted. It is hoped that Steyn's presence will help to bridge over existing difficulties.

ACCIDENT TO THE LIEUT-GOVERNOR

Sir Oliver Mowat Falls And Fractures a Thigh.

PATIENT IS DOING VERY WELL

The Physicians in Attendance Say The Fall Was Not Due to Paralysis.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, April 12.—While undergoing preparatory to retiring last night about 10 o'clock, Sir Oliver Mowat in some inexplicable way fell and fractured one of his thighs.

TO FEDERATE UNIONS

Railway Clerks to Hold an Immense Convention.

Montreal, April 12.—A convention of all classes of railway clerks, freight conductors and baggage employees of the Canadian Pacific, Grand Trunk, Canada Atlantic, Intercolonial and other railways, will be held at Montreal May 5 to 8. The convention will bring together the various unions of the above classes of railway employees and forming an international union, affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Labor, and all international unions.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

A Woodstock Woman Cuts Her Throat.

Woodstock, Ont., April 12.—Mrs. Halsey, a woman arrested on the morning of the 11th, was wounded and attempted to commit suicide by cutting her throat with a knife this afternoon at the jail. The knife was taken away from her before she succeeded in doing much harm to herself. When arrested she was in an intoxicated condition.

A TRIPLE SHOOTING

An Italian Uses a Gun With Deadly Effect.

Hartford, Conn., April 12.—Dominic Pacifico, a young Italian, shot three men in the street here late last night. Andrew Halliday, 45, was wounded, probably by the first shot. Jeremiah Condon and Thomas Fitzgerald, who attempted to quell the disturbance, which grew out of an argument between Halliday and the Italian, were wounded slightly. A crowd of 2,000 persons followed the prisoner to police headquarters and there were threats of lynching.

THE DEADLY PIE

Man Survives a Duel To Be Killed by Pastry.

Redding, Cal., April 12.—After surviving a desperate duel with knives, a man is dying from the effects of eating an entire pie yesterday. Shortly after finishing the pastry he was seized with violent cramps, stitches which had been taken in his lungs and abdomen broke, and the surgeon says his recovery is impossible.

Boys Fight a Duel.

New York, April 12.—To decide who had the better revolver two boys faced each other in a busy street in Brooklyn last night, standing not more than fifteen feet apart, each with his weapon leveled at the other. One of the boys, Michael Telasco, who is only 11, is dying at the Bushwick Central Hospital in Brooklyn, with a bullet wound in his head. Joseph Gossang, his opponent, 14, was arrested last night while hiding in the cellar of his home, at No. 367 Broadway, Williamsburg. In the same house young Telasco also lived.

A RIOT IN PRETORIA

Serious Trouble With the Men of a British Regiment.

Pretoria, April 12.—A somewhat serious riot occurred among the men of the Second Leinster Regiment in barracks. The military police, while attempting to arrest several men, who were the worse for liquor, were overpowered by comrades of the latter.

BUFFALO HOLDS MURDER RECORD

Seven Cases of Murder and Suicide in One Night.

POLE KILLS SON AND LANDLADY

Buffalo, N. Y., April 12.—A shooting affray, in which a 9-year-old boy was killed and a woman fatally wounded, a murder, an attempted murder, two suicides, and two attempts at suicide that may result fatally, occurred in this city last night. Jos. Kwiatkowski, 51 years old, formerly a business man and a representative Polish citizen, is locked up at police headquarters charged with fatally shooting his landlady and killing his 9-year-old boy. Kwiatkowski, formerly conducted an extensive business in one of the markets of the city. His wife died about a year ago, leaving two children. Since the death of his wife his affairs have gone from bad to worse, and his business difficulties drove him to drink. For the last four months he has lived in rooms at 190 Coit street. The owner of the house, Mrs. Tekla Wolinski, her husband and their children, occupied the rear part of the building. The children of the two families were constantly quarreling. Tonight, when Kwiatkowski returned the children were in the usual turmoil. Mrs. Wolinski notified him that he would have to move, whereupon Kwiatkowski drew a revolver and began firing, backing out of the house as he did so. Mrs. Wolinski followed the infuriated Pole, and grappled with him. She tried to get the revolver and began firing, backing out of the house as he did so. Mrs. Wolinski followed the infuriated Pole, and grappled with him. She tried to get the revolver and began firing, backing out of the house as he did so.

MR. SIFTON A WORKER

Is Busily Engaged on the Tribunal Case.

London, April 12.—Hon. Clifford Sifton and his staff, in connection with the British side of the Alaskan boundary tribunal, are still plodding away at the Hotel Cecil.

TERRIFIC STORM HITS PITTSBURG

Man Killed in the Streets by a Thunderbolt.

CITY UNDER 2 FEET OF WATER

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OPENING SESSION OF THE GAMEY-STRATTON INQUIRY

A Crowded Courtroom Attends the Initial Proceedings.

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A SURPLUS OF \$12,000,000

May Be Over That Sum in Dominion Treasury.

Ottawa, April 12.—It would not be surprising if the close of the present financial year witnessed a surplus of \$12,000,000 or \$14,000,000 in the Dominion treasury. For the nine months up to March 31 the ordinary revenue exceeded the ordinary expenditures by \$14,929,150 and over all expenditures combined the excess of revenue amounted to \$10,055,968. As compared with the same nine months of 1907 there has been a gain of \$2,453,423 in the revenue and a reduction of \$3,963,363 in the capital expenditure, while the ordinary expenditure has only increased by \$753,950, showing a total improvement in the national finances of \$9,454,836.

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Snowstorms in England.

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THE BAGDAD RAILROAD

London, April 12.—It is announced by the Standard this morning that an agreement has been concluded whereby Britain, France and Germany will participate equally in the control of the proposed Bagdad Railway.

The revenues will be guaranteed by the Turkish customs. Three British directors have already been chosen, and a total of three more will be appointed as soon as arrangements can be completed. Some such announcement was foreshadowed in the House of Commons last week.

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DOMESTIC SCIENCE SITUATION

AS SHOWN BY E. J. MACROBERT

He Defines Position That He Has Taken.

To the Editor of The Advertiser: As my name has been somewhat prominently associated with the domestic science question for the last few months, I consider it my duty to the citizens in general and to those of the fourth ward in particular, to state my position plainly. On Feb. 5, 1907, Principal Merchant, of the Normal School, wrote to the Board of Education, offering the use of the domestic science room there, to test the practical value of this subject. He suggested that classes from the Collegiate Institute of the city be invited to the school be allowed to take this course. This offer was accepted on the recommendation of No. 1 committee, of which Mr. W. T. Hamilton was chairman.

HONORS FOR MR. FISHER

Will Probably Be Decorated by Japan.

Montreal, April 12.—It is likely that Hon. Sydney Fisher and Commissioner Hutchison will be decorated by the Japanese Government before they leave to return to Canada. Advice to this effect was received by Mr. Tatsu-Goro Nosse, Japanese consul-general for Canada. It is said that Mr. Fisher and Commissioner Hutchison will be decorated with the Order of the Empire, if agreeable to the British Government.

CZAR WAS UNGUARDED

He Goes Through Moscow's Streets Unattended.

Moscow, April 12.—The Czar and Czarina have come here to celebrate the Russian Easter, which occurs on Sunday next. The occasion was noteworthy because for the first time in many years there was no parade of troops on their arrival, no ceremony, and no interference with the populace. From the station to the Czar's residence a distance of two miles, there was not a soldier visible. Even the customary guard of honor at the station were absent, leaving only a small civil official alone greeting their majesties.

Venice's New Campaign.

Rome, April 12.—The first stone of the new Campaign at Venice will be laid on April 24. It is hoped that by next spring the first 30 metres will be built, and the whole finished by the spring of 1909.

An Exciting Episode.

Winnipeg, April 12.—A lady with a baby carriage had an exciting episode at the northwest corner of Portage avenue and Carlton street on Friday.

There is a very large and deep pool of water at the corner mentioned; the carriage slipped from the walk and the baby was precipitated into the pond and sank out of sight. The frightened mother jumped into the pond and rescued the child, fortunately without much damage, but the infant had a narrow escape from drowning.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Monday, April 12. Sun rises...5:40 a.m. Moon rises...3:55 p.m. Sun sets...8:37 p.m. Moon sets...6:30 a.m.

Toronto, April 12.—8 p.m. Fair weather has been general throughout the province. The minimum and maximum temperatures: Toronto...42-54; Ottawa...40-52; Port Arthur...44-54; Parry Sound...44-54; Quebec...42-52; Montreal...42-52; Halifax...40-52.

Monday, April 13—8 a.m. Easterly to northeasterly gales; rain tonight and on Tuesday.

Stations	8 a.m.	Min.	Max.	Weather
Calgary	42	32	52	Fair
Winnipeg	42	32	52	Clear
Port Arthur	44	34	54	Cloudy
Toronto	44	34	54	Cloudy
Ottawa	44	34	54	Fair
Montreal	44	34	54	Clear
Quebec	42	32	52	Cloudy
Halifax	40	30	50	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

The barometric disturbance which was centered just west of the great lakes on Saturday morning, has moved very slowly to the west of Lake Erie, there have been only local showers at night in Western Ontario. The outlook is for wet and stormy weather on the lakes.

Local temperatures: Saturday—Highest, 46.5; lowest, 33.5. Sunday—Highest, 53; lowest, 37.