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JACOB G. SCHURMAN Sees More Protectorates For the United States. POSSIBLY CANADA.

A Canadian Who Does Not Know Anything About Canadian Sentiment—He Recognises, However, the Great Possibilities of His Native Land.

New York, Feb. 7.—It was "Patriotic Night" at the meeting of the Presbyterian Union at the Hotel Savoy last evening. Jacob G. Schurman, president of Cornell University and chairman of the first Philippine Commission, aroused the enthusiasm of the company that filled the parlors as he pointed out a possible expansion of American protectorates, if not American sovereignty, over Canada, the West Indies and possibly of some of Latin South America.

"I am one who believes that the American people would delight to see the European Powers gradually but finally get out of any sort of control over the South American States. I do not believe that the annexation of all the West Indies and most of South America would be a very agreeable thing to us. But the trend is that way, and there is something more than a possibility in sight that this may be the case. These countries would not come to be governed as colonies, and a combination of the Latin States to the south of us that must be admitted to the Union as States, would be a constant menace to our peace. But we cannot say to Europe, 'We do as we do under the provisions of the Monroe doctrine, 'keep off,' without at the same time assuming the responsibility to those European Powers that those States fulfil their obligations across the sea."

"We are approaching a crisis that would seem to indicate expansion to the north whether we wished it or not. We have reached a point where we must stand as a buffer between those States and Europe, and we must either abandon the Monroe doctrine, which no party can afford to propose to do. We are facing just this sort of a dilemma in San Domingo today. Now, I do not want to see San Domingo one of our States. Yet I greatly fear that the hour of her doom as an independent power has come. We have stepped in and assumed duties which may mean more than appear for the moment. The probabilities are that we shall have to take her wholly under our care. There is a responsibility in the light of the present situation we must face. We have taken the first step that may compel us to take her to ourselves. As this is so I would have it done as we have done with Cuba, under the Platt amendment, with the ultimate hope of giving her independence. If she is able to take her wholly under her own salvation, and let us trust she can. This seems to be the only satisfactory to us, and will not be distressing either to her or to the jealous Powers across the sea. Venezuela, too, will soon look to us for relief, and in a protectorate over her will naturally come the step that follows our appearance in Panama. We are planted firmly in the very storm centre of the Far East, and whether or no, we may soon have to become so planted in the America to the south of us. Another problem that faced the country, was the effect of the immigration of Americans into the great wheat fields of the Northwest Territory, the immigrants carrying with them those American principles that were bound to make themselves felt in the political future of that great country. What political effect that is going to have I hardly like to trust myself to say. But I look forward to that direction at once, we shall at least soon be in a position where we will be compelled to clasp her hand as a sister State, striving with us to maintain political and religious liberty such as we now enjoy. We will not long consent to remain a mere colony. This sentiment evoked the most hearty applause of the evening. He closed his address with a fervent appeal to the representatives of the Presbyterian Church to use their every endeavor to secure for the Philippines a government of the Filipinos, by the Filipinos, with the assistance of the American government. He added: "Let us not look on them as possessions, but give them our possessions, civil and religious liberty."

AN EDITOR PLACES BLAME FOR DEFEAT.

M. Sauverin of the Novoe Vremya Says Alexieff, Lamsdorff and Rosen are Responsible For Russia's Humiliation—Fighting in Manchuria.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—M. Sourin, editor of the Novoe Vremya in a pessimistic review of the first year of the war in today's issue of his paper attributes the responsibility for the Russian disasters firstly to the foreign minister Lamsdorff, former viceroys Alexieff and Baron Rosen, late Russian minister of Japan whom he accuses of drawing Russia into a terrible war by complete ignorance of the true state of affairs in the Far East. M. Sourin declares the reason for the fall of Port Arthur before the complete exhaustion of its means of resistance was the defeat of Major-General Kondratenko, who was the real hero of the defence of the fortress who killed both the civil military men with courage, while Lt. General Stoesel only manifested cowardice.

Tokio, Feb. 9.—A report from Manchurian headquarters says that the Russians have continued their bombardment in the direction of the Shasha river since the night of Feb. 7. They continue entrenching in front of Lichumpo and in the vicinity of Hakoutai.

Emperor is Generous. Tokio, Feb. 9.—11.30 a. m.—The impression prevails here that the impending battle between the armies of Field Marshal Oyama and Gen. Kuropatkin will occur before any material takes place, which would convert the country into a slushy bog and render the movement of guns, ammunition and stores impossible until the roads have been cleared. The emperor and empress of Japan have given 100,000 yen (\$40,000) to the army and navy departments to purchase wine and delicacies for the celebration of the national holiday.

A MONOPOLY FEARED. A RAILWAY HORROR.

Ottawa Sees in Consolidation of Electric Light Companies a Plot to Raise Rates. Ottawa, Feb. 9.—(Special)—The Ottawa Electric Company's bill came up before the private bills committee today. The bill provides for increasing the capital stock and also for permitting the company to purchase the stock of other companies. Mayor Ellis of Ottawa, accompanied by a civic delegation opposed the bill. There are two other electric light companies in Ottawa. The companies are a good concern and the Metropolitan. What Mayor Ellis feared was that the Ottawa Electric Company would acquire the Consumers' Company and raise the price of electricity. The bill would also give the Ottawa Electric Company the right to purchase the Consumers' Company and raise the price of electricity. The bill would also give the Ottawa Electric Company the right to purchase the Consumers' Company and raise the price of electricity.

DR. THOMPSON ELECTED. Ottawa, Feb. 9.—(Special)—The State Department has received a telegram from F. LeDing, the returning officer in Dawson stating that Dr. Thompson's majority is 618.

LATE PERSONALS. Mrs. Delson an aged resident of the north end has been ill for some time and is at present in a very critical condition. The condition of Mr. Bristol of Pleasant Point is somewhat improved. Mrs. Duffell of the north end who has been confined to her home through sickness is much better today. Farmers from Milkish report that the roads are almost impassable. Several arrived last night bringing down meat, eggs and fowl. The Baxter liquor case will come up in the police court Friday morning. It is understood that the defendant will plead guilty.

A STEP IN ADVANCE. Toronto, Feb. 9.—(Special)—The Toronto Civil League has been formed to include the presidents of the Board of Trade, Canadian Manufacturers' Association, Retail Merchants' Association &c. Among the subjects to be investigated by organization is more economic housing of the working class.

IMPROVED SERVICE. RAILWAYS HAVE NOT RECOVERED.

D. A. R. and Midland Amalgamation Will Give Direct Trains From Yarmouth to Sydney. Truro, Feb. 9.—(Special)—On the belated C. P. R. which arrived this morning was P. O'Brien, manager of the D. A. R. on his way home from Montreal, where he has been attending to certain details connected with the amalgamation of the Midland Railway, as soon as legislation is effected the D. A. R. will assume the road. In the meantime Mr. O'Brien is appointed consulting manager with Mr. H. Y. Harris, present manager. The price paid for the road is \$1,200,000, and \$1,500,000 as reported by the morning papers. The Midland Company claims the right to all branch lines, bonuses and legitimate claims they now have outstanding, and also a claim of \$70,000 for the Dominion government for extras on the Shubenacadie Bridge.

The situation along the branch railway lines has not been materially changed. The Salisbury and Harvey, the Central, the New Brunswick Southern and the Buctouche and Moncton railways are all held up. Mails are being carried by teams. Geo. M. Ryan, superintendent of the mail service is on duty again and is receiving the sincere sympathy of many friends on his recent bereavement.

THE WRECKED DAMARA. Members of the Crew Will Arrive at Halifax Tonight—Hull Will Be Examined.

Halifax, Feb. 9.—(Special)—Up to this afternoon no further news had been received from the Damara's crew and passengers. Yesterday afternoon Manager Hall of the Furness Line, had sent word that the Damara's crew had been rescued and were on their way to Halifax. The ship was wrecked on the coast of Newfoundland on the 13th of Feb. The crew of the ship was rescued and are on their way to Halifax. The ship was wrecked on the coast of Newfoundland on the 13th of Feb. The crew of the ship was rescued and are on their way to Halifax.

FRANCO-TURKISH SCRAP. An Arrangement Reached Which It is Believed Will Be Satisfactory to all.

Constantinople, Feb. 9.—The Franco-Turkish dispute, it is now understood, will be compromised. France is offering to share a share of the new guns destined for the re-arming of the Turkish artillery. Following the vigorous steps taken by Ambassador Constant, Tewfik Pasha, the origin minister, submitted to the ambassador fresh proposals whereby the Germans will find the money to pay the Krupp's arrears owing by Turkey for previous armament and for a portion of the new batteries ordered from the Ottoman Bank will be devoted to purchasing the remainder of the guns in France. This together with the settlement of the Syrian Railways question will it is believed satisfy the French demands.

MILITIA PROMOTIONS. Ottawa, Feb. 8.—(Special)—The following promotions have been made in New Brunswick regiment: 71st Regt: To be provisional Lieut, Frank Miles Merritt, gentleman, Daniel Pickands, gentleman. To be Lieut. H. E. Goding, Lieut. F. F. Giggie. To be provisional Lieut. Sergeant Harry Leigh McCready.

ST. STEPHEN CURLERS HERE. The St. Stephen curlers numbering sixteen arrived at noon today on the Boston express from Fredericton and are at the Victoria. This afternoon and tonight they play the Thistle curlers. The gentlemen who compose the different visiting rinks are: W. F. Nicholson, H. Robinson, C. A. Lindow, S. N. Hyslop, Skip. H. Wry, W. B. McVay, A. McWhay, J. E. Ganong, Skip. C. J. Lyford, Geo. Lopping, Dr. Laughlin, F. C. Murchie, Skip. T. Upham, T. R. Mitchell, B. Stevens, G. Cline, Skip.

LIGHTSHIP FLOATED. South Yarmouth, Mass., Feb. 9.—The Nantuxet shoals lightship which went ashore of Dumpling Rocks on Monday was floated today. The lightship tender Arakia and two tugs from New Bedford pulled the lightship off the bottom. It will be towed to New Bedford for examination.

C. P. steamship 'Empress of India' left Hong Kong for Vancouver Wednesday, Feb. 8th.

IT MAKES FOR PEACE. Distribution of British Fleets Will Have Good Effect UPON OTHER NATIONS.

London Writer Says Anglo-Saxon Navies Will Dominate the Seas in Ten Years—May Be Anglo-Japanese Treaty. New York, Feb. 9.—A London dispatch to the Herald says: "The well-known writer on naval subjects and author of 'British War Fleets,' said in an interview regarding the withdrawal of white troops from the British West Indies. 'The system of the naval distribution is based upon the true appreciation of the strategic situation in Europe, the recognition of American friendship and the realization of the wonderful nobility of modern ships of war propelled by steam. In the future only veritable war squadrons will be maintained at sea, consequently the North American and West Indian squadrons of protected cruisers, poorly gunned and poorly protected against an enemy's fleet, and of slow movement, has disappeared. 'But the unwhirlwind climate of the West India waters in winter and the North Atlantic in summer will be utilized for the purpose of maintaining a squadron for training thousands of boys, and these waters will probably be visited for the purpose of manœuvres by other British ships as has been the custom recently. One of the lessons of the war in the far east is the wastefulness of maintaining a number of subsidiary bases. They are the source of continual exposure in peace time, and in war time they are apt to tie down a fleet. Flying bases can be readily found. 'Again it is to be noted that the Monroe doctrine by insisting upon the status quo in America's waters renders the West Indian possessions of British safe from seizure by any European power. 'I admit that the new distribution of British fleets spells peace. It causes ten years hence the Anglo-Saxon navies will dominate the sea and by that time self-interests of both sides will have led to the forging of some Anglo-Japanese treaty.'"

HALIFAX FEELS IT. Truro Snowbound. Truro, N. S., Feb. 9.—(Special)—The passengers who left St. John on Tuesday after thirty-five hours on the rails reached Truro this morning. They were twice transferred from both sides of the car, and were called and turned back. The C. P. R. reaching here at nine o'clock was the first train to reach Truro from the north since Monday. The eastern division of the I. C. R. is still blocked and the Midland has not been able to get through.

IS PRACTICALLY CLEAR. Trains Late Today. The improvement in the train service today both east and west is a decided contrast to that of yesterday, notwithstanding the fact that there is some delay in the west. From the west the Boston was one hour late and the Atlantic nearly two hours.

THE GOVERNOR ON SNOWSHOES. P. E. Island's Executive Head So Made His Way to Legislature Building Yesterday.

Charlottetown, Feb. 9.—(Special)—The worst snow storm of the season subsided this morning. There was no movement of trains, and boats or winter steamers yesterday. Not a sufficient number of members could reach the city yesterday to form a quorum and the legislature, which was to meet, was postponed for one week. The governor came to the house on skis or came amid a raging storm. The election today to take a plebiscite on civic ownership of the electric light, was postponed for one week.

FUNERALS. POLICE COURT.

The funeral of the late Joseph A. Denniston took place from his residence, 46 St. David street, this afternoon. Rev. Dr. McDonald officiated and interment took place in Church of England burying ground. The body of the late Mrs. Jas. Anderson was interred in Fernhill cemetery this afternoon. Rev. Mr. McDonald conducted a short service at the grave. The funeral of the late Joseph A. Denniston took place from his residence, 46 St. David street, this afternoon. Rev. Dr. McDonald officiated and interment took place in Church of England burying ground. The body of the late Mrs. Jas. Anderson was interred in Fernhill cemetery this afternoon. Rev. Mr. McDonald conducted a short service at the grave.

There were three prisoners at the police court this morning. Michael Wood was charged with profanity was fined \$8 or thirty days. John Thompson drunk on Union street, forfeited \$5. A sum of money amounting to \$88.83 a watch, a bank of whiskey, and some other personal property were taken from the prisoner at the time of his arrest.

The West India Steamship 'Belvedere' Capt. Crowe, arrived this morning from Barbados, Trinidad and Demerara with a general cargo.

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It was at the Canterbury street fire. The salvage corps man rushed his opponents to the ropes, and jabbed him. The newspaper man swung clear and countered on the jaw. The referee called time and both were counted out. The fire was arrested. It was a hot time. Several holes were melted in the snow by the remarks of the principals. The bout was witnessed by five hundred enthusiasts and a policeman. Nobody hurt. These little entertainments are becoming quite popular at fires, and will unquestionably arouse a deeper interest in the many art, as well as tending to save much valuable property.

Due to the state of his health, our popular fellow-citizen, Mr. James Jones will not be able to call on all his friends before the date of the civic elections, and he desires us to state that if elected he will devote his energies to a reduction of the dog tax. He will consent to no hallooing. A moderate scale of taxes, based on a careful computation of the number of fires, he believes would satisfy every fair minded citizen, but the present fat rates are most inequitable and iniquitous.