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THE BULGARIA IS SAFE

Steamer Given Up for Lost Has Survived the Tempests on Atlantic.

Twice Taken in Tow Since Last Reported but Hawsers Broke Under Strain.

Drifted for Eleven Days While Crew Repaired Rudder—Then Made the Azores.

By Associated Press.

Punta del Cada, Azores, Feb. 24.—The Hamburg-American liner Bulgaria, Capt. Schmidt, from New York January 28 for Hamburg, previously reported in great distress and feared to have gone down with 101 persons on board, arrived here to-day. The Bulgaria, it appears, stopped 11 days, during which the crew were engaged repairing the machinery and rudder. She lost one man during the operation. The story of her dreadful experience, avoiding repetition of the portion already covered by the Associated Press, is as follows:

The weather on the morning of February 8 is described as fearful, and there were six or seven feet of water in the holds. On the morning of February 9 the weather became calmer, and 107 dead horses were thrown overboard. The swell was very high until February 10. By that time a hold containing grain had 15 feet of water, and the pumps were foul and unable to work. Stormy weather continued from the afternoon of February 11 until February 14.

Then the British steamer Antillian, Capt. Fost, from Liverpool for New Orleans, appeared. The commander of the Bulgaria asked the captain of the Antillian to take the disabled steamer in tow. This the captain of the Antillian tried to do, and a hawser was made fast between the two steamers between 7 and 8 o'clock that morning. But at noon the hawser was carried away. The Antillian again succeeded in taking the Bulgaria in tow, but once more the hawser carried away. The Antillian stood by the Bulgaria until the morning of February 15, when she proceeded on her voyage.

Early during February 17 the Bulgaria sighted the Norwegian bark Helga and asked to be reported all well. On February 18 and 19 the severe weather continued, but it moderated on February 20. In the meanwhile the crew of the Bulgaria had been working hard to repair the disabled rudder, and at 10 o'clock on the morning of February 21 the Bulgaria was again under control. By noon of February 22 she had made 226 miles, and at noon February 23, 254 miles more had been covered. The balance of the distance was covered by 7:30 this morning. During the storm and in working the cargo, etc., the passengers and the crew of the Bulgaria sustained many injuries, a number of arms and legs being broken.

THE CAESARIAN OPERATION.

Performed at Royal Victoria Hospital With Safety for Mother and Child.

Montreal, Feb. 24.— (Special)— The Caesarian operation was performed at the Royal Victoria hospital this morning by Dr. Webster, assisted by Dr. Gardner, in the presence of many leading physicians of the city and two hundred medical students. The operation proved successful. For a time it was feared the life of the child would have to be sacrificed, but it was saved, and both mother and child are doing well.

RUSSIANS KILLING CHINESE.

Three Hundred Slain for Resisting a Demand for Taxes.

Pekin, Feb. 24—The Dowager Empress is greatly incensed at the action of the Russians at Talienwan on the Liao Tung peninsula, near Port Arthur, in killing 300 Chinese during a conflict which originated in a question of taxes, as cabled on February 19.

Her Majesty has instructed the Chinese foreign office to protest in the strongest possible language against this "unwarrantable action of the Russians" who, it is added, distinctly broke the terms of the Port Arthur convention, which does not give the Russians authority to collect taxes.

THE POPE ON AMERICANISM.

Archbishop Ireland Writes in Appreciation of the Views Declared by the Pontiff.

Rome, Feb. 24.—The Observatore Romano to-day publishes the text of a letter from Archbishop Ireland to the Pope, regarding the pontiff's letter to Cardinal Gibbons on "Americanism." The Archbishop thanks the Pope for his proof of esteem and love for American Catholics, and says that now that the Pope has shed light on the situation, misunderstanding will cease, "for we are now able to determine the fault which some desire to conceal under the name of Americanism, and define true Americanism such as understood by Americans."

Continuing, the Archbishop says: "The distinctions and explanations contained in the apostolic letter are so clear and precise that the peril, which was not understood by all the people of the United States, but which I thought was to be feared, can no longer present itself. In view of the extraordinary confusion of ideas and the controversies raised, especially in France, by the "Life of Father Hecker," there was need for the supreme pontiff to make his voice heard in order to enlighten and tranquillize the people's minds. With all the energy of my soul I repudiate all the opinions the apostolic letter repudiates, and condemn those false and dangerous opinions whereto, His Holiness in brief says, 'certain people give the name of Americanism.'"

Those unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and dyspepsia should use Carter's Little Nerve Pills, which are made expressly for sleepless, nervous, dyspeptic sufferers. Price, 25 cents.

SCANDAL IN THE CHURCH.

Committee of Triers to Investigate Conduct of a Hamilton Clergyman.

Hamilton, Feb. 24.—(Special)—A scandal involving Rev. Thos. Geohegan, rector of St. Peter's church has been made public. Charges have been laid before the committee of discipline of the Niagara synod and the committee has appointed a court of triers composed of five of its members to conduct an investigation next Tuesday. It is expected that there will be some sensational developments. The woman in the case has been in Buffalo for some time and it is expected she will give evidence at the investigation.

NANAIMO NOTES.

Panther Close to City Limits—Odd Fellows' Anniversary—The Joan.

Nanaimo, Feb. 24.—(Special)—The Odd Fellows' lodge will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary on April 7.

The steamer Joan arrived from Victoria this evening, after undergoing repairs.

Hemans & Walmsley, of the city market, opened a lard manufacturing establishment to-day with a capacity of 200 lbs. per day.

Fred. Todd shot a large panther near the Alexandra mines this morning.

UNITED STATES FINANCES.

No Bond Issue Needed Although the Monthly Deficit Is Large.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Secretary Gage said to-day that there was no truth whatever in the published statement that another bond issue was in contemplation. He pointed out that there is now an available cash balance in the treasury of over $271,000,000, and although the expenses are now and for some time are expected to be in excess of the receipts, the treasury situation is not such as to warrant any apprehension for the near future.

UNION PACIFIC WRECK.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Feb. 23.—Mrs. M. E. Appleby, of Cobourg, Ont., was one of the injured in a wreck on the Union Pacific railway to-day. It is not stated whether she is seriously hurt or not.

NEWS OF THE CAPITAL

Japanese Merchant Talks of Retaliation for British Columbia's Restrictive Law.

Parliament Called for 16th March —Marine Biological Station Wanted.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Mr. Tarte, the master of the administration, returned today, and approving of the view of a majority of his colleagues, the Canada Gazette to-morrow will contain a proclamation calling parliament for Thursday, March 16.

Prominent scientists from Toronto, Queen's and McGill universities met here to-day in the office of Prof. Prince, to report, at the request of the government and the British Association, on the advisability of establishing a marine biological station for the Dominion, for the purpose of studying all species of marine life. It was decided to recommend the government to establish such a station near St. Andrew's, N. B.

Sharo Wishimara, a prominent Japanese merchant here to-day, says that British Columbia may expect reprisals for her anti-Japanese legislation.

The Queen's Printer in his annual report complains strongly of delay in procuring copy from the public departments.

HIGH JOINTERS' HOLIDAY.

British Government and Press Take Optimistic View of the Situation.

London, Feb. 23.—The parliamentary secretary for the foreign office, Mr. Broderick, in the House of Commons today, replying to a question on the subject, said that in certain questions the Anglo-American joint high commission had made progress towards their settlement, and he added that Her Majesty's government hoped that further negotiations would solve the questions which were still in dispute. He also said that the papers could not be laid on the table, as the commissioners had requested that the proceedings be confidential.

The Times, in its editorial comments upon the statement of the British foreign office regarding the adjournment of the joint high commission, does not take a serious view of the matter. It says: "Even if the commissioners had agreed, the agreement would have been submitted to the new congress, entailing about equal delay." The Times believes neither country would quarrel over the Alaskan dispute, and it is therefore still hopeful that some means may be found of resuming negotiations and arriving at a satisfactory settlement.

There is no article in the line of medicine that gives so great a return for the money as a good porous strengthening plaster, such as Carter's Smart Weed and Belladonna Backache Plasters.

INVITED TO GLASGOW.

United States Gets Official Bid to the Exposition and Will Make Cordial Response.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Secretary Hay has suggested to congress the appropriateness of participation by the United States in the Glasgow international exposition in 1901. His letter incloses one from Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, saying that the Marquis of Salisbury has directed him to bring the subject before this government, and to express the hope that the United States will give its support and recognition to the undertaking. The accompanying prospectus gives the Queen as patron and the Prince of Wales as vice-patron of the exposition. It is proposed to appropriate $35,000 for the organization of a commission by the state department to care for American exhibits.

TO STOP THE KHALIFA

Kitchener Found Him With Six Thousand Dervishes But Withdrew for Want of Force.

Now Preparing for a Meeting—Demolition of the Mahdi's Tomb Discussed.

The Too Officious Sultan of Oman —No New Arrangement as to Samoa.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 24.—In the House of Commons Mr. Broderick, parliamentary secretary to the foreign office, announced that Col. Kitchener had found the Khalifa with a force of 6,000 dervishes occupying a strong position 112 miles distant from the Nile. Not having sufficient force to justify him in making an attack upon the Khalifa, Col. Kitchener returned to Omdurman where on February 15 it was reported that the Khalifa had already defeated a force of friendly Arabs on the White Nile. Preparations were being made, he said, to stop the Khalifa's advance.

In answer to a series of questions regarding the alleged mutilation of the body of the Mahdi, Mr. Broderick said that Lord Cromer, the British diplomatic agent in Egypt, had reported that under the exceptional circumstances the action of the Sirdar was justifiable in ordering the demolition of the Mahdi's tomb. Mr. Broderick said he had no information that the Mahdi's head had been presented to the son of Gen. Gordon.

Mr. Broderick denied that any steps had been taken to terminate the tripartite government of Samoa or to establish a German protectorate over the islands. He also denied that the government had taken any side in the struggle between Mataafa and Malietoa. He added that he was unable to explain the action of the late German commander at Apia.

The Foreign Secretary said also that the lease of a coaling station to France by the Sultan of Oman was contrary to the terms of the treaty under which it was proceeded with.

Lord Geo. Hamilton, secretary of state for India, in response to a question whether the naval demonstration against Muscat was made by order of the Indian government or Her Majesty's, said: "Throughout we have been in close communication with the Indian government."

AMEER REPORTED DEAD.

Indian Government Has No Confirmation of This Rumor from Afghanistan.

Bombay, Feb. 24.—There is a strong native rumor at Peshawar that the Ameer of Afghanistan, Abur Rahman Khan, is dead.

The Indian government has not received any news tending to confirm this but it is thought quite possible that the information would come more speedily through native channels.

VANCOUVER IS SNUBBED

Militia Department Knows Better Than Citizens What Is in Their Interest.

Lease of the Park Island Signed But City Still Claims Lawful Possession.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—The lease of Deadman's island to Theodore Ludgate has been signed by the minister of militia. The government may resume possession without compensation if the island is required at any time for defensive purposes. The department considers that the material benefit to Vancouver will far outweigh any sentimental consideration.

Vancouver, Feb. 25.—Still another phase of the Deadman's island difficulty has developed to-day. The park commissioners claim that Deadman's island has been formally given into the charge of the city, and anyone else attempting to take possession would be trespassing. To prevent the representatives of the Chicago millionaires breaking sod for a sawmill, two constables, it is said, are stationed on the island. Meanwhile an army of otherwise unemployed are circulating petitions for and against the lease, and the whole city is thus interested. This evening a member of the park commission said that any infraction of the by-law governing the park would be forcibly resisted. Mayor Garden has instructed Chief Stewart to be ready with police to resist any encroachment on the island unless the parties can show a proper legal document duly and formally cancelling the order-in-council granting Deadman's island to the city as part of Stanley Park.

To-night the board of trade selected delegates to proceed to Ottawa to protest against the handing over of the island.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL CAMERON.

Winnipeg, Feb. 25.—Hon. J. D. Cameron, attorney-general, returned from a trip East this morning. Mr. Cameron said that the reports as to his sickness had been greatly exaggerated. He was now quite well and able to resume his duties at once.

WINNIPEG'S SWELL HOTEL.

Winnipeg, Feb. 25.—President Mellon, of the Northern Pacific, was here to-day conferring with the board of trade regarding the rebuilding of the Hotel Manitoba recently destroyed by fire.

BAYS OUT OF LUCK.

Like the Boys at Home, the Young Ladies Failed to Score at Seattle.

Seattle, Feb. 24.—(Special)—While the young ladies of the Victoria basket ball team met defeat at the hands of the ladies of the University of Washington they appear in the best of spirits to-night and ascribe it to the "fortunes of war." Before the basket ball game was called Miss Maud Goodwin captured a first prize very clerverly in the orange race against eight competitors.

At 3:30 the game was called and as the players lined up Victoria apparently had the best of it in weight but the ball was not long in motion before it was quite apparent that the team work was weak. Miss Dolly Sehl and Miss A. Goodwin did very clever work but owing to the many fouls made by the visiting team owing to the rules with which they were not familiar the game was largely lost by them on fouls as all the greater part of the game was at the home team's end. The score was 12 to 0.

The ladies were to-night given a reception at the university but owing to the fatiguing trip over and the excitement of the day a great many sought the quiet of their rooms at the hotel. They praise the cordial treatment given them.

THE END OF ANDREE.

Further Details of the Story of Finding Remains of His Expedition.

New York, Feb. 24.—A despatch to the World from Berlin says: The following letter, which may have started the recent report regarding the supposed finding of Andree, is published in the Siberian Advertiser. It is from a well-known sportsman named Ljalen:

"I hasten to inform you that Andree's balloon has been found. I was running on snow shoes after elks in the primeval forest south of Yenisei, and came across traces of Andree. It was 350 versts (234 miles) from Krasnogrask and 100 versts (67 miles) from the gold washing of Vanvinish, down in the Pit river. The balloon and ropes were torn, and the three bodies lay at its side, one with a broken skull. Please prepare assistance so that the balloon and bodies can be brought from the washings at Sanvinich, which can only be done by means of snow shoes. I guarantee the truth of these facts, and shall soon be in Tomsk."

VANCOUVER'S BUDGET

Minister of Justice Would Follow County Boundaries in the Coming R distribution.

Citizens Lost Deadman's Island by Neglecting to Telegraph When Warned.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Hugh McGuire, a Seattle Klondiker, whose wife was until recently among the erring sisters of Vancouver, and who is now in Revelstoke known as Annie, is in Vancouver, attempting to secure through the courts the custody of his young son. Mrs. McGuire has been telegraphed for, and the case will be heard on Monday.

Ald. Skinner re-asserts that an attempt was made to bribe him in the matter of Deadman's island, and that he will give the names at the proper time.

Hon. David Mills has written to the Liberal Association here, stating that a resolution forwarded to him regarding redistribution in British Columbia was receiving his attention and he awaited further communications regarding the wishes of the association in the matter, asking the association to bear in mind that it was the policy of his government to preserve the county boundaries as nearly as possible intact.

Yesterday citizens were forcibly reminded of the unsafe condition of the free library building by the announcement that a shower of bricks had fallen from the partly removed tower into the passage way of the building. The accident caused a stampede from the reading room, but no one was hurt.

Col. Worsnop is seriously ill.

It seems that the wishes of the people are to count for nothing in the matter of the Deadman's island deal. Mayor Garden has received a message from Ottawa stating that as the island was of no use for military purposes it was leased to Theo. Ludgate for a sawmill. Other messages have been received from Ottawa to the same effect, and all state that the deal was put through on the recommendation of the member for the district. Mr. Maxwell characterizes as preposterous the story of the attempt to bribe Ald. Skinner. It appears that Mr. Ludgate interviewed Mayor Garden regarding the erection of a sawmill on Deadman's island, but the mayor emphatically stated that he did not approve of the suggestion. Two days later Mr. Ludgate and Mr. Maxwell, M. P., left together for Ottawa, and though they kept their mission as private as possible, the Colonist correspondent learned of it, and the Colonist was the first paper to publish the news, warning those interested of the scheme on foot. If the wires had been used, then the city might have prevailed with the federal government.

The dyspeptic carries a dreadful load on his back. It seems as if he were really made up of two men. One of them ambitious, brainy and energetic; the other sick, listless, peevish and without force. The weak man weighs the other one down. The dyspeptic may be able to go pretty good work one day, and the next day, because of some little indiscretion in eating, he may be able to do nothing at all. Most cases of dyspepsia start with constipation. Constipation is the cause of nine-tenths of all human sickness. Some of its symptoms are sick and bilious headache, dizziness, sour stomach, loss of appetite, foul breath, windy belchings, heartburn, pain and distress after eating. All these are indicative of derangement of the liver, stomach and bowels, and all are caused by constipation. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the quickest, easiest and most certain cure for this condition. They are not violent in action.

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LONDON CABLE LETTER

United States Demands for Venezuelan Arbitration Contrasted With Alaskan Policy.

Iloilo Bombardment Cost Foreigners Five Millions—Philippine Negroes as Allies.

Westminster the New Will Be a Very Great City—American Railway Ideas.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 25.—The political panorama has shown a succession of varied and striking pictures this week; the attempt to burn Manila; the funeral of the late President Faure; the threatened bombardment of Muscat by a British warship; the resurrection of the Khalifa; and the reported death of the Ameer of Afghanistan were unfolded to the public gaze in rapid succession; while the adjournment of the Anglo-American commission at Washington has caused a feeling of deep regret here, and the optimistic tone of the British foreign office explanation is not reflected by the general public, although the newspapers as a rule profess to hope that the fresh attempt to reach an agreement in the autumn will prove more successful.

The Speaker cheerfully remarks: "The fact that business arrangements on particular points affecting large vested interests in both countries cannot be satisfactorily reached, unappreciably affects the friendship of nations as a whole. Nations are still aggregates and not persons."

The Spectator says: "Arbitration seems to be a difficult mode of settling international disputes. The professional diplomats have a right to chuckle a little."

The St. James' Gazette, during the course of a long article on "America's refusal to accept an empire," headed, "The Inconsistency of the United States," contends that America now refuses what she agreed to in the case of the Venezuelan arbitration, when King Oscar was empowered to appoint an umpire.

THE UNHAPPY FILIPINOS.

The events at Manila have been followed here with intense interest, and there has been a general condemnation of the Filipinos' attempt to burn the town. The Speaker calls it a suicidal policy, which will only injure themselves.

The Spectator says: "If the movement of the negroes and other races in favor of the Americans is genuine, it will not only yield the latter material for a sepoy army, but what is more important, will furnish them with moral justification for their empire."

A private cablegram received in London computes the loss to foreign merchants by the bombardment of Iloilo at $5,000,000. Only one European warehouse, it appears, escaped.

RAILWAY COUPLINGS.

An announcement complimentary to the United States was made in the House of Commons this week, when the president of the board of trade, Mr. Ritchie, promised to introduce a bill to compel railroad companies to adopt automatic couplings. Mr. Ritchie said that the assistant secretary in charge of the railway department of the board of trade, Mr. Francis J. Shopwood, recently returned from a mission to the United States and had reported highly in favor of the American system. He showed indisputably that there had been a great saving of life since the adoption of automatic couplings by the American railways.

The Daily News, commenting on the above, says: "An interesting feature of the proposal is that it is frankly avowed to be the result of a lesson from experience in the United States. Our public departments hitherto have not been very ready to admit that they had anything to learn from abroad, least of all the board of trade."

A NEW WESTMINSTER.

The London Municipalities bill introduced in the House of Commons on February 23 by Mr. Balfour, the government leader in the house, has been well received generally. The most striking feature of the bill is the revival of the ancient city of Westminster, which will comprise the whole of the enormously valuable and busy area from Temple Bar to Knight's Bridge, and from Oxford street to the river Thames, in which are included nearly all the theatres, clubs, government offices, parks, royal palaces, embassies and the aristocratic districts of Belgravia and Mayfair. It will be five times the size of the city of London proper, with five times its population, and it will be a serious rival of the ancient city of London, whose rateable value is £4,450,000, while that of the city of Westminster is £4,850,000. The imperial and social importance of the new city will be tremendous.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Fast Line Contractor Wants Forfeit Money Returned—Canada Life Shareholders Disagree.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—Wm. Petersen, of Newcastle, who failed to float the fast line project, is here to endeavor to obtain the return of the deposit of $50,000 which under the terms of the contract is forfeited.

The Queen's printer claims that the bureau system has resulted in a large decrease in the cost of public printing.

The contest between the Hamilton stockholders of the Canada Life and the rest of the company, otherwise Senator Cox, will be fought out in parliament. The Hamilton men want to restrict the voting power of heavier stockholders.

Mr. Mulock has received the resignation of Postmaster Dansereau of Montreal.

POLITICAL RUMORS.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—La Patrie's Ottawa correspondent says there is nothing in the story about Mr. Blake entering the Dominion cabinet, and that Sir Richard Cartwright will remain in the cabinet and Lord Strathcona in London.

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ICE OFF NEWFOUNDLAND.

Troublesome for Three Hundred Miles Seaward—Hair Sealers Perish in Storm.

St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 25.—The Furness liner Damaria, Capt. Williams, 13 days from Liverpool, with a general cargo, which arrived to-day reports encountering unexampled ice floes off the eastern coast of Newfoundland extending 300 miles seaward and south over the edge of the Grand Banks in the track of shipping. The Damaria saw nothing of the various disabled steamers reported adrift in the Atlantic.

The first of the annual sealing disasters occurred yesterday, when a boat from a sealing steamer, the Pelican, at Trinity Bay, out seal hunting, was driven by contrary winds and exposed to the storm all night long. Of the six men in the boat two perished and the other four were dangerously frost bitten.

CABLE TO HAWAIIA.

Senate Favors Government Construction and Ownership—Seven Millions the Cost.

Washington, Feb. 25—The senate committee appropriations to-day agreed to incorporate a provision in the sundry civil appropriation bill providing for the constructioin of a submarine cable connecting the United States with the Hawaiian islands. The amendment provides for the laying of the cable by the United States and for its subsequent ownership by the government, the navy department to perform the service. The cable when completed is to be operated by the post office department.

Senator Butler made a statement before the committee showing the cable could be laid to Honolulu for $6,942,000.

M'KINLEY A BAD LOT

Christianizing With the Sword and Civilizing With Cannon His Policy.

Republican Charges That He Wages Relentless War at Bidding of Capitalists.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Mr. Johnson, Republican, who made a vigorous opposition to the army re-organization bill while it was before the house, secured 30 minutes, in which he delivered a most remarkable and sensational speech, arraigning the administration in bitter terms for the alleged imperialistic programme. He referred to the recent banquet at Boston, which was attended by the President and the members of his cabinet. He paid his respects to Secretary Alger, who he says has been retained in the cabinet despite his incompetency on account of his contribution to the campaign fund in 1896. Secretary Long also came in for a part of the irony. He had the audacity, Mr. Johnson said, to repeat the baseless charge that those who opposed the ratification of the treaty were responsible for the bloodshed in the Philippines.

"Christianizing with the sword and civilizing with cannon," he declared, "was the administration's policy. The President's speech at the Boston banquet, Mr. Johnson declared, was the most disingenuous that ever fell from his lips, with its platitudes and professions of virtue. "It was," he contended, "a carefully devised and studious misstatement of facts." (Sensation.)

Mr. Johnson likened the President to a Pecksniff. If the President really meant that congress should determine upon the future of the Philippines, he asked why the President did not call congress in extra session and then keep his hands off? He charged the President with having coerced the senate into a ratification of the treaty; that he would not permit a vote on the Bacon resolution, and only allowed the McEnery resolution, which meant nothing, in order to lull the opposition and the country to sleep while he went ahead waging relentless war against a helpless people, struggling for liberty.

How the two-thirds vote to ratify the treaty was secured, Mr. Johnson said, only the President could tell. The people did not endorse the action of the senate. If the President could hush the noise of self-seekers about him, he would hear, not the tread of the 100,000 men he desired to enforce his crusade against liberty, but the murmurings of the mighty army of the American people who would overthrow him in the end.

The true cause of the President's change of attitude toward the Philippines, Mr. Johnson declared, was to be found in the demands of selfish capitalists. They were the gentlemen who had furnished the money for his nomination and election, and he had no doubt that they had already pledged a renomination and election. He charged that these men had already seized valuable concessions in China, which the acquisition of the Philippines would benefit. He said vast concessions had already been granted in Porto Rico and Cuba, and he had no doubt the board created by the President would farm out valuable franchises to Americans that properly belonged to the natives of those islands.

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DOMINION DESPATCHES

Young Woman Throws Herself Under Train—Firebugs to Serve Two Months.

Quebec Village Hotel Burned—Annual Competition by University Athletes.

Special To The Colonist.

BLAMED THE OLD MAN.

Toronto, Feb. 24.—Ella Byers, aged 30, committed suicide this morning by deliberately stepping in front of a G.T.R. northern express. The body was mangled in a horrible manner. In her pocket was found a note reading "forgive dad." The woman's father, however, has been dead for years.

UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS.

Toronto, Feb. 24.—Toronto and McGill universities have arranged for an annual athletic meeting to be held alternately in Montreal and Toronto in October. Other Canadian universities will be invited to send delegates.

SOMEBODY'S WATERLOO.

Waterloo, Feb. 24.—Waterloo won easily in the semi-final game in the big four league hockey match here last night.

FIREBUGS GAOLED.

Berlin, Feb. 24.—Adele von Webenau, alleged Austrian countess, and Herman Baldersausen, her nephew, charged with conspiracy to defraud the Merchants' Fire Insurance Co. of Toronto, have been sentenced to two months in gaol.

CONSERVATIVES ORGANIZE.

Montreal, Feb. 24.—Henry Dalby, for 20 years on the staff of the Star, was presented yesterday with a handsome gold watch and chain by the staff of that paper on the occasion of his resignation of the managing editorship to accept the position of manager of the English Conservatives of Quebec.

C. P. R. RECEIPTS.

Montreal, Feb. 24.—C.P.R. traffic receipts for the week ending February 21 were $429,000; for the same week last year they were $351,000.

HOTEL BURNED.

Point Fortune, Que., Feb. 24.—Fire last night destroyed Seguin's hotel and Brown's furniture store; total loss about $5,000 and insured.

THE DEAD M.P.

Winnipeg, Feb. 24.—The funeral of the late W. R. Jameson was very largely attended, many of the public men of the province being present. Telegrams of condolence were received yesterday by the widow from Premier Laurier, Hon. Mr. Sifton and other ministers.

MAJOR BLISS.

Winnipeg, Feb. 24.—Major Bliss of the Yukon field force arrived in the city to-day from Ottawa. He was escorted to the cavalry barracks where he will remain a guest of the mess until to-morrow, when he will proceed on his journey to Yukon.

WEST INDIAN HURRICANE.

Little Island Devastated and Many Vessels Destroyed With Loss of Life.

Kingston, Jamaica, Feb. 25.—Cayman island, 150 miles from here, was swept by a terrible storm on February 13 and 14, which devastated the country districts, destroyed local shipping and caused several fatalities and general suffering among the islanders.

The schooner Whitewater, from Mobile, was a total loss with her entire cargo; her crew was saved and arrived here to-day.

DOMINION DESPATCHES

FUEL OIL WANTED.

Toronto, 25.—The manufacturers of Ontario are in a state of agitation over the refusal of the Standard Oil trust to supply fuel oil, on the ground that they have more orders than they can fill. Two Hamilton manufacturers, one of them employing 400 men, say they will have to shut down in consequence. This morning a meeting of sixteen important manufacturers of Toronto and other parts of the province was held and a resolution unanimously passed to ask the government to remit the existing duty of 2½ cents per imperial gallon on oil from the United States.

UNDER A TRAIN.

Peterboro, Feb. 25.—Margaret Sheehan, the aged widow of Cornelius Sheehan, attempted to cross in front of the Lakefield train as it was nearing the station this morning, and was knocked down, run over and instantly killed.

OBITUARY.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—F. X. P. Demois, principal of the Catholic Commercial Academy, died yesterday at Notre Dame hospital, after an illness of three months, in his 52nd year.

Winnipeg, Feb. 25.—James Tait, one of Manitoba's earliest settlers, died today at Headingly.

COL. LEE'S APPOINTMENT.

Kingston, Feb. 15.—Lieut.-Col. Lee, R. A., the first British military attache to the Washington embassy, is in the city, the guest of Col. Kitson, Royal Military College. He will remain a few days and proceed to Ottawa to confer with the Canadian military authorities. He is again in robust health after his trying Cuban experiences. He is much pleased that the British government preferred him for the United States post. He will remain there five years.