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TRADE POLICY TO BE LAUNCHED

Possible Retirement of Lord Strathcona and Bryce Appointment Signs of Big Fiscal Move.

INTERMEDIATE TARIFF IDEA

Is Invitation to United States to Join in Reciprocal Treaty—Laurier a Continental Unionist.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—The suggested retirement of Lord Strathcona as high commissioner for Canada in London, following close upon the announcement of James Bryce's appointment as British ambassador to the United States, in view of the fact that he is taken as the sign of a new big commercial policy about to be launched by Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The Saturday Review of London recently expressed the opinion that British having been foolish enough to disapprove of Chamberlain's policy of imperial preference, would now actually assist the people of the United States in negotiating for preferential treatment with Canada.

The British government will have nothing to do with preferential trade with the colonies. And Sir Wilfrid Laurier is no lover of Chamberlain and his works. Bryce going to Washington at the behest of the British government and Strathcona coming to Canada to resign make the preliminaries of the premier's cherished scheme.

N.Y. SUES TO RECOVER EXCESS LIGHT CHARGE

Electric Companies Alleged to Have Overcharged \$3,000,000.

New York, Dec. 29.—Corporation Counsel E. J. Connelley announced that he is preparing to bring court proceedings against the several companies, which have been supplying this city with electric light for the past six years.

DOUBLE NIGHT CAR SERVICE

To Accommodate Those who will be attending the watch-night services to-night, and New Year's parties, the Toronto Street Railway Co. will double the usual night car service to-night and will provide a special Church-street and Avenue-road service.

TO TAKE OVER DOCKS

Montreal, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Commandant Spain and Lieut.-Col. Goddard of the department of marine and fisheries left for Halifax to-day by the mainline express, where on New Year's Day they will take over the imperial dockyard.

HOW TO HIT THEM

Said probably the most prominent citizen of Toronto last night: "The best and only way to hit the Toronto Railway and Bob Fleming and his loops a crack in the eye is for every one to turn out and make Lindsay mayor."

If experience, honesty and ability count, the electors of Ward 5 will mark their ballot for R. H. Graham as alderman for 1907.

GERMANY ASKS TARIFF FAVORS

Representatives of the Kaiser in Ottawa in Connection With Trade Openings—Strathcona Believed to Be Conveying Representations From British Government.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Representatives of the German government have been at the capital for some time past in connection with trade openings afforded by the new tariff.

The Germans lost little time in becoming active, as Germany has had for some time an eye on Canadian trade, and it is said that Lord Strathcona is conveying representations from the British government.

Lord Strathcona's hurried and unexpected visit to Canada at this inclement season of the year is a topic of much speculation in the capital. It is said, however, that questions brought about by the intermediate tariff are the occasion of his visit.

Roblin to Appeal in March Session Opens on Thursday

Manitoba Government Expected to Take Action to Force Hand of Dominion Authorities on Boundary Question.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—The Manitoba Legislature will open on Thursday for its last session.

It is expected that the session will be very short, although there will probably be a hot debate on the telephone question.

It is expected that the question of the extension of Manitoba's boundaries will play an important part, and the government may endeavor to take some action to force the hand of the Dominion authorities.

INGERSOLL BOOSTS CHEAP POWER SCHEME

Enthusiastic Reception to Hon. Adam Beck on Saturday.

Ingersoll, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—At a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting held in the town hall last night, Ingersoll gave Hon. Adam Beck enthusiastic assurance that Niagara power is wanted here.

More than ordinary interest has been exhibited by Ingersoll in the great question since it was first taken up at Berlin in 1902. At that time Ingersoll was one of the original seven municipalities to assume the responsibility of making the investigation relative to the transmission of cheap power.

The stage having been reached where municipalities are going to vote on the question of the transmission of cheap power, Mr. Beck, in a most convincing address as to the great importance of cheap power, dealt with all phases of the great movement, and the audience was with him from start to finish.

The speaker remarked that he felt flattered at the splendid turnout and the attention given him. At the conclusion of his address it was unanimously decided to carry the resolution which was carried unanimously.

FELL FROM WINDOW

Woman Loses Balance and Drops From Second Storey, Fractures Leg.

Mrs. Ellen McLean of 15 Brantford, while cleaning a second-storey window of her home on Saturday afternoon, lost her balance and fell to the street below, sustaining a fracture of the right ankle.

REJOICING

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—There is rejoicing here among the friends of Charles R. Devlin and Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux over the result of the Nicodet election. Up to the time of the retirement of Dr. Legris from the contest, the Liberals had little hopes of winning the election. Shortly before the house rose, Mr. Devlin came to Ottawa determined to drop out of the contest, but was prevented from doing so by the postmaster-general, who was confident of finding a way to pull Dr. Legris out of the fight.

KING OSCAR'S CONDITION

Stockholm, Dec. 30.—The bulletin issued to-day concerning the state of health of King Oscar, says that the king's temperature Saturday evening was 100.1, and this morning he took his morning step well during the night. His appetite is good. The action of the heart is unchanged.

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THRILLING.



SIGNOR JAFFRI IN HIS GREAT NIAGARA POWER PLUGGING ACT.

BLAIR RAILWAY MINISTER EMMERSON N. B. PREMIER

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—It is rumored here to-day that the Hon. H. R. Emmerson will leave Dominion politics, in order to accept the premiership of New Brunswick, and that the Hon. A. G. Blair will re-enter federal politics as minister of railways and canals.

It is said also that the premier is anxious for the return of Mr. Sifton to the cabinet, the debating strength of which is at present exceedingly mediocre.

In railway circles the return of Blair is not looked upon with much favor, as these two men are among the strongest supporters of J. J. Hill, and at the present juncture when the C.P.R., G.T.P. and C.N.R. are struggling for supremacy in the west any augmented influence of the American railway magnate would be feared.

"SPOUT" OVER-CONGESTED MORE RAILWAYS NEEDED

Only Apprehension of Steel President is Tardy Solution of Transportation Problem.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—J. H. Plummer, president of the Dominion Iron and Steel Works, who was at the Windsor, said to-day he had heard rumors of large interests, both in the north and steel companies, endeavoring to get the two corporations into a harmonious working agreement. We would like very much he said to come to a reasonable settlement, but the coal company is not reasonable. The president, after conferring with Mr. Jones, left this evening for Toronto, but will go down to Sydney in a few days.

But if the president is somewhat pessimistic over the efforts, which are undoubtedly being made by the banks and other interests to settle the coal-steel matter, he is decidedly optimistic as regards the future of Montreal, Toronto and Canada as a whole. "My only apprehension is perhaps the somewhat tardy solution of the transportation problem."

Mr. Plummer fears, in fact, that serious congestion may be in sight. With all the enterprise and push of the existing railways Mr. Plummer still fears that the "spout" between the great lakes and Montreal may become over-congested before relief is obtained. He, therefore, expressed the opinion that another railway from Montreal to Midland or some other lake port would prove to be a very excellent proposition.

Something good, La Voila Cigs.

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THIRTY-FIVE DIE IN B. & O. WRECK

Appalling Disaster Three Miles From Washington, Caused by Collision of Special With Train of Empty.

SIXTY PERSONS ARE INJURED

Wreck Attributed to Second Train Running Past Signal in Dense Fog.

Washington, Dec. 30.—An appalling disaster occurred to-night at 7 o'clock on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad at Terracotta, about three miles from this city, in which about thirty-five persons were killed and over sixty injured, some of them so seriously that they will die.

The accident was caused by the collision of train No. 66, due here at 6:25 p.m. from Frederick, Md., known as the Frederick Special train of empty freight cars. Over 200 passengers were aboard the ill-fated train. The railway officials late to-night were unable to explain the collision.

As soon as the news of the wreck reached this city, all ambulances available, with as many physicians as could be assembled, were sent to the scene.

The dead bodies were found lying beside the track for a considerable distance. The wreck occurred at 6:30 p.m. A dense fog was prevailing and made objects imperceptible a few feet ahead.

It was impossible at first to determine the exact extent of the catastrophe. The passengers in the forward coach, who were but slightly bruised, heard the groans of the dying and wounded, and did what they could to give aid.

The moment the first of the survivors reached Brookland a general call was sent out for doctors and ambulances. Several Brookland doctors responded, and were taken to the scene in automobiles.

Following is a partial list of the dead: MARY LEFFLOLD, employed with bureau of engraving and printing in this city.

GEORGE HIGBIE, a boy, Brookland, D.C. ELIZABETH PEARMAN, Takoma Park.

T. A. KELLY, Kensington, Md. DR. E. CARTHUR HARRIS, Washington.

MISS KOLL. White girl, unidentified. Negro girl, unidentified. Negro boy, unidentified. White baby, unidentified.

NORMAN ROBERTS, Marion, Ind. MISS MRS. M. CAGHELLY and her 14-year-old son. EDWARD M. BELT, address unknown.

COMMODORE P. BROWN, address unknown. Partial list of injured: D. W. Bakken. Continued on Page 2.

HE WAS WELL SMOKED

One Gentleman Tells How Good His Friends Were to Him.

Father Time will put back his Calendar Clock to-night and start again with it at midnight with Number One of 1907 happy days.

"Last year, during the Christmas and New Year's week," said an elderly gentleman who is most popular in social circles, "I received from friends in all 26 boxes of cigars, and of these 24 were bought at your store. I know, for your good soul was on them, and I can assure you that I enjoyed many, many hours of solace in smoking."

This gentleman, whose name is a household word in Toronto, was himself selecting some New Year's gifts at G. W. Muller's, 9 King-street west.

MILD AND SHOWERY.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 30 below; 14 below; Atlin, 14 below; 2 below; Ft. Simpson, 24-28; Victoria, 36-38; Vancouver, 31-34; Calgary, 6 below-4; Edmonton, 14 below-12 below; Winnipeg, 4 below-30; Fort Arthur, 4-20; Harry Sound, 30-38; Toronto, 34-37; Montreal, 24-30; Quebec, 18-28; Halifax, 28-30.

Probabilities. Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Southerly to southwesterly gales; mild and showery. Dean rent toboggans, Tel. Park 430

THE BAROMETER.

Time	Bar.	Wind.
8 a.m.	35	22-26 10 N.E.
Noon	37	21-24 10 N.E.
2 p.m.	36	20-22 10 N.E.
4 p.m.	37	21-24 10 N.E.
6 p.m.	37	21-24 10 N.E.
10 p.m.	37	21-24 10 N.E.

Mean of day, 36; difference from average, 12 above; highest, 37; lowest, 34; rain, 0.1; Highest Saturday, 38; lowest Saturday, 20.

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Dec. 29	At	From
Lucania	New York	Liverpool
Cambridge	Boston	Manchester
St. Louis	Plymouth	New York
Hydun	Boston	New York
Memphis	Plymouth	New York
Portland	Halifax	Liverpool
Lehigh	New York	Liverpool
Coptic	New York	Naples
Osborne	New York	London
Vanderland	New York	Liverpool
Lake Marston	St. John's	Halifax
St. Louis	Southampton	New York

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