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DIAZ ABOUT TO QUIT IN MEXICO

He will Resign Presidency as an Inducement for Peace. Minister of Foreign Affairs may Occupy Presidential Chair Pending New Elections-- Street Disturbances in City of Mexico.

Mexico City, Mex., May 5.—The resignation of Porfirio Diaz as president of Mexico within a very short time is regarded here today as certain. Should the announcement of his intention to resign be made tomorrow, or even tonight, it would cause no surprise to the members of his cabinet. No authoritative confirmation of this could be secured, but there is little doubt that President Diaz, recognizing the seriousness of the situation and responding to the popular demand, will retire when order is restored. At the president's office today no statement could be secured, and the members of the cabinet, realizing that if Diaz was the only man who could give a direct answer to the demands of Francisco I. Madero, Jr., the revolutionary leader, that Diaz should make known publicly his intention to retire from office, were silent.

NEW PREMIER OF P. E. ISLAND

H. J. A. Palmer Succeeds Premier Haszard, Who Has Been Appointed to the Supreme Court Bench.

PARRSBORO MAN DEAD AS RESULT OF BURNS

Joseph White Died Yesterday Morning—The Origin Of The Fire Is Still a Mystery.

3RD REGIMENT WILL SEND MEN TO CORONATION

Minister Of Militia Says Col. Baxter Has Been Asked To Nominate Them— Fishery Matters In House.

Ottawa, May 5.—American methods of doing business with Canada came in for exposure in the house today. J. D. Taylor, member for the fishing constituency of New Westminster, brought the matter up. A treaty was concluded providing for joint fisheries regulations. This commission drew up regulations. Then the American Senate amended the regulations by striking out those which applied to Puget Sound and Lake Erie. For want of regulations in Puget Sound the Canadian salmon fishery is being destroyed by American traps. "A breach of international honor," said Mr. Taylor, "a gross breach of their written word," was another phrase which he used. "The time is past," he said, "when such sharp practice can be indulged in. Canada is not so petty a state that a larger man humping her into giving concessions by offering concessions in return, and then accepting the concessions while withholding the price."

PLACED FLORAL WREATH ON GRAVE OF HIS ENEMY

Japanese General Pays Tribute To Memory Of Man He Fought At Siege Of Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, May 5.—General Nogi, the keeper of Port Arthur, arrived here today on a special mission of placing a wreath upon the tomb of Major General Kondratenko, commander of the 7th East Siberian Rifle, who was killed at the battle of 295's Metro Hill in 1904, in the Russo-Japanese war. The Novo Vremia will say tomorrow that the mission of General Nogi affords new proof of Japanese amicable feelings for Russia.

CONSTABLES QUARREL; BOTH ARE SHOT DEAD.

Pennington Gap, Virginia, May 5.—Constable John Haax, who came down from St. Charles yesterday to help Town Marshal George Hinkle keep order in Pennington while the circus was in town, arrested an unknown man for some trivial offense and started with him to lockup. Hinkle intervened and declared that being town marshal in Pennington he would do the arresting himself. While the prisoner got away, Haax and Hinkle exchanged shots. Both men died almost instantly.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIAN PREMIER TO JOIN FORCES WITH BORDEN IN OTTAWA

Masterly Address by Conservative Leader at Party Banquet. Party will be Strengthened by Representative men from the West who will Help to Make Mr. Borden Canada's Next Premier.

Ottawa, May 5.—Mr. Borden entertained the parliamentary Conservative party and several Conservative statesmen prominent in provincial politics at dinner tonight. It was a remarkable occasion. Its principal characteristics were: The exceptional ardor, confidence and good comradeship shown by the party; it was a remarkably enthusiastic and loyal gathering, with that swing about it which showed that the men present felt victory in the upon Mr. Borden's pointed charge that President Taft is consciously seeking to prevent the consummation of the tariff union of the British Empire, and that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is deliberately aiding him in that task.

DESTROY PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

After a reference to the principal guests, in the course of which he remarked, "New Brunswick and British Columbia are closer today than were New Brunswick and Quebec," Mr. Borden discussed reciprocity in the following terms: "Canada today is confronted with the greatest office has probably greater than that in 1902 and again in 1907. He intimated that there was much illegal fishing at the mouth of the river and advocated a season of six weeks beginning about May 1st. The board decided to memorialize the Dominion government in the matter and it is regarded as strange that the government after having appointed a commission to investigate this fishery at an expense of thousands of dollars, should have pigeonholed the report and taken no action.

JUDGE BELANGER DEAD.

Ottawa, May 5.—Hon. Judge Louis Belanger, formerly judge of the Quebec superior court bench, died today at the residence of his son, Louis Belanger, of the public works department. He was aged 82 years. Judge Belanger, who sat in the district of Beauharnois, retired in 1902.

SIR J. CARLING IMPROVED.

London, Ont., May 5.—The condition of Sir John Carling who was overcome by a sinking spell yesterday, was slightly improved at noon today. Little hope is held out for his recovery. The family remains in close attendance.



ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN.—The cleanest, ablest and best man in National politics today.

I.C.R. CLERKS WILL ASK FOR PAY INCREASE

They Claim They Are Poorest Paid Branch Of Railway Service—The Shad Fisheries Commission.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, May 5.—At tonight's meeting of the board of trade the president, Hon. C. W. Robinson, said that when Ex-Governor McClellan and himself had been in Ottawa recently, they found that the report of the shad fisheries commission had been pigeonholed. They had, however, dug out the report and had it printed. He intimated that there was much illegal fishing at the mouth of the river and advocated a season of six weeks beginning about May 1st. The board decided to memorialize the Dominion government in the matter and it is regarded as strange that the government after having appointed a commission to investigate this fishery at an expense of thousands of dollars, should have pigeonholed the report and taken no action.

ST. JOHN VESSEL FULL OF WATER

Schr. Romeo From This Port For New York In Collision With Unknown Vessel In Pollock Rip.

SIX MEN BURNED TO DEATH IN MINES

Negaunee, Mich., May 5.—Five of six men were burned to death in a fire in the Hartford iron mines.

BRAGDON FRED THE FATAL SHOT

SIR WILFRID CHURLISH TO MR. M'BRIDE. Although British Columbia Premier Entertained Laurier In British Columbia, Sir Wilfrid Neglects Him In Ottawa.

Ottawa, May 5.—The Conservative members of the committee which will inquire into the charges contained in a newspaper despatch that there was a connection between a grant of 635,000 acres of land in Saskatchewan and two deposits made to the account of Hon. Frank Oliver in an Edmonton bank, will be T. W. Crothers, of East Hill, and Arthur S. Meighen, of Portage La Prairie. They are amongst the most brilliant lawyers in parliament. Considerable surprise is expressed here at the discourtesy shown Premier Sir Wilfrid Laurier. It will be remembered that when Sir Wilfrid visited British Columbia last summer the McBride government gave him the most splendid reception ever given him during his career. Over \$30,000 was spent by the McBride government in the demonstration of welcome.

THE LOSS IN LANGOR FIRE

It Is Estimated At \$3,000,000 Or Less, With An Insurance Of \$1,500,000—Relief Fund Is \$42,000.

M'NAMARA CASE OVER TO JUNE 1ST

The Los Angeles Dynamiters Were Arraigned In Court And Adjudgment Was Taken Till Next Month.

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Woodstock Man's Wife Accuses Him at Coroner's Inquest.

Woodstock, May 5.—A sensational scene was enacted in the coroner's court here this evening when Mrs. Ida Bragdon accused her husband, Wm. Bragdon, of shooting Woodman McCuskey at the former's home. Mrs. Bragdon was laboring under great emotion when she made her dramatic declaration under oath. In brief, jerky sentences she told her story of the tragedy. She swore she saw her husband fire the shot that caused the death of McCuskey, and that her husband fired another shot at her, and a third in the air.

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