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SOME PLAIN TALK

London Newspapers Think a Check Ought to Be Put Upon the United States' Trickery.

Lord Salisbury Praised for Declining To Walk Into the Sealing Conference Trap.

London, Oct. 8.—The St. James' Gazette this afternoon, referring to the formal announcement of Great Britain's declaration to take part in the Behring sea conference with Russia and Japan, says:

"There will be a feeling of relief that Great Britain, on behalf of Canada, has finally declined to walk into the trap which was being arranged at Washington. America has never paid the damages for the illegal seizures of Canadian sealers, and has exhausted every diplomatic artifice to evade the award, finally demanding a fresh conference. The Marquis of Salisbury consented, whereupon America calmly proposed that Russia and Japan should attend the seal conference, with the obvious intention of outwitting England and upsetting by a side wind the Paris award."

The Globe, commenting on the same subject this afternoon, remarks: "As a mere matter of business it is time that a firm check was put upon the policy of the United States in dealing with this country. In the interests of Canada it is well to let the United States understand that no settlement of the question will satisfy Great Britain which sacrifices one jot or tittle of the just and equitable rights of the loyal Dominion of Canada."

Again, if we grant for the sake of argument that there is a "wing," why the "Templeman" wing? Mr. Templeman, being certainly the most prominent non-official representative of the party in British Columbia, was asked to issue the call for the convention, after the holding of it had been decided upon. His compliance with that request, which could hardly have refused, does not make him either the framer of the convention or the leader of those who desire it. The whole tirade against Mr. Templeman by the Colonist and the World seems very like a nasty little piece of professional jealousy on the part of a couple of rival editors.

Again, notice the atrocious falsehood about the desire of Mr. Templeman to run provincial politics on Dominion lines. The Times, which is Mr. Templeman's paper, has declared over and over again that it does not approve of any such policy. Its declarations have been quite clear and unmistakable, nor has it made any attempt (although the Colonist has) to introduce by inference, and as it were by stealth, Dominion party lines of cleavage in local affairs.

The Colonist is endeavoring to kill two birds with one stone. It is gratifying its malice by traducing a rival, and at the same time earning its subsidy by endeavoring to sow dissension in the ranks of its opponents, and by manufacturing party cries for use at the next election—Columbian.

A few weeks ago the editor was taken with a very severe cold that caused him to be in a most miserable condition. It was undoubtedly a bad case of grippe, and, recognizing it as dangerous, he took immediate steps to bring about a speedy cure. From the advertisement of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the many good recommendations included therein, he concluded to make a first trial of the medicine. To say that it was satisfactory in results, is putting it very mildly, indeed. It acted like magic, and the result was a permanent and speedy cure. He has no hesitancy in recommending this excellent Cough Remedy to anyone afflicted with a cough or cold in any form.—The Banner of Liberty, Libertytown, Maryland. For sale by Langley & Henderson, wholesale druggists, Victoria and Vancouver.

TO BUILD MORE WARSHIPS. Prussian Cabinet Believed to Have Adopted on Tirpitz's Programme.

Berlin, Oct. 8.—Yesterday's meeting of the Prussian cabinet was fully attended and the session lasted five hours. It is alleged on some show of authority that the ministers unanimously approved of the naval programme of Admiral Tirpitz, secretary of the navy, for the construction of battleships and ironclad cruisers, and that both with Prince Hohenzollern, imperial chancellor, and the finance minister in regard to the matter of providing funds.

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BIG BATTLE IN CUBA

Victory Claimed by the Spanish, but the Rebels Are Said To Have Won It.

Insurgents Are Confident of Ultimate Independence—They Want Accept Autonomy.

New York, Oct. 7.—A dispatch from Havana says that a big battle occurred October 2 in Casanovilla hills, not far from Matanzas, between the Spanish under General Molina and rebels under the command of Belancourt, Sanguliy and Boulayrango. The fight began at 9 o'clock in the morning and continued all day.

The official report published here states that Molina attacked the rebel position and drove the rebels out with great loss. The same report says that General Molina had his horse shot from under him. A correspondent at Matanzas has obtained a true account of the fight from a Spanish officer who was present. From the reports it appears that the rebel infantry were strongly entrenched in an almost inaccessible position in the hills and all efforts to dislodge them were futile, resulting only in heavy losses for the attacking forces.

The insurgents had only a few men killed and jeered and taunted the Spanish during the whole engagement. General Molina narrowly escaped death. Enraged at his failure, he returned to the attack the next day, but with no better success. A large number of wounded and dying Spanish soldiers were brought into Matanzas.

General Jimenez Castellano left Puerto Principe September 25 with heavy forces for the purpose of attacking the Cuban government headquarters in Guaymarillo, but heavy rains and bad roads prevented him from carrying out his plans and after long marches he returned to Puerto Principe with 108 of his men ill.

General Ruiz, while escorting a convoy from Puerto Principe to San Nicholas, was attacked by rebels September 30. The rebel leader, Juan Duesse, has crossed the Mariel-Majana trocha with a large force and is now operating with General C. M. Diaz.

His publishes a statement to the effect that up to date 2,000 of the 6,000 concentrated in the town of Jesus Grande have died of hunger.

CUBA WON'T ACCEPT AUTONOMY. New York, Oct. 7.—General Carlo G. Elia, has sent the following letter to the Cuban government at Washington:

"We are now better prepared for an active campaign than at any time during the present or late war. We are informed here that Spain will try to placate the American government by offering us autonomy more or less ample. I need not tell you, my friend, that we laugh at such offers, for already we are near the hour of our liberation. "Should Spain seriously offer us autonomy, it would prove the full extent of her weakness and we will fight with renewed ardor until she shall recognize our independence. Imagine our present situation. We have absolute confidence in a prompt re-establishment of peace. The rise in Spanish securities in Europe show that the public abroad has great confidence in Sagasta's cabinet.

"The change in the Spanish cabinet is of minor importance, as all true Spaniards must have the same patriotism in defending the high ideals of the nation."

AUTONOMY OFFERED TO CUBA. Madrid, Oct. 7.—At a cabinet council last night the government decided to grant autonomy to Cuba under the supervision of Spain and to continue the campaign as long as may be necessary. Senator Gallon, minister of foreign affairs, explained to the cabinet the position of the diplomatic negotiations with the United States.

WEYLER WILL NOT RESIGN. Madrid, Oct. 7.—Senator Sagasta, the premier, has received a cable message from Captain-General Weyler, who offers his services to the government, and adds: "I shall not resign."

CROUP QUICKLY CURED. Mountain Glen, Ark.—Our children were suffering with croup when we received a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It afforded almost instant relief.—F. A. Thornton. This celebrated remedy is for sale by Langley & Henderson, wholesale druggists, Victoria and Vancouver.

PRINCESS GOING TO HAWAII. San Francisco, Oct. 7.—Princess Kalanikouli and her father, Mr. Hoopulu, have engaged passage from here on the steamship Australia from Honolulu, November 22. The princess will leave England next Saturday, sailing from Liverpool for New York. It is expected that she will spend a week in San Francisco.

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WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

Indications of Prosperity—Alberta Cattle in Good Shape.

Winnipeg, Oct. 7.—The Liberals of South Brandon will meet at Neblitt on the 24th to select a candidate for the seat in the legislature made vacant by the resignation of E. C. Graham.

John Penman, aged 16 years, was instantly killed yesterday while placing his loaded gun in a boat. The weapon accidentally discharged, and he received a fatal charge in his breast.

Congressmen Tawney, Henry and Cannon, United States commissioners to Hawaii, passed through here to-day en route to Washington. Their car was transferred here from the Canadian Pacific at Northern Pacific and they left for St. Paul via Chicago.

Winnipeg bank clearings for the week ending to-day were \$3,116,963, balances \$646,932; a large increase over the same week last year, when the figures were, clearances, \$1,358,623, balances \$307,708.

Senator Sanford, of Hamilton, is here. More men are being hired to work on the Crow's Nest road.

Sir Wm. Van Horne and party are expected here during the night en route to the Pacific coast.

Alberta stockmen report the cattle on the ranges in prime condition and in good shape to pull through the winter.

The low lands along the C.P.R. line between Fannistelle and Headingley, were burned over by prairie fires to-day, and several farmers were burned out. Nicholas Guillet and a young man named Mollett were brought to the hospital.

The fire was so violent that the men were frightened while assisting Guillet to suppress the fires, and may not recover.

A Regina, N.W.T., dispatch says: Lieutenant Mackintosh arrived tonight this morning, and will immediately send for Mr. Haultain and ask him to recommend a ministry. Mr. Haultain will recommend as his colleagues Messrs. Ross and Mitchell of the present executive, and Messrs. Pulver and Magrath. Nominations for the ministers' elections will be held the 20th.

At Moosejaw Mr. Ross will be opposed by I. G. Baker.

R. B. Gordon, whose two positions were terminated by statute on the 1st inst., has been appointed clerk of the assembly, and subsequently to this the office of law clerk will be added.

MAY BUILD BOATS. United States Government Grant Canadian Permission to Build Vessels at St. Michaels.

Report That Great Britain Has Withdrawn From Sealing Conference Is Incorrect.

Ottawa, Oct. 9.—The customs department some time ago asked the United States government on behalf of some Canadians if they would be permitted to put a vessel together at St. Michaels. It is a flat-bottom boat which they wish to use on the Yukon river.

A cable has been received from Hon. Mr. Fielding, stating that he has placed a loan on the market for £200,000 sterling at 2 1/2 per cent, subsidized stock, payable yearly in the Bank of Montreal and the principal in 1947 at a minimum price of 91.

Fire has again broken out in the vicinity of Bear Brook, and fears are entertained that this village will be swept.

The prospect for the new Canadian loan will be issued in London on Monday and tenders will be receivable up to Friday. The rate of interest will be 2 1/2 per cent.

The relief fund for sufferers by the recent forest fires in Russell and Prescott counties is mounting up, and merchants and private citizens have contributed large quantities of goods and clothing.

Sympathetic messages of inquiry have been received from the Governor-General and prominent personages in different parts of the country.

Those who believe chronic diarrhoea to be incurable should read what Mr. P. E. Gleisham, of Gaars Mills, La., has to say on the subject, viz: "I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoea ever since the war, and have tried all kinds of medicines for it. At last I found a remedy that effected a cure, and that was Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This medicine can always be depended upon for colic, cholera morbus, dysentery and diarrhoea. It is pleasant to take, and never fails to effect a cure. For sale by Langley & Henderson, wholesale druggists, Victoria and Vancouver."

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HY. GEORGE'S CLAIM

The Only Regular Democratic Candidate Nominated for Mayor of New York.

The Views of Democratic National Committee—Tammany is Only a Side Issue.

New York, Oct. 7.—Henry George's claim that he is the regular democratic candidate for mayor of Greater New York has called forth expressions from members of the Democratic national committee.

W. H. White, member for Washington, telegraphed to Henry George: "The Democratic party of the state of Washington sends greetings. In this movement you are the representative of Jeffersonian Democracy. Your selection as mayor of Greater New York will bring assurance to the democracy of the west and southern Mammoth worshippers have not throttled their love for free government in the east, and in 1900, as a united and purified party, we will move forward in a glorious national victory."

The following dispatches from Democratic national committee have been received:

W. S. Holliday, Wyoming: "As a Democrat I recognize but one authority in determining Democratic policies on questions that are national in their scope—the Democratic national convention. If the Democratic party is to continue its national significance that it will force national in its character, all true Democrats must accept the platform adopted by the last national convention."

"The Chicago platform—until the principles of politics set forth in said platform are settled."

"Democrats throughout the country, I believe, regard the result of the pending campaign in greater New York as being of national significance and therefore will affect the Democratic party for good or ill in 1900. If I may express the opinion, no Democratic faction in any state in the United States will change the purpose of the Democratic party as set forth in the Chicago platform. That party in New York that accepts the Chicago platform ought to have the support of all Democrats."

"The Chicago platform is the latest authentic declaration of Democratic faith, and I believe it is the duty of all Democrats to support candidates who stand upon it in preference to those who ignore it."

J. M. Head, Tennessee: "I certainly believe that compliance with the Chicago platform should be insisted upon. Any organization claiming to be Democratic which absolutely refuses to endorse the national platform has no claim upon the support of the Democratic voters. I am not sufficiently advised as to the rules of party organization in your state to venture an opinion as to who is the regular nominee, but Mr. Van Wyck certainly cannot lay any claim to it."

John Gilbert Shanklin, Indiana: "Were I in New York I should support Henry George, because he is the only exponent among the candidates for mayor of the principles decided on at the Chicago convention, absolute loyalty to the test of true democracy."

J. G. Dudley, Texas: "The Democrats who fought the battle of 1896 should insist that the Chicago platform be the basis of the test. I cannot see how the Democrats who supported the Chicago platform and its nominees can vote a ticket nomination upon a platform which ignores the Chicago platform, especially when there is a ticket in the field reaffirming the Chicago platform. They cannot afford to compromise principle."

George Anstee, Idaho: "Every delegation in New York should support Henry George. A candidate who does not stand up for or endorse the Chicago platform has no claim to Democratic support. Such men elected McKimley, and, to be consistent, they should support Tracy. Their pretense of being Democrats is but a repetition of the masquerading in the lion's skin."

J. H. Townsend, Oregon: "I believe the Chicago platform represents the principles of the Democratic party, and know of no reason why any organization other than a national convention should presume to enunciate the principles of the party."

Benjamin R. Tillman, South Carolina: "The present situation in New York city is most interesting and of national importance. The result will show whether there is patriotism and manhood enough in its people to give themselves honest government, and save themselves from slavery to money. Van Wyck does not represent Democracy, but was nominated by a corrupt organization, hungry for the loaves and fishes, but too cowardly to fight for principle."

"Henry George is the Democrat running for mayor in New York city, and all true Democrats will support him whether he is victorious or not. As a member of the national committee I will vote for the recognition of him and his followers as the only representatives of Democracy in New York city."

True L. Norris, New Hampshire: Frank Campbell, New York; John M. J. McFallan, Montana; Bradley S. Smealley, Vermont; and J. J. Dwyer, California, hold that the Tammany ticket is regular.

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Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

FIRES STILL RAGING

Have Broken Out More Furiously Than Ever in Manitoba—Many Persons Burned To Death.

Great Destruction of Property and Crops—No Crossing into North Dakota.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 7.—The forest fires that have been raging in Manitoba close to the boundary line for the past ten days have broken out more furiously than ever.

Ten or twelve persons are reported to have been burned to death and the fire is rapidly spreading and crossing over the boundary into North Dakota.

Settlers have been fighting the flames night and day for over a week trying to keep them from getting into the more thickly populated districts.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of timber has been destroyed and considerable grain, as well as some farm buildings.

Up to this time the fire has been confined to the Canadian side of the boundary, but the swath line between the United States and Manitoba has been obliterated and settlers are being enticed that the fires will get beyond the control of the settlers.

The flames are driving hundreds of wolves and coyotes out into the open country and large flocks of geese and ducks have been seen flying over the burning forests.

Near Whitemouth, H. L. Laundry, a trapper, was burned to death. A German woman living in a small house near where the fire was the most furious yesterday is reported to have been burned to death and her children are missing.

A dispatch from White House says the fire is spreading rapidly. Several settlers had close calls for their lives.

A heavy wind drove a mass of smoke which had been picked up by a mass of flames which consumed everything in its path.

East of Whitemouth the situation is very critical.

The section foreman of Darwin and they had a team of horses, which they kept on the run. Sparks from the burning timber were thrown on the dry ground of a prairie which they were compelled to cross and soon they were surrounded by the flames. The frantic horses started to run straight ahead into the burning timber. Before they had gone far the carriage overturned and they were thrown down an embankment into a small creek. This probably saved their lives. They were badly burned.

A report from Morris, Man., says a prairie fire has been raging there, and that only one family of five persons is known to have perished.

After a severe cold, Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured me of scrofula. I was weak and debilitated and Hood's Sarsaparilla built me up and made me strong and well. After a severe cold I had entered fever. I again resorted to Hood's Sarsaparilla, which accomplished a complete cure. Sarah E. Devay, Annapolis, Nova Scotia.

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