

IT MAY COME TO THIS.

AN INVESTIGATED NUISANCE DIADEM GRAZED A ROCK

Winston Churchill, M.P., Urges Preparation for a New Campaign With a Refreshed Army.

Six Hundred Fishing Vessels Decorated With Bunting Greeted Ophir at St. John's.

DANGER GRAVER THAN AT THE START.

General Botha, With 4000 Troops, Encamped Near Laing's Nek—Another Canadian Dead.

FOREST OF TWINKLING LIGHTS

From Thousands of Craft in the Harbor Make an Effective Night Illumination.

London, Oct. 24.—Winston Churchill, M.P., in the course of a speech at Leicester last night, which was much commented upon to-day, declared that the war in South Africa had become "an unmitigated nuisance."

St. John's, Nfld., Oct. 23.—The royal yacht Ophir, having on board the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, conveyed by four British cruisers, arrived here at daylight this morning. The city was profusely decorated, and over 600 fishing vessels had assembled in these waters, all decorated with bunting. People from the wharves say the marine prospect from the wharves was the finest prospect the town of St. John's has ever seen.

"The danger is greater to-day than it was two years ago," Mr. Churchill declared, "and the means of meeting the strain are being seriously reduced."

The Duke and Duchess were exceedingly enthusiastic. The weather was clear, and they were able to witness throughout the tour of the Duke and Duchess. The fleet arrived here ahead of time, allowance having been made for foggy weather, which was not encountered. There is no program for the day, but the Duke this evening will give a dinner to the Governor, Sir Cavendish Boyle, and the state dignitaries, on board the Ophir.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES.

Ottawa, Oct. 23.—The following casualties among Canadians in the South African Constabulary were reported to the Militia Department to-day:

Harvey Gale Mills, died from enteric fever at Patersonburg, Oct. 21; father is J. Z. Mills, Qu'Appelle.

Trooper J. B. De Wolf, dangerously ill with enteric fever at Bloemfontein; father is J. De Wolf, Ingersoll.

Henry Tunsted of Ottawa, who was reported missing, has rejoined his corps.

WHERE BOTH A IS.

London, Oct. 24.—A despatch from Brussels says it is reported there that Commandant-General Louis Botha is encamped with 4000 men between Wakkerstrom and Ermelo.

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NO FEAR FOR GERMAN SHIPPING.

Reports of Its Unsanitary Condition Are Belittled.

The Duke and Duchess expressed themselves as delighted, and said the assembly of shipping in the port, with its abundant bunting, formed one of the finest displays they had witnessed during the tour. It is reported that the Diadem grazed a rock while entering the port.

He observes that the state of American freights is now unsatisfactory, and declares that freights in the Atlantic trade have sunk lower than ever before.

LIABLE TO DEATH.

French Government Show an Iron Hand to Striking Miners.

London, Oct. 23.—"It has transpired," says a special despatch from Paris, "that the French government warned each member of the miners' committee, who adjourned yesterday at St. Etienne without making public the result of their deliberations, that in ordering a strike under such conditions he would render himself liable to a sentence of death for inciting to civil war, and that the government would prosecute, if necessary. This action, it is believed, caused the committee to terminate."

BOYCOTT BRITISH GOODS.

Brussels, Oct. 23.—A committee has been formed to promote active boycotting of English goods in Belgium, on similar lines to the plan now being worked in Holland. The committee will issue leaflets to the public to be urged not to buy articles manufactured in Great Britain. The English colony in Brussels, disgusted with the increasing manifestations of Anglophobia, has greatly decreased, and the boycotting which was largely dependent on English pupils, are half empty.

BRIGANDS IN SARDEGNA.

Escort of a Diligence Wounded and Lady Passenger Killed.

London, Oct. 24.—Seven brigands held up a diligence that was proceeding to Sassari, in Sardinia with registered passengers, says a despatch from Rome to the Daily Express. "Sixteen were exchanged, and two carabinieri, who were escorting the diligence, were wounded, while a lady passenger was killed. The robbers looted the diligence, but in the scuffle the post-clerk escaped with the registered letters."

THREE OFFICIALS MURDERED.

London, Oct. 24.—An armed band headed by a traitor Batoni, according to a despatch from Odessa to the Daily Express, murdered three officials and looted the passengers of a train.

TEMPLEMAN OR SMITH.

Vacancy in Dominion Cabinet to Be Filled From the West.

Victoria, Oct. 23.—It is reported here in political circles that the vacancy in the Dominion House caused by the elevation of Sir Louis Davies to the Senate, will be filled by a man from the west. The choice is between Senator Templeman and Ralph Smith, M.P.

JAPS ARE DETERMINED.

Will Not Suffer Manchuria to Become a Russian Possession.

London, Oct. 23.—"The Japanese press is unanimous and resolute," says a despatch to the Times from Tokio. "In declaring that Japan cannot suffer Manchuria to become a Russian possession."

MR. MASSEY'S CONDITION.

Mr. Walter B. H. Massey is still at death's door. Yesterday morning there was a little improvement noticeable in his condition, but at noon hour it was apparent that he was sinking. During the afternoon and last night he showed no signs of improvement, and it is feared that he will not survive the night.

MINIMIZE DAMAGE.

Winnipeg, Oct. 23.—C. P. H. officials recently voted to their agents at the grain stations in every part of the province and Northwest Territories to furnish reports as to results of threshing. These have now been received, and with but a few exceptions in the Red River Valley, they greatly minimize damage done by recent bad weather. The quality of the wheat will, as a rule, grade No. 1 Northern.

SCIENCE VERSUS STRENGTH.

The Victor Major Domes Idea of Yesterday's College Scrap.

HELP FOR FARMERS' WIVES.

Winnipeg, Oct. 23.—Harvesters are returning east daily. Many of them say that next year the C.P.R. in addition to bringing men from the east to assist in the fields, should also bring young women to assist farmers' wives in the kitchen. Many farmers' wives were short-handed in this respect, and as a result men suffered in regard to their food, the hours between meals as a rule being very long.

FROM TORONTO TO WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, Oct. 23.—Adj. and Mrs. Wakked, who have been in charge of the relief work in Toronto, have been appointed to Winnipeg, in succession to Adj. and Mrs. MacAmmond.

HENRY'S HEAT.

Our "Classic" four-tub radiator, finished in aluminum, and fitted with fancy jewel ornaments, is the best heater ever designed. It gives out all the heat possible to secure from a given amount of fuel, and throws the heat in the room where you want it. We sell it at \$3.50; its worth five dollars. Fred Armstrong, 277 Queen-st. West.

MONEY IN SUGAR BEETS.

Calro, Mich. Oct. 23.—Yesterday the Peninsular Sugar Refining Co. received 406 wagon loads of beets, the most ever received in one day. Two million pounds of sugar have already been manufactured, and the farmers paid over \$44,000.

UNCLE SAM IS ANXIOUS.

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 23.—That the Samar disaster has put a new aspect upon affairs in the Philippines appears in a telegram received this morning at the Detroit office of the United States consular agent. "Ballast all stations for infantry and cavalry with applicants fitted for foreign service."

COOKS TURKISH AND RUSSIAN BATHS.

Bath and bed. \$1. 202 and 204 King W. 125,000 ACRES THIS MONTH.

TWELVE HOURS UNDER WATER.

London, Oct. 23.—Six men, who had been sealed up in one of the new housing submarine boats, ready for launching, at Barrow-in-Furness, for 12 hours, were released this evening.

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MR. STRATTON (to Emperor William of Germany): 'What I called about, William, was to see just what here less majesty is and how the game's worked. There are some Tory fellows at home, that have been criticizing me and others of us "in authority" that I'd like to adequately deal with—see!

GLOBE MADE A BAD BREAK

Mabee, Writer of Grit Literature, Shown to Have No Preference for Either Party.

WAITED TILL HE HAD MONEY

Windsor Man Will Prosecute His Son-in-Law on a Charge of Murder.

GETTING READY FOR BATTLE

W. A. Charlton Nominated By An Enthusiastic Liberal Gathering in South Norfolk.

COULD "ROAST" EACH IF PROFITABLE.

Worked for Both Political Parties in the United States and Could Do It Here.

MAN MUST BE PARDONED FIRST.

He is Serving a Term in Kingston for Theft—Alleged Murder in 1897.

MISCAMBELL FOR EAST ALGOMA

Conservative Meeting at the "Sea" at Which There Was Some Opposition.

LIBERAL MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT GIVES SOME REASONS FOR COMMERCIAL DECLINE.

Should Make a Resolute Effort to Hold Her Own—Heed Steel Industry.

SAYS BRITAIN MUST WAKE UP

Liberal Member of Parliament Gives Some Reasons for Commercial Decline.

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CENSURED PILOT LEBLANC

Islander Court of Enquiry Finds Him Blamable for Running at Full Speed Thru Floating Ice.

EVIDENCE OF POISONING.

Prosecution in the White Murder Case at Brantford Got Thru Last Night.

NO EVIDENCE OF INTEMPERANCE.

Custom of Leaving One Officer in Charge at Night Also Condemned—Ship Was Seaworthy.

PHYSICIANS DESCRIBE CAUSE OF WHITE'S DEATH—DEFENDANT PURCHASED ARSENIC.

Brantford, Oct. 23.—The White murder trial was continued this morning, and the court adjourned in the evening all the evidence for the Crown had been put in. Mrs. Partridge of Hamilton was the first witness called this morning. She said she knew Mrs. White. The last time she saw her in Hamilton was a couple of days after Good Friday. She was then at her son's home. When Mrs. White visited at the home of the witness in Hamilton previously, she said that she fairly hated her husband, that the world was wide and she had lots of money to go over it. The witness also said that her husband would follow her wherever she went. This conversation took place upon the witness asking if Mr. White was living at home. She said that he was not, that she could marry another man in Brantford if her husband were dead, and that she would marry even his coffin.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 23.—The finding of the Court of Enquiry into the Islander wreck was given out this morning. The finding says, in part: The steamer Islander was totally wrecked at 2.15 a.m., Aug. 15, by contact with an unknown substance, presumably an iceberg, much submerged. The Islander sank in less than 20 minutes, resulting in the loss of life of the master, 16 of the crew, 23 passengers and two children. She was fully officered and manned, with a crew of 65, completely equipped and seaworthy previous to the accident. She was navigated as customary in trade navigation, being left abruptly with the master and pilot. The master had no special instructions from the owners, and distribution, management and discipline of the crew were left with him. The master did not realize the danger, hence the lack of prompt and resolute measures in rousing the crew and pilot officers and crew to each boat. The capacity of the boats was sufficient, but the rush to the boats at the last minute was beyond control of the few officers and crew putting out the boats, thereby preventing the rescue of several valuable lives. While praise is due those who remained till the ship sank under their feet, the fact cannot be ignored that there was the unpardonable lack of appreciation of the existing danger to their fellow-passengers shown by those who were unable to reach the boats. No special instructions were given to the pilot regarding navigation or speed, in the event of falling in with ice, and the pilot, Leblanc, is open to censure for keeping the ship full speed at the rate of 14 knots an hour where he had seen ice ten minutes before. The court condemned the custom of leaving but one officer in charge at night, and found no evidence in the evidence that the wreck was due to the intemperance of the mate or officers.

Witnesses, on cross-examination by Mr. Roy, said she had a difference with George White, who owed her money for board. Mr. and Mrs. White had been separated, but any time she had visited them they seemed to get along well together. Albert H. Strickland was called to prove the absence of one of the Crown's witnesses, Mary Irving. The witness said that the woman had gone to the United States, but he did not know to what place. He bought her furniture some time in July. She was employed as a collector. The witness could not say that the woman was not still in Canada, but inferred that she was going to the States side. The witness also said that she had seen the girl lived with her mother at 75 Chatham-street. Other witnesses were called to show that an effort had been made to locate the witness, and Mr. Anglin, Crown prosecutor, asked that the evidence given by Mary Irving at the Police Court hearing be admitted. The Crown prosecutor opposed this, and His Lordship ruled that he would not allow the admission of the deposition. Charles Williams testified that he was at Stowbridge's livery stable on the Sunday morning of White's death. Mrs. White came across the river and telephoned to Dr. Marquis to come as quickly as possible, that Mr. White was seriously ill. Ten minutes later Mrs. White came to the front door and called him over, saying Mr. White was very sick. Witness went into the house and found White sitting in a chair and complaining of pains in his legs. Witness went after Frank White, and "then after Dr. Marquis, and when he returned to the house White was lying on the bed, his arms and legs stiff, his face drawn to one side and his hands clenched. Cross-examined, witness said Mrs. White, while at the telephone, was very anxious to have the doctor come quickly. She was frightened and seemed to feel very badly. Her manner was natural. Dr. Marquis on the stand. Dr. Marquis testified that he had before White's death, when she described what her husband appeared to be suffering from. The doctor took her people did not hear of the complaint. The next day Mrs. White telephoned for witness, and shortly afterwards sent a messenger for him. Witness described the condition of White when he arrived, and said: The convulsion came on absolutely without warning, and there were general symptoms of convulsive seizure. There were symptoms characteristic of strychnine poisoning. The first convulsion lasted from one to two minutes, and was followed by an interval

NOW A WEEK OVERDUE.

Australian Steamer Has 135 Passengers and a Crew of 70.

PROVIDENCE SAVED HER LIFE.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Oct. 23.—From all appearances, it was not Mrs. Annie Edson Taylor's fault that she did not make her proposed trip in a barrel over Niagara Falls this afternoon. High winds and rough water caused the river to have a rowboat to take the barrel in the water, and she was rescued.

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