

BRITISH PREMIER RAPIDLY SINKING.

VERY LITTLE ENCOURAGEMENT TO
BE DERIVED FROM BULLETINS.

Mr. Haldane Mentioned as Probable
Successor to Mr. Asquith in the
Exchequer—Winston Churchill and
Mr. Lloyd-George Accused of Trying
to Form a New Party.

New York, March 22.—The Herald has received the following cable despatch from London:—Members of all shades of politics are becoming more and more concerned every day over the declining strength of the Prime Minister.

The Prince of Wales is a constant visitor to Downing street, going there every day. But no messages of sympathy or anxious inquiry are more welcome to the suffering Premier than those personally sent upstairs by his greatest political opponent, Mr. Balfour, who, though in common with all visitors is excluded from the sick room, calls every day and sometimes twice a day at the Premier's residence.

It is recognized in the lobby of the House of Commons that Sir Henry's health is rapidly declining. Sir Thomas Barlow spends considerable time with his patient, but very little encouragement is to be derived from the bulletins. The chances of his being able to resume the active duties of the Premiership, indeed, are absolutely nil.

Within the Liberal party wire-pullers are hard at work arranging for a reshuffle in the Liberal Cabinet. Mr. John Morley would like to go to the Exchequer, but it is not believed he has the knowledge of financial affairs requisite in that position. It is now suggested that Mr. Haldane would make an admirable Chancellor of the Exchequer, and his friends declare that he is the only member of the Ministry who understands the Asquith budget and scheme for old-age pensions. Mr. Haldane is also keen on getting his promotion, for the Chancellorship is a more important post than his present one. But who is to fill Mr. Haldane's shoes? It is difficult to think of anyone who could carry through his army scheme, for truth to tell, hardly any other Minister understands it.

Unpleasant allegations have been made against Mr. Lloyd-George and Mr. Winston Churchill, both exceedingly clever young members of the Liberal Ministry. It is hinted that they have both been intriguing with a view to the formation of a new party. It is well known that all is not harmony within the Liberal ranks. Mr. Winston Churchill wants to get into the Cabinet, but he does not know the way. If Mr. Lloyd-George and Mr. Haldane are to be ousted, he will, according to constitutional rules, have to face the storm and stress of re-election. To judge from the results of the recent by-elections his re-election is doubtful. It is understood that he is in favor of an early dissolution, so that he can choose a safer seat and demand a higher position in the new Ministry.

The young politician is gifted with a good-humored, self-complacency which never fails, and a belief in his own genius as a statesman which so far has never wavered. He thinks himself a man born to set the world right through an entire generation, and he had a superb contempt for the prosaic steps by which ordinary people arrive at a conclusion. He was of great use to Campbell-Bannerman, but it is doubtful whether he would get on so well with the astute lawyer, Mr. Asquith, if that gentleman were called upon to take the reins of office as Premier.

And what are the misgivings about Mr. Lloyd-George? Since he became President of the Board of Trade the little Welshman has shown a very open disregard for the teachings of the Cobden Club. Indeed, he has been tearfully written down by The Spectator as at heart a protectionist. One allegation against him is that he is prepared to formulate some positive tariff proposals to meet a great national evil.

MAY YET LOSE ARM.

Amputation May Be Necessary for King Manu.

Madrid, March 22.—El Mundo says that it learned on good authority that the wound Prince Manu—now King of Portugal—received in the arm on Feb. 1, when King Carlos and the Crown Prince were assassinated, has not healed, and recently has become very much worse. The attending physician, says the paper, declares that amputation is imperative.

DAMNABLE INTERFERENCE.

Premier of Cape Colony Uses Strong Language.

London, March 22.—At Durban, South Africa, Premier Moor, defending the calling out of the troops in December, said that certain members of the House of Commons had thrown discredit and dishonor on public institutions in the colony. Natal was being treated as a "black garden," which was not made lighter by their damnable interference.

SHOT HIS WIFE.

Foremost, Ill., March 22.—L. Evans shot and killed his wife near the Evans Lumber Railroad station and then shot himself, but inflicted only slight wounds. A heavy guard was placed at the jail owing to covert threats of lynching that were made. Evans and his wife separated four months ago, and he left town, returning unexpectedly.

ASPHYXIAZES SELF AND CHILDREN.

Fall River, Mass., March 22.—With a scarf clamped in her hand and with a ring hanging from her arm, Mrs. Elvira Torrey, aged 25 years, and her four-year-old daughter, Mary, and two-month-old boy, Joseph, were found dead in the kitchen of their home to-day by her husband, from illuminating gas.

To Whom It May Concern.

We pledge our business reputation that Laxa-Pod contains no drugs. The laxative quality is in the combination of grain products, nothing more. Several prominent physicians recommend it; their letters at our office.—A. W. Maguire & Co.

Stratford Boy Drowned.

Stratford, March 22.—While playing this evening in Romeo Creek, which flows through the city, Alfred Gibbard, four years old, fell in, and, being carried under a culvert, was drowned before he could be rescued. It was about an hour before the body was recovered, and life was then extinct.

HOME MADE REMEDY.

Especially Valued by the Elderly People Who Suffer.

A large health publication tells its readers of a number of simple and safe prescriptions that can be made at home. The following, however, for the cure of rheumatism and kidney and bladder troubles receives the greatest praise, viz., Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. These simple, harmless ingredients can be obtained at any good prescription pharmacy at little cost, and are mixed by shaking well in a bottle.

The dose for adults is a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime, drinking a full tumblerful of water after each dose. It is further stated that this prescription is a positive remedy for kidney trouble and lame back, weak bladder and urinary difficulties, especially of the elderly people, and one of the best things to be used in rheumatic affections, relieving the aches and pains and reducing swellings in just a short while.

A well-known local druggist states that this mixture acts directly upon the eliminative tissues of the kidneys; cleanses these spongy organs; and gives them power to sift and strain the poisonous waste matter and uric acid from the blood which is the cause of rheumatism.

Cut this out and hand to some sufferer, who would certainly be an act of humanity.

HARD TIMES.

DEARTH OF SPENDING MONEY IN
WEST END OF LONDON.

A Serious Blow to the Brokers—A
Dozen Dealers and Not Enough Business
for One—Hundreds Will Not
Renew Their Subscriptions.

London, March 22.—Doleful tales of hard times are being told in London just now, and while they are palpable exaggerations in some respects, there is no gainsaying the fact that in respect to one set of London's business men they are fairly truthful. There is no doubt that the Stock Exchange is suffering grievously from the stagnation prevalent for some time past. It has been stated that as many as 500 members of the Stock Exchange will not renew their subscriptions. Whether this statement be true or not cannot be verified before the end of March. The denolite shrinkage in business, however, is shown by the cutting down of office staffs. Nearly 100 clerks employed in the "House" have been withdrawn.

There are some 5,000 members of the Stock Exchange at present, and at least a dozen dealers where there is not enough business for one. A member of the Stock Exchange said yesterday that many of his fellow-members had barely enough money in their pockets to pay their train fares.

This dearth of spending money is the basis of many tales of woe in the west end. The times are almost as bad, according to one authority, as just after the Boer war.

He Howled All Night.

Seemed as if he would go crazy, neuralgia was torturing him—pity he didn't have some "Nervine" handy. Just one rub with Polson's Nervine and away goes the worst neuralgia or lumbago ever known. No liniment known cures half so fast as Nervine.

AUSTRALIA'S TRADE.

Mr. J. S. Larke Forwards a Report
Showing Large Increases.

Ottawa, March 22.—A report received by the Trade and Commerce Department from Trade Commissioner J. S. Larke, of Sydney, Australia, gives figures of the Commonwealth's trade for 1907. The total imports were £51,898,380; the total exports £72,913,647. The growth in imports during the year was £7,000,000, and the exports increased by £3,000,000. Mr. Larke says that financial conditions in Australia are sound, and the outlook for continued, steady growth in the prosperity of the Commonwealth is good.

He reports many inquiries from persons who desire to emigrate to Canada. They are from a fine class of men, a considerable number being recent British immigrants, who have not found conditions in Australia to their liking, and now desire to take up land in the Canadian west.

To cure a cold in one night—use Vapo-Cresoline. It has been used extensively during more than twenty-four years. All druggists.

YARDMAN BLAMED.

Admits Turning On Wrong Switch at
Guelph Junction.

Guelph, March 22.—At the adjourned inquest, held at Campbellville, into the circumstances leading to the wreck on the C. P. R. at Guelph Junction, in which Engineer Charles Armstrong, of Toronto Junction, lost his life, a verdict was rendered blaming Richard Newton, yardman, for negligence. Newton was bound over to appear on a charge of criminal negligence. Newton gave evidence, acknowledging that he had made a mistake and turned the wrong switch, resulting in the fatality.

PEACEMAKER BADLY BEATEN.

London Station Agent Interfered in
Drunken Brawl.

London, Ont., March 22.—Night Station Agent John S. Gillen, of the G. T. R., is in a serious condition at his home, 648 Waterloo street, as the result of an attack made on him while trying to quell a drunken brawl in the yards, between Wellington street and Clarence street, early Saturday morning. A party of young men, who are said to have been in a drunken condition, became engaged in an altercation while returning from a dance, where they had made trouble. A fierce fight followed, and when word was brought to Mr. Gillen, he went down to stop the fight. The men turned on him, and after throwing him down, kicked him brutally about the head and abdomen.

Mr. Gillen was in an unconscious condition for some minutes, and was rescued by several railwaymen and taken to his home.

J. L. Ross (Old Lit) is elected President of the "Variety Literary Society" otherwise the "Unionists" carried all the other offices but one.

The Daily Fashion Hint.



Gown of natural color pongee with vest of old blue linen. Eury lace is used for jabot and sleeves.

RED TAPE.

HOW A GIRL IN BERLIN RECEIVED
A BOOK FROM PARIS.

Miss Clough, Studying in German Capital, Wished to Consult Ancient Volume in French National Library—It Took Five Months.

New York, March 22.—The Sun has received the following cable despatch from Berlin: Ida Clough, of Boston, a graduate of Bryn Mawr, who is studying in Berlin for a doctor's degree, wished to use a Greek volume of the year 1255, which is in the National Library at Paris. The National Library of Berlin undertook to get it for her. The Director accordingly wrote a note to this effect to the German Ministry of Education.

The Ministry of Education wrote to the Foreign Office and the latter wrote to the Imperial Chancellor. The Imperial Chancellor sent the request to the French Ambassador at Germany and then it was to France. The French Ambassador at Berlin wrote to the German Ambassador at Paris, who wrote to the French Foreign Office, and so on, following the circuitous route at Berlin till the request finally reached the Director of the Paris National Library.

This red tape occupied five months, but Miss Clough is now able to read the precious volume in the presence of one of the custodians of the Berlin library.

LESS OPIUM FOR CHINA.

Britain Has Consented to Experimental
Decrease.

Peking, March 22.—The throne has given sanction to an experimental decrease in the importation of opium, which has been agreed to by Great Britain. The experiment will extend over three years, and its purpose is to determine the effect this will have on domestic cultivation and the use of opium. If it proves successful, measures will be taken to continue the reduction.

The Board of Revenue has been ordered to devise a means to replace the resulting deficit in the opium revenue; so that depending loans may be safeguarded. The throne orders further regulation of the opium evil, and appeals to the nation at large to abandon its use entirely.

SAYS THIS IS BEST

A leading health journal in answering the question, "What is the best prescription to clean and purify the blood?" prints in a recent issue the following:

Fluid Extract Dandelion one ounce;
Compound Sarsaparilla, four ounces.

Shake well and use in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime.

A well-known physician states that these are harmless vegetable ingredients, which can be obtained from any good prescription pharmacy.

This mixture will clean the blood of all impurities. In just a few days the skin begins to clear of sores, boils and pimples. It puts vigor and energy into run-down debilitated men and women. For many years Sarsaparilla alone has been considered a good blood medicine. But while it built up and made new blood, the impurities remained within and the good accomplished was only temporary. Sarsaparilla, however, when used in combination with Compound Salalone and Extract Dandelion, puts the kidneys to work to filter and sift out the waste matter, uric acid, and other impurities that cause disease. It makes new blood and relieves rheumatism and lame back and bladder troubles.

THE FRIENDSHIP OF BRITAIN.

Protects United States From War With
Japan, Says Congressman.

New York, March 21.—Speaking at the dinner of the Beta Theta Pi Club to-night, Congressman Landis, of Indiana, said: "In my mind the best fruit of the Spanish-American war was the cementing of friendship between the United States and Great Britain. That friendship protects the United States from war with Japan or any other country. But Japan does not want to go to war with us."

"I remember a conference in the White House in the beginning of that war, which had been assembled to consider the possibility of European nations assisting to make the United States keep hands off Cuba and Spanish affairs generally. I brought to the President a copy of a poem which had been written by Alfred Austin, and was evidently inspired by his royal master. President McKinley looked up with relief as he said: 'Great Britain is all right.' That was the message from Great Britain to the United States for all time."

ALL QUIET IN HAYTI.

No Danger of Anti-Foreign Outbreak,
Says President.

Port au Prince, Hayti, March 22.—President Nord Alexis, in an interview at the palace to-day, declared that conditions in the republic were absolutely tranquil. He said that he did not question his ability to preserve order and protect foreign interests here. Should the powers, however, decide to keep the warships in this harbor he would not object, but he added that there was no necessity for such a thing; there was no possibility of a popular outbreak against the foreign residents.

The Government, continued the President, did not intend to take further action looking to the prosecution of the participants in the recent revolution, except in the case of the disloyal soldiers, who are subject to military punishment.

The Government, he said, gave proof of its good faith in permitting the embarkation at Gonaïves of General Firmin and his fellow-conspirators without exacting any pledges from them. He thought the refugees in the Legations here should welcome a return to their homes to resume their avocations.

A HINT TO SMOKERS.

Burn the Weed Slowly, Austrian Scientists Advise.

London, March 22.—According to Vienna despatches, two Austrian scientists, Drs. Liebermann and Davidowsky, have come to the conclusion, after careful study and experimentation, that it is much more injurious to smoke quickly than slowly.

They tested pieces of absorbent cotton placed in the mouthpieces of pipes and cigar holders, and found them colored yellow with brown flecks. These were found to be of a tarry nature, produced during the process of combustion, and highly poisonous. It was found also that two cigars of the same brand and strength often produced differing degrees of discoloration of the cotton.

Further investigation showed that these differences were due to the length of time occupied in smoking. The same weight of tobacco smoked in five minutes produced nearly three times as many yellowish-brown spots as if smoked in fifteen minutes.

The professors, therefore, concluded that a rapid smoker inhales a much larger quantity of poisonous substance than does the slower devotee of nicotine.

PRIEST-SLAYERS MUST HANG.

Judge at Denver Refuses New Trial for
Alia.

Denver, Colo., March 21.—In the criminal division of the District Court here to-day Judge Whitney denied the motion for a new trial for Giuseppe Alia, convicted of the murder of Father Leo Heinrichs, whom he shot to death in St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, this city, Sunday, February 23rd, and sentenced him to be hanged during the week beginning July 12th next.

WARNER

Mrs. Z. Silverthorn has gone to attend the wedding of her niece, Miss Nettie Silverthorn, near Waterloo, and also visit her father, Mr. W. Dale, near Teeterville.

Maple syrup making seems to be the order of the day around this locality. Mr. John Summerfield was presented with a young son last week.

John Killins lost a valuable horse last week.

Mr. Paget has been through this locality calling on his patrons for cheese-making season.

The high water did considerable damage through here, and all along Chipawa banks, carrying and sweeping away nearly everything before it. Parts of the Asher bridge were strewn along the flood through here, which means a great deal of expense for the ratcatchers of Caistor, to replace the bridge.

VALENS

Mr. Harry Turnbull, lately of Detroit, visited last week with Mr. John Valens. Mrs. Edgar McPhail, who has been visiting with her sister in Toronto, has returned home.

Mr. George Turnbull has returned to Alberta, after spending a few weeks calling on old friends around these parts. The many friends of Miss Bickell are pleased to hear that she intends residing here in the near future.

Miss Belle Patterson is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Robison. Miss Bessie Henderson, of Kirkwall, spent Saturday and Sunday the guest of Miss Macgill Harbottle.

With deep regret her many friends heard of the death of Mrs. Porteous, of Galt, formerly of Kirkwall. Her husband, Mr. John Porteous, was pastor of the church here for twenty-five years. She was an estimable lady, and had the respect of all who were acquainted with her. The sympathy of all is extended to the bereaved family.

A number of the farmers are at work in the sugar bush.

The young people of Valens and vicinity were very hospitably entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Stephenson last Thursday evening. All enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

OLD BRITISH SOLDIERS.

Protests From British Press Against
Deportation of Hindus.

London, March 22.—The Saturday Review says Canada is as bad as the Transvaal, or worse, in deporting Indians who are something more than British subjects, many of them, as the medals they wore proclaimed, having actually fought in British battles. The Aberdeen Advertiser says many Hindus deported from British Columbia have served in the Sudan and other campaigns, and this gratuitously harsh treatment meted out to them will be angrily resented by the native troops in India.

The Agent-General of British Columbia has informed the London correspondent of the Dundee Advertiser that the Labor party throughout Canada has come into line with British Columbia on the Asiatic immigration question.

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A REVOLVER AT HER HEAD

Made Mrs. Irish Give Her Purse to a
Burglar.

Toronto Junction, March 22.—A daring robbery took place on Saturday evening, when Mrs. Irish, of 139 Victoria street, was held up at the point of a revolver in her own house. About 9 o'clock, Mrs. Irish being alone in the house, a stranger man entered and thrust a revolver to her head demanding the money she had in her house. The frightened woman handed over her purse, which contained only twenty cents, and the intruder left. Mrs. Irish immediately raised an alarm and telephoned for the police, but no trace of the burglar was seen.

A CELTIC CROSS.

Proposed Monument to the Irish Immigrants Who Died in 1848.

Quebec, March 22.—Mr. Cummings, the National President of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, who arrived in Quebec yesterday, addressed a joint meeting of Division No. 1 and the Ladies' Auxiliary this afternoon. During his stay he will interest himself in connection with the projected erection of a memorial to the unfortunate Irish immigrants who died of famine in 1848. The project is as yet in its initial stages, but Mr. Cummings will, if he finds conditions favorable, recommend at the next convention the erection of a large Celtic cross to be placed upon Grosve Isle.

ASTORIA.

Bears the Signatures of
Charles H. Fletcher

IT ADVOCATES MURDER.

"La Question Sociale" Refused Admission to United States Mails.

Washington, March 21.—Postmaster-General Meyer has issued an order declaring non-mailable the Italian publication known as "La Question Sociale," a weekly published at Paterson, N. J. The postmaster at Paterson has been instructed to refuse admission to the mails of issues of the publication on the ground that they are immoral, pernicious and harmful to the interests and welfare of the people.

"La Question Sociale," it is charged, advocates murder by dynamite, the murder of enlisted men of the United States army, the officers of the police force, and the burning of houses of private citizens. It is said to have a circulation of 30,000 among the Italian population, and openly announces itself as "Socialistic-Anarchistic."

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WOMEN DOCTORS IN ENGLAND.

Believed They Will be Appointed to Medical Staff of Prisons.

London, March 22.—An important department of inspectional work has been opened to women by the action of the Home Secretary in appointing a woman doctor as an inspector of prisons and inmate asylums. It is believed that women will also be appointed on the medical staffs of prisons.

Case Against McManus Dropped.

Kingston, March 21.—It is said that "Kid" McManus will not be extradited to France, as the American Express Company, whose bonds it is alleged he stole in Paris, has withdrawn the charges, being indemnified should any of the bonds turn up. McManus declares that all the bonds were destroyed after being brought to the United States.



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