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**BOXERS PLAN TO MASSACRE FOREIGNERS;
THE BUTCHERY SET FOR FEBRUARY 24****Prominent Chinaman in U. S. Cables European and American Friends to Leave
the Country at Once—Says Massacre Will Be Greatest of Modern Times.**

Chicago, Feb. 12.—A dispatch to the Inter-Ocean from Cincinnati, O., says: Wong Fong, former secretary of the Six Companies in San Francisco, who is visiting in this city, says he thinks the Boxer trouble in China is about to culminate in the greatest massacre of modern times.

He issued the following warning to several American friends last night, telegraphing it to Seattle, Los Angeles and San Francisco: "The blow is about to fall. Cable warnings to friends to leave China at once. Tell them to seek protection of Germany temporarily, and to get out of the country before Feb. 24."

Fong is visiting Ah Loo Wal, the wealthiest of the local Chinese residents, and after the messages were sent explained their purport as follows: "I received word yesterday that the order has been sent out to the subordinate circles of the Chinese Reform Association to throw off the foreign elements in our country."

Worse Than the Last.

London, Feb. 12.—Private information from diplomatic sources at Peking indicates that the gravest view is taken of the situation in China. The present agitation is declared to be far more formidable than the Boxer rising under another name and of far more serious proportions than the one of five years ago.

B'ame the Viceroy.

Hong Kong, Feb. 12.—A dispatch from Canton states that the anti-foreign feeling there is considered to be due to the passive attitude of the Viceroy in connection with the representations made by the consular body regarding the recent attacks on missions. It is stated that the Viceroy is determined to create friction with the United States. A leaflet has been widely circulated in the city of Canton urging the people to co-operate with a view to the expulsion of the Viceroy.

**BIG DAY'S WORK
ON GRAND TRUNK****East and West Bound Freight
Traffic of Sunday One of
Biggest on Record.**

Yesterday was one of the busiest Sundays in the freight line which the Grand Trunk has experienced in several weeks.

Out of Toronto, the company hauled 570 cars of westbound freight alone, during the 24 hours. Much of this passed over the old main line, via Stratford, while a good share came around via London.

The eastbound traffic from the Tunnel was heavy. Freight reached the border from Chicago in such large quantities on Saturday, that every available locomotive was brought into use to clean it out and avoid any congestion. Engines which do service on the branch lines and generally lay up on Sunday were utilized, and were run on double headers, of which there were quite a number.

The amount of soft coal handled from the west was exceptionally large, and gave rise to the belief that the road may be stocking up to prevent a scarcity in the event of a strike of the miners.

THOSE RELICS OF 1813**British Government To Be Consulted
as to Sunken Warships.**

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Hon. C. S. Hyman is communicating with the British Government in regard to the sunken vessels lying in the River Thames. There were three ships in all, but one was raised and placed in a public place at Chatham, where it disappeared piece by piece before the hordes of the relic hunter. Mr. Hyman is asking what disposition the British authorities want to make of the remaining two. The vessels were carrying supplies for General Proctor's troops in 1812, and were set on fire to prevent them falling into the hands of the United States forces. The ships sank before they were destroyed. It is likely they contained ammunition. Mr. Hyman, a Detroit historian, had arranged to raise the hulls and bring them to the United States, but they will not be allowed to pass out of British possession.

ROBBERY AND MURDER**Two French-Canadians Accused With
a Series of Crimes.**

Exeter, N. H., Feb. 12.—Two burglars, supposed to be French-Canadian, who robbed a shoe factory in Dover at midnight, and who murdered an Italian laborer in the smoking car of the Sunrise express train, bound from St. John, N. B., for Boston, at Rockingham Junction, on the Boston and Maine Railway, early yesterday morning, were captured this afternoon after an exciting chase of fifteen miles through Rockingham County, in which deputy sheriffs, police and citizens participated.

A Frontier Dispute.

Constantinople, Feb. 12.—The Turkish-Persian frontier dispute remains unsettled. The Persian ambassador has demanded of the Porte the evacuation of Lahijan by Turkish troops and compensation for the depredations by the Turkish cavalry. It is believed that the Turkish commission, which has arrived at the disputed territory, will recommend the withdrawal of the Turkish troops.

**\$20,000 Diamond Robbery
Thief Gets Away in Fog**

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 12.—A daring diamond robbery occurred here Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock, whereby A. F. McMillan, jeweler, is a loser to the extent of between \$15,000 and \$20,000. His store is located in the new Jones block at the corner of Hastings and Homer streets, one of the most frequented spots. A heavy fog, however, enveloped the city early in the evening, and this aided the thief, about the time mentioned people in

**MR. BALFOUR IS
STILL LEADER****Chamberlaines Give Up At-
tempt to Oust the Former
British Premier.**

London, Feb. 12.—The dispute between the followers of Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain as to which of these two men shall conduct the opposition of the remnant of the Unionist party in the House of Commons, may be considered to have ended in a victory for the Balfourites. Mr. Chamberlain's definite declaration of his determination not to lead while Mr. Balfour is in the House of Commons is a disappointment to his supporters, who claim they are a great majority of the Unionists both in the house and the country.

They declare that Mr. Balfour's leadership only means a partial unity of the party, for the protectionists must remain a party within the party, acting with their colleagues for all ordinary purposes, but maintaining an independent organization for the furtherance of their own policy.

The announcement last week of the appointment of two new heads of the machine, which has since been contradicted. It was doubtless a strategic move on the part of the Balfourites.

Opinion is being expressed in unofficial Conservative circles that the machine's organ should be thoroughly reformed not only in the point of lack of energy, which it is claimed, is largely responsible for the party's debacle, but in the personnel, inasmuch as the solid rank and file of the party is not sufficiently represented.

The Irish party met in Dublin today and unanimously passed a resolution that the party as a first act reiterate the demand of the Irish nation for the restoration of national self-government. The resolution declares that the party cannot enter into any alliance to give permanent support to any English party or government which does not make this a cardinal point of its programme.

WOLVES NEAR KENORA**Large Numbers of Deer Attract the
Savage Packs.**

Kenora, Feb. 12.—An alarming story has been brought to town concerning the great number of timber wolves that are prowling about the lake at night, and it is impossible to get an Indian to travel after dark. One Indian a few nights ago was compelled to stay in a tree all night, a ravenous pack of wolves whirling for his blood underneath him. They only retired as daylight came on. Four wolf skins were brought to town yesterday, each measuring 7 feet in length. Traders state that the presence of a large number of wolves this year is owing to the vast numbers of deer on the islands. They have not been so common for a good many years. Some \$15 bounty is provided by the Government for every wolf skin that can be got, but the Indians and traders say it is not enough, as the risk is too great.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Steamer. Reported at. From.
Celtic.....New York.....Naples
Sicilian Prince.....New York.....Naples
Kronland.....New York.....Amsterdam
Cordoba.....New York.....Amsterdam
Bohemian.....Liverpool.....Boston
Campania.....Liverpool.....New York
Republic.....Naples.....Boston
Hibernia.....Liverpool.....London
Protector.....Halifax.....Liverpool
Clan Line.....Halifax.....Liverpool
Beta.....Halifax.....Jamaica
Cymric.....Boston.....Liverpool
New York.....Plymouth.....New York
Mantion.....London.....New York
Rotterdam.....Boulogne.....New York
Princess Irene.....Genoa.....New York

**THEATER TRAIN
HITS STREET CAR****Two Killed and Many Injured
in South Chicago Crossing
Crash.**

Chicago, Feb. 12.—A theater train on the Pennsylvania Railroad, running at the rate of 20 miles an hour, crashed into a crowded street car in South Chicago last night, instantly killing two persons and injuring twelve. The killed and injured were all occupants of the street car. The engine and first coach of the passenger train left the rails and were overturned. The passengers on the street car were hurled into the air and scattered in all directions. The crash came almost without warning, and but few occupants of the street car had an opportunity to leap from the car before it was struck. The passengers on the railway train hurried to the assistance of those imprisoned in the debris and began the work of rescue. Calls for assistance were sent to the nearest police station and physicians were summoned to aid the injured. The engineer of the passenger train and the crew of the street car were placed under arrest.

The dead are Mrs. Wm. Bacon, South Chicago, and Minnie Warsaw, 12 years old, Chicago.

The passenger train was a local, leaving Chicago at 11:24 p.m. for East Chicago, Ind. It was well filled with passengers, who were thrown into a panic by the crash. The street car was hurled into the air and scattered in all directions. The crash came almost without warning, and but few occupants of the street car had an opportunity to leap from the car before it was struck. The passengers on the railway train hurried to the assistance of those imprisoned in the debris and began the work of rescue. Calls for assistance were sent to the nearest police station and physicians were summoned to aid the injured. The engineer of the passenger train and the crew of the street car were placed under arrest.

A MYSTERY SOLVED**Woman Found Dead Near Welland-
port, Was Inmate of Refuge.**

Welland, Feb. 12.—The body of the woman found dead by the roadside near the village of Wellandport on Sunday, Jan. 14, was exhumed yesterday and identified by Keeper Kottmeier, of the Welland Industrial Home, as that of a Mrs. McFarlane, a former inmate of that institution. Mrs. McFarlane, whose mind was slightly deranged, made her escape from the home at early dawn some few days previous to the finding of her body. During the five years which she had been an inmate of the home, Mrs. McFarlane had run away on several occasions, but had returned in a few days. When she disappeared this time, Keeper Kottmeier entertained no fear as to her safety. She was a former resident of Crowland Township, and without any known relatives, her husband having deserted her in the State of Michigan about six years ago.

CHOQUETTE QUILTS**Withdraws from Contest at Request
of Liberal Leaders.**

Quebec, Feb. 12.—Senator P. A. Choquette, who sought to be elected mayor of Quebec, suddenly retired from the municipal campaign just on the eve of nomination on Saturday. His retirement came as a public surprise, inasmuch as the campaign waged during the past several months was an extremely aggressive one. Le Soleil, the French organ controlled by Senator Choquette, daily sought to discredit the municipal administration of Hon. S. N. Parent, who resigned some time ago. Parent's policy was defended by a French newspaper recently published under the direction of Mr. L. A. Taschereau, K.C., M. P., who entered the aldermanic lists in opposition to Senator Choquette's candidacy. The campaign became so acrimonious that it was dividing the Liberals of Quebec into two hostile camps and finally the Liberal leaders thought it high time to interfere. Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick came from Ottawa on Friday last to look over the situation, and the following day Senator Choquette retired from the contest. The first news of the senator's retirement was posted on Le Soleil bulletin and later in the afternoon the reason was made apparent in the Le Soleil. When the senator explained that he retired from the contest at the request of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Senator Choquette also announced that he no longer edits Le Soleil.

Lost With Crew.

London, Feb. 12.—The steam trawler Varonica, belonging to Stavanger, Norway, has been lost off Lossiemouth, Elginshire, Scotland, with a crew of ten. She was disabled and in tow of the steam trawler Zodiac, when the rope broke. The crew of the Varonica launched a boat, but when within eighteen feet of the Zodiac a heavy sea capsized it, and they were all drowned. The Varonica went down soon afterwards.

SANDWICH DESIRES AUDIT**Attorney-General of Ontario Asked
to Look Into the Books.**

Sandwich, Feb. 12.—A petition has been sent to the Attorney-General of Ontario urging an immediate audit of the township books for Sandwich West for the past 30 years. The petition sets forth that the township has not derived the benefit it should from amount of taxes collected.

FUNERAL OF E. B. EDDY**Remains of Hull Manufacturer Taken
to Vermont for Burial.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The remains of E. B. Eddy were removed this afternoon from his late residence in Hull to the railway depot and were forwarded to Bristol, Vermont, for interment. Rev. Dr. Herridge conducted service. A large number followed the remains to the railway station.

WHIPPED THE TURKS**Latter Lose Forty Men in Clash
With Servian Bands.**

Belgrade, Serbia, Feb. 12.—A serious fight has occurred in old Servia between Turkish troops and two Servian bands near the villages of Nikujan, Dragomirzi and Chelopez. The Turks lost forty men, killed or wounded. The Servians lost eighteen, killed or wounded.

ICE GIVES WAY; PANIC**3,000 People on Frozen Lagoon, But
All Reach Bank.**

Chicago, Feb. 12.—At the close of a skating tournament on the Humboldt Park lagoon yesterday, the ice slowly gave way beneath 3,000 people, causing a panic, in which many were injured. The ice sank slowly until covered by two feet of water, and the crowd reached the bank in safety. In the panic many women and girls were trampled on.

FIGHT ELECTRIC BILL**London Alliance Sends Delegate to
Oppose Hendrie's Measure.**

Rev. Dr. Ross, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, went to Toronto this morning to represent the London Ministerial Alliance on the deputation which waits on the Ontario Government today in opposition to Hon. Mr. Hendrie's electric railway bill. All sections of the Province are to be represented on the deputation. The chief objection to the bill is based on the fact that it does not prohibit the operations of radial railways on Sundays.

ITCH AT THE JUNCTION**Toronto City Worked Up Through
Fear of Contagion.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Feb. 12.—Parents at Toronto Junction are alarmed at an outbreak of itch at Carlton school. Many of the children are being detained at home in order to prevent contagion. The matter was brought up at a meeting of a board committee last night and referred to the medical health officer for a report. It has awakened the agitation for a more thorough medical inspection of the children attending the public schools.

THE WEATHER.**Tomorrow—Fair and Mild.**

Sun rises, 7:21 a.m. Moon rises, 9:47 p.m.
Sun sets, 5:43 p.m. Moon sets, 9:21 a.m.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Feb. 12—8 a.m.
Today—Southeasterly winds; fair and mild.
Tuesday—Fair and mild.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Max. Weather.
Calgary.....14.....2.....Fair
Winnipeg.....2.....2.....Clear
Perry Sound.....23.....14.....Cloudy
Toronto.....20.....12.....Cloudy
Ottawa.....4.....0.....Fair
Montreal.....2.....0.....Fair
Quebec.....2.....0.....Fair
Falmouth.....14.....2.....Cloudy

The sign—Indicates below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather is fine throughout the Dominion, with a general tendency toward higher temperatures. A disturbance now near the south coast is likely to cause dangerous winds off the Nova Scotian coast on Tuesday.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Saturday were: Highest, 24°; lowest, 6° above; Sunday: Highest, 24° above; lowest, 10° below.

**May Have Killed Father;
Dance, Carousal, Death****Coroner to Investigate Taking Off of Wm. Pollock
a Farmer in Aylmer District.**

Aylmer, Feb. 11.—William Pollock, a farmer, who resided three miles from Stratfordville, twelve miles from Aylmer, is dead at his home, and Coroner Sinclair, of this place, through the urging of neighbors, today visited the Pollock home and decided to hold an inquest tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

A dance, which was held at the Pollock house on Thursday night, was marked by the predominance of the liquid over the solid refreshments, and, it is said, terminated in a carousal. When Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, and the son, William, Jun., were left in the house, after the guests were gone, Mrs. Pollock suddenly jumped from a second-story window and ran to neighbors, crying to them to come to her home, where a fight was in progress.

When they arrived they found the elder Pollock dead, with marks of violence upon him. His son was still in the house, but could not explain his father's death. He is said to have admitted to the coroner striking him, but his story was an incoherent one. He will be called as chief witness at the inquest.

JOHN MITCHELL MUM**Refuses to Discuss the Attack Made
by Dolan.**

New York, Feb. 12.—John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, who is in this city to confer with the operators of the anthracite mines, said today that he did not care to discuss the statement given out by President Dolan, of the Pittsburgh district, yesterday. In this statement Dolan said that President Mitchell was coming to New York to ask the anthracite operators for a contract, which he has not the power to enter into, as the national convention has tied him hand and foot. He also attacked President Mitchell's conduct of coal strikes in the past and declared that every strike in the soft coal regions under his leadership had ended in failure. "What do you think of Patrick Dolan's attack on you before the Pittsburgh miners?" Mr. Mitchell was asked today. "I do not care to discuss Mr. Dolan," was the reply. To all other questions Mr. Mitchell made similar answers.

DANGEROUSLY INSANE**Aged Donald McPhee, of Strathroy,
Committed to the Asylum.**

Donald McPhee, the old man who was brought in from the House of Refuge at Strathroy the other day, appeared before Judge Macdowell this morning to be examined as to his sanity. He was found to be dangerously insane, and was committed to the Asylum. McPhee is a very old man and is nearly blind.

**FUMIGATE AFTER
CONSUMPTION****Health Officer Thinks it Necess-
ary and Will Do It
Without Cost.**

Should houses in which consumptives have been quartered, or in which consumptives have died, be fumigated before others are allowed to occupy them? Dr. Hutchinson, medical health officer of London says they should, and he announces that he will without cost fumigate such houses if notified.

The doctor says that the trouble at present lies in the fact that the law does not make it compulsory for anyone to report such places to him at present, nor does the law compel physicians to report cases of tuberculosis, and the result is that the health department of the city is not aware of the death of a consumptive until some time after it has happened. Dr. Hutchinson thinks that when a consumptive leaves a house it should be at once reported to him, so that all traces of the disease may be killed before the premises are occupied by other people.

Toronto is taking this matter up in a vigorous manner. The Telegram says:

"The decision to disinfect houses where persons have died from consumption is a good move on the part of the local board of health. Hundreds of people die of consumption to every one who dies of smallpox, and yet people go in and occupy without disinfection houses from which consumptive patients have just departed. Instances were given at the board meeting where people brought the effects of a consumed consumptive and went in to use furniture, carpets, linen and bedding, even to the mattresses, without any disinfecting being done. When people are as alarmed about tuberculosis as they are about smallpox, the disease will claim probably only a few victims."

Ten Thousand Pilgrims

Mexico City, Feb. 12.—Nearly 10,000 pilgrims will arrive here today on the part of the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe at the village of that name near this city.

**RADICAL MOVE
BY LABORITES****Bill to Demand Free Meals
for School Children****AND FREE MEDICAL ATTENDANCE****Threatened Unionist Split To Be
Avoided by Compromise—Bryce
Suspends Irish Crimes Act.**

London, Feb. 12.—The first official act of the new Labor party has been to draft an education bill which is to be put forward on behalf of the Trade Union Congress. Its principles are interesting. It advocates secular education and the abolition of religious tests for teachers. State-aided schools are to be provided everywhere by local authority at the imperial cost. Secondary and technical education also must be furnished by local authority where required. Public medical examination and treatment and a free meal a day are also provisions of the bill, which has thus to some extent a socialistic flavor.

This measure has no chance of becoming law, but there is no doubt that its promulgation will largely affect opinion in Parliament, as representing the coming power of labor, and very possibly it may influence the Government education bill, which is to be introduced next session.

The best informed opinion in several quarters seems to agree that what has been called the Unionist crisis may pass away without any open split or formal choice between retaliaion and tariff reform. Mr. Chamberlain's letter, formally renouncing the official leadership of the Conservative party although it lays bare very clearly the deep rooted differences, has tended to smooth things over. Mr. Balfour's position has improved greatly since the beginning of the week, and he is now sure of strong support in the proposed party meeting next week. There is no absolute necessity for the party in opposition to avoid a junction. The decision of all awkward questions will be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Bryce has marked the beginning of Liberal government in Ireland by suspending the operation of the crimes act in the proclaimed districts, to which the Times this morning takes violent objection, predicting a revival of agrarian crime and an elaborate conspiracy of the Land League to force down land prices to pittance value. This is mere surmise as yet, and the new policy may justify itself. The Ireland crimes act is a permanent measure, and its repeal would have to pass the House of Lords, but at present it is inoperative.

Lawn tennis players welcome the news that Americans will compete this year for the Davis Cup. It is believed that Wright and Hildebrand would have a good chance of lifting the trophy if they were selected as American representatives.

**REACHING OUT
FOR OUR TRADE****A Shipping Company to Add
New Ships to Liverpool-
Montreal Route.**

London, Feb. 12.—The International Mercantile Marine Company proposes to more actively compete for the Canadian trans-Atlantic traffic during the coming season. According to information received in British shipping circles, this will be done by strengthening the Dominion Line controlled by the International Mercantile Marine Company, by the addition of a number of vessels either newly constructed or transferred from the fleet now engaged in the traffic between Liverpool and the United States.

Trans-Andine Railway.

Santiago, Chile, Feb. 12.—The first section of the Trans-Andine Railway was inaugurated today. The line reaches to the foot of the Andes, where the tunnel begins. The line will shorten the time to Buenos Ayres by six hours. The President and the civil authorities were present at the inauguration ceremonies.

**THE OTTAWA TORIES IN REVOLT
RIGHT UNDER LEADER'S NOSE**

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—There is one feature in connection with the open revolt in Ottawa against the Whitney Government, led by Thomas Birkett, ex-M. P., which should not be overlooked. The mutinous display took place right under the very nose of the Conservative leader in Federal politics, and was an example of flagrant insubordination, a thing only too common among the Conservatives in the Dominion House, accompanied by open flouting of the man to whom they have professed loyalty and obedience. This is not all, however. At Wednesday night's meeting Mr. Borden's theme was the elevation and purifying of politics. His remarks seemingly fell upon deaf ears, for no sooner had he finished than Thomas Birkett, a leading merchant in Ottawa, who is expected to furnish an example to the community, brought forward the spoils question. He complained that Liberals have not been dismissed to make room for Conservatives, and dragged into the mire the lofty sentiments uttered by his leader a few minutes before. There is room for missionary work for Mr. Borden in setting his own household in order before setting out on a purely crusade, so sadly out of harmony with the sordid motives of his followers.