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Plot in Corea

To Dethrone the King in Favor of His Nephew.

Speedy End of the Big Shoemakers' Strike Expected.

The Queen Sends a Primrose Wreath to Beaconsfield's Grave.

Extracts From the Grand Trunk's Semi-Annual Report.

The Troublesome Umra Offered a Sincere In India-Crisis in Madagascar.

STEAD'S NEW JOB.

LONDON, April 19.—It is stated that William T. Stead will shortly become the editor of the Echo.

NEXT!

LONDON, April 19.—The Duke of Aosta and the Princess Helene of Orleans will be married at Stow House, Twickenham, on June 8.

THE GREAT STRIKE.

LONDON, April 19.—The great shoemakers' strike, which has dragged on for weeks, is likely to end within the next ten days. The trade conference has found a basis of settlement which is mutually satisfactory.

PLOTTING AGAINST COREA'S KING.

LONDON, April 19.—A Central News dispatch from Seoul states that a plot has been discovered to dethrone the King of Corea in favor of his nephew, Li Shun Yon. The conspirators, including Li Shun Yon, were promptly arrested.

PRIMROSE DAY.

LONDON, April 19.—Primrose Day, the anniversary of Lord Beaconsfield's death, has been celebrated as usual in London and the Provinces. The Beaconsfield statue in Parliament Square was decorated with wreaths and other devices in primroses and violets. The Queen sent the usual wreath to Beaconsfield's grave at Hughenden Manor.

A CHANCE FOR UMRA.

LONDON, April 19.—A dispatch from Allahabad to the Pall Mall Gazette says the Government has offered to Umra Khan an asylum in India for himself, his family and his suite, on condition of his absolute surrender, and has also guaranteed that the tribesmen and their villages shall be spared if they offer no further opposition. The British expedition is continuing its march to Chitral.

CRISIS IN MADAGASCAR.

LONDON, April 19.—The Daily Telegraph's Port Louis correspondent says the intrigues of the anti-foreign party have produced a crisis in Madagascar. All the English officers have resigned and several are already on the way home. There will be a general European exodus by the next steamer. The loss of the European leaders in the army will insure the success of the French, who already are bribing natives.

CHINESE IN THE DARK.

LONDON, April 19.—The Times correspondent in Peking says: It is understood that China has conceded everything required by Japan except making Peking an open port. This was strenuously resisted. Nothing is known here of any peace conditions likely to involve other nations in complications with Japan. The majority of the Chinese here are still ignorant of Japan's demands. The utmost secrecy is observed.

TO SAVE THEIR HEADS.

The stipulation in the treaty between China and Japan that the Chinese who have been captured by the Japanese shall not be punished by the Chinese authorities was inspired by humane considerations. It is the custom of China to behead such of her soldiers as fall into the hands of the enemy and are afterwards returned to their country. During several naval and land engagements upwards of 5,000 Chinese troops were captured by the Japanese, and it is to preserve their lives that the foregoing provision was inserted in the treaty. The curious fact develops in this connection that China has not a single prisoner of war belonging to Japan.

POPE LEO TO THE ENGLISH PEOPLE.

LONDON, April 20.—The Times has the English text of the Pope's recent apostolic letter to the English people. The letter fills three columns. In it the Pope says he greatly desires to address to the English people a special letter, and thus give them a token of his sincere affection. He wished keenly that some effort of his might tend to further the great work of bringing about the union of Christendom. The letter then cites historical evidence of the love and care shown by the pontiffs for England since Gregory the Great, and alludes to the exertions made by England for the solution of the labor question, for religious education, for charitable objects, for the observance of Sunday, and for respect of the Scriptures. It says that man's labors cannot obtain to full efficacy without the appeal to God in prayer and the divine blessing. It dwells on the increasing need of the unity of Christians as the best means of defense against modern errors. It speaks with satisfaction of the increasing number of those religious and discreet men who labor sincerely for reunion with the Catholic Church.

The Pope wrote that, with a loving heart, he turned to all and every community in England, desiring to recall to them this holy unity. He would invoke to the assistance of the Catholics of England, Saints Gregory, Augustine, Peter and George, and, above all, Mary, the mother of Jesus. Three hundred days' indulgence is granted to all those piously reciting the prayer with which the letter ends.

Many deaths are reported in Macao, in the Portuguese settlement of China, at the mouth of the Canton River, as the result of the plague.

Russian newspapers are growing at the cessation of mainland territory to Japan by China. Russia may demand some herself.

Late Canadian News.

Original Way of Advancing Early Closing—Another Earthquake in Quebec.

Sheriff Pruyn, of Lennox and Addington, is dead.

The St. Lawrence and Richelieu Rivers are all clear of ice.

Fifty-nine children from England arrived at the Marchmont Home, Belleville, on Thursday night.

The Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company's boats are expected to commence regular trips to Montreal on Monday.

An earthquake shock was felt in Quebec and in adjoining districts at 11:20 Thursday night. It lasted ten seconds and was not severe.

Little Emma Thomas, the 7-year-old daughter of Fred Thomas, an Ottawa painter, had her head caught in a window sash on Thursday and was choked to death.

A. Houghton, Mich. dispatch says: About 150 French-Canadian men have gone this week to Vernon, Canada. Seven families have gone with their household effects.

Phillip H. Pettingill, a farmer living on the lake shore about seven miles from Wellington, was found on his barn on Friday with a part of his head blown off. Supposed suicide.

Quebec grocery clerks in favor of early closing paraded the streets on Thursday night in a body, and smashed the windows of four stores open after 8 o'clock. No arrests were made.

Grand Vicar Gravel, of Beloeil, has instructed his solicitor to enter an action for \$5,000 against The Patrie for an alleged libelous article which it published on April 11 regarding the clergy and the Vercheres election.

Rev. T. Trotter, B.A., professor of homiletics and pastoral theology, McMaster University, received recently a unanimous call to the pastorate of the Baptist Church, Wolfville, Nova Scotia. It is understood that Prof. Trotter has decided to accept the call.

Death from exposure was the verdict in the inquest on Lily Stevenson, the Brockville girl who was found dead on Wednesday. She had wandered into a bog on Tuesday night, and died in her attempts to get out. She had wrapped her skirt around her neck to get warm.

A Toronto dispatch says Chaplin Wilson, aged 39, a cooper on his way to the carman, living at Leslieville, fell from a gravel wagon on which he was taking a ride on Friday morning, and the wheels passed over him, crushing him terribly. He died within three hours.

McGill University has received a donation of 35 acres of land on the top of the mountain at Westmount for the establishment of an observatory, arboretum and botanical garden. Prof. Penhallow leaves shortly to study establishments of this kind in Washington and San Francisco.

THE OIL BOOM.

The Fluid Falls in Price, But Is Dear Enough Now.

BRADFORD, Pa., April 19.—The activity in oil continues. The demand for territory here has never been equalled.

OIL CITY, April 19.—Oil closed at \$2.20 bid.

BERLIN, April 19.—The Handel Zeitung says in a leader on the increased price of oil, the movement will stimulate boring enterprises in Germany and the Carpathians.

REDUCED TO ASHES.

Blaze in Toronto—Valuable Horses Burned to Death—Fire in Theford.

LION'S HEAD, Ont., April 19.—The store of Moore & Van Dusen was totally consumed by fire, with contents; also the hardware store of F. B. Crabb, adjoining. The fire caught in the hardware premises. Loss on hardware, \$1,200; loss to Moore & Van Dusen, \$15,000; insurance, \$7,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 19.—Fire early this morning destroyed the plant of the Windsor Cracker Company, Dredgelle's soap factory and eight small dwellings adjoining. There were a lot of whom were removed safely. Loss, about sixteen families in these houses, \$200,000; insurance, \$300,000. One fireman was hurt.

THEFT OF DRUGS.—The building containing Dr. McEduard's drug store and Bell Telephone office, Walter Robinson's jewelry store and the Oddfellows' hall was totally destroyed by fire this morning.

TORONTO, April 19.—Fire in the stables of James Lester, 120 Esther street, tonight, destroyed five horses valued at \$1,800 and damaged the stables to the extent of \$300.

THE GRAND TRUNK.

More Fault-Finding—Some of the Half-Yearly Returns.

The Montreal Star's special cable from London says: The Times and other journals this morning advise the Grand Trunk Railway stockholders not to send proxies to the directors for the approaching annual meeting on April 20, though some of the papers doubt the fitness of Sir Charles Rivers Wilson to control the great railway.

The directors of the road have issued a circular earnestly asking for proxies, and declaring the integrity of the management. The circular states that the credit of the company has been imperilled by the recent agitation, but the directors contend that the unfortunate condition of the road is due, not to mismanagement, but to circumstances entirely beyond the control of the board of directors and of the management in Canada.

The directors' half-yearly report, which was issued last evening, shows the net revenue deficiency to be \$87,684. The passenger receipts decreased \$180,461, and the local freight decreased \$7,000,000, while through freight shows a decrease of \$1,000,000 tons. The gross receipts declined 10 per cent, and the working expenses declined 11 per cent. The board in their annual report defend the acquisition of affiliated Sir Joseph Hickson, showing that the Grand Trunk received from these lines in ten years \$23,000,000 in traffic, while the deficiencies to make up the interest on payments were \$1,000,000 on a rebate of 3-1-2 on the Grand Trunk earnings from traffic interchanged.

The adoption of a different policy would have left the company with no through connections. The Daily News says that the circular is a repetition of the very encouraging comments on Mr. Barker's report.

THE NICARAGUA DISPUTE.

Great Britain Insists on Her Ultimatum—A Money Indemnity or Its Equivalent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 19.—Official confirmation of London dispatches that Nicaragua had been informed that her counter proposition was not regarded as satisfactory by Great Britain, was received here today. Nicaragua's present plan, it is understood, is to endeavor to reach a compromise with Great Britain respecting the ultimate settlement of the indemnity of \$75,000 to Pro-Consul Hatch. In pursuance of this purpose a special representative may be sent to London. It is not doubted that in the end Nicaragua will pay the indemnity demanded or offer to Great Britain in lieu of the \$75,000 a part of her territory.

The following is the reply sent by the British Government to Nicaragua: "London, April 18.—To the Foreign Minister of Nicaragua at Managua.—I have the honor to receive your Excellency's telegram of the 11th inst. My note was delivered to Senor Barrios on the 26th of February, with the request that a copy be forwarded to your Excellency by the 1st of March 2. Her Majesty's Government cannot be responsible for the delay in your receiving it. Your counter proposal has been considered, and I regret it cannot be accepted. Her Majesty's Government cannot admit there is any doubt as to the rights of the British subjects, and must adhere to the demands in my previous notes. (Signed.)

"KIMBERLY."

The note which the Earl of Kimberley, the British Secretary of State for the Foreign Department, refers to as having been delivered to Senor Barrios (Nicaraguan envoy sent to England on this special mission), Feb. 26, was what is known as Great Britain's ultimatum to Nicaragua. Great Britain's reply in effect rejects arbitration on the amount of indemnity to the British subjects for personal injuries, and insists upon the payment of \$75,000.

It is said to be absolutely impossible for Nicaragua to immediately comply with Great Britain's money demand. She has not \$75,000 in her treasury, and her population of about 2,000,000 people, two-thirds Indians, have no developed resources on which they could raise the amount. The proposition of a Pacific blockade of Nicaraguan ports to enforce payment is quietly laughed at. Nicaragua, it is said, has no ships. The blockade would only hurt the commerce of Germany, France and the United States.

PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS.

Closing Session of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

TORONTO, April 19.—The closing sessions of the nineteenth annual meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, Presbyterian Church in Canada, were held in the Central Presbyterian Church yesterday. Despite the fact that kindred societies in the United States and elsewhere suffered during the past year both as regards finance and membership, owing largely to the prevailing depression, the reports presented by the officers of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church showed an advance in every department and branch. Therefore the outlook for the current year is most encouraging, and the ladies are confident that at the next annual meeting they will be able to again report advancement all along the line.

The following officers were elected for 1895-6: President, Mrs. Ewart; first vice-president, Mrs. MacLaren; second vice-president, Mrs. MacLaren; third vice-president, Mrs. G. H. Robinson; fourth vice-president, Mrs. Ball; foreign secretary, Mrs. Harvie; home secretary, Mrs. Shortreed; recording secretary, Mrs. Campbell; secretary of supplies, Mr. Jeffrey; secretary of publications, Mrs. Telfer; treasurer, Mrs. McGaw. The last-named is the only new officer, and she was elected to the office to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mrs. MacLaren.

The estimate of funds necessary for the work of the foreign committee during the coming year was \$40,108, divided as follows: Already paid to foreign missionary committee, \$14,622; \$1,200 to be paid as usual through Dr. Reid to the foreign missionary committee (eastern district), half of which will be devoted to women's work in Canada, and the remainder to similar work in the New Hebrides; \$15,000 to the foreign mission committee, to meet salaries and other expenses in connection with the work as they have been conducted.

It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Peterborough, and at 5 o'clock the assemblage adjourned.

IN THE SPORTING WORLD.

BASEBALL.

At Boston, NATIONAL LEAGUE. R. H. E. Boston..... 11 4 2 Washington..... 6 11 2

At Louisville, Louisville..... 1 8 6 Batteries—Kell, L. and Welch; Hawley and Sugden. Umpire—McDonald.

EASTERN LEAGUE CLUBS AT BAT. At Pottsville, Pa., Pottsville..... 24 21 4 Syracuse..... 13 15 10

Batteries—Cain, Hughes and Fox; Lathrop, Barnett and Rafter. At Scranton, Pa., Binghamton..... 7 11 15 Scranton..... 20 17 6

TORONTO WINS.

ELMIRA, N. Y., April 19.—The Toronto Eastern League team won easily from the Elmira State League team this afternoon. The game was marked throughout by heavy hitting. It was called at the end of the seventh inning. Score: Toronto, 28; Elmira, 8.

KILLED BY A LINE HIT.

OBERLIN, O., April 19.—The accidental death of George Cowan, a student of the Oberlin Academy, which occurred on the Athletic Park, has cast a gloom over the entire college and community. While practicing for the 'var' city nine, Cowan was struck on the head by a liner and almost instantly killed. The blow soon being succeeded by convulsions. Mr. Cowan was 22 years of age and a splendid student. His parents reside in Oberlin.

Sunday Services!

SEE NEXT PAGE

For Particulars of To-Morrow's Church Services.

A CHARMING CANTATA.

The Annual Entertainment of the First Presbyterian Sunday School.

An Excellent Programme—The Participants—Performance to be Repeated.

From time immemorial the scholars of the Sunday school in connection with the First Presbyterian Church have held their annual tea meeting and entertainment on Good Friday evening. There had been some discussion as to the propriety of holding this entertainment on such a sacred holiday, so this year the managers decided to have it one week later.

Last night the scholars turned out en masse to the Sunday school house on Dufferin avenue, and kept up their record for jollity and satisfaction. As usual there was an abundance of good things at the commencement, but after half an hour's work the tables were to a great extent unloaded. When everyone was satisfied they trooped merrily to the Mechanics' Institute Hall, where their parents and friends to a large number were assembled. The cantata given last year proved such a success that another one by the same author was obtained and practiced. This was the chief number in the programme, and the manner in which it was rendered won the hearty applause of the audience. The pronounced success of this cantata was largely due to the untiring perseverance of Miss J. Dunbar and Miss Ella Simson, accompanist. The following minor programme was given prior to the cantata:

Recitation—Sixteen little girls. Good-night drill. Eight little girls. Lily March and Song. Sixteen girls. Duet. Misses J. Howie and Fleming. Recitation—One of the Little Ones.

Address—Rev. W. J. Clark. "The 'Lily March' and 'Good-night drill' were prepared by Miss Grace Simson. In the latter the girls all appeared in night-caps and dresses, and two by two left the stage, leaving the last one to jump into a crib on the platform.

Rev. Mr. Clark said in his annual address that it was five years ago when he first entered the student and date before his present congregation. He rejoiced in the success of the two schools. No scholars in the city are better educated and taught, or better work done. Some people spoke of the church as the Park Avenue Church. That was a very pretty name, but the right title was the First Church. It is not only first in name and in date of establishment, but also, he said, good naturedly, in some other things as well.

The cantata was entitled "A Temperance Picnic With the Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe," and the following was the programme: Song and speech—Mother Merryheart. Chorus—Marching Song. Chorus—The Waters that Gush from the Spring. Solo—Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight?—Mother Merryheart. Semi-chorus—Pretty Water Song. Girls. Semi-chorus—Happy Wild Wood Noddy. We. Solo—A Wandering Boy and Girl. Chorus—Oh, We Feel So Very Happy.

PART II. Solo—We're Gonna to King a Tynant. Sambo. Semi-chorus—How Do They Grow. Girls and Boys. Chorus—Pat and Fritz. Semi-chorus—We Come to Burg Nick. O'Teene. Prohibition trio—Ship of Prohibition. Chorus—The Red, White and Blue. Jack Kelly. Chorus—The Red, White and Blue. Hop Sing. Solo—What the People are Thinking. Brave Betty. Duet—River of Hope. Mother Merryheart and Charlie. Recitation—Baby Bunting. Chorus—Picnic in the Wild Wood.

Closing Tableau. The parties who represented the different characters were: Mother Merryheart, Miss L. J. McGuffin; Charlie, H. B. Lind; Sambo, F. Sweeney; Pat, J. F. Fritz; J. Sharp; Jack, Chas. Ruch; Tommy, James Grant; Polly Louie Clark; Hop Sing, Max Fraser; Brave Betty, Flo Hamilton; Baby Bunting, Alma Pax; Water Spirits, Mabel Reid, Elma Reid, Chas. Hawdick, Janet Cameron, Alma Pax, and Jessie Anderson; Wood Noddy, Willie Lawrence; George Bingham, Bert and Douglas Chaswick, Gordon Craig, Roy Elliott, Cecil Swift and Fred Lind. "The Blacksmith," by the little boys, created much amusement.

Superintendent J. I. Anderson had charge of the programme, and Miss Simpson was accompanist.

The concert will be repeated next Friday evening in aid of the South Waterloo Street Sunday school, when a large attendance is anticipated.

Sixty-two more biscuits can be made with a pound can of Dr. Price's Baking Powder than with any other kind.

SUSPECTED CONDUCTORS.

Trial of the G. T. R. Men—Damaging Evidence Contradicted.

MONTREAL, April 19.—The hearing of evidence in the G. T. R. conductors' case was concluded this morning. Alfred Pomanville, clerk in the Balmoral, denied Fraser's statements regarding him. He said he had never introduced Fraser to anyone, nor indicated to him any houses of ill-fame.

Mr. H. W. Walker, chief accountant of the Grand Trunk Railway, examined for the defense, produced conductors' reports, from which it seemed that in the occasions upon which they had been accused of "knocking down" fares, the conductors had made returns of the full amounts collected by them on the cars.

Conductors Elliott and Empey were examined relative to the running of trains. When the examination of witnesses had been concluded, Messrs. St. Pierre and McMaster, for the defense, asked that the indictment be quashed on various technical grounds. The court reserved decision.

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