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KITCHENER WILL DEPOPULATE THE TOWNS OF THE TRANSVAAL

The Inhabitants Reveal to the Enemy the Garrisons Where Stores Are Supplied—Will Send All Non-Military Toward the Coast.

Guerilla Warfare Has Become Less Formidable—British Gradually Wearing Out the Energies of the Persistent and Obstinate Foe—No Success For the Boers For Six Weeks.

London, Nov. 17.—(N. Y. Sun.)—Lord Kitchener is now for the first time unhampered in carrying on the South African War and it promises to be widely different than under Lord Roberts. The latter will continue to sign the official despatches until his departure, but the campaign will be devised and directed by Lord Kitchener alone. He has faced the grim fact that the enemy means the entire population and has greatly tightened the censorship, while he finds it necessary to carry out certain military police acts more suitable to a campaign of sheer extermination and aggression than consistent with a policy of ultimate conciliation and neighborliness.

Railways Still Broken.

The Transvaal and Orange Free State are now opening the second season since a crop was sown, and it is fourteen months since normal food import stuffs ceased. The railways are still broken for several days weekly. These things combined make the feeding of the occupants of the two Republics a work of great difficulty, which is increased by the filling of the towns with stores under garrison. These garrisons the inhabitants betray to the commandos, who thereby easily replenish their stores, thus making the starving out of the fighting burghers impossible. Lord Kitchener's alternative is the depopulation of the towns, moving every non-military inhabitant toward the coast, where they will be more easily fed, while freeing the army's hands. This movement will involve great time and it is doubtful if it is feasible.

Fearful Desolation.

Lord Kitchener's movements show the fearful desolation to which the war has reduced the countries. The only hopeful sign is the coming of the Transvaal winter, when the heat will make the tropical veldt unbearable. The northernmost commandos will have to trek toward the south, where they will meet the British. This will bring Gen. Delary shortly into the range of severe fighting. Gen. Dewet has not been heard of and it is believed that he is advancing toward Ficksburg, which the Boers hold. The systematic breaking of the Kimberley and Bloemfontein Railways has for its aim the tying up of the troops in the up-country thru the resulting shortage of supplies.

The publication of letters from Boer women showing the pitiful distress which has followed the burning of their farms is not heeded here. The people will forgive anything which will bring the fighting to an end and release the great part of the troops. Instead of that, however, the Inniskilling Fusiliers, who returned to England from Natal a few months ago, have been ordered to re-embark for the Cape.

Boers Get No Rest.

London, Nov. 18, 6 a.m.—(N.Y. Tribune.)—The guerilla warfare in South Africa has become less formidable. The centres of hostile operations in Dutch territory may have multiplied, but the Boer commandos are thinning out from death, illness and desertions. The skirmishes recorded daily by Lord Roberts are petty affairs, in which scores of Boer combatants are engaged where formerly there were hundreds, and sometimes thousands. Consequently casualties are light and few prisoners are taken. The British army is adapting itself to the altered conditions, and is gradually wearing out the energies of its persistent and obstinate foe. Where once there were divisions, with a complete staff organization, there are now brigades, and lightly equipped, mobile columns are sent in pursuit of small bands of guerillas. Generals and staff officers are returning by every steamer from the Cape, and the entire British army is in process of reorganization for the special service which is now required. General Kelly-Kenny, who commanded the Sixth Division in the terrible march across the veldt, has been relieved from command at Bloemfontein, and General Hunter has taken his place. Either Roberts or Kitchener is picking out the men who have special capacity for fighting the Boers. The new tactics seem effective. The scattered bands of Boers are constantly harried and allowed no rest. The lines of communication are strongly guarded and are not seriously menaced. The Boers are alert, but only able to operate on a small scale against outposts, and their cattle and horses are constantly taken from them, and here and there small squads are killed, wounded or taken prisoners. They have not had a single success in the last six weeks, and the sum of their losses is considerable. It is not strange that optimists are predicting the close of hostilities by the end of the year.

Boers Badly Cut Up.

Bloemfontein, Nov. 17.—The Boers heavily attacked the railroad at Edenburg, Nov. 15 (Thursday). It is reported that the Boers were completely cut up. One report has it that 75 of the party were killed or wounded.

Kitchener Will Depopulate Towns.

Durban, Nov. 17.—The Natal Mercury reports that Lord Kitchener has decided to "depopulate the towns in the Transvaal," owing to the difficulty of dealing with the Republicans when hampered by the civilian population.

Was W. J. Anderson Killed?

Hamilton, Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Friends of ex-Patrol-Driver W. J. Anderson have fears that he is one of the men referred to in the despatches as Lance-Corporal W. A. Anderson, one of the Canadians killed at Belfast. Anderson, who is a member of the 13th Regiment, joined the Canadian Mounted Rifles at Toronto as a private, but in his last letter to his parents he mentioned that he had been promoted and was now a lance corporal. At the time the letter was written, his corps was on the way to Belfast. Anderson was prominent in the Orange order and the Scarlet Knights, and was very popular with a large circle of friends here.

More Invalids Returning.

Ottawa, Nov. 17.—A cable from the office of the Canadian High Commissioner in London announces the sailing for Canada on the 14th inst., by the steamer Corinthian, of seven more invalided Canadian soldiers, as follows:

156, Pte. H. Hiam of Duke of York Royal Canadian Hussars, Montreal.

7653, Pte. F. Lee, Queen's Own Canadian Hussars, Quebec.

8162, Pte. Roy Sloan, 1st C.A., Halifax.

7477, Pte. R. Cunningham, and

7511, Pte. A. L. Large, both of 15th Argyle Light Infantry.

7206, Pte. M. L. Jones, 33rd Huron Regiment.

122, Borchard.

Canadian Officers Wounded.

London, Nov. 17.—An additional official list of wounded South African soldiers, issued this evening, includes the names of the following Canadian lieutenants: J. H. Elmsley, L. E. W. Turner and H. G. C. Cockburn.

The Late Bomb. John Moore.

Bomb. John Moore of the Canadian Artillery, who is reported as having died of enteric fever at Pretoria, is a son of T. T. Moore, principal of the Acton High School. He was employed in Storey's glove factory in that pdace when he enlisted with the Guelph detachment of the artillery. He was considered a first-class workman, and was a general favorite in the town. He was about 28 years of age and unmarried. He was a nephew of Mr. John Ausman of 284 Major-street, this city, and a brother of Mrs. Bert McKerehen of Givens-street.

Lieut. Elmsley Improving.

Mr. Henry Emsley Saturday received the following cablegram from his son, Lieut. R. H. Elmsley, dated Pretoria, Nov. 15: "Doing well. Jim."

British Evacuate Vryheid.

Pietermaritzburg, Natal Nov. 16.—The British garrison at Vryheid has evacuated the town and taken up a position in the adjacent hills, where it is practically besieged. The garrison has six months' provisions. The Boers have warned the men that if they attempt to reoccupy Vryheid the town will be destroyed.

Roberts Orders Musket Practice.

Pretoria, Nov. 15, 8.35 a.m.—Lord Roberts has issued an order compelling the men to take regular musketry practice. Each man will have to fire twenty-five rounds at a target, and if his showing is poor a penalty of twenty-five additional rounds will be imposed. The Commander-in-Chief is very anxious that commanding officers shall make the training of the men effective by enforcing these regulations.

A brigade of mounted infantry is being formed here and excellent progress has already been made. One company is taken from each regiment of infantry, and some of the men who were never on horseback before this scheme was started are already serviceable cavalrymen.

HUNT AND BUILDER DEAD.

Two More Canadians End Their Careers in Africa—One From Disease, the Other From Bullets.

Ottawa, Nov. 18.—Sir Alfred Milner cables the Governor-General as follows:

Cape Town, Nov. 17.—629, Hunt, Strathcona Horse, died of Bright's disease, Pretoria, Nov. 14. Referring to my telegram of yesterday, 105, Builder, since died.

(Signed) Milner.

Pte. W. DeVere Hunt is from Millarville, Alberta, and went out with the reinforcements for the Strathcona Horse.

Sergt. Builder belonged to the 38th Batt., and was reported on Friday seriously wounded. He has since died.

CHAMBERLAIN TO BE A PEER—TO BE EARL OF BIRMINGHAM

The Colonial Secretary Has a Long Line of Ancestors, and His American Wife Will Wear a Coronet of Nobility.

London, Nov. 17.—Manchester and Leeds have a Duke apiece who takes his title from their cities, and, while Liverpool gave her name to a famous earl, who was Prime Minister of Great Britain in the early part of the century, such centres of industry as Macclesfield, Glasgow, Southampton, Swansea and Halifax are all represented in the House of Lords by hereditary legislators bearing their names by way of nobiliary titles.

Birmingham almost alone of all the important cities of the United Kingdom has been absent from the roster of the Upper House of Parliament, and now this neglect, according to persistent rumors in well-informed quarters, is about to be repaired by the elevation of the Colonial Secretary to the peerage, with the title of Earl of Birmingham, his American wife, daughter of President Cleveland's Secretary of War Endicott, becoming first Countess of Birmingham.

There are many circumstances that tend to confirm this report about Joseph Chamberlain, noteworthy among which are the obviously inspired paragraphs now appearing in the press, according to which Mr. Chamberlain, in lieu of being, as everyone supposed, a self-made man, is possessed of a long line of ancestors. It has been observed that whenever a man looked upon as the creator of his own fortunes and as of humble origin suddenly becomes endowed with a long line of ancestry, it indicates the imminent grant of a peerage to the individual concerned, a case in point being that of Lord Brassey, the son of a man who began life as a day laborer, and of a girl who peddled matches in the streets of Liverpool, who suddenly blossomed forth a few weeks prior to his promotion to the peerage as the lineal descendant of a certain mythical Hugo de Brisci, who was one of the followers of William the Conqueror.

According to these paragraphs about Mr. Chamberlain, he traces his family back on his father's side to Daniel Chamberlain, a Wiltshire County magnate, who flourished at the beginning of the last century, while thru his grandmother the Colonial Secretary is descended from one of the 2000 ejected ministers who in the time of the Stuart kings left home and work and profit rather than accept the State-made creed which it was sought to force upon them.

A peerage would not only constitute a recognition of the brilliant services which he has rendered to the Administration during the recent general elections, but would likewise remove from the House of Commons to the more somnolent atmosphere of the House of Lords a Minister whose sometimes indiscreet utterances in the Lower House have been a source of more embarrassment than assistance to the Cabinet to which he belongs.

MURDEROUS ESCAPADE OF A BURLY MIDNIGHT BURGLAR

George Smith, Alias "Snowball," a Negro, Was Caught in the House of William Fawkes, 88 Louisa-Street, and Tried to Fight His Way Out—Is Now in Custody.

George Smith, a burly negro, better known as "Snowball," was captured early yesterday morning by Police Constable Watson of the Agnes-street Station while in the act of making his escape from a house at 88 Louisa-street, where a burglary had taken place and a murderous assault committed on William Fawkes, a Hebrew junk dealer, the occupant of the place.

How He Gained Entrance.

Between 1 and 2 o'clock Smith secured an entrance to the house by climbing over a shed in the rear and lifting a window of a bedroom, which had been left unfastened. In the room Millie Fawkes, a 16-year-old girl, was sleeping, and the thief, in searching underneath the pillows for valuables, aroused her from her slumbers.

Threatened to Kill the Girl.

On finding that the girl was awake, Smith threatened to kill her if she raised an outcry, and at the same time placed both hands about her neck. In spite of the threat the girl called out, and was successful in making herself heard. The girl's father and mother were sleeping in another room across the hall, and on hearing their daughter's cries for help they went to her assistance.

Fought His Way Out.

When the burglar heard Fawkes and his wife approaching, he shut the door of the room and held it fast for some little time. Then, finding that escape was impossible except thru the door, he attempted to fight his way out. As he opened the door Fawkes and his wife were just on the outside, and the thief struck the former over the head with some blunt instrument, rendering him unconscious. Mrs. Fawkes attempted to prevent the thief's escape, but was knocked down and trampled upon.

Neighbor Called the Police.

Isaac Helpern, who lives at 61 Chestnut-street, in a house adjoining that of the Fawkes family, had heard the girl's cries for help, and by raising his window succeeded in attracting the attention of P.C. Watson, who was pacing his beat only a short distance away. The officer hurried to the scene of the burglary, and was just in time to meet Smith as he was making a mad rush thru the yard in front of the Fawkes home.

Took His Arrest Quietly.

The negro quietly submitted to arrest, and after being handcuffed was taken to the Agnes-street Station, where he is held, charged with burglary and feloniously wounding.

When Fawkes regained his senses, he was assisted to the Emergency Hospital by Benjamin Cohen, 81 Chestnut-street. There it was found that the man was in a critical condition from loss of blood, which flowed from a large wound on the top of his head. Eight stitches were required to close the wound, after which Fawkes was taken back to his home.

Mrs. Fawkes and her daughter are still suffering from shock brought on by their exciting experience while the burglar was in the house.

Had Smith Accomplices?

Fawkes is strongly of the opinion that Smith had at least two accomplices in the burglary, despite the fact that the prisoner himself maintains he went to the place alone.

The victim of the assault says that when his daughter cried for help he tried to get out of his room, but could not before some seconds had elapsed, because, he says, some person was holding the door of his room. He also claims he heard more than one strange voice after he had been struck, and says the men talked of throwing him out of his daughter's bedroom window. The story is borne out by the fact that blood-stains were found on the windowsill and in other parts of the room.

What Was the Weapon?

Detective Harrison made an examination of the place yesterday, and says the weapon used by Smith to assault Fawkes was probably one of several bottles of wine which were stored in the girl's room, and which were afterwards found broken. The victim of the assault, however, believes that a piece of iron secured from his junk shop at the rear of the house was used by the thief.

Cheeky Theft of a Hat.

When Smith was searched at the station nothing of an incriminating nature was found in his possession, except a hat, which answered the description of one stolen from Jonah Collins of 112 McGill-street on Saturday afternoon. Collins was walking up York-street early in the afternoon, when a colored man ran up to him, and, seizing his hat, ran away. Before Collins recovered himself the thief had got out of sight. Collins last night identified the hat found on Smith as his property, and the charge of theft was registered against the prisoner, making three charges he will have to answer when he appears in court this morning.

Has a Bad Record.

The prisoner is well known to the local police, he having been convicted several times of theft and drunkenness. Smith only returned to this city from St. Catharines about a week ago, after having served a term for theft committed in Welland County.

ANOTHER FIRE CALAMITY

The McGonical House at Coudersport, Pa., Was Burned Early Yesterday Morning.

AN EXPLOSION OF GAS CAUSED IT.

Opera House Adjoining Was Also Destroyed—Many Escaped in Night Clothes.

Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 18.—A despatch to The Gazette and Bulletin from Coudersport says:

"The McGonical house at Oswayo, 15 miles north of here, was destroyed by fire at 6 o'clock this morning, caused by an explosion of gas. Seven lives were lost.

The dead: William Muivaney; Arthur Fletcher, bookkeeper; Michael Russell, aged 60; — Beherrer, traveling man; unknown commercial traveler and two others unknown and unrecognizable.

Explosion Was Frightful.

The gas permeated the entire house and the explosion was of frightful force. There were many narrow escapes. The fire spread to the Opera House adjoining, which was destroyed. The occupants of the hotel were in bed at the time of the explosion, and those who escaped did so in their night clothes. Only meagre details of the extent of the disaster are obtainable.

LA RIVIERE'S MAJORITY IS 50.

Declaration for Provencher Takes Place To-Day—Nominations in St. Boniface—Winnipeg Notes.

Winnipeg, Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Victor Mager and Thomas Bernier, both Conservatives, were nominated in St. Boniface yesterday for the Local House. The Greenwayites did not put up a candidate.

The bye-election in Rhineland takes place on Monday.

The recount in the Dominion riding of Selkirk commences to-morrow.

The declaration for Provencher takes place to-morrow. La Riviere's majority is about 50.

THE ILLNESS OF THE CZAR

Russian Official World is Anxious, But the Belief is That He Will Recover.

TYPHOID NOT SO MUCH FEARED

As in America, and the General Health of His Majesty Has Been Good.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 18.—The Russian official world is anxiously regarding the condition of Emperor Nicholas, but there is a feeling of confidence that he will recover. A Foreign Office official told the correspondent of the Associated Press last evening that the bulletins were regarded as favorable. He called attention to the distinction between typhus in the American sense of the word, and typhus as understood in Russia, where the term corresponds to typhoid in American terminology. Typhoid is common, the official pointed out, in all Russian cities, owing to the defective hygienic arrangements, but is not feared in this country as it is in the United States.

General Health Has Been Good.

"Moreover," continued the official, "the Czar's general health has been good. Persons who have seen him frequently and at close quarters during the last few months give no credence to the stories regarding his alleged feebleness. They have not observed the slightest indication of lingering injury from the sabre blow he received in Japan. They utterly disbelieve the assertion, often made abroad, that the Czar is an epileptic."

Imprudent in His Diet.

Considerable surprise is expressed that His Majesty should have contracted a disease attributed to tainted nourishment, it appears, however, that he is imprudent in his diet, does not always follow medical directions, and often drinks any water he can get when walking or driving. The possibility of his having contracted the disease from milk is also considered. Yet another source of typhoid infection in Russia is quail, there being high medical authority for the statement that germs have been cultured from broiled quails.

The People Like Him.

The news of the Czar's illness is gradually reaching the general populace, and many sympathetic references to his condition are heard among the people of St. Petersburg, who are apparently greatly attached to the person of the monarch.

Special prayers for his recovery were offered to-day in the churches of St. Petersburg, Moscow and Kharkow.

WHO IS THIS RICH CANADIAN?

James Farlinger Thomson of Ontario Arrested at Queenstown Charged as a Deserter.

London, Nov. 19.—James Farlinger Thomson of Ontario was arrested on board the Cunard Liner Campania at Queenstown yesterday morning just before she started on her westward voyage. He came to London last April on an extensive tour of England, Scotland and France, patronizing the best hotels. While in Glasgow he enlisted in the Royal Irish Regiment and he had been stationed at Clonmel, but deserted and took passage for the United States.

Thomson, who is said to be very wealthy, is the son of a Canadian merchant. The police handed him over to the military authorities.

HOW GERMS DEVELOP.

Prof. Koch Says Gnat Bites Introduce Parasites Into the Body.

Berlin Nov. 17.—Prof. Koch lectured before the Colonial Society, which was crowded with scientists and prominent men, at the Kaiserhoff Hotel recently, on the subject of malarial fever. He described to his colleagues his experiences with the Government expedition to Java and New Guinea. He said he had reached the conclusion that gnat bites introduced and developed parasites into the human body. But, according to his theory, parasite germs breed in the human body itself. The germs are passed by a gnat from one human body to another, but they develop in the body of the gnat during the passage. Children, he said, were especially liable to impregnation. At a village in New Guinea 137 inhabitants out of 700 were affected by the disease and all were cured by the use of quinine. Mosquito nets, the professor said, were useful, but were not wholly reliable. All inoculations, he said, had hitherto been failures and for that reason he urged the colonial authorities to issue a free supply of quinine.

Kilborn's "Clover and Malt" is a laxative tonic, cough and cold cure—guaranteed, money refunded. 135

Dominion House to Meet.

It is said that the Federal House will be summoned during the latter part of January, 1901.

HONG KONG IS EXCITED OVER STRANGE REPORT

Correspondent of a London Paper Says There Is a Rumor That Great Britain Intends to Send Out a Flying Squadron.

Pekin in a Serious Condition, Owing to Smallpox Among the Chinese and an Accumulation of Filth—Russians Have Met Bands of Robbers—The Peace Negotiations.

London, Nov. 18.—There is considerable commotion here, says the Hong Kong correspondent of The Daily Mail, "in consequence of a report that Great Britain intends to send out a flying squadron."

RUSSIANS HAVING TROUBLE.

A Robber Republic Encountered in Manchuria—Several Battles Have Been Fought.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 17.—The Russian troops are encountering a robber republic, lying south of Kirin, Manchuria, in the mountainous basin of the upper Sungari. The President of this congeries of banditti is a certain Chaidengue. According to general staff despatches, Lieut.-Col. Duroff, with two companies of infantry and a sotnia and a half of Cossacks, while reconnoitering recently, collided with Chaidengue and two battalions of Chinese regular troops, who were operating with him. Lieut.-Col. Duroff captured two guns in the engagement.

Gen. Foh, a few days later, with a mixed Russian force, engaged 3000 of Chaidengue's followers in the same pass in which Lieut.-Col. Duroff fought the bandits. Gen. Foh also took two guns.

Gen. Rennenkampf, with five sotnias of Cossacks, had a sharp fight Nov. 11, 20 versts from Kirin, on the Kirin-Mukden road, with Chinese regular troops. Twenty Cossacks were killed and 20 were wounded.

A reconnaissance developed the fact that Mogeuschan is enclosed with a stone wall 18 feet high, and that the inner city also is walled.

Is France the Power?

Hong Kong, Nov. 17.—Chinese officials aver that a certain power has demanded leave to place troops upon a hill overlooking Canton. No foreign authority confirms the assertion, but the Cantonese continue to fear French designs upon the city.

Shipments of Rice Stopped.

Shanghai, Nov. 17.—The Viceroys of the Yangtse region have stopped the shipments of the tribute of rice to Sianfu, being afraid that the allies would intercept them. The court, it is evident, will proceed to Chen Tu.

PEKIN IN A DANGEROUS STATE

Since the Occupation Many Chinese Have Died of Smallpox—Filth is Accumulating.

Pekin, Nov. 16, via Shanghai, Nov. 18.—Sanitary conditions here are becoming serious. Since the foreign occupation many Chinese have died of smallpox and other infectious diseases. Fearing that their funerals would be interfered with they have kept most of the coffins containing their dead in their houses and courtyards.

The question of removing garbage has become one of grave importance. As the natives are forbidden to deposit refuse in the streets, there is now an enormous accumulation in their dwellings and yards, which threatens a serious epidemic. In view of the large number of troops in and near the capital, the consequences of such an outbreak would be frightful. Smallpox, which is always prevalent, is much more malignant during the winter season, and the danger here is now alarmingly increasing.

THE NOTE OF THE POWERS

Will Soon Be Completed and it Presages an Early Commencement of Negotiations.

Pekin, Nov. 16, via Shanghai, Nov. 18.—The belief that the note of the powers to the Chinese Commissioners, Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang, will be completed soon, is strengthened by the result of the recent informal conferences of the Ministers of the powers. Mr. Conger, the United States Minister, said to a correspondent of the Associated Press to-day:

"The situation is apparently very favorable to the early beginning of negotiations for a preliminary settlement. I believe that the next meeting of the foreign envoys will virtually settle all points of difference between the representatives of the powers, who will lose no time in presenting their demands.

No Telling the Result.

"What the result will be, it is impossible to foretell. Even this has placed China in a very critical position. Whether she will be able to preserve her integrity and to have her trade relations with the rest of the world will depend upon what the powers demand in the final settlement, and upon her willingness to accept promptly the conditions proposed.

"It is quite unlikely, if not impossible, that the Chinese court will return to Pekin before next spring, but I do not anticipate any serious delay in the progress of the negotiations with the Chinese Commissioners, as they are in telegraphic communication with the court."

Military operations are virtually at a standstill. The German and Italian expeditions northward passed thru the Nankau Pass unopposed.

Britain Has Protested.

London, Nov. 18.—Under date of November 16, a despatch to a news agency says: Great Britain has protested against the transfer of Yu Chang to the Governorship of Wu Chan. Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching, according to this despatch, have memorialized the throne, and Yu Chang will probably not be allowed to take up the new post.

GRAND TRUNK OFFICIALS

Will Be in Toronto To-Day, Including Messrs. Hays, Davis, Percy, McGuigan and Morse.

THEY WILL MEET THE NEW MANAGER

Hays, McGuigan and Morse Will Go to Chicago to Wind Up Some Business.

Montreal, Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Messrs. Charles M. Hays, general manager; W. E. Davis, general traffic manager; Charles Percy, treasurer; F. H. McGuigan, general superintendent, and F. W. Morse, superintendent of motive power of the Grand Trunk Railway, left at 9 o'clock tonight on a special train for Toronto, where, this morning, they will meet Mr. Reeve, who is on his way to Montreal to confer with Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson and Mr. Joseph Price before their return to England. Messrs. Hays, McGuigan and Morse will go on from Toronto to Chicago to close up several matters in connection with the recent acquisition of the Chicago and Grand Trunk.

POLICE THINK HE IS CRAZY.

Emile Vasseur of Montreal Accuses Himself of Murder, But No Record Can Be Found.

Montreal, Nov. 18.—(Special.)—There is a man named Emile Vasseur at headquarters who has made a confession stating that he killed a man named John Elliott, with whom he was employed, in 1894. He states that he was arrested shortly after in Montreal for theft, and broke jail. The police say they have no records of such a crime, but that Vasseur stole money from one Elliott about that time. They believe the poor fellow is out of his mind.

BIRTHS.

CLARKE—On Sunday, Nov. 18, at 371 Sackville-street, Toronto, to Mr. and Mrs. George Edward Clarke, a son. Both doing well.

HUTCHINS—To Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hutchins, 670 Bathurst-street, Monday, Nov. 12, a daughter.

M'KEOWN—On Nov. 15, to Dr. and Mrs. Walter McKeown, a daughter.

DEATHS.

HUBBARD—At his residence, 71 Grosvenor-street, Toronto, on Friday, Nov. 16th, Charles H. Hubbard, in his 69th year.

Funeral from the above address on Monday, the 19th inst., at 3 o'clock.

Interment in St. James' Cemetery.

MERRITT—J. P. Merritt, eldest son of the late Hon. William Hamilton Merritt, at his late residence, Oak Hill, St. Catharines, on Sunday, November 18, 1900, in the 81st year of his age.

Funeral on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late family residence to St. George's Church and thence to the Cemetery.

NEWTON—On Sunday, November 18, 1900, at his father's residence, 379 Parliament-street, James Newton, aged 31 years.

Funeral Tuesday at 3 p.m.

ROBINSON—On Nov. 17, at 109 Mutual-street, J. Robinson, M.D., late assistant superintendent Toronto Insane Asylum.

Funeral Monday afternoon, private.

SHIRLOW—At his late residence, 550 West Queen-street, William Shirlow, in the 51st year of his age, brother of John and James Shirlow.

Funeral on Tuesday at 3 p.m. to St. James' Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please attend.

New Jersey papers please copy.

WHITTON—At Grace' Hospital, Toronto, on Sunday, 18th November, Isabella Whitton of York Mills, in her 21st year.

Funeral from Young's undertaking rooms, 359 Yonge-street, Toronto, on Tuesday, the 20th, at 2.30 o'clock. Interment in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

JIM HILL'S LAST DEAL.

The Story in New York is That He Will Control the Northern Pacific Railway.

New York, N.Y., Nov. 17.—The Mail and Express to-day prints the following:

Two gigantic railroad deals involving the Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Union Pacific, on the one hand, and the Atchison and Southern Pacific Systems, on the other hand, have just been completed and will shortly be announced. This statement is officially made by one of the highest executive officials of the Northern Pacific Railway, who admits his company is to pass under the control of the Great Northern.

DEATH OF A YOUNG WIFE.

Mrs. Patrick McPhillips of London Passed Away Less Than a Year After Marriage.

London, Ont., Nov. 18.—The death occurred Saturday, after a very brief illness, of Mrs. Patrick McPhillips, wife of the well-known barrister of this city. Deceased was a daughter of Christopher Robinson of Richmond, Virginia, an ex-judge of the Supreme Court of that state, and was but 27 years of age. In January of this year she was married to Mr. McPhillips. Two brothers and four sisters survive. One of the former, Mr. N. T. Robinson, is now in the city.

Masons to Visit Toronto.

The members of St. John's (Masonic) Lodge, No. 209 A., intend paying Georgina Lodge, No. 343, Toronto, a fraternal visit on Friday evening next, and have chartered a special train for the occasion, which will leave here at 2.45 p.m.

Think on it, To-Day.

There's no more sensible, serviceable or fashionable Christmas present to give your sister, some other fellow's sister, or your wife, than a nice fur garment of some description. If you want to make yourself solid "for aye," get a sealskin jacket, such as Dineen is showing, or get the next best, the popular Persian lamb. To have a garment ready in time for Christmas you must order at once. Send for fur catalogue.

Colder, With Sleet or Snow.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Ont., Nov. 18.—(8 p.m.)—Another cold wave is spreading quickly eastward across the continent. Snow is now falling in Northern Ontario, and the weather is showery in Southern Ontario and in the Maritime Provinces. The lowest temperatures reported this morning were 16 below zero at Winnipeg and Prince Albert, 14 below at Qu'Appelle, and 12 below at Calgary.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 28—28; Kamloops, 10—14; Edmonton, 2 below—2 below; Prince Albert, 16 below—2 below; Qu'Appelle, 14 below—4 below; Winnipeg, 16 below—6; Port Arthur 2—16; Parry Sound, 32—42; Toronto, 40—54; Ottawa, 28—36; Montreal, 30—38; Quebec, 16—34; Halifax, 24—50.

Probabilities.

Lakes—Northeasterly winds; colder; rain; turning to sleet or snow.

Georgian Bay—Northeasterly winds; colder, with snow.

Upper St. Lawrence — Northeasterly winds; colder, with a fall of sleet or snow.

Ottawa Valley—Northeasterly winds; colder, with a fall of snow.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Strong winds and gales from north and northeast; a light snow fall; much colder.

Maritime Provinces—Winds shifting to northward; much colder, with local snow falls.

Superior—Northerly and easterly winds; colder, with local snow falls.

Manitoba—Northerly winds; continued cold, with local snow falls.

The boys' department at the Oak Hall clothing stores is crowded to overflowing with garments of excellence and satisfaction. You are welcome to examine the styles and qualities at 115 King-street east and 116 Yonge-street. Courteous salesmen will willingly answer your questions.

Pember's Turkish Baths, 127 Yonge-st.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Nov. 17.	At.	From.
La Touraine	Havre	New York
Fr. der Grosse	Southampton	New York
Etruria	Liverpool	New York
Umbria	New York	Liverpool
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Vancouver	Halifax	Liverpool

SIR CHARLES AT VANCOUVER

He Addressed an Immense Audience There on Saturday Evening and Carried His Hearers With Him

SAYS CANADA IS CONSERVATIVE

By a Large Majority, Leaving the Race Element Out of Consideration.

Vancouver, B.C., Nov. 17.—Sir Charles Tupper addressed an immense audience here this evening, and carried his hearers with him. He spoke hopefully of the prospects of the Conservatives, in spite of their recent defeat, and reiterated that the recent polings showed that, leaving the race element out of consideration, Canada was Conservative by a big majority. Sir Charles again denied the truth of the story that he had said that Sir Wilfrid Laurier was "too English for him." His remark had been misconstrued wilfully. He had said that Sir Wilfrid's theory of Canadian representation in Parliament, involving taxation, etc., far too heavy to be balanced by the benefits accruing, was absurdly short-sighted from Canada's view-point.

ARRESTED ON SUSPICION.

Alfred C. Way Was Caught With Considerable Stolen Property in His Possession.

Alfred C. Way, a young man, who says he has no home, is under arrest at the Agnes-street station on a charge of theft. Way was arrested by Sergt. Varley on Saturday night on suspicion of having stolen a quantity of underwear and two silk umbrellas which he was carrying. The underwear was afterwards identified as the property of T. M. Kingman, dealer in gents' furnishings, at 374½ Yonge-street. Way was charged with the theft. The police are now looking for an owner for the umbrellas, which still bear a storekeeper's price ticket.

Another Great Week.

The Green Tag Sale has reached tremendous proportions. All this week astonishing values will be the rule. If you haven't taken advantage of it yet, come to Jamieson's this week.

Everybody should have accident and sickness insurance. Walter H. Bilght, City Agent, Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation. 'Phone 2770. 136

Cook's Turkish & steam baths, 204 King W., cures colds, coughs and rheumatism

FRANK M. BROWN AND $201,000 MISSING FROM NEWPORT, KY.

Another Case Across the Line in Which it Appears a Trusted Bank Official Had Been Stealing for Years and Covering Up His Tracks From Examiners.

Cincinnati, Nov. 18.—United States Bank Examiner Tucker to-day took possession of the German National Bank at Newport, Ky., and posted a notice that the bank would remain closed pending an examination.

Examiner Tucker also announced unofficially that Frank M. Brown, the individual bookkeeper and assistant cashier, was missing, and that a partial investigation showed that Brown was short about $201,000. Brown had been with the bank 18 years, was one of the most trusted men ever connected with this old bank, and it is stated by the experts that his peculations extended back as far as 10 years. The capital stock of the bank is only $100,000. Brown's alleged shortage is double that amount, and more than the reserve and all the assets, including their real estate.

All Right Three Weeks Ago.

Three weeks ago the bank examiners made a good statement for the bank, and the officers and directors allayed suspicion by referring to the report of this examination and to their last statement. Last Wednesday Brown left, and it was announced that he had gone hunting on a vacation. He did get a ticket for Odin, Ill., but it is learned now that he did not go there, and it is generally believed that he is out of this country with plenty of money in his possession.

Brown Was Suspended.

It is learned that Brown was suspended last Tuesday, pending an investigation, and the experts have been at work all the past week, while the officers and directors have been making announcements that all was right. Last Friday the officers and directors over their own names published in the papers of this city a statement that the bank had been found to be all right. They continued making these statements to the press as late as last night, but the statements were not accepted by The Commercial—Tribune, which exposed the alleged defalcations, and caused a panic in Newport to-day, so that the bank had to be taken in charge by the bank examiner.

Wild Scenes Witnessed.

The wildest scenes were witnessed in Newport to-day, and serious trouble is feared to-morrow.

That Feeling!

"To feel and to look like a prince." That's an easy thing when you can buy a fur-lined overcoat for fifty dollars at Dineens'. Best of melton in outside and solid fur lining. Call in and see them. Send for fur catalogue.

W. H. Stone, undertaker, 343 Yonge Street Phone 932. 136

To-Day's Program.

Conservative Club elections, Arcade, all day.

Bible Institute meeting, Y.M.C.A., first day.

Theological Conference, Victoria University, first day.

"Church Architecture in France," Varsity, 4 p.m.

Natural History Society, Canadian Institute, 8 p.m.

Friedheim at Massey Hall, 8 p.m.

Popular Concert at Victoria Hall, 8 p.m.

Grand Opera House, "The Christian," 8 p.m.

Toronto Opera House, "Reaping the Whirlwind," 8 p.m.

Princess Theatre, "Silver King," 8 p.m.

Shea's Theatre, Robert Hilliard and Vaudeville, 2 and 8 p.m.

Modern Language Club.

The Modern Language Club of University College will hold an open meeting in the chemical amphitheatre at 4 p.m. to-day, when Prof. J. Squair, B. A., will lecture on "Church Architecture in Northern France." The public are cordially invited to attend.

The F. W. Matthews Co., Underta kers 455 Queen W. Phone 2571.

Dr. Evans' Laxative Grip Capsules 25c, cure a cold in a few hours. No griping, no buzzing in the head; money refunded. Bingham's Pharmacy, 100 Yonge-street. 135

Pember's Turkish Baths, excellent sleeping accommodation, 127 Yonge.

Weyler Denies That Story.

Madrid, Nov. 18.—Gen. Weyler denies the statement published in Paris and cabled to the United States, that he had told an interviewer that if he had remained in Cuba, he would have ousted the Americans from the island.

E.R.Case, patents procured, Temple Bldg

THE BOERS CONTINUE ACTIVE AND ARE PRETTY WELL SUPPLIED

Botha Has Established a Government North of Middleburg, and Has Money to Pay Fighters—Erasmus Has 2000 Men, 1000 Wagons, 12,000 Cattle—Canadians Dead.

Pretoria, Nov. 18.—The Boers are active. It is alleged that Commandant Louis Botha has established a government at Rosendal, north of Middelburg, and that, with the £150,000, which he has available, he is paying the fighting burghers a crown per day. Commandant Abel Erasmus is said to be at Oliphant's River with 2000 men, 1000 wagons and 12,000 cattle.

From Heidelburg it is reported that the Boers are compelling the burghers who had surrendered, to take up arms again, under pain of death.

SOUTH WINNIPEG VACANCY.

People of the City Hope Hon. Hugh John Macdonald Will Again Stand for the Local House.

Montreal, Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Mr. F. W. Thompson, manager of the Ogilvie Milling Company, now here, en route to Europe, declares that he will not be a candidate in South Winnipeg, and that all the people hope that Hon. Hugh John Macdonald will consent to be his own successor.

Patents.—Fetherstonhaugh & Co., King-street West, Toronto, also Montreal, Ottawa and Washington.