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Mr. Charlton to Take a Hand in Negotiations for a Reciprocity Treaty.

Report That Sir Richard Cartwright Will Visit Washington to Pave the Way.

Laurier, Greenway, Sifton and Prendergast to be Banquetted by Liberals.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.- (Special)-John Charlton, who was here yesterday, left for home last night. He would say nothing about his interview with the premier, but there is no doubt that it was regarding the question of reciprocity with the United Staes. Mr. Charlton will be the commissioner, who will endeavor to negotiate a treaty. Nothing will be done until after the inauguration of the President on March 4th, indeed it is not likely that any authorized net the steerage. The Corrobdo rocks, on catistions will take place until after which it is believed the steamship gotiations will take place until after the next session of the Canadian parliament. Mr. Charlton says that his meeting with President-elect McKinley at Canton was pleasant and that they had a general conversation on the desirability of the consummation of a treaty that would bring the two countries into closer business and social relations. Mr. Charlton congratulated Major McKinley on the return of the Republicans, which gave general satisfaction in Canada. However, Mr. Charlton thinks there would be a better chance of reciprocity with the Demo-

crats in power. Premier Laurier will be banquetted by the Liberal clubs of Montreal on December 30th. Premier Greenway, of Manitoba, and Messrs. Prendergast and Sifton will be among those present.

Harry Murphy and David Spicer, laborers, who were clearing away the wreck after the recent fire, were both killed this afternoon instantaneously. by a vault falling out of part of the standing walls upon them. Both were

It is said that Sir Richard Cartwright will visit Washington at an early date to sound the Republican leaders as to the possibility of an early commence ment of negotiations for resprecity between Canada and the Units and ber the McKinley administration is in-

Owing to strong representations re specting the unfortunate condition of Canadians in Brazil the British consul at San Paulo has been requested to send back to Canada those in his district in indigent circumstances, their expenses being defrayed by the Dominion Government.

Hon. Mr. Borden, minister of militia, has ordered a formal inquiry into the dispute between Col. Hamilton, of the Queen's Own, and his subordinate offi-

The militia department is commencing

to issue Lee-Enfield rifles to the city The tariff committee will commence its sittings in Montreal next Wednes-

day, and will probably be there until Christmas.

## VENEZUELA AGREES

To the Settlement Arrived at Between the Two Powers.

New York, Dec. 10.-A special to the The cabinet held a protracted session yesterday. It was devoted exclusively to the consideration of the treaty which has been agreed upon by Secretary Olney and Lord Salisbury for the arbitration of the Guiana boundary dispute. At the close of the meeting it was announced that the cabinet has formally accepted the treaty, subject to ratification by congress. That body does not meet in regular session until February, but it not improbable that it will be specially called to act on this matter of rejection reposed in it by the consti tutional prerogative. But the action of the cabinet renders it all but certain that the agreement will be ratified. The press and public generally are adverse to the treaty. The main object is that no provision is made for the direct representation of Venezuela on the arbitra-

# INDEPENDENCE OF CANADA.

Meeting of the Montreal Club Which is Said to be Influential.

Montreal, Dec. 10 .- The Independence Club of Canada" which has been in existence in Montreal for some five months, and whose object is the attainment of Canada's independence of Great Britain, held a meeting in this city last evening. The proceedings ere secret, but it is said that the club has already over 200 members, and is in a flourishing condition, both financially and as regards the social standing of its members. In Ontario, where similar clubs have been formed, Toronto and Windsor dispute the honor of hav-

ing the largest membership. A convention will probably be held next March with a view of federating all the groups of clubs. One of the leading members stated that the movement is rapidly gaining ground in this province, especially in the rural districts, and the two organizers are now at work in the eastern townships, where the idea seems to meet with great favor.

At the meeting in this city last a constitution and by-laws were adopted. The object sought is the independence of Canada by legitimate and pacific means, and the chairman laid stress upon the fact that the means must be peaceful. The mem raerseb sidering the question of being rated.

## AN AWFUL FATALITY.

German Steamer Wrecked and a Large

London, Dec. 11.—A special dispatch from Berlin says the North German Lloyd steamship Salier was wrecked on the night of December 7th four miles north of Villagarcia, Spain, two and ahalf miles from land. She must have broken up almost immediately as part of the steamer has already been washed ushore She had 210 passengers adn a r pur stadiossed of pur ous crew of 65 men. All were drowned.

Vigo, Dec. 10.-The North German Steamship Company's liner Salier was wrecked to-day off the north coast of There were 210 passengers on board and her crew was composed of 65 men. 'All on board, passengers and crew, perished. The passengers consisted of 113 Russians, 36 Galicians, 61 Spaniards, and one German. The Salier was bound from Bremen to Buenos Avres via Corunna and Villagarcia. The passengers were mostly in struck, are situated off the southwest coast of Corunna, and are said to have been given a wide berth before the steamer was headed for the bay leading up to Villagarcia.

EX-QUEEN LIL ON A TOUR. The Dethroned Queen Arrives in San Francisco Yesterday.

San Francisco, Dec. 10.-Among the passengers on the steamer China, from Honolulu to-day, was ex-Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii. Much speculation was indulged in by the passengers regarding her destination, about which she herself was uncommunicative. It was freely said that she was en route to Washington City to plead with President Cleveland and certain Congressmen for American intervention in Hawaiian affairs, looking to her restoration to the Hawaiian throne. On the ex-queen's behalf it was said that she was merely on a pleasure trip to the United States and that she would extend her trip to Europe, and that the trip was taken with the full knowledge and consent of her government at Honolulu, which recently granted her full pardon for her complicity in the native uprising of one year ago.

GERMANY NOT SATISFIED With the New Chinese Minister at Berlin-The Objections.

Berlin, Dec. 10.—The government of Germany has notified the Chinese government that the selection of Hwang Tsun Haien as minister of China at Berlin, as announced from Pekin on November 24, is not acceptable to Germany, for the reason that Germany had not previously been consulted in the choice of a minister to succeed Hsu Ching Chang at Berlin, and because Hwang Tsun Haien is not of sufficiently exalted rank. As a precedent to this objection to the appointment of Hwang Tsun Hallen, the German government has pointed out the fact that China made a similar objection to the appointment of ex-Senator Henry W. Blair of New Hampshire, as United States minister to China, claiming that he was "Person non grata," because of his outspoken criticisms of China and her

methods and of China labor. "My boy was all crippled up and suffered awfully with rheumatism," writes Journal from Caracas, Venezuela, says: Mrs. H. Wells, of Chesley. Ont. He also had a touch of diabetes. The doctors could do him no good, but Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills completely

cured him." Sold by all dealers and Edmanson. Bates & Co., Toronto, 25c. When all other remedies fail Dr Chase's Linseed and Turpentine will cure the worst chronic cold. 25 cents. CANADIAN NEWS.

#### Archbishop Fabre-Bye-Condition of

Elections. Montreal, Dec. 12.-The condition of Archbishop Fabre is much more critical

to-day than yesterday. Prince Albert, N. W. T., Dec. 12. N. T. O. Davis and J. R. McPhail, both straight supporters of the government, were nominated here to-day for Sas-

katchewan.

Newington, Ont., Dec. 12.-The nom inations for Stormont and Cornwall were held here to-day, resulting as follows: James Leitch, Q. C., Cornwall, Conservative; John Godall Snetzinger, merchant, Cornwall Township, Liberal. Chater, Man., Dec. 12.-The following were nominated to-day to contest North Brandon for the vacancy in the local house: W. Postlethwaite, grain merchant, Brandon, Independent; A. C. Fraser, merchant, Brandon, Liberal. Cobourg, Ont., Dec. 12.-Charles E. Ewing, collector of customs here, died this morning. Ewing was employed in

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the customs service for over 30 years

and had been collector at this port for

fifteen years. He was 66 years old.

For Infants and Children.



Venezuela Will in all Probability Not Agree to Arbitration.

Public did not like the idea of Venezuela Not Being Represented.

Minister Andrades' Departure for Washington Delayed on That Account.

New York, Dec. 11.-The Herald has a special dispatch from Caracas, Venezuela, this morning, which says: "Senor' Andrade, Venezuelan minister to the United States, was to leave to-day for Washington with the cabinet's approval of the Guiana boundary arbitration treaty, but his departure was suddenly stopped. The interpretation put on this movement is that public opinion has corquered and Venezuela will withhold her consent to the arrangement entered into between Secretary Olney and Lord Salisbury for the settlement of the dispute, thus nullifying all the work which culminated in this treaty.'

## SUBMARINE WRECKER.

To be Used in Searching the bed of the Ocean for Sunken Vessels.

Baltimore, Dec. 10.-The Columbian Iron Works, of this city, have contracted to build a submarine wrecking boat according to the plans of Simon Lake, an inventor of Baltimore. The new vessel will be the first submarine boat ever built for practical submarine engineering work. It will be used principally for searching in the bed of the ocean adjacent to the coast lines and in locating and recovering sunken vessels and their cargoes.

According to the specifications, the boat will be about fifty-four tons displacement. She will, Mr. Lake claims, with a crew of six men, be able to cruise around on the bottom for a day at a time before it will be necessary to renew the air supply or the electrical en- district, was gazetted to-day.

TO ARREST FATHER YORKE Charged With Having Libelled George

of Rev. Peter C. Yorke, chancellor of the Roman Catholic diocese of Califor nia, on a charge of criminal libel. The complainant is George Thistleton, a real estate dealer, who alleges that in a re-Monitor, accused Thistleton of "being a

#### for unnamed offenses. KASK IS DEAD.

the Defendants in the Scott Libel Suit-Cable Notes.

London, Dec. 11.-Frederick Kask, one of the three male defendants in the snit for criminal libel brought by Earl Russell against his mother-in-law, Lady Scott and others, is dead.

Lady Selina Scott, the principal de-fendant in the suit brought against her even, to say anything more, as and three men by her son-in-law, Earl Russell, for criminal libel, is critically

Andre Thueap, the French literateur. was to-day elected a member of the French Academy, receiving 18 votes to cast for Emile Zola. Vandal was also elected to membership, receiving 20' votes to Zola's 2.

The German and Dutch consulates at Lorenzo Marquese, Portuguese South Africa, have been attacked, during which a British flag was torn to shreds and the Dutch consul wounded. Germany has, in consequence, demanded satisfaction of Portugal. The Cologne Gazette says that the German warship Conder is on her way from Port Natal to Lorenzo Marquese, to enforce the demand, if need be.

The English steamer British Peer; Captain Jones, which sailed from London October 4th for Cape Town and Portland, Or., has been wrecked in Saldanah Bay, South Africa. It is be-Hered fourteen persons perished.

Alfred Nobel, inventor of nitro-glycer.

ine, died yesterday evening at San Re-

#### mo, Italy. WANT ANNEXATION.

Hawaiian Annexation Club Passes Resolutions at Honolulu.

Honolulu, Dec. 4 .- (Per steamer to Sen Francisco, Dec. 10.)-Annexation club No. 2 has adopted a resolution declaring that it is still the earnest desire of residents of Hawaii to secure annexation to the United States and urging the Hawaiian government to German Ship Rajah Capsizes at Enpress the matter upon the consideration trance to Bristol Channel of the American congress.

# WANT TO TAX WHEAT.

English Protectionists Hold a Meeting at St. James' Hall Yesterday.

London, Dec. 11.-The conference at

### presided, was thinly attended. Those present included Lord Marschall and Messrs. Howarth, Disfaeli, Sands and Seton Karr, members of parliament. Mr. Lowther, in a long speech, stated that there is a rapidly increasing senti-ment in Great Britain that the nation's financial policy is radically wrong. The Sultan of Turkey, he added, is the only ruler under heaven who has adopted the Con-

principles of the Cobden Club. tinuing, Mr. Lowther remarked that in year the two greatest republics of the world had gone through remarkable changes. The speaker then referred to the high character and great ability of President-elect McKinley, saying "He would never have occupied his prominent position had not his name been associated with the most radical protective tariff ever framed in the United States, and the same can be aid of M. Meline, the French premier."

he Speaker stated that he favored a

per cent. duty on wheat, which would

produce £15,000,000 (\$62,500,000) of Joseph Howarth moved resolutions in favor of changing the policy of the country so as to secure unfailing food upplies, with secure markets for the manufacturers, by means of preferential trading relations with all parts of the Empire. He said preaching to English free traders is like preaching to men in Saturn, and urged a meeting in the future to make it desperately uncomfortable for them, adding:

"So long as the working man is under free trade there is nothing left for an Englishman but to dig his own grave with a foreign spade, and to be buried in a foreign coffin." Several resolutions urging preferential trade and the founding of protection leagues in every British constituency

FROM THE CAPITAL.

Appointment of J. A. Forin to the Kootenay Judgeship.

were adopted unanimously.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—(Special)—The prenier has telegraphed the British consul in Brazil asking for full information concerning the Canadians who recently emigrated there and who are now said to be in destitute circumstances. Mr. Laurier is also advised that a delegation is to call upon the government from Montreal to ask that a vessel be chartered to bring all those who were deluded into going to Brazil from that district recently, home again.

The appointment of John Andrew Forin of Rossland as Judge of Kootenay Lieut. Peter Maclaren Forin, of the Fifth British Columbia Regiment, has been permitted to resign his commission and John Boyd takes his place.

A FAIR PROPOSAL. San Francisco, Dec. 10.-A warrant Hon. Mr. Tarte Challenges One of His Critics to Come to the Platform.

Montreal, Dec. 10.-Mr. Tarte protests to-day in his paper, Le Cultivateur, against the reference made to him by the Rev. Mr. Corbett, of St. Columban's cent issue of the Monitor, the church Church, Cornwall, last Sunday, stating organ, Father Yorke, the editor of the that Mr. Corbett's statements constitute a political harangue, which, he member of the A.P.A. long before the said, should not have been made in a order was organized," and also refers church—at a place where people go to to Thistleton's probable imprisonment pray and not to discuss politics. "If Mr. Corbett," says Mr. Tarte, "is anxious for a full and entire discussion of the school question, there is a fine hall in Cornwall, where I am prepared to place myself at his disposal any day. He has not been in Manitoba, while I have just returned from there."

Toronto, Dec. 10 .- The Globe's Ottawa correspondent quotes Sir Henry Strong as declaring that he would not regard the dual position of Chief Justice of Canada and member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council as inconsistent. Sir Henry declined, howthought too much had already been said of matters which were not under-

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 10.-Margaret McKenzie, housekeeper for Jonathan Matheson, of Dundee, died last night from injuries inflicted on her on Saturday night by Archibald Me-Gowan, a lunatic. McGowan is now in the hospital for the insane here. Montreal, Dec. 10.-The petition against Mr. Boisvert, M. P. for Nicolet,

The C. P. R. traffic returns for the week ending December 7 were \$381,000; for the same week last year, \$452,000. Brantford, Dec. 10.-James Carpenter was found guilty of wife murder after the jury had been out four hours.

## JUST ONE HOUR.

That's How Long It Took to Try and Convict a Man

Albany, Ga., Dec. 12.-Frank Cunningham, a negro, charged with assaulting Miss Camp, a white girl, reached here yesterday from Macon under escort of the Macon military. The four court house entrances were guarded by troops. Within twenty minutes the jury was empannelled. The evidence was closed in fifteen minutes. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and Judge Spence sentenced Cunningham to be hanged on January 1st. The trial occupied one hour.

# NINETEEN DROWNED.

Swansea, Wales, Dec. 12.-The British ship Springwell, Captain Kinneth. from Liverpool, Dec. 9th for Galveston, has arrived here with two survivors of the German ship Rajah, of Bremen, which left Cardiff on Wednesday last for Hong Kong. The Rajah capsized St. James' hall to-day, open to all favina a gale near Lundy Island, at the enorable to the reform of the fiscal policy trance to Bristol Channel. Nineteen of Great Britain on protection lines and of the Rajah's crew were drowned.

Her Majesty to Spend Christmas at Osborne and go to Continent in March.

Low Price Obtained for Sealskins Accounted for by the Turmoil of the Election.

Monument to be Erected in Edinburgh to Memory of Robt. Louis Stevenson.

London, Dec. 12.-With wild and rainy weather during the past week, London has been at its worst, and already the exit from the metropolis, of distinguished people intent upon enjoying the Christmas holidays, is very general. Many of those yachtingly inclined have gone to the Mediterranean, their number including Lord and Lady Wolverton and Lord and Lady Paget.

The Queen leaves Windsor Castle for Osborne next Friday, where she will receive a family party during the Christmas holidays. The party this year consists of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and children, Princess Louise and the Marquis of Lorne, and the Duchess of Albany and her children. There will be no festivities of any kind at Osborne during the winter residence of the court. The Queen will return to Windsor from the Isle of Wight about February 16th, proced to the Continent during the sec-. ond week in March and stay on the Riveria until the end of April: Her Majesty will cross the channel from Portsmouth to Cherbourg and proceed from that port direct for Nice by special train. Princes Beatrice will leave Os. of the Kingston, Ont., Ice Yacht club, obrne for the Riveria at the end of Jan-

ing to their uncle, the King of Greece.

The cattle show at the agricultural hall at Islington has been an unusual success. There were 574 entries, exclusive of poultry, and the Queen, Prince of Wales, Lord Rosebery and the Duke of York were big winners. At the Northampton dog show on Wednesday, the Prince of Wales' Laplander and sledge dog won first prizes in the class for for eign dogs. The Princess of Wales' small Brazio dog also took first prize.

At a meeting held at Edinburgh on Thursday to promote a memorial to the late Robert Louis Stevenson, Lord Rosebery presided. His Lordship alluded to Stevenson as the successor to Sir Walter Scott, and said he desired to see a monument that would testify to Steven son's passion for Scotland and Edin-A committee was appointed to burgh. further the project. They elected Lord Rosebery chairman.

An interesting artistic gathering was that of the new Vagabond Club at the tice Jeune presided and among those present were Mrs. Humphrey Ward, Zangwill, Conan Doyle, Gertrude Kingston of the evening was the presence of a woman reporter at the press table. At the conclusion of the banquet she calmly produced a cigarette and indulged in a smoke.

Rev. George F. Pontrast, the American evangelist, will probably accept a call to New York. His successor is being discussed here, and it is generally thought that Rev. John Watson (Ian Maclaren will fill the vacancy. United States Ambassador Bayard

lege next Thursday. bability is the company will make a Cape Breton for coaling purposes. tour of the world, appearing in a round

of gaiety theatre successes. Marie Tempest will undoubtedly be the leading lady of the company. The Schubert centenary will be duly observed in London on Saturday, Jan. 29th. There will be a representative programme of the composer's works at the Crystal Palace on that date. will be the first of a series of eight Saturday concerts which the directors have decided to give in consequence of

in London have been engaged. September there were two or three cases steps on the part of the Quebec governof bubonic plague in London and the authorities have been taking the atmost precautions to prevent a spread of the

The first big sealskin sale of the season occurred on Wednesday. Although the offerings were far below the useula number, being only sixty thousand pelts, there was a great delcine, an average of twenty per cent. the offerings were far below the useula number, being only sixty

in the prices. The reason given is that trade in America has not yet recovered from the turmoil of the election. There was scarcely a buyer or a com from that country on Wednesday for the really high grade skins which generally

go there at any cost.

The Radical sentiment against Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, colonial secretary, for some of his recent utterances, do not mitigate. Labouchere and his followers seem to think at last that they have got the secretary on the hip in connection with the Jameson raid revelations. The newest form of charges against Chamberlain is that Sir John Willoughby and other officers leading the raid on the Transvaal had Chamberlain's assurance that he approved the movement and would support it. There are hints that Rhodes, while in England pledged himself to support the expedition. Here Sir William Vernon Harcourt is aimed at. There certainly exists correspondence which Sir John Willoughby's solicitor holds, showing that Jameson, Willoughby and other leaders of the raid had been led to believe that Mr. Chamberlain, for the government, and Sir William Vernon Harcourt, for the opposition, had given their sanction to an attack on the Transvaal. But it can be stated with absolute certainty that there exists no documentary proof implicating either Chamberlain or Harcourt. The evidence which is to be brought before a parliamentary commission consists chiefly of letters passing between Sir John Willoughby, Mr. Jameson and brother officers relating to the interview with Chamberlain, Harcourt and others.

## ICE YACHTS.

Canadians Will Try and Wrest Honors from Their American Cousins.

New York, Dec. 12.-The ice yacht prize pennant of America, at present held by the Jack Frost, owned by Archibald Rogers, president of the Hudson River Ice Yacht club, is only a strip of faded silk some thirty feet in length, but in the annals of ice yachting has the same interest as pertains to America's cup. This year Canada intends to try for it. Captain A. H. Lee. one of the pluckiest ice yachtsmen in Queen Victoria's broad domain, as vicecommodore of the club, has sent a chal-Prince Charles of Denmark, and his lenge to the Hudson River Club, so as wife, Princess Maud of Wales, are go- to arrange an ice fight for the chaming to Copenhagen at the end of the pionship. The challenge is now in the coming week for the first time since their wedding. The delay of Prince their wedding his wife home has course. The Canadian yacht will be sailed over the Hudson River course. The Canadian yacht will be caused a great deal of dissatisfaction sent to Poughkeepsie and all the exin Denmark and aroused much com- penses pertaining thereto will be met ment, it being stated that the Princess by Captain Lee, the Canddian challenrefused to leave her own country. Twen-ty-five rooms have been decorated and according to the deed of gift of the furnished for their reception in the im- championship pennant. Our Canuck mense palace near Copenhagen, belong- friends may have to sail against several boats, but they seem plucky enough te sail against all creation.

The Walker international cup for the ice yacht clubs on Lake Ontario, Bay of Quinte and River St. Lawrence is now in the hands of the silversmiths and is nearly completed. It will be the absolute property of the club winning it three seasons, not necessarily in succession. The matches are to be sailed between not more than three yachts of each club, the best two out of three races. The cup will be handed to the Kingston Ice Yacht club that is to hold the first race. This is an inducement to Americans to come on for all they are worth and have a slap

## AT IT AGAIN.

Insurgents in Madagascar Loot a Town

And Take Prisoners. London, Dec. 10.—Dispatches receiv-Christmas dinner given by Lord Roberts, commander-in-chief of the forces in of the Island of Madagascar, announce ed in Paris from Antananarivo, capital Ireland, on Wednesday. The hall was that the insurgents, during the night of filled with a brilliant assemblage. Justen miles from Antananarivo. The insurgents captured forty prisoners and all the cattle. The English residents and George Smith. One of the features | had a narrow escape from being massacred.

NEWFOUNDLAND COAL.

Railway Contractors Discover Another Vein in Codroy Valley.

St. John's Nfld., Dec. 10.-The Messrs. Reed, contractors for the Island railway, have discovered another coal mine located in the Codroy Valwill distribute prizes to the students of ley, and so situated that the product the Bristol Merchants' Technical Col- can be readily shipped by rail to Port an Basques, near Cape Ray, and used George Edwards as yet has not decided on ocean steamers bound from Monton the personnel of the company which real for England. These ocean steamnext season will tour America. The pro- ships are now obliged to call at Sydney,

> QUEBEC SCHOOLS. An Effort to be Made to Improve Their Condition.

Quebes, Dec. 10.-The provincial budget, brought down this evening, appropriated 450,000 acres of public lands to serve as a source of revenue for the public schools of the province. Until the proceds from these lands amount the demand for popular concerts at a to \$50,000 annually, the required sum low prices. Some of the leading artists will be added from the general finances of the province. Free text books in all It now transpires that in the middle of public schools is also announced. These ment are the result of the recent disclosures in the press of the deplorable proportion of illiteracy throughout the province and the general shortcomings of the educational system in vogue.