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TWO SUITORS FOR LA BELLE FRANCE BRITAIN WANTS DEFENCE ALLIANCE

While Germany Desires an Understanding on Far Eastern Matters—Never Any Serious Difficulty Between King and Kaiser, Tho Britain Would Have Stood by France in Moroccan Conflict.

London, July 24.—From a high official of the foreign office to-day the Associated Press obtained an interesting statement regarding the relations of Great Britain, France and Germany.

Beginning with a declaration that Great Britain would welcome a defensive alliance with France because it would insure a long continuance of European peace by acting as a check to German ambitions, the official characterized the charges made in the German press against Great Britain, of seeking to involve France in a war with Germany, as absolutely contrary to the facts.

He said: "France certainly is not desirous of war with Germany, and if Great Britain, as alleged, urged France to fight, the French government and press would not now display that friendliness towards us which is apparent on all sides.

"When Germany created the controversy with France over Morocco, the British government informed the French government that it would support it in whatever policy it decided to pursue. Accordingly, Great Britain declined to participate in the international conference when France declined, and accepted when France reconsidered its decision; but any charge that we sought to bring about war or failed to use our good offices to prevent a conflict is absolutely false.

To Insure Peace.

"We would undoubtedly have stood by France in any conflict over the Moroccan question, but we do not want a conflict and desire an understanding with France solely to insure peace."

"Great Britain at war would suffer infinitely greater commercial losses than her adversary. For one thing, our entire shipping would go to America, and the people would overthrow any government assuming an aggressive attitude."

No Difficulties.

Regarding the diplomatic relations between Germany and Great Britain the Associated Press was informed that they were not in the least strained, and that there never had been any serious difficulties between the two governments.

It has always been considered here that Germany's attack on the French Moroccan policy dealt directly with the Anglo-French entente, while well-founded opinions have been expressed that Germany would welcome an understanding with France on far eastern matters, in which the interests of the two countries are similar.

It would seem that France, instead of occupying a begging role, is the fortunate possessor of two suitors in the greatest rivals in Europe.

Czar Wanted an Outside Opinion On Internal Situation in Russia

Berlin, July 24.—The meeting of the two emperors took place on the initiative of Emperor Nicholas. The prevailing idea is that the Russian Emperor desired an outside opinion from a ruler of his own rank on the internal situation in Russia. His invitation to Emperor William is regarded as being the result of friendship and confidence in him.

Altho the meeting is considered as being of high importance for Russia, it cannot signify any change in Germany's policies toward Japan or Russia. Emperor William had not seen the Russian Emperor since the autumn of 1903 at Wiesbaden.

The German Emperor went within easy distance of St. Petersburg because it would be impolitic for Emperor Nicholas to leave the country and visit German waters.

Socialist Movement Alarms Kaiser He Wants to See Russia at Rest

St. Petersburg, July 24.—In diplomatic quarters not exactly friendly to Germany, there is a disposition to suspect the German Emperor of trying to bring about an alliance between Germany and Russia, not only to block the attempt which is believed to be making to isolate Germany thru her understanding with France, and the latter perhaps thru an understanding with Russia, but for the mutual protection of the monarchical system.

Emperor William is said to be fully alive to the fact that the revolution in Russia could easily be communicated to Germany, and it is reported that he is anxious for that reason to see that the reformers are granted that which will restore tranquillity in the territory of his eastern neighbors.

RUSSIAN-GERMAN ALLIANCE.

An afternoon paper quotes a significant editorial in the semi-official Berlin Post, hinting that France has grown cold towards Russia, that the Russo-French alliance is on the eve of dissolution, and that there is an increasing feeling in Russia in favor of "concluding an alliance with Germany, even at the cost of great sacrifices."

But the idea of a Russo-German alliance is distinctly rejected at the foreign office, where, however, it is admitted that the officials have no specific information on the subject of the emperors' meeting, Foreign Minister Lamsdorff not being consulted and no representative of the foreign office being present. It is known, however, that a representative of Chancellor Von Buelow was on board the Hohenzollern.

SOCIALISTS HAVE ALARMED.

Count Lamsdorff spoke and pointed out that the monarchs were personal friends and probably discussed many subjects, but he expressed the opinion that the exchange of views would have a more important bearing on the internal affairs of the two empires than on their external relations.

"The socialistic movement," the representative of Count Lamsdorff added, "has assumed big proportions in both countries, and it is a matter for the serious consideration of both monarchs."

Kaiser's Advice is Peace And for Reforms at Home

In Accepting Personal Invitation for Friendly Conference Went Prepared to Speak Plainly on Russia's Policy.

Berlin, July 24.—Emperor Nicholas wrote to Emperor William several days ago that if, during the latter's yachting in the Baltic, he should approach the Russian shore, he (Emperor Nicholas) would be pleased to meet him. The German Emperor replied that he would be glad to cruise to any convenient point, and the Island of Bjoerkoe was suggested. It was understood that the conversation was to be entirely personal and intimate, and, therefore, no minister from either government was present, altho the Russian minister of marine is in Emperor Nicholas' suite.

The meeting is a sequence to the correspondence that has been going on between the two emperors concerning peace, in which Emperor William urged Emperor Nicholas to take steps toward peace. Emperor William was then co-operating with President Roosevelt in seeking to bring the belligerents to a discussion of the terms of peace, and on the present meeting, the Associated Press is authoritatively informed, Emperor William will continue to advise peace, should the Russian Emperor ask for his further views, and it would be very natural that Emperor Nicholas should do so as a development of the correspondence which has already taken place.

Emperor William went to the meeting, as the Associated Press is officially informed, prepared to say, if he were asked, that he thought Emperor Nicholas could attain a full understanding and reconciliation with the discontented portions of his people only thru reforms. The German government is interested in having the neighboring country peaceful and prosperous, for it is toward the Russian Empire that Germany's manufacturers look for great trade expansion in the future.

BIG EARTHQUAKE SOMEWHERE.

May Have Been in Asia, Atlantic or in the Arctic.

New York, July 24.—A Vienna despatch to The World says that one of the most violent earthquakes ever known was indicated by the seismographs of the hydrographic instruments at Laibach and Pola yesterday.

Between 3.55 and 4.17 a.m. the instruments showed extraordinary movements in waves signifying an earthquake catastrophe at a distance of 6000 kilometres (about 3700 miles). At 7 a.m. the instruments were still vibrating.

The distance indicated by the seismographs would locate the earthquake in Central Asia (the most probable point), or in mid-Atlantic, or in the Arctic regions, or in South Africa.

FELT IN TORONTO.

The earthquake reported from Europe yesterday morning was recorded at the Toronto Observatory as a large disturbance. It began suddenly at 10.12 Sunday night, and lasted 3 hours 18 minutes. The activity was greatest between 10.25 and 11.15 p.m. The maximum movement was recorded at 10.45 p.m., and the swing of the boom amounted to twenty millimetres.

HURRICANE DESTROYS ISLANDS.

Sydney, N.S.W., July 24.—News has been received here that a hurricane devastated the Marshall Islands June 30.

The Marshall Islands form a large archipelago of small islands of coral formation northeast of the Ladrone Islands, Polynesia.

WHERE IS MR. VICTIM.

Youngsters Stole Money, But Police Can't Find From Whom.

When P. C. Johnston saw four young plutocrats at the island yesterday afternoon spending money like water on everything they saw his sleuth hound instinct came to the fore and he made a round up. He netted Alex. Kennedy, aged 7, 58 Millicent-street; Stanley Garniss, aged 8, 679 Yonge-street; Roland Stanley, aged 9, 7 Bishop-street, and Norman Gillott, aged 14, 29 Bishop-street. When he heard their story he found himself in possession of four bold, bad robbers, and a part of the spoils, but for the life of him he could not find the victim of the theft.

The boys told him that they had found some workmen's coats hanging on a fence in the northern part of the city and had carefully gone thru the pockets. Their search had netted them $40. They had straightway gone to the island to execute a Steve Brodie spendthrift act. A little over $20 had gone on their orgie when the officer interfered.

The police have the case in hand, and an effort will be made to find the victim.

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MIMICO FIRE MYSTERY NO CLUE TO INCENDIARY

County Constables Conduct Investigation—Will Ask Aid of Crown—Tramp Theory Exploded.

The dastardly firing of the Windsor Hotel, Mimico, which was burned to the ground on Sunday morning, is being investigated by the county authorities. The ruin caused by the flames was so complete that the evidence of what combustible was used to spread the fire so quickly is entirely obliterated, but a determined effort is being made to trace the man who was seen prowling around the premises on Saturday night.

Chief Constable Ramsden yesterday had County Constable Burns on the case, but so far there are no new developments. County Constable Simpson of the Humber, who was present when the fire was in progress, also had a conference with Chief Ramsden.

W. F. Young, the proprietor, says he was sure it was oil he saw on the door of the stable when he opened it and found the building in flames, and that there was more oil around but had no time to investigate then. He is at a loss to assign a motive. The direction of the wind when the fire was in progress disposes of any theory that an engine spark might have started the blaze. No tramps have been seen around Mimico lately.

This morning the county authorities will confer with Crown Attorney Drayton regarding the desirability of holding a fire inquest.

The Atlas, Home and Royal Insurance companies are all interested and will hold a full enquiry into the fire. Mr. Young is preparing to erect a temporary building near the site of the old hotel at once.

"Great Snap" in "Books," "Pictures," "Photographs," &c. 6 Toronto-street.

Took the Series—Siche Gets There.

A review of the summer gas lighting business shows that the Siche Gas Co. of Toronto, New York, Montreal and Winnipeg has taken 99 per cent. of the orders placed. This fact speaks for itself. Fall orders are now coming in daily from country hotels, stores, churches, etc. The Siche frost proof being a "hot" favorite for all the year installations.

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THINK OF ME AS DEAD, GIRL WRITES

Aged 14 She Leaves for Detroit With Married Man.

St. Thomas, July 24.—Mrs. Mowers, who lives at Port Bruce with her 14-year-old daughter, Florence, and who attends the markets here regularly, came to the city on Saturday morning as usual and on her return home found her daughter missing and a letter from her on the table reading:

"Good-bye, mother. Think of me as one dead. Don't follow us, as it is no use. We are going to the States to get married."

The girl, Mrs. Mowers reported to the police yesterday, ran away with a man named Walter Weir, 35 years of age, who has been around Port Bruce and visited at the Mowers home for some time. He was a married man, but Mrs. Mower says he claims to have secured a divorce from his wife, who is at present living at Port Stanley.

The girl was seen in the city at 6 o'clock on Saturday night, and the pair are supposed to have gone to Detroit.

BRITAIN CUTS GERMANY OUT.

Trade Figures With Canada and What is Proved.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, July 24.—The Financial News' correspondent quotes certain figures from the latest report of German statistical trade to show how Great Britain's imports to Canada have increased at the expense of German trade. Since the new customs regulations came into force the value of the imports fell from $12,300,000 in 1903 to $8,200,000 in 1904, whilst for the same time British imports rose from $58,900,000 to $61,800,000. The chief German falling off is in iron and foodstuffs, whilst woollens and ready-made clothing somewhat increased, and sugar has been annihilated.

ARGYLE IS DETAINED.

At 3 o'clock this morning, the steamer Argyle, which left here yesterday morning with a large excursion from the Gooderham & Worts distillery to Olcott, N.Y., had not returned, and 100 anxious people were waiting on Yonge-street wharf. The night watchman at the distillery said he had heard that the boat had to put in somewhere owing to storm and that some ladies had come back by train. There are about 800 people on board. The lake is very rough.

SMATHERS QUITS.

New York, July 24.—E. E. Smathers, owner of running and trotting horses, has decided to retire permanently from the turf and will sell his horses on Saturday. Mr. Smathers has been a prominent figure on the turf for years, having owned some good thorobreds, including McChesney, for which he paid $30,000.

CZAR ON KAISER'S YACHT STAYED TILL EARLY MORN

Official Statement That Nicholas and William Conferred From 11 p.m. Until 1.30 a.m.

St. Petersburg, July 24.—The picturesque meeting of the German and Russian emperors in the Finland gulf, according to private advices, ended this afternoon with a gala luncheon on board the German Imperial Yacht Hohenzollern, after which Emperor William's yacht steamed seaward, escorted for a short distance by the Russian imperial yacht Polar Star. Then imperial salutes were exchanged, and the Polar Star put about and returned to Peterhof, where she arrived to-night. A flotilla of torpedo boats, torpedo boat destroyers and small cruisers hovered about the imperial yacht from the time they met until they parted.

Beyond the additional fact that Emperor William paid a visit to the Polar Star last night, and that subsequently Emperor Nicholas went on board the Hohenzollern and remained until long after midnight in the German Emperor's cabin no further details of the meeting are yet available.

The meeting of the two monarchs naturally created intense interest in diplomatic circles. In some quarters there is a disposition to attach the deepest political significance to it, and all sorts of theories are advanced. But they are largely speculation.

Strengthens Peace.

It is officially announced that the visit was only a visit of courtesy, made by Emperor William to his brother monarch before leaving the Gulf of Bothnia, but under the circumstances the diplomats cannot believe that such a meeting was devoid of meaning to the world's political chess board.

No matter what it ultimate result may be, however, all the diplomats agree that its first effect would make for peace, as Emperor William is known to be strongly of the opinion that Emperor Nicholas should conclude peace and get his house in order.

In another quarter it was suggested that the German Emperor may have asked Emperor Nicholas to support a German prince for the throne of Norway. King Oscar having announced that he would not permit a member of the house of Bernadotte to assume the sceptre, and the only other candidate being Prince Charles of Denmark, who is married to an English princess.

The marshal of the court, Count Benckendorff, has sent the following from the Island of Bjorke:

Official Statement.

"At 10 o'clock in the evening of July 23, the German imperial yacht Hohenzollern dropped anchor near the anchorage of the Russian imperial yacht Polar Star. Emperor William, accompanied by Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein, and his suite, was rowed to the Polar Star. Emperor William was received at the head of the ladder by Emperor Nicholas and the Grand Duke Michael, and cordial greetings were exchanged. The German Emperor reviewed the guard of honor and the yacht's crew, and the two suites were presented, after which their majesties retired to the salon.

"At 11 o'clock at night, Emperor Nicholas and Grand Duke Michael accompanied Emperor William to the Hohenzollern, where they remained until 1.30 o'clock in the morning."

New Proposals More Liberal.

The proposals of the government for a national assembly, as amended by the committee of ministers, and now submitted for the emperor's consideration, differ essentially from the original scheme outlined by the commission, headed by M. Bouligine, minister of the interior. They are more liberal, and are free from vexatious complexities, placing the assembly on a more independent footing, and empowering its president to report direct to the emperor, while the assembly may select its own officers, including its president, and discuss any matters of a legislative character with greater freedom. Further, the commission of ministers recommends that the assembly be authorized to examine all appointments to the different ministries, and to question ministers on affairs within its jurisdiction.

PAVING THE WAY.

Le Canada Says Fitzpatrick Retires With All Canada's Respect.

Montreal, July 24.—(Special.)—It is evident that Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick is about to leave the federal cabinet.

Le Canada has an inspired article to-day dealing with the minister of justice.

"The leader asks Mr. Fitzpatrick, in the first place, to make the sacrifice and remain, giving him credit for his efforts on behalf of the Northwest ministers, "but," says Le Canada, "if the minister of justice does not feel that he has the physical force to continue in office we can say that he will take with him the esteem, admiration and gratitude of all Canadians."

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INVALID WIFE DESERTED LEFT IN SORE STRAITS

On Return From Hospital is Forced to Sell Furniture to Satisfy Landlord's Bill.

John English, a blacksmith's helper, left his home at 104 Wellington-avenue a week ago last Saturday, and has not been seen by friends and relatives since.

Mrs. English had only recently returned home from the hospital, and three days after her husband left, the landlord ordered the bailiff to make a seizure for rent, which the woman thought was paid. She sold off the furniture from three rooms and paid the back rent. She also finds that other bills were unpaid.

Mrs. English kept boarders prior to her illness, but her medical adviser forbids her doing it again, in her present state of health. Left with two children, she is at present in a rather awkward predicament.

Her husband took all the available cash with him, and is evidently out of the country, for his relatives and friends have been unable to find any trace of him. He is about 55 years of age, and his wife is only about half that.

He had worked at Smith Bros.' carriage works at Parliament and Dukestreets for the past three or four years, and was of sober habits.

The last that was seen of English by his employers was on Saturday afternoon, when he drew his pay. From there, he went home towards night. After supper he kissed his little daughter good-by, and told her to be a good girl, but did not say good-by to his wife.

It was thought he might have gone to his mother, in Newmarket, to stay over Sunday, but, as he did not return to work on Monday morning, enquiry was made, and it was learned that his Newmarket relatives had seen nothing of him. As he did not turn up during the week, nor yesterday, his relatives are becoming a little anxious about him, but their enquiries have not revealed his whereabouts.

WORKED MINISTERS FOR CASH ON SMOOTH SWINDLING YARN

Young Man Called Upon Several Peterboro Pastors With Hard Luck Story That Took—Sometimes.

Peterboro, July 24.—(Special.)—A young man giving his name as Thomas Mitchell, who states that he is from Montreal, was arrested this afternoon on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences.

Mitchell chose as the victims of a rather novel scheme, the ministers of the city. He arrived in town on Saturday and called upon Rev. J. G. Potter of St. Andrews, to whom he stated that he had secured a situation as clerk with the William Hamilton Co. The impression he gave was that of a good churchman, and he stated that he had been active in Central Presbyterian Church, Toronto, and knew Dr. McTavish well.

The story he told was that he had recently been released from Kingston Hospital after a serious illness and was short of funds. Prior to being in the hospital he had worked some time at Lorneville Junction. From that point his friends had sent his good clothes to Montreal, and as the charges against them would have to be paid, he could not recover them. He was at his wits' end to know where to get the money.

Mr. Potter was busy and could not investigate, but he gave the young man a note on the strength of which he could obtain an express order. Mitchell secured the latter, but did not use it. He next told his story to Rev. F. J. Scott, and obtained $2. To-day he called upon Rev. J. C. Davidson, who was impressed with the young man's story and by certain apparently genuine letters, which he presented, to such an extent as to procure for Mitchell a comfortable room in the Crown Inn, and gave him a couple of dollars.

He also visited Rev. Dr. Torrance and Rev. Mr. Brace, but these gentlemen had not money for him at the time. Rev. Mr. Scott, however, was not satisfied with Mitchell, and made enquiries which convinced him that the man was a fakir, and he was subsequently arrested at the city hotel.

He will come before the magistrate to-morrow. Mitchell is about 21 years of age, and is a Welshman.

STORING AWAY HUGE PILES OF COAL PREPARING FOR BIG STRIKE IN 1906

Toilers, Warned by President Mitchell, Are Also Getting Themselves in Readiness for Struggle—Never Before Such Accumulation of Coal as Now Being Made.

Philadelphia, July 24.—Evidence accumulates that the anthracite operators intend to give battle to the miners, as represented by the United Mine Workers of America, at the expiration of the present three-year working agreement next April.

Hundreds of thousands of tons of coal are being stored with a view of resisting to the limit the demands of the union, which the miners are morally certain to make after the meeting of the tri-district convention in Shamokin this fall.

John Mitchell, in a speech a few days ago, warned the miners that the companies are preparing to resist demands.

Even now the preparations for a struggle are being made. Hundreds of acres of space are being covered with coal, not only the smaller steam sizes, but the domestic grades as well.

The new yard of the Reading Company, at Abrams, above Norristown, which has a capacity of 500,000 tons, is daily increasing its stock, and before fall will be filled to its capacity. The storage yards at Mahanoy City are being crowded to such an extent that the overflow is being dumped on the bare ground at the end of the long row of bins.

The Pennsylvania interests are equally active. Not only is their McClellan yard, below Harrisburg, the site of a mountain of coal, but stores are being amassed at the collieries themselves. At the Pennsylvania colliery, near Mount Carmel, an operation owned by the Susquehanna Coal Company, a Pennsylvania concern, there are two immense stock piles, which at present contain about 20,000 tons, with more being added daily. Never before in the history of this mine has coal been allowed to accumulate in such quantities.

At the Cameron colliery, another Pennsylvania operation, near Shamokin, small coal is being rushed to the culm banks, whence it can easily be loaded into cars in time of stress.

At Weatherly, the Lehigh is constructing one of the largest storage yards in America.

In full possession of all these facts, presaging the intent of the operators to declare war next April, John Mitchell has gone to the anthracite regions to marshal the coal diggers into cohorts ready to do battle for the cause of unionism. After their insignificant struggle in 1902, in which they won substantial victory, the miners became lax in their allegiance to the union. Not that they were traitors to the cause, but with three years of peace being assured they became careless and dropped out of the ranks merely thru failure to attend meetings and the non-payment of dues.

Under the persuasive eloquence of the young labor chieftain all this has been changed. The laggards are coming back into the fold by thousands, and every where there exists the determination to be prepared for a fight.

By the time Mitchell's speaking tour of the region ends—early in the fall—it is expected that the organization will comprise all but an inconsiderable fraction of the hard coal workers.

SMALL MOTOR BOAT WINS CUP.

Struggles Into Harbor After a Very Stormy Run.

Marblehead, July 24.—After a daring run along 288 miles of the New England coast, under unusually tempestuous conditions for summer, the 28-foot motor launch Talisman, owned by William Saville of Boston, and built in that city, won to-day the Kickerbocker Yacht Club's log-distance power-boat race from New York to this port.

Battered by heavy seas for nearly 24 hours, with her seams started, and her wet and hungry crew pumping vigorously, the Talisman, the smallest of the fleet of 12 which started at noon on Saturday, struggled into this harbor, crossing the finish line at 9.24.56, the winner of the $250 silver cup. Later to-day another Boston boat, the Blink, owned by C. W. Easterbrook, and the largest boat of the fleet, came into the harbor, finishing at 5.27.10.

DESIRE PEACE, BUT NOT SANGUINE

Baron Komura Issues a Statement—Not Over-Anxious.

Chicago, July 24.—Baron Komura arrived here to-day. He authorized this statement:

"At New York we shall meet Minister Takahira, whom we expect to have word from President Roosevelt, inviting us to call either at Oyster Bay or Washington. We desire peace, yet are not over anxious, nor are we over sanguine that the negotiations will be productive. A Japanese protectorate over Korea will open the way for Japanese immigration there and divert it from this country."

The Pennsylvania special took Baron Komura and party eastward.

TOADSTOOLS KILL FOUR.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 24.—Toadstools mixed with mushrooms and eaten at a birthday party have caused the death of four of the six members of the family of Joseph Franzor, a farmer who resided near Landisville, N.J.

For constipation St. Leon Mineral Water will be found stimulating and beneficial. It is mild and gentle. If used warm before meals or upon retiring it will effectually cure this distressing trouble. It sweetens the stomach and is invaluable in relieving the effects of excessive eating and drinking. All druggists, or 125 Queen east.

AN INNOVATION—TAX WELL-TO-DO

Russian Ministry of Finance Has Plans to Raise $50,000,000.

St. Petersburg, July 24.—The ministry of finance is elaborating a scheme for the imposition of additional taxes to the amount of $50,000,000 annually.

This will constitute a new departure in Russian taxation, the new taxes being imposed principally on the well-to-do classes. The principle of a tax on incomes and also on inheritances will be introduced. One part of the scheme is the imposition of a tax on lodgings renting for over $150 per annum.

M. Kutler, assistant minister of finance, who is elaborating the project, says it will be ready to be placed in force in September.

The proceeds of this taxation would be more than sufficient to meet the interest on any indemnity Russia might agree to pay to Japan.

C. P. R. WILL DEVELOP IT.

Intend to Make Vancouver Island Railway Pay.

Winnipeg, July 24.—D. McNicoll, vice-president of the C.P.R., arrived in the city from the west to-day.

Mr. McNicoll covered the lines of the company in Western Canada quite choroly, brief stops being made at all points of interest.

While in the west the vice-president went carefully over the Nanaimo and Esquimalt Railway recently required by the company, and also made personal inquiry regarding the possibility of the development of the business on Vancouver Island.

It is stated that the line on the island will be extended in the near future and extensive new interests will be developed.

Nat Goodwin's Investment.

San Francisco, July 24.—Nat Goodwin, the actor, has invested in a San Francisco apartment-house. He has purchased the family Hotel Lafayette at a cost of $125,000. The place is on Sacramento-street, between Gough and Octavia. It is one of the finest apartment houses in San Francisco.

This is the second investment Mr. Goodwin has made here. He bought a cottage and ocean beach lots for $50,000.

SUCH DEFEATS DON'T COUNT

CITES PRECEDENTS FOR IGNORING IT

BALFOUR'S STRONG AGAIN

Opposition Did Not Attempt Second Division Yesterday When Government Had a Majority of 100—Warm Talk from Redmond.

London, July 24.—The government has no intention of resigning in consequence of Thursday's adverse vote. This was the gist of Premier Balfour's anticipated statement in the house of commons this afternoon. Altho it had been generally recognized that such would be the decision of the premier there was feverish eagerness on all sides to hear the exact terms of his statement. The house was literally packed. Every gallery available to the peers and the public was crowded and there had not been such an attendance of members during the life of the present parliament.

Mr. Balfour, who was heartily cheered by his supporters on rising, somewhat tried the patience of his hearers by a long disquisition on how former administrations had ignored defeats similar to that of Thursday. He declared that such incidents had never been regarded as ground for resignation or dissolution, and announced that the government did not propose either to resign or dissolve parliament because of Thursday's occurrences.

The premier considered that it would be a grave evil if the tenure of ministers was made dependent on such votes as that of Thursday. He hoped the practice would never prevail of allowing a government united in itself and possessing the confidence of the majority of the house to abandon its post merely in consequence of such a vote.

Will Be Hard Fighting.

Mr. Balfour sat down without referring to the remaining business of the session, and Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, immediately asked for an opportunity to discuss the premier's statement. The opposition, he said, did not propose to proceed with Sir Edward Grey's proposed vote of censure, which obviously was superseded by the occurrence of Thursday. They wanted to discuss the conduct of the government regarding the events of last week.

John Redmond, the leader of the Irish Nationalists, took a similar line, and the heated tone of both leaders indicated that the government will have to face the most determined opposition during the balance of the session. Ultimately, by arrangement with Mr. Balfour, the chief government whip, Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, formally moved the adjournment, and Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman opened the debate with a sharp attack on the government.

No Division.

Mr. Redmond followed, and in a few fervid phrases characterized the premier's action as contemptible. The opposition, he declared, would band together and make the continued life of this government impossible. Speaking for the Nationalists, Mr. Redmond promised the government that they would neither ask nor give quarter, but would fight day and night so as to make short work of "this government of shreds and patches."

The opposition for tactical reasons deciding to abstain from a division, the debate in the house of commons was unexpectedly ended and the government motion for an adjournment was carried without a division.

It is estimated that had a division taken place the government would have had a majority of from 90 to 100. Several Conservatives made their first appearance in the house this year.

HON. R. W. SCOTT WILL NOT RESIGN

Montreal, July 24.—(Special) The statement is authoritatively made here that Hon. R. W. Scott firmly declines to retire from the cabinet, and that the venerable secretary of state will strictly adhere to his declaration to the effect that nothing short of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's demand for his head will cause his departure.

FLAXSEED MARKET CORNERED ROCKEFELLER ACCUSED OF IT

Three Big Independent Mills at Buffalo Forced to Close—Prices to Go Up.

Buffalo, July 24.—John D. Rockefeller, thru the American Linseed Oil Company, has cornered the flaxseed market and has compelled the three big independent mills here to close. The price of linseed oil will be advanced 40 cents a gallon.

This advance will seriously affect many industries, particularly those of oilcloth, linoleum, paints, oils, etc., and will undoubtedly cause large numbers of workmen to be thrown out of employment.

It is estimated that in getting control of the linseed oil industry Mr. Rockefeller will make a profit of about $20,000,000 on an investment of between $8,000,000 and $10,000,000.

By buying up the supply of flaxseed the oil king has increased the price of the seed to such an extent that the independent mills cannot crush it at a profit. The normal rate is $1.25 a bushel for the seed, but the present rate is $1.48 a bushel.

The new crop of flaxseed will not be harvested until September and October, and until then the Rockefeller interests will be absolutely in control of this oil. The failure of the crop in India and a shortage in the Argentine Republic aided in the controlling of the output.

Buffalo is the largest linseed crushing centre in the country, having half a dozen mills, employing 500 men. The Mann Bros., the Haugenstein and the Spencer Kellogg, all independent mills, are closed, and the American Linseed Company's mill is the only one running.

Spencer Kellogg, owner of one of the largest independent mills, said, in discussing the matter to-day:

"The reason for the shutdown is that the price of flaxseed is too high. The cause of the increase? That may be inferred from the fact that the American Linseed Oil Company, backed by John D. Rockefeller, has obtained control."

It is estimated that manufactories representing an invested capital of $500,000,000 and their workmen are placed within the power of the Standard Oil by the control of the linseed oil industry by Mr. Rockefeller.

AMERICAN TOWNS IN CANADA.

Surveyors Put 3 Vermont Towns Across the Real Boundary Line.

Newport, Vt., July 24.—The surveyors representing the United States and Canada have completed the inspection of the boundary line between the Dominion and the United States, at Richford and North Troy.

It is stated that they have made startling discoveries. They are that Richford, East Richford and Stevens Mills, which are a short distance within what has been considered the Vermont side of the border, rightfully belong to Canada, and steps will probably be taken to establish the boundaries so as to give Canada either a recompense or the territory stated.

The strip of land involved is several miles in length, and from one-half to a mile in width. It has a population of about 4500.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Mrs. Kyle Appears Before Magistrate—No Defence Offered.

Ingersoll, July 24.—(Special.)—Mrs. Kyle was this afternoon given her preliminary hearing before Police Magistrate Morrison, and was committed for trial at the fall assizes for the shooting of David McGee.

No defence was entered, the only witnesses being Dr. Tait, Raymond Hutt, who loaned the revolver, and Miss Whitman, who was at the Kyle homestead on the morning of the shooting.

TRAMPLED TO DEATH.

Northwest Farmer Falls Victim of Range Cattle.

Medicine Hat, July 24.—Alex Deutchman, while attempting to drive range cattle from his crops a week ago Sunday, was trampled to death, and the body was not discovered for days, when it was so badly decomposed that it was impossible to ship it to his former home in Oregon.

DEATHS.

LOCHRIE—At her son's residence, 1411 Bloor-street West, on Monday morning, July 24th, Janet Lochrie, widow of the late Daniel Lochrie, mother of James Lochrie, in her 81st year.

Funeral on Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

QUANTZ—At his late residence, Buttonville, on Monday, July 24, Daniel Quantz, aged 76 years.

Funeral Wednesday, 26th inst., at 2 p.m., to the Lutheran Church Cemetery, Buttonville.

WARIN—At his late residence, 606 Hanlan's Point, on July 24th, George Warin, shell boat builder.

Funeral on Wednesday, 26th, from Bay-street wharf, at 3 o'clock. A service will be held at the above address at 2 o'clock.

NO VACATION IN 18 YEARS.

Middlesex County Treasurer Can Now Make up Lost Time.

London, July 24.—Middlesex County Treasurer McEvoy has held his position for eighteen years, and in all that time he has not taken, or been offered, any holidays by the county council up till now.

To-day Warden Piper heard the fact mentioned and immediately gave McEvoy leave of absence for as long as he should desire.

HYMAN IS SAFE.

Yesterday Was Last Day in Which Protest Could Be Made.

London, July 24.—(Special.)—No protest has been entered against the return of Hon. Charles S. Hyman as member for London, nor will there be.

This was the last day in which protest might be made.

Canada Furs.

This is the season of the year when a selection may be best made of a fur garment for winter wear. The cutters and garment makers are now at work filling the season's stock and orders taken now will be suited to a nicety. Dineen's—manufacturing furriers—corner Yonge and Temperance-streets.

FINE AND COOL.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, July 24.—(8 p.m.)—The weather has been showery in Quebec and Eastern Ontario; elsewhere fair. The temperature has been for the most part between 72 and 76 in all the provinces except British Columbia, where it is extremely warm.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 54—72; Vancouver, 52—75; Kamloops, 64—90; Calgary, 54—70; Edmonton, 48—74; Winnipeg, 46—74; Port Arthur, 52—70; Toronto, 56—74; Ottawa, 62—74; Montreal, 64—74; Quebec, 58—64; St. John, 52—76; Halifax, 56—64.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fresh westerly and northwesterly winds; fine and cool.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Westerly winds; mostly fair and cool; a few local showers in eastern portion.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Cool and showery.

Maritime—Easterly and southerly winds; showery.

Lake Superior—Moderate to fresh westerly and northwesterly winds; fine and moderately warm.

Manitoba—Fine and moderately warm.

Histories of "Black Watch" and 79th "Cameron Highlanders," 6 Toronto Street.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

July 24	At	From
Zeeland	New York	Antwerp
Minnehaha	London	New York
Vaderland	Dover	New York
Barbarossa	Bremen	New York

A delightful hot weather breakfast a dish of Norka and cream, with a little fruit if desired, and a cup of Gold Medal Coffee. It's economical, too.