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RESENTS ATTACK ON WHITE LABOR

Mr. Barnard in House of Commons Draws Attention to Aspersions Cast on Coast Men by Toronto Paper

DEBATE ON ADDRESS IS CONTINUED

Militia Department to Give Encouragement to Cadet Movement—Minister Insists on British Swords

OTTAWA, Nov. 22.—At the opening of the house today Mr. Barnard drew attention to the recent article in the Toronto Saturday Night discussing the Asiatic exclusion problem of British Columbia. The article, after stating that capitalists declared that in British Columbia the white man is a laborer, went on to state that the labor organizations of the coast are in the hands of crooks and swindlers, whose favorite weapon is dynamite, and that labor unionists are inferior as workers to Chinamen. Mr. Barnard protested energetically against this, expressing wonder that a decent journal should utter such foundationless trash. Labor unions, he declared, have a full sense of their responsibility to the community, and are entirely undeserving of such aspersions. He asked Minister Crothers if anything in the files of the labor department would justify such statements. Mr. Crothers said he was unaware of anything in the department to justify such aspersions.

SYNOD SITTING IN DELIBERATION

Governing Body of Anglican Church in This Province in Solemn Conclave Over Election of New Bishop

The synod of the diocese of British Columbia is meeting in the cathedral this morning for the purpose of electing a bishop. Proceedings commenced with the celebration of Holy Communion at 8 a.m. followed by another at 10 o'clock when Right Rev. Bishop de Grey, assisted by the Very Reverend the Dean of St. James, presided. The Rev. James Easton, Methodist Episcopal missionary bishop here, in expressing the consensus of well balanced foreign opinion on the situation in China, he said: "Manchu rule on the (Continued on Page 2.)"

At the conference the fact came out that the officers have been supplied with cheap German-made swords. Minister Hughes has discovered that the swords for the troops bought by the department had been made in continental Europe. They normally are made in Great Britain, but in reality are only put together there. The minister has cancelled the order pending and has ordered that none but swords of genuine British make be purchased.

Manitoba Boundary Agreement.
WINNIPEG, Nov. 22.—Premier Borden at Ottawa, on part of federal government, has signed the agreement with Manitoba to Hudson Bay, according to the announced terms by Premier Roblin of Manitoba. The Dominion retains all mineral and timber lands, in lieu of which money subsidy to the extent of \$1,000,000 a year goes to Manitoba.

McNamara Jurors.
LOS ANGELES, Nov. 22.—Peremptory challenges may be exercised tomorrow in the McNamara murder trial for the third time since the trial was begun. At the close of court tonight ten men sat in the jury box, three of them having been passed as to cause today by both sides. All were held in the box over the challenge of the defense.

Bad Spelling in Address.
MONTREAL, Nov. 22.—Criticism was expressed today regarding the illuminated civic address that is to be given to His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught. Upon being looked over it was found that four words in the French address were wrongly spelled. It is feared that it is now too late to have the matter remedied. A special committee was named to go into the affair. The address is in both languages.

FOUR DROWNED
Newfoundland Schooner Goes Down with Captain and Three Sailors—All Belonged to Island

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 21.—News of the total loss of the schooner Heroine, Burgeo, Newfoundland, at Fox Roost, Newfoundland, with all on board, reached here today. The wreck took place yesterday during a heavy storm. The Heroine was bound from Sydney Burgeo with coal for Moulton. Fox Roost is a point of land a mile east of Point Aux Basques. Those on board were Captain John Rose, who owned the schooner, and three sailors, all belonging to Burgeo. The captain and two of the crew leave large families.

WASHINGTON LABELLED

Puget Sound Towboat Company Seeks Salvage For Rescued Schooner

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 22.—The question of salvage growing out of the daring rescue by the tug Tatoosh of the steam schooner Washington from her perilous position close to Teacock Spit, November 13, will be threshed out in the courts. Today the Puget Sound Towboat company, owners of the Tatoosh, filed a libel suit in the United States district court and a few minutes later the Washington which is moored at a dock in this city, was seized.

According to Ralph E. Moody, attorney for the Puget Sound Towboat company, every effort had been made to adjust the matter amicably. The bill does not ask any definite amount, that question being left to the court to determine.

Three Men Drowned

WEBBWOOD, Ont., Nov. 22.—Word has just been received of three more victims of the severe storm of the 11th instant. Three men, John Wolf, Peter Hartman and Tim Madoccks, started out from supply camp B of S. G. Chant & Co. with a boatload of provisions for camp No. 2, north of here. When they failed to make their regular trip search was made, with the result that the boat was found floating in the middle of Big Lake, bottom up. It is supposed that they got lost in the fog and were overtaken by the storm of Saturday night and their boat swamped. No trace has been found of the bodies.

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PREMIER'S LIFE IS THREATENED

Attempt Made to Assassinate Yuan Shi Kai—Murders and Looting by Mob in Tai Yuan Fu

REBELS TO ATTACK NANKING TODAY

Methodist Missionary Bishop Predicts Fall of Dynasty and China's Emergence from Present Chaos

PEKING, Nov. 22.—According to a Chinese report, an attempt was made to assassinate the premier, Yuan Shi Kai, last Monday. There have been rumors that the premier's life was threatened, and he has been going about escorted by a guard. An edict was issued today giving Yuan Shi Kai freedom from all public duties and ordered that he should visit the abdication of the throne, and Yuan Shi Kai has replied, according to the Chinese newspapers, "Watch the Germans."

A special dispatch from Shanghai says that not only was the governor of Tai Yuan Fu murdered, but his wife and two children have also been executed. The yamen has been burned, the Manchu city entirely destroyed and the whole city looted by a mob.

Notice of bombardment.
SHANGHAI, Nov. 22, 9 a. m.—Wu Ting Fang, director of foreign affairs, has notified the consuls that the bombardment of Nanking will begin shortly. He warns them to withdraw their respective countrymen from that district.

China Will Overcome Troubles.
SHANGHAI, Nov. 22.—That no definite forecast is possible, but that the nation which survived the many crises in its history of 3000 years may triumph over its present ills, is declared by the Rev. James Easton, Methodist Episcopal missionary bishop here. In expressing the consensus of well balanced foreign opinion on the situation in China, he said: "Manchu rule on the (Continued on Page 2.)"

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UNIONISTS WIN SEAT

South Somerset, Long Kept in Liberal Column, Is Carried by Herbert After Keen Contest

LONDON, Nov. 22.—In the keenest fought contest in the history of South Somerset, over ninety per cent of the electorate going to the polls, Hon. Aubrey Herbert, Unionist, won the seat for his party from Henry Vivian, Liberal, by 4,878 votes to 4,730, a majority of 148. The bye-election was made necessary by the elevation of the sitting Liberal member, Sir E. Strachey, to the peerage. At the last general election he had a majority of 467 over the new member, the figures being: Strachey 4,784, Herbert, 4,317. Both Somerset is a typical English rural riding and has been consistently Liberal since 1886, majorities running from 227 in that year, to 1,947 in 1896, when high water was reached. Both parties exerted every effort to carry the bye-election but in well-informed Liberal circles the possibility of defeat was recognized as long ago as last week. The issue was fought along the lines of the fiscal question, Lloyd George's Insurance Bill and Irish Home Rule being all to the fore, and the victory was due to the unexpected support of the Unionist party was able to press under its new leader. Both candidates are well known, the member-elect having support of powerful family interests, while Henry Vivian has been a well known and respected figure in parliament, though he suffered defeat at Birkenhead at the last general election.

AMERICAN JEWS

Prospect of Negotiations With Russia for Modification of Treaty of 1892 Removing Restrictions.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—There was a well defined report today that President Taft in his message to congress might have something to say on the subject of negotiations between the United States and Russia looking to a revision of the treaty of 1892, principally to remove the present restrictions upon the rights of travel and domicile of American Jews in Russia. The rumor was coincident with the beginning of the official calls of George Baklanoff, the Russian ambassador, M. Baklanoff had a long talk with Secretary Knox, and soon will present his credentials to the president. President Taft has received many insistent suggestions that the treaty with Russia be abrogated. On the other hand some of the president's advisers, it is said, have counseled against such drastic action. They take the ground that to cut off all treaty relations with Russia would leave the situation in worse shape than at present, and that in the abrogation of the treaty the United States has everything to lose in the way of tariff concessions and other considerations, while Russia would lose virtually nothing. It is said that both the state department and White House, the hope exists that material modifications of the existing treaty may be negotiated.

English Cricketers in Australia

MELBOURNE, Nov. 22.—The Victorian cricket team in their second innings made 225 runs. The Englishmen's form is generally disappointing.

YUAN SHI KAI NOW DICTATOR

Is Expected to Prosecute Vigorous Campaign Against Rebels at the Capital and in Tientsin

PEKING, Nov. 22.—Yuan Shi Kai is now practically dictator. The indications are that he has decided to embark on a vigorous campaign against the rebels in Peking and Tientsin, renewing the censorship and ferreting out the agitators. It is evident that he is acting without regard to the national assembly. The sessions of the assembly hereafter probably will be few.

SUPFRAGETTES GO TO PRISON

Some are Sentenced to Imprisonment Without Option—Others Refuse to Pay Fines Imposed

LONDON, Nov. 22.—Suffragettes arrested for disorderly conduct yesterday appeared in police court today. Those arraigned refused to pay fine, electing to go to prison. Vera Wentworth and Cecilia Wilcox two of the most prominent suffragettes, were sentenced to jail without the option of a fine, and Mrs. Arcliffe Sennett went to jail for a week rather than pay a fine for breaking a window. Kathleen Houston, who has been in some trouble before, was sentenced to a month in jail. Several other cases were adjourned. The defendants who had not been heard were permitted their freedom on their own recognizance.

MRS. PANKHURST MAKES PREDICTION

LONDON, Nov. 22.—After reading the despatches from London talking of the arrests of suffragettes, Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, a leader of the militant British suffragettes, said in a speech here tonight that she would return to London as soon as she could all her present lecture engagements in the United States. "I shall return," she said, "to America. I shall return." This time we shall not stop until we have won all asked. We expect to win a complete victory next year."

TOBACCO MEN OBJECT

Proposed Plan of Reorganization of Company Does Not Command Itself to Independent Firms

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—"The plan proposed by the tobacco company and approved by the attorney general and the circuit court attorney is a shame and a subterfuge, knowingly devised by the tobacco company to seem to carry out the mandate of the supreme court, but which really leaves its monopoly unimpaired." This was the statement of Felix H. Levy, attorney for the independent tobacco firms and former assistant to the United States attorney general, made before the senate committee on interstate commerce today. Mr. Levy was associated with Attorney General Moody in the preparation of the case against the tobacco trust. "The government," he added, "has sacrificed practically all of the benefits of the Sherman Act to the people of the United States. If we fail in our efforts to procure a review of the decrees in the American Tobacco company's case we will urge that congress request the attorney general to take action to that end," said Mr. Levy.

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