

MANITOBA REJECTS THE ORDER IN COUNCIL; FAILS TO MEET VIEWS OF ROBLIN GOVT.; DEMANDS IMMEDIATE ANSWER FROM OTTAWA

Says the Conditions of 1894 Do Not Count Now.

Story of Premier Consulting With Sbarette Given Flat Denial.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 4.—The Dominion Government has received a reply from the Manitoba Government to the order-in-council passed by the Ottawa Administration dealing with the boundaries, and presented to Parliament yesterday.

The order does not meet the views of the Roblin Government, and the reply, which is dated April 1, and reached here last night, is couched, it is said, in rather peremptory terms.

It says that the decision of Sir John Macdonald in 1894, not to extend the boundaries, does not meet the case today. At that time, the Province had 150,000 square miles of territory, and today it has only 75,000 square miles.

As for Ontario, it had no access to James Bay and, therefore, it ought not to be consulted.

The Manitoba Government want an immediate answer to its demands, it does not see any necessity for postponement.

The letter will be brought down to Parliament.

The Order in Council.

Ottawa, April 3.—The correspondence relating to Manitoba's request for an extension of its boundaries was tabled in the House today by the Premier.

The Government's answer is contained in an order-in-council. It is argued that the objection to the extension westward is the opposition of the people there, that the request for extension northward and to the shores of Hudson Bay is not unreasonable and might, probably be considered. It is recommended that after the formation of the new provinces Manitoba's request for extension northward be taken up, which, it is hoped, will be acceptable to the Government of Manitoba, "whose welfare and development the present ministry desire to promote in every way compatible with their obligations towards the other provinces of the Dominion."

The proposal is to have Manitoba, Ontario and Saskatchewan represented at the boundary conference.

Winnipeg, April 3.—A special to the Toronto Globe says: Replying to the Winnipeg dispatch published in the Ottawa Citizen, in which statements were made that Mr. Sbarette, the papal delegate, would raise no objection to the enlargement of Manitoba's territory, providing the Provincial Government would guarantee separate schools within the added territory, an Ottawa correspondent of the Free Press telegraphs tonight as follows:

"Most of the statements are inventions. Your correspondent has been possible authority for saying that the references to Sir Wilfrid Laurier are unqualified falsehoods. Sir Wilfrid had no negotiations prior to February last, when the formal request for the extension of the boundaries was made, and consequently he could not have expressed himself in the manner attributed to him. When the proposal was made it was considered on its merits in council, and at no time was there any suggestion from anybody that there was or could not be any relation between the educational position of the Manitoba ministry and the suggested extension of the boundary. The veiled references to the papal delegate are not understood here. If he intervened his action was gratuitous, and a formal statement from Mr. Rogers or Mr. Campbell as to what passed between them is awaited with interest here. If it appears from this statement that Mr. Sbarette sought to make himself a party to the negotiations, the Government will undoubtedly demand an explanation from the delegate and will thereafter take such action as may be necessary to vindicate themselves in the eyes of the public.

"Pending these explanations there is a disposition here to regard the Winnipeg rumors, even as they affect Mr. Sbarette, as gross perversions. It is known here that on the night of Feb. 23, the day before he left for home,

Attorney-General Campbell, of Manitoba, was closeted with the papal delegate, Mr. Rogers did not, it is said, see him. There was nothing remarkable in it, but this conference, which was held, it will be noticed, two days after Sir Wilfrid had declared his policy on the boundary question in the House, was not the first time that these parties had met. For a year past the Roblin Government has been dicker with Mr. Sbarette, and though most of the negotiations have been carried on through Archbishop Langevin, there have been personal interviews between the delegate and Mr.

Roblin and Mr. Campbell. The nature of the negotiations is well known to a number of people both here and in Winnipeg, and when the facts are made known, as they probably will be in the course of a few days, the people of Manitoba will be astonished, particularly those who are regarding Mr. Roblin these days as the stalwart defender of national schools. It is said that the church authorities have in their possession documents establishing the willingness of the Roblin Government to amend the school law and re-establish separate schools under certain conditions."

NO MOBILIZATION FOR THE PRESENT

Russia Seeding This Year's Conscript to the Front—A Jap Success.

St. Petersburg, April 4.—Noon.—War Minister Sakharoff, in an interview today, declares that the reports of Russia countermanding orders for war material abroad, are baseless, and grow out of the declaration of foreign offers, with which the war office and admiralty have been swamped. He insists that there have been no relaxations in the preparations to continue the war, but says there will be no mobilization at present, explaining, as stated in these dispatches, that 140,000 troops of the last mobilization have already started for the front, and that instead of mobilizing new troops these will be followed by a portion of this year's conscripts.

Gen. Sakharoff denies emphatically that he ever intrigued against Gen. Kuropatkin, affirming that he gave the latter the most loyal support. At the same time, in describing the battle of Mukden, Sakharoff declared that the men and material of the Russian army are equal to those of the Japanese, forcing the reluctant conclusion that the Japanese generalship is superior to the Russian.

In denying the popular impression that a large proportion of army reserves were sent to the front, Sakharoff made the important admission that reserve men were only sent in the early stages of the war, before we had assurance from Europe, which is interpreted as a confession that an armistice was made with Germany for covering the frontier of Poland.

Russians Driven North.

Tokio, April 4.—Noon.—The following has been received from the Manchurian army headquarters: "On Sunday, a portion of the force occupying Kai Yuan drove north the enemy holding Aishenkou, 26 miles northeast of Kai Yuan. There was no clash at other positions up to 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. "One hundred Russian sanitary corps men have been delivered to the Russian army. They highly appreciate our kindness."

Czar Is Cheerful.

London, May 4.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says that preparations are being made for the Czar to remove to Peterhof for the summer. These preparations include the enclosing of a square mile of the park with a high spiked iron fence. In the meantime his majesty will remain at Tsarskoe-Selo, where he never goes outside the inner ring of guards for food crops. The correspondent quotes an informant at Tsarskoe-Selo to the effect that the Czar is cheerful, and that nobody would suspect from his demeanor the serious condition of the empire. He reads much English literature, and plays cards, varying the time with card-playing.

100,000 HOMELESS

Great Suffering Amongst Chinese in Vicinity of Mukden.

General Oku's Headquarters in the Field, April 3, 11 a.m., via Fusan.—There is much suffering among the Chinese in the vicinity of Mukden. Scores of villages were destroyed in the recent fighting and 100,000 persons are homeless and destitute. The Chinese Government is now feeding and housing 60,000 refugees at Mukden and also furnishing seed grain. There is little prospect for good crops this season, owing to a lack of farm animals and implements. The Japanese are employing thousands of Chinese and paying them liberally.

Conger Leaves Peking.

Peking, April 4.—Edwin H. Conger, who has just vacated the post of American minister to China, upon his appointment as ambassador to Mexico, left for America today via Hankow. Representatives of all the foreign legations assembled at the railway station to bid him farewell. The approach to the station was lined by Chinese troops.

Shot Himself, Can't Tell Why.

Frankford, Ont., April 4.—Mr. Bert Bowman, a Molsons Bank clerk in this village, between 8 and 10 this morning, while yet in bed, and while Mr. Colman, the manager, was out, shot himself twice over the heart and twice in the head. He still lives, but cannot recover. He says he does not know why he shot himself.

Connaughts at Vatican; Marriage Rumor False

Rome, April 4.—The Pope today received in private audience the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and their daughters, Princesses Margaret and Patricia. The duke recalled his former visits to Pius IX. and to Leo XIII. The Pontiff thanked the duke warmly for

his visit, and sent his greetings to King Edward, whom he admires as a ruler. The report that the Pope has sanctioned the marriage of the King of Spain with Princess Patricia of Connaught is unfounded.

MUNICIPAL 'PHONES AT FT. WILLIAM

Mayor Dyke Says System is a Success There and at Port Arthur.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 4.—Joshua Dyke, mayor of Port William, appeared before the committee on telephones today and gave evidence to show that municipal system telephone was a success in Port William and Port Arthur, where over 1,000 telephones were in use. He complained that no connection could be got with the C. P. R. because of an agreement with the Bell Telephone Company, which he also charged the Bell Company with acting hostile to both towns, endeavoring to injure their credit, because of their starting the municipal system in competition to the Bell.

AGAINST THE CLAUSE

Manifesto Issued at Toronto Calling for Further Agitation.

Toronto, April 3.—A manifesto, addressed "To the People of Canada," has been issued by the citizens' committee of Toronto, under whose auspices a mass meeting was recently held here in Massey Hall to protest against the school clauses of the autonomy bills. After reciting the reasons for protesting against the proposals, the manifesto concludes as follows: "Therefore, we would urge upon the people of Canada the wisdom of making such demand, through public meetings, petitions and otherwise, and of maintaining an agitation against the bills to which the Government is pledged. They are withdrawn or defeated in Parliament; or, in case of their adoption, until their constitutionality has been tested before the judicial committee of the Privy Council of the Empire."

BELGIANS REFUSE TO AGREE TO SANTO DOMINGO AGREEMENT

Bondholders Want the Money Paid to Them Direct and Monthly.

New York, April 4.—An Antwerp dispatch to the Times says: The Belgian committee of holders of Santo Domingo bonds refuses to have anything to do with the proposed arrangement between Santo Domingo and the United States, and will protest against the plan. The proposal to deposit the money from the customs collections in an American Bank until a definite arrangement is completed, is not satisfactory to the Belgian bondholders, who demanded the payment of \$27,000 a month to them in accordance with their contract with the Santo Domingo Government. The instructions have been sent to William Willem, the committee's representative in Santo Domingo, to make a protest against the proposed agreement, and not to consent to any plan which does not provide for the payment to the Belgians of \$27,000 in cash a month.

A London dispatch to the Times says: The refusal of the Belgian bondholders to assent to President Roosevelt's arrangement for the settlement of the debts of Santo Domingo puzzles the British bondholders' committee, but does not disconcert it. All that the London financiers know is that the Belgians are standing out; they do not know what it is expected to accomplish through this course.

It is understood that the Belgian Government is supporting the Belgian bondholders, and is operating in connection with France and Italy, but the London view is that it will not be possible to obtain the Roosevelt arrangement or secure a modification of it.

OSLERIZE THE FAILURES

Do Away With Those Who Do Not Succeed in Business.

Chicago, April 4.—Franklin McVeagh told the Physicians' Club that he was willing to see the 95 per cent of business men who failed chloroformed to satisfy the Oslerites.

The subject for consideration was, "When Shall We Be Chloroformed?" Mr. McVeagh was replying to the question, "When Shall the Business Man Shuffle Off?"

"I am willing to feed out the 95 per cent of incompetents to Osler in order to save the 5 per cent who are fitted to survive," he said. "Only 5 per cent of the men who embark in business succeed; 95 per cent fail. I did not make the world. I am not responsible for the 95 per cent, like Richard III., came half made up into the world. They cannot meet the competition, but perhaps they could have done well as college professors."

Mr. McVeagh seemed to take seriously the Osler programme, which his fellow-speakers treated facetiously. He vindicated old men by the example of the conquering Japanese, whose emperor, generals, statesmen, thinkers, all are old men, while the Russian Czar is young.

More Pumps for Parisian.

Halifax, N. S., April 3.—The sunken steamer Parisian's position is unimproved today. More pumps are being fitted on, and it is not expected to lighten any today. A wrecking plant from New York will be brought here to float her. The Albano, which struck the Parisian, has been temporarily repaired, and may sail tomorrow for Philadelphia.

Canada-Middlesex Bill Withdrawn by Cabinet

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, April 4.—At the railway committee today Mr. Calvert withdrew his bill to incorporate the Canada and Middlesex Railway Company. He said this was done because the

promoters could not see their way clear to meet the demands of Brantford and St. Catharines. They wanted the road to connect with these cities, and the expense would be so great the promoters dropped the bill.

W DINGING THE FREACH

Austrian Crown and Opposition Unable to Reach an Agreement.

Budapest, April 4.—The executive committee of the United Opposition parties yesterday rejected the proposed compromise between the crown and the combined opposition, by which it would be possible to form a cabinet. In consequence of the action, the breach between the crown and the parliamentary majority has become wider than ever. The Emperor has requested the House to adjourn today until a solution can be reached.

POWERS TO STAY THERE

Expects to Remain at the Head of the Eastern League.

New York, April 3.—The delegates to the spring meeting of the Eastern League will meet at the Hotel Victoria today to adopt a playing schedule, and will agree upon the interpretations of the rules and make some minor changes in them.

President P. T. Powers says he does not anticipate any trouble at today's meeting, there having been reports that an effort would be made to depose him, and he expects to remain president of the league for some time to come.

"The circuit of the league this year," Mr. Powers further said, "will remain the same as last year, with these clubs: Newark, New Jersey, Baltimore, Buffalo, Providence, Toronto and Montreal. Although there have been dissensions in the game, the Eastern League, I am proud to say, has had less than the usual share of internal trouble, and it proposes to keep its reputation as one of the orderly families of the baseball world."

39 HORSES SUFFOCATED

Disastrous Fire in the Stables of a Toronto Dairy Company.

Toronto, April 3.—Thirty-nine out of the 43 horses owned by the City Dairy Company were asphyxiated tonight in a fire which broke out in the stables of the company in rear of 238 College street. The watchman noticed the blaze in the early morning, and tried to get the fire out. Eight or ten others were dead in the stables, having broken from their halters and tried to get to the air. The others were all dead in their stalls. Three horses in another part of the building were saved. The fire was caused by a gas leak, and for some time when discovered, and the animals had succumbed to the fumes. The Government is paying \$2,000 for the loss of the horses. The buildings were damaged \$500, with \$2,000 insurance.

The fire is said to have been incendiary, and the police are conducting a thorough investigation.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Cooler and Showery.

London, Tuesday, April 4.
Sun rises, 5:55 a.m. Moon rises, 5:38 a.m.
Sun sets, 6:41 p.m. Moon sets, 6:34 p.m.

The weather continues fine and mild in Manitoba and the Territories. A disturbance of considerable energy is moving slowly across the Great Lakes, and rain is now falling in Western Ontario. It is cool, with strong northwesterly winds, in the Maritime Provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 38-53; Kamloops, 24-40; Calgary, 20-40; Edmonton, 28-52; Qu'Appelle, 28-45; Winnipeg, 32-50; Port Arthur, 30-36; Parry Sound, 20-44; Toronto, 28-44; Ottawa, 28-45; Montreal, 30-45; Quebec, 24-45; St. John, 24-45; Halifax, 24-34.

FORECASTS.

Tuesday, April 4-2 a.m.
Today—Southeasterly to southeasterly winds; milder and unsettled, with occasional showers or local thunderstorms.

Wednesday—Strong westerly winds; cooler and showery.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. S. a.m. Min. Weather.
Calgary 32 24 Clear
Winnipeg 32 30 Clear
Parry Sound 20 32 Cloudy
Toronto 32 38 Cloudy
Ottawa 32 34 Cloudy
Montreal 30 36 Cloudy
Quebec 28 38 Cloudy
Father Point 28 38 Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

A disturbance of considerable energy is moving slowly across the Great Lakes, and showers are being met in general during the night in Ontario and Western Quebec. The weather continues fine in Manitoba and the Territories.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended 11 p.m. Monday were: Highest, 59°; lowest, 35° above.

LAHORE CITY, BRITISH INDIA, WRECKED BY AN EARTHQUAKE

Great Loss of Life and Damage to Property Reported From Ancient Town.

TOWN HALL RAZED AND FAMOUS MOSQUE INJURED

London, April 4.—A dispatch to a news agency from Lahore, British India, says:

"A violent earthquake has occurred here accompanied by serious loss of life and great damage to public and other buildings. The town hall is almost razed and the cathedral and Juma Masjid, one of the finest mosques in India, are seriously injured. Other big buildings are cracked and fissured."

Many houses in the native quarter collapsed.

Lahore, an ancient walled town, is capital of the Punjab district of British India, contains many notable buildings, and is an important seat of trade. The European quarter, with Government House, the Lawrence Gardens and the Punjab University, is outside the walls. The military cantonment of Meer Meer is six miles off. The population of Lahore is about 200,000 souls.

NEW SENSATION AT PETERSBURG

Kaiser's Brother Henry Turns Up Suddenly.

DOES IT HINGE ON MOROCCO? DISMISSAL OF CIVIL SERVANTS

German Embassy Ridicules Idea of Premier Declares Active Partisanship

International Complication—Sergius' Widow for Convent.

Is the Cause for Wielding the Axe.

St. Petersburg, April 4, 11:40 a.m.—Prince Henry of Prussia, brother to the Emperor of Germany, reached Tsarskoe-Selo this morning. As there had been no news here of such a visit, his sudden appearance for a personal interview with Emperor Nicholas upon the heels of his brother's speech at Tangier created considerable sensation.

St. Petersburg, April 4.—Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia arrived at Tsarskoe-Selo this morning. At the German embassy, attempts to give a political character to Prince Henry's visit and to connect it with the situation created by Emperor William's Tangier speech, were ridiculed, it being explained that the visit of the princess to her sisters, the Empress and the Grand Duchess Elizabeth during the latter's period of mourning was announced before Emperor William left Germany. The idea of an acute crisis in German-French relations was scouted at the German embassy. Princess Henry will remain for some time at Tsarskoe-Selo, but the prince will return to Berlin in a few days.

There has been a persistent rumor that the Grand Duchess Elizabeth, who is still crushed by the murder of her husband, shortly will retire to a convent and devote her life to the church, of which she is a very devout member.

A REPUBLICAN WALKOVER

Michigan Local Elections Bad Defeat for the Democrats.

Detroit, April 3.—Judge Joseph B. Moore, of Lapeer, the Republican candidate, was today re-elected to the state supreme court by a majority of about 75,000. The balance of the Republican ticket was elected by the same majority. Gustave Hine (Democrat) was elected mayor of Greater Bay City, the first chief executive of the consolidated cities of Bay City and West Bay City. In Flint, D. B. Atkin (Republican) defeated the present Democratic mayor, and at Sault Ste. Marie, Frank Perry (Republican) defeated the present Democratic mayor.

ROJESTVENSKY OFF

The Russian Squadron Sailed From Madagascar On March 19.

St. Petersburg, April 4, 2 a.m.—A letter from Vice-Admiral Rojstvensky, his ship just received here, indicates that the departure of the second Pacific squadron from Madagascar waters is final, and that now it is on the way to Vladivostok. In the letter the admiral wrote that the sailing of the squadron had been fixed for March 19. The admiral also stated that he had knowledge of this determination of Vice-Admiral Rojstvensky, and stated that no contrary orders have been sent to him. It is understood that a rendezvous with Vice-Admiral Nebogatoff's division of the squadron is not contemplated.

BANG! COME OUT AND VOTE

Firecrackers to Get Out Lodging House Vote of Chicago.

Chicago, April 4.—Cloudy skies, chilly winds and occasional showers are the conditions under which the municipal election is being conducted here today. In the first ward, usually controlled by the Democratic alderman, Michael Kenna, familiarly known as "Hinky Dink," a novel method was utilized to get the lodging house voters to the polls. Squads of men armed with bunches of cannon crackers were sent along the streets, and soon there was a din sufficient to discount genuine artillery. The inmates of the lodging houses were speedily organized into platoons of four and voted as rapidly as possible. The workers, however, seemed to be unusually cautious in marshaling this class of voters.

FLYER HITS FREIGHT

Two Killed in Crash on the Cleveland and Pittsburg.

Cleveland, O., April 4.—The Pittsburg flyer, eastbound, on the Cleveland and Pittsburg road, collided with a westbound freight at Cortonia, Ohio, today, killing two men and injuring three others.

The dead are Edward Fuller, engineer of the passenger train, and H. C. Eming, fireman of the passenger engine. The accident was caused by the freight train overrunning a siding and going onto the main track. The members of the freight crew escaped injury by jumping.

NOTHING DOING IN LEGISLATURE

All the Members There, But Whitney Has No Business.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, April 4.—Two questions by members were answered in the Legislature yesterday afternoon, constituting the entire bill of fare of a five-minute session. The majority of the members were in their places prepared to transact business, but there was no legislation ready to come before them.

Premier Whitney informed Col. Munro (North Oxford) that James Cochrane, bailiff of the first division court of the county of Grey, was dismissed for being an active partisan at elections.

The Premier also informed Mr. Preston (Durham) that the report of the railway taxation committee had not yet been received by the Government, but it would be laid on the table of the House as soon as brought down, probably today.

Mr. Torrance (North Perth) has introduced a bill to amend the municipal act. The bill is intended to readjust the present provision regarding local improvement taxes in towns and villages. In sub-section of section 630 the word "may" is substituted for "shall."

Notices of Motion.

Mr. Fraser will on Wednesday next move for an order of the House for copies of all correspondence between the late Government of the Province or any member or official thereof, and J. P. Wilson and Col. Cohoe, respecting the appointment of Col. Cohoe to the position of high court registrar.

Mr. Harcourt, on Wednesday next, will inquire of the ministry: Is the Government in a position to announce its policy as to that part of the Temiskaming Railway now being operated and carrying passengers and freight? Is it the intention to lease the road or any part of it, or will the Government operate it?

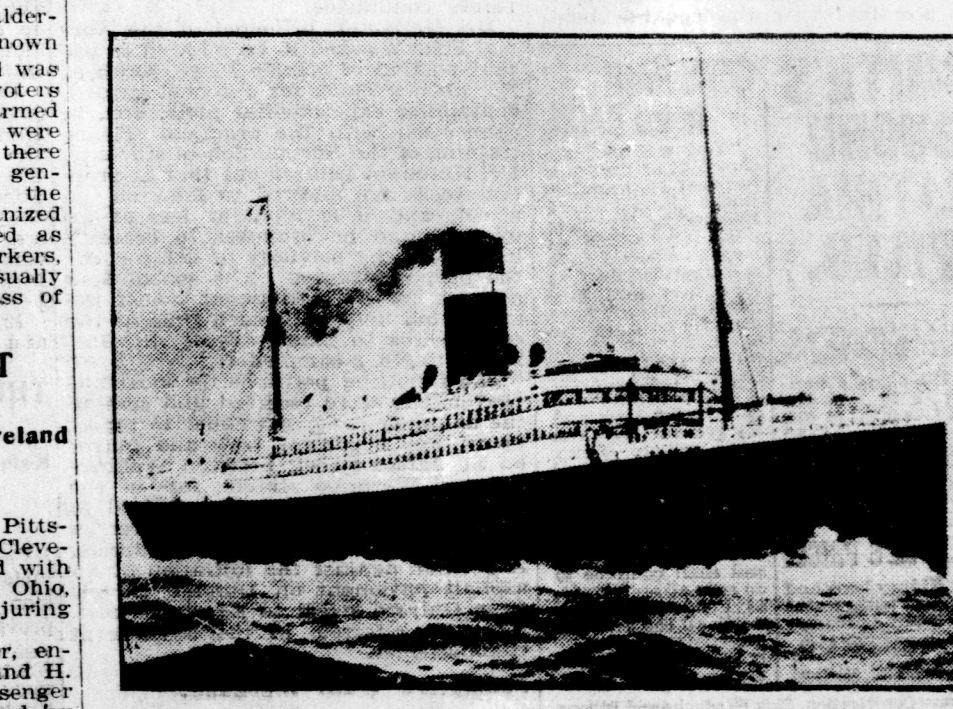
Toronto Commissioners.

The new license commissioners for Toronto are J. W. Flavell (president of the News), John A. Murray (W. A. Murray Company), and Col. John J. Davidson.

The services of Thomas Hastings, chief inspector, will be retained, but the two sub-inspectors will probably be dismissed.

New South Wales Wheat.

Sydney, N. S. W., April 4.—The season's wheat yield for New South Wales totals 16,463,680 bushels, an average of 3.2 bushels per acre. About 8,000,000 bushels are available for export, of which 4,252,688 have already been shipped.



THE STEAMSHIP VICTORIA.
The New Turbine Ship of the Allan Line, the First of Her Type to Cross the Atlantic.