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**THE AGE OF LUXURY.**  
The epidemic of luxurious living in London is increasing. The expensive restaurants were never so full as they are now, the women are spending more on clothes than ever, and the jewellers are producing more expensive ornaments and trinkets than they did. It puzzles all to account for the vast expenditure on luxury at this moment when trade is slack, finance is more or less at a standstill, and most securities have fallen in value. On the other hand, men are spending less on themselves than they did. Few West End bachelors now keep a phaeton or a brougham, men dine more simply at the clubs.  
**WOODENWARE 7 1/2 PER CENT. DISCOUNT.**  
An advance of 7 1/2 per cent. on the old list has taken place all round in the price of woodenware. The advance in iron and in other raw materials going into the manufacture of woodenware, is the cause of the appreciation in prices. How long it is almost impossible to tell, the effects of the strike in the United States of the iron and steel workers still being seriously felt.  
**GOT A VERDICT OF \$5,000.**  
BOSTON, Nov. 26.—One of the largest verdicts ever returned in Suffolk county the personal injuries was given Monday in the case of H. E. and P. G. Bonyman against the Boston Electric

**MONCTON.**  
Trains Delayed by Snowdrifts.—J. R. McDonald Dead.  
MONCTON, N. B., Nov. 27.—Fourteen inches of snow fell along the intercolonial yesterday and last night at Campbellton and points in Quebec. The storm was followed by high wind and the snow drifted badly, causing considerable delay to trains.  
Word has been received here of the death in New York yesterday of J. R. McDonald, a well known promoter, interested in the Albert Shale works and other enterprises. Mr. McDonald, who was about 65 years old, was in Moncton a few weeks ago in the best of health. Pneumonia was the cause of death.

**COLOMBIAN AFFAIRS.**  
NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—A despatch to the Herald from Bogota, Colombia, says: The Colombian government has issued a decree declaring that diplomatic relations with Venezuela have ceased and that the Colombian legation in Caracas has been withdrawn. General Canache, minister of war, says that the government has 8,000 men armed for action.  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Secretary Long today received the following cablegram from Capt. Perry of the Iowa: "PANAMA, Nov. 27.—Stubborn fighting between contending forces yesterday near Saopulo. Delayed trains, requiring patience and patience. There will be fighting today near Gatun. I have secured assurance that firing shall cease while trains are passing. Forty wounded Colombians brought in last night. All cared for by Dr. Kindelberger. (Signed) 'PERRY'."  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27.—A cablegram received at the state department today from United States Consul General Guider at Panama says: "There was a good deal of fighting yesterday along the line, in which the government forces were generally successful. Trains delayed."

**HON. DAVID MILLS.**  
NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Hon. David Mills, minister of justice in Canada, continues in the December number of the Empire Review an historical examination of the British territorial claims in Central America prior to the Clayton-Bulwer convention, cables the London correspondent of the Tribune. The minister's argument is against the revision of the treaty, for the practical purpose of facilitating the construction of the canal. The trend of public opinion remains strongly in the direction of the settlement of the canal question on its merits, which is the only way to construct the waterway and promote the welfare of the world.

**HARD TIMES IN GERMANY.**  
NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—According to the London correspondent of the Daily Mail, which has been inquiring into the cause of trade depression in Germany, says that many of the great merchants of yesterday stand today ruined. Manufacturing cities are full of hungry men. Numbers of works are closed altogether, and others are greatly reducing their output and the stocks of German iron works are being sold in Belgium and England for what they will fetch. Germany attempted too much, and reaping the inevitable result. Bad finance, over capitalization and excess of credit mentioned as the cause. In England the general trade outlook is now worse than at any time since 1894.

**STRONG BANK INSTITUTION.**  
NEWPORT, R. I., Nov. 27.—What is thought to be one of the strongest banking institutions in the country has been formed here and is known as the Newport Trust Company. The institution has purchased the Newport branch of the Industrial Company of Providence and has elected a board of directors, composed of some of the most prominent financial magnates of the country. The directors have elected Frederick Thompson president; Angus McLeod, vice-president, and Thomas P. Peckham, secretary-treasurer.

**FIVE BODIES WASHED ASHORE.**  
NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—A despatch from Tom's River, N. J., tonight, says that five bodies have been washed ashore from the five barges stranded along the coast. Four of the barges have gone to pieces. The fifth lies out on the bar tossing about and pounding. She will probably break up within a day or two. Only two men have been saved from the five barges, but no one at Tom's River knows how many have been drowned.

**ASTOR DIDN'T BUY.**  
LONDON, Nov. 27.—Wm. Waldorf Astor, author of a denial of the report that he was the purchaser of Battle Abbey, sold at auction for \$250,000. A curious feature of the report is the failure of every one, in commenting on it, to remember Mr. Astor's naturalization as a British subject. All the newspapers giving Mr. Astor's denial add, with an air of self-satisfaction, that the purchaser was an Englishman.

**POLICE CAPTAIN FINED \$1,000.**  
ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 27.—A verdict of guilty was rendered in the case of Capt. Theo. J. Diamond of New York City, who was accused of having willfully neglected to suppress vice in his precinct. The crime is a misdemeanor. The case was tried before a jury. Capt. Diamond was sentenced by Justice Herriek to pay a fine of \$1,000 or to be imprisoned in the Albany county penitentiary. The fine was paid.

**THE RANGERS.**  
Mobilize in Ottawa and Sail From Halifax.  
St. John a Recruiting Station—Officers of Service Pouring In.

OTTAWA, Nov. 27.—Lt. Col. Evans, who is to be recommended as commanding officer of the force, has been telegraphed for and will probably arrive here on Friday. He will most likely have charge of the arrangements for recruiting and a temporary staff consisting of an adjutant and other officers will be appointed to assist him. Recruiting stations will probably be opened at Victoria and Nelson, B. C., Calgary, Regina, Winnipeg, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax and Charlottetown. In the main the same method will be followed as when the constabulary recruited.

Col. Borden said last night it was not true that a tentative arrangement had been entered into with the Elder Dempster company for transport. The colonial secretary's despatch, he pointed out, makes no mention of transportation, and therefore no arrangement for a vessel can be entered into until it is known whether the militia department has power to deal with the matter. It seems to be taken for granted that the troops will concentrate at Ottawa, and that Halifax will be the port of embarkation. Nothing definite is known as yet as to the appellation of the South African force, but as in the correspondence of last February it was suggested that the "Canadian Rangers," and as this was a contingent of the direct outcome of Major Merritt's efforts it is assumed the cavalry under Col. Evans will be so named. Nothing can be done in the matter of selecting officers until Col. Evans arrives in Ottawa.

MONCTON, Nov. 27.—H. Metcalf, Frank Doyle and J. H. Lockhart, who went to South Africa with the mounted rifles, are anxious to enlist in the Canadian Rangers.

WINNIPEG, Nov. 27.—Col. Evans expects enough volunteers will offer to make up the whole corps for South Africa.

OTTAWA, Nov. 27.—Officers of service for South Africa are pouring in. All but three of the returned nurses offer again.

(From Daily Sun.)  
OTTAWA, Nov. 26.—The text of the imperial despatch in reference to the organization of another mounted contingent from Canada for service in South Africa, was furnished the press this afternoon by Major Maude, military secretary to his excellency. The message was also considered at a meeting of the cabinet. It reads as follows:

To Lord Minto, Ottawa, Ont.:  
Referring to your telegram of November 21st, the imperial government gratefully accepts the offer of a corps consisting of not less than six hundred men, to be raised on the following lines:

1st—Men to be able to ride and shoot.  
2nd—Imperial government to provide uniforms, saddlery, uniforms, boots, etc., etc.  
3rd—Canadian government to provide equipment, including government to provide arms.

4th—Officers to be nominated by Canadian government and their names submitted to commander-in-chief for approval of the secretary of state for war.  
5th—The medical conditions to be as for imperial yeomanry.

6th—A preference to be given to men who have had previous service in South Africa, and to single men, married men, widowers with children to be accepted provided that they understand that no separation allowances will be granted.  
7th—As soon as possible whether scheme as outlined above meets with approval of your ministers.

(Sgd.) CHAMBERLAIN.  
The department of militia machinery will be put in operation so that the force may be embarked at Halifax not later than 10th January. Dr. Jordan sent a message to Col. Evans to report to Ottawa at once. He will be here on Friday. Borden's idea in selecting Evans, it is said, is to give him a chance to work up to even a higher position. The mobilization of the troops will take place in this city. Contracts for clothing, saddlery, boots, etc., will be awarded tomorrow. The appellation of the force will be the Canadian Rangers, the period of service to be one year or duration of the war. Col. Evans favors two horses for each man, but there are no instructions from the war office on this head. General Haly will suggest a remount depot at Cape Town. The rates of pay are imperial pay, the lowest rate, 28 cents per day, until Cape Town is reached, and thence Yeomanry rates, the lowest rate, five shillings a day. Commissioned officers will receive regular pay and field allowances. Application to join must be made to local commanding officers, not to the militia department.

**THE WEATHER.**  
TORONTO, Nov. 27.—Strong winds and gales, westerly to northwesterly; light local snow falls or flurries, cold. Thursday, fresh to strong northwesterly winds, generally fair and cold.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Fair, continued cold tonight and Thursday; fresh northerly winds.

**TIMBER SALES.**  
At Fredericton today a three mile timber berth on Bonny River was sold to John E. Moore at \$3.50 per square mile; a 2-mile berth in Robertville Settlement, Gloucester Co., to T. B. Winslow at \$6; a 4-mile berth at North Fork, Cansan river, to E. B. Winslow at \$5.

**FURS CONFISCATED.**  
Extensive Smuggling Schemes Unearthed—Montreal Firm Accused—Many Firms Involved.

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 27.—Detectives believe they have unearthed one of the most extensive smuggling schemes in the history of the country. They estimated that \$100,000 worth of furs have been smuggled into this country from Canada, and of this quantity about \$25,000 worth have been confiscated by the government from some of the most fashionable people of Northern Ohio. Collector of Customs Chas. F. Leach, and his deputies have charge of the work of confiscation. The victims live in Youngstown, Canton, Massillon, Cleveland and several other Northern Ohio towns, but Collector Leach refuses to make public their names.

One lot seized from Youngstown cost at least \$1,500. A big fur firm in Montreal is accused of sending goods into this country, and avoiding the duty. They were shipped, it is said, to White River Junction, Vermont. From this point they were sent by express to their destination. Mr. Leach says the members of the fur firms are under indictment in Vermont charged with smuggling. Mr. Leach says the discovery prevented the smuggling of some \$40,000 worth of furs that were just ready to be shipped.

**MR. TSILKA ANXIOUS.**  
Makes an Appeal to the Turkish and Bulgarian Governments.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—"I have no idea where my wife and Miss Stone are now," said Gregory M. Tsilka, at Sofia, to a Bulgarian correspondent of the World. The husband of the American missionary's companion in captivity by the brigands is in a state of wretched nervousness and apprehension.

"I have not heard from my wife since Oct. 21. I believe that she and Miss Stone are well, but they are suffering acutely from the great cold and storm in the mountains. I do not expect under the present circumstances they will be released for many weeks."

Mr. Tsilka has made a passionate appeal to the state department to do something definite with either the Turkish or Bulgarian governments for the rescue of the captives.

**LABOR TROUBLES.**  
PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 27.—Judge McCarthy of the commonplace court has issued an injunction in which he denies the right of the council of the Allied Building Trades or its agents to investigate strikes at buildings where contractors employ labor that is not affiliated with that organization. The decision has caused widespread commotion in the ranks of the local trade unionists, and it is probable that an appeal will be taken to a higher court. The case which resulted in the injunction was that of Erdman and others against the council of the Allied Building Trades. Under threat of a strike, General Contractors Wells & Wells of Chicago had the plaintiffs removed from a large office building then in course of erection.

**REQUIRE SERVICE.**  
LONDON, Nov. 27.—A requiem service for Count Von Hallsenfeldt-Wildenburg, the late German ambassador to the court of St. James, who died here Nov. 22, and whose body was removed yesterday afternoon from the embassy to Victoria station, with military honors, was celebrated at a Roman Catholic church here today. Most of the diplomatic corps and high court and foreign officials attended. King Edward was represented by the lord chamberlain, the Earl of Clarendon. Lord Salisbury was prevented from being present owing to a slight indisposition.

**THE TWENTY-SEVENTH VICTIM.**  
DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 28.—Twenty-six men are dead, five of them unidentified and so terribly burned and blackened that identification is almost impossible, and 24 other men and boys are lying in the various hospitals of the city suffering from frightful cuts and burns and other injuries, all results of the explosion of one of the boilers in the Penberthy Injector Co.'s large plant at the corner of Abbott street and Brooklyn avenue at 9.30 o'clock this morning.

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 27.—The twenty-seventh body was taken from the ruins of the wrecked Penberthy Injector Company's plant at 1.30 this morning. The body was unidentified.

**KITCHENER HEARD FROM.**  
LONDON, Nov. 27.—Lord Kitchener, in a despatch from Pretoria, dated 4th day, reports that General Knox has captured 36 members of Buys' command who escaped after the recent fight. The prisoners include Commandant Joubert, who is wounded. A despatch received in London Nov. 23 from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, Nov. 21, said that Commandant Buys had been captured after attacking a patrol near Villiers Dorp.

Later despatches from South Africa would indicate that the fighting near Villiersdorp was a serious affair, the British losses including Major Jacobs killed and three officers wounded.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SPREADS IN ENGLAND.**  
LONDON, Nov. 19.—The cult of the Christian Scientists is spreading so rapidly in the eastern counties of England that the Dean of Norwich has found it necessary to announce publicly that he intends soon to address himself in a controversial spirit to the whole subject.

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