

ARE NOT LIKELY TO HOLD PLACES

Trade Commissioners Who May Cease to Represent Canada Because of Their Lack of Efficiency

OTTAWA, Nov. 3.—Hon. George E. Foster is making enquiries into the work of the various trade commissioners of the Department of Trade and Commerce. Men who are efficient, and who are good workmen, will be maintained, but he intimated that a number of others who only held their positions by their political activities would be replaced by business men.

Three men who, it is whispered in Ottawa are likely to be replaced are W. A. Beddoe, of Yukon fame, who is located in Auckland, New Zealand; W. T. E. Preston, who was connected with the old Ross government, later had to leave Japan on account of difficulties, and who is now in Holland, and J. B. Jackson, mixed up in the West Ebin scandals, who is trade commissioner at Shanghai, China.

Practically all of the cabinet ministers will be back by tomorrow. Hon. Robert Rogers and Hon. Dr. Roche arrived tonight, while the Premier and the ministers who were at Halifax will be back in the morning. A cabinet meeting will likely be held tomorrow, and meetings will be held daily next week in preparation for the session.

Protest papers against the election of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in Soulanges were served on him this morning. General charges of irregularities by agents are charged, but it is not expected the petition will be pressed. The effect will be to prevent Sir Wilfrid electing which of his two seats he will hold until the protest is disposed of.

HON. S. HUGHES VISITS VICTORIA

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ada is certain. He is investigating, and as a result of his work will be in a better position to see that proper provision is made for adequate defence.

Col. H. H. Barnard, M. P. for Victoria, has followed a grand minister of militia, and realize that he has done much work for the Canadian forces. Yet much remains to be accomplished. This will have to be done with deliberate and slow, and decide on what is required after due investigation.

Yesterday the minister of militia and General Mackenzie inspected Deadman's Island and Point Grey at Vancouver, and also looked at the drill hall. Point Grey is claimed by the militia department as a militia reserve, and the minister said it has been decided that the department has a reserve there. However, this is a constitutional question, and he did not care to discuss it.

He will look into the subject of the proposed new drill hall for Victoria, and also that of the rifle range, but had no movement made in the latter. No time will be lost, however, in putting the floor of the present drill hall into serviceable condition. His attention to this had been drawn some time ago by Mr. G. H. Barnard, M. P. for Victoria.

The minister of militia, who is accompanied by General Colin Mackenzie and Mrs. Mackenzie, his daughter, Miss Aileen Hughes and Mr. Lewis, private secretary, was met at the C. P. B. Hotel on arrival of the steamer Princess Adelaide by the members of the local executive of the Conservative Association, and by Major Mills, officer commanding the artillery at West Point, Lieut.-Col. A. W. Currie, officer commanding the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., Capt. Moore, D. S. A., Capt. J. F. Foulkes, paymaster, and Major W. Hingway Wilson, 6th Regiment, C. G. A. Included among the members of the Conservative Association, who met the distinguished visitor were Messrs. R. F. Green, J. L. Beckwith, A. G. Sargison, W. H. Price, W. Blakemore, W. H. Cullin, R. W. Perry and Ald. H. M. Fullerton.

Col. Hon. Sam Hughes, is visiting his son, Mr. Garnett Hughes, of 1019 Chamberlain street, engineer of the B. C. Electric Ry. company, during his stay in Victoria.

The Minister of Militia, who was born at Darlington, Durham county, Ont., in 1853, is a graduate of Toronto University and was lecturer in English Language, Literature and History in the Toronto Collegiate Institute until 1885 when he purchased the Lindsay Warder, which he edited until 1897.

Since his fourteenth year the new minister has been in the active militia and in 1881 he declined the position of deputy minister of militia and of adjutant general for Canada in 1885. He was appointed Lieut.-Col. commanding the 45th Battalion in 1897 and took part in the late Queen Victoria's Jubilee celebration on June 26, 1897. He was appointed president of the Dominion Rifle Association, and president of the Small Arms Commission, and chairman of the Board of Visitors of the Royal Military College at Kingston. Other posts held by him were Railway Intelligence officer and headquarters staff. He served in the Fenian Raids of 1870 (medal) and since 1872 has actively advocated and aided persons of military and naval assistance to the Empire in imperial wars; officers offered to raise corps for the Egyptian and Sudanese campaigns, the Afghan frontier war and the Transvaal campaign, the Boer war and New Zealand in 1897-8 in the interest of colonial assistance in imperial wars. He served in the South African war of 1899-1900 on the railway transport and as assistant to General Smetton on the lines of communication. Other important military posts held by Col. Hon. Sam Hughes were: chief intelligence staff to General Smetton in the Gordon and Prieska campaign, and in a similar position on the staff of Gen. Sir Chas. Warren in Griqualand West and Bechuanaland campaigns, and

REBELLIONISTS TAKE SHANGHAI

All Chinese Soldiers in Big City Side with Rebels, Who Meet With Practically No Resistance

SHANGHAI, Nov. 3.—Except for the 5th brigade at Aikow, the rebels have taken the city late this afternoon. There was practically no resistance, only a few shots being fired.

All the Chinese soldiers have joined the rebels, and the police and gendarmes apparently are sympathizing with them, for they are wearing white bangles on their arms.

After taking over the arsenal, the rebels burned the tati's yamen in the vicinity. The Associated Press correspondents covered this afternoon, the only outlying division of Shanghai, but did not discover a single instance of disorder. Even in the native city, complete order prevailed. Every court is shown foreigners. The soldiers, police and firemen are continuing on duty. Shops are closed tonight.

While the action of the rebels was expected, the movement was made quickly. After a slight disturbance in the northern section of the city, notices were posted throughout the native city announcing that "the military government of China" had taken over Shanghai. It warned the populace against disorder.

The arsenal, where frequently there had been the greatest activity, preparatory to assisting the up-river forts and providing ammunition for Admiral Sab, was called on to surrender by the revolutionaries. The chief officials quietly disappeared, but for the station continued to hold it without, however, any show of force. A few shots were fired, but the revolutionists warned the officials remaining that they intended to shoot any even if they had to fight for it. None of them seemed willing to test the strength of the rebels in combat, and they quietly evacuated.

It is understood that one reason for the revolutionists taking Shanghai to-day was that two Norwegian vessels had been loaded at the arsenal during the last two days with ammunition for Admiral Sab. These vessels succeeded in getting away.

British Guard Railway Soon after demands for the surrender of the arsenal came, a train, to cut the wires of the Nanking-Shanghai railway, which was frustrated personally by W. U. Pope, general manager of the company. Mr. Pope found an armed insurgent in the station and disarmed him. Then he telephoned the British consul that the railway property was threatened, and the British volunteers of Shanghai were called out to guard the line.

When the new dock is ready it will be able to accommodate any steamer now afloat, even the gigantic White Star liners Olympic and Titanic. It will not be ready for a while, however, for a work of such magnitude as this occupies much time. The great dock at Belfast, Ireland, which was constructed to accommodate the world's largest steamers, took seven years. The Esquimaux dock to be constructed at Lang's Cove, where one side and the bottom are in the rock now in place, will duplicate in size this dock.

Will Be Largest Dock. The dock entrance will be a considerable margin the largest of the docks now on the American continent, the longest being 860 feet. The Alexandria dock, one of the largest in the world, is 80 feet wide at the entrance, 50 feet on the floor, with a floor length of 800 feet. The large dock at Belfast is 96 feet wide at the entrance, 100 feet wide and 850 feet long on the floor when the caisson gate is in its normal position at the entrance. By floating the gate and placing it against the outer face of the dock entrance the total space of the dock is 887 1-2 feet.

A feature of the new dock will be its electrically driven pumps. The small auxiliary dock now requires many hours in emptying, while the proposed dock will be emptied in fifty minutes. The emptying of a dock of this size calls for a powerful pumping plant. The auxiliary plant also to be provided on a generator, and the hydraulic capstans being similar in size and design to those found at the Admiralty yards.

The dock entrance are to be of the latest type. The old system of hinged swinging entrance gates is no longer used on modern drydocks of large capacity, their place being taken by floating steel caissons. There will be two of these caissons at the Esquimaux dock, one practically in the middle of the dock to allow of half of it only being utilized in docking a small craft. The gate for the new dock is a massive oval-shaped structure, like the hull of a ship, which, when the dock is open, is contained in a recess at the side of the entrance, swung out against a dolphin. It travels on two lines of heavy rollers, set on floor of the dock and is moved across the entrance by special hydraulic appliances, the opening or closing being done in about five minutes time.

Women Want Votes. TORONTO, Nov. 3.—Ontario suffragists intend to take part in the Ontario election campaign, and the president has written the prime minister, Sir James Whitney, and the Liberal leader demanding that the enfranchisement of women be included in their respective programmes.

The pruned output of British Columbia is estimated at \$4,600,000 worth annually.

Mr. J. H. Schofield, M.P.P., will on Monday next lay the cornerstone of Trail's handsome new \$40,000 school.

ARE IN ACCORD OVER MOROCCO

Treaty Settling African Controversy to be Signed on Monday on Behalf of France and Germany

BERLIN, Nov. 3.—In making public tonight a complete summary of the treaty concerning Morocco arranged by Foreign Secretary Herr Von Kiderlin-Waechter and the French ambassador, M. Cambon, the foreign office issued the following statement:

"The German government believes that both parties can be in accord over the contents of the new treaty. It will have a calming effect not only upon conditions between Germany and France, but also upon the political situation."

"Germany stands at the conclusion of this treaty in the same position as to French undertakings in Morocco as does England. It is especially emphasized that England has not interfered in the negotiations."

The text of the treaty will be signed Monday morning at Berlin and Paris. With the news of the conclusion of the controversy comes the announcement that Emperor William has accepted the resignation of Dr. Von Lindquist, secretary of state for the colonies. This resignation is a significant symptom of unpopularity of the bargain within as well as outside the government.

The definition of France's predominant position in Morocco occupies three of the fourteen articles of the treaty. The Congo changes are more limited than were first expected. Germany will get only from four to seven miles of the previous acquisition of territory, a steamer trading station, and a small triangle between the Legona and Sharf river, south of Lake Tchad. Togoland is not mentioned in the treaty.

The morning newspaper comment on the agreement reached between Germany and France over Morocco regards it in favorable terms. The Post mostly in agreement as a "cup of care, sorrow and shame for the German people," and the Morning Post, without drawing a sword, allows France to occupy the last bit of earth not belonging to a great colonial power."

PARIS, Nov. 3.—The whole French press is pleased at the conclusion of the Franco-German accord, and while deploring the loss of so much of the French Congo, hails with satisfaction the creation of a great French empire in North Africa, consisting of Tunis, Algeria and Morocco.

ITALY'S FORCES ARE SUFFERING

Arabs, who had reached the cover of the residential oasis, thus placing themselves between the town and the best of defenses. The situation was saved in a gallant charge of 100 dismounted cavalry, who lost heavily, but managed to kill off a majority of the storming party.

Thirty Arabs held out for three days in the oasis and could not be dislodged until the building was blown up by mines. If they had been several thousand strong instead of two hundred, the Arabs would have Tripoli completely at their mercy."

General Caneva, commanding the Italian forces, according to the correspondent, became so alarmed that he abandoned all the outer works southeast of the city, including the strong fort of the Sidi el-Mansur. The army worked feverishly strengthening a new position with barbed wire entanglements, and were kept under arms during the night. The Arabs have advanced their artillery and are shelling the Italian headquarters. The foreign military attaches have been kept aboard a boat and not permitted to land, the explanation given being that it would be too dangerous for them to go ashore.

The Turks and Arabs, the correspondent says, holds the oasis, which is 15 miles long and from two to five miles deep, where they can subsist on dates and other fruits until April, meantime harassing the Italians by nightly raids. There are no signs of any preparations on the part of the Italians to advance.

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They are disgusted with the war and hate the country. They long to return home. Slaughter of Arabs. The dispatch continues: "For four days after the engagement of October 23 the Italian soldiers engaged in indiscriminate slaughter of the Arab population under General Caneva's sanction. Caneva first issued a general order to shoot all Arabs found with arms, but only when caught by troops in plantations will follow in letters, but from indications it appears that the missionaries are not altogether in a safe position, although no harm has come, so far as it is known, to the Rev. Mr. Eddie cabled from Honan, China, to his wife, who is in Canada at present: 'Do not come at present.'"

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ARABS KILLED BY ITALIANS

Massacre of Women and Children are Charged Against Invading Force by English Officer

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 4.—The port authorities of the island of Chios, a Turkish possession in the Aegean sea, report that the Italian squadron of six ships has been sighted off the coast.

MAINTA, Nov. 4.—Persistent rumors are in circulation that the Italians have suffered a great reverse. Tripoli, it is rumored that the Turks and Arabs have re-entered the town and that great slaughter followed.

Special features will be practical demonstrations in orchard practice, planting, pruning and spraying. Special emphasis will be given to the study of soils, their analysis, treatment, cultivation, fertilizers, etc. Lectures delivered in the evening will be illustrated with lantern views. Special lectures in connection, will be given by the deputy minister of agriculture, by the private markets commissioner, and by prominent fruit growers. Local fruit growers will be asked to take places on the programme and lead in discussion. An attractive programme will be got up for each point and the meetings thoroughly arranged for the best of the district. A partial list of subjects is as follows: Selection of orchard sites and soils; Buying nursery stock, and the choice of commercial varieties; Propagation of trees by grafting and budding; Soils, their origin and types; The planting and care of the orchard; Soil cultivation; Fertilizers for orchards; The use of cover crops and crops for green manuring; Pruning; The prevention of winter injury to trees; Plant physiology, its importance to the fruit grower; Insects and plant diseases; Sprays and spraying; The growing of small fruits; Judging fruit and exhibition standards; Practical co-operation in buying and selling; Economy in production; Simple bookkeeping; The markets for fruits and vegetables; Commercial production of early and late potatoes; Celery, cabbage, tomatoes; Profitable onion growing; and Fertilizers for vegetable crops.

To secure these short courses, the department makes the following requirements: The granting of any application to be at the discretion of the department. Where no short course is granted, the previous requisition of the institute will be fulfilled. The dates and programmes of meetings to be arranged by the department. At most meetings at two centres in any institute district, except at the discretion of the department. A guaranteed average attendance of thirty at each meeting.

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GREATER VICTORIA HIS SUCCESS

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