

THREE OFFICERS SELECTED

Col. Pellatt Will Command Coronation Contingent, Major Williams and Col. Boulanger for Africa.

NINE COMMISSIONS FOR ONTARIO

Militia Department Deluged With Applications for Positions on the Forces Being Raised.

Ottawa, April 13.—His Excellency the Governor-General returned from New York to-day, and doubtless the nominations for commands in the fourth contingent will now go forward to the War Office without delay, that is, presuming the selections all to have been made by the Minister of Militia.

Among the prominent Ontario officers who are said to have excellent chances of being chosen is Major Wilbur Henderson of the 48th Highlanders. His thorough knowledge of the militia and his long service with the forces mark him out as eminently fitted for a prominent position.

WOMAN WARRIOR'S SKELETON

Remains of One Dug Up on Coast of Norway.

London, April 13.—An interesting discovery is reported from Norway bearing upon both Norse and Anglo-Saxon history. Three hundred feet from the seashore on the coast of Northfjord, a bone dug up from a hillock remains of a buried ship and the bones of a female skeleton and of a horse with a weapon and parts of armor and objects of adornment.

SUPPORTS FRANCE IN AFRICA

Russia Said to Have Made That Connection in Return for Aid.

London, April 13.—It has been made tolerably clear in the past two or three weeks that France is not entirely without compensation for her declaration of full support of Russia in the Far East.

AMALGAMATION EXPECTED

Will Dominion Coal Join With Steel Company?

Montreal, April 13.—Most of the directors of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. have been in the city since the return of James Ross from England, by whom it is stated on the best authority, most favorable financial arrangements have been made for the amalgamation of the two companies.

KING'S NEW AUTOMOBILE

London, April 13.—The chief attraction of the Automobile Club's show this week will be King Edward's new automobile, made by an English firm. It is of twenty-two horse power and is pronounced to be an elaborate triumph of advanced automobilism.

JIGGER WAS SMASHED

Guelph, April 13.—Sensation foreman George Johnson, Teamman Daniel Clark and Sectionman Dennis Flaherty of the G.T.R., on board a jigger, were struck by a train yesterday morning near Gourock. The jigger was smashed, the men jumped and escaped.

FIRE IN WOODSTOCK

Woodstock, April 13.—The creamery, owned and controlled by H. Y. Smith of the City Dairy Co., Toronto, was burned last night. The cause is a mystery.

PROVINCE AGAINST DOMINION

Vancouver, B. C., April 13.—It is rumored that the Provincial government will take the matter out of the Dominion government's hands, and allow fish traps on the B. C. coast.

BOER CHIEFS, PEACE MISSION, TO COFFER WITH KITCHENER



Whom the British Trust

British Cabinet Held a Midnight Conference Presumably to Discuss Important Despatches Received From South Africa—Chamberlain Confers Two Hours With King Edward on Sunday—Budget May Be Modified—Public Hopefulness of Peace Increases.

Pretoria, April 13.—Acting President Schalkburger, Generals Louis Botha, Lucas Meyer, Delarey and Dewet and Mr. Steyn arrived here this morning from Klerksdorp. The Transvaal and Orange Free State delegates journeyed on separate special trains, both of which were rushed thru, the delegates traveling all night. The trains arrived close together. The two parties are not lodged together here, but are quartered in separate houses. Their mission here is to confer with Lord Kitchener. Pretoria is his headquarters.

noon Mr. Chamberlain drove to Buckingham Palace and remained with King Edward for two hours. During the afternoon messengers carried despatches from the Foreign Office to Lord Salisbury, who, with Mr. Balfour, the government leader in the House of Commons, was at Hatfield House.

These outward signs of Sunday activity have not been supplemented by an authentic or official statement. The question most discussed thus far, has been whether the peace negotiations would affect the government's financial proposals, which promise to be submitted to parliament to-morrow. The fact that Sir Michael Hicks-Beach was engaged in his office nearly all day to-day is taken in some quarters to indicate a modification of the budget statement.

LORD KITCHENER KNOWS. There appears to be no doubt that the Boer leaders have communicated the results of their deliberations to Lord Kitchener. Attempts will be made in parliament to-morrow to draw out what information the government has on the South African situation and to learn its intentions.

TO MAKE PROPOSALS. The comparatively brief duration of the conferences at Klerksdorp is regarded as an indication that the Boer leaders found little difficulty in agreeing upon some basis of negotiation. The transfer of the negotiations to Pretoria, where both Lord Kitchener

and Lord Milner, the British High Commissioner in South Africa, are at present, is interpreted by the morning papers as meaning that the Boers are prepared to name formal peace proposals. The latest reports received here from the Boer headquarters at Brussels and The Hague declare that the delegates will raise no opposition to the terms as granted, and that the Boer leaders in South Africa have agreed to accept the maximum obtainable.

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There was a renewal of the rumors during the evening that the Ministry had been sounded respecting the terms of peace, and that the King had been summoned on urgent public business. The rumormongers are making heavy drafts upon public credulity, and helping, incidentally, to raise prices in Capel Court and supply the newspapers with catch-penny posters. The King's return from his holiday cruise and hasty summons for a cabinet meeting are enlarged upon as evidence

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REV. T. DEWITT TALMAGE DEAD

Passed Away on Saturday Night at His Home in Washington, Aged 70 Years.

SENSATIONAL CAREER IN THE PULPIT

Drew Thousands to His Church in Brooklyn—Once Received By the Czar.

Washington, April 12.—Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage died at 9 o'clock to-night at his home in this city. He had been ill for some time, and, only a few weeks ago, had experienced a change for the better, which gave hope of his recovery. Several days ago, however, his condition grew worse, caused by congestion of the brain, with catarrhal complications, and since then the family had been daily expecting his death.

T. DeWitt Talmage was one of the remarkable men of his time. His success financially was phenomenal for a clergyman. Born in Bound Brook, New Jersey, on Jan. 7, 1832; educated in New York City for the law, which he quit at Belleville, N. J., and went from there to Syracuse, N. Y., to get a better place in the Dutch Reformed Church there. In Syracuse he began to develop those peculiarities which, further exaggerated, were, in later years, to make him talked about.

He drew large Sunday evening audiences, partly because he amused the people, and when the crowds got so large that people were pushed down the aisles, Mr. Talmage would ask the people to come to the platform, and say that he didn't care if they came up and sat on the pulpit, with their legs hanging over.

In his Brooklyn pulpit, where he began preaching in 1860, he resorted to the tricks of manner and speech which caused him to be caricatured from one end of the country to the other. On one occasion, when it was time for him to begin his sermon, he went to one edge of the platform, buttoned his coat, raised his arms, and, wheeling suddenly about, dashed in running jumps across the platform, his arms waving like the sails of a windmill, his coat tails flying behind him, and his trousers working up above his knees.

He had not spoken a word, and some of his congregation were ready to shriek, not knowing what to make of it, when Mr. Talmage stopped short, turned and walked back to the center of the platform, and exclaimed, as the beginning of his sermon: "Young man, you're rushing to destruction!" Then he preached of the dangers of city life to young men who yielded to temptation.

By such methods, he drew thousands of persons to the church, and, as it was time for him to begin his sermon, he went to one edge of the platform, buttoned his coat, raised his arms, and, wheeling suddenly about, dashed in running jumps across the platform, his arms waving like the sails of a windmill, his coat tails flying behind him, and his trousers working up above his knees.

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STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

END OF WAR IN SIGHT

King Anxious for Settlement, May Go Farther Than Ministers.

New York, April 13.—The London correspondent of The Herald says: It is stated that the probability of peace is now so strong that the postponement of the budget was due to Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's desire, as should peace be declared, the government will need much less money.

I am able to say, on excellent authority, that, up to the present, everything is favorable to peace on terms very similar to those offered by Lord Kitchener at Middleberg a long time ago.

It is realized that the greatest danger to the present negotiations lies in the attitude which Mr. Kruger and Dr. Leyds may take.

The men who are now in consultation in South Africa, and who have borne the brunt of the fighting, are surely in a better position to judge of the resources of the Boers and their ability to continue the struggle than those who have been in Holland for so long.

If these men hold out for continuing the struggle rather than accepting Britain's terms, their influence may bring to nothing the conference in South Africa.

From a statesman of the highest rank, who is specially well informed as to what is passing in South Africa, I learn that the British authorities have been for months past trying to bring about a conference of the Boer leaders, such as is now sitting.

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RISKS ON CORONATION SEATS

Insurance Sold to Speculators in Seats and Stands.

London, April 13.—Coronation insurance has developed into quite a business at Lloyd's. Many of those who have gone into stand and seat speculation are taking measures to protect themselves. A favorite form of policy provides that in the event of the failure of the coronation procession to pass a given point on a given day the amount of money which would otherwise have been received from letting the seats and stands to the coronation derailleurs. Business on these lines has lately been effected at Lloyd's at the rate of from twelve to fifteen guineas per cent.

HINDOO TWIN A CATHOLIC. Paris, April 13.—Radica, the survivor of Dr. Doyen's operation, which imposed conditions in great haste, has been baptized a Catholic. She was formerly a Protestant. Her mother was the Marquise de Beauvoir, who has adopted the child. Last reports from the Riviera say that Radica is on the high road to recovery.

LORD CURZON SHOOTING TIGERS. Calcutta, April 13.—Lord Curzon of Kedleston, Viceroy of India, with a party of friends, has been on a shooting expedition. A despatch from the viceregal camp at Manukote states that the party have killed five tigers in eleven days.

CHOKED TO DEATH BY AN OYSTER. Baltimore, April 13.—J. C. Aytton of Laurel, while eating oysters yesterday, fell from his chair, and in a few moments was found to be dead. It was believed that apoplexy was the cause of death, but an autopsy made to-day showed that an oyster had slipped into his windpipe and choked him.

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BLOOD DRAWN IN BRUSSELS

Gendarmes Fired at the Rioters With Rifles Loaded With Ball Cartridges.

Brussels, April 13.—The bloody repression of the disorders of yesterday evening has created a painful impression among all classes here. Yesterday afternoon the police fired their rifles loaded with ball cartridges. Previously they had used their revolvers and revolvers, the latter usually loaded with blank cartridges.

The rioters were the dregs of the population, with a sprinkling of what is called the young socialist guard, made up of mere boys.

The Maison du Peuple is situated on the upper slope of the hill. The central boulevard and most of the business portion of the city lies at the foot of this hill, while the royal palace, the law courts, the chamber of deputies and the ministries stand upon the ridge. The quarter around the Maison du Peuple is the poorest in the city. It is a perfect rookery of low-class dwellings intersected by steep and narrow streets and malodorous alleys. The mob was mainly composed of the rough population of this quarter.

The serious troubles began when a number of roughs from a safe distance fired revolvers in the direction of the police cordons. The gendarmes charged, firing revolvers loaded with blank cartridges. They were greeted with a hail of missiles, such as stones, bottles and heavy iron rivets. This happened in several streets. An officer of the gendarmes ordered the crowd to disperse, but the rioters refused to do this order. Then the gendarmes fired their Mauser carbines loaded with ball cartridges, which contain a ball, but a minor charge of powder.

The gendarmes fired only one volley, but when the mob scattered several bodies were lying on the ground. Two of the wounded were mortally hurt and died while being conveyed to the hospital. The gendarmes were pelted with balls containing sulphuric acid and attacked with butcher knives.

It is impossible to ascertain the exact number of the victims of yesterday's rioting. The director of the Hospital of St. Pierre, however, said this afternoon that three rioters had died in the hospital and another was believed to be mortally injured. Thirty people who are badly hurt were re-portedly taken to the hospital.

Among the injured were many prominent spectators of the rioting. A doctor, who was returning home after having visited his patients, was caught between two bodies of charging gendarmes and his nose was cut off with a sword. A woman was also among the injured. One of the men killed was the assistant secretary of the Stock Exchanges' Union. Only one or two policemen were hurt.

Without Mercy. Brussels, April 13.—The threatening aspect of a mob near the Maison du Peuple at 11 o'clock last night caused the police and gendarmes to charge it, and the result that five of the demonstrators were wounded. One of the injured men will die. He received a bayonet thrust in the back. Sixteen arrests were made during the course of the evening.

This big casualty list for a comparatively insignificant encounter is taken as evidence that the gendarmes who inflicted the injuries are inclined to handle the groups without mercy.

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SUICIDE OF TORONTO WOMAN

Melancholy Conclusion is Drawn From Cecil Rhodes' Will.

London, April 13.—Ever since the publication of Cecil Rhodes' will the legal fraternity has been scrutinizing its provisions and hunting up authorities to demonstrate that certain of its features are invalid. One prominent King's Counsel summed up the will in this epigrammatic phrase: "It is magnificent, but it is not law." "Why," he said, "the provisions in regard to the Dalham estate carry no weight at all. As a pious expression of opinion should be given to the testator's intentions, but it is a melancholy fact that you and I may, I say may, live to see a loafer loading on Cecil Rhodes' money."

DOMESTIC INFELICITY THE CAUSE

Goldman Gets a Message Conveying the Information of His Wife's Death.

A telegram was received by the local police last night, instructing them to notify H. F. Goldman of the North-west corner of Louisa and Elizabeth streets, of the death of his wife, at Chicago. The message stated that Mrs. Goldman had committed suicide.

A woman reporter went to the address given in the telegram, but could get no reliable information concerning the family, because the place was deserted. Neighbors expressed the belief that, if Mrs. Goldman committed suicide, it was owing to domestic troubles. They had heard of frequent quarrels in the house; the last one, on Thursday evening, when, it is stated, Mr. Goldman locked the door on his wife.

Mr. Goldman conducted a peddler's supply business at the above address, and is reported to be well-to-do. He has one son, who is a peddler. Mrs. Goldman was about 35 years of age. The neighbors also say that Mr. Goldman received a telegram yesterday afternoon, which caused him to leave his home. It is thought that he has gone to Chicago.

SON CAUSED HER DEATH

Chicago, April 13.—Grief over the difficulties in which her son had become involved is believed to have caused Mrs. Fanny Goldman of Toronto, Ont., to end her life to-day at a Madison-street hotel. Mrs. Goldman had been killed herself by first drink, she carbolic acid and then turning on the gas from three jets in the room.

Mrs. Goldman came here last Friday in response to a letter from her son, John, who is in the county jail awaiting removal to the Pontiac Reformatory for violating his parole.

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SIR WILLIAM AT HOME

Montreal, April 13.—Sir William Van Horne returned to-day from New York, and will leave in a few days for Cuba, accompanied by General Manager Clouston of the Bank of Montreal and Mr. R. B. Angus.

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TO-DAY IN TORONTO

North Toronto Conservatives, St. Paul's Hall, 8 p.m.

Special meeting High School Board, 4:30 p.m.

Federated Council Building Trades, Richmond Hall, 8 p.m.

Rev. H. C. Dixon's lecture, "A Story from the Book of War" and "Little Nell," Victoria Hall, 8 p.m.

Masses, Holy Trinity, 10 a.m.

Princess—"Oliver Twist," 8 p.m.

Grand—"Our New Minister," 8 p.m.

Toronto—"Uncle Tom's Cabin," 2 and 8 p.m.

Shed—"Men and Women," 2 and 8 p.m.

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