

AIRSHIP BEST WAY TO POLE

**Captain Baldwin Says
'Twould be Easy
to Fly There**

**Could Get Within 391 Miles
by Land and Fly Rest in
Four Hours.**

Boston, Mass., Nov. 30.—"The safest and easiest way to reach the north pole, and an entirely feasible way is by aeroplane," said Capt. Robert A. Bartlett, of the Peary north pole party, to the members of the Aero Club of New England, at its annual dinner to-night.

Capt. Bartlett said an aeroplane could be taken by land to Cape Jesup, K. Jesup, which is but 391 miles from the pole. With the latest machine this would be but a four hours' flight to the pole. He said the ice would furnish suitable landing places all along the route, but all necessary supplies would have to be carried for the trip to and from the pole.

"The ideal trip," said the speaker, "would be to go from Cape Jesup directly over the pole and land at Cape Cheluskun in Siberia, the latter point, however, being 720 miles beyond the pole. In the summer months of July and August the conditions are perfect for flying and I can see no serious difficulties which might not be worked against."

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AUSTRIA TAKES A HOPEFUL VIEW OF SERVIAN OUTLOOK

Vienna, Dec. 1.—A majority of the Vienna newspapers view the situation more hopefully. Chiefly on account of the report that Russia has given assurances to Austria that she does not intend to support all of Serbia's ambitions. Most of the journals think that the crisis is past, but there is no sign that Serbia has abandoned her attitude on the question of an Adriatic port. The Neue Presse asserts that during the present negotiations Serbia demanded from Turkey the cession of the whole Albanian coast from Montenegro to Durazzo, which the Turkish delegates refused.

Impaired Journals believe that Austria will veto absolutely the acquisition by Serbia of territory on the Albanian coast and a strip through Albania, but will not object to Serbia using an Albanian port under Albanian sovereignty.

NAVAL BILL IN HOUSE ON THURSDAY

**This Regarded as Probable
Unless Liberals Continue
to Obstruct.**

**WILL OPPOSITION
ADOPT RARE COURSE.**

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—Unless the Liberals carry a stop further their recent tactics, with their flavor of obstruction, the Borden naval policy will be announced on Thursday next. The expectation in government circles is that the vote on the amendment moved by Sir Wilfrid will come on Tuesday and that the Mondon amendment will be disposed of on Wednesday. No notice has been given to the government of any further amendments and the present indications are that on Thursday the course will be clear for the naval defence bill. As this is a first reading there should be no difficulty in reaching it at an early hour in the afternoon.

The plan now entertained by the opposition is for Sir Wilfrid Laurier to announce to move the adjournment of the debate. The effect of this, if a postponement of the debate, would be to throw the matter over to Friday. The noteworthy feature of this decision of the opposition is that it means debating the bill on its first reading. This is an exceedingly rare course to pursue.

The autonomy bills of 1905, for example, were given their first reading at once though they were acutely controversial. To debate the measure at an early hour so early in its progress is not to be expected.

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Cincinnati, O., Dec. 1.—John B. (Larry) McLean, former Red catcher, now with the St. Louis Browns, surrendered to the police this afternoon after a warrant had been issued charging him with obtaining money under false pretense. Clifford Lawson, cafe proprietor, alleges that a check upon which he advanced Larry \$50 had been returned by the bank marked "no funds."

While the warrant against Larry was being issued, his brother "Chapman," a professional pool player, was being tried in police court on a charge of picking pockets. The case against "Chapman" will be decided tomorrow.

ADMISTICE WILL BE SIGNED TODAY FOR PROPOSED PEACE WAR

**Will Continue Until
Formal Peace Terms
Are Agreed On**

**ARMIES MUST NOT
BE REINFORCED**

Constantinople, Dec. 1.—The cabinet has approved the protocol of an armistice, which will be signed on Tuesday. An armistice has been signed sanctioning the protocol. Representatives of all the allies will sign with Turkey. It will thus apply not merely to Thessalonica and Adrianople, but to all Turkey in Europe.

The armistice will last as long as the preliminary negotiations for peace continue. It is not to be extended to the territory of the belligerents shall remain exactly as at the time of the signature.

Up to the present there have been no purporters on the subject of the terms of peace. Therefore statements with reference to the fate of Adrianople and the demarcation of new frontiers are unfounded.

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**Members of Triple Alliance
Claim Proposed Conference
of Powers Should be Held in
Neutral City.**

Paris, Dec. 1.—According to information received in official circles in Paris tonight Sir Edward Grey's suggestion for a conference of the Ambassadors to consider the Balkan settlement is meeting with opposition from the members of the triple alliance, who desire that the conference should be held in a neutral city, such as Bern, The Hague, or Brussels, and not in the capital of one of the powers interested. If this objection is maintained, it is considered that it will be difficult to come to an agreement because it is pointed out that "A meeting of the Ambassadors" implies the choice of a capital, where the Ambassadors, already accredited, could represent their governments, whereas the choice of a neutral city would involve the sending of special envoys. This would really be a congress, and then there would be no reason why delegates from the belligerent states as well as from Roumania should not be admitted thereto.

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SMALL BOY KILLS GIUN AT JOGGINS

**Willie Como, 14 Years Old,
Instantly Killed by William
Gray, Another Lad.**

**SHOOTING WAS
ACCIDENTAL.**

Frightened Companion Ran Home and Did Not Tell of Tragedy for Two Hours — Body Was Found.

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Amherst, N. S., Dec. 1.—A shooting accident attended with fatal results occurred at the Joggin Mines yesterday afternoon, between three and four o'clock. The unfortunate victim of the accident was Willie Como, aged 14, son of Thaddeus Como, who with two other lads, Wm. Gray, aged 16 and Geo. Shannon, aged 14, was out shooting in the woods near the Joggin.

The Como lad had just climbed over a fence and was being followed by the Gray and Shannon boys when Gray's gun was accidentally discharged, the whole contents landing in the side of Como's neck, killing him instantly.

Frightened and horrified with the result of the accident, the two boys at once returned to their homes but it was not until two hours elapsed before the Shannon lad told his father of what had happened. A party at once went to the scene of the tragedy and conveyed the body of the boy to his home.

RIVER SEALED AT THE CAPITAL

**Venturesome Boys Skating
Along St. Mary's Shore Yesterday—General News Budget from Provincial Capital.**

Fredericton, Dec. 1.—Bishop Richardson, at the Cathedral this evening, preached a special sermon to the students of the University of New Brunswick who attended the service in a body.

Fredericton St. Andrew's Society will celebrate St. Andrew's day with a smoking concert tomorrow night when Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith will be the orator on the toast to the day and a wha honor it.

Last night's cold snap about sealed the St. John river here. Some daring youths were skating along the St. Mary's shore this afternoon.

The Dominion Immigration office for New Brunswick, which are to be in charge of A. B. Wilmut, will be opened tomorrow. Fine quarters have been fitted up in the Byrne building on Queen street. Walter P. Penney is assistant to Mr. Wilmut and thus far the work has been carried on in temporary quarters. The new offices are on the ground floor and in a fine location directly opposite the post office.

The game receipts for the last fiscal year passed the \$51,000 mark, a new record.

A shipment of nine horses, trotters and pacers, from Indiana, arrived on Saturday in charge of Thomas Raymond and W. A. Clark. There are two by the Patchen Boy, the sire of Frank Patch (2134), a green pacer by New Richmond, and several from the Gill farm at Ladoga, Ind., where Miss Letha (2144) was bred. One of the lot is Stella Jewett a full sister to Miss Letha which was imported by John E. Sullivan of the Queen Hotel, and formerly of St. John.

Yesterday was the last day for applications of candidates for the Rhodes Scholar to be elected at the U. N. B. this month. There were no new applications on the last day, the list remaining as already published.

SLOSSON BEATS THE JAP.

New York, Nov. 30.—George F. Slosson, of New York, defeated Katji Yamada, of Japan, 2,400 to 1,814 in a six night special match at 152 baize line billiards, which concluded tonight. Slosson with a grand average of 15, made high runs of 105 and 79. Yamada's high runs were 108 and 50.

NOTED DIVINE DEAD.

New York, Nov. 30.—The Rev. Dr. Robert Collyer, Pastor Emeritus of the Church of Messiah, widely known Unitarian divine, died shortly before midnight tonight at his home here, aged eighty-nine years.

ENGLAND BEGINNING TO THINK

**Recent Events Tend to
Compulsory Military
Service**

**Viscount Haldane and Lord
Roberts Clash Over Terri-
torial Force.**

London, Dec. 1.—The threat that Great Britain may be involved in the death struggle for European supremacy and the object lesson of great armies quickly mobilized by little states, have given great impetus to the movement for compulsory military service. Several unscrupulous leaders have been agitating for this for the past year.

Field Marshal Lord Roberts has become the storm centre of a bitter controversy. In a speech early in the week he declared that the territorial force, which in England is the second line of defence, was a total failure, that it was more than 50,000 short of its nominal strength, and was largely composed of youths. He invited the officers to consider that it does not satisfy the country's vital needs.

Viscount Haldane, the former secretary of war, who is the father of the scheme, replied that Lord Roberts was a great soldier but failed to grasp the problems of statecraft involved.

The Liberal party generally opposes increased military expenditure. The report that the Indian princes are making a great naval contribution to Great Britain, the press apparently is only under discussion.

The Conservative project calls it with a salvo of praise, but the Liberal press shows lukewarmness, particularly if it should involve increased taxation to the Indian princes.

CARNEGIE SAYS MR. BRYCE PROVED MONROE DOCTRINE

**New York, Nov. 30.—Referring to
James Bryce retiring British Ambassa-
dor to the United States as "inter-
national asset whose position towards
both England and the United States
justifies him in tendering advice to
both," Andrew Carnegie in a speech
before the St. Andrew's Society of
New York State tonight urged wide-
spread reading of Ambassador Bryce's
writings on the South American re-
publics. These revealed the vital fact
that the celebrated Storoos doctrine
has accomplished its mission, declared
Mr. Carnegie, with 40,000,000 of
people the South American republics
proclaim themselves quite able to pre-
vent European powers from acquiring
territory on their part of the hemis-
phere.**

JUDGE TEETZEL SERIOUSLY ILL

Ontario, Dec. 1.—Mr. Justice Teetzel, of Toronto, who arrived from Europe last night on the steamship Minnawaska, left tonight for Toronto in charge of a trained nurse who accompanied the judge from England. The Ontario jurist left home some months ago with Mrs. Teetzel for a pleasure trip to England and the continent of Europe. He was stricken with a malady which rendered a surgical operation imperative and the surgeons in London put him under the knife. He rallied sufficiently to allow him to start for home, but Mrs. Teetzel, as a matter of precaution, brought a trained nurse along. The stormy nine days' trip caused a setback in the judge's condition and when the Minnawaska arrived last night he was carried ashore on a stretcher and taken to Hotel Manhattan.

SUDDEN DEATH AT GLACE BAY.

Special to The Standard.
Halifax, Dec. 1.—The death has occurred suddenly at Glace Bay, N. S., of Philip, a Japanese impersonator. He had been in New York, but is a native of Nova Scotia, her name being Mrs. D. Bowen Cooke.

AN OPEN LETTER TO SIR WILFRID LAURIER

**Leading Liberal Journal Urges Him to Rise
Above Party Politics and Accept Mr. Bor-
den's Naval Policy.**

In a notable epistle to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, prominently displayed on its first page, the well known Liberal Journal the Montreal Herald, appeals to the leader of the opposition to accept the naval policy of Mr. Borden, and avoid the risks, national and political, that may flow from a divided house and a divided country. The Herald bases its appeal to have the naval question raised above party politics on the belief that the people realize "that the hour has struck when the unity of the Empire should be made manifest to the world, and that whatever Canada may do for Empire defence should be done not gradually nor of necessity, but willingly and untidely.

Evidently the Liberal Journal has a lively fear that opposition to Mr. Borden's naval proposals on the part of Sir Wilfrid would have a disastrous effect upon the fortunes of the party; but that does not detract from the spirit of genuine concern for the unity of the nation, the desire to have Canada stand a united front, that seems to dictate the appeal.

The epistle is as follows:
To Sir Wilfrid Laurier,
Leader of His Majesty's Loyal Opposition,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir Wilfrid,—
Will you permit a friendly journal, which was able to endorse most of your administrative acts as leader of the Opposition, to express an opinion as to the course which you, as leader of the Opposition, should follow in the matter of the forthcoming naval proposals?

Mr. Borden has taken upon himself the responsibility of abandoning the policy enunciated by you in 1905, and at that time adhered to by him.

Why Not Leave This Responsibility Upon Him?

Mr. Borden has been in London. He has conferred with the Admiralty and the Government. He is about to submit proposals based on the information he has obtained. He will assume the responsibility of averring that there exists an emergency which justifies these proposals.

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Mr. Borden is in danger of conveying to the world an impression that the Imperial authorities are so apprehensive of the growth of one nation's armaments, that they are impelled to cry to the over-seas Dominions for assistance. Knowing this, it seems prepared to take the responsibility of making his proposals.

It appears to us that this would be very inconsistent with this principle of party. The people of the Dominion desire to take their fair share of the work of defending their coasts and the coasts of the Empire. It is highly probable that the majority of them are content to let the Empire's fighting strength be in Canadian-built and Canadian-controlled ships, for the sake of the Empire's unity.

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BOYS AND OLD MEN IN RANKS OFF HALIFAX

**Bulgaria Has About Reached
End of Her Resources—
Armies Before Constanti-
nople "Fought Out."**

London, Nov. 30.—While the danger that the belligerents may fail to settle their differences, and hostilities may be resumed after the period of negotiations, looms large, the fact that the armies before Constantinople have practically reached a deadlock is the strongest force making for peace.

All the experts consider that it would be almost impossible for the allies to break the Thessalonian works, while it would be equally impossible for the Turks to succeed in an offensive movement.

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STEAMER RIVER MEANDER SPRUNG A LEAK—CAPTAIN AND 31 MEN BROUGHT INTO HALIFAX.

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Halifax, Dec. 1.—Capt. McCreor and crew of 31, belonging to the steamer River Meander, were brought into Halifax harbor tonight by the steamer Ikal.

The River Meander which was bound from New York for the Mediterranean, encountered the fierce gale of last Thursday and sprang a leak. The pumps could not keep pace with the rushing water, and it was seen next day that she could not be kept afloat. Distress signals were hoisted. On the afternoon of Friday the Ikal came in sight, responded to the distress signals, and took off the crew. It was not believed when she was abandoned that the Meander could remain afloat more than a couple of hours.

The rescued crew are Greeks. The River Meander left New York on Nov. 25, and the Ikal was on a voyage from Newport News for Liverpool. The River Meander was formerly the Bardonia. She was abandoned 300 miles off Halifax.

HOBOKEN HAS BIG BLAZE.

New York, Nov. 30.—Fire that threatened for a time today the outfit factory section of Hoboken, burned out the big piano case factory of John Fontaine and damaged several smaller buildings, causing a loss estimated at \$200,000. Jersey City firemen were called to assist fighting the flames and helped prevent their further spread. No one was injured.

WINNIPEG'S GROWTH.

Winnipeg, Dec. 1.—Building permits since Jan. 1, passed the twenty million dollar mark Saturday, and the total now stands at \$20,000,000.

TWO CHILDREN DROWNED THROUGH OTTAWA ICE.

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—Harold, aged five years, and Albert, aged three years, the two only children of Lewis J. Turner, a Grand Trunk Railway engineer, residing at 53 Waverly street, broke through the ice and were drowned in Rideau canal Saturday afternoon.

PELL 2,000 FEET TO DEATH.

Jackonville, Fla., Dec. 1.—Richard Frayne, an aeronaut, fell 2,000 feet here this afternoon. He was instantly killed. Three thousand people witnessed the accident.