

FRENCH FLEET SAILS FOR VENEZUELA TO PUNISH BELLIGERENT MR. CASTRO

Powerful Squadron to Concentrate at West Indies and Blockade Venezuelan Ports Unless Amends Are Made for Insult to French Agent.

Paris, Oct. 17.—The departure of the armored cruiser Desaix from Cherbourg yesterday for the island of Martinique, French West Indies, indicates that France is making preparations for handling the Venezuelan question with a strong hand if President Castro persists in his present course.

The Desaix will stop at Brest, where she will be joined by the cruisers Lavoisier and Chasseloup Laubat. The three warships will proceed together to the French West Indies, joining the cruisers Jurien De La Gravière and Troude, now at Martinique. This will

give the division five ships under Admiral Revoe De Lapeyere. These preparations are precautionary, as the officials here are still hopeful that President Castro will make suitable amends. Therefore, no orders have been issued concerning the nature of ultimate naval action against Venezuela, as these await the assembling of the ships, and the result of the diplomatic negotiations. There is no desire here to have the assembling of the warships taken as a menace. On the contrary, the French authorities are confident of the announcement of their final plans until President Castro's

protracted inaction shows he is not willing to make any amends. It is pointed out that President Castro's withdrawal of his offensive action towards Mr. Taigny, the French charge d'affaires, and the presentation of a suitable explanation would avert the necessity of France adopting stronger means of persuasion. The duration of the voyage to Fort de France will be about two weeks. Therefore, time remains for President Castro to make explanations. It is understood that the demonstration if finally resorted to, will take the form of a blockade of Venezuelan ports.

BRITISH OFFICERS KIDNAPPED BY MOROCCAN TRIBESMEN

HELD FOR RANSOM AND RELIEF OF BRIGAND CHIEF

Tangier, Morocco, Oct. 17.—Two British marine officers have been captured and carried off by the Anjoria tribe, while returning to Ceuta, from the British repair ship Assistance, recently wrecked in Tetuan Bay. They are John E. Crowther and Lieut. Edward A. S. Hutton, of the Royal Marines. They had an escort of 21 foot tribesmen and were attacked by half a dozen Anjoria under a brother of Valiente, the brigand chief, who was recently arrested at Tangier. The Rifles and the two officers were overpowered. The same band lately assassinated the governor of Ceuta and his son. The minister of foreign affairs, Mohammed El Torres, has dispatched couriers to ascertain the whereabouts of the captured officers and open negotiations with their captors, whose object supposedly is to secure a ransom and the release of Valiente, who is now imprisoned at Fez.

London, Oct. 17.—The British Foreign Office has sent instructions to its minister at Morocco to take the most energetic measures in regard to the capture of two officers of the Royal Marines by tribesmen. As several British warships are already off the Moroccan coast in connection with the wreck of the repair ship Assistance, in Tetuan Bay, there is plenty of force available to impress the Moorish authorities with the necessity for prompt redress.

USING DOUBLE TRACK

G. T. R. Freights Now Running Over New Line West of Komoka.

The Grand Trunk has started to use the new double track between Kingscourt Junction and Komoka for freight trains.

The track is in pretty good condition, but for some time yet it will not be used for passenger trains.

The grading between Hyde Park and Komoka is completed, but the ballasting has to be done, and until this is accomplished the track will not be used for any class of traffic.

With the line in use as far east as Hyde Park it will mean that the Grand Trunk will be providing a double track through from Montreal to Chicago.

Pistol Duel to the Death.

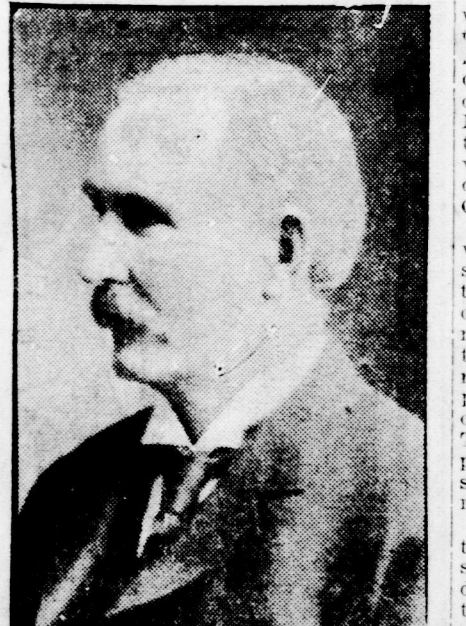
Thiule, Miss., Oct. 17.—In a pistol duel last night, W. A. Spramin and Jack Glenn, well-known traveling men, met death. Spramin, it is claimed, accused Glenn of cheating in a game of cards. Later the men met on the street, and both began firing. Glenn was struck by four bullets, and Spramin also received a death wound. Glenn represented a Greenwood music house, and Spramin a travel agency for a drill company of Memphis.

ONTARIO AND QUEBEC BAPTISTS IN ANNUAL CONVENTION HERE

Elloquent Address at Opening Meeting by the Hon. Mr. Dryden.

The annual convention of the Baptist Association of Ontario and Quebec opened in the Talbot Street Church last night with the retiring president, Hon. John Dryden, in the chair, while the body of the church was well filled with delegates and their friends. Many of the most prominent men in Baptist circles in Canada were present.

The session was opened by the read-



THE HON. JOHN DRYDEN, Who delivered an eloquent address before the Baptist Convention.

ing of the first chapter of Revelations by Rev. J. E. Hawkins, B.A., of St. George, after which Rev. J. C. Ross led in prayer. The appointment of a nominating committee was at once proceeded with. The following were appointed scrutineers: Revs. J. C. Sym-

C. H. Emerson, sen., Burlington; W. A. Gorton, Wallaceburg; D. C. Elliot, Stratford; James McEwen, B.H., Windsor; Bros. A. McNeen, Windsor; D. Bentler, Montreal.

A nominating committee was appointed as follows: Revs. A. N. Pratt, Smith's Falls; T. B. Brown, Sherbrooke; Que. G. I. Burns, Gladstone; L. H. Thompson, Guelph; J. J. Ross, London; Charles Bradford, Hamilton; F. C. Elliot, Waterloo; E. W. Kipp, B.A., Stratford; W. W. McMaster, B.A., Ottawa; L. McKinnon, Peterborough; J. B. Kennedy, M.A., Toronto; A. B. Clark, Claremont; J. W. Gregory, Kitchener; Bros. J. Fisher, Wingham, and C. Cook, Brantford.

The President's Address.

While the nominating committee was preparing a slate to submit to the convention, John Dryden, the retiring president, delivered an eloquent address on "The Responsibility of the Christian in the Development of National Character." The subject of the address was a very happy one, in view of the present wonderful growth of this country, and the part that Christians should take therein. The speaker referred briefly to the wonderful progress of the country in scientific knowledge. The telephone, telegraph, cables, electricity used in other ways, the rush of traffic of the nation, banks, schools, institutions, all testified to the nation's advancement materially, yet with all this whirl of progress, it was very doubtful if the church was advancing proportionately. The church, unlike the country, depended on the old-fashioned method of steady growth and natural development.

Canadian institutions were the freest to be found in the world, and Canadian sentiment was firm and steady. Canadians were loyal to their mother country, and they demand a proper observance of the laws of the land. The influx of many nationalities should not be allowed to affect these qualities of the Canadians. There should not be too great a demand for statute laws, but high and devout convictions should be inculcated into the minds and hearts of the people. It was the church's duty to accept the responsibility of instilling these proper ideals.

The immediate need of work in the church was never more apparent than

TEACHERS WIN BIG SUIT

New York Must Pay Back Salaries to Extent of \$2,000,000.

New York, Oct. 17.—Judge Gaynor, in the supreme court, Brooklyn, yesterday gave judgment to 3,334 Brooklyn school teachers in a suit they had brought against the board of education and New York city to recover back salaries due under what is known as the Pettit schedule. A sum approximating \$2,000,000 is involved in the litigation. The increase sued for was granted just before the Greater New York consolidation, and the hitch in payment resulted in the merging of the borough boards.

SUBMARINE IN PERIL

Crew Have Narrow Escape From Death While at Practice.

Portsmouth, Eng., Oct. 17.—The crew of sixteen men on board submarine boat No. 4 had a remarkably narrow escape yesterday. The boat was engaged in diving practice off Spithead, and was submerged, when water leaked through the exhaust pipe and caused an accumulation of gas. A slight explosion followed, damaging the machinery. The crew, however, managed to raise the vessel, which came up stern first. A Government tug near by went to her assistance, and the boat and crew were towed in to the harbor for repairs.

BADE FAREWELL TO SIR WM. MULOCK

Employees of Government Departments Present Him With an Address.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Oct. 17.—At 2 o'clock this afternoon Sir William Mulock said farewell to the employees of the post-office department, the mail service and the labor department. Sir William, leaving over his old desk, which he shared with the Premier, replied to the farewell addresses which were presented him.

The address from the postoffice department referred to the postal reform which Sir William accomplished as well as placing the department on a self-sustaining basis.

"In our dealings with you," said the address, "we found you kindly and considerate. You have worked constantly for the betterment of the condition of the employees, not only of the postoffice department, but of the service at large."

BAIL TO BE ALLOWED

For Ingersoll Men Held for Death of Isiah Wright.

Woodstock, Ont., Oct. 17.—The Messrs. J. H. and J. C. Hegler, of Ingersoll, notified the jail authorities here yesterday that they had succeeded in arranging bail for the four prisoners from Ingersoll now in the custody of Governor Cameron in connection with the mysterious death in Ingersoll some time ago of Isiah Wright, the colored man, whose body was found in the Thames River near the Wingham street bridge after a drunken orgy. The evidence adduced at the preliminary hearing was such as to warrant the commitment of the men for trial, and they were brought to the jail here to await the sitting of the next court of competent jurisdiction, which it was expected would be held in a few days. It was feared that it would be impossible to get bail for the men, in view of the remarks of Judge McMahon, who said in accord with the granting of bail to Mrs. Kyle. However, the matter has been arranged, and the men will probably return to their homes in Ingersoll today. Some well-known Ingersoll men are said to have gone on the bail bonds.

Big Gale in North Sea.

Hamburg, Oct. 17.—A terrific north-west storm, accompanied by rain and hail, has been raging in the North Sea for four days. Many vessels have foundered or been damaged, and 25 sailors are known to be lost.

Killed by Express.

Strathroy, Oct. 16.—While the fast express was nearing Strathroy this afternoon about 3:30, the train struck Edward Jervis, who was endeavoring to cross ahead of the train. He was instantly killed. Jervis was quite a large, well worker and leaves quite a large family. Dr. Thompson viewed the re-

NORWEGIANS MAKE NORTHWEST PASSAGE

New Bedford, Mass., Oct. 17.—The whaling schooner Era arrived in port yesterday from Hudson Bay, after a two-season stay, with 7,500 pounds of whalebone. She reports that the Norwegian Arctic exploring expedition was successful in making the northwest passage. Captain Corner basing his statement on a letter he had from Commander Amundsen of the sloop Gjoa, who was at that time (April 22), in King William's Land.

The natives reported that the Norwegians had made the passage, and the commander himself later sent word that the Gjoa would work her way out to Behring Strait during the summer.

DEPORTATION OF ALIENS

Lemieux to Represent Crown in the Pere Marquette Appeal.

Ottawa, Oct. 17.—Hon. R. Lemieux, the solicitor-general, will appear before a committee of the Privy Council shortly on behalf of the Dominion, in the appealed case arising out of the deportation of Pere Marquette Railway officials, under the alien labor act. The matter is a result from the decision of Mr. Justice Anglin.

THE QUIET LIFE FOR CYRIL

Exiled Russian Grand Duke to Be a Country Gentleman.

Coburg, Duchy of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Oct. 17.—The marriage of the Grand Duke Cyril of Russia, and Princess Victoria Melita, on Oct. 8 at Tegernsee, Upper Bavaria, according to the Russian papers, was formally announced today. The Grand Duke is arranging to buy the estate near here some name distinguished, and he is said to live the simple life of a country gentleman.

SUBMARINE EARTHQUAKE

Dead Fish Strawn for Miles Along Beach of Gulf Coast.

Houston, Tex., Oct. 17.—Advises from the Gulf coast indicate that a beach for a hundred miles is strewn with dead fish, which have been cast up by the waves during the last two days. It is believed that they were washed in from out at sea, and that their death was due to some marine disturbance. The incident has caused the huge waste which swept the beach at Galveston last week, dealing death to a number of persons.

LOAN COMPANIES AGREE ON TERMS

Huron and Erie and Canadian Savings Will Now Submit Them to Shareholders.

The directors of the Huron and Erie and the Canadian Savings and Loan companies met last night and took another step in the direction of the amalgamation of the two companies. The terms of the proposed union were agreed upon, and will now be submitted to the shareholders of the companies for approval. Under the arrangement, the shareholders of the Huron and Erie will receive the same dividend as last year, viz.: 7 per cent and 6 per cent, respectively, and in the amalgamation to be carried out, the 1st of January, 1906, the stock of the Canadian will be taken at 100, the Huron and Erie at 184.

Struck by Express.

Strathroy, Ont., Oct. 17.—Mr. Edward Jervis, an old resident of Strathroy, was walking on the track west of the Grand Trunk station, was struck by an east-bound express yesterday afternoon and instantly killed.

Deceased had strolled up the track, and, being very old, was unable to get out of the way of the approaching train.

He leaves a widow and six children.

May Call at Dover.

Plymouth, England, Oct. 17.—The North German Lloyd Steamship Company, it is said, is contemplating abandonment of its Dover service, and is calling at Dover for the last time, as it is to be discontinued.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow - Cool and Showery.

London, Tuesday, Oct. 17. Sun rises, 6:43 a.m.; Moon rises, 8:18 p.m. Sun sets, 5:32 p.m.; Moon sets, 10:35 a.m. Toronto, Oct. 16-8 p.m.

There are indications this evening of the approach of a pronounced cold wave from the Northwest Province. The weather has been generally fair today in Canada, a few scattered showers only.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 4-16; Atlin, 18-29; Port Simpson, 34-40; Victoria, 48-54; Vancouver, 52-57; Kamloops, 22-46; Calgary, 20-46; Edmonton, 4-16; Qu'Appelle, 26-48; Winnipeg, 24-48; Brandon, 24-48; Regina, 24-48; Saskatoon, 24-48; Toronto, 50-56; Ottawa, 50-58; Montreal, 48-52; Quebec, 44-56; St. John, 50-58; Halifax, 50-58.

FORECASTS.

Today—East and southeast winds; rain tonight. Tuesday—Easterly winds; showers. Wednesday—Easterly winds; showers.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Max.	Weather.
Calgary	4	12	28	Snow
Winnipeg	2	26	36	Rain
Regina	4	26	36	Rain
Toronto	4	26	36	Fair
Ottawa	4	26	36	Fair
Montreal	4	26	36	Fair
Quebec	4	26	36	Fair
St. John	4	26	36	Fair
Halifax	4	26	36	Fair

CARNEGIE OFFERS A PEACE PLAN

Says Three Nations Together Could Banish War.

NAMES BRITAIN, FRANCE, U. S.

Would Have All Nations Arbitrate Differences on Pain of Losing International Intercourse.

London, Oct. 17.—Five nations or even three banded together in a league of peace and inviting all other nations to join them, could banish all war in the future. This opinion was expressed today by Andrew Carnegie in his rectorial address to the students in the University of St. Andrew's, Scotland. In outlining the plan for the league of peace, Mr. Carnegie said:

"If the principal European nations were not free through conscription from the military authorities of Britain, the lack of sufficient numbers willing to enter the man-slaying profession, we should be able to hear the demand formulated for a league of peace among the nations. Five nations co-operated in quelling the recent Chinese disorders and rescuing their representatives in Peking. It is perfectly clear that five nations could banish war. Suppose even three of them formed a league of peace, inviting all others to join, and agreed that since war in the civilized world affects all nations, and disputes to the Hague conference or other arbitral boards for peaceful settlement, the league agreeing to refuse compliance, imagine a nation cut off today from the world. The league also might reserve to itself the right, when non-intercourse is likely to fail, or has failed to prevent war, to use the necessary force to maintain peace, each member of the league money in lieu of the other, in proportion to her population and wealth."

The Emperor of Russia called The Hague conference which gave us an international tribunal. Were King Edward or the Emperor of Germany or the President of France, acting for the rest, to invite the nations to send their representatives to consider the wisdom of forming such a league, the invitation no doubt would be responded to, and probably prove successful.

"The number that would gladly join such a league would be great, for the smaller nations would welcome the opportunity."

The relations between Britain, France and the United States today are so close, their aims so similar, their territory defined, and fields of operation so clearly defined, and so different, that these powers might properly unite in inviting other nations to consider the question of such a league as has been sketched out by their rulers, for all the motives of hastening the end of war, this appears to be the easiest and best.

We have no reason to doubt that their representatives to consider the elements required finally to lead us to peace. The number that would gladly join such a league would be great, for the smaller nations would welcome the opportunity."

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Commissioners Favor Plan To Spend Quarter Million

And Ask Council to Take Vote of the People On It—No River Water.

The board of water commissioners, at its regular meeting yesterday afternoon, took a very important step in the direction of increasing the city's water supply, when it adopted a resolution recommending the council to take a vote of the people on a scheme involving an outlay of a quarter of a million dollars.

The plan has nothing whatever to do with river water, the commissioners feeling that a proposal to draw on the Thames for a supply would be snowed under. It included the laying of a new main and the purchase of additional lands in the vicinity of Springbank Park, an evidence that the board thinks there is still available there much water that is at present going to waste.

The board's resolution read as follows: "That this board recommend to the city council that debentures be issued by the city to raise sufficient money to be paid the commission for the following works, which this board recommends be done for the improvement of the waterworks system:

"1. The construction of a second main to connect the reservoir at Springbank with the mains in the center of the city.

"2. Acquiring the necessary property for an additional supply of spring water, collecting and conveying the water so acquired to the pumping station at Springbank and the other work incidental thereto.

"3. Purchasing the necessary pipe and laying additional mains where required throughout the city."

The pumping engineer's report showed a daily average of 3,449,673 gallons per day, and an average depth of water in the reservoir of about 12 feet.

The members of the board present were: Commissioner J. W. Campbell, Secretary Ellwood and Engineer Moore.

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Engineer Moore, of the waterworks department, had prepared an estimate of the cost of the scheme, which he placed as follows:

New main	\$100,000
Additional lands	106,500
Additional city mains	45,000
Total	\$251,500

The recommendation went through without objection. At the council meeting, in the evening, the resolution was referred to the city solicitor, with instructions to prepare a bylaw.

Other Business.

The motion of the previous meeting leasing the Springbank pavilion to Mr. Lowry was rescinded, and a new motion, making the lease good for five years instead of three, was passed. That will make four years after the present lease would expire.

J. G. Dodd & Son wrote complaining of the charge made for water not used by them, as the tenant of the house had moved, and had used only one month's water. The firm were instructed to get separate stop-cocks, and the difficulty would be avoided.

The board received instructions to place two new hydrants near the Columbus Handle Works. The matter was referred to the engineer, with instructions to confer with the fire chief as to location, etc.

The application of Mr. Kipp for a water service on Wharfedale road, was left over until next year.

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