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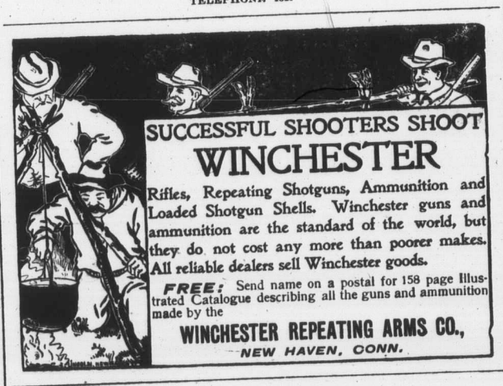

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GERMANY HAS WARNED KRUGER

Ministers Are Busy in London—Lord Wolseley at the War Office—Mr. Conyngham Greene Afraid of Dynamite—Long Despatches Sent to Lord Curzon and Sir Alfred Milner.

Pretoria, Sept. 19.—The Volksraad yesterday re-adopted the mining article in the gold law, eliminated last year, empowering the Government to confiscate the claims and mines belonging to people convicted of treason or conspiracy against the state, and empowering the Government to order that the mines be worked, and if this instruction is disregarded to work them through its own agents. The re-adopted article comes into force immediately.

The Transvaal State Secretary, Mr. F. W. Reitz, in the course of an interview yesterday, declared that the Government, the Volksraad and the people were unanimous regarding the attitude which the Transvaal has assumed and that there was no foundation whatever for the reports of differences. Mr. Reitz also asserted that the Transvaal's decision was arrived at in conjunction with the Orange Free State.

Germany Warns Kruger.

Berlin, Sept. 19.—The Associated Press learns authoritatively that the German Government has emphatically informed President Kruger to expect no assistance in the event of war with Great Britain, and that the German consuls in the Transvaal have been instructed to inform Germans who volunteer their help that they will be aiding President Kruger at their own risk.

MARKETS FLAT AND WEAK.

Financial Men Now Regard Transvaal War as Certain.

London, Sept. 19.—There was universal flatness in the markets here yesterday, especially in the first hour and they closed weak, with small recovery. The Transvaal war is now regarded as certain, the only question being, will the Orange Free State join in it? Consols fell 7-16 Americans opened ½ under parity and weakened all day, closing at the worst on monetary apprehensions.

Mr. Chamberlain came to London from Birmingham yesterday afternoon and spent the evening at the Colonial Office. While there he received a despatch from Lord Salisbury, who is at Hatfield House, and sent a special messenger with despatches to the Premier. There has been a lively interchange of despatches between the Foreign, War and Colonial Offices, but no summons has yet been issued for a Cabinet Council. Long despatches were sent last evening to the Viceroy of India, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, and to the British High Commissioner in South Africa, Sir Alfred Milner.

Gen. Lord Garnet Wolseley, Field Marshal and Commander-in-Chief, returned to London yesterday, and immediately repaired to the War Office, where he remained busily employed the greater part of the day.

The Cape Town correspondent of The Daily Chronicle says: It is reported here that Mr. Conyngham Green, English diplomatic agent at Pretoria, fears that an attempt will be made to dynamite the British agency.

The special despatches from South Africa confirm the report telegraphed yesterday that the Boers are massing artillery in positions commanding Laing's Neck. Small Boer detachments occupy positions above Buffalo river.

The members of the Afrikander Bund in Cape Town intend to convene the Bund in Congress to consider the situation. A Bloemfontein paper reports the dismissal of several Englishmen from the Bloemfontein police force, because of their refusal to promise to serve on the command.

FRENCH POLITICIANS ON TRIAL.

Conspirators in Paris Before the Senate High Court of Justice.

Paris, Sept. 19.—The Senate met as a High Court of Justice yesterday at 2 p.m., for the purpose of trying 22 politicians, including MM. de Donicourt, Deroulede, Marcel-Habert, Thiebaud, Baron de Vaux and Jules Guerin, on the charge of conspiring against the Government.

The Procurator-General, M. Bernard, read the long indictment, which lasted from 2.25 till 3.40 p.m., when the Senate entered into secret session to discuss the indictment and determine the questions relating to the preliminary enquiry, which is to be ordered. The Senate will probably reassemble at about 6 p.m., and announce its decisions. It will then adjourn until the conclusion of the enquiry, perhaps a month hence.

The Senate at 7 p.m. last night was still debating. It was then understood the Senators had agreed to grant the application that the prisoners be represented before the Parliamentary enquiry by counsel. This was a point the prisoners considered most important to them. The Senators then discussed whether they were competent to sit as a High Court and try the case.

The most rigorous precautions were taken for the safety of the Senate building.

Mme. Dreyfus and Children.

London, Sept. 19.—It is reported that Maitre Labori and Mme. Dreyfus visited Folkestone, five miles from Dover, Saturday and engaged apartments, where Madame Dreyfus and her children will dwell in the event of her husband's pardon. M. Labori was much affected by the kindly expressions toward himself and Capt. Dreyfus while at Folkestone.

CONVICTS FIGHT.

Charles Murphy Attacked a Fellow-Convict in the Kingston Penitentiary, Which Led to General Row.

Kingston, Ont., Sept. 19.—It was learned yesterday that a disgraceful fight took place between convicts in the Kingston penitentiary Friday afternoon. Charles Murphy, alias John Troy, murderer of Angus McLeod, Napanee, attacked a fellow-convict named William Phillips, sentenced from Kingston. Keepers separated them. John Doe, convicted at Moncton, N.B., for complicity in the murder of Policeman Steadman, informed the guards that Troy would not be so troublesome were it not for the fact that he was being backed up by Charles Hughbanks, a huge negro. The last named overheard Doe's remarks, and challenged him to fight. They repaired to an unfrequented part of the prison yard, where they had it out. Doe got the better of the negro, and was pummelling him on the ground when guards separated them. Phillips interfered on Doe's behalf, and was attacked by Elmer Bidell, another Kingston convict, and badly punished. An Indian named Dogair assisted in punishing Phillips. The officers had great difficulty in separating the men and restoring quiet. Only a few days ago the cells were searched, and a long-bladed knife was found in that occupied by the negro, Hughbanks.

Mackie Goes to Cobourg.

Robert Mackie, serving a 10-year term in Kingston penitentiary for complicity in the Napanee bank robbery, will be taken to Cobourg at 9 o'clock to-day, to give evidence in the Ponton trial.

YANKEE CHASED BRITISHER.

The Pampango Fired Three Shots, But Afterwards Apologised.

Hongkong, Sept. 19.—The American gunboat Pampango has chased the British steamer Yuen Sang from Manila to Hongkong. The gunboat sighted the steamer during the night of Sept. 13, about 30 miles off the north coast of the island of Luzon, and suspected that she was a filibuster.

Fired Three Shots.

The Pampango fired three shots, which the Yuen Sang disregarded until the third shell exploded near her. She then stopped, and the commander of the gunboat boarded the Yuen Sang, found he had made a mistake and apologized.

A Little Bit Fresh.

An American gunboat, name unknown, followed the British steamer Diamte, bound from Manila to Hongkong. The warship sighted the steamer in Subig Bay during the night of Sept. 16, and whistled signals to stop. The signals were disregarded, and the gunboat ran alongside the Diamte, getting so close that her guns tore away the Diamte's outrigging. Her passengers were thrown into a panic. The gunboat, on learning the identity of the steamer, sheered off.

British Warships Reached Montreal.

Montreal, Sept. 19.—Admiral Sir Frederick Bedford, Commander-in-Chief of the British North America and West Indies squadron, which, with the exception of the flagship, the Crescent, is now here, arrived here yesterday afternoon. The Admiral, who is accompanied by Lady Bedford and his private secretary, will spend to-day in Montreal, and at night will proceed to Niagara Falls and rejoin the squadron here towards the end of the week. The war vessels Talbot, Pearl, Psyche and Quail arrived in Montreal at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Admiral Sir Frederick Bedford has transferred his flag to the Talbot for the visit to Montreal.

Mellroy Reported Dying.

Hamilton, Sept. 19.—Owen McIlroy, the man who was roughly used at the G.T.R. depot last week, was reported dying at the General Hospital yesterday afternoon, and Magistrate Jelfs went there and took his deposition. Immediately afterwards warrants were issued for the arrest of Robert Gray, station master, and John Hammil, yardmaster, on a charge of aggravated assault. J. V. Teetzel was engaged as counsel, but was unable to get them admitted to bail. Last evening the prisoners were removed to the jail.

Money for Ponton's Defence.

Toronto, Sept. 19—Deputy Attorney-General Cartwright was seen yesterday in regard to the statement that the Government had not kept its promise to pay the costs of Ponton's defence. He said that he thought there had been a little misunderstanding in the matter, for he understood that the balance of the money had been placed in the hands of the sheriff of the county. At any rate the promise made by Premier Hardy would be fully carried out.

Serious Blaze at York.

York, Haldimand County, Ont., Sept. 19.—Early Saturday morning fire broke out in the Masonic building and destroyed it, with all its contents, also the household goods of William Oxford, who lived downstairs. Then it spread to the two adjoining buildings, James Lawrence's Hotel on one side and the store and dwelling owned and occupied by S. A. Nelles on the other, destroying both, with some of their contents.

Otis' Dog-in-the-Manger Policy.

London, Sept. 19.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Hongkong says advices from Manila announce that Aguinaldo is willing to release all the sick and civilian Spanish prisoners, but it is added Major-General Otis refuses to allow Spanish vessels to proceed to Filipino ports to receive them.

McWhirrell Dying of Consumption.

Kingston, Sept. 19.—Convict McWhirrell is said to be in a low condition in the penitentiary hospital. He is a consumptive.

SUICIDES.

Samuel Simpson committed suicide by hanging himself in Toronto on Thursday afternoon. Simpson was 82 years of age, and leaves a widow and one child, whom he left a year and a half ago. Drink is supposed to have been the cause.

SPORTING.

The open golf championship of the United States was won on Friday by Willie Smith of the Midlothian Club, Chicago, with a total for the 72 holes of 315 strokes, after two days of hard play at Baltimore.

FOR MEN OF WAR.

The German cruiser Condor has arrived at Lorenzo Marquez, Delagoa Bay.

The United States protected cruiser Charleston began a heavy bombardment of the fort on Subig Bay Thursday. Little damage was done.

THE FIRE RECORD.

The Brockville corporation stables and their contents have been totally destroyed by fire. The horses were saved with great difficulty. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

THE EAST ELGIN CASE

An Appeal Against the Trial Judge's Decision.

COURT RESERVES JUDGMENT.

Mr. Aylesworth Argues That Agency as Well as Bribery Was Established at the Trial—Strong Particulars Upon Which He Based His Argument—The Agency of William Luton.

Toronto, Sept. 19.—The hearing of the East Elgin election appeal commenced yesterday by the Court of Appeal. All the judges composing the court were present, with the exception of Mr. Justice Osler, who, as one of the trial judges at the trial, could not sit at the hearing of the appeal. The appellant is Matthew Easton and the respondent C. W. Brower. Messrs. A. B. Aylesworth, Q.C., and R. A. Grant were counsel for the petitioner, while Messrs. Wallace Nesbitt and J. D. Falconbridge are acting for Mr. Brower.

Brower Elected March, 1898.

The respondent was declared elected for East Elgin at the Provincial elections on March 1st, 1898, by a majority of 29 over the Liberal candidate, Mr. Daniel McIntyre. A petition was entered against the former's return, and on Nov. 28th last the trial came off before Hon. Justices Osler and MacMahon, and on several charges judgment was reserved, until Dec. 7th. It was then held by the trial judges that some of the bribery charges had been proved, but that agency had not been established. Accordingly, none of the charges succeeded as affecting the election, and the petition was dismissed. The appeal taken by the petitioner was as to charges which grouped themselves under two heads.

The Bribery Practiced.

Mr. Aylesworth for the petitioner first drew attention to a set of charges involving a man named William F. Luton. These charges were known as Nos. 26, 27, 30 and a fourth had been added. Charge 26 was that Luton paid $5 to a man named William Follick, jun. Charge 30 was that Luton paid one Pettit $7 to induce him to vote for the respondent. The fourth, an added charge, was that Luton made an offer of time in which to pay a debt to Duncan Doan, for the same purpose. The trial judges held in charge 30 that the evidence of Pettit could not be depended upon, and the charge was therefore dismissed. In the other three charges corruption was declared proved, but not agency. Mr. Aylesworth was hopeful the present court would take an opposite view from the trial judges. He then went on to point out that the two Follicks were men who had always voted on the Reform side. Luton was a Conservative. He was a farmer, and, it was shown at the trial, asked the elder Follick to go and see if a certain man had cattle to sell. Follick went, and, on returning was paid $5 by Luton. The sum of $1.50 would have been ample remuneration for such service if it had not happened at election time. The younger Follick was asked by Luton to go to the latter's house and do some chores. A domestic for doing this work would have been paid 25 cents. Follick, jun., received $5.

Wm. Luton's Agency.

Mr. Aylesworth then devoted himself to arguing in favor of Luton's agency. The evidence of agency, he contended, was very strong. Luton had always exhibited great authority at previous elections in behalf of the Conservative candidate, and was expected by Mr. Brower to take a similar part in this election. The respondent's counsel had contended that because there was no direct recognition, no direct knowledge on the part of the candidate of anything that Luton was doing, the proof of agency failed. From that view Mr. Aylesworth dissented, and he went on to cite circumstances which, in his opinion, clearly established Luton's agency. Luton was well-known to be a Conservative, and was a prominent man in the riding. On one occasion he presided over a public meeting, in the absence of the president. He also attended three meetings at which the voters' lists were discussed. The last of the three was held at Luton's own house the night before the election.

Mr. Nesbitt, in reply, argued that the acts proven against Luton were not corrupt practices, and that the finding of the trial judges should be reversed on that point.

Their Lordships, apparently, were not impressed with counsel's argument, as later on, when Mr. Aylesworth began to deal with it, the court told him he need not go into it.

Mr. Nesbitt went on to refer to the question of Luton's agency, arguing at length that agency had not been established and citing numerous English and Canadian authorities in support of his contention, and endeavoring to draw a distinction between the present case and the Haldimand proceedings, which Mr. Aylesworth had quoted.

The court reserved judgment.

Electric Workman Fearfully Mangled.

Almonte, Ont., Sept. 19.—William Pollock, in the employ of the Almonte Electric Light Company, met with a fatal accident here last night. While working with a large driving belt he was caught and drawn into the wheels. One arm was torn from the body at the elbow, and he was hurt internally. He died two hours after the accident happened. It took them over an hour to get him out of the jam.

Convicts Gone to Cobourg.

Napanee, Ont., Sept. 19.—The three prisoners and witnesses in the Dominion Bank robbery case—Pare, Holden and Roach—were yesterday afternoon taken to Cobourg.

OLD N.P. STILL LIVES.

Mr. Foster Brought a Message of Consolation to the Conservative Party at Toronto Monday Night.

Toronto, Sept. 19.—It was a message of consolation which Hon. George E. Foster brought to the Toronto Conservatives who gathered in Massey Hall last evening. The meeting was advertised as the celebration of the twenty-first birthday of the establishment of the National Policy in Canada. That event was the work of Sir John Macdonald, the mention of whose name was the frequent signal for enthusiasm. Although the Conservatives were temporarily deprived of power, Mr. Foster told his friends the Liberal Government had apparently adopted their policy, the greatest compliment they could possibly pay to it. Yet there was a work for the party to do. Sir Richard Cartwright's recent speech in Toronto received considerable attention from the ex-Minister of Finance. His reception was cordial, but there seemed a lack of enthusiasm on the part of the audience.

Mr. Whitney Speaks.

A better reception was tendered the leader of the Ontario Opposition, Mr. J. P. Whitney, who preceded Mr. Foster and spoke half an hour. Mr. Whitney's address was frequently interrupted by loud cheering. His remarks were almost entirely confined to a consideration of provincial politics. He arraigned the Ontario Government for what he described as its reign of corruption, and condemned it in unmeasured terms for not prosecuting men who practised fraud in elections.

VILLE MARIE BANK ENQUIRY.

Liquidator Kent Gives Some More Figures Showing Discrepancies.

Montreal, Sept. 19.—In substance the evidence given yesterday afternoon in the enquiry court by Mr. A. L. Kent, one of the liquidators of the suspended Ville Marie Bank, was that the loans to directors and firms of which they are partners were $179,755.08, as against $87,805 in the report sent to the Government; that the other assets not included in a former report were $3009, as against $284,702.28 in the said report; that the call loans were $10,700, as against $88,665.81 in the said report.

The witness said the books showed that Mr. W. Weir was responsible to the bank for $154,579.13, either through notes or as an endorser, while the Montreal Glove Company owed the bank $23,971, of which Mr. W. Weir and Mr. F. Smith were two of the directors. The items as given were notes by Mr. W. Weir, as endorser for F. Weir, $24,085.48; notes in trust, $50,495.52; straight notes, $74,581; overdrafts, $6913.40, and loans, $1428.20.

Coming upon the particulars promised regarding certain persons referred to in the current loans of the last sitting, the witness said his predictions were verified, as they were either dead or insolvent, excepting two—R. D. Haig and Mrs. Weir—whom he believed were perfectly solvent. The current loans to the John Anderson estate, in four notes, totalled $29,777. The firm failed in 1894, said the witness, and the estate is closed. The real estate was bought for the bank by Mr. W. Weir for $45,000, on which there was a mortgage of $30,000, being but $15,000 as an asset.

The investigation will continue Wednesday afternoon.

THREE INSTANTLY KILLED.

Mr. and Mrs. Sauvie and Child of Montreal Struck by a Train.

Montreal, Sept. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Sauvie and their little daughter were instantly killed while attempting to cross the Canadian Pacific tracks at Lachute last night. They were in a buggy, and when the engine struck them they were hurled 500 feet. Engineer King did all he could to avert the accident. Mr. Sauvie was formerly a resident of Hawkesbury.

An Ugly Customer Arrested.

Constable Lawrence Hunter of the city police force arrested a man yesterday afternoon on Ottawa street for stealing, and was taking him to the station, when the man pulled out a nitro-glycerine cartridge from his pocket and threw it on the ground. It exploded and the constable was badly injured. The prisoner was captured. He is a dangerous character known as Fenian Pendergast, who has served in the St. Vincent de Paul and Kingston penitentiaries.

Will Resist Succession Duties.

Windsor, Ont., Sept. 19. — P. E. Fleming, solicitor for the Canadian estate of Daniel Scotten, the millionaire tobacco manufacturer of Detroit (recently deceased) says in regard to the claim made by the Ontario Government for succession duties on the money which Mr. Scotten had placed in Canadian banks, that the estate would fight the Government to a finish, as the money was private funds, belonging to Mr. Scotten, and had been placed in the different banks for safe keeping.

Mr. Hicks Was Killed.

Picton, Ont., Sept. 19.—Yesterday about five miles from here at East Lake, Joseph Hicks was thrown from a load of apple barrels. One of the barrels rolling off the load frightened the horse, which became unmanageable, throwing Mr. Hicks off, crushing his leg terribly and bruising him internally. Doctors from Picton were sent for at once, but all to no purpose, as Mr. Hicks passed away about noon. He leaves a wife and six sons.

Yukon Soldiers Returning.

Vancouver, B.C., Sept. 19. — The steamer Alpha, which arrived from Skaguay yesterday morning, had on board 88 non-commissioned officers and men of the Yukon field force and four commissioned officers. The latter were: Major D. Douglas Young, Capt. Burstall, Capt. J. C. Ogilvie, R.C.A., and Capt. Louis Leduc of Montreal.

The fruit evaporator owned by Merner Bros., Zurich, Ont., was totally destroyed by fire on Wednesday, together with storehouse and about 8,000 pounds of dried apples.

MARINE MATTERS.

The steamship Delta, formerly of the Cunard Line, and the second steamer to run across the Atlantic between England and Halifax, is wrecked off the coast of Newfoundland.

The largest vessel ever built, the White Star Liner Oceanic, has arrived at New York on her first voyage. She had over 2,000 people on board, and registers 17,000 tons, engines 445,000 horse-power and consumes 500 tons of coal daily.

THE SCIENTIFIC WORLD.

The British Association for the Advancement of Science has granted £1,000 toward the expense of an Antarctic expedition.

Mr. Chamberlain, Colonial Secretary, has appointed Dr. Hamilton K. Wright (McGill, 1895), to be pathologist to the Straits Settlements, with instructions to especially study the diseases of Beriberi