"WE ARE THE PEOPLE!"

Laurier Says Quebec Has Taken Its Place at the Head of Confederation.

"We Will Succeed in Restoring Their Rights to the Manitoba Minority."

Experts of the Mercier Type Soon to Exploit the Federal Treasury.

MONTREAL, June 26.—A great demonstration took place here last night in honor of Mr. Laurier. He spent the day at the St. Lawrence Hall and was joined in the evening by Sir R. Cartwright. After dinner together at G. W. Stephens' residence they drove to the Champ de Mars, where many thousands of people were awaiting them. They were joined here by Messrs. Tarte, Ethier, Madore, Bruneau, Monet, McShane and many others. Mr. Laurier was kept bowing his acknowledgments several minutes before he was able to speak.

Discussing the Liberal victory, Quebec he said had taken its place at the head of confederation. As to the school question, the people had tried six years of a wobbling government, and he was confident that by making an appeal to the generosity and sense of justice of the Manitoba government "we will succeed in restoring to the minority the rights of which they have been deprived." On the tariff Mr. Laurier repeated his remarks made earlier in the day about being reformers, not revolutionists. He closed thus: "From this day begins a new era, and from this day all Canadians, without distinction of origin, creed or race, will be equally loyal subjects to Her Majesty."

Sir Richard Cartwright had an enthusiastic reception, and in a brief speech expressed the hope that the past election would to no ordinary degree sweep away those foolish prejudices which had in the past divided English from French and Catholic from Protestant. Never, he said, was a leader found in Canada more calculated or better able in every possible shape and way to reconcile and bring together those jarring elements which in times past had disturbed the common peace, thau his friend Wilfrid Laurier.

TORONTO, June 26.—The Mail and Empire says editorially: "We are going to get from this ebullition of general election a distinctly Quebec government of the Mercier type at Ottawa. Like conditions produce like results. It is idle to suppose the Ontario Liberals can protect us. The men who worked and stole under Mercier are experts in the business. They can clean out the treasury while Sir Oliver is sleeping in the Senate. With a repetition of the Mercier regime at the federal capital, it is necessary we should all be fully alive to every move on the chessboard and thoroughly united for the defence of our interests. The Mail and Empire for its part recognizes, as all Ontario must, the seriousness of the situation, and is determined, not in a spirit of partisanship but rather of patriotism and independence, to guard the interest of the English-speaking population in this danger."

THE BROTHERS KITCHENER.

(From the Montreal Witness)

Major-General Kitchener, commander of the Egyptian and British forces, whose ultimate object is now apparent, is the re-conquest of the Soudan, has had a stirring story.

A glimpse of this was offered this morning by Lieut.-Colonel Kitchener, brother of the distinguished General, who is now at the St. Lawrence Hall. Lieut.-Colonel Kitchener has himself had a long and honorable record, although not so brilliant as that of him who is manifestly destined to make history in Egypt. He has been in active service in India and Burmah for many years, and latterly he has been chief of the staff at Jamaica.

The Sirdar of the Egyptian army had his training in the Engineers at Woolwich. His first public employment was in the exploration of Palestine. Here he was occupied for years, at the instance of a large company which carried on extensive exploration and excavation work, in which he played a conspicuous part. Incidentally, he learned the language, and lived and comported himself in all respects like an Arab.

When Great Britain acquired the island of Cyprus, the General was employed by the Salisbury government to make plans and maps of the same, and, generally, to do important surveying work. Shortly afterwards the first Egyptian war broke out, and the General, obtaining a short leave of absence, found himself on board the flagship at the shelling of Alexandria. Sir Alexander Alison desired to make him his A.D.C., but he was recalled to his work at Cyprus, much to his disgust, for it was his hope to distinguish himself in Egypt, whose problems he understood, the language of whose people he spoke, and which, with unerring prescience, he divined would in the near future be the theatre of large events. However, he returned to Cyprus, finished his work, and received the thanks of the government. We next find him in conjunction with a French and German Commissioner, engaged on behalf of the government in the work of delimiting the boundary line in Zanzibar. That he rendered signal service to the government in this connection is appared from the fact that upon the completion of his labors he was knighted.

There was a second Egyptian war; there were defeats, and the death of notable generals, and the loss of prestige. In the expedition up the Nile he was employed in the intelligence department, from his acquaintance with the country and his familiarity with the tongue spoken by the native. He pushed on and on, and was the first to enter Dongola. Here there was a moment of awful suspense, franght with the gravest consequences to the General. The question was, would Dongola side with the enemy or with the British? The decision was at last made in favor of the latter.

"It is a curious circumstance," said Lieut.-Colonel Kitchener, "that my brother is now in charge of an expedition whose objective point is Dongola, which he entered years ago under circumstances so different from those under which he will enter it now.

"He greatly regretted that he was not present at Tel-el Kebir, but, appointed to a cavalry commanded, he was present at Abou-Kiea, and had a brush with Osman Digna. It was there, I may say, he was shot in the cheek. The doctors laid bare the whole side of his face, in a vain attempt to find the bullet. They said he could not live. My sister went out from England to nurse him.

"Why, I believe," said my brother one day, "I believe that I have swallowed the bullet."

"The surgeons laughed quietly. They knew better."

"But he did swallow it," said Lieut.-Colonel Kitchener, exultantly, "and the fact was demonstrated, much to the confusion of the surgeons, and the quiet satisfaction of my brother."

"Do you think the present expedition means a good deal more than the occupation of Dongola? Is it your belief that the attempt will be made to completely quash the Mahdi with the view to the ultimate occupation of the Soudan by the British?"

'I have not heard from my brother for a month, but, from what I can gather, it is reasonably certain that the expedition will have a larger scope than was at first anticipated. The allusion of Lord Salisbury in the House of Lords recently, would seem to confirm this.'

OUTRAGES ON ARMENIANS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 27.—Denial is given by the sublime Porte to the statement that Turkish troops fired upon Armenian prisoners. The Porte continues to hang Armenians publicly. It is understood that Russia will prevent the publication of Vialar's report.

Complete accord exists between the representatives of the great powers on the subject of securing the appointment of a Christian governor of Crete and the fulfilment of the treaty of Haleppa.

The Persians are promoting disturbances and fomenting the revolt throughout Armenia. The Druses have received Bedouin support and are driving out the Turks. Diplomatic pressure is being brought to bear upon the Porte, increasing the chances of peace.

The following statement has been received from Captain Vialar: "I have witnessed hideous enormities. Armenian girls and women were publicly sold at auction. A mother threw her two daughters into a well before my eyes to save them from the Turks. Evidences of Turkish official complicity have been obtained by me. The foreign press should be ashamed to remain indifferent." Captain Vialar deplores the humiliating role accepted by France.

THE VENEZUELAN SETTLEMENT.

LONDON, June 27.—The Standard, Conservative, says of the latest phases of the Venezuelan question: "It does not seem too sanguine to expect that the settlement of the affair will lead before long to a general arrangement of other questions between England and Venezuela that will enable us to resume cordial relations with a state toward which we have only sentiments of neighborly friendship."

The Morning Post, also Conservative, says: "It is not a comforting reflection that the release of Mr. Harrison, the crown surveyor, is probably largely due to the influence of the United States. We are accustomed to think that England can protect her own subjects or exact the penalty due for outrage upon them. The exercise of the influence of the United States is, however, a tribute to the reality of the negotiations for arbitration between America and ourselves."

NOTHING FOR JOSEPH.

TORONTO, June 26.—L. H. Jones, who entertained Mr. Laurier during his recent visit to Toronto, is spoken of as likely to succeed Mr. Kirkpatrick as Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario.

The race for the portfolio which will fall vacant in the Ontario cabinet when Sir Oliver Mowat goes to Ottawa, lies between E. J. Davies, J. R. Stratton, and Speaker Balfour, with the chances strongly in favor of the first, who is generally acknowledged to be the ablest and most deserving of the three. The Mail remarks that Sir Oliver is not likely to resign the Ontario premiership until the night before he enters Mr. Laurier's cabinet, so as to avoid any loss of salary.

In all cabinet speculations the name of Hon. Clifford Sifton appears as Manitoba's representative. Joseph Martin's name has not appeared on any of the slates.

PUTTING ON THE SCREWS.

CHICAGO, June 27. — Fire insurance agents threaten to take revenge on every property owner in Chicago in retaliation for the passage by the city council of an ordinance taxing all agents whose companies are not Illinois corporations, two per cent. on their gross premiums. This money goes to the maintenance of fire departments. The agents met in special session and there was also an emergency meeting of the Chicago underwriters' association, which decided to raise the insurance rates in the city 5 per cent. Their openly expressed purpose is to hold this insurance over the heads of the people as a club to force the repeal of the obnoxious ordinance.

THE SANDON FIRE.

(From the Spokane Spokesman-Review.)

Fires were carelessly set about one mile below town Sunday morning and at 10 o'clock the safety of Sandon was so menaced that the bucket brigade was called out and stationed along the wagon road from the slaughter house up, and the work train on the Canadian Pacific was sent from Three Forks with a gang of men to protect their property. The Kaslo & Slocan train was shut out by the fire, which crossed both the main line and the Cody branch. A few ties were burned out and several rails were bent, but the workmen had the track repaired so the train came in nearly on time. About 200 cords of two-foot wood was burned and the trainmen say a large quantity was burned at Fifteen-Mile station.

Out of weakness comes strength when the blood has been purified, enriched and vitalized by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

FAST ATLANTIC SHIPS.

Tender of the Allans Considered and to Be Laid Before Parliament.

Tupper Winding up Business While Laurier Impatiently Waits for a Summons.

The Defeated French Ministers—Elections Gazetted—Fish for This Coast.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTAWA, June 26.—From appearances to-day, Sir Charles Tupper's ministry will not be able to leave office until the end of next week. The treasury board met this morning and the cabinet had another long session this afternoon, when considerable business was transacted. Hon. Geo. E. Foster and Hon. J. J. Ross, who were not here yesterday, were present to-day. The most important business taken up was the matter of the fast line tenders. Quite a number had been sent in, but singular to say only one complies absolutely with the terms of advertisement and specifications. It is from the old reliable Canadian company, the Allan Line, and it is understood that their figure is in the vicinity of £225,000 sterling. It was not definitely decided to recommend the acceptance of this tender, but under any circumstances the contract must be ratified by parliament. The Premier said to your correspondent that there is no evidence on the face of the tender to show that the Dominion line are associated with the Allans in it.

Communications have passed between the Premier and the Governor-General regarding the prospective resignation of the ministry. His Excellency is at Quebec, but has intimated his willingness to return to Ottawa at Sir Charles' convenience. Mr. Laurier wired his friends here to-day that he will not come to Ottawa until the Governor-General sends for him.

The general impression is that Messrs. Angers and Desjardins will be reappointed to the Senate, although neither appears to be very anxious for a seat in the upper house. Ex-Premier Taillon accepts his defeat in a philosophical spirit; he puts it that as Quebec apparently does not want him he will not seek a seat in either the Senate or the Commons.

Among the Conservative members in town there is a decidedly belligerent spirit, as the nature of the influences prevailing on Tuesday becomes understood. Some of the members want the government to meet the house, but the cooler heads of the party applaud the decision of the cabinet to step out as soon as urgent business can be wound up.

Four members will be gazetted to-morrow. They are those who were elected by acclamation: D. D. Rogers, Frontenac; C. Beausoleil, Berthier; F. Dupont, Bagot; M. E. Bernier, St. Hyacinthe. John Macdougald's appointment as commissioner of customs is also to be gazetted. The appointment dates from May 1.

The town of Nelson has been created a port of entry, at which oil may be imported in tank cars.

A shipment of live lobsters, oysters and black bass will be despatched to British Columbia next week.

LOYAL KITKATLAS.

LOWE INLET, June 19.—(Special)—The populace here was to-day in quite a flutter of excited anticipation on the arrival from Metlakahtla of the government steamer Vigilant, having on board the popular Indian agent, Mr. Todd, as the bearer of letters and presents from Her Majesty Queen Victoria to Chief Shakes, of the Kitkatla Indians.

Some time ago Shakes, in the generosity of his heart, having had a good season's fishing, concluded that probably Her Majesty, a sister chieftain, would appreciate a pecuniary mark of appreciation, and remitted to her, through the Indian office, the sum of $100 in gold, as mentioned in the COLONIST at the time.

To-day, through the Indian office, Shakes has received a letter from the Governor-General of Canada enclosing another from Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, conveying the information that his present had been laid at the foot of the throne, and by Her Majesty most graciously accepted, the Secretary of State having been commanded to forward to Shakes a return gift consisting of a full-sized framed picture of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, endorsed by her autograph, and two magnificent Scotch plaids, one for the chief and another for his wife.

After reading the letters and having had them translated into the Tsimpsian tongue, Mr. Todd in a short patriotic speech made the presentation. In receiving the presents, Shakes, who was much delighted, said: "I thank Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria for her condescension, and I thank God for the greatness which has come upon me. I shall always praise God and Queen Victoria, so that at the last day I may hope to meet and shake hands with her before the great white throne and in the presence of the king of kings and chief of chiefs."

Amid cheers for the Queen the meeting dispersed, and the presents are now on view in the home of Shakes at Lowe Inlet.

COMPLETING THE TALE.

A Winnipeg despatch of last evening states that the final returns from Lisgar give Richardson, Liberal, a majority of 66; and from Selkirk a majority of 29 for McDonell, Liberal. These are the only two seats carried by the Liberals in Manitoba.

The following further returns from Yale-Cariboo came in yesterday: Keithley Creek—Bostock 15, Mara 10; Big Bar—Bostock 12, Mara 1; Empire Valley—Bostock 13, Mara 0.

The Danube brought the result of the polling at Port Simpson, in Burrard district. It was: Maxwell 26; Cowan 21; Bowser 10.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Well Known Logger Drowned—Vancouver's Dominion Day Programme—The Fraser.

Partial Clean Up on the Horsefly—Knights of Pythias Memorial Services.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, June 27.—Word comes that Arthur W. Gibbs, a logger, was drowned at Higgins' camp, up North, recently. His body has been brought down by the Comox. He is an Englishman, with no relatives here and no friends that are known elsewhere. His old associates will give him a decent burial in Vancouver.

Mr. Browning, of the Horsefly mine, Cariboo, reports that a brick worth $8,100 was the result of a partial clean-up of gravel in the sluices, the sides or ditches not being touched. There is abundant water and work is being pushed on the Horsefly and Cariboo.

A resolution will be introduced at the next council meeting asking the provincial government to reduce the Vancouver police magistrate's salary from $1,800 to $1,500.

Another rich strike has been made twenty-seven miles from the now famous Golden Eagle mine in Lillooet. The ore brought in is free milling and very rich. Mr. A. Effinger, who made the strike, made an error in staking the claim and has returned to do some blasting and properly stake out his proposition. He has been taken in hand by three Vancouver men in a partnership venture.

A letter has been received from Rivers Inlet by a Vancouver citizen stating that the strike among the fishermen was still on. The fishermen demand 10 cents per fish instead of 6 cents.

The Knights of Pythias hold their memorial services on Sunday. An oration is to be delivered by ex-Rev. G. R. Maxwell.

A. W. Finbow, formerly of the News-Advertiser, has had a remarkable and pleasant experience. Last week he won the $2,000 appropriation in the Vancouver Building Society, and this week won a similar appropriation from the Terminal City Building Society.

The finance committee has reduced the assessment on the telephone company's switch board.

The Dominion Express Company have written to the finance committee refusing to pay a municipal license for doing business. They hold a Dominion license which they claim is worded in such a way that the cities cannot reach them. The amount asked for was $100.

The following is the Dominion Day programme in brief: First day—Procession, trap shooting tournament, intermediate lacrosse (Beavers v. Nanaimo), senior lacrosse (Vancouver v. Victoria), illumination bicycle parade, dancing. Second day — Boys brigade review, bicycle meet, naval sports, band concert. The committee would not allow expenses for bringing the non-commissioned and men of the Fifth from Victoria, as the World's Regatta committee wish to bring them.

The Hastings hotel was on fire yesterday. The roof was burned off before the flames were got under control.

R. E. Gosnell has formally requested the city to send him a suitable photograph of Vancouver for reproduction in the London, England, Historical Geography.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, June 27.—The river is higher than at any time this season and is still rising. A large quantity of drift is on the river.

Captain Cooper, for a guarantee of $5,000 a year, has offered to build a cable ferry capable of carrying cars across the river at this point.

KAMLOOPS.

(From the Inland Sentinel.)

On Monday, July 13, the Kamloops Loyal Orange lodge intend having a grand celebration in Kamloops. They expect to be able to secure reduced rates from interior stations on the C.P.R. A grand public picnic will be held and no pains will be spared to make it the most enjoyable event of the season. Revelstoke and Salmon Arm lodges are expected.

The semi-annual examinations of the public schools of Kamloops took place on Friday morning. There was a considerable attendance of parents and others and the examinations were very satisfactory. At the conclusion the pupils of the first division presented the head master, Mr. E. Stuart Wood, with a beautiful piece of silverware, accompanied by an address read by Miss E. M. Lauder.

NEW DENVER.

(From the Ledge.)

Clark McNickle has made a couple of locations in the Springer Lemon country.

Dan McCuaig and Dan McPherson will finish work on the Beaverton Boy, a claim in the vicinity of the half-way house on Ten Mile.

The B. C., Nellie D and Highland Mary are three claims in the Cariboo creek country, which were bonded this week for $36,000 by Mr. McPhaden, who is representing a Rossland Co.

Pellew Harvey, of Vancouver, was in looking over the Bondholder group of claims, on behalf of H. Dunbar, but on account of the snow he could do but little.

The Silver Cliff, a claim in which Rev. G. A. Love, Walter Clough and Dan McKenzie have interests, is liable to turn out a paying proposition. Development work has exposed to view a foot of dry ore which assays very well. Rumor has it that an offer of $2,000 was made for this property, but it was rejected.

A. M. Beattie, of Vancouver, has declared his intention of settling down permanently in Slocan City. He thinks that before the season is over the Slocan will be a hotter camp than ever Trail Creek was.

Ed. Shannon and J. Todd will leave soon for Galena Farm to do assessment on the Lydia.

The Promistora will ship ore soon.

At the Bad Shot, in Trout Lake district, they have a large amount of galena ore on the dump, the assays from which have been exceptionally high.

Water will be pumped out of the Currie next week to allow the representatives of some Vancouver capitalists to inspect the workings. Very little work has been done on this property since last fall, but the probabilities are that it will be bonded and placed on a shipping basis.

A shipment of ore from the Little Daisy will soon be made. The boys are getting the ore out at the rate of from 15 to 20 sacks a day. They have penetrated for a distance of 137 feet.

The possibilities of Ten-Mile for the prospector are very good, in fact better than any other part of the lower lake country. Comparatively little attention was paid to this section last season and consequently a very large area of good country has been entirely overlooked.

W. A. Coplen has returned to Denver from Cariboo creek. He brings with him some ore from the Mountain Meadow which is entirely new in character from that which has heretofore been met with from the surface showings of the camp. The property is a copper gold proposition, and exposes in places some fine samples of native copper.

VERNON.

(From the News.)

Strawberries are coming into town in large quantities, and the crop this year is unusually large. The Coldstream ranch made their first shipment last Saturday to Calgary.

J. Wulffsohn, of Vancouver, is in the city accompanied by Mr. Clemms, a mining expert, who will look over some of the claims in this district with a view of investing if he finds anything.

A mineral claim was recorded this week by Mr. John Merritt, of Cherry Creek, which gives indication of being an extremely valuable ledge. It is situated on Mr. Merritt's ranch, and the ore is as promising in appearance as any that we have seen in the district.

A new and rich mineral claim was located recently at Camp Hewitt by Messrs. Bonvette, Hamilton and others. It is called the Missing Link and is situated just north of the Lakeview. Experts express the opinion that it is one of the most promising ledges in the district.

The house of Messrs. E. Harris and C. Cosens, situated on the south side of Long lake, was entered by burglars last week and a shovel, mattock, along with a quantity of nails and candles, were stolen.

MIDWAY.

[From the Midway Advance.]

The Oro Denoro, upon which a bond has just been given, is owned by W. A. Corbett, who located the claim in the fall of 1895. The claim lies in Summit Camp, and is the northern extension of the Mountain Rose. The ore body is a tremendous one, although at the same time not one solid body of ore, as it is composed of a number of veins interspersed with country rock, which, constituting the formation of the camp, consists principally of granite and lime. The bond stipulates that on June 4 $100 will be paid, July 4 $200, August 4 $200, and $100 per month for 19 months following, and $30,000 on or before the 1st of June, 1898. The bond conveys the privilege to the party bonding—Mr. Ross Thompson—of mining and carrying away ore to any amount, the net proceeds, however, to be paid to Mr. Corbett, and form part of the purchase money.

Mr. J. Schofield is developing the Bray Fogle claim in Summit camp. The Bray Fogle lies next to the Mountain Rose, and the ore that is being taken out is pronounced very fine. Mr. W. T. Smith owns an interest in the claim.

Mr. Cartney and Mr. Babinger, of Salt Lake City, who bought out the R. Bell and other claims in Summit camp, are making preparations for the further development of the claims.

Jack Bucher has bonded his claim, the Copper King, on the mountain near Keremeos, to Captain Hall, and J. Harber, of the Similkameen, has also bonded two claims in the same vicinity to the same party.

Petzite, a telluride of gold and silver of a very rich character, has been found in the ore from the Enterprise claim on the Jewel lead in the Long lake camp. The percentage of gold in the telluride is very high—18.39 per cent.

Mr. Dan Lore, of Murray, Idaho, passed through Midway last week on his way to Rock Creek, to take charge of the hydraulic mine for Mr. Monaghan.

R. Cawston passed through to Rossland last week with a band of prime beef steers, the first of the summer's drive. They will be taken over the Dewdney trail.

D. Graham has made a strike of very good ore on the mountain between Myers Flat and Keremeos and has staked some good leads.

SPANISH CURRENCY IN CUBA.

HAVANA, June 27.—A royal decree has been issued authorizing the Spanish bank here to issue $12,000,000 in gold bills, in denominations of $10, $5, $3 and $1, and in fractional denominations of 50, 20, 10 and 5 cents, the above sum to be delivered by the local treasury in payment of current obligations. The government will deposit in the vaults of the bank $3,000,000 in silver, besides a part of the stamp tax collected by it. The government is authorized to enforce the circulation of these notes.

La Lucha strongly disapproves the decree. El Commercio, the organ of the retailers, attacks the project bitterly. Other newspapers here simply give the news without comment. All the commercial organizations propose to hold a meeting to discuss the measure, which has created dissatisfaction.

NEW YORK, June 27.—A despatch to the World from Havana says: "The period within which, according to Gen. Weyler's edict, all countrymen in Pinar del Rio must go to the towns or go to the insurgents expired to-day. Hereafter all who are found in the country will be held to be enemies. People are forbidden to take out food for Artemisa."

The Time for Building

Up the system is at this season. The cold weather has made unusual drains upon the vital forces. The blood has become impoverished and impure, and all the functions of the body suffer in consequence. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the great builder, because it is the One True Blood Purifier and nerve tonic.

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James Haggart, of Wellington, is a guest at the Oriental.

MORE OUTSIDE TALENT

Banker Cox Suggested to Supplant Sir Richard—Portfolio Wanted for Peter Ryan Also.

Laurier at the Mercy of His Hungry Quebec Following Who Clamor for the Spoils.

Saskatchewan Rejected the Liberal Leader and Again Returned a Conservative.

TORONTO, June 27.—Editorially the Mail, under caption of "A serious situation," shows that the Conservatives have a majority in the Maritime Provinces, and, dividing the Independents equally between the two parties, a majority in the rest of Canada, save in Quebec, where Laurier will have a majority of 28, one of whom will be the Speaker. "A little knot of French-Canadians," it proceeds, "can at any time put Laurier out. Let him refuse any demand, however improper it may be, made upon him by his Quebec following, and off goes his head. It is not to be merely a Quebec government at Ottawa. That would not be so bad if the personnel were safe, but the promised government is distinctly of the Mercier type. Ontario, let it be repeated, is faced with a very serious condition of affairs, and it is incumbent upon us all, as principal contributors to the revenue, to watch events carefully and closely and do what we can to uphold British Canada in the fight that lies before us."

Sir Oliver Mowat has gone to Montreal, it is supposed to consult with Mr. Laurier re the formation of the cabinet. Peter Ryan is named as the possible representative of the Irish-Catholics in the Laurier cabinet.

The World prints a special from Montreal to the effect that a large number of business men had waited on Mr. Laurier to ask him not to have Sir Richard Cartwright as finance minister; also that President Geo. A. Cox, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, had been mentioned in leading Liberal circles as the probable finance minister. The dispatch adds that Mr. Frankland, of East York, will make way for Cox in that constituency.

MONTREAL, June 27.—Mr. Laurier is now at Arthabaskaville, where he will remain until sent for by Earl Aberdeeen.

WINNIPEG, June 27.—Hon. Hugh John Macdonald left for Ottawa to-day to straigten up matters in his department before he makes way for his successor. He will return to the city in a week or ten days and will renew the practice of his profession. He will sit for Winnipeg through parliament.

Returns from Selkirk constituency are still conflicting, leaving the result in favor of Mr. McDonell, but figures from several points are disputed by Mr. Armstrong's supporters.

WEST PRINCE ALBERT, June 27.—Hon. Wilfrid Laurier's majority for Saskatchewan still remains at 115, with several places to hear from. These polls are very remote, being Meadow Lake, Green Lake, Lac la Rouge, Cumberland House, Birch River, The Pas, and Cedar Lake. The number of votes polled at these stations at past elections totalled over three hundred, but it is unlikely that any such number was cast last Tuesday.

Later information is that the Laurier people practically concede Saskatchewan to McKay on the number of votes cast, but say they will protest the election. This, however, is improbable. Mr. Craig, the Independent candidate, lost his deposit, receiving only 206 votes out of the possible 2,200.

LONDON, June 27.—It is announced that Mr. Edward Blake, member of parliament for the South Division of Longford, who was leader of the Canadian Liberal party from 1880 to 1887, will probably accept office in the new Laurier ministry. In 1891 he retired from political life in Canada, issuing a manifesto disapproving of the issue of unrestricted reciprocity with the United States put forward by the Liberal party.

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

"Didn't Know It Was Loaded."

TORONTO, June 27.—Wesley Weddis, of Gesto, Essex county, was shot in the right shoulder by a bullet from a rifle in the hands of Harry McGregor, blacksmith. McGregor did not know it was loaded. He pointed it at Weddis in joke. McGregor has not been arrested.

Ruined by an Election Bet.

WINDSOR, June 27—Michael O'Rourke, aged 38, of Windsor, bet almost everything he had on the results of the recent election and lost it. He tried yesterday to commit suicide, stabbing himself in the stomach with a five-inch knife blade. He will probably recover.

The steamship Asloun, which arrived at Portland on Wednesday, is expected here on the 3rd proximo. Before leaving Portland she will discharge all but her Victoria cargo, and will also load almost all her outward freight.

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